

# The Liberty Bell

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### 119th CONGRESS BRINGS CHANGES



KSSSAR Color Guardsmen assembled at the Marietta First Baptist Church for the National Congress Memorial Service. Pictured are Richard Cox, Edgar Grover, Martin Klotzbach, Bob Capps, and Bob Grover.

The 119th National Congress was held in Atlanta and hosted by the Georgia Society. Eleven Kansas Society compatriots attended: Bob Capps, Dave Comer (Barbara), Jake Cox, Richard Cox, Barnett Ellis, Randy Ellis, Mike Frisbie (Cynthia), Peter Grassl (Cathy), Edgar Grover (Emalene), Martin Klotzbach (Theresa), Tim Peterman, and Ray Peterman. Attending the opening reception and Rumbaugh Oration final was Josh Grassl, from Hunter Army Airfield in Savannah, and his new wife Ashley. Randy Ellis, Jake Cox, Richard Cox, and Mike Frisbie were first-time Congress attendees. There were 302 delegates and approximately 200 guests attending.

The election of general officers took a higher profile because of several contested positions. The NSSAR Nominations Committee conducts an interview of compatriots who have expressed an interest for a general officer position at the Spring Leadership meeting, and the committee recommends a slate of officers. Barnett Ellis was the preferred candidate for Secretary General but was opposed by David Sympson of Kentucky, who was elected by the delegates. At the Wednesday morning session, Stuart McCarty, the senior former president general in attendance, addressed the Congress to present a "sense of the presidents general." The former presidents general believe the annual campaign process was becoming excessive due to the escalating competition which required continued on page 3

#### Upcoming Events

**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 2009 Leadership (Trustees) Meeting, Louisville KY.

**Sep 30, 2009** — Deadline for articles and pictures for the November issue of *The Liberty Bell*.

Nov 7, 2009 — KSSSAR Board of Governors' Meeting, 10AM, Best Western, Hospitality House, 3021 W. Highway 50, Emporia, 620-342-7587.

Nov 7, 2009 – Ladies Auxiliary meeting.



KSSSAR President Martin Klotzbach, right, receives the Paul M. Niebell, Sr. Award from President General David Appleby for *The Liberty Bell* winning 1st place.

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#### **AUGUST BOG MEETING**

The Board of Governors will meet on August 1, 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.

#### LADIES AUXILIARY

The Ladies Auxiliary will meet concurrent with the BOG session on August 1, 2009 at 10:00 AM at the Best Western Motel, Emporia. Service projects, programs and the promotion of our Quilt Project for the 2013 National SAR Congress will be discussed. Lunch will be at a local restaurant.

The Ladies August Service Project will be to furnish school supplies for the Emporia School District, grades K-6. Items needed are backpacks, underwear, notebooks, notebook paper, pencils, pens, crayons, folders, Kleenex packs, socks, etc.

#### PLEDGE TO THE SAR

We descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.

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

By Martin Klotzbach President, KSSSAR



Compatriots All ---

I really planned in this message to report on the 2009 National Congress in Atlanta, Georgia. But this would be putting Mike Frisbie (who does a great job in putting out this quarterly) in a real bind. Maybe we can verbally report on the Congress briefly at our August BOG meeting.

While preparing for attending this Congress I keep thinking that in just five years we will be right in the very final stages of our own 2013 Congress presentation in Kansas City. To underwrite this effort we need to raise at least \$10,000. In order to do this we have started a drive to sell memorial plaques honoring our own Patriots. Sales at this date have not been overwhelming. We will be trying to sell more during the upcoming Congresses and other national meetings. Concurringly we will be selling tickets for donations for a quilt drawing. We are just getting started on this effort, and there seems to be some confusion about how to proceed. Here's how:

- Each chapter president should contact Auxiliary members Deb Hulse or Emalene Grover to get raffle tickets for members of their chapter to sell. Both women plan on being at the August BOG meeting.
- 2. Quilt tickets are \$10 each or three for \$25. Checks are payable to the KSSSAR 2013 Quilt Fund. The unnamed portion of the ticket goes to the donor for him or her to keep.
- 3. Send the name portion of the ticket and money to Deb Hulse, 508 E. Kansas Ave, McPherson, KS 67460. She will record the transaction and send the money to Cmpt. Bob Bowman.
- 4. Bob will record and deposit the money into a KSSSAR 2013 Quilt Fund.

