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## MEDAL FOR HEROISM PRESENTED



Eric Rouse of Overland Park Troop 284 received the SAR Medal for Heroism from KSSSAR President Peter Grassl (far left). On the far right is Timothy C. Bugg, Scout Executive for the Heart of America Council, who was recipient of the Silver Good Citizenship medal. Also pictured are Rouse's father, Chuck Rouse, his uncle, Rodger McReynolds and grandfather, Hal Rouse. All Rouses are Eagle Scouts.

Eagle Scout Eric Rouse was presented the SAR's Medal for Heroism at the Greater Kansas City SAR George Washington Birthday Celebration on Saturday, February 21, 2009 in Overland Park.

Rouse came to the aid of a co-worker at Carrabba's restaurant in Overland Park. Using his First Aid training learned in Boy Scouts, a quick thinking Rouse took control of the situation applying compresses while he dispatched a person to call 911.

Medical professionals stated that Rouse's quick action made the difference between life and death for the co-worker.

Rouse was joined by his father and grandfather, both of whom are Eagle Scouts. Ironically, Tim Bugg, the Scout Executive for the Heart of America Council, was on hand to receive the SAR Silver Good Citizenship medal. He offered his congratulations to Rouse as well.

### *Upcoming Events*

**May 2, 2009** – KSSSAR Board of Governors' Meeting, 10AM, Best Western, Hospitality House, 3021 W. Highway 50, Emporia, 620-342-7587.

**May 2, 2009** – Ladies Auxiliary meeting.

**May 2-4, 2009** – KSDAR State Conference.

**Jun 30, 2009** – Deadline for articles and pictures for the August issue of *The Liberty Bell*.

**Jul 4-8, 2009** – 119th Annual Congress, Renaissance Waverly Hotel, Atlanta, GA.

**Aug 1, 2009** – KSSSAR Board of Governors' Meeting, 10AM, Best Western, Hospitality House, 3021 W. Highway 50, Emporia, 620-342-7587.

**Aug 1, 2009** – Ladies Auxiliary meeting.

**Aug 21-22, 2009** – South Central District Meeting, Arlington, TX.

**Sep 24-26, 2009** – Fall Leadership Meeting.

### ANNUAL CONFERENCE A SUCCESS

The 117th Annual Conference was hosted by the Thomas Jefferson chapter in Topeka on the third weekend of March. The event began on Friday night with a very informative tour of the Great Overland Station, which was once the Union Pacific depot. Through many donations, the depot was restored to its former glory. A wreath was laid at the nearby Veterans Memorial by Registrar General David Sympton and KSSSAR president Peter Grassl. Chaplain Brian Vazquez paid tribute to Veterans from the Revolutionary War to the present. A nice buffet dinner was served in the former depot dining room.

Janice Kleinschmidt presented a patriotic quilt for a raffle open to all SAR members and friends from around the country. The Ladies Auxiliary will sell

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### **MAY BOG MEETING**

The Board of Governors will meet on May 2, 2009 at the Best Western Inn, 3021 Highway 50, in Emporia. Committee Chairmen may call for a meeting of their Committees either before or after the BOG meeting which will start at 10:00 am. Lunch will be at the motel for \$10.00.

The Rumbaugh Orations contest will take place following the meeting. Chairman Lyle Gibson will direct the activities. All compatriots and guests are invited to attend. The winner will represent the Kansas Society at the Congress in Atlanta.

### **LADIES AUXILIARY**

The Ladies Auxiliary will meet concurrent with BOG session on May 2, 2009. There will be a short business meeting. The May Service project is the basket (carry-all bag) for the Congress in Atlanta. Bring "Made in Kansas" items. Due to transportation issues, items shouldn't be too heavy or too large.

The program, weather permitting, will be a visit to Toad Hollow Daylily & Iris Farm, a two-acre landscaped rural garden. You may learn more at [www.flyoverpeople.net/galleries/toad-hollow/index.html](http://www.flyoverpeople.net/galleries/toad-hollow/index.html). There is no admission fee. If the weather permits, we may also eat a picnic lunch from Panera or Amanda's at the farm.

Our Service Project for the August BOG session will be school supplies (like backpacks, crayons, notebooks, underwear, etc) for the Emporia Grade School District, kindergarten-6th grade.

## **\* PRESIDENT'S CORNER \***

*By Martin Klotzbach  
President, KSSAR*

Compatriots All ---

We have just completed a most enjoyable State Society Conference in Topeka with more than sixty in attendance. Thanks go out to Orval Knodel, conference coordinator, and Peter Grassl, past Society President. They did a remarkable job!

Beside our activities at the Ramada Hotel was a group of some 300 fire fighters from throughout the state. This is important as we had three or four come to the registration table to inquire about our organization believing that they might be eligible to join our ranks. Being in the public eye is the best advertising that we can get. We need to always be alert to recruit new members and encourage existing members to be active at the Chapter, State and National level. All Chapter members are welcomed to attend State and National meetings. Explore attending the State Board of Governors meeting the first Saturday in May in Emporia and/or the National Conference in Atlanta, Georgia, the first week in July. I am sure that you will enjoy the comradeship and meetings. Bring your wives and other Chapter members.

