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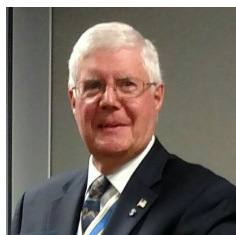
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President's Message

George Swales

March brings with it Daylight Savings Time, Pi Day, St. Patrick's Day and the beginning of Spring. It's a time to shake off the winter blues, enjoy the sunshine and longer days as well as begin planting crops to harvest later in the year. The chorus of birds can only mean the smell of freshly cut grass can not be far on the horizon.

The month of March was also pivotal during the Revolutionary War. The Articles of Confederation, a ratified agreement between the 13 original colonies, came into effect on March 1, 1781. The Articles sought to preserve the independence and sovereignty of the states, while limiting the central government. Over time, state delegates discovered limitations placed on the central government also limited its effectiveness. On March 4, 1789, the Articles were replaced by the Constitution resulting in a much stronger Federal Government, a Chief Executive (President), Courts and taxing powers.

Another very important event occurred March 15, 1781. The Battle of Guilford Court House in Greensboro, North Carolina, was a critical engagement in the Revolutionary War. Although Lieutenant General Cornwallis and his 2,100 man British Force defeated Major General Nathanael Greene's 4,500 Americans, the British suffered heavy casualties. Cornwallis abandoned his campaign for the Carolinas, took his army to Virginia and surrendered to General George Washington after the October Battle of Yorktown. Many historians point to the Battle of Guilford Court House as a strategic victory for the Americans, eventually leading to Cornwallis' surrender at Yorktown.

Next Chapter Meeting:

April 21, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the Ozarks
Technical College, Room 108

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The last Naval Battle of the Revolution was fought on March 10, 1783, just south of Cape Canaveral, Florida. Two American vessels carrying 72,000 Spanish silver dollars from Havana, Cuba, to Philadelphia were challenged by British ships. After less than an hour, the fighting stopped and the British ships disengaged and withdrew.

Today, the Ozark Mountain Chapter continues that Patriotic Spirit and moves forward, breaking new ground with our presence at MSU's "History Day", activities at the Wolf School and engaging Summit School Programs. Thanks for your continued support and for all you do!

Chapter Minutes

President **George Swales** called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M. at Ozarks Technical College, Room 108, with 21 members and 6 guests present.

Compatriot **J. Howard Fisk** delivered the Invocation. Compatriot **John McAlear** led the Pledge of Allegiance and Compatriot **Norman Knowlton** led the Pledge to the SAR

President **George Swales** asked Vice-President Ken Lawrence to introduce our new member to the OMC and had him come up front for his swearing-in ceremony. **The inductee is:** Donald Wayne Pruitt

Donald was sworn in by Vice-President **Ken Lawrence**, pinned with his rosette, and given his OMC challenge coin and certificate.

Vice-President Ken Lawrence then introduced **special guests** in attendance:

- Dr. Edward Gwin, retired Pulmonologist
- Fred Hall, prominent Attorney

Vice-President Ken Lawrence then introduced the **guest speaker** of the day: **Allen Casey**.

Allen Casey is a prominent architect and developer in Springfield, Missouri, and has been a major player in the revitalization of downtown Springfield. He has been involved with the committee in Southwest Missouri for the redevelopment of Joplin and Monett. Allen is involved with the History Museum of Springfield and enjoys speaking and researching the history of Southwest Missouri. Allen is a consultant trying to seek tax credits for these various endeavors.

Mr. Casey began his presentation by giving an overview of the relationship of freedom and liberty that made it possible for entrepreneurship and industrialization in America.

He was intrigued with the relationship between John T. Woodruff, Fred Harvey, Judy Garland,

Domino Danzero, Pearl Harbor, and Route 66. These stories have to be remembered and with history museums these stories and essays can be preserved. Even our founding fathers businesses built our Country and developed entrepreneurship.

