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Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Ozarks Mountain Chapter will be held January 16, 2016. Please note that the meeting is at a new time and location. Meetings will still be held the third Saturday of the month but will be held at OTC in the Information Commons Room 108 at 9:00 a.m. January is also the time to swear in officers for 2016. The following is a list of this year candidates.

- President Dan Philbrick
- Vice President Howard Fisk
- Secretary George Swales
- Treasurer Glenn Gohr
- Chaplain Gerald McCoy
- Chancellor Gary Bishop
- Genealogist Will Carr
- Historian Ken Lawrence
- Editor Willie Walker

Minutes from the Previous Meeting

OMCSAR Chapter Meeting Heritage Cafeteria December 19, 2015
The Snow Campaign of December 1775 was one of the first major military operations of the Revolution in the southern colonies. An army of up to 3000 Patriot militia under Colonel Richard Richardson marched against Loyalist recruiting centers in South Carolina after the Loyalists under Thomas Fletchall seized gunpowder and ammunition intended for the Cherokee. On

December 12, Richardson captured Fletchall found hiding in a cave. On December 22 the Patriots attacked the Loyalists camp killing five or six and taking 136 prisoners. The next day it began snowing making the return march home difficult for the victorious Patriot militia who were ill clothed for the weather. Thus the expedition, which eliminated large scale Loyalist activity in the backcountry, became known as The Snow Campaign.
Chaplain Ron Albaugh opened the meeting with the Invocation
Sargent At Arms Mc Millin led the Pledge of Allegiance
Compatriot Lawrence led the SAR Pledge
Vice President Philbrick introduced Linda Chorce, Director MDC Nature Center
Chorce spoke of her duty and that of the Missouri Department of Conservation to protect and manage the resources of urban nature centers so that citizens can explore and enjoy these protected sites. MDC nature centers are intended to offer opportunities for all members of the community and to those who may visit. Springfield's 79 acre Nature Center had 88,000 visitors and 250,000 trail walkers in 2015. Students of all ages visit the Nature Center for conservation outreach activities and education. MDC Nature Centers receive funding from part of the 1/8 % cent sales tax tha tis collected for the Missouri Department of Conservation. Chorce invited all members to visit her at the Nature Center for a one on one introduction to the facility. She also made available a variety of publications from the MDC that members could take home to enjoy.
President Reinbold gave a report from the Missouri Society, SAR Quarterly Meeting in Columbia, Missouri
President Reinbold gave the Treasurer's report showing bank balances of \$10,552.32
Treasurer Gohr reported that he had received dues payments from 50 Compatriots
Genealogist Carr reported that 5 applications would be submitted by months end



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Historian Swales reported that the Library Center would be offering a Genealogy Seminar on January 9, 2016 at 9:30 PM
A new book, After Yorktown, by Don Glickstine shows a new side of the Revolution
Valliant George Washington and Benedict Arnold is another new book of interest
Secretary Fisk reported on recent Flag Certificate Presentations
November 11 Hal Higdon, Chancellor
Ozark Technical Community College
November 11 Bob Newell, Manager
Hickory Hills Country Club
November 14 Robert Stephens, Mayor
City of Springfield, Missouri
December 12 Gary Edmondson, Superintendent
Springfield National Cemetery
December 12 Ted Hillmer, Superintendent
Wilson's Creek National Battlefield
Secretary Fisk also reported on activities of the Chapter Development Committee
November 23 Members (7) met with guest Hillary Fisk
Finalized draft of 2016 program of work
Provided draft budget to support activities
Major Projects: M. Graham Clark & Seth Caperton
Grave marking
March 12, 2016
History Explorers with Library Center & OTC
March 28, 2016
Issac Garrison Memorial Ceremony with DAR
October 8, 2016
James Barham Memorial Ceremony with Willard School, etc,
October 22, 2016
Missouri Society, SAR Newsletter and Color Guard Newsletter
Uniform reports for Americanism, Presidents Report, Historian,
Color Guard, Newsletter & Web Site
President Reinbold presented a Military Service Certificate to Dan Mc Murray for his son
President Reinbold discussed the moving of our meeting time and place for 2016
It was determined that the new meeting time would be 9:00 AM at OTC in the Information

Commons Room 108 on the third Saturday of each month
Secretary Fisk will arrange for the new facility and notify Heritage Cafeteria Management
President Reinbold reviewed the OMC SAR Budget for 2016
President/Vice President Speakers & Supplies \$125.00
Historian 54.00
Registrar/Genealogist 200.00
Eagle Scout Award 80.00
Americanism Awards 500.00
Newsletter 225.00
Treasurer 75.00
Contingency 40.00
ROTC Awards 50.00
Total \$1,349.00
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Color Guard Commander Mc Coy moved to close the meeting
Historian Swales seconded the motion
Compatriot Allen led the SAR Recessional
Chaplain Albaugh led the Benediction



President Reinbold presenting award for Steven McMurray accepted by Dan McMurray.



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Missouri Society, SAR Awards Silver Good Citizenship Medal

Sgt. Edgar R. Fox was awarded the Silver Good Citizenship Medal by Missouri Society, SAR at The Annual Luncheon to Honor the American Veteran held on November 14, 2015. The event was attended by members of the Ozark Mountain Chapter SAR, Rachel Donelson Chapter DAR, Military Order of the Purple Heart MOPH, General Society of War of 1812, and guests. The medal was presented to Fox by Past President General NSSAR, David N. Appleby for Fox's notable service in behalf of American principles. Fox served his country in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II with distinguished service for which he received several awards. After his release from the Marines, Fox joined the U.S. Army Counter Intelligence School which qualified him to serve in a number of assignments during the Korean War and during the Cold War.

After his retirement Fox settled in Springfield, Missouri where he became involved with the Marine League, coordinating Honor Flights and Toys for Tots, as well as, a variety of other activities related to the Marine League. Sgt. Edgar Fox is a true American Patriot having served his

country in war time and peace time with the same dedication and faithfulness.



New Color Guard compatriot Charles McMillan



Linda Chorce, Director MDC Nature Center Chorce was the December speaker

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