This should facilitate the procedure. Now all we have to do is sell tickets. In fact, I would like to challenge all KSSSAR members to join me in a pledge to donate \$100 a year for the next five years to the KSSSAR 2013 Quilt Fund. Your president will be buying 12 tickets a year for my \$100. Is anyone willing to accept my challenge? Please let me know.

This BOG meeting is especially important to all of us. At this time it appears as though we may have a bit of a problem with our Society finances. We may be running out of money for the normal business activities. We know we are spending too much on *The Liberty Bell*. We will, most likely, need to follow California, Texas, and other states in going to an email-only delivery. Printing and postage costs have risen and are getting out of hand. For those without an email address, a printing and postage fee will most likely have to be added to their dues.

Also, we will probably have to consider cutting expenses and maybe increasing dues by a small amount. From recent postings it seems as though Society dues across the nation range from \$15 to \$25 a year. Our KSSSAR annual dues are currently \$10. So you see, the upcoming BOG meeting should be interesting and provocative. Every chapter should have a representative present.

Thanks to all who work for the betterment of the Kansas Society.

#### **119th CONGRESS** (continued)

men to fly around the country to campaign and spend large sums on multiple mailings of campaign literature. One candidate held multiple open houses at Congress.

The best news was found at the awards ceremony on Monday evening. Your Kansas Society LIBERTY BELL won first place in The Paul M. Niebell, Sr. (newsletter) Award. This earned a \$300 prize! Aside, the late Mr. Niebell's spouse has attended recent Congresses and donated, again, \$10,000 to the Center for Advancing America's Heritage. She was made the first honorary "first lady" of the NSSAR because of her generous support of the Society.

As usual, youth activities played a large role in the activities. Ashley Hrabe of Salina represented KSSSAR in the Orations Contest. She was one of fifteen contestants. Although she was not a finalist, she promises to compete again. The Poster Contest had a significant number of entries this year, and the theme for next year is "The Battle of Bunker Hill." The Youth Luncheon was above average when the Orations finalist spoke flawlessly during his rousing opening remarks and presenting his oration again; he was the only speaker at the luncheon to receive a standing ovation. The Eagle Scout and Knight Essay finalists read their winning entries.

Important changes took place during the Congress. At the Fall 2008 Leadership Meeting, the Trustees were presented with information showing the need for increased revenue for the NSSAR by altering the application fee. This was coupled with a change in the dues structure for new members which would cover them up to 18 months. The Congress considered this proposal, but the doubling of the application fee was rolled back to a \$20 increase rather than the proposed \$60. Because this would have caused a financial drain, Secretary General Ed Butler (TX) withdrew the second motion which means that dues collected for a new member will only cover through December 31. Then, a motion was approved to increase dues for all members (regular and youth) by \$5 effective for 2010. This mix of revenue changes will provide a larger increase versus what was proposed.

In other news, due to financial constraints, the Eagle Scout chapter medals and state winner trophy are no longer free effective at the Congress. The Executive Committee voted to suspend selling new Life Memberships. Peter Grassl was installed as the Kansas Society Trustee for 2009 - 2010.

Kansas Society Ladies Auxiliary staffed a table to sell fund-raising items to fund the 2013 Congress reception. Tickets were sold for the beautiful, patriotic quilt, and they made several sales of the "Minute Man" plaque. The KSSSAR Color Guard participated in all events and made a great showing.



Cmpt. Philip W. Blake of the Washington Chapter received the NSSAR Distinguished Patriot Award at the May Board of Governors meeting in Emporia on May 2. Pictured with Cmpt. Blake is former KSSSAR President Peter Grassl (left) and KSSSAR President Martin Klotzbach (right).