George Washington married right. Some of his factoids concerning business enterprises included being a pioneer in crop rotation, turning Mount Vernon into an industrial village, creating a distillery, forming a grist mill and producing enough grain to export as much as 280,000 pounds of product overseas. These prove he was one of the first successful business leaders of our Country. Going beyond the military side and the creation of our Constitution by the Founding Fathers, there were many individuals who led into the industrialization of our Country.

Allen transitioned into the story of Fred Harvey, who he felt was the Father of American Industry. Fred came to America from England in 1850 and started an industry which was ingenious for the time. He started a restaurant service industry, the likes that no one had ever dreamed. With the train system crossing our Country, he developed not only the restaurant industry, but almost everything associated with the expansion to the West. Fred partnered with the railroad industry, especially with the Frisco and Santa Fe Railroads. He created newsstands, gift shops, and emphasized quality and standards to treat passengers, providing the best service possible at that time. Fred developed coffee that was brewed fresh every 2 hours and was concerned about the water used to be sure the coffee tasted the same at all times.

He hired ladies to help provide the service he required. These ladies were called "Harvey Ladies", and later the development of a movie told their story. These ladies provided a new industry for women to be employed and with their appearance as hostesses led to jobs, moving women from the East to the West of the USA.

With the trains going West, Allen built hotels

along the way, providing rest stop for passengers. He developed the Union Station Harvey Houses that still exist in some stations across the nation today and can be found in Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Arizona, and New Mexico. The trains would stop every few hundred miles and Allen provided rest with gift shops, newsstands, as well as restaurants and hotels for these travelers. Another book "Appetite for America" told some of the history of Fred Harvey from 1865 to the 1930s. Fred Harvey died in 1910, but his son, Ford, and his grandson, Fred, carried on the Harvey businesses. Grandson, Fred Harvey, with Henry Ford and Charles Lindberg, formed Transworld Airways (TWA) to provide additional service for passengers in their travel. The Harvey Hotels and Restaurants were built across the Southwest, including Springfield and Monett, Missouri. Domino Danzero was one of the photographers for the Harveys. The photos were used to market services, hotels, industry, and the West. Nancy Brown of Springfield, Missouri, a Granddaughter of Domino Danzero, is a member of the family that started the present-day Machinos business.

With trains stopping every 200 miles and having a 30 minute rest stop, a tremendous opportunity for business existed. A young John Reed of Southwest Missouri was a steward on the train and dining cars of the trains and the quote arose "Nothing could be finer than a Frisco Diner". The first dining cars were in Monett, Missouri, in 1897. Hotels were built across the USA and even on the Grand Canyon, leading to President Teddy Roosevelt's enjoying the hotels and the formation of the National Parks. With the trains and stops in the Southwest and gift shops at those stops, Allen Harvey established the first Art Galleries to utilize Native Americans and their artworks. This promotion led to travel "Detours", promoting Native American Arts and Cultures to the rest of the Country and also an increase in Tourism to the Southwest United States. Allen

also started new promotions, including discounts to military veterans and coffee-to-go, which promotions are available in some fast food industry establishments today, and inspired the movie "The Harvey Girls", starring Judy Garland. The movie showed the service of women employed by the Harveys.

The trains traveled West and roads followed the tracks. A major highway at that time was Route 66. Cyrus S. Avery was the "Father of Route 66". In April, 1926, Springfield, Missouri, put on the largest Rotarian Convention of the times. The City of Springfield provided parking, travel, transportation, and even music for entertainment at the event. Richie Robertson was a music teacher at Central High School in Springfield and started the first performance of the "Kilties", which went on across the Country. The band of the Boy Scouts led by Richie Robertson grew to almost 400 members and traveled around the Country. At the Rotary Convention, a group of individuals from Tulsa, Oklahoma, including Cyrus Avery attended. He and Attorney John T. Woodruff on April 30th, 1926, started the Route 66 Association. Route 66 became an artery of commerce through Springfield, Missouri, from Chicago, Illinois, to Santa Monica, California. Many projects, industries, and businesses cropped up along Route 66 and utilized this passage for commerce. This was a private enterprise backed up by the Government. John T. Woodruff became one of the principal developers, responsible for the growth of Springfield. Books, including "Freedom Forge" by Arthur Herman, provide insight into the development of this area.

