



The Delaware Crossing Patriot
Kansas Society
Sons of the American Revolution
 September 2022
 Metro Kansas City's Oldest & Largest Chapter, Founded 1960

The Revolution is coming!
Three Years - 10 Months - Four Days

NEXT MEETING:

When: September 17, 2022

Where: Shelter House #1, Antioch Park,
 6501 Antioch Road, Merriam, KS. Food
 Served at Noon.

Reservations & Cost: For reservations, email
Secretary@dxsar.com or call Dewey Fry (913)-
 897-9502 by 8:00 PM, Friday, Sept. 9, 2022

Cost: \$12.00/person, \$6.00/ age 12 to 6,
 under 6 Free

Program: Annual Picnic & Flag Retirement

CALENDER & COMING EVENTS

October 2022

- 12 DX EC Meeting
- 15 DX Chapter Meeting

November 2022

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

December 2022

- 14 DX EC Meeting
- 17 DX Chapter Meeting

The President's Corner



By Larry Tatum

With the arrival of September, this hot, dry Summer is almost over and my favorite season, Fall, is on its way. I also look forward to the Annual Chapter Picnic.

I first attended the Delaware Crossing Picnic as a member of the Monticello Chapter, and I recognized the special quality of our chapter. Though other chapters attempt to have an annual picnic tradition, the success that we have at our Annual Picnic is hard to duplicate.

Our monthly Chapter Meetings always have good food, superior service and are well attended at the

excellent Hilton meeting rooms, but the atmosphere of Antioch Park with Dewey and Pat Fry's BBQ can't be beat. I don't know Dewey's secret, but his cooking is the best.

Following lunch, the flag retirement will be observed. It's highly recommended that all picnic participants attend the ceremony.

I encourage our members, especially the newer ones, to make it a point to attend the September 17th Picnic and to make it a family affair. I'm going to invite my daughters along with my wife, Stephanie. They won't be disappointed.



Larry Tatum presents Jon Horine with his Membership Certificate.

Welcome Jon Horine

Compatriot Jon Alvin Horine was administered the Membership Oath by President Larry Tatum at our August 20 Chapter Meeting. Jon Alvin Horine was registered as Member No. 222558 on May 27, 2022.

Issues beyond the Delaware Crossing Chapter control delayed his induction ceremony until August 20. John Schatzel, VP of the KSSSAR Eastern District was Jon's Sponsor and Tim Peterman his Co-sponsor. Tim presented Jon with the Membership Rosette.

Jon's Patriot Ancestor under whom he joined was Thomas Bullard who was born in Virginia and served in North Carolina as a Private.

In speaking with Jon, one learns the "rine" portion of his surname is pronounced the same as the Rhine River in Europe.

We are very pleased Jon has become a member of SAR and our Delaware Crossing Chapter and look forward to his participation in our chapter. We also look forward to meeting his wife Jan.

Welcome aboard Jon!



Larry Tatum inducts Jon Horine into the SAR with sponsor Tim Peterman.



Tim Peterman pins Jon Horine's SAR Rosette.



Jon Horine lights his Patriot candle.



Alan Martin, Dewey Fry, Dennis Nelson, Mark Parks, Steven French, Jeff Winters, Stephen Sullins, Kirk Rush, and Rick Alley.

Your Color Guard at Work

On August 6, Compatriot Bob Capps of Delaware Crossing Chapter conducted a ceremony recognizing veterans from his East High School graduating class at their 55th reunion. Bob is Past VPG of the South-Central District and Past President of the Kansas Society SAR. He identified 28 classmate who had served in the US military. 16 are deceased and 9 of those living attended the ceremony. Nine Color Guardsmen Presented, Posted and Retired the Colors. From the KSSSAR were Dewey Fry, Steven French, Kirk Rush and Rick Alley of the Delaware Crossing Chapter, Alan Martin, and Jeff Winters of the Monticello Chapter. From the MOSSAR were Mark Parks of the Martin Warren Chapter, Roy Hutchinson of the Harry S. Truman Chapter and Stephen Sullins of the Independence Patriots Chapter. This was Rick Alley's first participation in an event as a Color Guardsman.

During the ceremony chosen classmates read each of the names of the deceased veterans, after each Dewey Fry rang a bell. At the completion of the

list of 16 deceased veterans Kirk Rush played Taps on a bugle. Bob Capps presented each of the living classmate veterans with a certificate and a 250th Anniversary of the USA challenge coin of the SAR.