Another excellent way of being in the public eye is the wearing of the uniform at public events. If you are not currently in the Chapter or State Color Guard explore the possibility of acquiring a uniform and join a Color Guard. Compatriot Bob Capps is the new State Society Commander and would welcome your questions and inquiries. Just as the fine job that Fred Kaffenberger has done, I'm sure Bob will be just as active and encouraging.

Another key activity of our Society is the Americanism Committee. Currently we are seeking someone to fill the State Chairman position. If anyone might be interested in the job please get in touch with me to explore the possibility. Keith Lindgren has done an excellent job but now must retire. There are a couple of other positions open if anyone wants to "get involved".

And my final thanks go to Past President Peter Grassl for his continued advice and for staying involved.

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### **BLAKE WINS PRESTIGIOUS AWARD**

Philip W. Blake of the Washington chapter has been selected to receive the NSSAR Distinguished Patriot Award by President General David Appleby. The PG can select one compatriot to receive the award during his term; the selection was made at the Spring 2009 Leadership meeting.

President General Appleby said: of all his travels across "our Great Nation...and observe or participate in numerous celebrations and commemorations...your effort with Operation Ensign really stands out, and I want to congratulate you on the success of this great project."

Blake will be presented a very handsome certificate and letter from President General Appleby at the May Board of Governors meeting in Emporia.



## AROUND THE SOCIETY

New chapter presidents: Jason Auvil (Henry Leavenworth), Doug Brady (Washington), Bobbie Hulse (Sons of the Plains), Robert Mellotte (Monticello), and Dennis Nelson (Delaware Crossing).

Lyle Gibson has become a George Washington Fellow.

Dewey Fry, Delaware Crossing, was elected chairman of the Greater Kansas City SAR George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee. The next luncheon takes place Saturday, February 20, 2010 at the Ritz Charles in Overland Park.

## ELLIS OFFICIAL NOMINEE

Barnett Ellis of the Kansas Society is the recommended candidate for Secretary General of the NSSAR. Ellis was selected following an interview of the Nominations committee. The official slate of officers for 2009 - 2010 are:

President General:	Edward F. Butler
Secretary General:	Barnett Ellis
Treasurer General:	Larry J. Magerkurth
Chancellor General:	James K. Say
Genealogist General:	Joseph W. Dooley
Registrar General:	Stephen A. Leishman
Historian General:	Lindsey C. Brock
Librarian General:	Miles K. Dechant
Surgeon General:	Dr. Lee C. Clark
Chaplain General:	Rev. A. Clark Wisner

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE *continued*

tickets for this beautiful work of art.

The highlights of the main program on Saturday were the Memorial Service, luncheon, Participation Forum, and banquet. The luncheon caught the interest of those attending. Youth Programs winner Patrick Schmidt presented his essay about Alexander Hamilton, see separate story. What caught interest of all was the key note presentation by Dr. Alan Bearman of Washburn University. He spoke about the role of religion in the Revolutionary War. Dick Nelson announced the winning poster was submitted by Delaware Crossing.

The men spent the afternoon in a Participation Forum. The Americanism program was reviewed in detail, the format of the annual meeting on even-numbered years was discussed, and then member retention was reviewed following breakout groups. The alternative meeting format being discussed would include only a luncheon which would follow the Memorial Service and business meeting and precede a local historical tour.

The banquet reflected a nice conclusion to the Conference. Kansas DAR Regent Shirley Coupal attended and offered remarks. Registrar General Sympson's key note speech covered interesting and little known historical points of interest of the SAR. Later, he installed new officers of the Kansas Society which was followed by transferring the Society President neck ribbon from Peter Grassl to Martin Klotzbach.

Klotzbach's first act was the promotion of Robert Capps, Jr. to Major-General of the KSSSAR Color Guard. Fred Kaffenberger was shown great respect by the Color Guard and audience as he retired as commander of the Color Guard. Shortly thereafter, Klotzbach adjourned the 117th Annual Conference.



The winning poster submitted by Corey Goodburn sponsored by Delaware Crossing Chapter was announced at the State Society's Annual Conference.

## SPRING LEADERSHIP MEETING

Kansas Compatriots attending the 2009 Spring Leadership meeting saw history being made. The Trustees (Edgar Grover) voted to authorize the buildout of the library phase at the Center for Advancing America's Heritage (The Center) at the Fulton-Conway building on West Main Street in Louisville. The library space will be twice as large as the current library. The project financing will be funded from compatriot donations to the SAR. This is a giant step for the Society.

Finances took center stage when the Trustees met. Although the budget has been scaled down several times and key spending programs postponed, the cash reserves are being invaded. Thus, proposals were approved for consideration at the Congress in Atlanta.

