

The Delaware Crossing Patriot Kansas Society Sons of the American Revolution July 2023

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

The Revolution is coming! Three Years - Four Days

NEXT MEETING:

When: July 15, 2023

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

Reservations & Cost: For reservations, email Secretary@dxsar.com or call Kevin Dyches (913)-568-9998 by 7:00 PM, Tuesday, July 11, 2023.

Cost: \$22.00/person

Program: Walt Schley – The Purple Heart

Society

CALENDAR & COMING EVENTS

August 2023

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

September 2023

- 13 DX EC Meeting
- 16 DX Annual Picnic, Flag Retirement Memorial Service

October 2023

- 18 DX EC Meeting
- 21 DX Chapter Meeting

The President's Corner



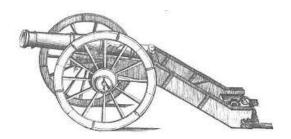
By Larry Tatum

Thanks to the guidance and suggestions from Compatriot Dennis Nelson, we realize that our meetings need to include more Revolutionary War history. We feel that a recap of an important event that happened during the Revolution corresponding with each current month will help give our meetings the historical favor that we currently lack.

The basic charge of this organization is to educate about how our freedom was accomplished by the founding of our Constitutional Republic and the struggles endured to create this great nation.

To help bring more of the Revolutionary War history into our meetings, we will be treated with a short presentation of an important Revolution event and a biography of one of our member's patriot ancestors each month. This should set the appropriate atmosphere of our meetings and reinforce our goal of remembering and honoring the sacrifices of our ancestors.

Please contact either Dennis Nelson or me, if you would be willing to present a short, five minutes or less, biography of a patriot ancestor. I know that you will find this to be a very positive experience for both the Delaware Crossing Chapter and yourself.





NSSAR PATRIOT BIOGRAPHIES BY HISTORIAN DENNIS NELSON

As part of our monthly meeting, we would like a member to read a biography of their patriot ancestor. At our June meeting, Tim Peterman presented a biography of Mordecai Hord. Of the forty-two biographies written by our members, Tim has written thirty-seven. We all have many biographies to write.

Even though there is some information about our patriot ancestor on our original application or supplemental, we honor our patriot ancestors by telling their story. As an author of a patriot biography, you are writing not just to document their patriotic service and circumstances of his or her life and family for today, but also for generations to come and for the benefit of our descendants, future SAR and DAR members and genealogical and historical research.

To write a patriot biography, login to sar.org as a member, click on the genealogy tab, and click on Patriot Research System. In member search enter your name. A list of your patriot ancestors will appear. Click on each patriot to determine if a biography has been written by another member (you can add your own) or contribute your biography. There is a Patriot Biography Dos and Don'ts. The biography can be emailed in Microsoft word to patriotbios.sar.org.

There is also a form you can use called the Patriot Grave and Biographies Report that is available on the Patriot Research System page. The form is two pages long and you can include your patriot biography. The form can be printed, saved and emailed to patriotgraves@sar.org.

Any questions please email dnfromkc@swbell.net or call my cell 913-522-3867. Please let me know if you have completed a new biography. Thank you in advance for honoring our patriot ancestors with a NSSAR patriot biography.



New Delaware Crossing Chapter Patriot Chest

Our Delaware Crossing Chapter has begun compiling a Patriot Chest. It will be used for school visitations and recruiting at events such as genealogy seminars, Fall Shawnee Mission Indian Festival. The Kansas Society has two such chest which were acquired with encouragement and payment of a portion of the expenses. One is to be for the Eastern District and one for the Western District of KSSSAR. However, the logistic of borrowing it when needed is a very significant challenge.

Compatriot John Forbes recently donated a chest and some items representative of those used during the Revolutionary War, this gave us a good start. Compatriot Dewey Fry has also donated a chest and items to compliment what John Forbes donated. Compatriot Dennis Nelson has also donated some items.

Children have a significant interest in seeing and touching these items, that peaks the interest of their accompanying adult, which in turn opens conversations about our organization and potential membership.

The Chapter leadership is requesting that Delaware Crossing Chapter members donate items or money for additional items to display. If you wish to donate an item, a list of those desired accompanies this article as well as a list of items already donated. Many of the items are shown on the SAR website; however, the pricing and availability are out of date, it is much better to

visit the websites of the cited vendors. And yes, there is sales tax and shipping that also applies. If you discover additional vendors in your searching for items, please advise Dewey Fry of your findings which then can be added to the listing.

A page from the NSSAR website accompanies this article, for additional reference to use of the Patriot Chest Items recommended.

If you wish to donate an item, please contact Dewey Fry to verify that it has not already been donated. If you wish to donate money toward the purchase of one or more items, please send a check to our Treasurer and notate it if for the Patriot Chest.

You may contact Dewey Fry at deweyf@kc.rr.com or 913-897-9502.

Make checks out to Delaware Crossing Chapter SAR and mail to our Treasurer:
Shawn Cowing
13110 W 127th Terr.

Overland Park, KS 66213

If you wish to attend a chapter meeting and make a donation, an Officer, such as Treasurer Shawn Cowing, Assistant Treasurer David Proffitt or President Larry Tatum will accept your donation and see that it is handled and recorded toward the Patriot Chest.

