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Greetings from President Kenneth Lawrence

Greetings Compatriots,

I trust everyone is enjoying the Ozarks beautiful fall foliage, I know I am.

It's such a blessing to live in this part of the country and enjoy all four seasons.

The Ozark Mountain Chapter's fall season has begun as well and we are busy. I hope each of you can find time in your schedule to help participate in our activities. But, I would like to highlight one activity in particular, and I would like to personally invite you to attend.

The Veterans Day Luncheon.

The veterans luncheon will be a great event as we will honor two WW II veterans with Silver Good Citizenship medals. One of the WW II honoree veterans is related to our own compatriot Gary Gift. As an enlistee after Pearl Harbor, his unit spent many months in England preparing vehicles for the D-Day invasion. Our second WW II honoree veteran is a bugler, who still at age 94, every evening, walks down to the local post office and plays Taps as the American flag is retired. We will be honored to have him bugle Taps at the end of our program.

State Congressman Craig Fischel will be in attendance to present state flown flags to each honoree. In addition, we will present a Bronze Good Citizenship medal to Republic High Schools JROTC Commander for his leadership in training our future leaders.

President Dr. Jerry C. Davis of the College of the Ozarks will be our keynote speaker. Dr. Davis is a very engaging, patriotic individual. He will captivate us with his folksy, dry witted humor and patriotic message.

So please make plans on attending our Veterans Day Luncheon and join us in honoring these warriors, you will find your time well spent.

Please note:

The Veterans Day Luncheon on November 9th will count as our November chapter meeting. We will *not* have our regular meeting on the third Saturday.

Next Chapter Meeting

Next Scheduled Meeting: December 21, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. at the Ozarks Technical College, Room 108.

The Annual Veterans Luncheon November 9, 2019 at the Hickory Hills Country Club at 11:30 AM. Guest Speaker will be Jerry Davis, President of The College of the Ozarks.

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Austin Dabney (c. 1765-1830) was the first and only slave who fought against the British in the American Revolutionary War.

He was born a mulatto slave in Wake County, North Carolina, sometime in the 1760s. He moved with his master, Richard Aycock, to Wilkes County, Georgia, in the late 1770s. When the Georgia Militia was called up for the war, Aycock sent Dabney in his place. To address objections that Dabney was a slave, Aycock claimed he had been born free.

Dabney became a soldier in Lieutenant Colonel Elijah Clarke's unit as an artillery soldier. Dabney was shot in the thigh during the Battle of Kettle Creek on February 14, 1779, he recovered, but was crippled for life. Giles Harris, a white soldier who lived in the area, cared for the injured

man in his home and realized that he would never be able to walk again. A close bond formed between Dabney and the Harris family.

On August 14, 1786, after the death of Richard Aycock, an act of the legislature of the state of Georgia officially emancipated Dabney and authorized the state to pay Aycock's heirs 70 pounds for Dabney's freedom. In recognition of his military service, Dabney was granted 50 acres (20 ha) in Washington County, becoming the only African American to be granted land by Georgia. He also received a state pension (an obligation later taken on by the federal government), starting at \$60 a year in 1789 and rising to \$96 in 1816.

Dabney prospered and he worked for and supported the Harris family, sending Giles Harris son William to Franklin College. Afterward, Dabney continued to support William financially while he successfully studied for the bar. In 1835, William Harris named his son Austin Dabney in his benefactor's honor.

When Dabney was barred from the Georgia Land Lotteries, Upson arranged for the state legislature to grant him 112 acres (45 ha) in Walton County in 1821, resulting in resentment among some white residents.

Austin Dabney died in 1830 in Zebulon, Georgia at the Harris family home.

In 2010, with the cooperation of the Harris family, the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) held a dedication ceremony to unveil a new tombstone for Dabney and to mark the opening of the site to the public and is believed to be the first time that the grave of a "Black Patriot" in Georgia had received this honor.

