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**Sons of the American Revolution Essay Contest
set for local area High School Students**

High school students in their freshman, sophomore, junior or senior year of study during the 2016-2017 school year are invited to enter the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Contest. The contest is sponsored by the Lt. George Ewing Chapter and is open to students attending public, parochial, private, or accredited home schools in Athens, Gallia, Jackson, Meigs and Vinton counties.

A \$5,000 first prize, medal and certificate are awarded to the winner of the National Contest. In addition, the winning essay will be published in the national SAR magazine.

The topic for the essay shall deal with an event, person, philosophy, or ideal associated with the American Revolution, The Declaration of Independence, or the framing of the United States Constitution. The contest is for an original essay written in English and having a minimum of 800 words and not to exceed 1,200 words, excluding title page and bibliography.

Essays will be judged for historical accuracy, clarity of thought and expression, organization, grammar, spelling and documentation.

Contest entry is due by January 5, 2017. Rules and other information about the contest can be obtained by contacting Carl J. Denbow (740-591-8471) or Jim Smith (740-416-5451), Knight Essay Contest co-chairmen, or by visiting the chapter web site: <http://www.sar-ewing.org>.