The Delaware Crossing Chapter Color Guard showed up big and proud at the Naturalization Ceremony on Friday August 19. 5 of the 6 Color Guardsmen at the ceremony at the Robert J. Dole US Courthouse in KCK were from Delaware Crossing.

In the photo of the Color Guard with only Judge Julie Robinson, from left to right were Rick Alley (his second event in 8 days as a new color guardsman), Dennis Nelson, Dewey Fry, Judge Robinson, KSSAR President Vernon Welkner, Robert Grover, and Steven French.

A second photo shows the line of many of the 90 new citizens and their families lined up to have their photo taken with the judge and the color guard.

A third photo show one of the new citizens having her photo taken with the group, she just happened to be a coworker of Color Guardsman Steven French shown with her in a separate photo.

Many of the new citizens have studied enough to know of our Revolutionary War and several of our founding fathers. Some even identified our uniforms as that of George Washington.



Rick Alley, Dennis Nelson, Dewey Fry, Judge Julie Robinson, Vern Welkner, Robert Grover, and Steven French.



New U.S. Citizens and their Families.



New Citizen Reem Alhaib, Judge Julie Robinson, Dennis Nelson, Vern Welkner, Dewey Fry, Robert Grover, Steven French, and Rick Alley.



Steven French and his co-worker, Reem Alhaib.



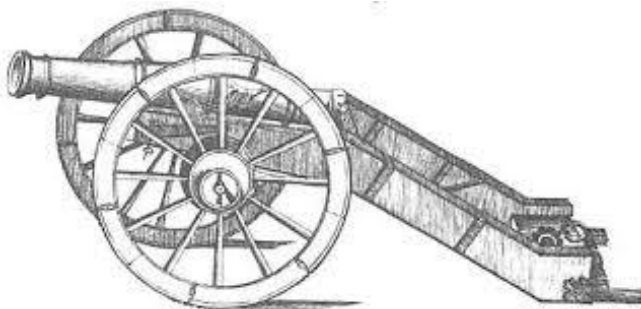
Final Results of 2021 Americanism Contest

by Dennis Nelson, Americanism Chairman

The NSSAR has posted on its website the details of the 2021 Americanism /President General's Streamer Award contest. Delaware Crossing Chapter competed with 39 chapters that submitted reports for the category of 91-150 members. There were four membership categories and a total of 216 chapters submitted reports.

Americanism recognizes chapters that participate in outreach education efforts and who acknowledge community leaders for their efforts to perpetuate the goals of the SAR. In the Americanism contest, DX finished 3rd (2020 - 4th) with 8,150 points. Compared to all chapters filing reports, DX ranked 10th out of 216 and was the only chapter in the top ten west of the Mississippi River.

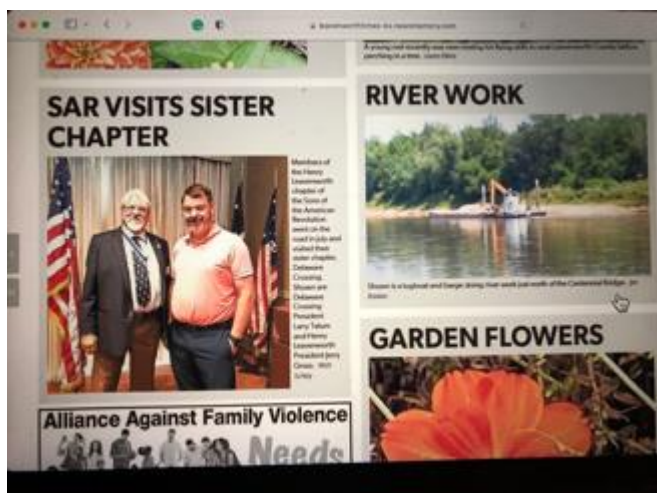
The President General's Streamer contest recognizes chapters for their efforts to achieve the administrative goals of the SAR and who contribute to the success of the SAR. In the PG Streamer contest, DX was 3rd (2020 – 4th) with 6,355 points.



The President General’s Cup recognizes chapters that best achieves the goals of both Americanism and President General’s Streamer award contest. In the President General’s Cup contest, the points for Americanism and PG Streamer are combined and divided by the number of members in the chapter to arrive at an average of overall points per member. DX scored in 12 out of 13 categories, qualifying to compete for the President General’s Cup. DX finished 6th (2020 – 4th) with an 85.07 average points per member.