The KSSSAR Rumbaugh Orations Contest was held May 2 in Emporia. Pictured are Orations Chairman Lyle Gibson, Ashley Hrabe (Bennington Chapter), Patrick Schmidt (Monticello Chapter), Sarah Wacker (DX Chapter), and KSSSR President Martin Klotzbach. Ashley Hrabe was selected the winner to represent KSSSAR at the National Congress.



Cmpt. John Sayler of the Charles Robinson Chapter presents the ROTC Award to Midshipman Abby Blank of the Navy ROTC at the Spring Awards Ceremony 3 held at the University of Kansas on April 29.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Martin Klotzbach

Represented SAR at the quarterly VAVS meeting at the Colmery-O'Neil VA Medical Center in Topeka on Feb. 18. Met with Volunteer Coordinator for VA Colmery-O'Neil Medical Center on Feb. 28. Attended the Spring Leadership Conference in Louisville. Attended the Kansas Society Annual Conference in Topeka. Represented SAR at the U.S. Naturalization Ceremonies at the Dole Federal Building in Topeka on Mar. 27. Attended the annual C.A.R. Conference in Atchison on Apr. 4. Presented SAR JROTC medal and certificate to an Air Force cadet at Highland Park High School in Topeka on Apr. 17. Represented SAR at a Carnival for patients of the VA Hospital in Topeka on Apr. 24. Presented SAR JROTC medal and certificate to an Army cadet at Topeka West High School on Apr. 24.

Volunteers are needed to fill open committee chairmanships.

#### PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Peter O. Grassl

Presented the Medal for Heroism award to Eagle Scout Eric Rouse of BSA Troop 284 of Overland Park; report submitted to NSSAR for inclusion in their annual recognition. At the Spring Leadership Conference in Louisville, chaired the Task Force for Public Relations and served as member of the Nominations and Finance Committees. Worked on plans for the 2013 Congress; see separate report. Advised cancellation of Monticello Chapter's Patriot's Day parade due to potential conflicts associated with the Tea Parties. Served as Master of Ceremonies for the Greater Kansas City George Washington Birthday Celebration. Consulted with Martin Klotzbach and Orval Knodel regarding the Kansas Society Annual Conference in Topeka. Worked on recruiting the next administration.

#### VICE PRESIDENT — David Comer

Attended the Spring Leadership Conference in Louisville. Turned over the duties of Monticello Chapter President to Robert Mellott.

#### NATIONAL TRUSTEE - Edgar Grover

Attended the Trustees' Meeting in March and the Kansas Society Annual Conference in Topeka in March. Helped the Washington Chapter with the presentation of Flag Certificates and Freedom Packets to the American Legion Patriot Guard at Mulvane on April 19.

The National Society Minute Man selectees for 2009 are Robert Bowen, VA, Richard Brockway, WV, Joseph Dooley, VA, Peter Goebel, NY, Jacques de Trentinian, FR, and Marson Watson, CA. The Color Guardsman of the year is Charlie A. Newcomer, GA.

The new SAR Library in Louisville will soon be under construction with completion scheduled in 2010. The Museum and learning center should follow soon after.

#### AMERICANISM POSTER CONTEST - Dick Nelson

Two posters were submitted for judging at the Annual Conference in Topeka. Konza Prairie Chapter submitted their contest's winning poster, entered by Parker Petersen, a 5th grade student from Ft. Riley Elementary School. Delaware Crossing Chapter submitted their contest's win- 4 was distributed to prospects in late April.

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ning poster, entered by Corey Goodburn, a student from Roesland Elementary School of Roeland Park. The Delaware Crossing entry was chosen the winner of the Kansas Society's Poster Contest and was entered into competition at the National Congress.

#### C.A.R. - Peter Grassl (for John Proctor)

Kansas Society President Martin Klotzbach's first official outing was attending the Kansas C.A.R. annual meeting, which was held in Atchison. He presented them a \$50 check. Also attending were Theresa Klotzbach and Peter Grassl.

#### COLOR GUARD - Bob Capps

Wreath Presentation on March 20 by Color Guardsmen Martin Klotzbach and Bob Capps.

