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Greetings from President Kenneth Lawrence

Greetings Compatriots.

As we move into the summer months, we will continue to be active within our community.

The evening of July 3rd our Color guard will present the colors at the Branson 4th of July fireworks display and show at the Branson Landing at 8:30 P.M.

Our annual 4th of July parade at Meadowmere Place will be held at 10:00 A.M. Our Color guard will lead the procession of an old-fashioned parade of classic cars, decorated bicycles, and neighborhood pets all decked out in red, white and blue with about 600 people participating. In addition to the festivities, there will be donuts, cookies and soft drinks for all to enjoy. Please join us for a lot of fun and to celebrate our nation on this patriotic day.

The 129th annual SAR Congress will be held in Costa Mesa, California on July 5th thru July 10th 2019. Anyone planning on attending, please contact our State Secretary, David Shaul, for credentialing before traveling to California.

The Spirit of St. Louis Chapter is hosting a grave marking ceremony for **three** Revolutionary War Patriots at the Sappington Cemetery in Crestwood, Missouri on July 13th at 10:00 A.M. Please contact me for details if you wish to attend this event.

July 16th brings our History Explorers event at The Library Center at 7:00 P.M. Our own Compatriot Dale Moore will present an "Ozarks Watch" like event entitled "Capturing Ozarks History".

Our monthly chapter meeting will be on July 20 at 9:00 and our speaker for the day will be Richard Crabtree, who will speak on Governor Phelps and the railroad in Springfield.

Then to close out the month on July 27th, our Missouri State Society meeting will be held at 10:00 A.M. in Columbia, Mo. For those of you planning on attending, please contact me or one of our officers for carpooling information.

The more members we have participating, the more impressive and successful, it makes our event.

Please check your calendars and plan to attend *and* participate in our activities.

Next Chapter Meeting

Next Scheduled Meeting: July 20, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Ozarks Technical College, Room 108.

The guest speaker is Richard Crabtree who will present how Governor Phelps brought the railroad to Springfield.

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The British occupied New York City in August 1776, and the city would remain a British stronghold for the duration of the Revolutionary War. The Culper Ring, also known as the *Setauket Spy Ring*. This was a group of operatives whose purpose was to make General George Washington aware of the movements of the British in New York City and Long Island.

The Culper Ring, also known as the *Setauket Spy Ring*

Nathan Hale's capture and execution launched the *Culper Spy Ring*. Nathan Hale, a young Patriot, volunteered for an intelligence-gathering mission in the city, but the British

captured Hale, who was carrying drawings of their fortifications in his shoe and hanged him on September 22, 1776. He is best remembered for his last words: "I only regret that I have but one life to give for my country." Hale's death illustrates the grave dangers inherent in spying for the Patriots.

In summer 1778, General Washington asked 24-year-old Major Benjamin Tallmadge from Setauket, Long Island to recruit people who could be trusted to collect good information in New York City. Tallmadge had been Nathan Hale's college roommate at Yale. Tallmadge established an elaborate system of riders and couriers who used aliases, a coded dictionary and invisible ink to pass on messages.

The name of their spy ring was derived from the aliases taken by two of its main members: Samuel Culper Sr. (Abraham Woodhull) and Samuel Culper Jr. (Robert Townsend). They operated mostly in New York City, Long Island and Connecticut, where they conducted covert operations until after the end of the Revolutionary War, but its heyday was between 1778 and 1781.

One important member of the Culper Spy Ring was **Anna Smith Strong**. She married Selah Strong III in 1760, and they had nine children. The other Culper Spy Ring members were her friends and neighbors. Her husband was a leading Patriot judge, and their family controlled one of Long Island's manors. Anna's home on Strong's Neck in Setauket and her husband's political position made her family a target of the occupying British soldiers.

In 1778 her husband, Judge Selah Strong was arrested and confined on the British prison ship Jersey in New York harbor for "surreptitious correspondence with the enemy." The conditions on those ships were terrible, and she finally got permission to bring him food, which saved his life. Anna had wealthy Tory relatives and they helped her bribe British officials to parole her husband to Connecticut, where he stayed for the remainder of the war, taking their children with him.