The history of these individuals and Springfield are being accumulated at the History Museum on the Square in Springfield. The Museum resides in 4 of the old buildings on the square, including the Old Barth Building. It encompasses about 50,000 square feet and is on the National Registry. There are and will be exhibits of the history of

Southwest Missouri, including Route 66, Native Americans of this area, and the history of the trains across America.

The Museum has had many sponsors, including the McQueary family and capital campaigns. It was able to secure tax credits for its formation. The Museum project Total Cost is expected to be around 20 Million dollars

The effects of individuals like Fred Harvey, Cyrus Avery, John Woodruff, and Domino Danzero have led to the Liberty and Freedoms we enjoy because of their entrepreneurship and industrialization, and foresight.

Vice-President **Ken Lawrence** presented Allen Casey with the OMC Outstanding Service Award Certificate.

Officers Report

President George Swales: He asked all compatriots of Ozark Mountain Chapter provide a biography of their Patriot's history if they have not already done so. A handout was provided in new member packets and a copy was provided to those who did not receive one for use as a guideline. He also gave an update on Region VII History Day at Missouri State University. Over 380 students from many schools in Southwest Missouri participated in the program of "Conflict and Compromise". We awarded the Teacher of the Year Award to Kelly "Simon" Matney from Nixa High School. President Swales and Compatriot John McAlear attended and provided information about SAR and Compatriot Norman Knowlton acted as one of the Judges for the event.

Vice-President Ken Lawrence: He announced the next meeting at OTC, Saturday, April 21, 2018, 9:00 A.M. with the guest speaker talking on his experiences in the Cold War and Berlin, Germany.

Treasurer John McAlear: Announced we have \$5,635.35 in checking account and \$9,000.00 in fund account. Motion was Made and Seconded to Approve Treasurer's Report, which Passed Unanimously.

Secretary Norman Knowlton: Minutes from last meeting were published and included with Patriot Newsletter last month. He asked for any additions or corrections. Seeing none, a Motion was Made and Seconded for Approval and Passed Unanimously.

Genealogist Steve Perkins: He reported we have 14 new prospects, 7 with new interest, 2 actively pursuing, 4 on hold and 1 at National pending approval.

Editor Tom Sentman: Tom is still out following surgery and recovering at home. Compatriot J. Howard Fisk gave an update, including the past month's Patriot Newsletter with tremendous assistance of Erin Hotchkiss

Historian J. Howard Fisk: He gave a presentation of Lafayette Day.

The day is celebrated for Marie- Joseph Paul Roch Yves Gilbert du Motier, Marquis de Lafayette. As a very wealthy young Frenchman, he graduated from military school and became an officer at age 13. At 19, he came to America and was monitored by General Washington. After helping with a successful withdrawal of troops in the losing battle of Brandywine, he was given more command. He was very much in favor of the Colonists and their desire for freedom from England. He returned to France and helped to convince the French to provide assistance in this conflict. He returned in 1778 in South Carolina. Lafayette had served as an excellent advocate for the American cause. He was promoted to Major-General. Lafayette served at Yorktown, where he helped box in General Cornwallis for the defeat of the British.

Following the War, Lafayette returned to France where he was imprisoned because of Party allegiance and served 5 years. His entire family

was beheaded via the guillotine. Napoleon released him in 1824 and in the years 1824 through 1825 he returned to America, where he toured all 24 states. It is said he attended a dinner with Presidents Jefferson, Madison, and Monroe. Many places, streets, towns, and centers are named Lafayette as a result of his tour. He died in 1834 and is buried in Paris. Soil from Bunker Hill was used to cover his grave—thus he is buried under American Soil in Paris. The DAR has placed an American Flag on his grave.

