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President's Message George Swales

An Ozarks October brings aromatic smells of pumpkin spice everywhere, beautifully bright changing colors, and falling

leaves. Fall arrived right on schedule this year. Summer grudgingly and reluctantly departed, taking its warmth. With cooler temperatures, furnaces are firing up and fireplaces glow.

The changing weather brought several major October engagements during the Revolution. The Battles of Kings Mountain, Savannah, and Yorktown, are names that live on in history and the memory of many Compatriots.

The October 7, 1780, Battle of Kings Mountain took place in what is now Cherokee County, South Carolina, near the North Carolina border. The Battle between Patriot and Loyalist Militias resulted in an overwhelming victory for the Patriots. The Loyalist Militia, commanded by British Major Patrick Ferguson of the 71st Regiment of Foot, were completely surprised and surrounded by the Patriots. The Patriots inflicted heavy casualties on the British, fatally shooting Ferguson, who was trying to break through the rebel line. Shortly thereafter, Ferguson's men surrendered. Victory came after a string of defeats and greatly raised Patriots' morale. This Battle has been described as "the war's largest all-American fight".

The September 16-October 18, 1779, Siege of Savannah, was a joint Franco-American attempt to retake Savannah, captured by the British the prior year. More than five-hundred recruits from Saint-Dominque, under French command, fought alongside American Colonial troops against the British. The October 9, 1779, Second Battle of Savannah, major assault against the British, failed and resulted in the siege being abandoned with the British remaining in control of this Georgia City until July 1782.

The Siege of Battle of Yorktown, Virginia, began with American and French bombardment of the town, significantly weakening British defenses.

Next Chapter Meeting

28th Annual DAR and SAR Veterans Day Luncheon **November 10** at 11:30 am at the Highland Springs Country Club.

No Chapter meeting on Nov 17, 2018. It is combined with the above event.

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On October 14, 1781, Washington sent two columns to attack remaining British outer defenses. When the outer defenses fell, American artillery moved closer, bombarding British positions intensely. The British situation deteriorated quickly, resulting in Cornwallis negotiating their surrender on October 19, 1781. More than 7,000 British soldiers were captured. Negotiations between the United States and Great Britain began, culminating in the Treaty of Paris of 1783. This Battle was a decisive victory for the combined American Continental Army and French Army troops over the British. The Yorktown Campaign was the last major land battle of the American Revolutionary War.

Please reflect with your fellow compatriots in remembrance of these monumental moments in our Country's History and join us at upcoming Chapter Events as we honor our Revolutionary War Patriots. Your continued support makes our Chapter Outstanding.

Minutes from OMCSAR Chapter Meeting October 20, 2018

President George Swales called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M. at the Ozarks Technical College, Room 108, with 25 members and 7 guests.

Chaplain Dan Philbrick delivered the invocation. Compatriot John McAlear led the Pledge of Allegiance and Compatriot Ken Lawrence led the Pledge to the SAR.

President George Swales introduced our newest member, Jeffrey

Lee Patrick and invited him to come forward to be sworn in as a new member by Vice President Ken Lawrence. He was pinned with the SAR pin and given an OMC Challenge Coin by Compatriot Dan McMurray. New member Compatriot Patrick gave a short history of his Patriot Francis Beard from Pennsylvania where he served in the



Compatriot Jeffery L. Patrick

Pennsylvania militia in 1777 and 1778 before moving to Virginia where he again served in the Virginia militia in 1781. He eventually moved west to Ohio where he died.

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Vice President of the South-Central District SAR Dan McMurray presented awards to those who assisted at the Annual South Central SAR meeting held here in Springfield in August of this year. Compatriots J. Howard Fisk and John McAlear re-

ceived the Meritorious Service Medal. Compatriot Mel McNeal received the Silver Roger Sherman Medal. Compatriots Steve Perkins, Dan Philbrick and Phil Reinbold received the Bronze Roger Sherman Medal.

Vice President—Ken Lawrence introduced the guest speaker of the day, John Sellars who is the Executive Director of the History Museum here in Springfield. He graduated from Missouri State University (SMSU). In 1976 John worked as a volunteer at the bi-



centennial History Museum working in the Photo Archives. He went on to pursue a marketing career with a soft drink company only to return to Springfield to become the Executive Director of the History Museum in 2005. The rest is History.

See page 5 for John Sellars presentation.

Vice--President—Ken Lawrence presented John Sellars with a Certificate of Appreciation, for his History Presentation. Pictures were taken.

