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## Greetings from President Kenneth Lawrence

Greetings Compatriots,

Whew! This has been quite a busy month for the Ozark Mountain Chapter as we have participated in 11 ROTC and JROTC presenta-

tions along with 12 chapter and Color Guard events. All of this since our meeting in April! That amounts to 23 activities in a month that has 30 days, almost one event a day. Thanks very much to all those who made this happen.

We had a very successful State Conference garnering sixteen individual and chapter awards, including being winners of the Americanism Award *and* the Yohe Yearbook Award.

Congratulations to our Chapter for such an excellent showing!

I want to encourage **everyone's** participation as we have several upcoming opportunities.

On Friday, June 14 at 10:00 A.M., we will hold a Flag Day ceremony at the Greene County Courthouse. We will celebrate the 242<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Betsy Ross and the Adoption of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Continental Congress. The Courthouse Chorale will provide a patriotic concert.

At our June 15 chapter meeting, we will welcome our newly elected State President, James Osbourn, who will be attending *and* participating in our meeting. James will bring us greetings as our State President and deliver a unifying message to our chapter. He asks everyone to please join him that day as he has a personal gift for every current member in attendance to receive.

Then, on July 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M., we will lead the Independence Day Parade at Meadowmere Place. We have been involved in this activity for some years now and it has always been a delight for so many families to see our Color Guard march on this important day honoring our great nation.

Finally, on July 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M. at the Library Center, we will hold another installment of our "History Explorer's" series, Compatriot Dale Moore will present his program on "Capturing Ozarks History."

Please mark your calendars and plan on attending these events. Better yet, help us with your participation as it would be greatly appreciated.

## Next Chapter Meeting

Scheduled for June 15, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. at the Ozarks Technical College, Room 108.

The guest speaker will be John Feick, Scout Executive, Ozarks Trail Council. His presentation will be "History of Scouting in the Ozarks."

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## Two Brave and Courageous Patriotic Women

By Kenneth Lawrence

In 1775 the Continental Congress was looking for a knockout blow that would make their revolt against the British crown a brief one. The prevailing thought was that an invasion of Canada would prevent British forces from using Canada as a staging area and win over the French population residing there. The idea was to include Quebec as part of the future United States.

At that time, there were approximately 600 British forces garrisoned in Quebec.

General George Washington was impatient with the progress of the invasion of Canada and gave the plans to invade Quebec to Colonel Benedict Arnold.

Arnold believed he could reach his destination in three weeks.

Col. Arnold gathered some 1,050 volunteers, including Aaron Burr and Daniel Morgan.

This is the story of two women **Jemima Warner**, the teenage wife of James Warner and **Suzannah Grier**, the wife of Sergeant Joseph Grier, who accompanied their husbands on that harrowing trek to Quebec City.

The two women marched along side of their husbands. Suzannah was 6 feet tall and described as a "virtuous and respectable woman." Jemima Warner went because she was worried about her husband's health and did not want to leave him unattended. The two women were forced to endure the struggles and adversities alongside the men.

The maps that were used were not accurate and did not indicate the physical obstacles of waterfalls and rapids that were along the way. As the New England weather deteriorated, food spoiled and was lost. The two women caught trout in the nearby river, but their efforts were not sufficient to provide enough food. Rations were so scarce that the men were forced to consume pet dogs and make gruel out of wax candles.

All the while, the two women kept up with their husbands and endured every hardship.

As the troops waded through the swamps, Suzannah Grier tucked her skirt up around her waistband and carried her husband's equipment over her head to keep dry.

Jemima Warner's husband, James, was not a healthy man. He was described as always "lagging behind" the company. One particular day, James sat down, sick, under a tree while the army marched on. Distraught, Jemima ran back to find him dead sitting against a tree. The ground was frozen and she could not bury him, so she covered his body with leaves and twigs. With a heavy heart, she picked up his gun and marched 20 miles to catch up to the company to take his place in the ranks.