Compatriot J. Howard Fisk then explained our involvement with Wolf School and its educational programs and asked for volunteers to participate in the education of these young students.

Sgt.-at-Arms Charles McMillan: We are now involved with 11 schools and their ROTC and JROTC programs. He encouraged all to attend these events with those who already scheduled to show our appreciation. He announced he is now Missouri Interim Sgt.-at-Arms and brought his new drum, hat, and other uniform parts for display. He announced our participation at the College of the Ozarks, April 4th, 2018, 7:00 P.M., Keeter Center, and asked Compatriots to attend.

Leadership Meeting Report – J. Howard Fisk, Dan McMurray, and Steve Perkins:

These members attended and report a good working meeting. One major discussion was related to the Museum. The concern has been whether or not to have a museum. Donations have already been received and thus SAR is looking to go forward with an “Educational Center”, rather than a museum, to hold not only artifacts, but be a higher tech facility.

Committee Report

There was no committee reports

Old Business

President George Swales again encouraged all members, including new members, (if not already submitted), to submit a historical biographical story of their Patriot so SAR National can archive the stories.

New Business

President George Swales reminded our members we will participate in History Explorers with Springfield Library, April 24th with the topic, “Unrest in Boston”, by the Willard History Team and a presentation on Lexington and Concord. Also, Patriots Day WW I 100th Anniversary ceremony at Grant Beach Park will be held April 21st at 8:00 A.M. prior to our next Chapter Meeting.

Secretary Norman Knowlton led the Recessional.

Compatriot J. Howard Fisk led the Benediction.

The Meeting ended at 10:25 A.M.



**VISIT OUR
NEW WEBSITE**

The website has many useful areas, including an archive of Patriot Newsletters, chapter committees, patriotic & historic activities, and a calendar of upcoming events.

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April Birthdays

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Upcoming Events

April 10: Wolf School 12:30 pm

Springfield National Cemetery

William Freeman Patriot & Springfield Pioneer

April 14: Branson High School JROTC Award, 5:00 pm

April 17: Bolivar High School JROTC Award

April 19: Battle of Lexington & Concord

• Ozark High School JROTC Award, 6:00 pm

April 21: Patriot Day WWI , Grant Beach Park 8:00 a.m.

• Ozark Mountain Chapter Meeting, 9:00 a.m.

April 23: Chapter Development Committee

Neighbors Mill, 6:30 p.m.

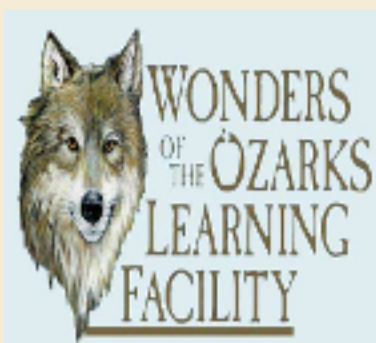
April 24: History Explorers - Lexington & Concord

Library Center, 7:00 pm

• Willard High School JROTC Award, 6:00 pm

April 26: Republic High School JROTC Award 7:00 pm

April 28: Missouri Society State Conference, St. Charles



The WOLF School: WOLF is an innovative learning opportunity for 46 fifth-grade students with a special interest in nature and the outdoors. WOLF offers an inquiry-based learning experience which allows students to explore a comprehensive curriculum through the context of environmental sciences and conservation. WOLF is a partnership with the Wonders of Wildlife Museum and Bass Pro Shops.

The WOLF School has asked OMCSAR to continue History Explorers the next academic year with 10 sessions

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Chapter Events

History Day: March 3 at Missouri State University Plaster Student Union

The University History Department sponsors the Annual Event for grades six through twelve. This year, 338 students presented 197 group and individual projects in the Region VII competition. For the first time, the History Department collaborated with OMCSAR to recognize a Middle School/High School History Teacher, who incorporates National History Day into curriculum. A Plaster Student Union Theater Awards Program, attended by an overflow crowd of parents, teachers, and students, honored winners of various History competitions. The Inaugural Winner of the George Hummasti Teacher Merit Award was Mr. Kelly “Simon” Matney from Nixa High School.