Anna was alone on Strong's Neck throughout the rest of the war. She stayed behind to take care of the family home because empty homes were subject to greater destruction and abuse. Many women did this during the Revolution because they were considered non-combatants. Woodhull needed his neighbor Anna Smith Strong to advise him of fellow spy member Caleb Brewster's location.

Caleb Brewster came periodically across the Devil's Belt (Long Island Sound) to deliver or retrieve the Spy Ring's messages. Brewster, one of the most daring of the group, was also the only member whom the British had identified as a spy. Brewster and his crew rowed his whaleboat across the Long Island Sound to and from Connecticut. They were in constant danger because there were British frigates constantly patrolling the Sound, so he hid his boat in the wil- lows of the bay.

Anna Smith Strong's assignment in the Culper Ring was to signal Brewster's arrival to Abraham Woodhull. She did this by hanging laundry on her clothesline in pre-arranged configurations, a system that fooled all by its simplicity. If she hung up a black petticoat, it meant that Brewster was in town.

By counting the number of white handkerchiefs scattered through her wash, Woodhull knew in which of six coves Brewster hid his boat. Under cover of darkness, Woodhull then rendezvoused with Brewster and passed along the secret messages. Brewster and his men then crossed Long Island Sound to Connecticut and passed the information to Tallmadge, who passed it on to Washington's headquarters in Westchester County, New York.

Anna was never referred to in the dispatches, although there are several references to her property and the British movements around her home. Later, when British officers occupied the Manor House, she lived in a small cottage across the Bay from Woodhull's farm to keep an eye on the farm and main house.

In 1779, the British decided to capture the American fort at West Point, New York. West Point prevented British ships from sailing up the Hudson river and dividing the Colonies. The only way to get past this impasse was with some inside help, from the commanding officer at West Point, General Benedict Arnold.

Arnold committed his infamous act of treason and devised a plot to surrender West Point to the British for 20,000 pounds. The plan was discovered by the Culper Ring. The information was relayed to General Washington, but Arnold escaped and fled down the Hudson River to the British in New York City.

Although the Culper Spy Ring took part in many risky endeavors throughout the Revolutionary War, *none* of their members were ever caught. Among the techniques the spy ring used to relay information included coded messages published in newspapers and using invisible ink to write between the lines of what appeared to be a typical letter. Secrecy was so strict that Washington himself did not know the identity of all the operatives, and the American public was not aware of the spy ring's existence.

The Culper Spy Ring achieved more than any other American or British intelligence network during the war. The information collected and passed on by the ring from 1778 to war's end in 1783 concerned key British troop movements and fortifications and plans in New York and the surrounding region.

This story is one of many that describe the bravery of women, who risked their lives for liberty. We owe these Patriot women a huge debt of gratitude for their unselfish devotion in helping preserve the cause of freedom that each of us enjoy.

I hope everyone enjoys our nations birthday this Fourth of July.

See you at the next event!

Ken Lawrence, President

Minutes of the OMCSAR Chapter Meeting

Saturday, June 15, 2019.

By Norman Knowlton, Secretary

President Ken Lawrence called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M. at the Ozarks Technical College, Room 108, with 21 members and two guests.

The OMC Color Guard posted the colors followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by compatriot **Curtis Trent**.

He then thanked those that participated in the Remembrance of the Battle of Bunker Hill that was presented by Compatriot **Dan Piedlow** with the OMC Color Guard.

He then introduced the **Missouri SAR State President James Osbourn**, who led the meeting in the Pledge to the SAR. He then presented some of his agenda for his year as the President of MOSSAR. He stated that the MOSSAR state meetings are going to be more streamlined with his consolidated committee structure-- Including the Patriot Educational Committee, the Historic Site Committee, and the Patriot Record Committee. He asked that biographies of all of our Patriots be forwarded to the MOSSAR Archives. He explained how we all should log on and either submit or addend our Patriot's biographies so all could enjoy the information of our ancestries. Compatriot David Shaul will be the newest state chairman of the Graves Committee.