Both women made it to Quebec after a six-week march in the cold, twice what Arnold had estimated. In December of that year, Jemima Warner marched 800 yards through deep snow to deliver General Richard Montgomery's surrender terms. She was admitted into the city of Quebec and delivered the surrender demand to Governor Carlton, but he tore up the document and imprisoned her.

Five days later, he released her, but made her march out the gate between two rows of drummers, a gesture to indicate she was a rebel and was being "drummed out of the empire."

Soon after the siege of Quebec began in December, Jemima Warner was killed by an artillery round as she was gathering water for the troops, becoming the first woman to die in combat for a country that had yet to formally declare its independence.

In April 1776 after a desperate New Year's Eve attack on Quebec City and far into the drawn-out stalemate between sides, Suzannah Grier was killed by an American soldier carelessly snapping his musket which happened to be loaded. Like so many men who made the march, the expedition proved fatal for these two brave women as well.

As we know, The Invasion of Canada did not fare well for the Americans. After months of skirmishes, the siege was lifted after American commanders learned that British reinforcements were on their way.

After being promoted to Brigadier General and given overall command in January, Benedict Arnold was relieved of his command on April Fool's Day, 1776. By May, an orderly withdraw-

al began, ending the siege of Quebec.

Our society honors women, who support our National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard with the Molly Pitcher Medal. They are following the traditions forged by these two braved and courageous Patriot Women, Jemima Warner and Suzannah Grier.

## Minutes of the OMCSAR Chapter Meeting

Saturday, May 18, 2019.

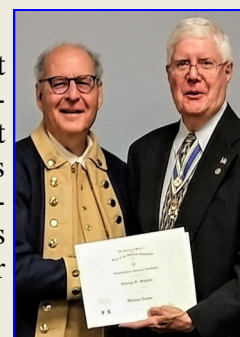
**President Ken Lawrence.** Ken called the Meeting to order at 9:10 A.M. at the Ozarks Technical College, Room 108, with 29 members and five guests. He thanked those of our chapter that participated in the Memorial Day ceremony at the National Cemetery in Springfield this morning.

**Chaplain Dan Philbrick.** Dan delivered the invocation. The Color Guard presented the flags; Compatriot Ed Gwin lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Ken Lawrence had guests introduced. Les Mironuck from Waynesville, Missouri, is the guest speaker.

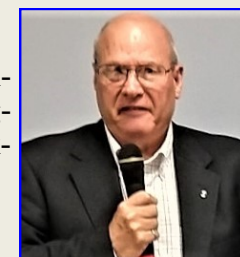
Ken then introduced Compatriot James Whited, the son of Joseph Whited, for whom we are awarding membership in the SAR posthumously. James gave a biography of his patriot, Peter Hoffman, a soldier in the Virginia line of the Continental Army under Captain Samuel Flanigan of the 3rd New Jersey Regiment. He also served under Colonel Elias Dayton.  
*See Page 11.*

Ken then introduced Compatriot George Swales who gave his biography for his supplemental patriot William Evans. William Evans was George's 5th Great Grandfather, a private in Captain Curtis Downs Company of the Chester County, Pennsylvania Militia.



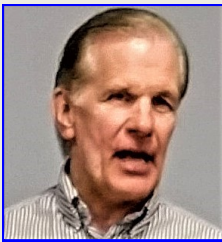
Both biographies will be stored in the SAR archives.

**Vice President Gary Gift.** He introduced Compatriot Martin Capages, who introduced our guest speaker, Les Mironuck.



Martin Capages

Les Mironuck's life journey has given him a unique perspective on America. He grew up in Canada, viewing the United States from afar. However, during those years, he often visited his American relatives. He has since reconciled his perspectives of America—as a foreigner, as a frequent visitor, and finally a permanent resident. His reconciliation process included a self-guided study of American history. By birth, Les Mironuck has both U.S. and Canadian citizenships. Spending his formative years in Canada, Les has always had a warm connection with Great Britain and its monarchy. That, coupled with his strong American roots, has enabled him to paint a neutral, non-biased image of the historical events that motivated, shaped, and impacted the lives of the founding fathers. When his unique perspective is combined with his study of original sourced materials, the result is a valuable series for students, educators, and history buffs. This led him to write "Irreconcilable Differences-Profiles of the Founding Fathers/1750-1776". Les is much more interested in historical accuracy than he is in political correctness. While history is Les's hobby and passion, it is not his livelihood. He and his wife have business interests in south-central Missouri.