Above: Norman Knowlton and George Swales speaking at the History Day awards.



Students and staff gathered in Plaster Student Union at Missouri State University

Chapter Events

Children of the American Revolution

State Conference on March 10



Left: Color Guard assembled for the Children of the American Revolution ceremonial. The CAR were welcomed to Springfield, Missouri by Ozark Mountain Chapter President George Swales.



Left: Howard Fisk carrying the Betsy Ross flag, leading the procession of flag bearers for the Formal Banquet.



Above: Ken Lawrence, Ozark Mountain Chapter, carrying Sons of the American flag.

Chapter Events

Westminster College Chapel • Fulton, MO

Iron Curtain Speech on March 17



Missouri Society Sargent at Arms, Charles McMillan, posts colors and stands at attention as members of the Missouri Society Color Guard take their places for the Plaque Laying Ceremony on the site of Sir Winston Churchill's "Iron Curtain" speech on Westminster College Campus.



Above: Dennis Hahn, Missouri Society President and member of the Fernando de Layba Chapter.



Chapter Events

Ozark Mountain Chapter Meeting

Lafayette Day on March 17



Left: Guest speaker Allen Casey discusses the life of George Washington and the other founders were entrepreneurs. They ran vast plantations, traded goods across the ocean, and manufactured them for sale in the colonies and export.

Our founding fathers were the inspiration for entrepreneurs. across many generations.



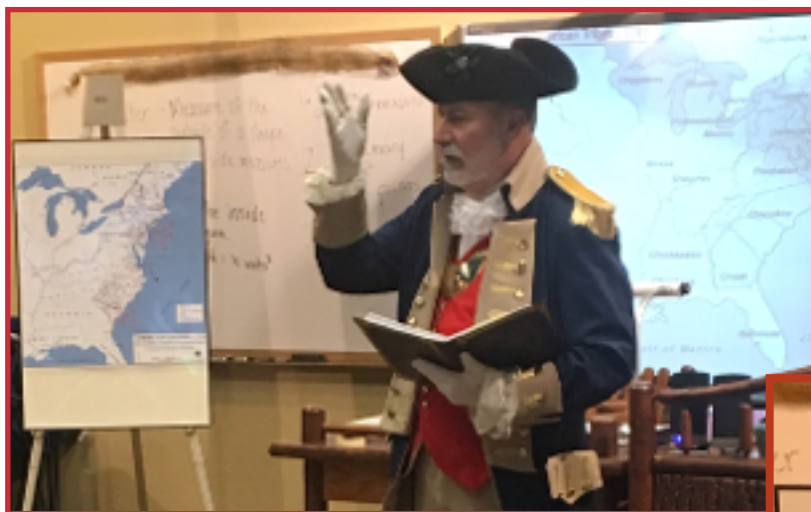
Above: Ozark Mountain Chapter meeting on Lafayette Day



