



The Ohio Country

Bulletin

The Ohio Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

Fall 2024 Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Your Ohio SAR Society has been very busy. There is a lot of exciting news to share. First of all, I would like to introduce “SAR University” to all chapters. We have posted 20 chapter-officer training courses on our state website. Each office has recommended “required courses” to take and electives that may be chosen. Eventually these courses will be produced in video format from NSSAR. But for now, the content of these courses is available in hand-out format and chapters are encouraged to utilize this new resource. Look for the link under the “Members Only” section of www.OHSSAR.org.

We also just signed an agreement to partner with the Pomeroy Foundation. They will provide Patriot Grave Markers free to our chapters. Look for details soon. We can begin submitting applications after we approve their design for the Ohio logo. Compatriot Kevin Driesbach has volunteered to coordinate the program.

Next, we have been offered to host a display at the Ohio Statehouse in Columbus starting in January 2025. Compatriot Rich Minshall is chairing the effort. We are looking for revolutionary war artifacts to display and high-quality photos of chapter activities and projects. Submit your photos and let us know if you have an artifact that you are willing to loan us.

In the works are an “Insurance Taskforce” to examine our insurance policies and look at options to add a black-powder policy. Also, a committee is developing a long-range strategic plan. If you have any expertise, experience, or ideas in either of these two areas, we would like to hear from you.

At the state level, we have begun working on setting up “Club Express” which is a new dues-billing and communication platform being provided by NSSAR. Once operational sometime in 2025 the system will assist in collecting dues, allow credit card payments and hopefully increase retention.

Everyone is invited to attend the next Board of Management Meeting. It will be October 25 and 26 at Ohio Northern University in Ada, Ohio. See the attached registration form. Come and enjoy.

Thanks for your support!



Prescription for Success: Add an Activity





WELCOME NEW COMPATRIOTS

Western Reserve

Brauer, Philip
Conway, Barry
Conway, Keith
Havlovic, Marek
Minier, Austin
Minier, Ethan
Minier, Lee
Minier, Mark

Cincinnati

Ingram, Paul
Jefferson, Todd
Merkel, Benjamin
Sacay, George
Sacay, Lincoln
Sacay, Knox
Stephenson, Mark

Benjamin Franklin

Andrews, Austin
Andrews, Evan
Andrews, James
Freeman, John
Keller, Ralph

Richard Montgomery

Phillips, John
Stiffler, Patrick
Tuttle, Wilbur
Walters, William

John Stark

Elsasser, Jon
Elsasser, Kurt

Lafayette

Albright, William

George Rogers Clark

Daugherty, Terrence

Northeastern Ohio

Carmicle, Cayton
Carmicle, Christopher

Firelands Bicentennial

Dimando, Shane
Dimando, Stephen
Merserau, Joel

Rufus Putnum

Holman, Timothy

John Hancock

Bailey, Kenneth

Marietta

Fitzgerald, Elliot

Camp Chalotte

Sellers, Robert

Buckeye

Cargile, Michael

2024/2025

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.....REINSTATEMENTS.....

Cincinnati

Balena, William
Clemenson, Larry
Cooke, Jeffery
Van Iden, Byron

Richard Montgomery

Plummer, Thomas

Lt George Ewing

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.....IN MEMORIAM.....

Western Reserve

Van Hoose, John

Cincinnati

Hageman, Oliver

Benjamin Franklin

Miller, George
Myers, Jeff

Centennial

Doty, Craig



AROUND THE STATE Selected Activities



Gilliland Grave Marking Fitzgerald Cemetery near London, Ohio - June 8, 2024
George Rogers Clark, Camp Charlotte, Ben Franklin, Richard Montgomery



Richard Montgomery provides color guard at Dayton Dragon's game - July 2, 2024



Various Chapters participated in Independence Day parades – July 4, 2024



Columbus Zoo - July 6 - promoting membership, youth contests and Liberty Camp



July 13 Marietta celebrates 237th Anniversary of NW Territory Ordinance



Ohio delegation at National Congress in Lancaster, Penn – July 11-17, 2024

Scott Freeman accepts Cincinnati Chapter award from PG Dodd.