President Ken Lawrence then introduced our guest speaker of the day **John Feick**, Scout Executive of the Ozark Trails Council. He has been involved with Scouting for 35 years, since he started in North Dakota. He has been the Executive here in Springfield for the past 8 years.

He stated that the Ozark Trails Council is healthy and presently has over 4,000 Scouts with almost 7000 members in its 31 county area. Budget is always an issue, but this council is healthy and in the black and has a balanced budget. A number of areas need some improvements such as Camp Arrowhead which is 95 years old. It serves over 1,500 scouts during the summer and over 7,000 during the year.

He explained some of the new programs, including ATV safety courses, fishing cooperative with Bass Pro, and service oriented programs like the welding merit badge. He is proud of the advancement to Eagle Scout by an average of approximately 150 Eagles per year in the Ozark Trails Council. This year the USA will be hosting the International Scouting Jamboree in West Virginia in July which will have at least 133 countries involved with this activity. Advance scouting in Philmont, New Mexico took a hit last year

with the fires that destroyed a large amount of its camp but will be opened again this summer. He spoke on the benefits and qualities of Eagle Scouts and their achievements-2 times more likely to attend college, they will eventually have higher incomes, they become future leaders, they are more likely to vote, and have better employment opportunities. He spoke on the Scout Reach program here in the Ozark Trails Council, which provides more opportunities for individuals to participate by offering uniforms, books, and camps for those that cannot afford them. This also includes assisting and promoting adult leaders.



Scout Executive
John Feick

He then spoke on the changes that have come to Scouting this past 6 years, including the inclusion of gays into Scouting in 2013 to the addition of girls into the Scouting in 2018 and 2019. Requirements for boys and girls remain the same. He discussed

the possibility of bankruptcy of the BSA and the challenges of the organization to get a grip on the consequences. Each of the 235 area councils is independent, but the BSA National will have to in some way restructure their finances to prepare for the sexual assault claims that have occurred during the period of time before 1987. Very few claims have occurred in the past 3 decades and far less the national average of all sexual assault claims of any organizations. They have large amounts of properties that could serve any financial burdens. He said the impact of this possibility of bankruptcy has affected donations by almost 20% of fund raising.

President Ken Lawrence— presented Scout Executive John Feick with an OMC Challenge Coin and pictures were taken.

President Ken Lawrence— presented **MOSSAR President James Osbourn** with an OMC Challenge Coin and pictures were taken.

Vice – President Gary Gift was absent and had no new report. **President Ken Lawrence** announced the speaker for the meeting next month will be Richard Crabtree, who will speak on Governor Phelps involvement with bringing the railroad to Springfield, Missouri.

Treasurer—John McAlear—gave an update on our finances. We have \$6,795.56 in our Arvest Bank checking account and \$9148.00 in our interest bearing, guaranteed fund at the Community Foundation of the Ozarks account. These two accounts total \$15,943.56. A motion to accept this report was made, seconded and passed.

Audit Committee Chair—George Swales—gave an

update of the review of his committee of the financial situation of the OMC and stated we are conforming to protocol under the generally accepted accounting procedures.

Secretary Report – Norman Knowlton—The minutes from the last meeting were published and included with the Patriot Newsletter last month. He asked for any addition or corrections. Seeing none, it was moved and seconded and passed as written.

Genealogist Report – Steve Perkins—He reported that he is actively working and seeking new applicants to our chapter. He is working on 19 prospects. Within the past week two persons have inquired about membership, including John Hathcock, Branson and Randall Spurlock, Squires. Both have been provided initial forms and instructions. One of those prospects has a near relative in the DAR and is believed to be based on an application later than the mid-1980s. If so, his approval process should be relatively painless---compared to a root canal.

He has been time-challenged to work on several supplements, and requests patience but also their regular prompting so it doesn't go down the black hole.

