



The Delaware Crossing Patriot

Kansas Society

Sons of the American Revolution

May 2018

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

CALENDER

NEXT MEETING:

When: May 19

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: Revolutionary War Journal Found,
speaker Heywood "Woody" Davis.

COMING EVENTS

05/5 BOG meeting

05/16 DX EC Meeting at Central Resource Library,
9875 W 87th St., Overland Park, KS, 6:00 PM

05/19 DX Chapter Meeting

06/2 Eisenhower Compatriot Grave Marking,
Abilene

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*.

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The President's Corner

By Kirk Rush

Compatriots: This month I'd like to talk about our chapter's Color Guard. For those of us who attend monthly chapter meetings on a regular basis know that our Color Guard presents the Colors at the beginning of all our meetings. But what else do they do? Our Color Guard is very active participating in parades, DAR events, memorial services, naturalization ceremonies, non-profit events and much more within our community.

Our Color Guard members do an outstanding job and I want to say thank you to each member for the service they provided under my recent command and for their continued service under our new commander, Ken Ludwig.

Why am I going on about this? One could say the Color Guard is the face of the SAR. When we are in uniform we represent everything the SAR stands for. It makes us very recognizable to the public. With that in mind I'd like to ask each of you to consider how you can support your Color Guard. Consider getting a uniform and participating in some of the events we attend. If you have physical limitations that keep you from participating there are other ways you can provide support.

Our chapter has a few uniforms you can try on to see if one fits. If you want to purchase your own uniform there is assistance available at both the State and chapter level to help defray some of the

cost. Ask Ken Ludwig, Dewy Fry or me for details. We'd love to have you be a member of the Color Guard. Besides, it's fun!

(End of President's Corner)

April Chapter Meeting in Review:

Immediately after breakfast, William Greiner, Jr. Gary Bradley, and Grant Whitney were inducted as new members at the April 21, 2018 chapter meeting. Their patriots during the Revolutionary War were respectively as follows: Edward Burgess, Isaac Bradley, and David Abbey. Also, Cameron Rush, returning from teaching two years in Thailand, was re-instated as a member (his patriot: Pierre Rangé).



1 Three Inductees, Kirk Rush (Presenter shown at far left edge), William Greiner, Jr., Dewey Fry (sponsor), Gary Bradley, Grant Whitney, and Tim Peterman (sponsor).

The guest speaker was Sandie Kelly, speaking on "A Brief History of the Kansas School for the Deaf". Mrs. Kelly also had her book: "Kansas School for the Deaf, A Pictorial History, 1861-2011" by Sandra Kelly, available at the chapter meeting for purchase. At the end of the talk, Mrs. Kelly allowed an extended question/answer period about the School for the Deaf.



2 April speaker: Sandie Kelly on the Kansas School for the Deaf.

Three New Eagle Scouts Honored:

On April 8, 2018 DX Eagle Scout Chairman Kirk Rush presented Eagle Scout Certificates to three new Eagle Scouts at their Court of Honor. The new Eagle Scouts are Dakota O'Donald, Jamie Riggs, and Liam Sprague of Troop 123 with Community Covenant Church in Lenexa, KS.

Brookelyn Hatton Presented Awards:



3 Dewey Fry presents Brookelyn 3 certificates

Brookelyn Hatton was presented three certificates by Dewey Fry for winning the NSSAR Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest, one for winning at Pioneer Ridge Middle School, one for winning at the Delaware Crossing Chapter level and one for winning the Kansas Society SAR, in addition she was presented a \$50.00 bill for winning the chapter contest and a \$100.00 check for winning the Kansas Society contest and a photo of her poster. Her poster will be in the National Society Contest at Congress in July.



4 The winning poster

The awards took place in her classroom on Friday April 27, 2018 as she had been unable to attend a chapter meeting do to a family vacation and her schedule of volley ball tournaments on Saturdays. Her fellow students enjoyed the presentation being in their classroom. Brookelyn is the daughter of Shawn and Christina Hatton of Gardner, KS.

Miss Hancock, Brooklyn’s teacher, has pledged to coordinate the poster contest again next year at Pioneer Ridge Middle School.

JROTC Cadets Honored with Bronze ROTC Medal:

The Delaware Crossing Chapter honored three JROTC (Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp) Cadets this past month with the SAR Bronze ROTC Medal. Cadet Lili Her was honored at the Washington High School, KCK, Air Force JROTC awards ceremony the evening of April 19, the presentation was made by Compatriot Dewey Fry. WHS has 230 cadets in their JROTC.

The evening of April 25, Exec VP Ken Ludwig presented Cadet Duante S. Howard with the

recognition at the Shawnee Mission West High School Navy JROTC.

The evening of April 28, Cadet Ryan McMillin was presented the award by Compatriot Dewey Fry. Ryan McMillin is a Cadet in the Navy JROTC at Shawnee Mission North High School. The awards ceremony in the auditorium was very orderly and appreciated by an enthusiastic audience.



