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Introduction

Greetings Compatriots,

Our President General, Davis Lee Wright has placed the highest priority on building the SAR brand through collaborative community activities that allow your community to understand your value as an organization. America 250 SAR is your opportunity to celebrate the lives of our Patriot Ancestors through activities and programs that serve your community.

This tool kit is an introduction to some of the amazing program opportunities that the America 250 SAR Programs have to offer you and your fellow compatriots. Branding is the word and when you execute public programming that raises the awareness of the SAR in your community you have enhanced the SAR brand.

Watch for periodic email reports that share updates for the toolkit and information regarding successful events that are part of ongoing programs. We will also be introducing new programs from time to time as they are approved by the America 250 SAR Committee.

This is your invitation to make a difference and help build the SAR brand through the America 250 SAR Programs. Good luck to you and your Compatriots; I look forward to seeing photos and stories of your successful events.

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How To Use This Toolkit

This America 250 SAR Toolkit has many sections with ideas and new formats to use. The question is how do you use it?

There are two parts to this Toolkit.

The first part is this Toolkit explains what is available to you, the new formats, and how the formats are used.

The second part is that all the pieces you need are available on the Programs web site, www.america250SAR.org for you to download as Word files, which makes them easily changed for your specific needs.

What is Approved

In the first section of this Toolkit are the approved usages of the name, i.e. **America 250 SAR** is one of the names to be used. Also in this section are the only two logos to be used, and what is not to be used. Branding is everything in this program and it must be consistent from all National, State and Local entities.

Programs

This section explains how to set up a new program for your area, and how to use some programs that are available for your use. These “Set Programs” have been successfully used and if you are interested in using them, they come complete with news releases, program sheets and tri-fold brochures for handouts.

Websites

This section shows you two website pages. The first is a concept of the home page that the public sees, www.america250SAR.com . This is the page you want to direct the media to as well as anyone interested in the America 250 SAR program. This site is being worked on and will be available soon.

The second web site, www.america250SAR.org is only for SAR members to get information and download files for Programs. This site is up and running now and will be constantly revised as new programs become available.

Approved Forms and Programs

This section shows the approved formats for items such as business cards, letterhead, news releases and program materials. To use these formats, download them from the Programs web site www.america250SAR.org

Medals/flags/banners/streamers

These are the nuts and bolts of the America 250 SAR celebration. This tells you how to keep track of your points for the medals and awards.

Contacts

Questions? Here is who to contact. jhFisk@america250sar.org

Approved Name Usage

America 250 SAR

America 250 SAR Committee

An America 250 SAR Program

Information on the America 250 SAR Programs

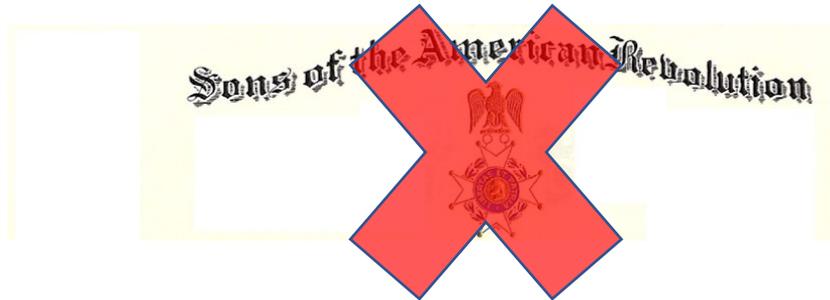
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America 250 SAR Webpage

Approved Logos



Do Not Use These Logos



Program Committee Structure

Compatriots, it is important for all SAR States and Chapters to participate in America 250 SAR Programs. The following are suggestions for planning and organizing your activities:

- Organize an America 250 SAR Committee with a diverse committee member
- Designate a Committee Chairman committed to a robust schedule
- Organize a program of work supporting the mission of the SAR
- Focus your committee on new commemorative events
- Schedule events as America 250 SAR events using the commemorative logo
- Plan new historical educational events that enhance your branding
- Choose sustainable events that you can repeat throughout the 250th Anniversary
- Schedule the events using key partners; DAR, CAR, Scouts, veterans, civic clubs, etc.
- Keep complete records of all activities and participants to gain Chapter recognition
- Maintain records of all attendees so that you can award them America 250 SAR Medals

The America 250 SAR Committee is a recognition program designed to encourage and recognize those SAR Compatriots, Chapters and States that participate in local, state, national and international events which publicly educate, honor, and celebrate the events and heroes of the years preceding the Revolutionary War through the Treaty of Paris. Participation involves planning, execution, and attendance at these events.