Les Mironuck.

Les came to the U.S. with his family in 1986. He currently gives talks and history presentations with a different view from his Canadian and English background than his American counterparts. History is continually being revised, and the stories become conflated. So, he decided to go to the original documents and try to relate to the beginning information from primary sources rather than stories from others. He brought examples of books to demonstrate this point.

- An 1807 book written by Dr. David Ramsey on George Washington's biography, which gave a history of and eyewitnesses to battles.
- An 1840 edition of the history of the "Signers of the Declaration of Independence" written by first-hand observers.
- An 1840 book about George Washington, his Generals, and the history of their events.

He reviewed and described his writing about the 151 founding fathers and George Washington.

His first book is titled "1750 to August 2, 1776, Irreconcilable Differences". George Washington is the

common link between the four books he is planning.

As the story of George Washington continues and he interacts with one of the founding fathers, Les tells of each of the founding fathers and what and why each earned founding father status.

The second book, "Liberty or Death", describes events from the end of August 1776 to the end of the War in December 1783. This includes the majority of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, and covers most of the battles of the War.

The third book, "Dawn of a New Nation", will take you through the Continental Convention, Washington's first cabinet, the judiciary, and to the first Congress which gave us the Bill of Rights.

The fourth and last book will be "Passing the Torch", a combination of the founding fathers and what he calls "guardian fathers." This will be about the first group of statesmen that preserved what the founding fathers signed.

Les read from his writing about the founding father Eldridge Gerry and the process we know today as Gerry Mandering. [See Gerrymandering.](#)

He asked for questions and described his publishing and marketing activities for his books. Vice-President Gary Gift—congratulated Les Mironuck for his presentation and presented him with an OMC Challenge Coin.

Gary presented the 2019 Yohe Yearbook which won first place at the Missouri SAR Annual Membership Meeting in April. The yearbook (582 pages) and First Place award plaque were displayed.

Gary announced OMC will be hosting our 2nd Boy Scout Merit Badge Workshop November 2nd. Boy Scouts will be able to receive two of three merit badges (law, Genealogy or American Heritage) at that event. He requested members help with this event.

**Secretary Report – Norman Knowlton.** Minutes from the April chapter newsletter publishedre published. He asked for any additions or corrections. Hearing none, the report was accepted as written.

**Treasurer Report—John McAlear.** John was absent; President Ken Lawrence gave his report. We have \$6,695.56 in our checking account, and \$9,148.00 in our interest-bearing fund account at the Community Foundation of the Ozarks for a total of



\$15,843.56 in our accounts. He informed the chapter that an audit committee has been created by George Swales and Gary Gift to file our yearly audit. This report was accepted and passed unanimously.

**Genealogist Report – Steve Perkins.** Steven is working on three applications but has reached some roadblocks, especially from Tennessee and Kentucky. The information is challenging to obtain.

**Editor Report—Tom Sentman.** Tom reported he sent the April OMC Newsletter to over 100 individuals. The May issue will include some 2019 MOSSAR membership meeting images and awards. It was announced Compatriot Dan Piedlow will become OMC Editor in January 2020 for 2020-2021.

**Historian Report—Curtis Trent.** Absent and no report.

**Sgt-at-Arms Report—Charles McMillan.** He reported we completed 100% of our JROTC awards for this year. He complemented those who participated in ROTC/JROTC program.

Charles will be attending a SAR program in St Louis this week commemorating the Battle of San Carlos.