Color Guard Change of Command took place on March 21 at the Kansas Society Annual Conference. Color Guardsmen Muster Roll in uniform were: Fred Kaffenberger, Bob Capps, Dewey Fry, Richard Cox, Edgar Grover and Everett Mulkey.

#### CONGRESS 2013 - Peter O. Grassl

Committee members are Peter Grassl, Martin Klotzbach, Dave Comer, Bruce Bowman, and Debbie Hulse.

The date for the 2013 National Congress is July 6 to July 10, 2013. A pencil sketch of the 2013 Congress medal will be presented to the NSSAR Awards and Medal Committee for their review.

Fundraising opportunities include: Revolutionary ancestor plaques, which will be promoted through NSSAR meetings; you can purchase one today. Patriotic quilt auction/raffle; the quilt was sewn by Mrs. Kleinschmidt's mother; tickets will be sold at state, district and national meetings for \$10 each or \$25 for three; Debbie Hulse is treasurer.

#### 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 received a cash award of \$500 and a medal and certificate. His essay was sent to the National Society for competition at the National Congress. Second place went to Megan Iilka, sponsored by Konza Prairie Chapter, for her essay titled "A Free People: Influences of the Revolutionary Government". Megan received 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 received a cash award of \$125 and a medal and certificate.

#### **GENEALOGIST** – Timothy E. Peterman

As of April 2009, the database for tracking prospects and application progress contains 409 names and addresses; ten of these have applied for membership since February. The latest issue of "From Kansas to Concord"

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Chapters can notify the Genealogist of their new prospects in order to include them in the mailing of the newsletter, "From Kansas to Concord", and to have their applications progress tracked.

Volunteers are needed for sponsoring viable prospects. Many of these prospective members have no working sponsor. Current members with genealogical and communications talent are needed to sponsor some of these prospects through contact and follow-up.

An outreach booth was manned at PAIR Day in Leavenworth on Feb. 7. Reservations are established for outreach booths at the Turkey Creek Festival in Merriam, Good Ole Days in Fort Scoot, and at Tonganoxie Days. No genealogy workshops are scheduled at present.

#### GEORGE WASHINGTON ENDOWMENT - Barnett Ellis

No contributions to the George Washington Endowment Fund have been reported. The current report for Friends of the Library shows there are five members in Kansas. This is less than 1% of the membership. The state with the largest percentage of members is Tennessee with 8.9% and Missouri with 3.7%. See Barney for membership forms to support the NSSSAR library; it is \$25 per year.

#### MEDALS AND AWARDS - Barnett Ellis / Peter Grassl

The chairman duties are being split, with Barney maintaining the records (database) and Peter handling the orders. Chapters should request a copy of the database, update records for each member, and, when awarding new medals, send a list of the medals presented to Barney. The database can be viewed by member name or by medal. Orders should be consolidated to save on shipping. No new orders were received (at the time of the May BOG).

#### MEMBERSHIP - Timothy E. Peterman

New members, youth registrants, and supplementals are listed on page 8. Recently departed compatriots are reported on page 8. Service Anniversaries are listed on page 7.

#### **ORATIONS CONTEST - Lyle Gibson**

The Kansas Society Rumbaugh Orations Contest was held May 2 in Emporia (pictured on page 3). There were three contestants. Sarah Wacker from the Midwest Parent Educators represented the DX Chapter. Ashley Hrabe from Salina High School South represented the Bennington Chapter. Patrick Schmidt represented the Monticello Chapter. Ashley Hrabe was chosen the KSSSAR winner and will represent the Kansas Society at the National Congress in July.

#### THE LIBERTY BELL - Mike Frisbie

The May issue of the Liberty Bell was printed by Command Print of Leavenworth at a cost of \$529.26 for 625 copies. The eight-page newsletters were printed on 70 lb. glossy paper, bi-folded, and tabbed for mailing with CASS -certified addressing. There were seven address changes and six address corrections reported.

614 newsletters were mailed April 29 from the Shawnee 5 are up and running.

Mission Post Office; the mailing costs were \$95.07, leaving a balance at the Post Office of \$444.77.