Editor Report – Tom Sentman—no new report

Historian Report – Curtis Trent—being part of this year's Missouri House of Representatives, he gave a recap on the legislation that was part of this year's assembly. The "Heartbeat Bill" HB126 was tied up in four bills in one and is still very controversial. He spoke about the "Clean Missouri" which failed but is related to the redistricting and lobbying gifts. He mentioned budget and appropriations and his role in the merged committees in which he is involved in these funding issues. He also talked about the changes in the Information and Technology Department and how this is becoming more streamlined. He also reported our OMC bill to support the National History Month of November passed in the Senate but failed to get out of the Rules Committee and died. He plans to bring it up again next year in the House and Senator/Compatriot Lincoln Hough will reintroduce it in the Senate next session.

Sgt. at Arms Report – Charles McMillan – was absent and there was no new report.

Chapter Development Committee— Compatriot J. Howard Fisk was absent, but **President Ken Lawrence** gave an update of the upcoming events. Those are posted in our Newsletter each month—keep abreast of these events by reading our Newsletter.

We will be having a memorial service for the loss of one of our members – **Compatriot Harold "Bud" Burk**- who recently passed away. The service will be at OTC on Saturday, June 29th—the time and sched-

ule will be sent out in the near future.

State President James Osbourn asked if we wish to attend a grave marking ceremony being sponsored by the Spirit of St. Louis chapter of MOSSAR on Saturday, July 13th at the Sappington Cemetery from 10:00 AM to 12:00 AM for the marking of three Patriots buried at this cemetery. He also asked for participation at the MOSSAR quarterly meeting on Saturday, July 27th at 10:00 AM in Columbia, Missouri.

Committee Report

Other Committee Reports--None

Old Business None **New Business** None

A motion to Adjourn was made, seconded and passed unanimously.

Compatriot Ben Edmondson led the Recessional.

President Ken Lawrence led the Benediction.

The Meeting ended at 10:25 A.M.

Happy July Birthdays



Branden George	July 1
Curtis Trent	July 4
Carroll Laramore	July 13
Larry Boner	July 20
Dan McMurray	July 20
Charles McMillan	July 25
Dale Brake	July 30
Kenneth Lawrence	July 30

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National Society SAR [Press Here](#)



Sergeant's Corner

By Charles McMillan

(This information is gleaned from Wikipedia)

"The **1st New Hampshire Regiment** was an infantry unit that came into existence on 22 May 1775 at the beginning of the American Revolutionary War. John Stark was the regiment's first commander. The unit fought at Chelsea Creek and Bunker Hill in 1775. On 1 January 1776, while engaged in the Siege of Boston, the unit was renamed the **5th Continental Regiment**. In the spring it was sent to Canada where the New Hampshire soldiers fought at **Trois-Rivières** and later helped defend the area around **Lake Champlain**. Late in the year, the 5th Continental Regiment was transferred south to **George Washington's** main army where it fought at **Trenton**."

My 4th Great Grand-father, Archibald McMillen, fought with John Stark at the Battle of Bunker Hill. He was wounded in the left elbow as a result of his participation. He was a private by rank.

George Rogers Clark Wreath Laying Ceremony Event May 26, 2019.

239th Anniversary of the Capture of Fort Sackville, Indiana.

Attended by

Sons of the American Revolution Societies and Chapters from Indiana, Missouri (OMC Charles McMillan, top right), New Hampshire, Ohio, Germany, Kentucky, Illinois, South Carolina, DAR and CAR members, and the Colonial Dames from the 17th Century.



Chapter Events June 14, 2019

Flag Day In Springfield, Missouri

Historic Greene County Courthouse



June 14th, 2019 is the 103rd anniversary of National Flag Day, as determined by the 2nd Continental Congress, in the Flag Act of June 14, 1777, making the 13 red and white striped flag with 13 stars on a field of blue representing our first states .

The Flag Act of 1794 was signed into law by President George Washington. The Act changed the design of the flag to accommodate the admission into the Union of Vermont and Kentucky. It provided for fifteen stripes as well as fifteen stars. This would be the only official flag of the United States not to have thirteen stripes.

The Flag Act of 1818 was enacted by Congress to provide for the modern rule of having thirteen stripes to represent the original thirteen colonies and having the number of stars match the number of states. It also provided that subsequent changes in the number of stars be made on July 4, Independence Day the year following admission.