He will be laying wreaths at the George Rogers Clark commemoration in Vincennes, Indiana on May 25, representing OMC and MOSSAR.

**Chapter Development Committee Report- J. Howard Fisk.** He presented an update on the activities of our chapter over the past month. Tom Sentman documented the proceedings and events. We have stayed very active. These events and future events are summarized in our Newsletters and posted on our OMC website.

**Committee Report** No additional reports

### Old Business

Compatriot Norman Knowlton summarized the awards that OMC received at the MOSSAR state meeting. Sixteen awards were presented to our chapter or members of our chapter (See page 12). Five members serve on the MOSSAR Board for 2019-2020.

### New Business

Margaret Swales, Secretary of the MOSSAR Auxiliary, requested that all OMC wives join the Auxiliary at a low cost of 5 dollars per year.

Missouri SAR President James E. Osbourn will attend the Memorial Day event and our June 15 OMC meeting.

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

Compatriot Mel McNeal led the Recessional; Compatriot Dan Philbrick led the Benediction.

The Meeting ended at 10:25 A.M.

Norman Knowlton, Secretary



### Happy June Birthdays

|                         |                |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| <b>George Swales</b>    | <b>June 8</b>  |
| <b>Steven Perkins</b>   | <b>June 10</b> |
| <b>Lincoln Hough</b>    | <b>June 17</b> |
| <b>William Eliott</b>   | <b>June 23</b> |
| <b>Ronald Brown</b>     | <b>June 24</b> |
| <b>Charles Crandell</b> | <b>June 29</b> |
| <b>Ben Edmonson</b>     | <b>June 29</b> |
| <b>Kenneth Lawrence</b> | <b>June 30</b> |

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## ROTC and JROTC CADETS - April—May 2019

ROTC/JROTC Award Presentations during April and May 2019 - Listed Alphabetically by school (ROTC followed by JROTC)



College of the Ozarks 4/3/2019. Ken Lawrence OMC (Left) presents a SAR ROTC certificate to Army ROTC Cadet R. Eklund.



Missouri State University 4/25/2019. Dr. George Swales OMC (Left) presents a SAR ROTC certificate to Army ROTC Cadet Rebecca Eklund.



Bolivar High School 4/2/2019. Charles McMillan OMC (Left) presents a SAR JROTC certificate to Air Force JROTC Cadet Jerod Miller.



Forsyth High School 5/6/2019. George Cindrich OMC presents a SAR JROTC certificate to Marine Corps JROTC Cadet Megan S. Tevis.



Branson High School 4/13/2019. John Allen OMC (Left) presents a SAR JROTC certificate to Air Force JROTC Cadet Loren Brayman.



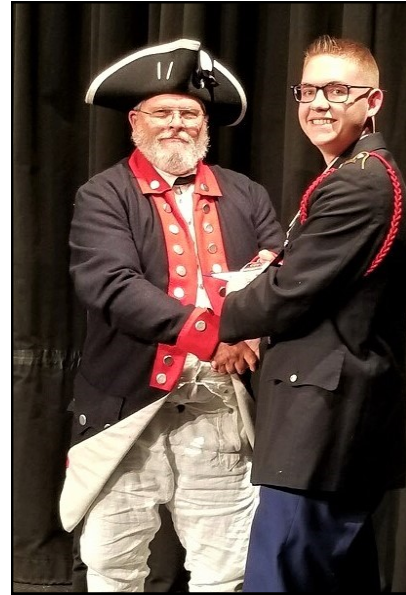
Hillcrest High School 5/1/2019 Dr. Norman Knowlton OMC (Left) presents a SAR JROTC certificate to Army JROTC Cadet Robert Lawrence.