Chapter Meeting Minutes

Saturday, October 19, 2019.

President Ken Lawrence called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. at the Ozarks Technical College, Room 108, with 20 members and 8 guests.

President Ken Lawrence delivered the Invocation. He then asked **Compatriot John Hume** to lead the Pledge of Allegiance and **Compatriot Gary Gift** to lead the Pledge to the SAR. He then asked for the introduction of guests including several prospective new members and a previous member who is going to reestablish, Jim Mason.

President Ken Lawrence asked **Compatriot J. Howard Fisk** to introduce the guest speaker **Mike Sweeney**, the Missouri Bicentennial Coordinator. As a result of the State of Missouri plan to celebrate the 200th birthday of the State of Missouri, they established Mike Sweeney as Director of the Bicentennial Commission for the entire state of Missouri. He has a Doctorate in American Studies and has worked for the Missouri State Archives.

Mike Sweeney started by thanking our organization by allowing him to present



the "Missouri 2021" Bicentennial event which he is coordinating across the entire state of Missouri. He is with the State Historical Society of Missouri and got involved with this project in 2013. He was asked by the Missouri Assembly to come up with plans for this project. He started in this position in June 2017. He then started to travel the entire state to come up with plans and a network of people for this project. He included areas of local interest, statewide interest, organizationally interested groups and valuable areas of interest in not only the past, present, and also for the future. This is now called "Missouri 2021"

This includes all 114 Counties.

This is to better understand these counties and regions, people, past and present, to share in some investments in this project.

This is to better appreciate what we have here in Missouri. To get

this started in January of 2018, a group of Non Profit organizations got together to form a Bicentennial Alliance, which included the Missouri Arts Council, the Missouri State Archives, the Kinder Foundation, the Missouri State Fair, the Missouri Prairie Foundation, the State Library, and many more. The Bicentennial Commission came into being in October of 2018 by Governor Parsons, who signed an executive order with many governmental groups participating to develop and implement programs to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the state of Missouri on August 10, 2021.



The "Missouri 2021", the Bicentennial Alliance and the Bicentennial Commission have come together for the creation of projects, including community engagement projects, local and regional commemorations, and other statewide opportunities. He presented several of the projects that are ongoing at this time. First was the Missouri 2021 Photo Project, which will be concluded on November 1st of this year. Another project is the Missouri Quilt Project, which will create the Bicentennial Quilt which will include some of the over 200 pieces with history from every county in Missouri. After it is compiled, it will travel for 2 years around the state. Next is the Missouri On-Line Encyclopedia which includes information from the Missouri Historical Society including its "Review". It will have a long life and will include past and present projects and give several examples of these stories. He also spoke of Missouri community legacies around the state, including local activities and events. He also spoke of meaningful places, organizations and institutions.

He then presented several of the local and regional events which included endorsement programs so money and publication of projects can be initiated or financed.

This helps with money, time, and labor for these events.

He gave several examples of some of these projects and how this endorsement not only helped for the event but also the organization that was involved. He included the Kansas City Nelson-Atkins Institute of Art group and their promotion of the artists around the state and many other examples. There is no cost for the endorsement, but one must apply online to assist in the criteria for the promotion.

Statewide events and projects were also addressed. Some are already started and several are just in the planning phase. The Humanities Council with a partnership with the Kinder Foundation developing a program on the history of Missouri from 1817 to 1822 which has to do with the struggles for statehood. The Missouri State Archives has developed an exhibit that showcases 200 different items for all 200 years of history of the state. Missouri Bicentennial Paint for a Cause has developed a single mural which will travel around the state. It will include paintings from local participants and items and will be on display once completed in the Truman Building in Jefferson City.

The website for this entire project is "**Missouri 2021.org**". It is a grass roots endeavor but is coming together and he asked for us to get involved in any way we can.

On completion of his program, **President Ken Lawrence** presented Mike Sweeney, a framed Certificate of Participation from our chapter.

