



FROM YOUR STATE PRESIDENT

The season of fall 2016 has been exciting and busy! As Kansas Society President, I have been honored to visit the Atchison Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Wyandot Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Kansas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution at their quarterly Board of Governor's Meeting at Emporia State University.



As well, the members of the Santa Fe Trail K.S.C.A.R. had a fantastic day participating in the Overland Park Fall Festival passing out American flags and spreading the word about our patriotic organization. Additionally, Kansas Society members enjoyed attending the annual 'packet meeting' of National President, Connor Jackson's project, *Freedom's Thunder, Siege of Yorktown: Actions that Lead to Victory*, which was hosted by Senior State President, Gayla Hoyt. Members had fun meeting at the Oregon Trail Park in Olathe.

Since my installation at Mount Vernon last April, I have been working hard on my state-project to get as many wreaths as possible for our fallen soldiers' graves at the Fort Leavenworth National Cemetery for the Wreaths Across America ceremony on Saturday, December 17th at 11:00 a.m. With the incredibly generous donations from Kansas DAR, SAR, and C.A.R. alongside my family and friends, the Kansas Society C.A.R. is pleased to announce that we have raised \$7,000.00, which is 700 wreaths for the Wreaths Across America

ceremony! That is 700 families that will be touched by our efforts. I am deeply proud to be a part of such a great organization that is making a difference.

In closing, I am anxiously waiting for Saturday, December 17th to pay honor to our fallen soldiers at the Wreaths Across America Ceremony at Fort Leavenworth National Cemetery in Kansas. I hope you all will join me that day to pay respect to those who fought and died for our freedom.

- Brooke Werp, State President



Brooke will be featured in a news piece on WDAF-Channel 4 with Phil Witt, news anchor, at 9 pm on Wednesday, Dec. 7th. He interviewed her about her fundraising efforts for Wreaths Across America. She is being profiled in the focus, "Young Achievers". We're proud of you, Brooke!

- Rhonda Carter, Editor

LONE ELM CAMPGROUND'S NEWS

Fall brings new school classes and friends, marching band performance at football games and CAR meetings. We have enjoyed learning about the mistakes on monuments and Victory Gardens. Our FUNdraiser will be wrapping Bass Pro gifts at Olathe Bass Pro December 21 from 3 to 9 p.m.

Please save the date Sunday, January 29th, 2017 for Lone Elm Campground Society hosting a memorial and laying a wreath for The Four Chaplains at Olathe Veteran's Park at 2 p.m.

We are looking forward to Wreaths Across America on December 17th. Thanks Brooke for all your hard work. It will be great seeing all those wreaths!!!

-Janis Miller, Sr. President

THE SCOOP FROM SANTA FE TRAIL

SFT was thrilled to add 7 new members to our roster this fall! Santa Fe Trail Society members and



the Prairie Rose DAR Chapter participated in the Overland Park Fall Festival Parade on September 24th. SFT members handed out flags to the police



and the patriotic crowds that lined the streets of Overland Park. For our next meeting, we are planning a cookie decorating party with a short business meeting at our home in Leawood, at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Hope you can join us then - and of course at Wreaths Across America on Dec. 17th at 11 a.m. at Ft. Leavenworth!

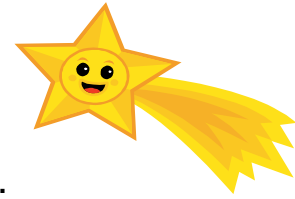
- *Monica Werp, Senior Society President*

KANSA SOCIETY HAPPENINGS

Members have been busy representing KSCAR in many ways. Isaac and Jackson Higdon, Zane, Eliza and Ezra Tindell all helped get an exhibit ready for the Gridley 4th of July parade. Then the parade was rained out and the Tindells had to leave for Colorado before the rescheduled time. The Higdon's continued in the parade and represented Kansa well. The boys also passed out napkins to Viet Nam Era Veterans and their families when Topeka Chapter DAR honored them with a

certificate and pin. Their grandfather was one of the recipients of the award. Nick and Al Berns-Hoyt and Eric Hoyt participated in the September fall packet meeting.

- *Gayla Hoyt, Sr. Society President*



KUDOS TO.....

Kansa Society:

Eliza and Ezra had a great soccer season. Zane enjoyed playing baseball.

Isaac had a great flag football season.

Al - honor roll, soccer, jazz band, yearbook club

Nick - prin. honor roll, marching band, swim team, symphonic band (2nd chair)

Eric and Amber have enjoyed their first semester at K-State and KU, respectively.

FROM YOUR SENIOR STATE PRESIDENT

Thanks to the small group who attended the fall packet meeting at the park on a beautiful September day. It seemed like everyone had a good time and there was way too much food! Keep up your society work as Freedom's Thunder moves on throughout our year. Keep March 25 open for the Kansas Conference date. More details will be coming in February. Many of our members have been proudly representing KSCAR at many functions. Many members participated in various parades in their areas from July 4th to Veteran's day. Two members passed out napkins to Viet Nam Era Veterans being honored in August.

Brooke Werp did a fabulous job presenting her project and the men were very generous. Some of our members also did a super job directing KSDAR members into Registrar General Mary Frisch's reception in November. I'm sure there are more instances that I don't know about. Keep up the good work!

- *Gayla Hoyt, K.S.C.A.R. Sr. President*



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Wreaths Across America is the state project for Kansas in 2016! This year's Nation Wide Remembrance Ceremony will take place on Saturday, **December 17, 2016**, at 11 a.m. Join us then at Ft. Leavenworth National Cemetery as we place wreaths on the graves. Remember to dress warmly!

JOIN US ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE, Kansas CAR!

CHECK OUT OUR NATIONAL WEB SITE www.nscar.org



Filming at the Ft. Leavenworth National cemetery with WDAF News anchor Phil Witt and Kansas State C.A.R. President Brooke Werp.

REMEMBER TO.....

PAY YOUR DUES for 2017! They are due this month to your Senior Society Treasurer. Kansas C.A.R. currently has 96 members!

SEND YOUR KUDOS AND PHOTOS to crrhomestead@aol.com so we can feature them in a future issue!



FLY YOUR FLAG

**January 1st - New Year's Day
January 16th - Martin Luther King Jr. Day**



MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL KANSAS C.A.R. MEMBERS!