



*The Delaware Crossing Patriot  
Kansas Society  
Sons of the American Revolution  
February 2021  
Metro Kansas City's Oldest & Largest Chapter, Founded 1960*

**NEXT MEETING:**

**When:** February 20, 2021

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

**Reservations & Cost:** For reservations, email [Secretary@dxsar.com](mailto:Secretary@dxsar.com) or call Steven French (913)-832-6034 by 7:00 PM, Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

**Cost:** \$17.00/person

**Program:** King Eagle Scout Essay

**The President's Corner**



**CALENDER & COMING EVENTS**

**February 2021**

- 6 BOG unknown if in person or virtual
- 17 DX EC Meeting
- 20 DX Chapter Meeting

**March 2021**

- 10 DX EC Meeting
- 13 DX Chapter Meeting
- 19,20 State Conference, Leavenworth, KS

**April 2021**

- 14 DX EC Meeting
- 17 DX Chapter Meeting

By Ken Ludwig

Well, what a month January has been. The temperature has been up and down with a few snowstorms thrown in (typical January). The run-off elections in Georgia tipped the balance of power to the left, and further emphasize the far left / far right divide in our nation. Social media continues to push this divide. Stocks are trending up; I think primarily because of all the money the government is pumping into the economy because of COVID Relief. Our capital was stormed and sacked, then occupied by the military. In the end, we did have a peaceful transition to a new president, who is off and running making big changes. I sense a lot of unrest with many of the people I meet.

I wonder if it is getting to the level that caused our patriot ancestors to start the revolution? America 2.0?  
On a bright spot – THE CHIEFS ARE GOING BACK TO THE SUPER BOWL!!! At least that is something the whole community can get behind. Let's hope they bring the trophy back to KC again!  
This month, I would like to extend a challenge to each of you. I would like you each to start writing an autobiography.  
Why should you do this? The reason I want to do this is not because I feel that I am a super important person that all of humanity needs to know about my life, but it really was born by my genealogical research that I did to get into this fine organization. With the internet these days it was relatively easy to find names, dates of birth, marriages, deaths, where they were born, where they are buried. What I did not find was much if anything about who my ancestors were. What they did for a living? Why did they choose to immigrate to America? What made them migrate west? I was left just wanting to know more about my ancestors.  
So, I am going to endeavor to write an autobiography to provide a record for my future descendants, so they will have an idea of who I am, what I liked, why I chose to do things, the struggles that I had and the accomplishments. In writing, I will also be able to document to the best of my recollection, some information about my parents and grandparents, to provide even more historical information for my descendants.  
I would also like you each to think about attending our next State Conference. It will be held in Leavenworth on March 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. The only way it will be closer is when either Monticello or our own Delaware Crossing chapter host the state conference, which is not scheduled to happen for a while.

Ken Ludwig



*John Forbes at the Shawnee Indian Mission*

### **The Movement of the Shawnee from Ohio to Kansas**

John Forbes delivered a scholarly but attention grabbing program of the history of the Shawnee Tribe from their allegiance with the British, during the Revolutionary War, to their reservation in Kansas.

Little known facts, such as the British promise of the land of Ohio for their help during the Revolution, were sprinkled into the oration.

Towards the conclusion of the program, local Shawnee history, such as the death and burial in Kansas City, Kansas of "The Open Door", Shawnee Prophet and Tecumseh's brother, was of particular interest.

Thank you, John for another memorable DX meeting.



*The Open Door, Shawnee Prophet and brother of Tecumseh.  
Site of Prophet's grave -1104 South 51<sup>st</sup>, Kansas City, KS*

**DXSAR Officers Elected for 2021**

The following nominations were elected to serve as Officers for 2021 year:

- President – Ken Ludwig
- Exec VP – Bruce Smith
- Secretary – Steven French
- Treasurer – Shawn Cowing
- Asst. Treasurer – Dick Nelson
- Registrar/Genealogist – Tim Peterman



*Portrait of George Washington by Charles Willson Peale*

**Eagle Scout Essay Contest Winner**

Committee Chairman Kirk Rush announced that Chase Horner has repeated as the winner of the 2020 Arthur M. and Berdena King Eagle Scout Contest.

Chase authored a stem winding essay about the painter, soldier, scientist, inventor, politician, naturalist and his 5<sup>th</sup> great grandfather, Charles Willson Peale.

This fine essay along with the too numerous to list athletic and academic accomplishments, which include a perfect ACT score, should make Chase the candidate to beat at the State Level.

# Kansas Society

## 129<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

### Chartered March 31, 1892

#### Leavenworth, Kansas March 19-20, 2021

##### **Schedule of Events Friday, March 19, 2021**

5:00 p.m. Registration begins

June's Northland  
614 Pottawatomie, Leavenworth 6:30 p.m. Buffet

Program TBD

##### **Saturday, March 20, 2021**

7:30 a.m. Breakfast for those at hotel  
8:15 a.m. Color Guard Muster and Rehearsal at June's  
Northland 9:00 a.m.

##### **Memorial Service**

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
311 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Leavenworth, KS  
10:00 a.m. Business Meeting and Election of Officers at  
June's Northland

Ladies Auxiliary Meeting (TBD)  
11:00 a.m. Poster and Brochure Judging–June's Northland  
11:30 a.m. Color Guard Muster and Rehearsal for  
Luncheon–June's Northland

12:00 p.m. Youth Awards Luncheon  
June's Northland  
Installation of State and Chapter Officers NSSAR Secretary  
General Remarks  
State Awards and Certificate Presentations

2:30 p.m. Workshops TBD June's Northland  
4:00 p.m. Free Time (Tour of Fort Leavenworth?)

5:30 p.m. Color Guard Rehearsal

6:00 p.m. Reception Cash Bar Opens

6:40 p.m. Receiving Line 7:00 p.m. Banquet

##### **Hotel Accommodations**

##### **Marriot Fairfield Inn**

1101 N Fourth Street Leavenworth Kansas  
(913) 758-9303  
Group Rate \$100 +/- Deadline February 28, 2021

##### **FAQs**

Who attends the Annual Conference? Any compatriot and his guest, chapter officers and state leaders—every Kansas SAR compatriot.

May I attend only the events on Saturday? Certainly.

If my wife is not a member of the Ladies Auxiliary, can she still attend. Yes

May I wear my color guard uniform all day Saturday? Yes

What is the attire? Friday night is business casual. Saturday events are slightly more formal. Men: either color guard uniform or coat and tie. Women: church attire for Youth Awards Luncheon; business formal for the evening banquet.

\*(The Prairie Minuteman Chapter, Kansas' newest SAR chapter was supposed to receive its charter at the 2020 State Conference that was cancelled due to COVID-19. If appropriate, I would like to recognize that chapter at the banquet. ???)