The proposed alterations to dues are: first, the application fee will be doubled. Second, dues for a new compatriot will cover the remainder of the year in which he was approved and the following year. The second proposal was approved to stem the loss of new members following their first year of membership.

Peter Grassl, a member of the NSSAR Finance Committee, reports the SAR finances are sound. But action is needed because the cost of operating the Society have increased but dues have not changed since 2001. Although the Society is managed conservatively, increased costs are draining the reserves.

The Executive Committee, with guidance from the Task Force for Public Relations, approved a special subscription program for the SAR Magazine when it is donated to schools with JROTC units, libraries, and other recipients which would appreciate the magazine. A special subscription rate of \$5 will apply.

A surprise presentation of the ROBERT E. BURT BOY SCOUT VOLUNTEER AWARD MEDAL was made first to Peter Grassl and then to Barnett Ellis. Grassl is active with the Trailhead District, Heart of America Council, as the Advancement Chairman. Ellis is the recipient of the prestigious Silver Beaver and Silver Antelope awards for his contributions to the Boy Scouts of America.

Attending the meeting were: Barnett Ellis, Edgar Grover (Emaline), Bob Capps, David Comer, Tim Peterman, Ray Peterman, Martin Klotzbach (Theresa), and Peter Grassl.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT — Peter O. Grassl**

Worked on planning for the 2013 Congress (see separate report). Organized a KSSSAR day at the National WWI Museum on December 6, 2008. Assisted with orchestrating a Johnson County Patriots Day parade, which was inspired by Mark Warnick of the Monticello Chapter. Worked with the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee for Kansas City area event. Consulted with Martin Klotzback and Orval Knodel regarding the 2009 Annual Conference in Topeka. Worked on recruiting the next administration.

## **VICE PRESIDENT — Martin Klotzback**

Represented the SAR, in uniform, at the U.S. Naturalization Ceremonies that took place November 8 and January 16 at the Dole Federal Building in Topeka. Met with Peter Grassl and Orval Knodel in Lawrence to plan the 2009 Annual Conference in Topeka.

## **AMERICANISM — Keith F. Lindgren**

Three chapters reported Americanism activities in local newspapers earning 750 points. Three chapters participated in the Poster Contest. Three chapters participated in the Knight Essay Contest. Konza Prairie made American Revolution presentations to 21 elementary classes. There were 26 Color Guard events.

The total points for the state is 6552. The points enumerated by chapter is Bennington 5, Charles Robinson 160, Delaware Crossing 2115, Fort Hays 400, Fort Scott 397, Konza Prairie 1315, Monticello 330, Sons of the Plains 180, Thomas Jefferson 506, Washington 1144, and State Society 330.

Each chapter president needs to appoint an Americanism Chairman to work with chapter members on Americanism program education and participation.

## **AMERICANISM POSTER CONTEST — Dick Nelson**

Delaware Crossing Chapter's Poster Contest winner is Corey Goodburn from Roesland Elementary School in Roesland Park, KS. The winning poster was selected from 50 entrants. On January 26 certificates and medals were presented to students at a school assembly with the Color Guard in attendance.

Konza Prairie Chapter's Poster Contest winner is Parker Petersen, a 5th grade student from Ft. Riley Elementary School in Ft. Riley, KS.

Corey Goodburn's poster has been selected as the State Society's winning poster. His poster will be entered in the national competition, which takes place in July in Atlanta.

## **AUDITING — John G. Saylor**

No activity required since the last BOG Meeting.

## **CHAPTER NEWSLETTERS — Kes Kesler**

The Bennington, Henry Leavenworth, and Monticello Chapters are working to start a chapter newsletter. All other chapters are publishing a regularly occurring newsletter.

## **CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS — John G. Saylor**

No activity required since the last BOG meeting.

## **CONGRESS 2013 — Peter O. Grassl**

The 2013 Congress is scheduled for Saturday, July 6, 4

2013, through Wednesday, July 10, 2013, in Kansas City. More volunteers will be needed as the event shapes up.

On December 5, met with Larry Guzy, NSSAR Congress Chair, Joe Harris, NSSAR Executive Director, Dick Bryant, MOSSAR 2013 Congress Cmts, and staff of the Downtown Kansas City Marriott Hotel for a tour and finalization of the contract.

A pencil sketch of the 2013 Congress medal will be presented to the NSSAR Awards & Medal committee for their review.

Fundraising through selling plaques and quilt raffle tickets. A plaque of a compatriot's Revolutionary War ancestor can be ordered to raise money. They will be promoted through NSSAR meetings. The quilt is made by Mrs. Kleinschmidt's mother. The quilt raffle may go national to raise more money. Tickets are expected to be \$5 each or \$10 for three.

