

National Society SAR Recognizes Local Scouting Volunteer

The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution recently held its 2022 Spring Leadership Meeting at the Brown Hotel in Louisville, Kentucky. Local SAR member John McBride attended the three-day event and was awarded the prestigious Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award. Selected from state nominees from across the country, the award recognizes volunteer work accomplishment and dedication rather than specific length of service. McBride was one of only three selected as national recipients.

A second-generation scout, McBride received the award for his outstanding service to youth as assistant scoutmaster for Troop 18, chartered by First Presbyterian Church in Jackson where John also serves in the deaconate. He has continuously promoted and recruited youth to the American Heritage, Genealogy, and Law merit badge programs. Last month, his son Benjamin McBride received the organization's highest rank of Eagle Scout during Andrew Jackson Council's Eagle Scout Recognition Banquet. McBride was nominated by the Central Mississippi Chapter and approved as the nominee by the State SAR President. Presenting the award in Louisville was Chairman of the NSSAR Eagle Scout Committee, Dr. Edward Paul Rigel Sr. M.D. of Gainesville, Georgia.



(L-R) McBride receives award from NSSAR Chair Dr. Rigel

Originally from Alexandria, Louisiana, McBride received a bachelor's degree in architecture from Mississippi State University and serves as an architect for Johnson Henderson Bailey McNeel in Jackson. He has served as State SAR Area Director and was recently elected President of the Central Mississippi Chapter.

The Sons of the American Revolution is a social and hereditary organization which promotes the education of its membership and the general public about the American Revolution and its patriots and to foster patriotism and an appreciation of American freedoms.

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