On May 30, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson called for the nation-wide observance of Flag Day. In 1949, President Harry S. Truman signed congress' decree, making June 14th of each year National Flag Day, a time when Americans reflect on the foundation of our nation's freedom. Americans also remember their loyalty to the nation, reaffirm their beliefs in liberty and justice, and observe the nation's unity. Our American Flag is our one enduring symbol of our Patriot ancestors and all that they gave so that we might freely meet here today.

Greene County and Springfield City employees, Ozark Mountain Chapter SAR, Isaac Garrison and Rachel Donelson Chapters DAR, and Boy Scout Troop 173 assembled to recognize Flag Day on June 14, 2019.

Sons of the American Revolution

Flag Day Remembrance

June 14, 2019

Greene County Courthouse, 11:00 am

Presentation of Colors	J. Howard Fisk
National Anthem	Courthouse Chorale
Pledge of Allegiance	John Russell
Invocation	Harold Bengsch
Welcome	Bob Dixon
Americans Creed	Jan Fisk
Remembrance	George Swales
SAR Recessional	Ken Lawrence
Benediction	Dale Moore
Washington's Farwell	Steve Perkins

* Bold Type read in program



PROCLAMATION

Whereas, June 14th, 2019 is the 103rd anniversary of National Flag Day, in action taken by John Hancock in the 2nd Continental Congress, in the Flag Act of June 14, 1777, making the 13 red and white striped flag with 13 stars representing our first states on a field of blue, and

Whereas, Our patriot ancestors risked their lives and fortunes to form a new more perfect nation, based on the Jeffersonian ideal of equality led by a democratically ruled government and a free and open system of education to train citizen leaders, and

Whereas, The Flag Act of 1794, signed into law by President George Washington changed the design of the flag to accommodate the admission into the Union of Vermont and Kentucky giving the flag fifteen stripes as well as fifteen stars. This would be the flag that came to be known as the "Star Spangled Banner" during the war of 1812, and

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Whereas, The great national conflict of the Civil War, found Union officers determined to maintain the union of our great Nation joined together for the preservation of peace, rallied their troops under the flag of the "United States of America.", and

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Whereas, Americans also remember their loyalty to the nation, reaffirm their beliefs in liberty and justice, and observe the nation's unity. Our American Flag is our one enduring symbol of our Patriot ancestors and all that they gave so that we might freely meet here today, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS
WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF GREENE COUNTY MISSOURI, DECLARE THIS 14th DAY OF JUNE 2019 AS NATIONAL FLAG DAY IN GREENE COUNTY, MISSOURI AND ASK ALL CITIZENS TO PAUSE AND EMBRACE THE SYMBOLIC VALUE OF THIS PATRIOTIC MOMENT IN TIME.



The Greene County Commission

Bob Dixon
Bob Dixon, Presiding Commissioner

Harold Bengsch
Harold Bengsch, Commissioner District 1

John C. Russell
John C. Russell, Commissioner District 2



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Missouri State leaders, Greene County and Springfield City employees, Ozark Mountain Chapter SAR, Isaac Garrison and Rachel Donelson Chapters DAR, and Boy Scout Troop 173 assembled to recognize Flag Day on June 14, 2019.

Flags displayed were the Washington Headquarters Flag / Battle Flag, Betsy Ross, Bunker Hill Battle Flag, Christopher Gadsden / First Navy Flag, Nathanael Greene Battle Flag / Gifford Courthouse, American 15 Star / Old Glory Flag, American 24 Star / Missouri Statehood Flag, 50 Years Viet Nam War, Commemorative Flag, Society of Purple Heart Flag, George Washington Commemorative Flag, Missouri Flag, American 50 Star Flag, and Boy Scouts Troop 173 Flag.