The electronic version of the newsletter was distributed to 416 email subscribers and was posted to the Kansas Society web site on April 26. There are currently 108 email-only subscribers, an increase of 42 since the last distribution. Fourteen email addresses were found to be invalid.

Address corrections, address changes and email errors were reported to the KSSSAR secretary.

#### TREASURER - David Comer

As of March 31, KSSSAR has spent \$1,708.18 on the Essay and Eagle Scout Contests. The Kansas Heritage income was only \$569.78 for a deficit of \$1,138.36. In 2008, KSSSAR spent \$4,227.93 with an income of \$2,371.87 for a deficit of \$1,856.06. The income in 2008 includes \$655 from "Heritage-Now donation.

KSSSAR needs to raise about \$2,500 yearly for the Youth Program or reduce spending on the Youth Program.

KSSSAR has set up their web page with Dreamhost.com for a yearly fee of \$162.53.



Konza Prairie Chapter members Gary Groh and Cliff Meloan, in period clothing, hosted a Revolutionary War era campsite at the Boy Scout Camporee on April 4 at the invitation of the Boy Scouts. Cmpt. Gary Naughton, not pictured, also participated.

#### **NEW NATIONAL WEB SITE**

As announced at the National Congress, the NSSAR web site, www.sar.org, is currently being retooled, and the new site will be unveiled in the near future. The upgrade will include forums for discussions among members on various topics such as genealogy, history, membership, color guard, etc., with each topic handled separately in its own forum This type of discussion has been handled in one combined "forum" on SAR-TALK, which is a listsery on rootsweb.com. The Executive Committee decided to discontinue SAR-TALK as part of the web site upgrade. SAR-TALK was originally scheduled to be suspended on July 17; however, it was given a last-minute reprieve and will continue until the SAR Forums of the new web site

### \* 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)

The chapter submitted the JROTC award for St. John's Military School for Cadet Andre Cardoso at the school convocation. Joyce Easter prepared the certificate for William Crosser III to take to the official making the presentation. The chapter held the Oration Contest on April 1 at South High School. Three judges selected the winner from four contestants. Only the first and second places were announced. A chapter meeting was held January 14. The next chapter meeting is scheduled for the second week of May. The chapter's oration winner, Ashley Hrabe from Salina High School South, presented her oration at the state competition at the KSSSAR BOG on May 2 and took first place.

# 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 presented an ROTC award to Midshipman Abby Blank, Naval ROTC, at the University of Kansas on April 30 (pictured on page 3). The chapter presented an ROTC award to Cadet Jaimie Wappelhorst, Air Force ROTC, at the University of Kansas on May 5. The chapter presented an ROTC award to Cadet Chris Zilienski, Army ROTC, at the University of Kansas on May 7.

#### 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 February 14, March 14, and April 18.

C.A.R. member Hannah Proctor, grand-daughter of Cmpt. John Proctor, made a presentation on the C.A.R. at the April chapter meeting.

JROTC Award presentation was made to Cadet Justin Smallwood at the 11th annual Air Force Junior ROTC Awards Ceremony at Washington High School on April 23. Cadet Aaron Patterson received his JROTC Award at Shawnee Mission North High School on May 2, and Cadet Colin Lemuz received his JROTC Award at Shawnee Mission West High School on May 6.

Chapter President Dennis Nelson and his wife, Susan, a member of the Shawnee Mission Chapter of DAR, were asked to speak before the Johnson County Genealogical Society on April 25 concerning "What is a Lineage Society." Dennis, in Color Guard uniform, and Susan spoke on the SAR and DAR organizations, patriot ancestors, Color Guard participation in local events, chapter youth programs, and other activities. Cmpts. Ray and Tim Peterman were in attendance, and Tim setup a KSSSAR 6 April 23.

display. Cmpt. Dewey Fry spoke about The Mayflower Society of which he is the Kansas Deputy Governor.

#### FORT HAYS CHAPTER (Hays) Carrol R. Christian, President

Meets 1st Thursday monthly, 5:30 PM, Fort Hays State University, Forsyth Library, Room 132.