## **ESSAY CONTEST — Douglas Brady**

The Knight Essay Contest was promoted to 76 high schools in Kansas this year. Six entries were received. First place went to Patrick Schmidt, sponsored by Monticello Chapter, for his essay titled "The First Banker". Patrick will receive a cash award of \$500 and a medal and certificate. His essay has been sent to the National for competition. Second place went to Megan Jilka, sponsored by Konza Prairie Chapter, for her essay titled "A Free People: Influences of the Revolutionary Government". Megan will receive a cash award of \$175 and a medal and certificate. Third place went to Elisabeth Birchler, sponsored by Delaware Crossing Chapter, for her essay titled "Marquis de Lafayette" From Personal Glory to American Liberty". Elisabeth will receive a cash award of \$125 and a medal and certificate.

## **GENEALOGIST — Timothy E. Peterman**

As of Jan. 2009, the spreadsheet for tracking prospects and application progress contained 416 names. Of those 416 prospects, 27 have applied for membership since November.

The fifth issue of "From Kansas to Concord" was distributed to prospects in September.

No Outreach booths or Genealogy Workshops have been held since the November, 2008. An outreach booth at PAIR Day in Leavenworth is scheduled for February 7. Plans are under way to have outreach booths at the Turkey Creek Festival in Merriam, KS, and at Tonganoxie Days. No genealogy workshops are scheduled at present.

The following assistance is requested from each chapter: Notify Tim Peterman of new prospects from each chapter so that they can be centrally tracked and so that new prospects can receive a copy of "From Kansas to Concord". Identify outreach opportunities in their area. Broaden the pool of working sponsors so that new prospects can be put in contact with a sponsor to assist them in their genealogical efforts.

A genealogy and membership contact is needed for each of the following chapters: Bennington, Charles Robinson,

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Fort Scott, Sons of the Plains and Thomas Jefferson.

## HISTORIAN – John Forbes

Chapter newsletters are being received from only three chapters. All chapters' newsletters should be sent to the State Historian, John Forbes. An online index is being planned.

## MEMBERSHIP – Timothy E. Peterman

There were 673 paying members at end of 2008 with 8 duals. As of January 1, there were 591 paying members, which have grown back to 600. National has a number of applications approved and ready to be registered, which should increase membership totals. There are seven youth applications, several new life memberships, and 39 new applications awaiting review at National.

## NOMINATING – Barnett Ellis

State Society nominations for 2009 - 2011 are: President: Martin Klotzbach, Vice-President: David Comer, Recording Secretary: Gary Neal, Membership: Tim Peterman, Treasurer: Jake Cox, Chaplain: Brian Vazquez, Chancellor: Jake Cox, Registrar: Tim Peterman, Historian: John Forbes, Publicity: open, Genealogist: Tim Peterman, National Trustee: Peter Grassl, Alternate Trustee: Edgar Grover, Delegate-at-large: Bob Capps, Americanism: open, Audit: open, Co-membership: Tim Peterman, Color Guard Commander: Bob Capps, Assistant Color Guard Commander: open, Rumbaugh Orations: Lyle Gibson, Knight Essay: Doug Brady, Eagle Scouts: Robert McFarlin, JROTC/ROTC: Everett Mulkey, C.A.R. Liaison: John Proctor, Handbook: Roger Johnson, Heritage Fund / Life Membership: Jake Cox, Public Service & Heroism: open, Veterans' Affairs: Richard Wright, Medals & Awards: Barnett Ellis, Liberty Bell: Mike Frisbie, Webmaster: Robert Capps III, Poster Contest: Richard Nelson, Conference Planning: open, George Washington Endowment Fund & Friends of the Library: Barnett Ellis, Partners in Patriotism: open, Kansas Heritage Trust Fund: Barnett Ellis (2010), John Sayler (2011) and Roger Johnson (2012), and Outreach Chairman: open.

## ORATIONS CONTEST – Lyle Gibson

The annual Rumbaugh Orations contest will take place at the next BOG on May 2. All entries must be turned by the end of April.

## THE LIBERTY BELL – Mike Frisbie

The February issue of the *Liberty Bell* was printed by Command Print in Leavenworth at a cost of \$550.07 for 720 copies. The eight-page newsletters were printed on 70 lb. glossy paper, bi-folded, and tabbed for mailing with CASS-certified addressing. Four address corrections were reported. (Address correction is a new, federally required step to identify and correct postal addresses that have changed over the last 48 months.) 709 newsletters were mailed February 2 from the Shawnee Mission Post Office at a cost of \$105.53. The electronic version of the newsletter was distributed February 2 to 408 email subscribers, of which 66 are email-only subscribers. The mailing account

balance at the Post Office is \$139.84.

## LADIES AUXILIARY – Cathy Grassl

Service Projects: February – Kansas National Guard, March – State conference in March. Discussed having a Kansas Basket for National Congress in Marietta, GA. The programs for May and August 2009 meetings are focused on planning for the 2009-2010 year.

Planned for State Conference in Topeka on March 20-21.