Bob Dixon, Presiding Greene County Commissioner, Read a Flag Day Proclamation

Flag presenters from Left: Steven Perkins, Ken Lawrence, John Hume, Dale Moore, Ozark Television Video Magazine, Representative Lincoln Hough, District 33, Dan McMurray, J. Howard Fisk, Dr. Norman Knowlton, Dee Dorch, Regent, Isaac Garrison DAR, Jan Fisk, Mayor Pro Tem and Rachel Donelson Chapter DAR, Presentative Curtis D. Trent, District 133, Dr. George Swales, Jim Wells, Assistant Scoutmaster, and Gerhardt Wells, Scout Troop 173.



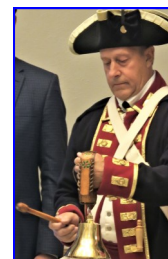
Springfield City Chorale provided Flag Day patriotic songs from the balcony of the Rotunda.



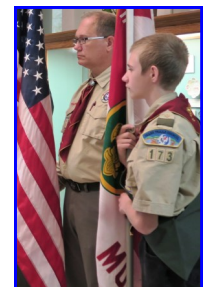
Commissioner Bob Dixon read a Flag Day Proclamation.



Dr. Norman Knowlton, presented the Purple Heart Flag, Dee Dorch presented White Carnations, and Jan Fisk presented the Americans Creed.



Right: Steve Perkins provided the Bell Ceremony.



Jim Wells, Assistant Scoutmaster and Scout Gerhardt Wells participated from Troop 173.

Chapter Event June 15, 2019

The Battle of Bunker Hill Remembrance in the OTC Atrium 8:30 A.M.



Compatriot Dan Piedlow presented a remembrance of the Battle of Bunker Hill.

Battle of Bunker Hill: June 17, 1775

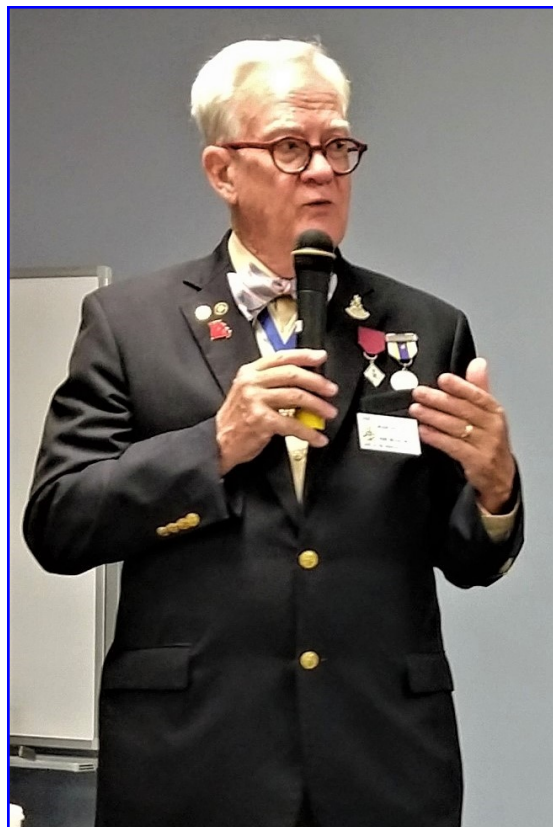
On June 17, some 2,200 British forces under the command of Major General William Howe (1729-1814) and Brigadier General Robert Pigot (1720-96) landed on the Charlestown Peninsula then marched to Breed's Hill. As the British advanced in columns against the Americans, Prescott, in an effort to conserve the Americans' limited supply of ammunition, reportedly told his men, "Don't fire until you see the whites of their eyes!" When the Redcoats were within several dozen yards, the Americans let loose with a lethal barrage of musket fire, throwing the British into retreat.

After re-forming their lines, the British attacked again, with much the same result. Prescott's men were now low on ammunition, though, and when the Redcoats went up the hill for a third time, they reached the redoubts and engaged the Americans in hand-to-hand combat. The outnumbered Americans were forced to retreat. However, by the end of the engagement, the Patriots' gunfire had cut down some 1,000 enemy troops, with more than 200 killed and more than 800 wounded. More than 100 Americans perished, while more than 300 others were wounded.

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President James Osbourn receives an OMC Challenge Coin from President Ken Lawrence.



