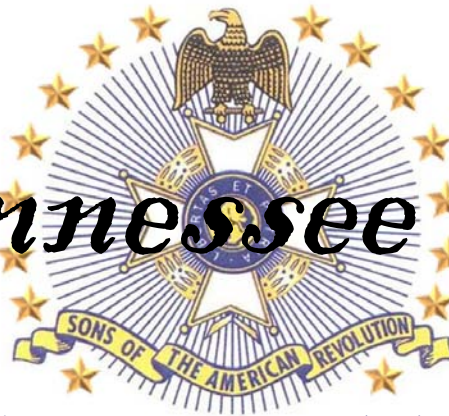
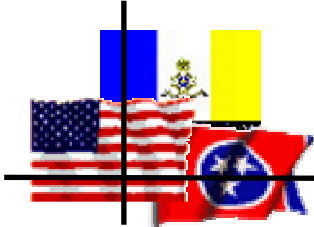


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ANNUAL MEETING LADIES EVENT

Compatriots' wives are invited to attend the SAR Annual Meeting. A very special set of activities planned for your enjoyment at Dickson's Renaissance Center. Transportation will be provided to and from the Renaissance Center from the entrance of Montgomery Bell Inn in time for the Luncheon. Cost is \$10.00 per person.



Photo: Bill LaSevor

ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 14-15

The 119th Annual Meeting of the general membership of the Tennessee Society of the Sons of the American Revolution will be held at Montgomery Bell State Park's Inn and Conference Center in Burns, Tennessee, just west of Nashville off I-40 on March 14—15.

In addition to the traditional President's Dinner on Friday evening, this year, all new members will be honored with a reception hosted by the Past Presidents. "We want all new members to become an important part of our organization's future," said President Roy Miles.

As a special treat this year, we have arranged a seminar on Saturday morning given by one of the NSSAR Genealogists. She plans to reveal "12 Secrets to Preparing Better Applications". This is the first time the presentation has been presented to a State Society.

Following the Annual Meeting and Election of Officers on Saturday, the General Membership Luncheon will include the Youth Orations Contest and presentation of the Boys Scouts and ROTC/JROTC Awards.

Registration details may be found on pages 8-9.

THREE GENERATIONS OF SAR



A proud grandfather, Claude T. Hardison, Jr., presented grandson Trent Thomas Hardison his membership certificate with the assistance of his son, Claude T. Hardison III. All three are members of Benjamin Cleveland Chapter.

See page 7 for photos from the Hiwassee Chapter and Benjamin Cleveland Chapter Christmas Dinner and Installation of Officers.

PROPOSED SAR HEADQUARTERS



Elevation of the proposed National Society SAR Headquarters, Library and Museum, known as the Center for Advancing America's Heritage. A new facility in the Downtown Louisville Museum district is moving toward reality. Learn more about this exciting and historic project on pages 10-11.

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SAR PLEDGE

"We descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our constitutional republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe."



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PRESIDENT

Compatriots. Another calendar year has passed. Thank you for your hard work. You have many achievements and accomplishments. I know you are proud.

Several chapters already have a new slate of officers, and others will install officers soon. This means that some of the familiar, admired friends I have come to know on the Board of Governors will be replaced by new friends and compatriots. Thank you for your willingness to serve our organization.

As President, I am privileged to know what you are accomplishing as chapters. As I reflect on this past year about what you and each of our Chapters has done, my desire is for you to share in your accomplishments, and inspire our colleagues and other Compatriots.

Will you do something for me? I am asking that each Chapter bring a three-fold display board to our State Meeting at Montgomery Bell State Park to visually illustrate what your chapter has achieved this year. I will have a table set aside, and a place for each Chapter's display board. I believe this will inspire each of us and provide new ideas of activities we can introduce to our chapters. Additionally, I will have a suggestion box, so if someone wishes to remain anonymous, but has an idea for a chapter activity, it can be written down and shared with all the chapters.

Please plan to come to the State Annual Meeting at Montgomery Bell State Park Inn and Conference Center. You should have already received a brochure that details the events that will be offered. *(If you have not received a brochure, contact tnssar@bellsouth.net so one can be sent).*

At this meeting, we are hosting one of our National SAR staff genealogists, Deborah Andrew, who will help all of us learn a little more about preparing successful applications. This is the first time any state has hosted a genealogist for this kind of program.

I believe those who come will learn, have fun, and enjoy the historic park area. Montgomery Bell State Park is about 30 minutes West of Nashville. I look forward to seeing you there!

In other exciting news, I have recently learned from Compatriot Douglas Carpenter that Tennessee State Representative Eric Watson has introduced House Bill # 2460. If passed, the bill will designate April 19th of each year as "Patriot's Day" to honor and recognize the opening events of the War of the Revolution and the struggle through which the nation passed in its early days. This bill has passed as a resolution for each of the past 3 years. The new bill will make it permanent. This will not provide a day off from work, but it will designate the day as one we honor Patriots. Please let your representatives know you support this bill!

I also want to thank Compatriots Rick Hollis and Cleo Hogan, and prospective applicant Thomas Murff, for organizing and hosting a historic tour, "Across the line to Cain-tuck," in and around Clarksville, Tennessee and Russellville, Kentucky. We had a good turn out of people, and an enjoyable time on the tour! These tours have become a yearly event, so if you want to know about the next one, let Rick, or Cleo know.

I want you to know, too, how proud I am that, together, we have exceeded our goal of increasing our membership by 15% in 2007. You produced 132 new members. My hat is off to you. Congratulations!

I know that several members have not renewed their dues, and that you have been working very hard to minimize the number of non-renewals. You are doing a great job! With growth, I hope we never lose sight of the importance of retaining our existing members, and acknowledging their contributions and their importance to our group.

I thank each of you for the contributions you have made to the SAR. I thank the Chapters that I have visited for their hospitality, and knowing the dedication and commitment each of you, I look forward to a bright future for TNSSAR!!

Roy A. Miles III

PRESIDENT-ELECT

I have devoted much time to working with the Isaac Shelby Chapter in its efforts to organize its meetings and grow membership. I attended both the November luncheon at the HI-University and the Christmas banquet at the University Club in Memphis. Both gatherings were well attended and productive.

I continue to observe the positive direction we have taken during President Roy Miles' term, and will follow his example in increasing membership. I hope that we can emphasize even more our commitment to youth as that is where the future of both our country and our organization lies.