Medals & Awards

The America 250 SAR Medals and Streamer are recognition of Compatriot service in 250th Anniversary activities. As previously stated, participation involves planning, execution, and attendance at these events; this is how Compatriots earn their Medals. These can be events that you create and execute within your SAR Chapter or in your community or events that are planned by others that you take part in.

How To Set Up A New Program

The best place to start any venture is at the beginning, which means to seek out what is familiar and adapt it to something that complies with an event that has America 250 SAR branding. Your event can be as simple as a Flag Day Ceremony for members only or as elaborate as a community wide celebration of Constitution Week. This is where you begin the transformation of a SAR Chapter event and make it something more by collaborating with other organizations, using the America 250 SAR branding on your printed programs and in your introduction to the event. Also use the America 250 SAR logo in your press announcements and emails to others that you communicate with in the community regarding your event.

Your event becomes a program for your SAR Chapter when you make it an annual event and make a commitment to your community for long term patriotic recognition events. An event can become a program for you with after actions reporting of the event and planning to improve the event for the future.

Choosing the right event is the most important consideration for success.

Begin with the familiar and with an event that is within the scale of accomplishment for your SAR Chapter. Plan an event that your SAR Chapter leadership and Color Guard can manage. It is far better to excel with a simple event than struggle through a more complicated event. Scale is one of the most important things to remember when choosing an event. One-time celebrations are important; however it is important when you can have repetitive events that the community can unite around for years to come.

Control is the second most important part of your event choice.

Your SAR Chapter must maintain control of events that you want to share with the community. If you are participating in an event, don't be the Color Guard that stands in the arena for an hour while other people conduct a program. You need to be at the top of the program so that you make the first impression for any community event and following this you can step off stage and go on to your next event.

Take charge of your events.

If you are planning the event, take charge of all elements of the event. Choose the location, time and participants and you will have a far more successful event. When possible, use as many of your collaborative partners as possible in your opening and closing. If you include someone to present the invocation, write it for them so that you have control of the time slot. If you are looking for one more part for a speaker that you want to include, add something like the Americans Creed and give it to them in writing so that it is easy for them to be successful.

A Printed program is the next important element for your success.

SAR Chapters who have a printed program are taken more seriously, because the community knows the order of the event, the program has history and information of the reason for the event, has elements, such as the American's Creed, to recite along with the presenter and they have a keepsake of the event.

You must have photography from the event.

I have this saying, "if you don't have a photograph of an event, how do you record that it happened." This is true and if you think about the successes of your SAR Chapter, you celebrate events through photos in your newsletter, Facebook page and website.

Don't be afraid to say no.

When choosing your events make sure that you control your participation in the event so that you don't become subservient to others participating in the event. Keep in mind that you must sometimes decline to participate in an event. All events won't be well suited to your SAR Chapter, and some may be harmful to your community image. My SAR Chapter was recently invited to participate in a Confederate Grave Marking Ceremony, and we had to consider the potential negative optics of this choice in our community. Washington and Jefferson were enslavers which puts us in a sensitive position, so remember that when joining community activities.

SAR Chapters must be true to their message.

It is important that when discussing women of the Revolutionary War that you include female presenters, or when you present Buffalo Soldiers, be sure that you have an appropriate presenter; of course the same is true of First Nations subjects.

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News

“The America 250 SAR Committee works on the national, state and local levels to promote the commemoration of the 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution and the establishment of the United States.”

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Programs Website

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America 250 SAR Programs

"The America 250 SAR Programs Committee works with the SAR at the state and local chapters to find and distribute quality programs for all to use at the local level."

EVENTS | PROGRAMS | COMMUNICATIONS | PUBLICATIONS

Welcome to the Programs Department of America 250 SAR, an important committee of the Sons of the American Revolution that helps brand our patriotic organization while promoting many elements of the American Revolution, beginning with the Stamp Act through the Treaty of Paris. We manage a variety of projects that include:

- The toolkit that helps you understand how to conduct your individual events.
- Programs that demonstrate how to complete an event that is part of an ongoing program.
- Blast emails sharing news about what other chapters are doing and our new offerings.
- Making 250th Anniversary resources available for Scout Troops and Councils.
- A variety of educational presentations that allow you to interact with the community.
- Merchandise related to the celebration of the 250th Anniversary.
- Genealogy resources that help preserve valuable patriot records.

