

The Delaware Crossing Patriot Kansas Society Sons of the American Revolution April 2021

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

NEXT MEETING:

When: April 17, 2021

Where: 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, Tuesday, April 13, 2021.

Cost: \$17.00/person

Program: Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

CALENDER & COMING EVENTS

April 2021

- 14 DX EC Meeting
- 17 DX Chapter Meeting

May 2021

- 1 Board of Governors
- 12 DX EC Meeting
- 15 DX Chapter Meeting Founders Keep Constitution

June 2021

- 16 DX EC Meeting
- 19 DX Chapter Meeting

The President's Corner



By Ken Ludwig

Well, my first year as president was certainly challenging, most of it brought on by the coronavirus and the restrictions placed on everything. I wish to thank the members of the Executive committee who worked so hard to keep things moving forward during this past year.

In general, I believe that we as a chapter survived it well, certainly better than most chapters.

Yes, we had a few meetings that were cancelled because of Covid, most notably our 60th anniversary celebration and our Christmas party, but the executive committee met every month either by Zoom or in person, keeping the business

side of the chapter moving forward. We started back with in person meetings sooner than many other chapters. To my knowledge we have not experienced a Covid transmission from attendance at any of our functions.

With the vaccines rolling out and some of our membership getting fully vaccinated, I am sensing a pent up demand for person to person contact and it has been reflected in our last two chapter meetings where we have had last minute walkins that has caused us to scramble to get enough table space, and food for all the attendees. I hope attendance at chapter meetings continues to build as we get more and more people vaccinated. It also raises the issue that to properly plan for the meeting, if you plan on attending a chapter meeting, you must contact the Secretary by the Wednesday before the meeting, so we have a large enough room and enough food for everyone.

In the absence of a Vice President of programs, the Executive Committee has been working hard to line up interesting programs. Our April program will be the one delayed from our January presentation by a former guard of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

This sounds like a very fascinating program and I encourage you to consider joining us for this meeting. Please remember that this will be a longer than average program, so please plan accordingly.

We are trying to firm up having a group present in May on the Constitution. If you have any ideas for programs or know of someone who can present on a topic of interest, please let myself or one of the executive committee members know.

I appreciate the fact that you all elected me for a second term. I will work to make the next year as good as I can for the chapter.



2020 Americanism Report Filed by Dennis Nelson, Americanism Chairman

The 2020 report was filed by March 1, 2021. In the Americanism contest, DX reported 7,397 points compared to 8,945 for 2019. In the President General Streamer contest, DX reported 6,690 points compared to 2,595 points for 2019. Combined totals were 14,087 points for 2020 compared to 11,540 for 2019, despite Covid 19 restrictions for almost nine months in 2020.

DX exceeded the maximum points allowed to be claimed in four categories in 2020: Youth Program scholarships (\$1,500), total youth participants, youth participants receiving awards (maximum 140) and donations to NSSAR funds by its members (\$3,000).

Congratulations to all chapter members for their efforts whether it is active participation in the chapter and/or providing financial support though dues and donations. If you make donations to NSSAR Funds individually, please let me know the amounts and funds by email. The maximum amount for claiming points for 2021 for NSSAR Fund donations has been increased to \$5,000 per chapter. My email is dnfromkc@swbell.net.

The winners of the 2020 contests will be announced at SAR Congress in July and the release of individual chapter results in the fall of 2021.



Former Honor Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Paul Frinsthal

Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

Our program for January 16, was to have been on the Tomb of the Unknow Soldier. The day before we were notified that COVID-19 reared its ugliness in the family of Paul Frinsthal, requiring him to immediately travel out of town to attend to the problem, thus causing the postponement of the program. The crisis having past, we now can once again plan on having the program.

Our program for the April 17, 2021 chapter meeting will be presented by Paul Frinsthal, a former Honor Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier serving as such from June 1965 to October 1967 and a member of Society of the Honor Guard of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

He will tell some of the history of Arlington National Cemetery, home of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, leading up to history of the Tomb and his experience as a Guard.

The Society of the Honor Guard of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier is a 501 c (3) non-profit organization.

The goal of the Society is to make certain that the individuals who made the ultimate sacrifice of their lives for our freedom are not forgotten, and that the general public understands this price of freedom.

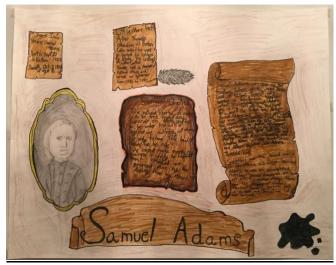
You can read more of The Society of the Honor Guard of the Tomb of the unknown Soldier at the following website https://tombguard.org/society/

Mr. Frinsthal is Guard No. 042 on the list of Guards.

Mr. Frinsthal will not solicit or accept money for himself; however, he will accept cash or check for the Society. If you choose to donate with a check, make it payable to **SHGTUS** (Society of Honor Guard Tomb of the Unknown Soldier). On the "For" or 'Memo" line write SCHOLARSHIP FUND. It is your personal choice to donate or not.

To give you a very small insight of the man who walked more miles than any other as a Guard of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, take a look at the following link. (Note, turn on sound)

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Delaware Crossing Chapter's 1st Place Winning Poster

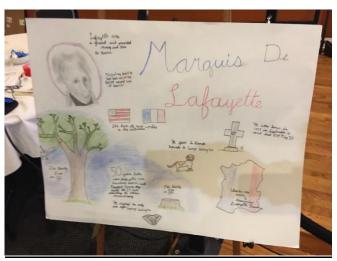
Poster of Summer Justice wins 2nd Place at KSSSAR Contest

The Delaware Crossing Chapter winning poster by Summer Justice won 2nd Place at the KSSSAR Poster Contest on Saturday March 23 at the Annual Conference in Leavenworth. Personally, I (Dewey Fry) felt it to be the best. However, the 4 judges had a different opinion. One gets spoiled having had two successive 2nd place National Society posters coming from the same school and the same chapter. The 1st Place Poster of the KSSSAR Poster Contest was about the Marquis de Lafayette by a student who entered through the Konza Prairie Chapter.

There were 120 poster participants at Pioneer Ridge Middle School in Gardner.

The Delaware Crossing Chapter's first three places were from PRMS and are shown accompanying this article. Also attached is a photo of the KSSSAR winning poster for comparison. It was most difficult to get a good photo of the winning poster due to the lighting.

What is not shown is the very significant impact the Americanism Poster Contest by the SAR has on the students. The attention of the students at PRMS during a one our program presented virtually to the six classes of 5th Grade student on February 19, was a testimony to that.



KSSSAR 1st Place Winning Poster