We need to get into the schools to present programs and awards. We must monitor the teaching of history in both the textbooks and the classroom. Sadly, the understanding of the meaning of the American Revolution and our founding principles is eroding with every passing year. We must keep in touch with the teachers and encourage and recognize those who continue to remain true to proper instruction. And we must remain strong in defending our mission in the face of cultural disintegration, multiculturalism and political correctness, the unpatriotic aspects of globalism, and runaway demographic patterns.

I look forward to working with each of you and your chapters, and to engage in an ongoing dialog to see that we are doing everything we can to stem this tide. **We cannot afford to become irrelevant.**

Colby S. Morgan, Jr.

2007 Chapter Visits by President Roy A. Miles III

Andrew Crockett Chapter, Franklin
Andrew Jackson Chapter, Nashville
Benjamin Cleveland Chapter, Cleveland
Christopher Strong Chapter, Charlotte
Hiwassee Chapter, Athens
James Madison Chapter, Jackson
John Sevier Chapter, Chattanooga
Sumner Chapter, Gallatin
Valentine Sevier Chapter, Clarksville
Watauga Chapter, Elizabethton
W. P. Quarles Chapter, Cookeville



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 Forrest Judson Capps
 Stephen Douglas Capps
 Wesley Douglas Capps
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 Michael Alan Plumley
 Cullen Fitzpatrick Smith*
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 Richard Mead Lewis, Jr.
 Victor Jeffrey Clark
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 Richard Holmes Knight, Jr.
 Frank Emerson Jones III
 David Engel Amoit
 George Cary Grigg, Jr.
 Thomas Kendrick White
 Paul Richard White, Jr.

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 Daniel Ray Gilley
 Paul Michael Hardison
 Claude Thomas Hardison, III
 James Houston McLain
 Jerry DeWitt Raley
 Kenneth Erby Swallows
 George Robert Taylor
 John Bates Conner
 William Thomas Spencer III
 Dennis Lyle Gober
 Thomas Austin Robertson

CHRISTOPHER STRONG CHAPTER (3)

Tony Epps England
 Willard Edwin Gilliam
 Gregory Grant Monroe

GEN. JOSEPH MARTIN CHAPTER (4)

Mark Alan Lawson
 Lawrence Edward Mills
 Kent Battle Martin
 Dick Savage Martin

HIWASSEE CHAPTER (5)

James Edward Hawkins
 Ronald Lee Tharpe
 Fred Isaac Underdown
 Frederick Eugene Cagle
 Gary Theodore Cagle

ISAAC SHELBY CHAPTER (3)

Milton Lyman Knowlton, Jr.
 Joe Nichols Skelley
 Henry Watkins Williamson, Jr.

JACKSON PURCHASE CHAPTER (0)

None

JAMES MADISON CHAPTER (1)

James Algermon Johnson

JOHN SEVIER CHAPTER (10)

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 William Reed Fuller
 Leo David Ryan
 Elisha Charles Fowler
 Heatwole Campbell Thomas
 Charles Ishmael Davis
 Thomas Craig McConnell
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 David Paul Knisley
 Peter Leonard Palmer

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 Darryl Stephen Addington*

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 William Christopher Albrecht IV
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 Colonel Benjamin Cleveland Chapter
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 Isaac Shelby Chapter
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 John Sevier Chapter
 Robert Kirk Walker, Sr.
 Stephen Holston Chapter
 Charles Edward Laugherty
 Stones River Chapter
 James Brevard Haynes, Sr.
 Sumner Chapter
 Devereaux Dunlap Cannon, Jr.

FAREWELL



Compatriot Devereaux Cannon providing flag education.

Devereaux Dunlap Cannon, Jr., age 53 of the Rock Bridge community in Sumner County passed away Saturday, December 29, 2007. He is preceded in death by his mother Nancy Yancy Adair Cannon and brother Ty Cannon. He is survived by his wife Nora Tickle Cannon and daughter Nancy Katherine Cannon both of Rock Bridge, son 2 Lt Devereaux D. Cannon III and his wife Joleen of Ft. Bragg, N.C., his father Devereaux D. Cannon, Sr. and brother Cooper Cannon and wife Candy all of Ellendale, TN, two grandchildren, Devereaux D. Cannon IV and Brian Boru Cannon. Mass of Christian Burial was held at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 2, 2008 at St. John Vianney Catholic Church, with Father John Sappenfield Celebrant. Burial was in Confederate Circle in Gallatin Cemetery.

Formerly commanding officer of the 201st Military Police Battalion, Lt. Col. Devereaux D. Cannon, Jr. was Staff Judge Advocate of the 2d Infantry Brigade, Tennessee State Guard. He was an active member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, the Military Order of the Stars and Bars, and the Sons of the American Revolution. He was a Fourth Degree member of the Knights of Columbus, and was a member of the Board of Advisors of SOUTHERN PARTISAN magazine.

His books, all published by Pelican Publishing Company of Gretna, Louisiana, include: *The Flags of the Confederacy: An Illustrated History* (1988); *Flags of Tennessee* (1990); *The Flags of the Union: An Illustrated History* (1994); and *The Wit and Wisdom of Robert E. Lee* (1997). Devereaux D. Cannon, Jr. was a graduate of the University of Tennessee (BS, 1976)(JD, 1979) and was admitted to practice law in the Courts of the State of Tennessee. He was Assistant Vice President and State Counsel for Old Republic National Title Insurance Company in Nashville, Tennessee.

Compatriot Devereaux D. Cannon, Jr. served the Sumner Chapter of the Tennessee Society SAR as Secretary and Treasurer and was one of the most respected local historians in Tennessee. He will be fondly remembered by many as he is one whose chair may never be adequately filled.

UPCOMING MEETING DATES

TENNESSEE SOCIETY SAR MEETINGS

January 19, 2008	Board of Governors, University Club of Nashville
March 14-15, 2008	Annual Meeting/BOG, Montgomery Bell State Park
July 19, 2008	Board of Governors, University Club of Nashville
October 18, 2008	Board of Governors, University Club of Nashville
January 17, 2009	Board of Governors, University Club of Nashville
March 2009	Annual Meeting/BOG, Memphis—TBA by Colby Morgan

NATIONAL SOCIETY SAR MEETINGS

February 21-23, 2008	Spring Leadership Meeting, Louisville
July 5-9, 2008	118th Annual Congress, Sacramento
September 25-27, 2008	Fall Leadership Meeting, Louisville
February 26-28, 2009	Spring Leadership Meeting, Louisville
July 4-8, 2009	119th Annual Congress, Atlanta
September 24-26, 2009	Fall Leadership Meeting, Louisville

TENNESSEE SOCIETY SAR MISSION

Perpetuating the stories of patriotism, courage, sacrifice, tragedy, and triumph of the men who achieved the independence of the American people in the belief that these stories are universal ones of man's eternal struggle against tyranny, relevant to all time, and will inspire and strengthen each succeeding generation as it too is called upon to defend our freedoms on the battlefield and in our public institutions, including the stories of those brave men and women who came to this Tennessee wilderness with little more than their raw grit and determination and proceeded to claw out a gracious society of which WE are the recipients.