Chapter Event June 29, 2019

Memorial Service for Harold “Bud” Leon Burke



Ozark Mountain Chapter
Sons of the American Revolution

Memorial Remembrance

Compatriot

Harold Leon Burke

Saturday, June 29, 2019
11:00 AM

Ozarks Technical Community College

Harold Leon Burke

Born November 21, 1931, to Norman & Erma Carter Burke in Joplin, Missouri, and married Elizabeth Ann Bullard on March 17, 1958. Elizabeth preceded Harold in death on October 8, 2018, followed by Harold on June 4, 2019.

Harold is survived by his sister Sharon Kuhn and her husband; three children: Teresa Uding, Katherine Holtapp and David Burke; six grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Harold earned an economics degree and an Army ROTC commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Finance Corps and attended Officer Basic Course in 1954. In 1962 he became a Combat Engineer Officer, eventually earning the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the Army Reserves.

Harold served two tours in Germany, the last from 1969 to 1972; one tour in Vietnam from June 1965 to June 1966; with a total time in the Army being nearly 25 years.

Harold was awarded the Bronze Star Medal; Army Commendation Medal; Army of Occupation Medal; Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Vietnam Service Medal; Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal and Meritorious Unit Commendation.

Harold also qualified for the Sons of the American Revolution War Service Medal and was respected by his fellow veterans in the Ozark Mountain Chapter.



Welcome	David Appleby, President General
Presentation of Colors	J. Howard Fisk, Past President
Pledge of Allegiance	John Hume, Compatriot
SAR Pledge	George Swales, Past President
Invocation	Dan Philbrick, Chaplain
Remembrance	David Appleby, President General
SAR Recessional	Steve Perkins, Past President
Benediction	Dan Philbrick, Chaplain



Harold L. Burke's Patriot was Moses Winters, who was born circa 1740 in North Carolina. He was one of the very earliest settlers in the part of North Carolina that would become the state of Tennessee, having settled there in 1779. Moses continued to live in the area he first settled on throughout the American Revolution. He is cited as defending the country against Indian attacks and for those acts he received a land grant, at no cost to him, under the Act of 1782, which granted the right of preemption.

Moses married Elizabeth Head and they had at least eleven children. Moses died in October 1798, in Robertson County, TN and is buried in the Head Free Will Baptist Church Cemetery in Cedar Hill, Robertson County, TN. There was a SAR grave dedication for his grave held on Apr 15, 2017.



Harold Leon “Bud” Burke earned an economics degree and an Army ROTC commission as a 2nd Lieutenant.



Bud and Elizabeth Burke



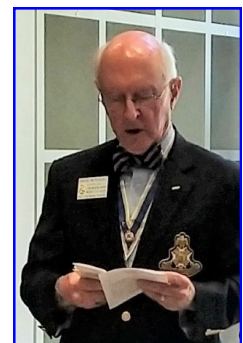
Bud and Elizabeth's Family



The OMC Color Guard Memorial Tribute to a loyal and dedicated compatriot, Harold Leon Burke.



David Appleby, President General, welcomed friends and family and provided remembrances.



Chaplain Dan Philbrick offered the Benediction.

Chapter Event June 2019

Message from the President General Independence Day

Warren Alter, President General 2018-2019

Compatriots and Friends of the Sons of the American Revolution,

This Thursday, July 4, 2019 will be the 243rd Celebration of America's Birthday.

Those familiar with the Declaration of Independence and our American history recognize the significance of what Independence Day means to this country. Some may think it is time for hot dogs and fireworks. Others, a day off from work. But it means so much more. Our forefathers declared their independence from the greatest military country in the world. This was a new beginning for our country and eventually changed the destiny of the world. This independence did not come easily, and many thought there was no way the Patriots would succeed. It took many years to prove we were independent and win our freedom from England, but we did.

Many of our Chapters and States will be participating in 4th of July Celebrations.

