

# The Delaware Crossing Patriot Kansas Society Sons of the American Revolution

October 2022

Metro Kansas City's Oldest & Largest Chapter, Founded 1960

The Revolution is coming!
Three Years - 9 Months - Four Days

**NEXT MEETING:** 

**When**: October 15, 2022

<u>Where</u>: Hilton Garden Inn. 12080 Strang Line Road, Olathe, KS 66062, 9:00am

Reservations & Cost: For reservations, email Secretary@dxsar.com or call Steven French (913)-832-6034 by 7:00 PM, Wednesday, August 12, 2022.

**Cost**: \$20.00/person

**Program**: Robert Lofthouse – "Honor thru

Sacrifice"

NOTICE: The Cost of the Meals has increased to \$20 per person.

# CALENDER & COMING EVENTS November 2022

- 5 BOG
- 16 DX EC Meeting
- 19 DX Chapter Meeting

#### December 2022

- 14 DX EC Meeting
- 17 DX Chapter Meeting

#### January 2023

- 18 DX EC Meeting
- 21 DX Chapter Meeting

## **The President's Corner**



## By Larry Tatum

For those that missed the annual Chapter Picnic, you really missed a good time. Thanks to Pat and Dewey Fry for their many hours of preparation which made the picnic a great success.

The BBQ was super tasty, the Color Guard performed their duties of opening and closing the meeting along with the memorial service and the flag retirement, as though they weren't hot in the ninety-degree weather.

We also want to thank the Shawnee Mission and the Olathe Chapters of the DAR for their participation in the Flag Retirement Ceremony.

Photos of the picnic will be displayed on the last pages of this newsletter so that those that were unable to attend can join in on our great annual event.

This is a good time to talk about Chapter attendance. We always have well attended meetings, but I feel that we should have ten to fifteen more attendees at each meeting. Maybe we can accomplish this by forming a calling committee and contacting members to remind them of the Chapter meetings.

This would be an easy task if five or six members would volunteer to help. Please contact me at (913) 449-1867 to be included on the committee.

### Flag Certificates presented during Boy Scout Troop 123 Court of Honor

On Tuesday evening 9/20/22 Boy Scout Troop 123 of Lenexa, KS held their fall Court of Honor and Community Covenant Church. During the Court of Honor, I presented (in Color Guard uniform) Flag Certificates to Jackson Doll, Brendan Gillaspie, Max Meoli & Briggs Wilson. This was for their work organizing and conducting a Flag Retirement Ceremony at summer camp this summer at H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation.

In addition, Briggs Wilson is the son of Byron Wesley Wilson who has submitted his application to become a member in our chapter.



Briggs Wilson with his Flag Certificate



Kirk Rush Presents Briggs Wilson, Max Meoli, Brendan Gillaspie, and Jackson Doll their Flag Certificates.

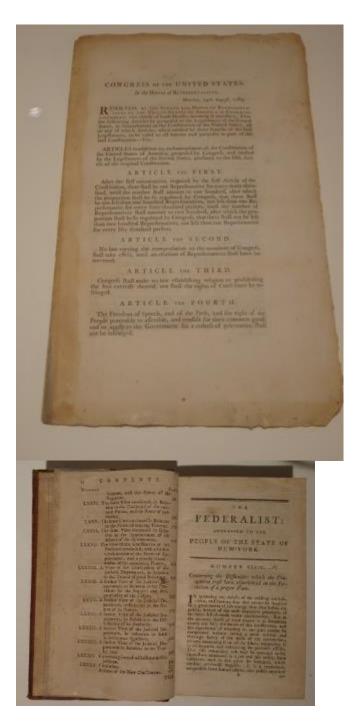


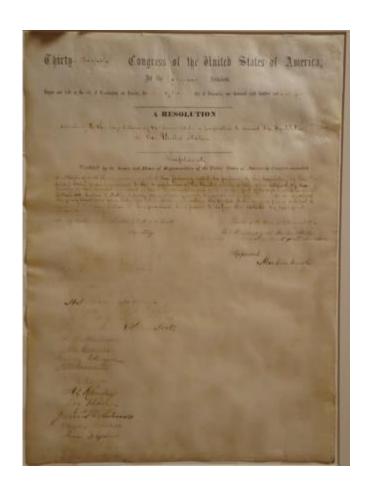
# "We the People: The Radical Notion of Democracy"