Lee Wilkerson promotes Ohio's 2028



Fort Laurens – July 26-27, 2024



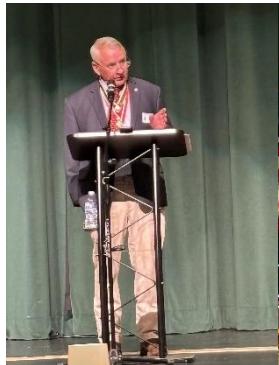
Honor Flight @ Dayton - August 10, 2024



Colonial music program – August 16, 2024



Blue Licks Memorial Ceremony – August 17, 2024



Speakers Symposium – Defiance, Ohio – August 23, 2024



Anthony Wayne Veterans' Memorial - Northwest Territory Chapter – August 24, 2024



George Roger Clark Chapter's info booth at the "Fair at New Boston" – Aug 31-Sept 1, 2024



Labor Day parade in Kettering, Ohio
September 2, 2024



Cincinnati and Richard Montgomery Chapters attended the unveiling of the bust section of Maj. Gen. Dr. Joseph Warren statue.
Sept 10, 2024 - Lebanon



Richard Montgomery Chapter's information booth at Patriot Salute - Dayton VA - Sept 14., 2024



Compatriot Robert Neff congratulated on his work bringing the Lincoln Statue to Dayton Veteran's Administration grounds. Unveiling was held Sept 16, 2024.

Marietta Chapter's Doug Pettit presents Certificate of Appreciation. – Sept 18, 2024



Lt George Ewings Chapter President John Davis received awards. – Sept 19, 2024



Benjamin Franklin Chapter presents Police, Fire, EMT, and Hero awards to local servicemen. President Kaplan assists. Sept 20, 2024



Mary Van Cleve C.A.R. and Richard Montgomery SAR provide color guard for Jonathan Dayton DAR chapter grave memorial. Sept 21, 2024



Honor Flight at Dayton airport. Sept 21, 2024

Submit your photos for the next Ohio Country Bulletin to skpk1984@aol.com



**The Ohio Society
Sons of the American Revolution**
Fall Board of Management Meeting
Ohio Northern University
October 25th and 26th - 2024



All Compatriots and Ladies are invited to the Fall Board of Management Meeting. It will be held on the campus of Ohio Northern University in Ada, Ohio. Come and enjoy the fellowship and help your Society accomplish a little business.

Venues	
Hotel	Meals and Meetings
The Inn at Ohio Northern University 401 West College Ave Ada, OH 45810 (419) 772-2500	The Wishing Well McIntosh Center 402 West College Ada, OH 45810

Itinerary for Friday October 25			
4:30 pm	Optional walking tour of campus	Meet in hotel lobby	Casual attire
5:30 pm	Doors open / Social time/ Cash bar	Wishing Well	Casual attire
6:30 pm	Dinner served	Wishing Well	Casual attire
7:30 pm	Program	Wishing Well	Casual attire

Itinerary for Saturday October 26			
9:00 am	Breakfast Buffet	Wishing Well	Business attire
10:00 am	Board of Management Meeting	Wishing Well	Business attire
10:00 am	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	Heritage Room	Business attire
12:00 noon	Adjournment		

Hotel Information

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Inn at Ohio Northern University until Sept 24th. Make reservations by calling the hotel at (419) 772-2500. Ask for the Sons of the American Revolution rate. However, make payment to the Ohio Society Treasurer to avoid unnecessary taxes. Total will be \$114.

Meal Information – advanced registration required.

Friday's dinner will be a buffet of roasted chicken with gravy, mashed potatoes, roasted green beans, garden salad, cold slaw, rolls, apple pie, and beverage for \$28 per person. Cash bar available.

Saturday's breakfast will be a buffet of scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, fresh fruit, assorted pastries, and beverage for \$20 per person.



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Fall Board of Management Meeting
Fort Laurens Memorial Service
October 25th and 26th - 2024



REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Chapter or Society: _____

Contact email: _____

Friday accommodations at the Inn at Ohio Northern University

You must call (419) 772-2500 to make your reservation:

rooms _____ @ \$114 = _____

Friday dinners at the Wishing Well # _____ @ \$28 = _____

Saturday breakfasts at the Wishing Well # _____ @ \$20 = _____

Total Due to OHSSAR: _____

Make check payable to OHSSAR and include with this form.