Some with just SAR, others with DAR and C.A.R., and others with local and state entities. Some will have a few dozen people, others in our nation's largest cities and venues will have thousands. For some it will just be a quiet evening in the backyard with family. For others, like the American Village in Montevallo, AL it will be their annual largest event of the year with thousands coming to their 180-acre facilities.

Others, like many of our active duty military will do so in foreign lands away from their families and homes. Remember, they are serving to keep our country free. Remember their sacrifices and help the families who are home celebrate this Independence day.

For Public Service workers it is often one of their busiest days, keeping crowds under control, unthinking adults and innocent bystanders safe from gunshots fired in the air. Please remember, what goes up, must come down. Each year innocent people are injured or killed by unthinking or careless people. Or even with our own color guard and their muskets; there may be no musket balls in those muskets, but there is black powder and safety must be our priority. We don't want any injuries at any of our events. Fire Department personnel responding to fires and damage caused by improper fireworks. Paramedics and other medical personnel treating those injured from auto accidents, firework mishaps, and

unruly crowds associated with Independence Day celebrations and travel. Often, Public Service Workers don't look on this day as a celebration, but an event to get through safely. Let's make not make it harder on those military and public service workers who strive to keep us safe. Take time to say thank you to our military and public safety employees. They all need and appreciate our support.

Whatever manner you choose to celebrate Independence Day, don't ever forget it means many things to many people and please let us make it enjoyable for everyone. Take the time, this day and every day to remind the public and young people what this day is and why we celebrate it. Remind them that living in the United States we shouldn't take for granted the freedoms that we enjoy, for many around the world have never even been exposed to freedom. Make part of your celebration a history lesson.

Finally, I would like to share Concurrent Resolution Number 25, agreed to by House and Senate June 26, 1963 that I will have the honor to be reading at a 4th of July Event in Cerritos, CA this year. Perhaps others can incorporate it into their events and celebrations.

Concurrent Resolution Number 25
United States Senate and The House of Representatives

"Whereas the tolling of the Liberty Bell at Independence Hall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of the 4th day of July, 1776, proclaimed the signing of the Declaration of Independence; and

Whereas the adoption of this historic document marked the birth of our country as a free and independent nation; and

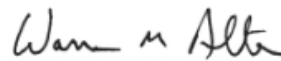
Whereas it is fitting that the anniversary of this great event should be appropriately observed in each year at the same moment throughout the United States;

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, that the Congress hereby (1) declares that the anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence should be observed each year by the ringing of bells throughout the United States at the hour of 2 o'clock, eastern daylight time, in the afternoon of the 4th day of July, or at such other time on that day as may be determined by local authority, and (2) call upon civic and other community leaders to take appropriate steps to encourage public participation in such observance."

Adopted 26 June 1963

I wish you, our families and friends a joyous Independence Day this July 4.

Be safe and remember what we are celebrating thanks to our Patriots.



Warren M. Alter
President General 2018-2019

Upcoming Events

July



Wednesday July 3 8:80—9:30 p.m. Branson Landing Ceremony.



Thursday July 4th 10:00 a.m. Meadowmere Ave. Old-Fashioned Parade.



Friday, July 5-10 129th Annual SAR Congress Costa Mesa, California.



Tuesday, July 9 7:00 p.m. Court of Honor Scouts Cox and Page.

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church 3555 S. Fremont St.



Monday, July 15, 6:30 p.m. Chapter Development Committee Meeting.

Neighborhood Mill Bakery and Café 1435 Independence St. # 110.



**Tuesday, July 16, 7:00-8:00 p.m. History Explorers Presents Dale Moore
Capturing Ozarks History.**

Library Center. 4653 S. Campbell Ave.



Saturday, July 20 9:00 a.m. OMC Chapter Meeting OTC Room 108.

1001 East Chestnut Expressway, Springfield, MO 65802.



Saturday, July 27 Missouri State Quarterly Meeting.

Columbia, Missouri.

August



Wednesday, August 7 Nathanael Greene Birthday and Purple Heart Ceremony.



Monday, August 12, 6:30 p.m. Chapter Development Committee Meeting.

Neighborhood Mill Bakery and Café 1435 Independence St. # 110.

No August Chapter Meeting