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Toolkit Download

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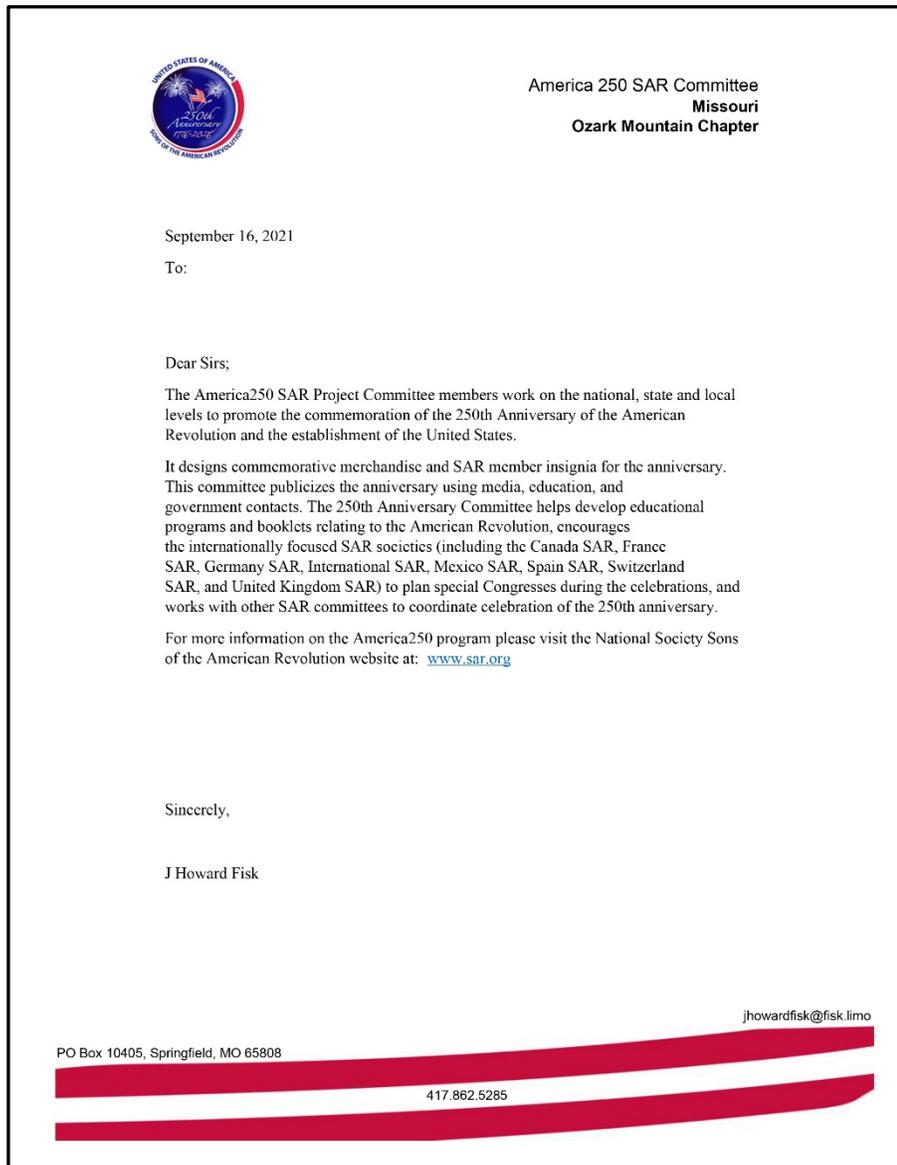
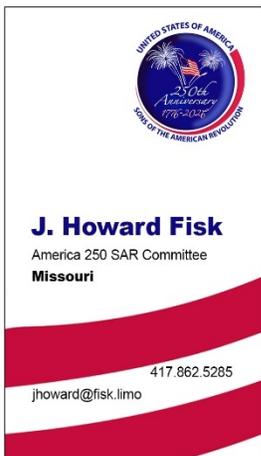
Your name