President Report—President George Swales asked that members provide a biography of their Patriot for our SAR records. He announced the Veterans Day Luncheon at Highland Springs Country Club on Saturday, November 10th with the guest speaker, an Army nurse, being arranged by the DAR who will present the program. The quarterly MOSSAR meeting will be Saturday October 27th in Columbia, MO. We will be honoring the fire-fighters of Springfield with Flag Certificates to each of the 12 fire stations on Friday the 26th of October at Grand and Holland at 3:30 PM.

Vice-President Report—Ken Lawrence. We will be hosting the CAR President Gracie DeVenney on Friday, December 14th at Hickory Hills Country Club. She will be participating with our Wreaths across America and Pearl Harbor Ceremonies on Saturday, December 15th preceding our next OMC meeting that morning.

Ken unveiled the new SAR Banner that our chapter purchased for displaying of our logo for up-coming events.

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

Treasurer Report—John McAlear. We have presently \$7632.84 in our checking account, \$9073.75 and \$9044.43 in our interest-bearing fund account. He informed the membership that dues are being accepted. We have already 62 of our 95 members already paid but would like to see all pay up soon. This report was accepted and passed unanimously.

Genealogist Report—Steve Perkins. There are 15 prospects who have expressed an interest in the SAR.

Supplemental applications have been submitted for Ben Edmondson, George Swales and Ken Lawrence. The Supplemental application for John Charles has been approved on 9/27/2018. Martin Capages" application was approved on 9/17/2018. Larry Boner became a member on 8/24/2018. John Barry Vogt Jr. to be approved shortly. New applications are underway for Ed Gwin, Fred Hall, and Justin Mutrux.

Will Carr and Dan McMurray have a few applications that they are still processing.

Editor Report—Tom Sentman. In his absence, George Swales gave an update. Tom is in school to up- *Continued page 3*

grade his knowledge for the betterment of our Patriot Newsletter.

Historian Report—Gary Gift. He gave an update on the Boy Scout Merit Badge workshop to be held on Saturday, October 27th at OTC at 8:00 AM and displayed the scout banner to be given to the troops for participating. Each scout will receive certificates for completion of their merit badge requirements.

Sgt-at-Arms Report—Charles McMillan. He has visited with the executives from Kum & Go and we are planning to give Flag Awards to each of their 31 Stores and to the CEO for displaying large American Flags at their stores. This event will be held on November 30th at the University Plaza in Springfield.

Charles has worked with Troop 16 from Ozark. This scout troop cleaned up Richwood Cemetery where the Isaac Garrison grave and our event commemorating his patriotism was held with the DAR on Saturday, October 13th.

He made a plea for our members to continue participating in our ROTC and JROTC program this spring.

Charles visited Paris, France this past month and talked with our French Speaker from earlier this summer, Martin Boyer. He presented Martin an American flag to be placed on Lafayette's grave from our chapter.

He also had the opportunity to visit and take pictures with several French Boy Scouts and purchased one of their 2019 French Calendars, which Charles presented to Compatriot Howard Fisk. Pictures were taken.

Chapter Development Committee Report- J. Howard Fisk

presented an update on the recent activities of our chapter. Tom Sentman is trying to upgrade the documentation of our events by attending a graphics design course this weekend. We will be involved with the Merit Badge Workshop on Saturday, October 27th. Scouts can earn 2 of the 3 merit badges and points needed for the National Scouting Award.

Howard presented the update of the programs we participated in August as documented in the Patriot Newsletter.

We will continue to participate in the naturalization ceremonies here in our area with at least two additional events scheduled next year. We participated in the Catt-Crawford Ceremony, which included groups from not only the OMC of SAR but also the 1812 local chapter, the DAR, and the Civil War local chapter with more than 100 persons attending.

Our chapter continues to lead the way at the Library. The History Explorers presentation this quarter presented the Cabinet of George Washington. The Willard High School History Club presented the program.

We continue to provide the programs in educating the Wolfe School and plan to be involved with as many as 10 programs next year.

Compatriot Steve Perkins commented on the need to continue to provide the education and the memory and awareness of past American History and encourage all of our members to get out and do so.

Committee Report

No additional reports

Old Business None

New Business

Compatriot John Allen introduced a new method to provide geological documentation of our ancestors. The focus is to determine where some of our members might be able to see where their lines cross with our members. He is willing to help those who are interested.

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

Compatriot Norman Knowlton led the Recessional. Compatriot **Chaplain Dan Philbrick** led the Benediction.

The Meeting ended at 10:52 A.M.

