



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE SEPTEMBER 2023

Greetings Compatriots!

I trust everyone has had a good summer time off, and ready to get back into the swing of our fall and winter schedule with the Sons of the American Revolution!

To start, I would like to caution everyone regarding scammers using an email claiming to be me, and requesting assistance "with something", but to not contact me in any way other than email. If you respond, the scammer will request you purchase



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an Amazon Gift Card with your personal funds, then I will reimburse you later. This is a scam, and please do not get involved in this. These people have tried it for the last five years under Ken Young and Terry Handley's term as chapter president. I applaud your willingness to help, but I will not ever ask anyone to put up personal funds for me with a promise of reimbursement later, especially for an Amazon Gift Card.

We attended the South Central District meeting in Wichita on Saturday, August 26th with other Oklahoma SAR members, and members from Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri and Texas. Some great information was shared across the chapter and society lines, and we had some great fellowship. One exciting thing I learned was with regard to a new app called the SAR Educational Outreach by National to assist the local chapters with promoting school function speaking engagements, teachers with lesson plans, information on Youth Programs, and offering educational resources. We know that less and less Civics and American History are NOT being taught to our young people, and this app is a great tool to get us started with this important endeavour. I downloaded the app on my phone, and there is even a link in the app that will tell you what happened on this date in the Revolution! What an

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innovative tool!

Another great opportunity came as a result of attending this meeting. Charles McLemore, the former South Central District Vice-President General, is planning four Revolutionary War Patriot grave marking services, and wanted to make sure that the Oklahoma City Chapter's Color Guard and Honor Guard were going to be available to participate. The first three grave markings will be in two memorial services on November 4 in and around Van Buren, Arkansas. This is just across the state line into Arkansas. The first memorial service will be at 11am in Van Buren for one Revolutionary War patriot, and the second service will be the same day about 20 miles north of Van Buren in a remote cemetery for two brothers who fought in the Revolution. The fourth will be on December 4, 2023, but the details have not been completed for this event. This is a great opportunity for the chapter to honor our Revolutionary War patriots and for the chapter to continue to show we are an exciting and "on-the-move" group of compatriots, not just reciting the words to our National mission statement, but living it out in our actions!

Finally, things are moving forward for two events this year I hope everyone is excited about. We are

planning our Salvation Army Angel Tree Program event much earlier than last year. Please mark your calendar for Saturday, November 18, 2023. We had an excellent turnout and event last December, but it was a little late to really assist the Salvation Army with the gift of the toys we donated. They still helped, though. The second event is our chapter's 100th Anniversary celebration next April or early May. This promises to be a real fun and exciting event and hope you will make plans to be there. We are planning a raffle to assist in raising money for the chapter, and will have either a Brown Bess or Charleville flintlock musket as the grand prize. Nothing like guys and guns!

Our next chapter meeting will be September 11, 2023 at the Johnnie's Hamburgers at 33 East 33rd in Edmond. Our speaker will be Sheriff Tommie Johnson of the Oklahoma County Sheriff's office. Sheriff Johnson has done a wonderful job through some tough times in the loss of some deputies. I hope you will join us for the chapter meeting! We meet at 6pm for dinner and fellowship, and the speaker will start promptly at 6:45pm. We will also be finalizing our budget for the next twelve months and hope everyone will have some input.

See you then!

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