Mail no later than October 15th to:

OHSSAR Treasurer Michael J. Blum
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Hamilton, Ohio 45013-9551

The Ohio Society again received the State Veterans Service Award at the 2024 SAR Congress. This happens when at least 50 percent of the state's chapters submit a USS Stark Memorial Award scoresheet.



I encourage all Ohio Society chapters to submit a USS Stark Memorial Award scoresheet for 2024. These should be emailed to me no later than January 15th, 2025.

Partners in Patriotism activities should be reported annually on the USS Stark Memorial Award scoresheet. Chapters that participate in veterans programs sponsored and organized by other patriotic organizations such as the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, USO, Wreaths Across America, Honor Flight, will receive a Partners in Patriotism certificate.

In closing I urge all veteran compatriots, if they haven't done so, to submit a NSSAR Veterans Multi Corps Recognition Form so their service is recognized by the NSSAR Veterans Recognition Committee. The Committee will issue a Certificate of Patriotism to the veteran recognizing the service of the veteran. These certificates are customized to the individual's military service record and are individually numbered.

If you are a veteran that has not been recognized by the NSSAR Veterans Recognition Committee and would like to receive a Certificate of Patriotism, please contact your chapter president, chapter veterans committee chairman, or myself to get that process started.

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LADIES AUXILIARY UPDATE

Historical



Educational



Patriotic



Greetings Compatriots and Ladies! I'd like to begin by thanking all the Chapters Steve and I visited this summer for their hospitality. Everyone was warm and welcoming, and it was a pleasure to attend your meetings and events. We look forward to more visits and events! I'd also like to thank the ladies of our Auxiliary for the valuable support you give to the SAR. Ladies represented our Auxiliary at the Central District events of Fort Laurens, Vincennes, and Blue Licks. We helped Vice President David Lupien's Northwest Territory Chapter on the day of their unveiling of the Anthony Wayne Veterans' Memorial. It was our pleasure to help decorate for the luncheon and assist with the sales of Memorial merchandise. I know many ladies have helped with or attended grave markings and parades this summer. Thank you for your service!

The fall BOM meeting is being held October 25 and 26 at Ohio Northern University in Ada. I hope you plan to attend and remember to make reservations for your special lady to attend as well! Our Auxiliary meeting will be held Saturday morning from 10am to noon running concurrently with the BOM meeting. All ladies are welcome, they need not be members to attend. See the flyers in this newsletter for details. Lastly, we are still selling raffle tickets for our handmade Liberty Trails King-Size Quilt. The drawing is in May at the Annual meeting and proceeds benefit Ohio SAR Youth Contest winners. I will bring the quilt and tickets to all meetings or contact me at pattyk7345@gmail.com for tickets! Thank you for all your support!

Patty Kaplan



Quilt Raffle 2024-2025



Fort Laurens 2024



Ladies Auxiliary assist at the Anthony Wayne Memorial



Presenting wreath at Blue Licks Ceremony



Labor Day parade



DATES TO REMEMBER

October 3-5, 2024	Fall Leadership in Louisville, Kentucky
October 10, 2024	Battle of Point Pleasant, West Virginia
October 12, 2024	250 th Anniversary of Camp Charlotte Treaty
October 14, 2024	Siege of Yorktown
October 19, 2024	Central District Meeting, Lawrenceburg, IN
October 25-26, 2024	Ohio Society Fall Meeting at Ohio Northern University in Ada, Ohio
December 14, 2024	Wreaths Across America
February 8, 2025	Ohio Society Winter Meeting at Der Dutchman in Plain City, Ohio
February 27-March 1	Spring Leadership in Louisville, Kentucky
May 2-4, 2025	Ohio Society Spring Meeting and 126 th Annual Conference at Austin Landing (Dayton, Ohio)
June 17, 2025	Statue unveiling in Lebanon, Ohio of Maj Gen Joseph Warren.

Ways to Stay Informed

National Society
www.SAR.org

Central District
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