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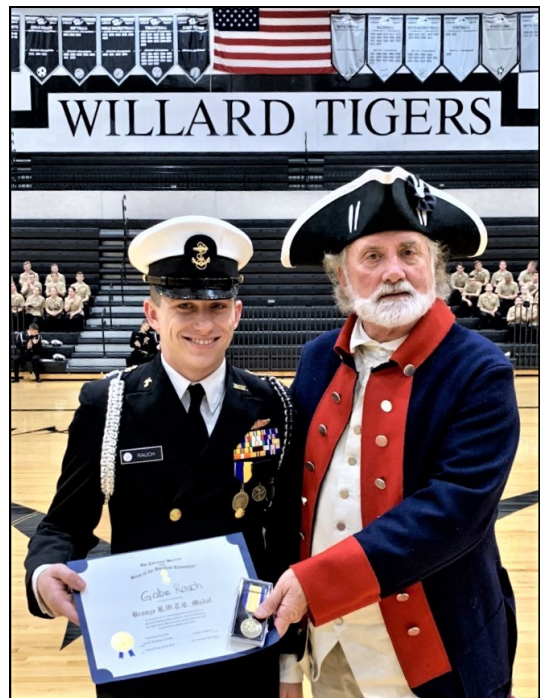
Nixa High School  
5/8/2019. Dan Piedlow OMC (Left) presents a SAR JROTC certificate to Army JROTC Cadet Adam Grizzell.



Ozark High School 4/11/2019. Dan Piedlow OMC (Left) presents a SAR certificate to Army JROTC Cadet Joshua Wade.



Republic High School 4/18/2019. Charles McMillan OMC (Left) presents a SAR JROTC certificate to Air Force JROTC Cadet Eriel Zuniga.



Willard High School 4/23/2019. Navy JROTC Cadet Gabe Rauch receives a SAR JROTC Award from OMC Charles McMillan.



Scott Regional Center Tech Center Presentation to Army JROTC Cadet Kyle Robertson and Compatriot Dan Philbrick 4/25/2019.



## Sergeant's Corner

By Charles McMillan

When I retired in September 2018, I wanted to participate more with the SAR. However, I also wanted to be active as a volunteer to my community. I saw an advertisement regarding "cuddling" in the NICU (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit) at Mercy Hospital in Springfield, Missouri. That piqued my interest, and after further research, I found out I had to volunteer in another area in the hospital for 40 hours before being considered for the NICU. I chose to volunteer as a patient escort. On Wednesdays, I escort patients by walking with them or pushing them in a wheelchair to their appointments. Finding your way around the hospital on your own can be somewhat daunting. Upon completion of the 40 hours, I applied for service in the NICU. To date, I have had the privilege of holding 28 babies. It is gratifying, knowing you are helping a little one heal, grow, and have a better chance in their young lives. I feel as members of the Sons of the American Revolution, we emulate our forefathers by joining a cause and giving of ourselves for the good of others.

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### Chapter Event May 5, 2019

**Ozark Mountain Chapter awarded the SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal to Walt Cameron for his work in organizing and leading the Honor Flight activities in Springfield, Missouri. He is Co-founder and President of the Honor Flight of the Ozarks.**



**Left to right:** Ken Lawrence, Steven Perkins, Walt Cameron, Charles McMillan and J. Howard Fisk.



## Chapter Event May 13, 2019

### Eagle Court of Honor for Michael Juliano and Logan Reichert Troop 46

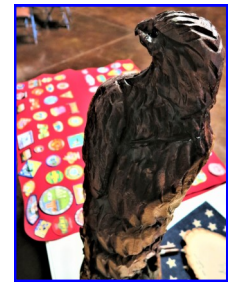


OMC Compatriots opened the ceremony. From left: Dan Piedlow, J. Howard Fisk, Ken Lawrence, Charles McMillan, Jeff Patrick, and Dr. Norman Knowlton.



Eagle Scout Certificates of Recognition were presented to Logan Reichert (left) and Michael Juliano (right) by OMC Compatriot Dr. Norman Knowlton.

Carved Eagle Statue and Merit Badges.



### Missouri Color Guard Event May 20, 2019

The Missouri SAR Color Guard assembled to Commemoration of the Battle of Fort San Carlos at the Missouri History Museum on May 20.