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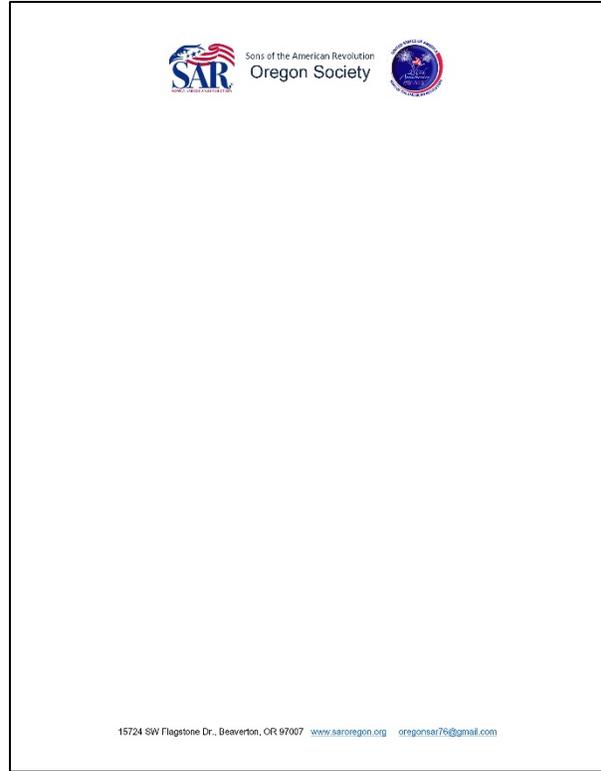
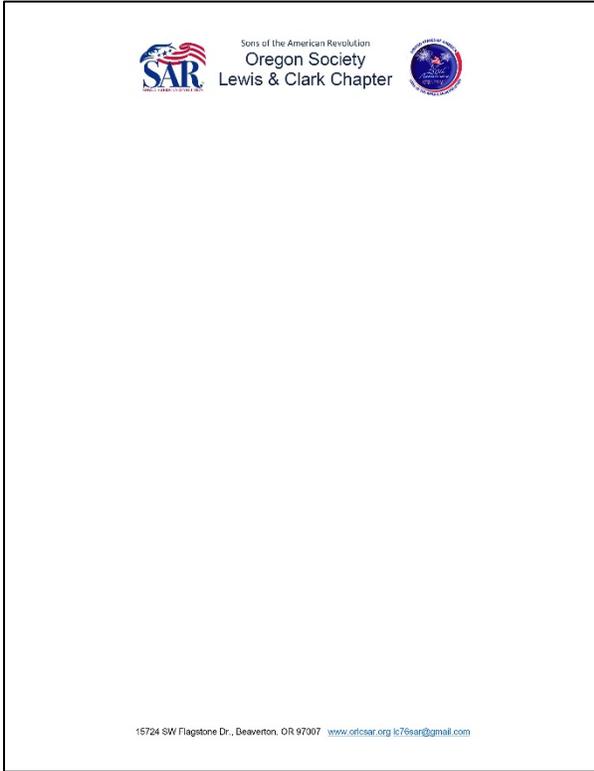
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Approved Business Cards & Letterhead Formats



Go to the www.america250SAR.org web site and download these Word files. Personalize the business cards by adding your own name, State, email, and phone number. Do not use titles, address' or Chapter name. Have them printed and hand them out to everyone you talk to about the America 250 SAR celebration. A great cheap leave behind to remember you and how to contact you. On the letterhead again add your name and contact info in the Word file format that you download. Here you can add your chapter name if it comes from the chapter and not the state. The letter is just a sample as to how it is to be formatted. **Consistent Branding from National, State and Chapters.**

Letterhead Formats With NSSAR Logo Examples



Printed programs

Printed programs are not necessary for the success of your program; however they are useful as they inform your audience about your event, and they provide a document to read in unison as appropriate. Printed programs also mark your event as significant and provide a souvenir to mark the event.

It is important that you include the America 250 SAR logo on any program or flyer that you utilize so that attendees are aware of our Anniversary program and so that your SAR Chapter and Compatriots may earn points toward the Bronze, Silver and Gold Award Medals.

When working with another partner, whether DAR, JROTC, Scouts, etc. be sure and include their logo on the event program if they are interested. Some organizations have strict guidelines about use of their official image, so consult with your partners to determine appropriate use.

Only use the images indicated as appropriate for the America 250 SAR documents.