It is Time for 2019 Dues

Our chapter gets points for the Josiah Fogg (Best Chapter) Award at MOSSAR and the Americanism Award at NSSAR for each member's dues that are paid early or on time. The sooner the dues are paid, the more points our chapter receives. Compatriot dues = \$71.00; Junior Membership dues = \$25.00.

Mail checks to: Ozark Mountain Chapter SAR
P.O. Box 1421
Springfield, MO 65801

Notice: The American History Scout Merit Badge Workshop October 27 at OTC will be reported in the November Patriot Newsletter.



OMC Website

Calendar

Stay current between Patriot issues-press the links above.

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Mel McNeal Received The Silver Roger Sherman Medal.





Left: South Central District Vice President Dan McMurray presented Bronze Roger Sherman Medals to OMC Compatriots Dan Philbrick, Steven Perkins, and Phil Reinbold.



Charles McMillan presented a calendar from Martin Boyer, President of the French SAR to J. Howard Fisk.



Guest Speaker John Sellars

Executive Director History Museum On The Square

John Sellars went on to state that he attended Eastwood Junior High School here in Springfield which earlier was known as Lincoln School and built for African-American stu-

dents. Editor's Note: "The Lincoln school was constructed in 1930 by the Rosenwald Foundation as a way to consolidate the city's black students into one building. It was used as a segregated high school until 1955, when it closed after the case of Brown v. the Board of Education of Topeka, Kan., later reopening as the integrated Eastwood Junior High School". Courtesy of Springfield News-Leader - Feb. 27, 2014.

Presently, less than 25% of the residents of Springfield originated from Springfield, as compared to 1976 when almost 60-70% of the residents of Springfield originated here. Springfield started as a pass thru place-where seven different trails passed. This area was very similar in terrain as what the Native American Indian had grown up with in the East before they were forced Westward. The Delaware, the Kickapoo, and even the indigenous Osage moved thru here.

J. Polk Campbell came here and marked a tree in this area where there were numerous creeks and rivers and appeared to be an ideal place to settle. On his way back to North Carolina to retrieve his family, he told many of his friends in Kentucky of this area. During the time of his return to North Carolina, his friends from Kentucky and Tennessee moved into the Springfield area and settled where he had marked his plot. Upon his return to this area, he found the Fulbright family had built their home on Campbell's originally marked land. The Fulbright's gave their built

home to the Campbell's and helped others build more homes to increase the Springfield settlement.

John Polk Campbell was an excellent politician and gave 50 Acres of land for the formation of the city square. Two of those acres were to become the county courthouse location. John Polk Campbell was able to convince the State of Missouri to name the area (County) Greene County after his family friend and Revolutionary War Hero General Nathaniel Greene of North Carolina. John Sellars then described the changes that happened to the downtown area and showed slides and photos of those changes. In 1858 John Butterfield was involved with the railroad surveys to the west. Just north of Springfield was the designated passage for the railroad and the mail service to the west. This led to Springfield being divided into two cities, Springfield to the south and North Springfield to the north. In 1858 the Greene County Courthouse burned to the ground. In 1861 and during the Civil War the city was split in its allegiance to neither the Confederacy nor the Union. Marshall Law was ordered and Wild Bill Hickok was assigned to this area. He was a gambler and a womanizer.

After acquiring a gambling debt, Hickok lost his pocket watch to another gambler, Davis Tutt. Hickock had warned Tutt not to wear the watch in the town square. Tutt ignored the challenge and a gun fight ensued. Tutt fired at Hickok and missed, then Bill fired and killed Tutt hitting him in the chest. Falling on the steps of the Courthouse, Tutt died.

Bill Hickok was tried for murder and was acquitted. He then moved to Hayes Kansas.

The first trains came to Springfield in 1870. The train track came thru Springfield to its north. The two cities of North Springfield and Springfield competed with one or another to attract hotels and

businesses, trying to stay ahead of one another. With the financial crisis of 1890's arrived, this area was already ahead of its time due the competition between the two cities and well equipped to handle the challenge. John Sellars showed pictures and stories of the new businesses and building of the time showing how the town grew and changed with cable cars, fire engines, cable lines street cars, and the railroad. The Frisco Railroad was the largest employer at that time (1927) with more than 4000 employees.

As the city grew, it needed recreation. The Doling family had a lake and an amusement park including a log flume ride. In 1913 the city developed a park system and acquired Phelps Grove Park, Doling Park, and Grants Beach Park. They even had a train to the Galloway hatchery for afternoon picnics. In May of 1913 the Courthouse burned to the ground and was rebuilt for \$800,000 dollars, but in so doing they used a tremendous amount of asbestos which required much rehabilitation when it was refurbished.