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. These results clearly demonstrate that Delaware Crossing is one of the best SAR chapters in NSSAR for both outreach and administrative support of SAR programs.

Delaware Crossing Chapter Meeting is Reported in the Leavenworth Times Newspaper



Larry Tatum and Jerry Gross in the Leavenworth Times.



Kansas State President, Vern Welkner presents Larry Tatum with Delaware Crossing’s National Honor Flight Award.

National SAR Honor Flight Award

The Delaware Crossing Chapter received the Honor Flight Award during the 2022 Sons of the American Revolution National Congress.

The receipt of this award by the Delaware Crossing Chapter is due to the many hours of planning, scheduling, and implementation by our Color Guard and especially by Compatriot Dewey Fry.

Without his constant efforts to recognize the sacrifices of our veterans, this award would not have been received.





James Schultz displays his Gold Rumbaugh Medal.

Save the Best for Last

There is an old saying, we saved the best for last.

That is exactly what the NSSAR did at the NSSAR Annual Congress in Savannah, GA during the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Oration Contest. The last presenter at the end of 2 hours of presentations was James Schultz, the contest representing the Kansas Society Sons of the American Revolution and our very own Delaware Crossing Chapter.

James captured the attention of the judges and the won the contest. Thus, winning the \$10,000 scholarship and the gold medal he is displaying in the accompanying photo.

After being declared the First-Place winner, James became a celebrity accepting congratulations, accolades, and challenge coins from many attendees. Bruce Smith showed a video at our August chapter meeting of James presenting his oration at the Youth Banquet during the Annual Congress. After the video, Bruce presented James with written congratulations from Senator Roger Marshall, Senator Jerry Moran and Overland Park Mayor, Curt Skoog.

Then it was James's turn to speak; he spoke of his experience and appreciation. And he proudly showed his gold medal.

James is the third winner from the Delaware Crossing Chapter to have won the National award for the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Oration Contest. James's next challenge is a college degree. His major will be in History.

We wish him the best of good fortune, as he not only brought honor to himself but also to his family, the KSSAR and our Delaware Crossing Chapter.



James Schultz presents his oration at the National Congress.



Bruce Smith reads the congratulatory letters written to James Schultz.

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DELAWARE CROSSING CHAPTER
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 17, 2022
10:00 AM-2:00 PM**

**At Shelter House No. 1, Antioch Park,
6501 Antioch Rd, Merriam, KS**
(See accompanying map, use the South Entrance)



Food Served at Noon



The menu will be smoked beef brisket, smoked pulled pork, baked beans, potato salad and coleslaw. There will be bottled water, lemonade and iced tea to drink and cookies for desert.

Come and enjoy the fellowship, food, patriotism. Restrooms are nearby. Hand sanitizer will be at the shelter and buffet line. Social distancing will be practiced in the buffet line. Please plan to wear a mask in the buffet line. We will practice social distancing as the shelter permits. There are paved paths on which to stroll and a lake to view. Invite family members and the prospective members who are actively working with you on their applications.

There is a moderate distance walk from the shelter to the Fire Circle for the Flag Retirement Ceremony.

Food planning is more critical than for a normal meeting as it is being prepared by Dewey and Pat Fry, so please make your reservations in a soon as possible. We want to make sure there is enough food. To make reservations for the picnic, email secretary@dssar.com or call Dewey Fry at 913-897-9502 by 8:00 PM Friday September 9, 2022. The fee is \$12.00 for those 13 and older, \$6.00 for children 6 through 12 and free to those under 6. In making your reservations please indicate the number in each age group.

**1:00 PM: Memorial Service
and Flag Retirement Ceremony**

At 1:00 PM at the Fire Circle, a brief Memorial Service for recently deceased members of Delaware Crossing, Monticello and Henry Leavenworth Chapters will be conducted; immediately thereafter the Color Guard will conduct a Flag Retirement Ceremony with participation of members of the Boy Scouts of America. An adequate number of flags have been acquired for the ceremony; however, if you wish to retire a flag please prepare it by cutting the eyelets from it, then cut the blue field from it, then cut each stripe from it. C.A.R. Societies and KSDAR Chapters and the Boy Scouts participating will be awarded Flag Retirement Certificates.