## 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

A chapter meeting was held April 11 at Fort Scott Community College. Four new members were recognized, Ralph French Jr., his two sons, Tony W. French and Daniel G. French, and his grandson, Nicholas French. Two new Texas members were recognized, Donald Northway and Scott N. Northway. A transfer member, Gary McIntosh, was welcomed into the chapter. The program was a video on "Centennial History of SAR: 1889-1989."

Chapter President Gale Beck and VP Darrin Couch participated in the Annual ROTC Outstanding Leadership Awards Program at Pittsburg State University on April 7 to present Cadet Adam Neely the SAR ROTC Outstanding Leadership Certificate and Medal.

Chapter President Gale Beck attended the KSSSAR Annual Conference in Topeka in March.

# HENRY LEAVENWORTH CHAPTER (Leavenworth) Jason Auvil, President

Meets 4th Thursday at 6:30 PM at selected restaurants Chapter meetings were held February 26, March 26, and April 23.

At the February chapter meeting, Joseph R. Fischer, Ph.D., Assoc. Professor of History, US Army Command and General Staff College spoke about George Washington as Commander in Chief of the Continental Army.

At the March chapter meeting, Jason Torgerson, an Air Force officer attending the US Army Command and General Staff College, spoke about on the Battle of Brandywine. Cmpt. Oliver West, the chapter's first president, was presented the SAR Bronze Good Citizenship medal. Cmpt. Jason Auvil was sworn in as chapter president.

At the April chapter meeting, Dr. Ethan Rafuse, Professor of Military History, US Army Command and General Staff College, spoke on "Leavenworth to Antietam."

The KSSSAR Color Guard served at the visitation and funeral of chapter founding member Roger Wyatt.

#### 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 February 19, March 19, and April 23.

The chapter's meeting record is reported monthly in the Manhattan Mercury. The chapter has regular contact with the Polly Ogden Chapter of DAR.

The chapter has presented Living History programs to four area schools, over 140 students, and to the Konza District BSA Rendezvous in Camp Brown to 160 boy scouts.

The chapter sponsored the 2nd place winner, Megan Jilka, in the KSSSAR Knight Essay Contest.

#### **MONTICELLO CHAPTER (Shawnee)** Robert Mellotte, President

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

Chapter meetings were held March 19 and April 16.

The chapter opted to forgo the February meeting in order for members to attend the annual greater Kansas City George Washington Birthday Celebration.

At the March chapter meeting, Patrick Schmidt, the winner of the KSSSAR Knight Essay Contest, read his essay.

At the April meeting, a re-enactor of Octave Chanute, namesake of Chanute, Kansas, was the key program.

The Patriots Day parade was cancelled due to perceived conflicts with the Tea Parties taking place across

Key officers attended the KSSSAR Annual Conference in Topeka: Cmpts. David Comer, Bob Mellott, Jake Cox, and Bruce Bowman.

A flag certificate was presented in April to the Patchen family of Shawnee.

#### 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 Chapter meetings were held February 14, March 14, and April 11.

The chapter had a joint meeting with the Uvadale Chapter DAR in Hutchinson on March 14. Stan Smith spoke of his experiences at the Naval Academy. Officers were installed for the next term, and medals were awarded by outgoing President Bob Haneke.

#### 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 February 14, March 14, and April 11.

The chapter presented donations of soap, shampoo, and other toiletries to the Colmery-O'Neil VA Center for use by veterans in need. Cmpt. Robert Primm and his family donated approximately 600 personal care items to the VA. The chapter received a letter of appreciation from Colmery -O'Neil VA Center for volunteer activity and donations.

Cmpt. Orval Knodel recommended a certificate of appreciation and lunch at the annual conference be given to Adrian Meyer of the Topeka convention bureau staff for her assistance in making arrangements for the conference. 7 Coover

Cmpt. Kleinschmidt noted that the chapter received a \$100 check from Westar which will be placed in the banner fund. He mentioned that the chapter should consider the purchase of a banner using the banner fund money.

Cmpt Wayne Wasson became a member on Mar 23.