Vice President Report—Gary Gift—On November 2, we will be holding our Second Merit Badge Workshop. We are looking for help. It will be fun for all. This will allow scouts to attain merit badges in Law, American Heritage, and Genealogy. We have at least 11 senior scouts of at least first class signed up at this time with more expected.

Treasurer Report—John McAlear—absent. His report was given by President Ken Lawrence. The total funds we have as of today consists of \$8,924.28 in our Arvest Bank checking account and \$9,186.48 in an interest-bearing, guaranteed fund at Community Foundation of the Ozarks. These totaled to \$18,110.76. The report was moved, seconded, and passed.

Secretary Report—Norman Knowlton—The minutes were distributed in the September OMC Patriot Newsletter and he moved they be accepted as written. It was passed unanimously.

Genealogist Report—Steve Perkins—absent. His report included a prospect count of 13.

In recent weeks he has been in touch with a number of prospects to reconfirm their interest in establishing

memberships with SAR. Most have indicated they remain interested, but for various reasons were not able to move forward compiling documentation.

He has three new prospects who are related and are referred to us by the DAR. It appears their documentation effort should be light to become members.

We have had no new approved members for the chapter in quite a few months, largely from little commitments from prospects. There is a near non-existent influx of new prospects, except the three just mentioned.

He recently met with a prospect who has assembled a well-documented application, thanks in part to Compatriot John Charles. The prospect is enthusiastic in becoming a member and is engaging in the SAR mission to educate and inform the public in a way the public schools fail to do.

Editor Report—Tom Sentman was absent. In his absence there was no new report except that Dan Piedlow is recovering from his surgery and will be serving as Editor starting in January

Historian Report—Curtis Trent--absent. In his absence there was no new report.

Sergeant-at-Arms Report—Charles McMillan--absent. In his absence there was no report.

Chapter Development Committee Report—J. Howard Fisk presented an update on the activities with which our chapter will be involved. We have a very active chapter. These are also summarized in our monthly Patriot Newsletter. We will be awarding two Life Saving Awards this Wednesday, October 23 at Cox South Hospital and providing Color Guard involvement at the Greene County Cornerstone Dedication Service on Thursday, October 24. The Wolf School educational Programs also will be beginning this week. We will be involved with the Boy Scouts in their Merit Badge Workshop on Saturday, November 2 and that evening we will present Flag Retirement Awards for the area scout camps and directors.

Saturday, November 9, 2019, we will be hosting our Annual Veteran Luncheon at the Hickory Hills Country Club at 11:30 AM. Tuesday, November 12, 2019, we will be presenting our Quarterly Program at the Springfield Library on the Battle of Yorktown and its participants.

Wednesday and Thursday, November 20 and 21, we will be initiating a new program along with Bass Pro, the Missouri Humanities Council, MSU Library, and OTC called "Legends of Conservation". This is in conjunction with the area middle and high schools at the Morris Convention Center.

Committee Report No additional reports

Old Business

None

New Business

The remainder was made of the MOSSAR Quarterly Meeting in Columbia Saturday, October 26, 2019. All were encouraged to attend.

Compatriot Dan McMurray presented a review of the Fall Leadership Meeting for the SAR in Louisville this past month. Four members of the OMC attended this function. He discussed the issue of how a black streamer might be attached to a permanent flag when it could not be lowered to half- staff when so ordered.

Compatriot J. Howard Fisk reported from this meeting that new software is developed for purchasing merchandise. He also reported consideration for markers of Patriots Sons and Daughters is now again being discussed.

Compatriot George Swales reported from the education committee that many chapters and states have not been participating in these history awards because of a lack of funding and participants.

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

Compatriot George Swales led the Recessional.

Compatriot J. Howard Fisk led the Benediction.

The Meeting ended at 10:15 A.M.

Respectfully submitted.

Norman Knowlton, Secretary

It is time for SAR 2020 Dues

Our chapter receives 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 are \$71.00 and Junior Membership dues are \$10, the same as last year!