REMINDERS

1. Please notify your Chapter Secretary of any changes of address, telephone number or email address. The Secretary will forward that information to State Secretary Rick Hollis and Vice President—Data Management Ray Clapsadle. Your addresses MUST be current in order for you to receive any or all Society mail, all of which is sent by “bulk mail” which is not forwarded.
2. Submittals are welcome for this newsletter. It is preferred that the text be emailed in WordPerfect or MSWord. Photos shall be in electronic format and emailed, but may also be submitted on a floppy disk or CD. Time does not permit the Editor to re-type a bunch of articles. Photos from newspapers and/or prints from film cannot be used, as they do not reproduce in acceptable quality.
3. Send submittals to Richard T. Spencer, Jr., Editor, 376 Sims Lane, Franklin, Tennessee 37067-1893 or by email at DSPEN47@aol.com.



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MONUMENTAL ADVENTURES—DECEMBER 29, 2007

The Ninth Annual New Years Tour hosted by SAR members Cleo Hogan and Rick Hollis and SAR prospective member Thomas Murff was held on December 29, 2007. Usually exploring diverse historical sites in Montgomery, Robertson, Cheatham and Dickson counties, this year's tour ventured into Christian, Todd and Logan counties in Kentucky.

The driving tour was billed "Across the line to Cain-tuck!" and included the burial site of CSA General W. A. Quarles of Clarksville, passed the birthplace of VP Adali Stevenson and Jefferson Davis, toured the Kentucky home of US Senator John J. Crittenden and Florida Governor Richard Keith Call, toured historic Russellville, learned about the 2nd Great Awakening at Muddy River Meeting House (ignited religious revival in the early 1800s throughout America and toured Shaker Town at South Union with lunch at Shaker Tavern.



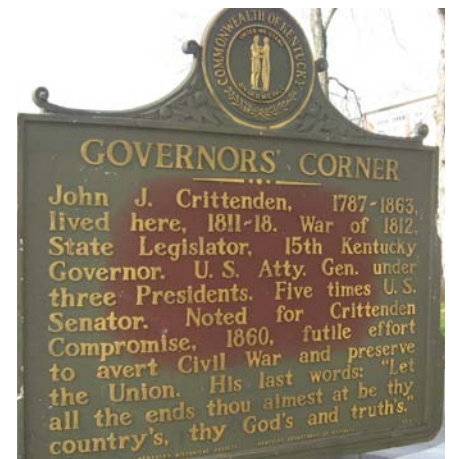
TNSSAR members at Shaker Tavern in South Union, Kentucky. (l to r): TNSSAR Secretary Rick Hollis, Valentine Sevier 2008 President Don Horton, TNSSAR President Roy A. Miles III, Valentine Sevier Chapter co-founder Cleo G. Hogan, TNSSAR Treasurer Wayne Long, Valentine Sevier Chapter 2006 President Alfred Anderson III and Valentine Sevier Chapter Treasurer David G. Schuff.



D. D. Cayce III/ Cleo G. Hogan A relative of CSA General W. A. Quarles, D. D. Cayce III met the group at the Quarles gravesite in Herndon, KY. Cayce bears a striking resemblance to his cousin, the famed clairvoyant Edgar Cayce, also of Hopkinsville.



The tour group of 22 enjoyed the hospitality of Crittenden Home owner Irene Algrim in Russellville, Kentucky. Refreshments were furnished by Vivian Stephenson, a friend of Ms. Algrim. Displayed prominently in the Crittenden-Algrim home was her late husband's TNSSAR membership certificate verifying his direct descent from Daniel Boone.



John J. Crittenden was the son of Revolutionary War soldier John Crittenden of Virginia. In service as US Attorney General under Presidents W. H. Harrison, John Tyler and Millard Fillmore, he served in the US Senate during five separate periods and as a member of five separate political parties. He was Kentucky's 15th governor. Crittenden fought valiantly to save the Union from war and issued the famous Crittenden Compromise in 1860. His sons were USA Maj. Gen. Thomas L. Crittenden and CSA Maj. Gen. Geo. B. Crittenden.

DECEMBER 13, 2007
ELKS LODGE
CLEVELAND



Col. Benjamin Cleveland Chapter 2007 President Claude T. Hardison, Jr. confers the Presidential Ribbon on 2008 President Lynn Freeman



TNSSAR Trustee Jim Moore is passing the gavel to 2008 Presidents Colonel Don Edmands of Hiwassee Chapter and Lynn Freeman of Benjamin Cleveland Chapter.



Hiwassee Chapter 2007 President Robert A. Lambert, Jr. confers the Presidential Ribbon on 2008 President Colonel Don Edmands.

COLONEL BENJAMIN CLEVELAND CHAPTER
AND HIWASSEE CHAPTER CHRISTMAS DINNER
AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS



Lee Swart (left) and Rod Hildreth (right) are introduced by Stan Evans (center). Swart and Hildreth are both former Southern Region Vice President-Generals.

Guest Speaker Lee Swart gave an informative talk on SAR medals and how to wear them appropriately.



John Echerd and Stan Evans



Roy A. Miles III



Claude T. Hardison



TNSSAR Vice President—East William L. Eubank III, TNSSAR Trustee Jim Moore, Karen Bragg and NSSAR Genealogist General Chuck Bragg of Indiana.



Front row (l to r): James Stone, Stan Evans, Brian Webb, David Hicks. Back row (l to r): Claude Hardison, Jr., Phil Newman, Lynn Freeman, Judge Larry Puckett, Ron Raburn, Roy Queen.



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STEVE GILL—ANNUAL MEETING GUEST SPEAKER



Steve Gill is an attorney and host of the most influential radio talk show in Tennessee. "The Steve Gill Show" airs statewide on over a dozen stations across Tennessee. He is also the Chief Political Analyst for WKRN News 2 (ABC) in Nashville.

Talkers Magazine has twice recognized Gill among the "100 Most Important Talk Radio Hosts in America" and Business Tennessee recently named him among the "100 Most Powerful People in Tennessee" for the third straight year. He has received numerous AIR (Achievement in Radio) Awards, including Best Talk Host in Nashville, and has twice received recognition as a Hero of the Taxpayers from Americans for Tax Reform for his leadership in opposing a state income tax in Tennessee. The Nashville Scene recently named him Nashville's "Best Conservative" for the third year in a row.