Programs format example

 <p style="text-align: center;">SAR Patriot Son Grave Marking</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Major Nathan Boone</p> <p style="text-align: center;">August 21, 2021 10:00 AM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nathan Boone Homestead Ash Grove, Missouri</p>	 <p>Major Nathan Boone was born at Boone Station, Kentucky in 1780 and moved to Spanish Missouri with his family in 1799. In 1807, he and his brother Daniel Morgan Boone first worked the Salt licks in what became known as the Booneslick Country. The brothers built the Booneslick Road, which became a major overland route in early Missouri and eventually became prosperous businessmen.</p> <p>Boone formed a militia unit when the War of 1812 broke out and served as Captain of a company of United States Rangers which scouted in the country between the Mississippi and Illinois and fought in a number of skirmishes. He also took part in an expedition led by Henry Dodge to relieve settlers who had been raided by Miami Indians. Boone served honorably during the Second War for American Independence; during this time he attained the rank of Major in the militia by the end of war.</p> <p>After he mustered out Boone retired to his farm in St. Charles County, Missouri. He built the first stone house north of the Missouri River where he and family lived; his father lived there in his later life and his died there in Defiance, Missouri.</p> <p>In 1820 Nathan Boone was a delegate to the Missouri constitutional convention and helped with Missouri statehood in 1821. Boone participated in the Black Hawk War in 1832 and after the conclusion of those hostilities, he entered the regular army as captain in the United States Regiment of Dragoons, the direct predecessor of the US Army 1st Cavalry Regiment; the regiment's first commander being Colonel Dodge. Boone participated in the First Dragoon Expedition, notable for making the first contact between the United States federal government and the southern plains Indians. His army service further included participation in the Second Dragoon Expedition, surveying the boundaries between the Creek and Cherokee Indian nations, and leading his own expedition into the southwestern plains in 1843. In 1847, he was made major in the army and lieutenant-colonel in 1853. In 1853, Nathan Boone resigned and retired to his home in Greene County, Missouri, where he died in 1856.</p>
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Boone traveled far from home for months and sometimes years at a time, relying on the money from the sale of deer and other skins to support himself and his family.</p> <p>In the spring of 1755, Boone was a Waggoner on Major General Edward Braddock's expedition to Fort Duquesne. During the march, he met a trader named John Findley who regaled him with tales of a veritable paradise west of the Allegheny Mountains called Kentucky.</p> <p>After a brief courtship, Boone married Rebecca Bryan on August 14, 1756. Their marriage spanned more than half a century and produced ten children, the youngest being Nathan Boone. In the ensuing years Boone's hunting took him throughout the Carolinas and south to Florida. In 1769 Boone and Findley set out to what became Tennessee, going from Virginia through the Cumberland Gap, and on June 7, Boone caught his first sight of Kentucky.</p> <p>In the summer of 1773, Boone led settlers from Virginia to settle Kentucky. While traveling through Powell's Valley in southwestern Virginia, a small group traveling behind the main party was ambushed by Delaware, Shawnee and Cherokee warriors. Among those killed was Boone's oldest son, James. The tragedy prompted Boone to abandon his efforts to settle Kentucky.</p> <p>Another opportunity came in March 1775 when Judge Richard Henderson, formed the Transylvania Company in Kentucky and invited Boone to participate. Their goal was to buy Kentucky from the Cherokees. Heading a band of axmen, Boone cleared a path that would later become the Wilderness Road. Boone's party stopped near a salt lick along the Kentucky River on April 6. There, he established a small fort to which he gave his name, Boonesborough.</p>	<p>Call to Order Flag Salute Missouri Society President Boone Chapter History Nathan Boone 1812 Militiaman Daniel Boone Revolutionary</p>	<p>J. 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Colonel John Todd, at the head of nearly 200 militia, including Daniel Boone, set off in pursuit of Caldwell. Early on the morning of August 19, Todd attacked Caldwell on a ridge overlooking the Licking River at the Blue Licks. In a battle of just fifteen minutes, Caldwell managed to set the Kentuckians to flight and inflicted over 50% casualties. Among them was Boone's son, Israel.</p> <p>Boone earned legendary status as a remarkable Indian fighter and frontiersman, but unable to make ends meet and with creditors closing in, Boone decided to leave Kentucky for good in 1799 and move to the Spanish Territory of Missouri. The Spanish were pleased to have someone of Boone's stature in Missouri. Authorities gave him a land grant and made him a judge of sorts, where he handed out justice under the shade tree in the front yard of Nathan Boone's stone home in Defiance, Missouri. 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Tri-fold brochure format example

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Go to the www.america250SAR.org web site and download this tri-fold brochure Word file. Use this format to make your own tri-fold brochure for your local Patriot Son or Daughter. Have these printed by a local printer and hand out before and at the event. Leave them with a handout to commemorate the event.

News Release format examples: To announce the Event



America 250 SAR Committee
Missouri
Ozark Mountain Chapter

Local Sons of the American Revolution Chapter [NAME] to Host [EVENT/PROGRAM]

WHAT: [Chapter's name] is presenting a program on [Program] at [Location] on [Date].

[Add a line or two about the specific event — such as what's involved and if the public can attend — and try to note any interesting visuals for broadcast media.]

WHEN: [Date +Time]

WHERE: [Address]

WHO: [List anyone attending who the media could interview or who might draw the media's interest.]