Please mail your checks to:

Ozark Mountain Chapter SAR

P.O. Box 1421

Springfield, MO 65801

Dues paid by Dec 1 receive fewer points in December.

Happy November Birthdays

John Lorenzino	November 8
Eric Griesel	November 20
Donald Cosper	November 21
Barry Voigt	November 24
Kenton Miller	November 27
Donald Lucietta	November 28



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Our Revolutionary War Patriots

Captain Thomas Erskine/Askey

1st Battalion, Company of Rangers, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania Militia

Ancestor of George S. Swales, Ozark Mountain Chapter, Missouri Society, National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Thomas Erskine/Askey, my 5th Great Grandfather, is the Patriot I cited for my membership in the Sons of the American Revolution. My wife, Margaret, and I visited Thomas's grave in Jacksonville, Pennsylvania. Nestled deep in the Pennsylvania Mountains are the towns of Clearfield, Snow Shoe, Jacksonville, Howard, and Bald Eagle. A deeply moving experience for us was to stand at the grave site in Lick Run Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Jacksonville, Pennsylvania, where Thomas, interred 210 years ago, and his wife, Elizabeth, are buried. Many Askey families are buried in the same Cemetery. The old Presbyterian Church is now gone, with the Church stones later used to build another Church further up the road in Bellefonte, the County Seat of Centre County, Pennsylvania.

Researching and reflecting on the life of this American Patriot, I learned Thomas was born in 1727 in Antrim, Ireland; immigrated to Maryland in 1742; and died in 1807, at Howard, Bald Eagle Township, Centre County, Pennsylvania. His parents were Thomas S. Erskine/Askey/Aspy (1691-1755) and Ellenor Stephenson (1694-1775), both of Edinburgh, Midlothian, Scotland, who also immigrated with Thomas and brought their other children to America.

Thomas Erskine/Askey was an Ensign and later a Lieutenant, 2nd Battalion, Pennsylvania Regiment, in the 7-years War (French & Indian War, 1754-1763), under Colonels Armstrong and Henry Bouquet. For his service in the 7-years War, he likely received options on several parcels of land, but Thomas eventually settled on and began farming a 288 acres parcel near Howard, Centre County, Pennsylvania, in June, 1784. He married Elizabeth "Betsey" Baker on June 12, 1764, on the grounds of the Colonial Fort at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, in a ceremony conducted by Reverend John Conrad Bucher. Thomas and Betsey had at least 10 children. Robert Alex-



Dr. George S. Swales, Past President, Ozark Mountain Chapter, visited the grave of his 5th Great Grandfather, Thomas Askey. The Revolutionary War Patriot is buried in the Licking Run Presbyterian Church Cemetery in Jacksonville, Pennsylvania.

ander Askey (1768-1850), one of their ten children and my 4th Great Grandfather, fought in the Indian Wars, eventually settling in Pike Township, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, near where I spent a large part of my childhood. He is buried in McClure Cemetery with seven Revolutionary War Patriots. Thomas and Robert were personal friends with and served under General "Mad" Anthony Wayne.

In 1777, Thomas Erskine/Askey applied for and was granted a military commission as Captain in the Cumberland County Militia, commanding a Company of Rangers under Colonel James Dunlap. Thomas continued to serve until the American Revolution ended. Units in which Thomas served fought in the Battles at Brandywine, Frankstown, and Standing Stone.

While Thomas was serving in the American Revolution, Betsey was left at home to rear her family. Not far away was the Indian Village of Bald Eagle Nest, named after a bold and fearless Indian, Bald Eagle. Reportedly, in 1778, he and his followers massacred several families near Williamsport, Pennsylvania, including one of Thomas' co-workers and friends. This situation became commonplace and Betsey would often have to gather her children, flee into the woods, and conceal everyone in the wilderness, while listening to the sounds of an ensuing massacre around her. To escape the carnage, she eventually took the family East to Path Valley, Pennsylvania, but returned with Thomas at the end of the Revolutionary War to once again settle down on their farm.