Color Guard members from five chapters gathered for the event in St. Louis. The Ozark Mountain Chapter was represented by Charles McMillan (with drum).





## Chapter Events May 14, 2019

Wolf School students and OMC compatriots gather at the Gray/Campbell Farmstead.

*By J. Howard Fisk*

This is the beginning of the day as we assembled in front of the historic Liberty School House. We had a flag ceremony with the WOLF students raising the flag and leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Norma Talbert, President of the Gray Campbell Farmstead Board, is the lady in white (Lower left image). She arranged for a wonderful group of dedicated volunteers to help students get quality tours of each of the five buildings on the farmstead site. We also discussed the cemetery that is on site and the other amenities of the park.

The day began with an introduction to community stewardship as is found in Nathanael Greene Park and an appreciation for all of the assets that are present in the park. I challenged students to consider the conservation ethic of caring for and sustaining such community assets.

The class was divided between the three activity areas; Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden, Gray Campbell Farmstead and University of Missouri Master Gardeners Demonstration Gardens.



This was a great morning. The students broke for lunch about noon and exuberantly discussed all of the new sites they had seen and all that they learned. Ozark compatriots are at the last row.



Raising the American Flag.

Norma Talbert, President of the Gray/Campbell Farmstead Board, describes the early schoolhouse for students grades one (1) to eight (8).



## Chapter Event May 18, 2019

### Memorial Ceremony at the Springfield National Cemetery to Honor Revolutionary War Patriot William Freeman.

Freeman, A Revolutionary War soldier, enlisted in North Carolina as a private in 1776, under Captain Andrew Oliver and Colonel Hogan. After his first term of enlistment of three months had expired he re-enlisted on July 20, 1778, for nine months, as a private under Captain Childs and Colonel Hart in the Tenth North Carolina Regiment. In 1781 he enlisted a third time, for three months, as a private under Captain Taylor and Colonel Eaton. He saw considerable hard service and fought gallantly for his country with Nathanael Greene, at Guilford Courthouse and Camden. At the time of his enlistment he resided in Bertie County, North Carolina. He applied for a pension on July 23, 1832, and his claim was allowed. At that time he lived in Burke County, North Carolina. His birth occurred in the former county, October 26, 1759.

Freeman braved the wilds of Missouri as an early settler of Springfield. He and his descendants have played well their parts in the local drama of civilization and the family history is well worth recognition. This family is noted for their unflagging industry and success in material things and as good citizens, always ready to support such measures as support the general good of the community and county.

Freeman spent the major portion of his life in the old Tar state, engaged in farming, but in his old age, he sought a newer country and made the long overland journey with his family to Greene County, Missouri, where he spent the rest of his days, dying here on January 27, 1838, at the age of seventy-nine years. Originally buried under his favorite shade tree on his farm, he was moved and reburied in the Springfield National Cemetery. The government placed an appropriate monument at his grave where lies as the only Revolutionary soldier in that cemetery.

During his life in Springfield, Freeman witnessed Missouri's early statehood, the recognition of Greene County, and the establishment of Springfield as the county seat. Only 35 cabins were built in Springfield in the original townsite of 50 acres. With little over 300 citizens in Greene County when he arrived to nearly 5,000 when he died, Freeman witnessed many changes, including historical events, the Asiatic Cholera outbreak, the Osage and Sarcoux Indian Wars, and the flood of humanity that was the Indian people who crossed his land during the great Indian Removal.

**Left:** Steve Perkins, Charles McMillan, Jeff Patrick, Wayne Jones, John Hume, Ben Edmundson, J. Howard Fisk, Gerald McCoy, Ken Lawrence, and Dan Piedlow.

Jan Fisk, Springfield Mayor Pro Tem and DAR member, reads a memorial message.



## Chapter Event May 18, 2019

Grave Marking Ceremony for James B. Mason Sr., Charter member of the Ozark Mountain Chapter, founded July 1981. Chapter Vice President 1981-1982.