About the America250 SAR Committee
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Learn more at <http://www.sar.org>



Volunteer Location Contact:
[Coordinator name]
[Cell phone]
[Email address]

NOTES TO MEDIA AND PRESS MATERIALS:
Photos and video available via Dropbox or available upon email request.

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Go to the www.america250SAR.org web site and download this news release Word file. Use this format to make your own news release to announce your upcoming local program or event. Please note that the last paragraph About the America 250 SAR Committee must be on the release as is written. This is the approved “Boilerplate paragraph” to be used on all news releases:

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News Release format examples: After the Event



An America 250 SAR Program

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Nathan Boone Patriot Son of Daniel Boone Honored in Missouri

Adgrove, Missouri — April 21, 2021 The Ozark Mountain Chapter Missouri SAR, held an event at the Nathan Boone Historical Site near Ash Grove, Missouri. The event was held in conjunction with the Major Nathan Boone Chapter of the General Society of the War of 1812 in the State of Missouri, who was celebrating the 10th anniversary of the chapter.

The Major Nathan Boone Chapter had a brief Anniversary Celebration in the Boone Homestead where they conducted their first meeting. Following the meeting, the attendees walked to the graves of Nathan Boone and his wife Elvira (Van Bibber) Boone. The Ozark Mountain Chapter, SAR, honored Boone as a Patriot Son by placing a bronze medallion on his gravestone identifying Boone as the Son of a Patriot.

Major Nathan Boone was a militiaman in the War of 1812 seeing action in Missouri, Illinois, and Kentucky. Later he was an Indian Agent, Missouri legislator, and prominent figure in Southwest Missouri. Nathan was the youngest child of Daniel Boone who was a captain in the militia during the American Revolution. He was credited with blazing the Wilderness Trail through the Cumberland Gap and leading thousands of pioneers across the mountains to the Booneborough Kentucky settlement which was named for him. Boone was an essential Indian fighter as he fought in the wilderness against the British allies. In July 1776 he led a group of settlers who were able to rescue, unharmed, his daughter and two other girls who had been captured by Indians three days earlier. Daniel is best known for his exploration of the Kentucky frontier and the settlement of the area that became the state of Kentucky. Later in life he received a grant from the Spanish government for land in what would become the State of Missouri. He died in Missouri where he lived with his son Nathan Boone near Tullahoma, Missouri. Nathan Boone later moved to Greene County, Missouri where his homestead and grave site are located.

The event was attended by thirteen SAR members, six Color Guardsmen and seven War of 1812 members, including the Missouri SAR President, George Swales and War of 1812 President Sumner Hammeville.



J. B. Charles McMillan, David Haggaman, Mel McNeil, Daniel R. Puffer, George Swales, Curtis Young, Steve Puckler, Ken Tompkins, Joe Martin, Tim Miller, Jim McHenry, Sumner Hammeville, J. Howard Fluk, and Daniel A. Puffer (not in photo).



Gravestone, marker, event, and grave site of Nathan Boone.

About the America250 SAR Committee

The America 250 SAR Committee works at the national, state, and local levels to promote the commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution and the formation of the United States. It develops educational programs, maintains a list of events, publishes articles and booklets, and publicizes the anniversary through media, education, and government contacts. The committee also helps the International Sons of the American Revolution Societies of Canada, France, Germany, Mexico, Spain, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom in planning their special celebrations.

Learn more at <http://www.sar.org>

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 Photos and notes available via Dropbox or available upon email request.