#### 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

The chapter held its 18th annual George Washington Birthday Celebration dinner February 20 in Wichita at the Scottish Rite Temple. The featured speaker was Ret. Col. George M. Boyd, a graduate of the Tuskegee Air Institute. Over 200 leadership and JROTC cadets attended as the chapter's guests. Attendees included members of various DAR chapters and the general public. Col. Boyd was presented with the NSSAR Silver Good Citizenship Medal.

Cmpt. Doug Brady, accompanied by his wife and daughters, and Cmpt Everett Mulkey attended the KSSSAR Annual Conference in Topeka in March.

At the April chapter meeting, new member, Joe Lynn Warne, was inducted. The program speaker was former Wichita Mayor Carlos Mayans, who related his viewpoints of being an American, as an emigrant and as a new citizen.

On Patriot's Day, April 19, the chapter provided flag certificates to over 150 American Legion Patriot Guard riders at American Legion Post #136 in Mulvane, KS.

Color Guardsman Everett Mulkey participated in citizenship ceremonies in Wichita on March 20 with the assistance of Cmpt Bill Carroll. Cmpt. Doug Brady provided Color Guard duties at a luncheon at the Shepard Center in East Wichita on April 14 and also during a tour of the Veterans Memorial Park in Wichita for members of the Air Capital Confederate Air Force.

#### SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES (May-Jul)

Last	First	Middle	NSSAR	Ks	Ch	Years	Anniversary
Deatrick	Thomas	Browning	91479	853	MAL	45	06/25/09
Louk	Frank	Tilden, Jr.	106038	1037	DX	35	05/14/09
McGehee	Richard	Conrad	106043	1042	WA	35	06/18/09
Moon	Robert	Dale	115672	1271	MAL	30	06/18/09
Hamilton	Donald	Franklin	115673	1272	BN	30	06/18/09
Durrett	John	Charles	123993	1561	MAL	25	05/15/09
Easter	George	Wesley	123994	1562	BN	25	05/15/09
Post	Basil	Edwin	123995	1563	MAL	25	05/15/09
Buell	Charles	Stephen	124025	1564	MAL	25	05/22/09
Ottinger	Christopher	Mark	124084	1566	MAL	25	05/31/09
Coplin	John	Austin	124141	1567	MAL	25	06/26/09
Patrick	Lee	Wellington, Jr.	124142	1568	MAL	25	06/26/09
Stansel	Francis	Harrison	124219	1571	SP	25	07/06/09
Stansel	Lynn	Eldon	124220	1572	SP	25	07/06/09
Patrick	Michael	Alan	124265	1573	MAL	25	07/12/09
Mulkey	Everett	Eugene	132971	1841	WA	20	05/22/09
Clark	Christopher	Paul	133032	1843	MAL	20	05/30/09
Davis	Joseph	Witt	133245	1846	BN	20	07/25/09
Price	Thomas	Alan	142543	2010	DX	15	05/18/09
Timmons	Lawrence	Dale	142817	2016	MAL	15	07/14/09
Speicher	James	Lewis	152108	2178	MC	10	06/21/09
Reynolds	Robert	Leroy	162833	2421	DX	5	06/10/09
Mason	Max	Kessler	162874	2422	DX	5	06/16/09
Primm	Robert	Eugene, Jr.	162875	2423	TJ	5	06/16/09
Denson	LeRoy	Leslie	162964	2424	TJ	5	07/14/09
Dietrich	Christopher	Roy William	162958	2558	KP	5	07/14/09
Dietrich	Nathanael	Richard Smail	162959	2559	KP	5	07/14/09
Hedgcock	Frank	McCaskill	163042	2425	DX	5	07/19/09
Coover	Kenneth	Wynn	163070	2426	MAL	5	07/29/09