Officers for the next term are President: Cathy Grassl, VP Programs: Ruby Nelson, Secretary: Theresa Klotzbach, Treasurer: Wanda Kaffenberger, Chaplain: Carolyn Grover, and Historian: open.

## SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES (Feb-Apr)

Last	First	Middle	NSSAR	Ks	Ch	Years	Anniversary
Macferran	William	Sewell	75372	696	TJ	55	03/20/09
Propps	Thomas	Bascom	106036	1035	WA	35	03/31/09
Bernstorf	David	James	115070	1244	WA	30	03/05/09
Grover	Robert	LaVern	115651	1250	DX	30	03/19/09
Kaufman	Owen	Raymond	115661	1260	MAL	30	03/30/09
Robb	Bruce	Dow	123435	1556	BN	25	02/22/09
Weaver	Eldon	Ralph	123576	1558	SP	25	03/09/09
Crutcher	James	Samuel	123934	1789	FS	25	04/30/09
Grover	Edgar	Euing	132662	1835	SP	20	03/20/09
Staples	Mark	Taylor	142454	2009	WA	15	04/19/09
Privett	William	Estel	151358	2163	WA	10	02/03/09
Hill	Robb	Bryan	151359	2164	FS	10	02/03/09
Hill	John	Ryan	151360	2165	FS	10	02/03/09
Huddleston	Christian	Frederick	151541	2169	KP	10	03/10/09
Knodel	Orval	Arnold	151633	2172	TJ	10	03/18/09
Pomeroy	Charles	Perry	151720	2173	TJ	10	03/22/09
Vazquez	Brian	Manuel	161989	2395	TJ	5	02/11/09
Vazquez	Sheldon	Perry	161990	2396	DX	5	02/11/09
Klotzbach	Martin	Simon	161991	2397	TJ	5	02/11/09
Payne	Howard	Thomas	161992	2398	DX	5	02/11/09
Overmyer	David	Joseph	161993	2399	DX	5	02/11/09
Haneke	Daniel	Wyatt	162269	2400	SP	5	03/04/09
Haneke	Travis	Wayne	162270	2401	SP	5	03/04/09
Lindgren	Keith	Frederick	162271	2402	KP	5	03/04/09
Robinson	Larry	Ray	162349	2404	SP	5	03/18/09
Lewis	Robert	Elwyn	162516	2411	DX	5	03/31/09
Hungerford	Gene	Carlton	162517	2412	MAL	5	03/31/09
Liles	Charles	Lynn	162518	2413	WA	5	03/31/09
Meyer	John	Arthur	162590	2415	DX	5	04/19/09
Rhodes	William	Lawrence	162668	2417	TJ	5	04/27/09

## PROVEN SUPPLEMENTAL ANCESTORS

Last	First	Middle	NSSAR	Ks	Ch	Approved	Ancestor
Goslin	Charles	Edward	153150	2193	MC	01/21/09	Thomas Mitchell
Goslin	Charles	Edward	153150	2193	MC	01/21/09	Thomas Turner
Bernstorf	Philip	David	168659	2543	WA	01/21/09	William Morris, Sr.
Barbour	Philip	Clarke	108715	1114	DX	03/06/09	Ichabod Ward
Bowman	Marlowe	Bruce	170552	2606	MC	03/06/09	John May
Bowman	Robert	Layne	170553	2607	MC	03/06/09	John May
Bannister	Charles	Ralston	171598	2638	DX	03/06/09	Charles Swearingen
Bannister	Charles	Ralston	171598	2638	DX	03/06/09	James West
Bannister	Charles	Ralston	171598	2638	DX	03/06/09	Timothy Smith
Bannister	Charles	Ralston	171598	2638	DX	03/06/09	Van Swearingen, Sr.
Bannister	Charles	Ralston	171598	2638	DX	03/06/09	Zackquil Morgan



## FAREWELL TO OUR DEPARTED COMPATRIOTS

Last	First	Middle	NSSAR	Ks	Ch	Member	Died
Koch	Richard	Vernon	125787	1651		1985	05/25/08*
Roper	Donald	Keith	133608	1855		1989	01/15/09*
Smith	Ralph	William	138449	1951		1992	01/17/09*
Beckham	Rhodes	Earl	125572	1642		1985	01/23/09*
Jackman	David	Stockdale, Jr.	55215	590		1940	01/27/09*
Schultz	Bruce	Newton	151565	2170	TJ	1999	02/10/09

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# \* CHAPTER NEWS \*

## **BENNINGTON CHAPTER (Salina)**

**George W. Easter, President**

*Meets at noon in Salina Senior Center, 249 North 9th Street,  
(Dates and Times as announced)*

Chapter meeting was held January 14 with six members and two guests present. The chapter voted to send \$100 to the National Building program promoted by Cmpt. Ellis. The chapter president sent a letter to members appealing for meeting attendance and for contributions to the Kansas Heritage Fund and the George Washington Fund; it also announced Cmpt. Ellis as a candidate for Secretary General. The next meeting is planned for April.