Interred in the Springfield National Cemetery in Springfield, Missouri.



**Left:** Steven Perkins, Dan Philbrick, Jeff Patrick, Kenneth Lawrence, Gerald McCoy, George Swales, Jan Fisk, Mayor Pro Tem and member of the Rachel Donelson Chapter DAR, J. Howard Fisk, Ben Edmundson, Gary Gift, John Hume, Wayne Jones, Norman Knowlton, Dan Piedlow, and Dan Piedlow, Sr.



## Chapter Event    May 18, 2019



Compatriot James Whited accepted SAR membership for his father, Joseph Whited.

Editor's Note: James and Patsy Whited are long-haul transportation drivers who move cargo from border-to-border, coast-to-coast. They attend OMC chapter meetings as often as possible.

James and Patsy Whited with SAR Membership for his father Joseph Whited.

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## Chapter Event    State Meeting April 26-27, 2019

### MOSSAR SAR Officers for 2019-2020



### Five OMC Compatriots Serve as State Officers.

**From Left:** Dr. Norman Knowlton, Surgeon, 5th, Charles McMillan, Sergeant-At-Arms, 10th, Dr. George Swales, First Vice-President, 11th, Dan Philbrick, Chaplain, 12th, J. Howard Fisk, Executive Vice-President. President James E. Osbourn (Sprit of St. Louis Chapter) is at the far right.

## Chapter Events State Meeting April 26-27, 2019

**SAR Awards Presented to OMC Programs and/or Compatriots at the Missouri SAR Annual Membership Meeting April 26-27, 2019.**

| Award  | Recipient                      | Presenter                                  |
|--|--------------------------------|--|
| Poster Contest Scholarship Award Check: \$100.00 | Sidney Walker                  | Dr. George Swales                          |
|  | Summit Elementary School       | Missouri SAR Poster Contest Chairman       |
| Boy Scouts Robert E. Burt Volunteer Medal        | Gary Gift                      | J. Howard Fisk                             |
|  |                                | Missouri SAR Boy Scout Chairman            |
| SAR Flag Certificate Award First Place           | Ozark Mountain Chapter         | James Scott- Independence Patriots Chapter |
|  | Presented 48 Flag Certificates | Missouri SAR Flag Award Chairman           |
| Certificate of Appreciation                      | Dr. Norman Knowlton            | President Wayne Merrill                    |
| Distinguished Service Certificate Award          | J. Howard Fisk                 | President Wayne Merrill                    |
| "  | Charles McMillan               | President Wayne Merrill                    |
| Silver Color Guard Medal                         | J. Howard Fisk                 | Doug Neff, Missouri Color Guard Commander  |
| "  | Kenneth W. Lawrence            | "  |
| "  | Charles G. McMillan            | "  |
| Silver Roger Sherman Medal                       | Dr. George Swales              | President Wayne Merrill                    |
| "  | Kenneth W. Lawrence            | President Wayne Merrill                    |
| Meritorious Service Medal                        | Harrison Dan Philbrick         | President Wayne Merrill                    |
| Glass Trophy                                     | Harold (Tom) Sentman           | President Wayne Merrill                    |
| Missouri SAR Gold Medal                          | Daniel R. McMurray             | President Wayne Merrill                    |
| Americanism Award, First Place                   | Ozark Mountain Chapter         | Harold (Tom) Sentman                       |
| Yohe Yearbook Award, First Place                 | Ozark Mountain Chapter         | Harold (Tom) Sentman                       |
|  |                                | Missouri SAR Yohe Yearbook Award Chairman  |

## Annual Membership Meeting Attendees.



**Front Row Left:** Anita Philbrick, Deana McNeal, Rosemary Sentman, and Margaret Swales. **Second Row Left:** Charles McMillan, Robert Grover, Mel McNeal, Dan Philbrick, Norman Knowlton, Tom Sentman, Kenneth Lawrence, George Swales, Gary Gift, J. Howard Fisk, and Stephen Perkins.



