



South Central District  
Sons of American Revolution  
Folds of Honor, Owasso, OK  
August 23, 2025

1. Opening Ceremony and Dedication of the Liberty Tree and 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Bench at the Folds of Honor.
  - a. Invocation given by Tom Rupert (OK), Chaplain
  - b. Presentation of the National Colors by the SCD Color Guard
  - c. Pledge of Allegiance led by Terry Handley (OK), Secretary SCD
  - d. SAR Pledge led by Henry Baer III, President Oklahoma Society
  - e. SAR Mission Statement led by Phil Hunt, Vice President General SCD
  - f. Posting of the Colors by the SCD Color Guard
2. Meeting Called to Order at 10:18 AM by VPG SCD Phillip Hunt
3. Welcome to Oklahoma given by Henry Baer III, President, Oklahoma Society
4. Opening Remarks given by Phil Hunt, VPG SCD, NSSAR
  - a. Introduction of SCD Officers & Distinguished Guests by Phil Hunt, VPG SCD, NSSAR
    - i. Michael Elston: President General, National Society Sons of the American Revolution
    - ii. William A. Greenly: Secretary General, National Society Sons of the American Revolution
    - iii. T. Brooks Lyles: Treasurer General, National Society Sons of the American Revolution
    - iv. Keith A. Weissinger: Registrar General, National Society Sons of the American Revolution
    - v. Jeffrey D. Thomas: Historian General and Chairman America 250<sup>th</sup> Committee, National Society Sons of the American Revolution
    - vi. Joe R. Hamill, MD: Surgeon General, National Society Sons of the American Revolution
5. Guests Bringing Greetings
  - a. Becky Osborn Ladies Auxiliary NSSAR brought greetings.
  - b. Diane Hamil Oklahoma Society DAR brought greetings.
  - c. Amber Meilahn, Senior President Oklahoma Society C.A.R. brought greetings.
  - d. Kristen Meilahn, President Oklahoma Society C.A.R. brought greetings.

## 6. Roll Call

- a. Missouri – Present; President Steven Biggs
- b. Oklahoma – Present; President Henry C. Baer III
- c. Kansas – Present; President Timothy E. Peterman
- d. Arkansas – Present; President Darrell R. Over, M.D.
- e. Texas – Present; President Mel Oller

## 7. Call for Quorum (11 Delegates) called by Phil Hunt VPG SCD

- a. Terry Handley Secretary SCD reports a quorum.

## 8. MOKAT Society Reports

- a. Missouri – Report received from Steven Biggs, President
  - i. Missouri annual conference will be held April 24-25, 2026 in Springfield, MO.
- b. Oklahoma – Report received from Henry Baer III, President
  - i. Oklahoma annual conference will be held April 25, 2026 in Oklahoma City, OK.
- c. Kansas – Report received from Timothy E. Peterman, President
  - i. Kansas annual conference will be held March 20-21, 2026 in Chanute, KS.
- d. Arkansas – Report received from Darrell R Over, M.D., President
  - i. Arkansas annual conference will be held March 2026 location to be determined.
- e. Texas – Report received from Mel Oller, President
  - i. Texas annual conference will be held April 17-19, 2026 in Austin, TX .

## 9. Remarks from NSSAR President General Michael Elston

- a. Make SAR fun again (give the members meaningful things to do)
  - i. Support and Engage with the C.A.R.
  - ii. Raising funds for the SAR museum (First Ladies Project)
  - iii. Travel to the United Kingdom and Induct George Herbert, 8th Earl of Carnarvon and travel to Bermuda during the celebration of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1775 Gunpowder Plot.
  - iv. Beach attire for the first day of Fall Leadership

## 10. Old Business

- a. 2024 SCD Meeting Minutes Approval motion moved by Past VPG James Osbourn and seconded Arkansas President Darrell R Over, M.D. Motion Carried

## 11. New Business

- a. Host Invitation, 2026 SCD Conference extended by Mel Oller, President Texas Society August 21 - 22 held in Austin, TX.
- b. Vice President General Nomination 2026-2027 submitted by Drake Peddie. Letter filed by Secretary Terry Handley.
- c. Endorsement of National Candidates
  - i. Non-Contested Candidates have 3 minutes to present.
    - 1. President General                      Allen Greenley

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| 2. Secretary General  | Brooks Lyles                        |
| 3. Chancellor General | Tracy Pounders                      |
| 4. Historian General  | Jeff Thomas                         |
| 5. Registrar General  | Keith Weissinger                    |
| 6. Librarian General  | James Osbourne                      |
| 7. Surgeon General    | Matthew Bowdish                     |
| 8. Chaplain General   | Chris Grimes                        |
| 9. Foundation Board   | PG Bruce Pickett for PG Position    |
| 10. Foundation Board  | David Chaffin for At Large Position |
11. Motion to accept the non-contested candidates by acclimation made by President Henry Baer III, and seconded by President Darrell Over, M.D. Motion called.

ii. Contested each compatriot has 5 minutes.

1. Treasurer General
  - a. Scott Collins – Nominated
  - b. Gary Green
2. Voting by Voting Card
3. Genealogist General
  - a. Bobbie Hulse - Nominated
  - b. Wayne Eells
  - c. Derek Brown

d. C.A.R. State President's Project presented by Kristen Meilahn, President Oklahoma Society C.A.R.

- i. The Oklahoma State President's Project for this year is dedicated to raising funds to provide one full scholarship through Folds of Honor, a nonprofit organization that provides educational scholarships to the spouses and children of America's fallen or disabled military service members and first responders.

12. Other Business – There is no other business.

13. Presentation of Awards

- a. Von Steuben medal presented to President Henry Baer III by President General Mike Elston.
- b. Representatives from the Folds of Honor were presented with letters of Appreciation from the Oklahoma Society and a gift from VPG Phil Hunt.
  - i. Michelle Landes, Regional Impact Officer, FoH
  - ii. Dianne Campbell, Director of Campus Operations, FoH
  - iii. Melanie Bardin-Morrow, Vice President of Operations, FoH
- c. Kristen Meilahn was presented with a gift from VPG Phil Hunt and certificate of Appreciation from the Oklahoma Society.
- d. President General Mike Elston was presented with a belt buckle as a gift from the Oklahoma Society.

14. Motion to Adjourn the SCD NSSAR Annual Conference made by Past President Drake Peddie, and Seconded by Compatriot Tom Thompson. Motion passed.
15. Benediction given by Tom Rupert, Chaplain
16. SAR Recessional led by Craig Crow, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Oklahoma Society
17. Retire the Colors by the SCD Color Guard
18. Declaration of Adjournment by Phil Hunt, VPG SCD
19. Saber Ceremony performed by Saber Brigade, Oklahoma Society

Respectfully Submitted:

Approved by:

Terry Handley  
Secretary SCD

Phillip Hunt  
VPG SCD