## **CHARLES ROBINSON CHAPTER (Lawrence)**

**Jeffrey H. Richards, President**

*Meets 3rd Monday of September, November, January, March,  
May, 6:00 PM, Perkins Restaurant, 1711 23rd St, Lawrence*

The chapter met September 15. Three new members were inducted: Robert Roseberry, Larry Roseberry and Marvin Meng.

## **DELAWARE CROSSING CHAPTER**

**(Kansas City & Johnson County)**

**Dennis Nelson, President**

*Meets 3rd Saturday monthly for 9:00 AM Breakfast  
Holiday Inn, 87th & Highway 69, Overland Park*

Chapter meetings were held November 15, December 6 and January 17. The chapter has 168 members after a drop of 34 at year end; several reinstatements are expected by February. The election of new chapter officers was held at the February Meeting. The chapter presented six Flag Certificates in November and December.

The chapter's Rumbaugh Oration Contest was held March 14 with two home-schooled contestants. Contest materials were distributed to 26 high schools in the area.

The chapter winner of the Eagle Scout Award was presented at the February meeting.

An assembly was held at Roesland Elementary School in Roeland Park to present certificates and medals to participants in the chapter's Poster Contest. Certificates were presented to the 50 student participants and patriotic medals to eight class poster winners. The chapter's Poster Contest winner is Corey Goodburn.

The Chapter Color Guard participated in six events in the Kansas City metro area: the Leavenworth parade, the VA nursing home visit, the Shawnee Veteran's Memorial Program, Ottawa Veteran's Day Parade, the Overland Park Historical Society's flag pole dedication, and the Kansas City WWI Memorial Veteran's Day service. Bronze Color Guard Medals were presented to Cmnts. Dewey Fry and Kyle Kesler for their support and participation in Color Guard Activities.

## **FORT HAYS CHAPTER (Hays)**

**Carrol R. Christian, President**

*Meets 1st Thursday monthly, 5:30 PM,*

*Fort Hays State University, Forsyth Library, Room 132.*

Chapter meetings were held November 6, December 4, and January 15. A chapter newsletter has been started. A chapter web site is in the works. The chapter continues to work with Fort Hays State University in creating a display for the "Franklin Papers". One flag certificate has been presented. Cmpt. Dan Nease is working with Roosevelt Middle School to promote the Poster Contest.

## **FORT SCOTT CHAPTER (Ft. Scott)**

**Gale D. Beck, President**

*Meets 2nd Saturday in January, April, July and October  
at 10:00 AM at Fort Scott Community College*

Chapter meetings were held January 10 and April 11. Four new members were inducted at the April meeting. Nine new members joined last year. The chapter newsletter was mailed to all chapter members. Darren Couch contacted area schools (in Pittsburg, Girard, Fort Scott, Columbus, etc.) and followed up several times promoting the Rumbaugh Oration Contest, but no entries were submitted. The chapter participated in the ROTC Spring 2009 Awards Banquet at Pittsburg State University and presented a certificate and medal to Cadet Adam Neeley.



The Fort Scott Chapter participated in the ROTC Spring 2009 Awards Banquet at Pittsburg State University. President Gale Beck (left) and VP Darren Couch (right) presented a certificate and medal to Cadet Adam Neeley.

## **HENRY LEAVENWORTH CHAPTER (Leavenworth)**

**Jason Auvil, President**

*Meets 4th Thursday at 6:30 PM at selected restaurants*

## **KONZA PRAIRIE CHAPTER (Manhattan)**

**Gary Groh, President**

*Meets 3rd Thursday at 7:30 PM*

*Meadowlark Hills Retirement Center, 2121 Meadowlark Rd.*  
Chapter meetings were held November 20 and December

18. The chapter had one member reinstatement and one member graduate from Youth to Regular status. Five new member applications were submitted and one youth application. The chapter approved one new Flag Certificate.

Cmpts. Groh and Meloan presented Living History programs to two area schools. Cmpts. Meloan and Naughton presented a Living History program to the Manhattan Welcome Club.

The chapter contacted 12 area high schools to promote the Knight Essay Contest and received two entries. The chapter contacted three area elementary schools to promote the Poster Contest. An entry was selected and sent to the State Chairman.

On February 15, the chapter presented medals and certificates to 18 Eagle Scouts in the Konza District at the annual Baden-Powell banquet in Manhattan. The Konza District of the BSA is newly formed from merging the Pawnee and Quivira Districts.

### **MONTICELLO CHAPTER (Shawnee)**

**Robert Mellott, President**

*Meets 3rd Thursday, 6:00 PM dinner & 7:00 PM meeting at Yarborough's Family Restaurant*

Chapter meetings were held November 20, December 6 and January 15. At the November meeting, Linda Lewis presented a slide show of her efforts in the digital cemetery project to document all of the cemeteries of Johnson County, KS. The December meeting was a joint meeting with Delaware Crossing and Henry Leavenworth chapters at the World War I Memorial in Kansas City, MO. At the January meeting, Cmpt. Spike Speicher presented "A Tale of Two Soldiers." He compared the letters of a Union and a Confederate soldier during the Civil War and displayed their original letters.