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## Compatriots

May 27, 2019 - Memorial Day is rapidly approaching. This day it is vital that all Compatriots, SAR Chapters, States, and Districts take time and devote at least a portion of their day to remembering and honoring the men and women who have died serving in the United States Armed Forces. The SAR has an obligation to these valiant service men and women to honor their sacrifices.

There are many ways we may do this. Most cities and states have Patriotic events and parades planned. If not, take the lead and coordinate an event in your community. Better yet, work with your local DAR Chapter and/or C.A.R. Society to make it an even bigger or more significant event. The ideas are endless, participate in a Memorial Day Parade, place flags on Veterans graves, work with a Veteran's Group, sponsor a Memorial Day luncheon or picnic in the park. Use your imagination and involve the whole family.

What is important is that you do something to honor these heroes who have given the ultimate sacrifice to give us the freedoms we enjoy today. This is more than just a day off from work, or the end of a three day weekend. It is our opportunity to show the public that the SAR walks the talk. We are a patriotic lineage society who honors and respects the sacrifices made by those who came before us. Many of our Patriot Ancestors from whom we descend were the first make the ultimate sacrifice. Regardless what war, conflict, or event our service men and women died let us show them their deaths will always be remembered and honored.

First Lady Nancy and I will be participating in the National Memorial Day Parade in Washington DC May 27th. Please join us by participating in your own Memorial Day Activity. Make sure to report on your activity to your local media, in your chapter and state newsletters, and/or the National SAR Magazine.

Thank you in advance for helping make Memorial Day 2019 one of the most memorable one's ever!

Warren M. Alter  
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## Chapter Events May 27, 2019

# Memorial Day in America

## Springfield National Cemetery Springfield, Missouri

Revolutionary War Marker Erected by the Ozark Mountain Chapter SAR and Rachel Donelson Chapter DAR in 1999.



**Left:** Compatriots Tom Sentman, Steven Perkins, Wayne Jones, Missouri SAR President James Osbourn, Gary Gift, Kenneth Lawrence, George Swales, Dan Philbrick, and J. Howard Fisk.

Revolutionary War Patriot William Freeman Grave Marking.



**Front Row:** James Osbourn, President, Missouri SAR.

**Left:** J. Howard Fisk, Wayne Jones, Gary Gift, George Swales, Dan Philbrick, Kenneth Lawrence, and Steven Perkins



Color Guard and Compatriots. **From Left:** Steven Perkins, Barrett Fisk, J. Howard Fisk, Gary Gift, Dan Philbrick, James Osbourn, President, Missouri SAR, OMC President Kenneth Lawrence, Wayne Jones, Dan Piedlow, and Dr. George Swales.



## Upcoming Events

### June 2019

**Monday, June 10 6:30 p.m. Chapter Development Committee Meeting**

Neighbor's Mill Bakery & Café, 1435 E Independence St. #110,  
Springfield, MO 65804

**Friday, June 14 10:00 a.m. Flag Day Ceremony Greene County**

**Court House** 242nd Anniversary of Betsy Ross Flag Adoption and  
2nd Continental Congress. Courthouse Chorale.

**Saturday, June 15 9:00 a.m. OMC Chapter Meeting** OTC Room 108.

1001 East Chestnut Expressway, Springfield, MO 65802

**Saturday, June 15 9:00 a.m. OMC Chapter Meeting**

Missouri SAR President James E. Osbourn will attend  
the chapter meeting. Come to the meeting and receive  
your Commemorative Challenge Coin.

**Saturday, June 29-30 DAR Continental Congress.**

Washington, D.C.

### July 2019

**Thursday, July 4th 10:00 a.m. East Meadowmere Place Springfield.**

Old Fashioned Independence Day Parade. Kids, Balloons, and Bikes. Fun!

**Tuesday, July 16 7 p.m. History Explorers Library Center.**

4653 S Campbell Ave, Springfield, MO 65810

Dale Moore will Present "Capturing Ozarks History."