



The Delaware Crossing Patriot

Kansas Society

Sons of the American Revolution

October 2018

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

NEXT MEETING:

When: October 20

Where: Hilton Garden Inn, 12080 S Strang
Line Rd., Olathe, KS, 9:00AM

Reservations & Cost: For reservations, email
Secretary@dxsar.com or call Preston
Washington (816) 444-1198 by 3:00
PM, the Wednesday before.

Breakfast price: \$17.00/person

Program: Doug Darling – Revolutionary
provider.

CALENDER & COMING EVENTS

010/17 DX EC Meeting, at Pegah's, 2122 W.87th St,
Lenexa, KS; be there at 5:30 PM if eating dinner.

10/20 Chapter Meeting.

Editor's Note (Greg Millican)

Send news about your ancestor patriots, special
events, career changes, history trips, etc., that may
be included in the *Delaware Crossing Patriot*.

You may reach me at

Gregory.millican@gmail.com , and phone number
(913) 268-4932.



The President's Corner

Kirk Rush has requested that chapter members
submit articles about history and stories about
your patriots for printing in the newsletter, as well
as general subjects.

(End of President's Corner)

September Chapter Meeting in Review:

The weather was perfect for the chapter picnic on
September 15, 2018. The picnic was followed by
the memorial service. The chapter chaplain, Daryl
Taylor, stated that there were no recorded deaths
in the chapter membership. The memorial service
was followed by the flag retirement ceremony.
See following pictures.



1 Color Guard for chapter picnic.

A special **THANKS** is in order for all of the picnic preparation and work of Dewey and Pat Fry.



2 Kirk Rush (center) officiated chapter business at the picnic.



3 DAR members were present for the flag retirement ceremony, and as well as the general public.



4 Color guard at the flag retirement ceremony.



5 Flag retirement preparation for the ceremony.



6 Old, worn flags are burned in the flag ceremony.



7 *In the Color Guard*

Color Guardsmen Needed:

Ken Ludwig, Color Guardsmen commander, is making an appeal for chapter members to join the color guard. The color guard is the “face” of the Sons of the American Revolution organization and

represent the Delaware Crossing chapter at ceremonies, parades, chapter meetings, and special events. Uniforms are available from the chapter storage. Financial assistance, if needed, is also available from both the chapter level and the state level. Please contact Ken Ludwig to join the color guardsmen.

(Article by Ken Ludwig):

Our Forefathers Flags

The flag of this month is the Bunker Hill Flag. I am starting to figure out that there is a common thread among all the flags that I have researched so far, and that is most of what we know about these flags is just legend and can't be substantiated by hard, historical facts.

The Bunker Hill flag is just a modification of the English Red Ensign flag. The modification is the addition of a pine tree in the upper left corner. The pine tree to the colonists was a symbol of freedom. Our flag has a blue body instead of a red body, which came about as a printing error in a widely published book in the early 1800's.

It is said that the colonists flew this flag at the battle of Bunker Hill (which is another inconsistency since the battle of Bunker Hill actually occurred on Breed's Hill) but there is really no accurate historical record that this is the flag that was actually used.



8 Bunker Hill Flag.

(End of Bunker Hill Flag article)

What is the origin of the song “Yankee Doodle”?

Answer: ““Yankee Doodle” was originally sung by the British soldiers to poke fun at the poorly dressed and awkward colonial soldiers during the French and Indian War (1754-1763). Later, during the Revolutionary War (1775-1783), the song became popular with colonists and they adopted it as their own.”

Yankee Doodle

1. Yankee Doodle went to town a riding on a pony;
Stuck a feather in his cap and called it macaroni.
CHORUS
Yankee Doodle, keep it up, Yankee Doodle dandy,
Mind the music and the step, and with the girls be handy.
2. Father and I went down to camp
Along with Captain Gooding,
And there we saw the men and boys
As thick as hasty pudding.
CHORUS
3. There was Captain Washington
Upon a slapping stallion,
A-giving orders to his men,
I guess there was a million.
CHORUS

(From “Wee Sing America”, page 22, by Pamela Conn Beall and Susan Hagen Nipp)

(Last article, provided by Editor)

(End of Patriot newsletter)