Gill received both his undergraduate (Honors History) and his law degree from the University of Tennessee, where he played varsity basketball on the 1977 Southeastern Conference Champion team, was President of the Student Body, President of Omicron Delta Kappa, and Student Member of the Board of Trustees.



In 1992 he was appointed to a White House Fellowship by President George Bush and served as Director of Intergovernmental Affairs for the U.S. Trade Representative in the Executive Office of the President. During his Fellowship year, Gill served in both the Bush and Clinton Administrations. Gill served on the adjunct faculty of Belmont University from 1991- 2004, teaching international business, business law and negotiations at both the graduate and undergraduate level.

He has been a Contributing Editor for Tennessee Business magazine; a Legal Columnist for Advantage magazine; a columnist for In Review newspaper; and is co-author of Tennessee Environmental Law, published by Federal Publications in 1992. He is currently a weekly columnist for several newspapers in Tennessee, including the Nashville City Paper, the Macon County Chronicle, the Dale Hollow Horizon, The Rutherford Reader, Shelbyville Times-Gazette,

and the Lebanon Democrat. He and his wife, Kathy, live in Brentwood with their two sons Patrick, 13, and Ryan, 11.

Photos from Steve Gill's "Still Your Baghdaddy Tour!" - Steve was one of about 40 business and community leaders who participated in the 71st Joint Civilian Orientation Conference sponsored by the Department of Defense. Upon returning, he said, "God Bless these brave Americans (and Aussies) who serve on the front lines of freedom!"



TENNESSEE SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
119TH ANNUAL MEETING
MONTGOMERY BELL INN AND CONFERENCE CENTER
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 2008

Registration	3:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Past Presidents' Reception for New Members	6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
President's Dinner (<i>Black-tie Optional</i>)	7:00 p.m.—until

SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2008

Chapter Presidents Council Breakfast	7:15 – 8:45 a.m.
Ladies Event	9:00 – 11:45 a.m.
Seminar by NSSAR Genealogist Deborah Andrew <i>Twelve Secrets to Better Applications</i>	9:00 – 9:50 a.m.
Board of Governors Meeting	10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
General Assembly of Delegates and Election of Officers	11:00 – 11:45 a.m.
Membership Luncheon	12:00 – 2:00 p.m.
Joseph S. Rumbaugh Youth Oration Contest	George and Stella Knight Essay Winner Presentation
Arthur M. King Eagle Scout Scholarship Presentation	Installation of 2008 – 2009 Officers

Hotel reservation: Montgomery Bell Inn and Conference Center; **call toll-free at 1-800-250-8613 to arrange your personal lodging reservation.** The rate, including tax, is \$74.59 (*nearly \$50.00 less than each of the past two years*). **These rates are good for Friday, March 14, 2008. Please note that the hotel registration deadline is February 15, 2008. Parking is free.**

Annual Meeting Registration: Please complete, detach, and return the registration form provided brochure you received in the mail. Please make your check payable to TNSSAR and mail to **Wayne Long, Treasurer, 2080 Phillip Long Road, Clarksville, TN 37043.**

NEW MEMBERS RECEPTION HOSTED BY PAST PRESIDENTS OF THE TENNESSEE SOCIETY SAR

131 individuals became new members in 2007. Each new member is an honored guest at the New Members Reception hosted by the Past Presidents of the Tennessee Society SAR.

PRESIDENT'S DINNER The President's Dinner (*black-tie optional*) celebrates exceptional participation and achievements during the past year. The event features a well known special guest speaker, and will include recognitions given by the President to reward members and chapters for their service to the local, state and national organization.

All members are invited and encouraged to attend the 2008 Annual Meeting at Montgomery Bell State Park. At minimum, we hope the Chapter President, President-elect, Secretary, Treasurer and Registrar will plan to attend, with spouses.

CHAPTER PRESIDENTS COUNCIL BREAKFAST Each Chapter President is invited for breakfast and to participate in an informative discussion about SAR. This will be an opportunity for Chapter Presidents to learn about the many activities offered by SAR, its operations, and resources. It will also be a time to share ideas, meet state leaders and committee chairs; to become acquainted and unite as a group. The objective of this breakfast is to give new Chapter Presidents an opportunity to jointly set goals that will guide the Tennessee Society during the new year. Ideas are welcomed.

12 SECRETS TO BETTER APPLICATIONS NSSAR Genealogist Deborah Andrew will present a seminar designed to improve the quality of applications presented for membership—and more importantly, to make the application process easier. Don't miss this rare and useful seminar.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING The Board of Governors is the governing body of TNSSAR, and is comprised of elected General State Officers, Appointed State Committee Chairs, Past State Presidents and Chapter Presidents. The BOG meets four times annually— July, October, January, and in March at the Annual Meeting. Because each Chapter is represented on the BOG, it is very important that the Chapter Presidents participate in each of these meetings.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS Our organization welcomes every member to attend and to participate in our Annual Meeting. A special time is set aside to present important information to the general membership and to seek suggestions for improvement. It is during this meeting that our new officers are elected.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON Enjoy a celebration of the past year's highlights, presentation of awards to members, announcement of Orations, Essay, Boys Scouts and JROTC/ROTC contest winners, and the installation of new officers. The luncheon is lively and includes an interesting array of activities. Please come!

LADIES SATURDAY EVENT Compatriots' wives are also invited to attend the State meeting. If you attend, you will be pleased with a very special set of activities planned for your enjoyment at the Renaissance Center in Dickson. Transportation will be provided to and from the Renaissance Center. Departure time from the entrance of Montgomery Bell Inn will be 9:00 a.m. and return by 11:45 a.m., in time for the Membership Luncheon. Cost is \$10.00 per person.



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NEWS FROM SAR HEADQUARTERS—LOUISVILLE

NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION CENTER FOR ADVANCING AMERICA'S HERITAGE—LIBRARY AND NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS FULTON CONWAY BUILDING—805 WEST MAIN STREET, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

In a statement issued by President General Bruce A. Wilcox and prepared by A. L. Post, Inc. (*inspection consultants*), he states, having inspected the two proposed buildings as possible candidates for conversion to the proposed National Headquarters for the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), we have prepared a summary of the advantages presented by the Fulton Conway Building (FCB) that make it a more favorable choice over the Kentucky Opera Building (KOB) as follows:

Purchase Price The asking price for the FCB is \$1,900,000.00. That is approximately \$600,000.00 less than the asking price for the KOB.