John talked about the original "Casper's" which started in his fruit market where he sold soup and chili for 5 cents.

The history of Route 66 originated here in Spring-

field with John Woodruff. He was instrumental in building multiple businesses in this including Kentwood Arms Hotel, area O'Reilly Hospital, Missouri State University, and even Hickory Hills Country Club. The Springfield Shrine Mosque was built in 1922 and had the largest auditorium which could hold up to 4000 people. The Ramey family opened the first self-service grocery store. The O'Reilly Hospital treated as many as 10,000 patients per month and trained nurses and physician who developed worldrenowned maxillary and facial reconstruction procedures. The hospital today is where the Evangel College stands.

He retold the story of the "Great cobra hunt of 1953", where 11 snakes had gotten loose from a pet store and the problems and news stories related to this event.

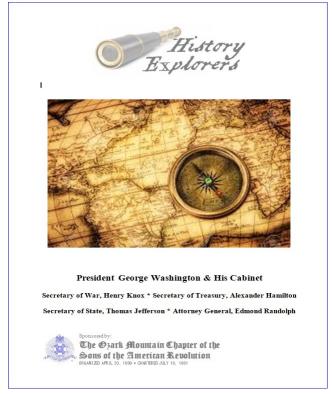
John told the story of how Route 66 got its name by the Rotarians in 1926 applying for an even number highway and the solicitation to get it. Route 66 was originally not paved, but as time went on the road became paved with the New Mexico portion being the last section connecting the road from east to west.



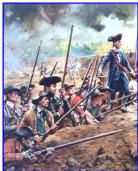
Chapter Events October 3, 2018

History Explorers Presentation

President George Washington's Cabinet of Jefferson, Hamilton, Knox, and Randolph

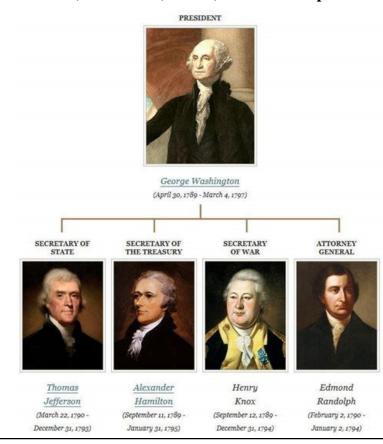






Compatriot Ken Lawrence discusses The Battle of Yorktown which ended the Revolutionary War on October 19, 1781.

The Willard High School History Club presented the History Explorers Program on General Washington's Cabinet.



Cabinet Work

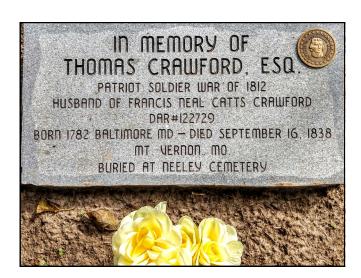
- September 11, 1789 to January 31 1795
- Financial Plan
 - Assume States Debts
 - Establish a National Bank
- Foreign Policy
- Whiskey Rebellion
- Resignation





Chapter Event October 6, 2018

Catt/Crawford Veterans Reunion—1812 & Civil War Wreath Laying Ceremony



Catt - Crawford Cemetery

Rededication Committee

Families of Antebellum Missouri J Howard Fisk, President

Sons of the American Revolution George Swales, Missouri Vice President

Society of the War of 1812

Dan McMurray, Missouri President

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Phelps Camp Jeff Patrick, Junior Vice Commander

Daughters of the Union Veterans Phelps Tent #22 Kitty Cider

Sons of Confederate Veterans of the Civil War Travis Archie

United Daughters of the Confederacy Carmen Boyd

Daughters of the American Revolution Kitty Crider, Noralee Faulkner, Barbara Cohn

Lawrence County Historical Society Kathy Fairchild



Attendees from the OMCSAR **Left:** Dan McMurray, Dan Philbrick, John Hume, Ken Lawrence, J. Howard Fisk, Gary Gift, and George Swales.

First Row: Frank Furman, Ozark Patriots Chapter, Steven Perkins, and Donald Turner.



Compatriot Gary Gift presents a streamer to Girl Scouts from Troop #10334 for their participation in the ceremony. Color Guard members J. Howard Fisk, Ken Lawrence, and the troop girl scouts present the colors and flags.

A Certificate of Commendation was presented to John and Billie Fulton for their support of the Catt Crawford Cemetery Veterans Reunion.