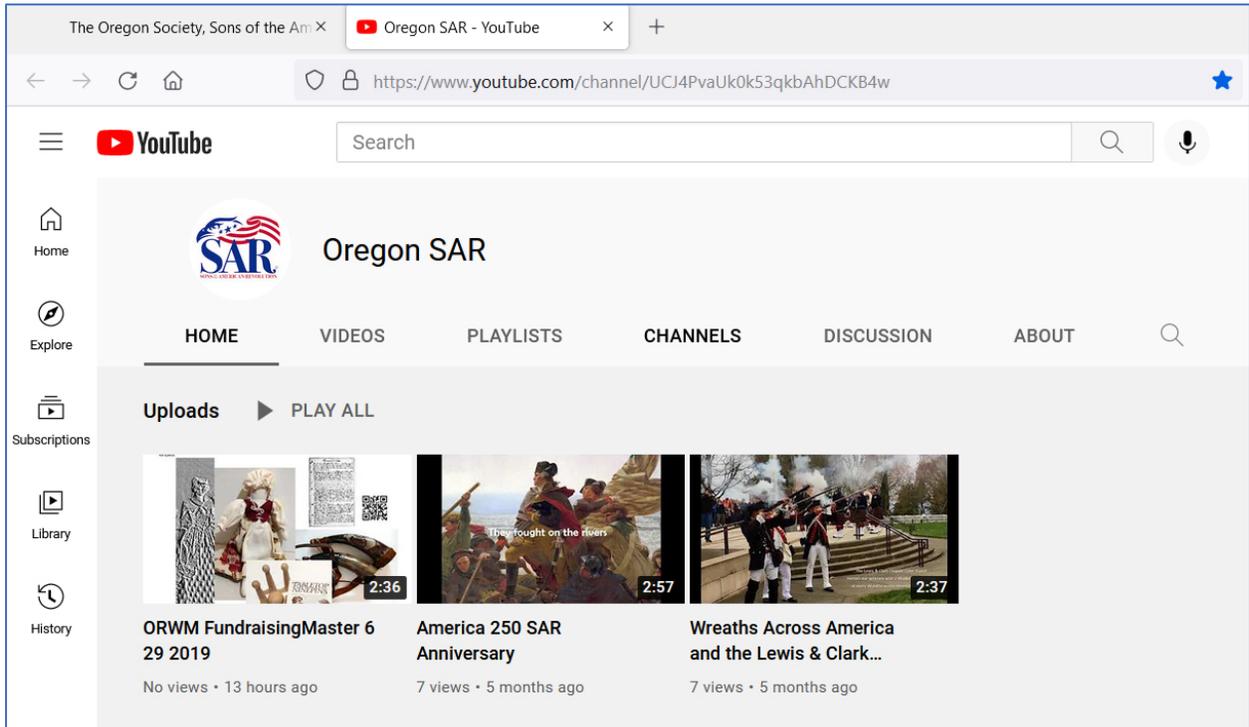
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Go to the www.america250SAR.org web site and download this news release Word file. Use this format to make your own news release to use telling people what happened at your local program or event. Photos are always suggested. Please note that the last paragraph About the America 250 SAR Committee must be on the release as is written.

PowerPoint presentation example*



Program Video example*



*Upload videos or PowerPoint presentations on a YouTube Channel: see example link below <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJ4PvaUk0k53qkbAhDCKB4w>

Medal Point Allocation Schedule

The following are the general guidelines for keeping track of your members America 250 SAR activities that make them eligible for credit to earn the **Bronze (25 points)** awarded/approved by your chapter, **Silver (60 points)** awarded/approved by your state and **Gold Medal (150 points)** awarded/approved by the America 250 SAR Committee by describing your event and sending the information and a photo to **gary.gift@hotmail.com**. Only send Gold Medal requests to Gary Gift. We encourage you to use a printed program bearing the America 250 SAR logo to better promote the 250th Anniversary event.

Eligibility for points is based on attending a live or virtual event. All categories represent stackable credentials in that an attendee receives 3 points, and if serving in the Color Guard receives 5 more points and as an event planner a final 10 points for a total of 18 points for one event. The points must be earned; however we want members to be able to easily earn America 250 SAR Medal points.

You may earn points by attending an event as a visitor attendee or Color Guard member. You can also award points to those in the community who are not SAR Compatriots who routinely are of service to your chapter during America 250 SAR events. An example of this would be a member spouse who acts as the official photographer for America 250 SAR events. You may work with a Boy Scout leader, public official or JROTC unit who frequently participates in your America 250 SAR events. I recommend that you set up a simple google sheet for your members and assign someone to compile points for all members who attend events throughout the year and collect photographs for your newsletter.

Chairman - 20 Points

This is the Chairman of the event who does all the planning and oversight of the event planning and execution.

Planner - 10 Points

The Planner is responsible for helping facilitate significant portions of the event so that it is successful.

Presenter - 5 Points

The Presenter can be the Chaplain, Color Guard Commander or other party who appears on the program and is essential to the success event.

Display - 5 Points

The Display Chairman is responsible for some physical display of memorabilia or historic significance that support the event.

Program - 5 Points

The Program Chairman is responsible for the layout and printing of the America 250 SAR Program for the event; making sure that the program has the America 250 SAR logo prominently displayed.

Color Guard - 5 Points

The Color Guard are uniformed members who attend and are awarded points for their participation as part of the Color Guard Ceremony at the event.

Attendees - 3 Points

All attendees are awarded points for their participation in an appropriate America 250 SAR event.

Medal Certificate

Below is a sample of the Medal certificate that you can print on your own color printer and award to those who have met the requirements for Bronze or Silver.

