

NSSAR District Medals



District Meritorious Service Medal

Precedence: 25

Year Authorized: 1980; 2022

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Summary: The District Meritorious Service Medal may be awarded to SAR members who have rendered long, faithful and meritorious service to their district. The meritorious service rendered should be stated in the citation.

Description: The medal has a silver finish and bears on the obverse a relief of Thomas Jefferson. The ribbon drape is of the same style used for the membership insignia drape, with a 5/16" silver star affixed to the center of the ribbon drape. The ribbon drape includes a silver bar inscribed with "MERITORIOUS SERVICE." The reverse includes a space to insert the recipient's name and the date of presentation, surrounded by laurel leaves. It is available in miniature with a 1/8" silver star and comes with a certificate, which should be engrossed and presented with the medal.

Subsequent Presentation NOT Authorized: A Compatriot may receive this medal only once from a district.



District Roger Sherman Commendation Medal

Precedence: 26

Year Authorized: 2013

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Summary: The District Roger Sherman Commendation Medal may be awarded to a compatriot in recognition of, and in appreciation of, outstanding services rendered to a District. The medal is presented to a compatriot for significant service which lacks the requirements for the Meritorious Service Medal. It should be awarded in place of the Bronze and Silver Good Citizenship Medals, which cannot be awarded for service to the SAR. The recipient must have served as an active officer for a minimum of two years, as an active committee chairman for three years, or as an active member of a committee for four years.

Description: The medal is antique silver in color and bears on the obverse a portrait of Roger Sherman, with the inscription "Roger Sherman Medal." The reverse of the medal is inscribed "In Appreciation for Service to the SAR." It is suspended from a chest ribbon of blue, white and red; a 5/16" silver star is affixed to the center of the ribbon drape. It is available in miniature with a 1/8" silver star and comes with a certificate, which should be engrossed and presented with the medal.

Subsequent Presentation Authorized: A Compatriot may receive this medal multiple times. A bronze oak leaf cluster may be awarded for an additional two years of active service as an officer, chairman or committeeman. The service is counted cumulatively rather than consecutively, and may not be added concurrently for multiple offices, committee chairmanships, or committee memberships. Presentation and wear of oak leaf clusters shall

follow NSSAR policy. Meritorious Service Medal may be awarded to SAR members who have rendered long, faithful and meritorious service to their district. The meritorious service rendered should be stated in the citation.

Description: The medal has a silver finish and bears on the obverse a relief of Thomas Jefferson. The ribbon drape is of the same style used for the membership insignia drape, with a 5/16” silver star affixed to the center of the ribbon drape. The ribbon drape includes a silver bar inscribed with “MERITORIOUS SERVICE.” The reverse includes a space to insert the recipient's name and the date of presentation, surrounded by laurel leaves. It is available in miniature with a 1/8” silver star and comes with a certificate, which should be engrossed and presented with the medal.

Subsequent Presentation NOT Authorized: A Compatriot may receive this medal only once from a district.



District Henry Knox Achievement Medal

Precedence: 27

Year Authorized: 2023

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Summary: The District Henry Knox Achievement Medal may be awarded by a District to a Compatriot or non-SAR member to recognize a specific outstanding contribution, achievement, accomplishment, deed, performance, or effort that advances the mission, governance, programs, or activities of that District. This award is not limited by a specific time of service requirement and may be presented to recognize a singular act or multiple acts. The Vice President General may present this medal to individuals providing significant service to the District during his term of office.

Description: The medal is silver in color and features on the obverse a portrait of Henry Knox. It bears the inscription “Henry Knox Achievement Medal” on the top perimeter and “Sons of the American Revolution®” on the bottom perimeter. The reverse features a cannon and the phrase, “For Exceptional Achievement.” It is suspended from a chest ribbon of Kelly green; a 5/16” silver star is affixed to the center of the ribbon drape. It is available in miniature with a 1/8” silver star and comes with a certificate, which should be engrossed and presented with the medal.

Subsequent Presentation Authorized: A Compatriot or non-SAR member may be recommended for and receive this medal multiple times. A bronze oak leaf cluster may be awarded for an additional, qualifying achievement. Multiple oak leaf cluster recognition shall follow NSSAR policy.