Exterior Restoration Cost The FCB is two stories above grade with a cast iron façade. Although this façade is in need of restoration, the cost of the exterior restoration work will be considerably less than the exterior restoration work required for the KY Opera Building which is five stories and needs complete tuck pointing of the brick veneer.

Interior Improvement Costs The KOB is a functioning office building. However, it is separated for three separate tenants, not one, as will be the case for SAR. In addition, many of the improvements that exist in the KOB are either approaching the end of their service life or do not fit the design and construction program that is intended for SAR. As a result, SAR will incur an additional cost to demolish and remove these improvements during renovation work. Such improvements include HVAC systems, partitions, ceilings, and lighting.

Location Although both buildings are in close proximity, the FCB provides access to river views that will be a selling point for functions that will take place in this building for SAR and outside organizations.

Building Configuration At only two stories, the FCB allows for the museum and library to be located on one level with administrative offices above.



This configuration is much more desirable for efficiency than being spread out over five floors as would be the case in the KOB.

Accessibility As with the previous item, the two stories that are above grade provide greater accessibility within the FCB. Only one elevator will be required as opposed to the two that would be desirable in the KOB. In the event that someone does not want to wait for an elevator, they are more likely to make use of the stairs that go to just one other level. Being on the first floor will make the library and museum more desirable places to visit.

Building Structure The FCB was constructed with an unusually rigid foundation that will require little or no reinforcing to withstand the loading conditions generated by a museum and library. The KOB will require significant structural reinforcement to locate exhibits and book displays on upper levels.

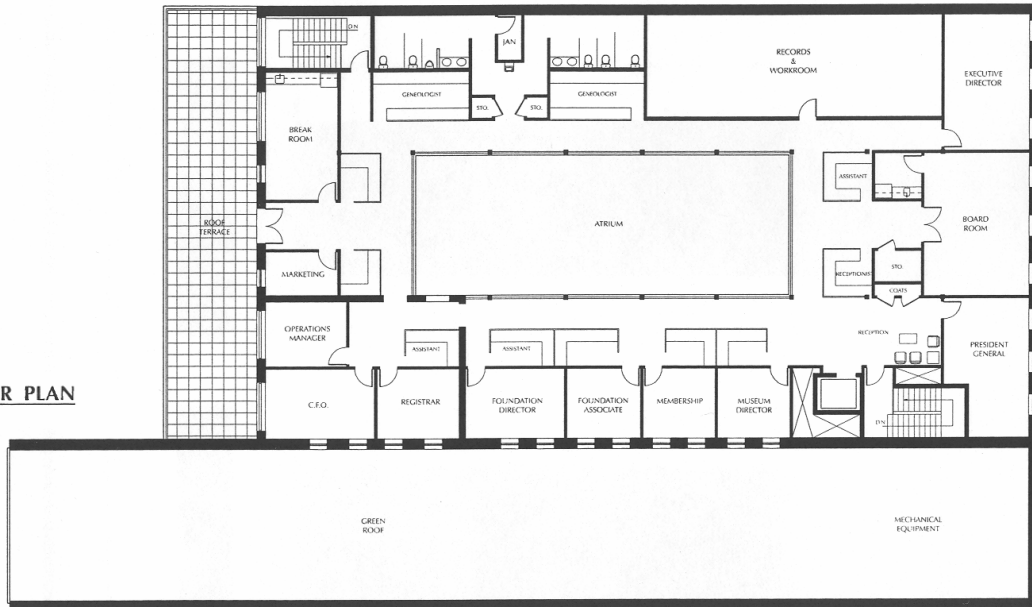
Existing Improvements The FCB is an open shell that will allow for creative design in configuring various SAR functions without being tied down to the present structure of the KOB.

Roof Garden The roof garden that is proposed for the FCB is not possible in the KOB because of existing building configuration.

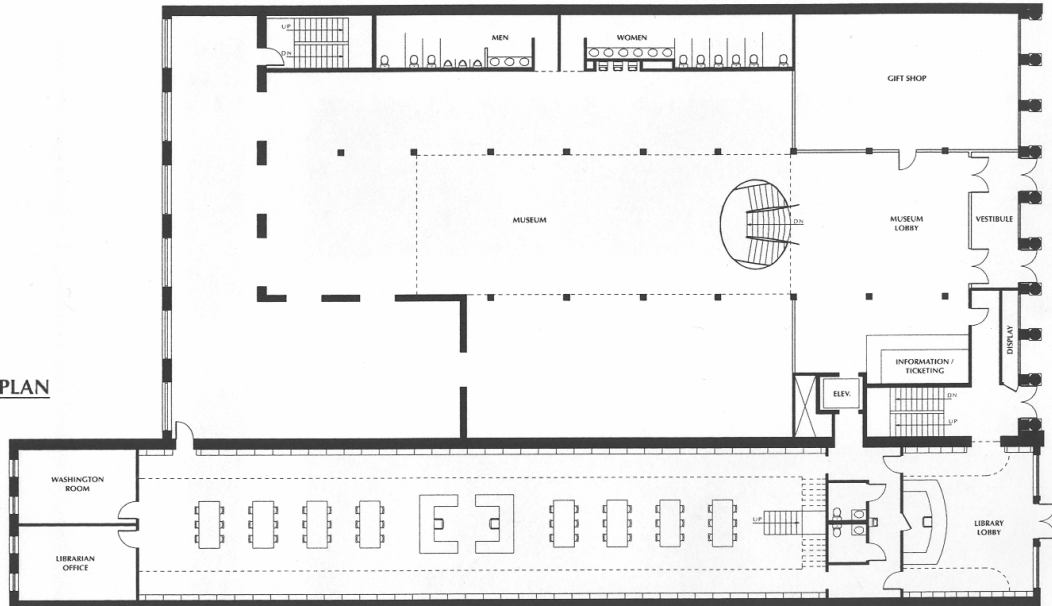
Façade The FCB comes with 100 feet of street frontage, more than double that that of the KOB. This expansive frontage allows for the creation of a grand façade that is suitable for a museum and a national headquarters.

Unique In general, the basic architecture of the FCB will allow for a unique design with interesting elements that will result in a unique facility. The KOB will place a unique facility into a typical five story office building.