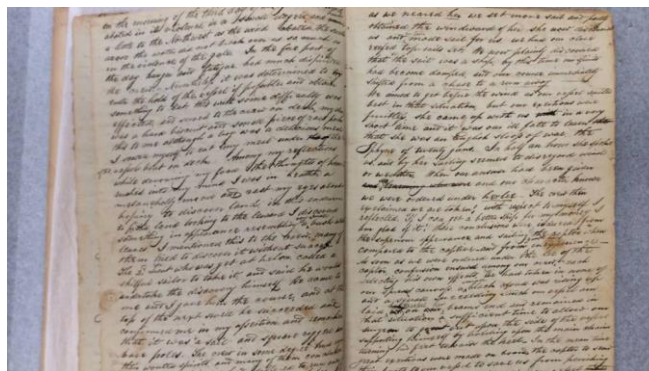
5 Cadet Ryan McMillin awarded by Dewey Fry.

After the awards ceremony at Shawnee Mission North HS, the cadets put on a show in the gymnasium. One drill team exhibited their superb abilities in a routine without commands. Another team using rifles the weigh 11 pounds each put on a magnificent routine. At times they tossed the guns between cadets simultaneously to distances up to 10 feet catching them with one hand. Several times the rotated the rifles similar to rotating batons. The finally was a Marine Parade of 6 companies of cadets and a Color Guard, each company had a Commander, a Flag Bearer and 12 other cadets. This school has won 34 national championships in 11 years under the command of Chief Warrant Officer Dennis Grayless, who was surprised that evening with an annual scholarship in his name initiated that evening.



6 Cadet drill team show precision moves at SMNHS gym.

May 19 Program, Revolutionary War Journal found:



7 Revolutionary War journal written by Christopher Hawkins

Come to the May 19 chapter meeting and hear Heywood 'Woody' Davis tell the story about how his family found a 150 page Revolutionary War Journal and what they did with it.

**Eisenhower Compatriot Grave Marking
Eisenhower Presidential Library, Museum and
Boyhood Home 200 SE 4th St., Abilene,
Kansas, Saturday, June 2, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.**

Dwight David Eisenhower served two terms as the thirty-fourth U.S. president from 1953 to 1961. He was born in Dennison, Texas, on October 14, 1890. He graduated in the upper half of his class from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in 1915.

Eisenhower served a career in the U.S. Army culminating as supreme commander of all Allied Forces and led the Normandy invasion in 1944. He was the president of Columbia University in 1948. He returned to active duty in 1950 as commander of NATO troops.

Eisenhower's SAR Revolutionary War ancestor was John Peter Eisenhower, who furnished supplies to the Continental Army troops during the winter of 1777 and 1778 at Valley Forge. Another SAR ancestor was John Matter, a Pennsylvania Militia soldier who fought at the Battle of Long Island. Thanks to the work of the Empire State SAR, the Eisenhower's SAR application for membership was approved in 1945. President Eisenhower's son, John Doud Eisenhower, and his brother, Dr. Milton Stover Eisenhower, joined the SAR as well.

Eisenhower was the Republican Party candidate and was elected U.S. president in 1951, began his first term in 1952, and was reelected to serve a second term. When his term of office was completed, Eisenhower retired to his farm in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

General Eisenhower retired as a five-star general. We are reminded at times of this fact by the commemorative signs denoting interstate highways as part of the Eisenhower Interstate System, which display five silver stars on a light blue background.

President Eisenhower died in Washington, D.C., on March 28, 1969, at the age of seventy-eight. He is buried at the Eisenhower Library in Abilene, Kansas. *(Reprinted from the SAR national site, www.SAR.org)*

The Kansas Society Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) will host a Compatriot Grave Marking Ceremony honoring native son and compatriot, President Dwight D. Eisenhower. National Society SAR President General Larry Guzy will deliver the memorial address during the ceremony.

The Kansas SAR invites all SAR, DAR, and CAR chapters, patriotic and veterans organizations to participate by laying a wreath outside the Place of Meditation during the ceremony. The public is invited to attend this special ceremony honoring President Eisenhower's membership in the SAR as part of the celebration of D-Day.



8 Compatriot Eisenhower, 34th President of the United States

Schedule of Events

10:00 a.m. - Participants and Color Guard meet for Walk-through

1:30 p.m. - Color Guard Muster & Participants meet for line-up

2:00 p.m. – Grave marking Ceremony

Available Activities

4:00 p.m. - First Infantry Division Mounted Color Guard

4:00 p.m. - Activities and Food Vendors on the Grounds

Symphony at Sunset

Annual D-Day Commemoration Concert

7:00 p.m. - First Infantry Division Band Concert

8:30 p.m. - Salina Symphony Concert

BRING YOUR OWN LAWN CHAIR FOR ALL EVENTS

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