A Flag Certificate was presented to the Shawnee Chamber of Commerce. Patrick Schmidt was named the winner of the chapter's Knight Essay Contest.

### **SONS OF THE PLAINS CHAPTER (Hutchinson)**

**Bobbie Hulse, President**

*Meets 2nd Saturday at 9:00 AM September through May at Hutchinson Community College, Student Union, Walnut Room*

Elections were held at the chapter meeting on February 13. Cmpt. Bobby Hulse was elected chapter president.

A Flag Certificate was presented to the NCRA in McPherson, KS.

### **THOMAS JEFFERSON CHAPTER (Topeka)**

**Brian Vazquez, President**

*Meets 2nd Saturday monthly except July & August for an 8:00 AM Breakfast at Aldersgate Village, 7220 S.W. Asbury Dr*

Chapter meetings were held November 8, December 13 and January 10. Cmpt. Richard Kleinschmidt advised that the chapter has 19 life chapter memberships. At the November meeting, Suzanne Gray, Volunteer Coordinator for the VA/Topeka, discussed volunteer opportunities and patient needs. At the December meeting, Dr. Alan Bearman, history professor at Washburn University, pre-



18 Eagle Scouts of the BSA Konza District were recognized by the Konza Prairie Chapter at the Baden-Powell Banquet in Manhattan on Sunday, February 15. 14 of the 18 scouts are pictured along with Cmpt. Gary Groh (left), Scoutmaster and Cmpt. Mark Naughton (far left) and Cmpt. Cliff Meloan (right).

sented on religion and the American Revolution.

Cmpt. Martin Klotzbach represented SAR at the January 16, 2009 naturalization ceremony in Topeka.

The chapter presented donations of soap, shampoo and other toiletries to the Colmery-O'Neil VA Center for use by veterans.

Cmpt. Orval Knodel is arranging the 2009 State SAR meeting in Topeka.

### **WASHINGTON CHAPTER (Wichita Area)**

**Doug Brady, President**

*Meets 2nd Saturday except Feb., Mar., July & Aug. at 11:30 AM at Hometown Buffet, 6820 West Central*

Chapter meetings were held November 15, December 6 and January 10. At the November meeting, new member, John Richard Blecha, was inducted. Compatriot Lawrence Skelton provided a program about Thomas Jefferson, a modern Anti-Hero. At the annual December Christmas Brunch, Cmpt. Everett Mulkey was presented an award for his work in recording new members. The chapter presented Det. Bradley F. Tuzicka of the Wichita Police Department with the Law Enforcement Award for his exceptional work in financial crime. The January meeting was used to make final plans for the George Washington Birthday Celebration Dinner on February 20.

Cmpt. Philip Blake gave presentations on the "Veterans Memorials in the City of Wichita and What Veterans Mean to Us" to the citizens of Cheney, KS and to high students at Conway Springs, KS.

The chapter distributed information promoting the Knight Essay Contest and the Rumbaugh Orations Contest to ten Wichita high schools, two parochial high schools, and 20 high schools in the surrounding area. The chapter distributed information promoting the Eagle Scout Award to the Quivira Council Office of the Boy Scouts.

The chapter's Color Guard participated in Veterans Day activities in Cheney, KS, and Conway Springs, KS, and participated in the Wichita Citizenship Ceremony in November.