Samuel Askey (1776-1857), one of Robert Askey's brothers, served in the War of 1812. His adventures as a pioneer and hunter were widely known and he was often compared with Daniel Boone or David Crockett. Reportedly, much of his time was spent hunting in the Centre County and surrounding areas, living in the wild, and enduring close encounters with wild animals that left him with life-long scars and many tales to tell. The fruits of Samuel's efforts resulted in the harvesting and selling of large amounts of meat and skins in the market to support his family.

Today, a large part of Patriot Thomas Erskine/Askey's land acreage award for his service to America is not farmed. About three-quarters of Thomas Erskine/Askey's farm is now submerged under a lake that was made from Sayers Dam. Sayers Lake was named after Howard, Pennsylvania, resident Foster Joseph Sayers, the recipient of the Medal of Honor for bravery, who died in battle near Thionville, France, in 1944.

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Chapter Activity October 5, 2019

By J. Howard Fisk, Ozark Mountain Chapter Color Guard Commander.

On Saturday, October 5, 2019, Ozark Mountain Chapter members and others were invited to attend the Fulton Homestead near Mt. Vernon, MO. for a celebration of Missouri Pioneer families and veterans.

The Catt Crawford Cemetery on the Fulton Homestead comforts the remains of those representing our pioneer ancestors, including prominent members of early Lawrence County.

Tributes were paid to those who lost their lives as a result of the Revolutionary War, War of 1812, and the Civil War. A wreath laying and musket salute was provided for each war period.

The event included representation from Six Organizations:

SAR

Compatriot George Swales had a key role in bringing the event to life, as did Steve Perkins, the Missouri SAR Color Guard Commander. George Swales, the Missouri Society Vice President, represented the Missouri Society SAR. He spoke on behalf of our patriot ancestors who gave their lives during the American Revolutionary War. Steve Perkins commanded the line of musketeers who fired a salute following each memorial read to honor those who fell during the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, and the Civil War. Assisting Commander Perkins were Frank Furman and Don Turner from the Ozark Patriots Chapter SAR and Charles Dischinger and Darren Vermillion, Civil War volunteers from Wilson's Creek National Battlefield.

Other SAR members included John Hume and Ken Knowlton. Also, Color Guard members from the Ozark Patriots Chapter SAR included Frank Furman and Don Turner.

DAR

Dee Davidson Dosch, Regent of the Isaac Garrison Chapter represented the DAR and the Daughters of Union Veterans Tent 22. Noralee Faulkner, Regent of Elk Horn Prairie Chapter DAR represented both DAR and the Daughters of Union Veterans. Katheryn Crider represented the Joel J. Adcock Chapter of the Women's Society of the War of 1812 as Society.

War of 1812

Dan McMurray carried the colors of the Society of the War of 1812 as the Past State President and spoke on behalf of those who lost their lives during the War of 1812. As National Register General of the Families of Antebellum Missouri, Dan laid a wreath at the base of the flag that flew over the United States Capitol on 9-11. Dan was assisted by J Howard Fisk, President of the Families of Antebellum Missouri. The wreath, embellished with American flags, represented the loss of life from all wars. Fisk also represented Missouri SAR and the Society of the War of 1812.

Civil War

Jeff Patrick, in Civil War uniform of an Iowa Regiment, carried

the colors of the Union Army. He represented the Major Phelps Tent #20 of the Sons of Union Veterans and spoke on behalf of those who lost their lives. Jeff also represented the Colonel Nathan Boone Chapter of the Society of the War of 1812 and the Ozark Mountain Chapter SAR.