Go to our web site www.america250sar.org and download the file to print in the “Forms Download” button and click on **Certificate** and save the file to your computer. Use the downloaded file as your format and change the name of the member and you can change the word Silver to Bronze if needed. Print the color file on a blank tan certificate from National with your color printer.



Chapter & Society Streamers

The following are the general guidelines for your SAR Chapter & Society America 250 SAR activities that make your chapter eligible to receive a America 250 SAR Activity Streamer. The Streamer can only be awarded to your SAR Chapter or Society once; however it is a badge of honor to earn. The first thing to remember is that we encourage a printed program bearing the America 250 SAR logo and use of an America 250 SAR Flag.

Eligibility for the America 250 SAR Activity Streamer is based on organizing and executing a live public event, a podcast, recorded program, etc. We encourage you to conduct an event with basic ceremonial elements; an invocation and benediction, SAR Pledge & Recessional, Pledge of Allegiance and historic lesson regarding the person or event that you are marking in your America 250 SAR Ceremony. You may also qualify by participating in an event sponsored by another organization such as DAR, Boy Scouts, community organizations or veterans' groups.

Presentation Streamers: Streamers may be ordered in advance for presentation to participants by sending \$5.00 each to Gary Gift.

Make a check payable to SAR 250.

Award Streamers: Please send a report of your event and photos to Gary Gift, and he will provide an Award Streamer at no cost for qualifying SAR Chapter events.

Send request to: Gary Gift, 3725 South Fore

Flags & Banners

The America 250 SAR Committee has acquired an inventory of flags for use for the purpose of promoting our 250th Anniversary. Flags and Banners are a festive way to add color and pageantry to your event, so you are encouraged to utilize them as appropriate. The Merchandise Department has flags with grommets for outdoor use and flags with sleeves for indoor use as well. The traditional blue, white, and gold flags with the SAR emblem and the America 250 SAR flags are the only official flags for use to promote the SAR currently. You may use your Official SAR Chapter Banner in your programs and have additional ones made with the Anniversary logo featured, however you are cautioned to avoid using unauthorized flags or banners.



TNSSAR Immediate Past-President Mark Norris (L) presented America 250 SAR Chair Cliff Olsen (R) the official America 250 SAR Flag during Olsen's recent visit to Tennessee. (TNSSAR) The Tennessee Society has launched its first America 250 SAR project, "Flags for Freedom" - donating American Flags to public schools across the state.



America 250 SAR Committee
Idaho
Ft. Boise Chapter

Parental Consent Form - **SAMPLE**

Name of Child

First Name

Last Name

Name/Date of the Event Child is Participating in

I do hereby understand, agree, and consent to all the following Terms and Conditions: (Initial each box)

- I hereby declare that in signing this form, I am giving full permission for the use of any photos, video and/or content that my Child has participated in (Event Line above) is approved to be posted on the Ft. Boise Chapter SAR site <https://www.idahosar.org/>.
- I understand that with my authorization below the photos, videos and content may be revoked at any time by notifying the President of the Fort Boise Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution in writing. The revocation will not affect any actions taken before the receipt of this is written notification.
- I understand that I am not receiving any royalties for the photos, video and content that are posted to the Fort Boise Idaho Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution website.
- I understand and agree that once these photos, videos and content are removed from the website they will be archived in a secure location or destroyed.
- I understand that the Fort Boise Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution will not be held liable for any misuse of the photos, videos, and content outside the Website.

I hereby attest that the Child's photos, videos, and content will only be authorized during the event listed above and that I have read (or read to me) and completely understand this release, understand it and have signed it voluntarily

Signature of Parent or Guardian Printed Name of Parent or Guardian

Relationship to Child Date Signed

Signature of the Fort Boise Idaho Chapter SAR Representative Title and Date signed

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Communications is the lifeblood of our organizations. A regular scheduled newsletter to our committee, the Committee of Correspondence, and at some point, the chapters is ideal. News from the various VC's, flyers, brochures, etc. need to go to Mark to assemble for the scheduled newsletter with attachments.

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As Vice Chair/Publications, I am tasked with encouraging the writing of articles for the SAR Magazine, to see that these articles have some connection to the 250th commemorations and are branded with the committee logo. In conjunction with my role on the SAR Magazine Subcommittee for the History Committee, I will also be soliciting articles and content from

historians for the SAR Magazine and the Education Committee's "Speaking Out About History" program. I also work with Mark Norris to collect and distribute America 250 SAR content to committee members and members of the America 250 SAR Committee of Correspondence. I am also with SAR Liaison to the American Battlefield Trust, and the ABT's National America 250 Commission.

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To work on getting events established with SAR involvement.