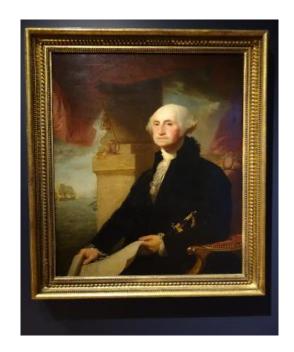
I didn't think that my President's Corner was actually read by anyone, but Bruce Smith proved me wrong. Bruce traveled to the "We the People" exhibit at the Crystal Bridges Museum in Bentonville, AK. He has provided a summary and photos of the exhibit:

The exhibit was really incredible. It included original copies of the Declaration of Independence, The Constitution, The Bill of Rights, The Emancipation Proclamation (signed by Lincoln), The 13th Amendment (ending slavery, signed by Lincoln), copy of The Federalist Papers and the original Gilbert Stuart portrait of Washington, the Matthew Jouett portrait of Jefferson and the John Trumball portrait of Hamilton; among many other items.

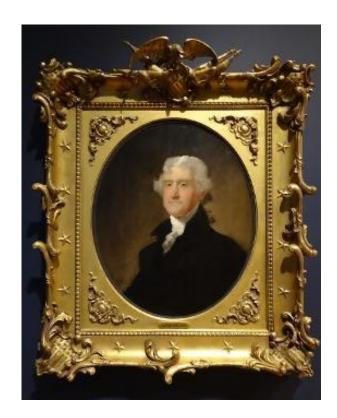














Dewey Fry, Dennis Nelson, Rick Alley, and Robert Wandel.

#### **Your Color Guard at Work**

On September 10, the Kansas Society Color Guard marched in the Johnson Sounty Old Settlers Day Parade in Olathe, Kansas. A crowd estimated in excess of 10,000 lined the streets of the parade route. The Color Guardsmen represented the KSSSAR and were all from the Delaware Crossing Chapter except one. In the photos from the left to right are Dewey Fry, Dennis Nelson, Rick Alley, Kirk Rush of the Delaware Crossing Chapter and Robert Wandel of the Thomas Jefferson Chapter. The Color Guard was judged to be First Place of the Marching Groups in the parade. They were presented an award consisting of a Ribbon and a check in the manner of \$125.00, which will go to the KSSSAR Color Guard Fund.



Dewey Fry, Dennis Nelson, Rick Alley, and Robert Wandel.





David Profit, John Forbes, Barbara Comer, and Kirk Rush.

## Annual Chapter Picnic, Memorial Service and Flag Retirement Ceremony

The Annual Picnic of the Delaware Crossing Chapter with guests from Monticello and Henry Leavenworth Chapters was held on Saturday September 17 at Antioch Park. Good company and good food were enjoyed by those who ventured out on the warm day.

Following the picnic, a Memorial Service recognizing SAR members of the Chapter of Delaware Crossing, Monticello and Henry Leavenworth Chapters who had pasted since our last Memorial Service were read by Chaplain Bruce Smith. President Larry Tatum began the ceremony and Dan Dryer participated by ringing a bell in the memory of each member after their name and information of them had been read.