FAM

As National Register General of the Families of Antebellum Missouri, Dan laid a wreath at the base of a flag that flew over the United States Capitol on 9-11-2019 to commemorate the terrorist attack on 9-11-2001. Dan was assisted by J Howard Fisk, President of the Families of Antebellum Missouri. The wreath, embellished with American flags, represented the loss of life from all wars. Fisk also represented Missouri SAR and the Society of the War of 1812.

Missouri Humanities Council

Associate Director, Ashley Beard-Fosnow attended the event. The cemetery homestead and cemetery were lined with dozens of American flags, including the Gadsden and Pine Flags of early American independence, a 15 star "Old Glory" flag of the War of 1812, 24 star flag of Missouri Statehood, and a 35 star battle flag most often flown during the Civil War. Also present were banners representing the 50th anniversary of the Viet Nam War and the Society of the Order of Purple Heart. These serve as a reminder that men and women serve today at outposts across the globe.

The Fulton's counted over 260 attendees at the patriotic event on a beautiful fall day in October in Missouri.





Sergeant's Corner

By Charles McMillan

Surrender at Yorktown October 19, 1781

General Charles Cornwallis marched his army of 8,000 men into the Virginia port of Yorktown expecting British support ships from New York... they never came.

General George Washington and French General Jean-Baptiste Rochambeau surrounded Cornwallis and off the coast was Admiral Francois de Grasse effectively guarding the inlet to the town.

General Cornwallis realized the fruitlessness of the situation and surrendered.

History says they marched out to the tune of "The World turned upside down" This ended the War and the Treaty of Paris at Versailles was signed September 3, 1783.

OMC Attendees at the MOSSAR SAR Quarterly Meeting at Columbia, Missouri October 26, 2019



Left: Tom Sentman, Dan McMurray, J. Howard Fisk, Gary Gift, Charles McMillan, Mel McNeal, Kenneth Lawrence, Dr. Norman Knowlton, and Dr. George Swales.

Chapter Activity October 23, 2019

Life Saving Medals Awarded to CoxHealth EMS Paramedics

On the morning of July 7th, CoxHealth EMS unit 806, staffed by Fred Yeley and Alisha Stewart, was dispatched to 1910 N. Burton for a house on fire with reports of two children trapped inside. The first unit from the Springfield Fire Department arrived to find heavy fire conditions, locating and removing two pediatric patients under the age of 5, both with injuries and in respiratory arrest, delivering them into the care of Fred and Alisha. 806 was on scene only 4 minutes and 5 seconds. Four minutes to make contact with the incident commander. Four minutes to collect two patients with life-threatening injuries, load them into the ambulance and depart the scene for the emergency department. Four minutes. It does not happen any faster, and is a testament to the teamwork of Fred and Alisha, and of the ongoing collaborative partnership between CoxHealth EMS and the Springfield Fire Department. Eight minutes later Alisha delivered our precious cargo to our friends at Mercy, impressive work on its own. Several weeks later our patients were discharged from Mercy.



Left: OMCSAR Dr. Norman Knowlton and Therapy Dog Lucy, J. Howard Fisk, Alisha Stewart, Fred Yeley, Ken Lawrence and Color Guard Compatriot, Dan Piedlow.

From Left: OMCSAR Dr. Norman Knowlton, J. Howard Fisk, Alisha Stewart, Fred Yeley, Ken Lawrence, Color Guard Compatriot Dan Piedlow, and Chief David Pennington, Springfield Fire Department.



Chapter Activity October 25, 2019

“Settling Springfield”

Wolf School Presentation by J. Howard Fisk as John Polk Campbell

John served in The Mexican War serving under General Kearney was in The Battle of Sacramento. John meet and married Louisa Terrell Cheairs she is the daughter of Nathaniel and Sarah Rush Cheairs. John and Louisa had 10 children, Talitha Caroline, Mary Frances, John Nathaniel, Leonidas Adolphus, Sarah Rush, James Cheairs, Thomas Polk, Samuel Independence, Constantine and William Argyll.