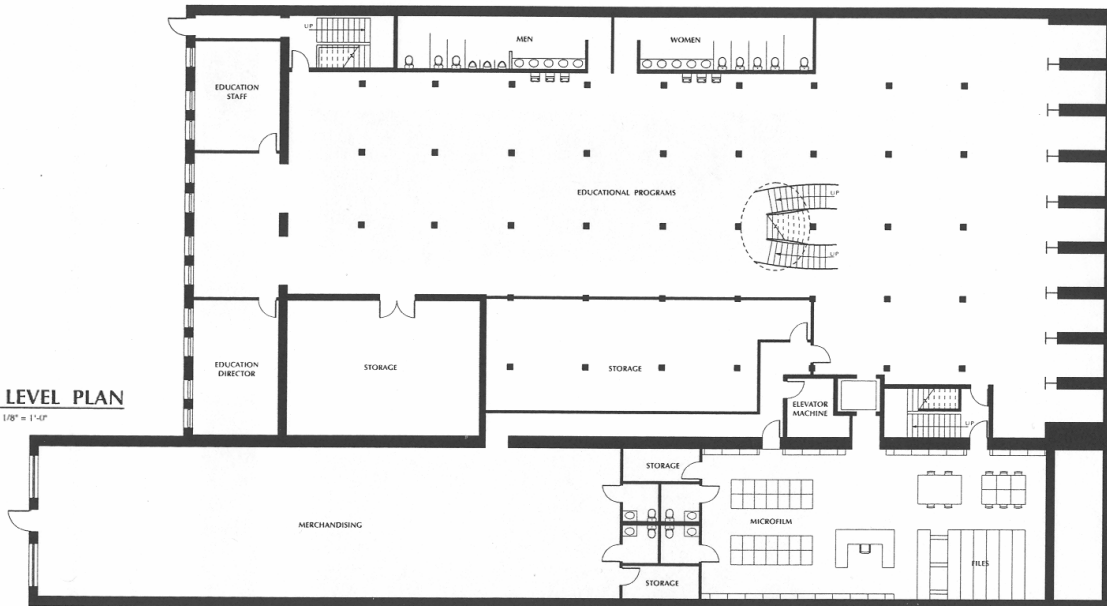
SECOND FLOOR PLAN
1/8" = 1'-0"



FIRST FLOOR PLAN
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LOWER LEVEL PLAN
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TENNESSEE SOCIETY SAR COLOR GUARD REPORT

2007 Activities

Left: Grave-marking of Lt. Andrew Crockett at Brentwood

Right: Commemoration of the last battle of the Revolutionary War at Lookout Mountain

Below left: Marching in parades at Clarksville, Erin, Dickson, and Leipers Fork during 2007.

Below right: Always chivalrous, at the State Capitol, the Color Guard halted their duties to meet Miss USA Rachel Smith of Clarksville

Below center right: Color Guard at State Capitol



l to r: Jim Hurst, Roger Tenney, Jim Thweatt, David Schuff, Wayne Long

l to r: Charles de Leusomme, John C. Glynn, Jr., Wayne Long, David Schuff



l to r: Charles de Leusomme, Wayne Long, Miss USA Rachel Smith, John C. Glynn, Jr., and David Schuff

HOUSE BILL 2460 By Watson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 15, Chapter 2, Part 1, relative to designating April 19 as "Patriots' Day."
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 15, Chapter 2, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section: Section §15-2-114.

April 19 of each year shall be observed as "Patriots' Day," to be proclaimed as such by the governor, to honor and recognize the opening events of the War of the Revolution and the struggle through which the nation passed in its early days. Such day shall not be a legal holiday as defined in § 15-1-101.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.

Representative Eric Watson (R-Cleveland) filed this House Bill on the opening day of the 2008 Session, January 8, 2008. After successfully passing resolutions for three years, Patriot's Day is now eligible to be made a permanent holiday, recognized in Tennessee. If you see your State Representative or State Senator—remind them that this would be a nice tribute to our Revolutionary ancestors.

For Compatriots interested in writing a thank you letter to Representative Watson, his address is:

Honorable Eric Watson, 287 Willbrook Circle NE, Cleveland, Tennessee 37323-8771.



TNSSAR President Roy A. Miles III, State Representative Kevin Brooks, David Schuff and Wayne Long, Valentine Sevier Chapter, TNSSAR Vice President Charles H. de Leusomme, Sumner Chapter, John C. Glynn, Jr., Andrew Crockett Chapter, State Representative Eric Watson, TNSSAR Secretary Rick Hollis.

JOHN SEVIER CHAPTER DINNER

John Sevier Chapter will host a dinner on Friday, February 15, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at the Marriott Chattanooga. Contact Jim Moore for details at JISAMOR@aol.com or 423.842.7774 .

MIDDLE TENNESSEE CHAPTERS DINNER

The Middle Tennessee SAR Chapters will host a dinner on Monday, February 18, 2008 at University Club of Nashville at Vanderbilt. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. Contact Bert Chalfant for details at chalfanthouse@comcast.net or 615.741.3939 x231.

ISAAC SHELBY CHAPTER DINNER

The Isaac Shelby Chapter will host a dinner on Saturday, March 1, 2008 in Memphis. Contact Colby Morgan for details at esmorgan@fedex.com.

Did you know that Tennessee is the 11th largest SAR membership in the nation?

1	Texas	2,472
2	Pennsylvania	1,721
3	Florida	1,684
4	Virginia	1,633
5	California	1,505
6	Georgia	1,486
7	Ohio	1,476
8	New York	1,157
9	Alabama	859
10	Illinois	848
11	Tennessee	804

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU!

It is New Year's Eve, 1849 and John Smith sits at his desk by candlelight. He dips his quill pen in ink and begins to writes his New Year's resolutions:

1. No man is truly well-educated unless he learns to spell his name at least three different ways within the same document. I resolve to give the appearance of being extremely well-educated in the coming year.
2. I resolve to see to it that all of my children will have the same names that my ancestors have used for six generations in a row.
3. My age is no one's business but my own. I hereby resolve to never list the same age or birth year twice on any document.
4. I resolve to have each of my children baptized in a different church -- either in a different faith or in a different parish. Every third child will not be baptized at all, or will be baptized by an itinerant minister who keeps no records.
5. I resolve to move to a new town, new county, or new state at least once every 10 years -- just before those pesky enumerators come around asking silly questions.
6. I will make every attempt to reside in counties and towns where no vital records are maintained or where the courthouse burns down every few years.
7. I resolve to join an obscure religious cult that does not believe in record keeping or in participating in military service.
8. When the tax collector comes to my door, I'll loan him my pen, which has been dipped in rapidly fading blue ink.
9. I resolve that if my beloved wife Mary should die, I will marry another Mary.
10. I resolve not to make a will. Who needs to spend money on a lawyer.

