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Roger Sherman Branch No. 5
The Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, Inc.
September 2023 Report

This report covers the period of 1 July 2023 to 31 August 2023.

2 July 2023 – Edd Eckert, Robert Clark and Kurt Potter supported the First Annual CTSSAR Eagle Scout Court of Honor, held at Putnam Memorial State Park and led by John Gelinas Jr., Chairman, Tim Wilkins, Assistant Chairman, and David Perkins, National Chairman, CTSSAR Eagle Scout Program. Award given on behalf of the NSSAR Arthur M. and Berdena King Eagle Scout Essay Contest, recognizing six CTSSAR winners. The Eagle Scout recognized by Sherman Branch was Jackson Baimel, Troop 770 of Newtown CT. Jackson was awarded a NSSAR Eagle Scout Medal, a NSSAR Eagle Scout Patch, and a fiduciary award of $200.

4 July 2023 – Edd Eckert and Kurt Potter supported the Fairfield United Veterans Organization at their 130th Annual Independence Day Celebration on the Town Green in Fairfield, CT. Organizations participating included Eunice Dennie Burr Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (D.A.R.), Veterans of Foreign Wars (V.F.W.) Sgt. Thomas J. Nelson Jr. Post 9427 of Fairfield, American Legion George A. Smith Post 74 of Fairfield, American Legion Owen Fish Post 143 of Fairfield, and Disabled American Veterans Chapter 19 of Fairfield. Several local government and town officials were in attendance. The event included a reading of the Declaration of Independence.

5 July 2023 – Kurt Potter tenders a resignation letter from his post as President of the branch, citing medical-related concerns. His letter includes a commitment to the SAR and his intention to remain active in the organization.

9 July 2023 – Edd Eckert represents the Roger Sherman Branch and the SAR at the Veteran of the Month/Flag Raising Ceremony at the Frank C. Godfrey American Legion Post 12 in Norwalk, CT.

10 July 2023 – Roger Sherman Branch Board of Managers meet and elect Robert Clark as President of the Branch; his term to run until the next Branch Annual Meeting, when elections will be held.

16 July 2023 – Roger Sherman Branch members informed of the change from Kurt Potter to Robert Clark as President. Members also notified of the next Branch in-person meeting date.

19 July 2023 – Robert Clark and Kurt Potter hold an in-person transition meeting.

24 July 2023 – Roger Sherman Branch Board of Managers meet to review Clark's proposals for Branch Strategy and Branch Committee structure.

6 August 2023 - Edd Eckert represents the Roger Sherman Branch and the SAR at the Veteran of the Month/Flag Raising Ceremony at the Frank C. Godfrey American Legion Post 12 in Norwalk, CT.

8 August 2023 – New member welcome call with Robert "Pete" Kenyon.

15 August 2023 – Member outreach & engagement initiative begins.

30 August 2023 – Compatriot Fred Lorthior accepts assignment as permanent Branch representative to the CTSSAR 2025 Congress committee.

Respectfully submitted September 6, 2023



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President, Roger Sherman Branch No. 5
Fairfield County, Connecticut