The former SAR members were as follows:

Kevin Maurice Gullickson	2048653319	HL
(inactive) Dec. 26, 2020		
Delbert Wilbur Frisbie	1341771869	DX
(inactive) Jan. 4, 2021		

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A Flag Retirement Ceremony followed the Memorial Service. The Olathe Chapter represented by Past Regent Kathy Hayes and the Shawnee Mission Chapter represented by Regent Leslie Harris were presented Certificates for US Flag Retirement at the beginning of the ceremony

The Color Guard presented the Colors. President Tatum read the ceremony script while David Profit and Kirk Rush assisted Dewey Fry in the disassembly of the US Flag before retiring it to the flames, by Dewey Fry. Kirk Rush closed the ceremony with another excellent playing of Taps in bugle.



Shawn Cowing, Susan Pomeroy, Dan Dryer, Rick Alley, and Larry Tatum



Linda Fry, Stacy Winters, Charles Fry, Jeff Winters, and Dewey Fry.



David Profit, Stephanie Tatum, Louise Hicks, and Barbara Comer.



Dewey Fry, Ken Ludwig, Dennis Nelson, Jeff Winters, and Kirk Rush.





#### **Wreaths Across America**

The annual Annua Wreaths Across America Day event will soon be upon us. It is time to plan your sponsoring one of more wreaths through our chapter. The event our chapter is participating again will be at Johnson County Memorial Gardens at 11200 Metcalf Avenue, Overland Park, KS. The ceremony will start promptly at 11:00 am.

All ceremony at more than 3400 locations through the United States will begin at 12:00 noon Eastern Standard Time. Your order must be received at WAA by November 28, 2022.

You may use the Order Form accompanying this article if you wish to write a check. If you wish to pay by credit card you may do so online at www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org.

Click on the image of the MENU in the upper right corner of the web page. Click on SEARCH LOCATIONS/GROUPS.

Click on Local Sponsorship Groups

On the line right of the X with a circle type Delaware Crossing and click on Delaware Crossing Chapter KSSAR

The click on SPONSOR that is highlighted in red.

Then follow the instructions on the form. Your sponsorship not only honors a deceased US Veteran, it serves beyond.

Our Delaware Crossing Chapter will receive \$5.00 for each wreath you sponsor. Of that \$5.00, \$2.50 will go to each of the Kesler Youth Endowment

Fund and the Veterans Service Fund. Those monies will be used to fund all our youth contests and gifts for veterans at the Eisenhower Veterans Center in Leavenworth.

As many of you are aware. Our chapter had the 2022 National level winner of the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Oration Contest, James Schultz.

Our chapter had yet another State winner of the Poster Contest.

Our youth programs offer education that students do not normally get in their schooling.

Let's show the other Sponsorship Groups that Delaware Crossing Chapter is a leader in honoring Veterans and education our youth of he founding of our nation.

If you have any questions email or call our chapter WAA Chairman

deweyf@kc.rr.com 913-897-9502



Bruce Smith at James Carter Grave Site.

# Bruce Smith attends the James Carter SAR Patriot Grave Marking.

It was estimated that the grave marking was attended by 250-300 people. There were many more present than can be seen in the photos. In advance, it was known that SAR members from TX, NM, OK, KS and several other states would be in attendance. The DAR and SAR were well represented, as were state and local government officials. The president of the TX SAR presided. DAR had a large table with refreshments and snacks. The SAR had 3 tables set up with its

learning display and organization information. Part of the color guard fired a musket salute and taps were played. Many Carter and Russell family descendants were present.

James Carter was born in January 1769 in North Carolina. At the age of 12!!!!!, he served in the North Carolina Militia. He was present at the Siege of Yorktown (1781).

He moved to Fannin County TX in 1839. His son in law was Robert Russell (who himself was a Texas Ranger) who married James's daughter, Sophia Carter. They homesteaded together there with other Russell family members.

James's wife was Phoebe Bullard of NC. He died in March 1850. He is interred in the Russell family cemetery along with his daughter and her husband, among numerous other Russell family members. The cemetery is now in a beautiful housing development backing up to a well-kept golf course. The musket he carried in the Revolution is still in possession of the family, though not displayed at the event.









## <u>Delaware Crossing Annual Picnic, Memorial</u> <u>Ceremony & Flag Retirement</u>