# Welcome to These New Compatriots of the Sons of the American Revolution!

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Hart	Ryan	Garrett	9701 W 128th St	Overland Park	KS	66213	173212	2665	DX	Ellis, IB	01/14/09	Anthony Hart
Shade	Matthew	Jay	421 Dexter	Wray	CO	80758	173213	2666	FH	Ellis, IB	01/14/09	Simon Riegel
Coley	David	Powers	4879 Sound View Dr	Mt. Pleasant	SC	29466	173275	2667	DX	Peterman, TE	01/26/09	Frederick Harris
Ward	Charles	Richard, Jr.	1811 Jeanette	Wichita	KS	67203	173276	2668	WA	Mulkey, EE	01/26/09	William Ward
Hansen	Robert	Frederick	8905 W 99th Ter	Overland Park	KS	66210	173349	2669	DX	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	Peter Bundy
Garvin	David	William	3507 Woods Ct	Manhattan	KS	66503	173350	2670	KP	Naughton, GG	02/11/09	George Jones
Ellis	Isaac	Charles	5324 Sweet Air Rd	Baldwin	MD	21013	173351	2671	DX	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	Griffith Owen
Mellott	Willard	McClellan	1602 S 104th Ter	Edwardsville	KS	66111	173352	2672	MC	Mellott, RR	02/11/09	John Mellott
Mellott	David	McClellan	1323 N 158th Ct	Basehor	KS	66007	173353	2673	MC	Mellott, RR	02/11/09	John Mellott
Northway	Donald	Fay	1015 S Commercial Ave	Coleman	TX	76834	173354	2674	FS	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	Francis Northway
Northway	Scott	Nathan	615 E 9th	Coleman	TX	76834	173355	2675	FS	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	Francis Northway
Barrett	Sean	Gary	410 Maple Ct	Lansing	KS	66043	173356	2676	HL	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	Nathaniel Barrett
Barnds	Campbell	Craig, III	9848 Briar Dr	Overland Park	KS	66207	173357	2677	DX	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	Daniel Doughty
Cowing	Shawn	Robert	11839 Perry Apt 1108	Overland Park	KS	66210	173358	2678	DX	Fry, HD	02/11/09	Charles Reno
Warne	Joe	Lynn	1434 N Tomahawk Rd	Peck	KS	67120	173359	2679	WA	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	William Parkison
Quick	Zachary	Isaiah	1408 N Lark	Wichita	KS	67212	173360	2680	WA	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	William Parkison
Frisbie	Joshua	David	8151 Renner Rd Apt 10	Lenexa	KS	66219	173361	2681	DX	Frisbie, MD	02/11/09	Abram Frisbie
Coe	Donald	Earl	6626 Berry	Kansas City	KS	66106	173362	2682	MC	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	Ebenezer Coe
Garrison	John	Elliot	16950 W 68th St Apt 308	Shawnee	KS	66217	173363	2683	MC	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	Jacob Blauvelt
Sherbondy	Jeffrey	Dean	6509 W 102nd St	Overland Park	KS	66212	173364	2684	DX	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	John Sherbondy
French	Ralph	Edwin, Jr.	1454 125th St	Redfield	KS	66769	173365	2685	FS	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	Moses Campbell
French	Terry	Wendell	1510 Horton	Ft. Scott	KS	66701	173366	2686	FS	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	Moses Campbell
French	Daniel	Glen	102 Arthur St	Ft. Scott	KS	66701	173367	2687	FS	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	Moses Campbell
Barnds	Richard	Marvin	50 A High St, Littleport, Cambridgeshire, UK	Cambridgeshire, UK	CB61HE		173368	2688	DX	Ellis, IB	02/11/09	Daniel Doughty
Rose	Graham	Clifton	908 Brierwood Dr	Manhattan	KS	66502	173449	2689	KP	Naughton, GG	02/27/09	William Rose
Gilmore	Donald	Lee	300 Baldwin St	Belton	MO	64012	173585	2690	DX	Ellis, IB	03/26/09	Andrew Gilmore, Sr.
Gilmore	Donald	Allen	930 Broadway Apt 101	Kansas City	MO	64105	173586	2691	DX	Ellis, IB	03/26/09	Andrew Gilmore, Sr.
Crawford	Steven	Kenneth	5943 Catalina	Fairway	KS	66205	173587	2692	MC	Ellis, IB	03/26/09	Robert McFarland
Bowman	Todd	Alan	197 Hillcrest West	Lake Quivira	KS	66214	173588	2693	MC	Bowman, MB	03/26/09	John May
Dockins	Steven	Eugene	4006 E 123rd Ter Apt A	Grandview	MO	64030	173589	2694	KP	Naughton, GG	03/26/09	David Ramsour
Hawes	Eugene	Raymond	1251 Ella Ave	Arboga	CA	95961	173590	2695	KP	Naughton, GG	03/26/09	John Skelton
Hawes	Christopher	Gary	3112 Granite Dr	Yuba City	CA	95993	173591	2696	KP	Naughton, GG	03/26/09	John Skelton
Baker	Jeffrey		1570 Kensington Ln	Lancaster	OH	43130	173592	2697	DX	Ellis, IB	03/26/09	Daniel Doughty

## SAR Youth Registrants (under 18)

<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>St</i>	<i>Zip</i>	<i>Youth</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Ch</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Ancestor</i>
Burchfiel	Andrew	Michael	104 N Grand Fork Dr	Edmond	OK	73003	1106	0	WA	Mulkey, EE	10/02/08	Strangeman Hutchins
Ellis	Isaac	Edward	5324 Sweet Air Rd	Baldwin	MD	21013	1135	0	DX	Ellis, IB	02/16/09	Griffith Owen
Walker	Elias	Vann	1408 N Lark	Wichita	KS	67212	1136	6	WA	Ellis, IB	02/16/09	William Parkison
French	Nicolas	Wendell	1510 Horton	Ft. Scott	KS	66701	1137	12	FS	Ellis, IB	02/16/09	Moses Campbell
Bolton	Benjamin	Thomas	777 Midland Ave	Manhattan	KS	66502	1144	15	KP	Naughton, GG	03/26/09	John Skelton

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