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

Last	First	Middle	Address	City	St	Zip	NSSAR	Ks	Ch	Sponsor	Approved	Ancestor
Wasson	Wayne	Joseph	2626 SE 33rd Ter	Topeka	KS	66605	173772	2698	TJ	Thomas, VA	05/07/09	Joseph Dow
Owen	Charles	Sherman	1900 Pine Ridge Dr	Leavenworth	KS	66048	173773	2699	HL	Ellis, IB	05/07/09	David Owen
Hanley	Neal	James	712 Canyon View Dr	Lansing	KS	66043	173774	2700	HL	Peterman, TE	05/07/09	Thomas Gribble
Ekis	Joel	Ward	15814 Ash Ln	Overland Park	KS	66223	173775	2701	DX	Peterman, TE	05/07/09	George Reed
Nease	Daniel	Austin	2216 Felten	Hays	KS	67601	173776	2702	FH	Christian, CR	05/07/09	David Newell
Luna	Robert	Earl	14742 S Murray Ln	Olathe	KS	66062	164025	2703	DX	trf from TX	05/20/09	Peter Looney
Boyce	Allan	Scott	4107 Grand Ave	Leavenworth	KS	66048	174047	2704	HL	Ellis, IB	05/28/09	Andrew McClary
Ashmore	William	Claude	107 Hatch	Ft. Leavenworth	KS	66027	174048	2705	HL	Ellis, IB	05/28/09	Abraham Jackson, Sr.
Mashburn	Wade	Shaughnessy	12654 170th St	Linwood	KS	66052	174049	2706	DX	Fry, HD	05/28/09	Hezekiah Tracy
Emery	Charles	Randall	545 S Bluegrass Dr	Bonner Springs	KS	66012	174291	2707	MC	Ellis, IB	06/10/09	Thomas Hall
Baraban	Brian	Jeffery	16549 Birch	Overland Park	KS	66085	174292	2708	DX	Nelson, DD	06/10/09	Jonathan Mulkey
Bell	Kyle	Eugene	438 NW The Dr	Topeka	KS	66606	174293	2709	TJ	Ellis, IB	06/10/09	Jasper Needham
Howe	William	Andrew, II	14406 W 65th Ter	Shawnee	KS	66216	174381	2710	MC	Grassl, PO	06/18/09	Timothy Jones
Blakeney	John	Malcolm	12728 Grandview	Overland Park	KS	66213	174478	2711	DX	Capps, RN, Jr	06/26/09	John Blakeney

#### SAR Youth Registrants (under 18)

Last	First	Middle	Address	City	St	Zip	Youth	Age	Ch	Sponsor	Approved	Ancestor
Ekis	Mark	William	15814 Ash Ln	Overland Park	KS	66223	1151	10	DX	Peterman, TE	06/04/09	George Reed
Ekis	Brian	Thomas	15814 Ash Ln	Overland Park	KS	66223	1152	9	DX	Peterman, TE	06/04/09	George Reed
Ekis	James	Robert	15814 Ash Ln	Overland Park	KS	66223	1153	1	DX	Peterman, TE	06/04/09	George Reed

#### PROVEN SUPPLEMENTAL ANCESTORS

#### FAREWELL TO OUR DEPARTED COMPATRIOTS

Last	First	Middle	NSSAR	Ks	Ch	Approved	Ancestor	Last	First	Middle	NSSAR	Ks	Ch	Member	Died
Barbour	Michael	Robin	152997	2189	DX	05/21/09	William Edmondson	Birch	Walter	Ware	137726	1938		1991	03/09/09*
Nelson	Dennis	Dean	161844	2394	DX	05/21/09	Charles Haynie	Wyatt	Roger	Lewis	169960	2583	HL	2007	04/02/09
Capps	Robert	Neil, Jr.	164464	2446	DX	05/21/09	Jonathan Eshom	Bulatkin	Boris	Nicholas, II	137907	1945	WA	1991	04/15/09
Capps	Robert	Neil, Jr.	164464	2446	DX	05/21/09	Thomas Townsend	Covey	Austin	Leroy	55602	581		1938	04/22/09+
Capps	Robert	Neil, III	164465	2447	DX	05/21/09	Thomas Townsend	Wilkie	Ray	Franklin	87901	800	MAL	1961	06/15/09
Capps	Robert	Neil, III	164465	2447	DX	05/21/09	Jonathan Eshom	*inactive	*		+			+	
Riddell	James	David	164571	2450	DX	05/21/09	Adonijah Griswold	+demitted							
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Nelson	Scott	Michael	172568	2661	DX	05/21/09	Charles Haynie								
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