Chapter Event October 13, 2018

Isaac Garrison Remembrance - Richwood Cemetery

The Isaac Garrison Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) and the Ozark Mountain Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) participated in a Grave Marking Ceremony Each organization presented a wreath to recognize the Revolutionary War patriot Isaac Garrison.

Patriot Garrison moved to Missouri when he was 100 years old. He died four years later in 1836 at age 104. He is buried at the Richwood Cemetery near Nixa, Missouri in Christian County.



Left: Color Guard member J. Howard Fisk, Compatriot George Swales, Dee Dosch, Vice Regent, Scout Master Aaron Van Amber from Troop 16, Colleen Baker, Chaplain, Joanna Bradley, Regent, and Color Guard member Charles McMillan.

Chapter Events October 19, 2018

Wolf School Presentation—"Settling Springfield"





Compatriot J. Howard Fisk portrays clothing of the 1850's that would have been worn by Beverly Allen Barrett, leading citizen of Springfield during the mid-1800 and well known medical practitioner. Barrett is the son of John Stephen Barrett who came to Missouri and settled about 1810 in Ste. Genevieve and was a representative to the Missouri Territory Assembly prior to statehood in 1821. Barrett's father is said to have died during the Revolution and his wife, Margaret's grandfather served in the revolution as well.

Court of Honor Recognition for Eagle Scout Aaron Collins October 22, 2018

Scout Leaders and Scouts of Troop 46, Ozark Trails Council, family and friends gathered for the Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Aaron Collins. The ceremony was held at the Fellowship Bible Church in Rogersville, Missouri on Sunday, October 22, 2018.





Left: Color Guard member Charles McMillan, Ken Lawrence, Eagle Scout Aaron Collins, and OMC Scout Program Coordinator Gary Gift.

Chapter Events October 26, 2018

Fire Station Flag Awards Presentation



Springfield Fire Department Stations #1 through #12 were awarded the Sons of the American Revolution Flag Award certificates. All Fire Stations fly the American Flag. Fire Department Chief David Pennington was on hand to lead the ceremony along with the Springfield Fire Department's Honor Guard.



Fire Chief David Pennington is presented the SAR Flag Award on behalf of the 12 Fire Stations in Springfield, Missouri. OMC President George Swales made the presentation while the Fire Department Color Guard looks on.





Springfield Fire Department Chief David Pennington



Chapter Events October 27, 2018

Missouri SAR Quarterly Meeting

New George Washington Fellow: Kenneth Wayne Lawrence SAR #195183



Russ DeVenney, Chairman of the GWEF Distribution committee 'pinned' a new Missouri GW Fellow Kenneth Wayne Lawrence SAR #195183 of the Ozark Mountain Chapter (center left near American flag).

Assisting DeVenney are Missouri GW Fellows:

Left to center - J. Michael Robertson, David R. Shaul, George S. Swales, Jr., Russell F. DeVenney, Jr. & Kenneth W. Lawrence (new member).

Right to center - Melvin J. McNeal, Jr., James E. Osbourn, Daniel R. McMurray, K. Bruce McNeal, J. Wayne Merrill, Missouri SAR President.

OMC compatriots attended the Missouri SAR Quarterly Meeting October 27, 2018.

Left: President George Stales, Vice President Ken Lawrence, Dan McMurray, South Central Vice President, Tom Sentman, Editor, and Mel McNeal (not pictured).



Upcoming Events



WOLF School Civil War Springfield November 2.



General Election: Tuesday, November 6, 2018.



28th Annual DAR and SAR Veterans Day Luncheon **November 10** at 11:30 am at the Highland Springs Country Club.



November 11 Carson Smith Troop 239 Eagle Scout Court of Honor at 6:00 pm at Eden Village, 2801 East Division Street.



Veterans Day Presentation November 12 at OTC at 11:00 am.



Kum & Go Flag Certificate Presentation at the University Plaza November 30 at 8:00 am.



Dinner at the Hickory Hills Country Club **December 14** at 7:00 pm to recognize Missouri President Gracie DeVenney and the Children of the American Revolution (CAR) organization. She will be joining Russ and Laura DeVenney in Springfield.



Wreaths Across America Grave Marking Ceremony **December 15** at 8:00 am at the Springfield National Cemetery. Gracie DeVenney is the 2018 CAR Youth President.



Children of the American Revolution Missouri President Gracie DeVenney will attend the Wreaths Across America Grave Marking Ceremony above. She will then attend the OMC chapter meeting on **December 15** at 9:00 am.