11. I resolve to not clutter up the good farm pasture with headstones, that will just get broken or fade with time anyway.
12. I resolve to protect my family and friends privacy, by giving false names and places for events.
13. I resolve to never give the correct accounts of misdeeds in the family, so when Uncle Lem shot that guy and was tried for murder, my kids will be told he stole a cow.
14. I resolve to never trim the family cemetery of brush and tangle weed, to keep out any one doing that silly Genealogical work.
15. I resolve to always alternate my kid's and wife's first and middle names when the census taker comes around, just to give him practice with his spelling.
16. I resolve to come from Ireland (where there are no records, or, if there are, they can only be examined by visiting the exact village, pleading with the local clergy (who is hostile to anyone not of his belief which of course you are) and/or handing over a fee equal to or exceeding your yearly income for one hour's research which may not find anything.)
17. I resolve that not only shall I NOT die in my country of birth, but that nor shall my children (yea verily) unto the sixth generation.
18. I resolve that I shall call my children by odd names which the enumerator shall spell incorrectly.
19. I resolve that I shall be absent on the night of the census.
20. I resolve that if unable to be absent on census night I shall endeavor to be enumerated twice.
21. I resolve that when I die my children/wife are instructed to give the wrong details for my death certificate.
22. I resolve that I and most of my family shall die suddenly just before death certifications started to be used, in a parish where easy access to the records ceased the previous year.

 Contributed by Compatriot Cleo G. Hogan, Valentine Sevier Chapter



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VP—EAST

For 2007, the eight Eastern District chapters achieved an exceptional growth in new members of 27%. However a true picture of success or failure cannot be measured until final dues payments are received.

Considerable time was given to collection of 2008 dues and suggest in future years that dues statements be mailed to Compatriots earlier so we are not attempting to collect dues payments during the Christmas season.

As we begin 2008, let us all pledge to participate in more activities of our chapter, state, and national organization. The Sons of the American Revolution is a great organization and we should take full advantage of our membership.

During the 4th Quarter, I attended the Benjamin Cleveland and Hiwassee joint meeting in Cleveland. I also participated in a planning meeting for the John Sevier Chapter's George Washington dinner as well as the directory publication meeting for their 2008 directory.

William L. Eubank III, VP—Eastern District

VP—MIDDLE

I do not have much to report in the way of completed projects. I have however been working dues collection, membership, development of youth education programs and publicity. I attended the Sumner County Human Societies "Putting on the Dog" event in uniform. We received recognition and pictures in the "Sumner Life Styles" magazine.

Charles H. de Leusomme, VP—Middle District

VP—WEST

Since the October 20, 2007 meeting of the Board of Governors the James Madison Chapter held a quarterly meeting on December 9th at the Jackson – Madison County Library in Jackson. The meeting heard a presentation from Tennessee Society SAR President Roy Miles. President Miles presented a presentation on the various activities of other SAR chapters in Tennessee. The chapter is planning to hold their next meeting on March 2, 2008 at which time officers for 2008 will be elected.

The Isaac Shelby Chapter held a meeting in the week prior to Christmas and they plan to hold a George Washington Gala Banquet on Saturday, March 1, 2008.

All three of the West Tennessee chapters continue to recruit new members for their local SAR chapters.

John E. McCutchen, VP—Eastern District



An incentive plan designed to reward Chapters for helping to secure presales for the 1,000 license plates required by the Tennessee Department of Safety to obtain approval has been developed and approved the TNSSAR Board of Governors. Specifically, the proposal to establish the TNSSAR License Plate to support the John Sevier Endowment Fund is as follows:

PURPOSE: The Tennessee General Assembly has authorized the establishment of a TNSSAR License Plate, illustrated above. Proceeds from the sale of these personalized plates will support the TNSSAR John Sevier Endowment Fund.

SALES PLAN: The Tennessee Department of Safety requires that one thousand (1,000) license plates must be pre-sold before the license plates will be manufactured. We propose that each Chapter accept a quota for sales. Based upon approximately 800 members as of December 31, 2007, to sell 1,000 license plates, each member in TNSSAR would need to sell 1.20 license plates.

COST: A subscription form and a check in the amount of \$35.00 should be collected from each individual who reserves a TNSSAR license plate.

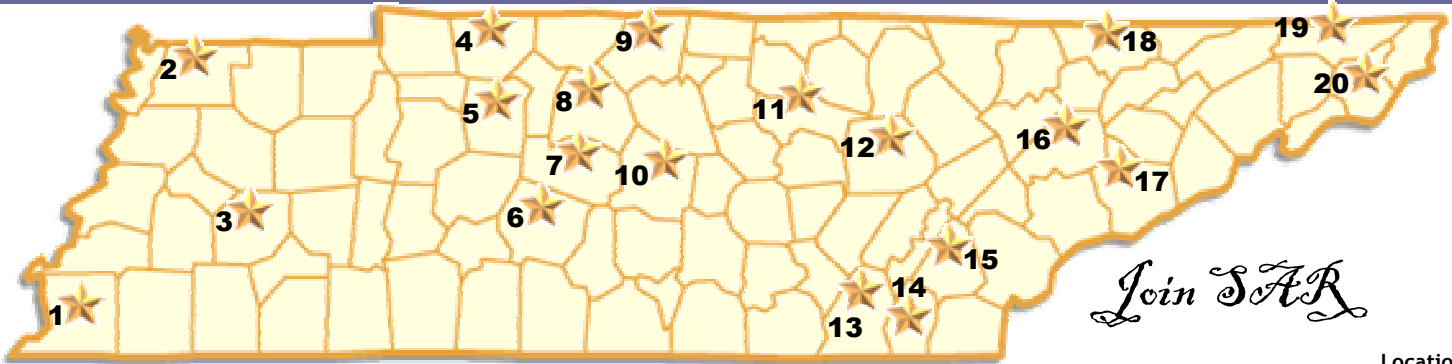
CHAPTERS TO BE REWARDED: Of the initial fee, \$25.00 is rebated to TNSSAR from the sale of each license plate (\$10.00 is a one time set-up fee). Of these funds, we propose that a \$5.00 commission will be distributed to each Chapter based upon each Chapter's sales. If a chapter sells 20 plates – then the Chapter will earn \$100.00.

If a Chapter meets or exceeds its sales quota, then the Chapter will be rewarded with an additional \$2.50 bonus per license plate sale (first year only). If a Chapter has 16 members and sells 20 license plates to meet its quota, then the Chapter would receive \$150.00 (\$5.00 commission + \$2.50 bonus = \$7.50 x 20 = \$150.00). All residual funds will be allocated to the John Sevier Endowment Fund.

