

## Sons of the American Revolution

The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution is an organization of over 34,833 male descendants of those Patriots who served in uniform during the Revolutionary War or who rendered material aid to the founding of the United States of America during the Revolutionary period.

Today the S.A.R. consists of 50 State and the District of Columbia Societies with more than 500 Local or Regional Chapters within the states.

The S.A.R. was Organized in 1889 and Chartered by Congress in 1906. It is founded on a firm commitment to the values of individual human liberty and dignity that inspired our Founding Fathers.

The objects of the Society are declared to be patriotic, historical, and educational.

In today's world there is a growing and grave need to reaffirm and revitalize those values on which the United States of America was established.

The S.A.R. welcomes inquiries and applications for membership. While voting membership in the S.A.R. is for adults 18 years of age and older, eligible youth may Register their lineage for future membership, may become a youth member, or may join a Chapter of the Children of the American Revolution, and transfer to the S.A.R. upon reaching adulthood.

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## Youth Award Programs



### **Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award**

The Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award winner will be able to choose a trip to one of the following seminars:

- Freedoms Foundation Summer Teacher Graduate Workshop at Valley Forge, Pa.,
- Colonial Williamsburg Summer Teacher Workshop in Williamsburg, Va.,
- Jefferson Symposium at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Va., or
- SAR Annual Conference on the American Revolution.

The award winner will be a teacher whose instruction on the Revolutionary War era "from 1750 – 1800" demonstrates educational efforts in the classroom that exceed and excel above current accepted, curriculum requirements.

**Grades 7 – 12** <http://www.saramanasar.org/history-teacher-award.html>

### **The Americanism Poster Contest**

This contest is open to students in 3rd, 4th or 5th grade, depending on when the American Revolution is taught in their school system. This includes public, private, parochial, charter and home schooled students. The contest is also open to members of the C.A.R., Cub Scouts and Brownies who are in the same grade if their school does not participate. Judging is based upon portrayal of the theme, originality, evidence of research, neatness, artistic merit and creativity. The permanent themes are "Revolutionary War Events" in school years ending in an even number and "Revolutionary War Persons" in school years ending in an odd number. National winners receive a ribbon, certificate and a cash award. Prizes on the state and chapter level vary. **Grades 3 – 5** <http://www.saramanasar.org/poster-contest.html>

### **The Sgt. Moses Adams Memorial Middle School Brochure Contest**

This contest is open to middle school students, depending on when the American Revolution or Government is taught in their school system. This includes public, private, parochial, charter and home schooled students. The contest is also open to members of the C.A.R., Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts who are in the same grade if their school does not participate. Judging is based upon content, creativity and correctness. The permanent theme is "The Founding Documents of the United States." National winners receive a ribbon, certificate and a cash award. Prizes on the state and chapter level vary. **Grades 6-8** <http://www.saramanasar.org/brochure-contest.html>

### **The Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest**

The Rumbaugh Oration contest, **open to all students in grades 9-12**, supports the Secondary School and SAR education objectives by perpetuating the stories of patriotism, courage, tragedy and triumph of the men and women who achieved the independence of the American people. These stories are universal ones of man's eternal struggle against tyranny, relevant to all time, and will inspire and strengthen each generation as it is called upon to defend our freedoms on the battlefield and in our public institutions. The Orations Contest has the endorsement and seal of approval of the National Association of Secondary School Principals <https://www.principals.org/> Our Chapter members are the primary drivers in stimulating students to participate. They work through teachers of all subjects in the school system and the Home School Associations. The contest culminates in an inspiring National Orations Contest held each year, with State winners representing their respective Societies and Districts.

<http://www.saramanasar.org/oration-contest.html>

### **The Arthur M. and Berdena King Eagle Scout Program**

This competition is **open to Eagle Scouts** who are registered in an active unit and have not reached their 19th birthday during the year of application. To enter, an application must be submitted at the Chapter level, consisting of a two-page application form, four-generation ancestry chart, and a 500-word patriotic theme. Like other competitions described above, this one is conducted at all three levels.

<http://www.saramanasar.org/eagle-scout-contest.html>

### **The George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Contest**

The program is designed to give high school students an opportunity to explore events that shaped American history. At Chapter, State Society, and National Society levels, students must submit an original essay, with topics based on original research and deal with an event, person, philosophy, or ideal associated with the American Revolution, Declaration of Independence, or the framing of the United States Constitution. Cash Scholarship award. The Essay Contest has the endorsement and seal of approval of the National Association of Secondary School Principals <https://www.principals.org/>

**Grades 9-12** <http://www.saramanasar.org/essay-contest.html>

### **The Outstanding JROTC Cadet Award**

This high school level award fosters the principle of "citizen-soldier" as exemplified by the American Revolution's Minuteman. The process of selection begins with the JROTC Unit's Senior Military Instructor (SMI). Qualified cadets are then selected through Chapter, State Society, and National Society levels of the contest competition. Selection criteria include demonstrated leadership potential, military bearing, and scholastic achievement. Each cadet must submit an original essay on a topic designated by the ROTC/JROTC & Services Academy Liaison Committee.

**Nominated cadet must be a Junior in High School**

<http://www.saramanasar.org/jrotc-contest.html>

### **HOW TO APPLY FOR ANY OF THE S.A.R. YOUTH AWARD PROGRAMS**

1. Go to the Saramana SAR. Website: <http://www.saramanasar.org/>
2. At the top of the Home page you will find a Tab called "Youth / Education". If you put your mouse on that Tab a pull-down will open where you can click on any of our contests to learn more about each contest we have.
3. All applications must be submitted by **email** to the Saramana S.A.R. Chapter Committee Chairman by the date shown for the contest.
4. If you have any problems downloading, saving, and completing the required Applicant Form, please review the instructions again to see if that can solve any issues. If you still have any problems or questions, please send an email to [webmaster@saramanasar.org](mailto:webmaster@saramanasar.org)
5. Please be aware that contestants must be present at their designated Award Luncheon as shown at: <http://www.saramanasar.org/luncheon-meetings.html> in order to receive any Cash or Medal Awards.

**National competitions take place at the yearly Congress each summer.**