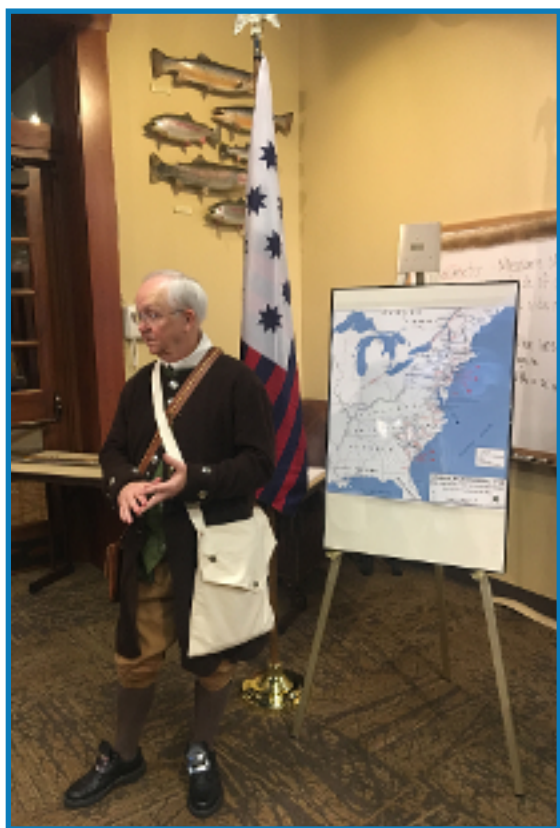
Above: OMCSAR Vice-President Lawrence presenting new member Donald Wayne Pruitt his SAR Certificate of Membership

Chapter Events

Wolf School at White River Center, March 19
Native Americans during U.S. Settlement



Howard Fisk outlines the area of the American Colonies and how the First Nations tribes overlay those areas. Many First Nations alliances were based on friendship and good trade relations. We also see that many of the First Nations men and women became part of a shared community structure with the colonists.

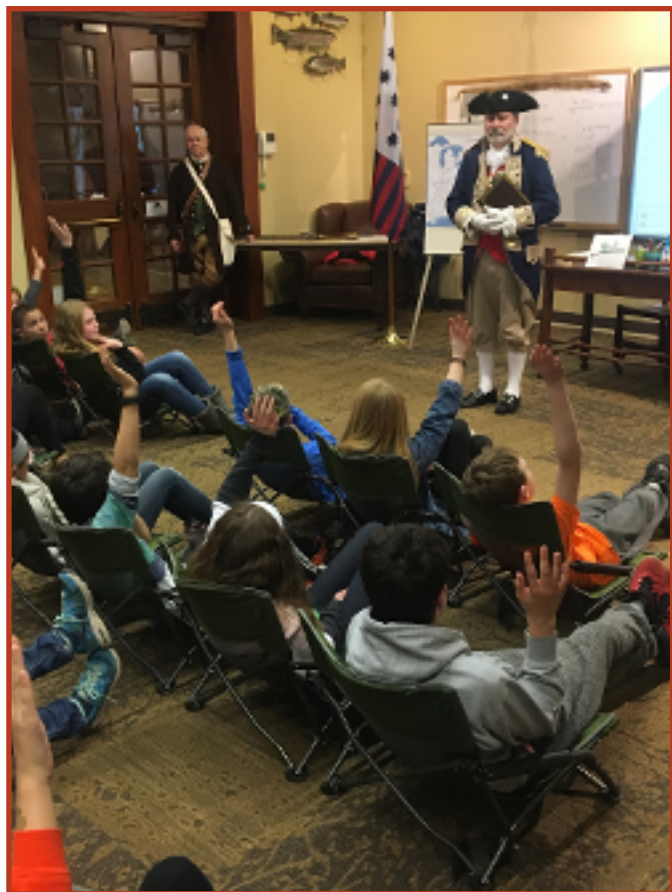


Left: Minuteman Dan McMurray discusses the First Nations "Honored Woman" Nancy Ward, who he has a family link and her importance as an ally during the American Revolution.



Chapter Events

Wolf School at White River Center, March 19 Native Americans during U.S. Settlement



Left: Dan McMurray and Howard Fisk answer many question from eager WOLF School students as we discuss the First Nations People who were allies during the Revolutionary War.



Above: Dan McMurray & Howard Fisk answering questions follow a presentation to WOLF School students about First Nations a tribes who fought in the American Revolution.



Above: Revolutionary Soldier Howard Fisk discusses the battle flag of Nathaniel Greene from the Guilford Courthouse Flag. Most of the Patriots who settled in Greene County fought at the Gifford Courthouse.