Items Donated to Delaware Crossing Chapter Patriot Chest

Patriot Chest		
	Person	
Item		
Small Wooden Chest	John W. Forbes	
(27 lbs., 1 1/2 cu ft)		
Distressed Wooden	H. Dewey Fry	
Chest (2 3/16 cu ft)		
Antelope Fur, use as	John W. Forbes	
Table Cover		
Cup and Ball Toy	John W. Forbes	
(large ball)		
Cup and Ball Toy	H. Dewey Fry	
(small ball)		
Pieces of Eight (coins	H. Dewey Fry	
in hole to cut into pie		
piece shaped		
sections)		
Powder Horn	Mary &	
	Christopher	
	Bouck	
Cotton Canvas	Dennis Nelson	
Haversack		
Tow in Leather Bag	John W. Forbes	
4 inch diameter and	H. Dewey Fry	
2 inch diameter tins		
Bone Buttons	H. Dewey Fry	
Tin Candle Holder	H. Dewey Fry	
2ea 7 Inch Bees Wax	H. Dewey Fry	
Candles		
1 pound Bees Wax	H. Dewey Fry	
Block		
Striker and Flints for	John W. Forbes	
Fire-Starting		

Slate with Chalk	John W. Forbes
Pencil	
Single Cut Quill	John W. Forbes
Four Feathers for	Dennis Nelson
making quills	
Handmade Lye Soap	John W. Forbes
Bar	
Pot Scrubber	John W. Forbes
Deluxe White	John W. Forbes
Stoneware Ribbed	
Pipe	
Miniature Liberty	Dennis Nelson
Bell	
Haversack	Dennis Nelson
Tobacco Tin	John W. Forbes
3 US Constitution	Delaware
and Declaration	Crossing
of Independence	Chapter
booklets and one	
Declaration of	
Independence	
booklet	

Items to Accompany Patriot Chest to Events

Item	Ownership
Charleville	Delaware Crossing
Flintlock Musket	Chapter CG
Long Rifle	H. Dewey Fry
Flintlock	
SAR Minuteman	Delaware Crossing
Retractable	Chapter
Banner	_

Items Desired for the Delaware Crossing Patriot Chest

Item	Possible Vendor
10" plain pewter	Townsends
plate for eating.	www.townsends.us
Or a tin plate.	
Wire fork for	Townsends
eating.	
Heritage or Barn	Townsends, Etsy,
Lantern for	Pinterest, Amazon
candle (similar	
to those on	
Liberty Tree) or	
Pierced Tin	
Candle Lantern	
Char Cloth for	Townsends
fire-starting	
Horn Spoon	Townsends
Comb or Combs	Townsends, Etsy
made from bone	
Redware Ink	Townsends
Well	
Tin Whistle (no	Clarke Tinwhistle
plastic)	(Amazon)
Boys' Work	Townsends or
Shirt	
Girls Chemise	Townsends
Girls Country	Townsends
Cap	
Bone Dominos	Townsends, Etsy
Early Playing	Townsends
Cards	

Wooden Toy	3
Spinning Top,	
string activated.	





Sons of the American Revolution

The SAR PATRIOT CHEST PROGRAM is an interactive presentation, intended to compliment Elementary and Middle School lesson plans on the Revolutionary War and Colonial Period of American History. The program purpose is to bring that history alive, while providing students with a sense of the times and appreciation of the Patriot men and women who founded our nation.

PATRIOT CHEST

CONTENTS:

CLOTHING - Continental Uniform Jacket, Waist Coat, Long Dress, Bonnet, Mop Cap, Apron, Tricorn Hats, Buckskin Jacket, clothing/partial uniform for one male and one female student

TOYS - Doll, Spinning Top, Shut the Box game, Toy Flintlock Pistol, Ball and Stick, Spy Coins, Quilt Flags- Betsy Ross and Gadsden,

 $\begin{cal}CURRENCY - English Coin Set, Spanish Pieces of Eight \\$

HUNTING / MILITARY - Powder Horn, Charleville Musket, Pennsylvania Rifle, Hatchet, Shoulder Wallet, Fife, Enlistment Papers, Compass / Sun Dial, Continental Line and Militia Uniforms and Equipment

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS - Candle Stick and Holder, Candle Lantern, Teapot, Pressed Brick Tea Fire Making Tools (flint, steel, june), Sugar Cones and Nipper Tin Pan, Wire Fork, Wooden Spoon, Bese Wax, Clay Pipe, Playing Cards, Medicine Bottles w/cork, Basket, Writing Quills and Ink

Documents - Declaration of Independence, Constitution, Bill of Rights Booklets

Content Sources include: Jas. Townsend & Sons, Inc.; G. Gedney Godwin, Inc.; Military National Parks Museum Stores; SAR Chapter Compatriots personal collections, and the Chests or Trunks can be purchased at a Hobby Lobby Store. Also, you may visit these web sites: www.historyties.com/toysandgames.htm, www.pencaderheritage.org/main/teachtool/games.pdf.

Non-reimbursable items include: adult clothing, military uniforms, weapons (swords, guns, pistols whether reproductions, replicas or stage props) tents, tables, and furniture.