BIOGRAPHY

Source: findagrave.com

The Campbell family is important in Springfield history. In fact, John Polk Campbell started the city. He was from Tennessee. In 1829, he and his brother, Madison, traveled to the Ozarks. They were looking for a new place for their families to live.

The Campbell brothers wanted to get a lot of land to start a farm. On March 4, 1830, they camped near a spring or natural well. John P. Campbell wanted the land around the spring for his farm. So, he took out his knife and carved his name on a nearby ash tree. The land around the spring and the tree was now his.

This spot is near Founder's Park. This is how the city would get its name. A field was near a spring. The words spring and field were put together. The town was called Springfield.

The Campbell brothers went back to Tennessee to get their families. They brought them to Springfield. John brought his wife, Louisa Cheairs Campbell, and their infant daughter, Talitha. Their next child, Mary Frances Campbell, was the first white girl born in Greene County.

In 1831, John built the family's new log home. John and Louisa also helped a lot of other families in the Ozarks. During 1832, the Campbells built thirteen cabins so that more families could live in this area. By the next year, the area had enough people to be a county. So, the area became known as Greene County in 1833.

The land near John's farm soon became the city of Springfield. He helped the new city grow a lot. He talked the county officials into making Springfield the county's capital. He also helped the city make money. This money was needed to build roads and a courthouse. The city did not have enough citizens to tax to make this money. So, John Campbell gave fifty acres to the city. The city divided up this land and sold it to families and businesses. This money was used to build a courthouse and other buildings. John Campbell then planned where Springfield's streets would go. He also helped start a lot of schools and churches.

John and Louisa Campbell, and the other Campbell family members, are important in Springfield's history. They all helped the city grow into the "Queen of the Ozarks" that it is today





30th ANNUAL VETERANS' LUNCHEON



Sponsored by

Ozark Mountain Chapter, NSSAR

And

Rachel Donelson Chapter, NSDAR

Hickory Hills Country Club Ballroom

November 9, 2019

Welcome 11:00 a.m. Lunch 11:30 a.m.

Keynote Address

Dr. Jerry Davis, President

College of the Ozarks

Silver Good Citizenship Medal Recipient

James Harrison Dowell, Veteran WW II

Silver Good Citizenship Medal Recipient

Bruce Benson, Veteran WW II

JROTC Command Honoree

Lieutenant Colonel Patrick Sanders

Reservations must be received by November 1

----- Cut here and send with check -----

30th ANNUAL VETERANS' LUNCHEON

\$25.00 per person / \$30.00 if received after November 1st

Boneless Pork Chop with Apricot Chutney _____

Or

Beef Tips with Burgundy Demi-Glace _____

Please notify us of your reservation if a special diet is required.

Mashed Potatoes, Sautéed Green Beans, Salad, Challah Rolls, Coffee or Tea

Small Treats Desserts Included

Enclosed is my check for _____ lunch(es) at \$25 each Total: _____

**Please indicate your entrée choice for each attendee, make your check payable to OMCSAR, and mail to
OMC SAR PO Box 1421 Springfield, MO 65801**

Name: _____ Guest: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Upcoming Events

Please visit the OMCSAR Calendar Site: ozarkmountainsar.org

November



Saturday, November 2

8:00am American Patriot Merit Badge Workshop

Saturday, November 9

11:00am SAR Veterans Luncheon **This counts as our November chapter meeting.**

Monday, November 11

11:00am OTC Veterans Day Ceremony Outstanding Veteran

6:30pm Chapter Development Committee

Tuesday, November 12

7:00pm History Explorers Yorktown

Saturday, November 16

9:00am Ozark Mountain Chapter Meeting

Wednesday, November 20

9:30am LEGENDS of CONSERVATION

Thursday, November 21

9:30am LEGENDS of CONSERVATION



Happy Thanksgiving

December



Monday, December 9

6:30pm Chapter Development Committee

Saturday, December 21

9:00am Ozark Mountain Chapter Meeting