Thereafter, on an annual basis, we propose to distribute 80% of the total proceeds from license plate sales to the John Sevier Endowment Fund and 20% to be allocated among the Chapters based on December 31 membership totals.

Please do your part to make this a reality. The Sons of Confederate Veterans earns more than \$50,000 each year from the sales of their license plates. Please reserve your SAR license plate now so the TNSSAR can reap the benefit of endowment fund growth, and so the public can enjoy a license plate to express their patriotism every day.

TENNESSEE SOCIETY SAR CHAPTERS



Chapter Name	Registrar	Phone	Email	Location
Lt. Andrew Crockett Chapter, Franklin	Registrar Richard T. Spencer, Jr.	615.591.7373	DSPEN47@aol.com	7
Andrew Jackson Chapter, Nashville	Registrar Carl K. (Ken) Fieth	615.862.5880 w	ken.fieth@nashville.gov	8
Col. Benjamin Cleveland Chapter, Cleveland	Registrar Stanley A. Evans	423.614.0014	stan@stanandmaggie.com	14
Christopher Strong Chapter, Charlotte	Registrar Rick D. Hollis	615.812.2648 m	tnssar@bellsouth.net	5
General Joseph Martin Chapter, Harrogate	Registrar Robert L. Hughes	731.664.6754	bandbhughes@webtv.net	18
Hiwassee Chapter, Etowah	Registrar Stanley A. Evans	423.614.0014	stan@stanandmaggie.com	15
Isaac Shelby Chapter, Memphis	Registrar Colby S. Morgan, Jr.	901.683.3353	csmorgan@fedex.com	1
Jackson Purchase Chapter, Union City	Registrar Martin H. Corum	731.885.8753	marty_corum@go.com	2
James Madison Chapter, Jackson	Registrar Robert L. Hughes	731.664.6754	bandbhughes@webtv.net	3
John Sevier Chapter, Chattanooga	Registrar Reginald F. Gunnells	423.894.6456	rgunnells3@comcast.net	13
Kings Mountain Chapter, Kingsport	Registrar Sam W. McKinstry	423.282.0867	sandcmckinstry@embarqmail.com	19
Samuel Wear Chapter, Sevierville	Registrar Leonard Hill	865.670.9315	hill9505@esper.com	17
Stephen Holston Chapter, Knoxville	Registrar Leonard Hill	865.670.9315	hill9505@esper.com	16
Stones River Chapter, Murfreesboro	Registrar J. Kenneth York	615.890.6214		10
Sumner Chapter, Gallatin	Registrar Charles H. de Leusomme	615.374.3678	chle@softek.net	9
Tombigbee Chapter, Columbia	Registrar Alvin R. Brown	615.370.9015	abrownsr@bellsouth.net	6
Upper Cumberland Chapter, Crossville	Registrar Gary E. Brewer	931.484.5378	gbrewer1@frontiernet.net	12
Valentine Sevier Chapter, Clarksville	Registrar George E. Pesely	931.648.9224		4
Watauga Chapter, Elizabethton	Registrar Robert T. Nave	423.434.2059	rtnave@charter.net	20
Lt. William P. Quarles Chapter, Cookeville	Registrar Richard E. Skeels	931.456.9489	itchyfeet@citlink.net	11

HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF SAR

Becoming a Member of SAR has two (2) basic requirements as provided in the NSSAR Constitution and By-Laws:

- 1. Eligibility for Membership
- 2. Lineal Descent from a Patriot with Acceptable Service

MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY: A male citizen of good repute in the community, is a lineal descendant of an ancestor who was, at all times, unflinching in loyalty to, and rendered active service in the cause of American Independence, in a military capacity, or Patriotic Service as a civilian supporting the military, or holding certain civil offices. Lineal bloodline from the Patriot is required and must be documented. Collateral lineage is not acceptable. Recommendation by two members in good standing is required. *No person advocating the overthrow of the Government of the United States by use of force or violence, shall be eligible for membership in the Society.*

GETTING STARTED: An interested person may obtain information about how to contact SAR from a friend who is a member of SAR, SAR, C.A.R., or SR, or from the SAR website, which is <http://www.sar.org>. A list of SAR Chapters in each State is listed on this website, and an applicant may contact an officer of a Chapter near his home. Each State has a member who is designated as the "New Member Helper". In most States, this is the State Registrar and he will direct an applicant to a Chapter where the applicant lives, or the nearest Chapter, and forward the inquiry to that Chapter. The Chapter will be responsible for assisting prospective members with the application process.

PREPARING AN APPLICATION: An applicant may obtain a "working copy" of the application form from the website or from the Chapter through which he will apply for membership. The Chapter Registrar will work with the applicant who will provide the data and proof documents. The Registrar will prepare the final application using SAR software, on a special watermarked paper. He will advise the applicant of the application fees, which include the first year dues. The Chapter Registrar will forward the application to the State Registrar for review and further processing at the National Level.

WHAT IS NEXT?: An applicant will be a member of the Chapter which is preparing his application. He should visit that Chapter at its meetings, be introduced as an applicant, and meet the members. Approval may take up to two (2) months to process, and he will then be presented as a new member, given his membership credentials, and given an opportunity to participate in Chapter activities.

TENNESSEE SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION 2008 ANNUAL MEETING

All members are invited and encouraged to attend the Annual Meeting.

MONTGOMERY BELL STATE PARK INN AND CONFERENCE CENTER, BURNS, TENNESSEE
MARCH 14—15, 2007

Friday	3:00 p.m.— 6:00 p.m.	Registration in hotel lobby
Friday	5:00 p.m.— 5:45 p.m.	Color Guard Training
Friday	6:00 p.m.— 7:00 p.m.	Past Presidents Reception for New Members**
Friday	7:00 p.m.— 10:00 p.m.	President's Dinner*
Saturday	7:15 a.m.— 8:45 a.m.	Chapter Presidents Council Breakfast*
Saturday	9:00 a.m.— 11:45 a.m.	Ladies Saturday Event*
Saturday	9:00 a.m.— 9:50 a.m.	12 Secrets to Better Applications (<i>NSSAR Genealogist</i>)**
Saturday	10:00 a.m.— 11:00 a.m.	Board of Governors Meeting**
Saturday	11:00 a.m.— 11:45 a.m.	General Assembly of Delegates and Election of Officers**
Saturday	12:00 noon— 2:00 p.m.	Membership Awards Luncheon*

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TENNESSEE SOCIETY



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