

The USS Stark Memorial Award Scoring Sheet

The purpose is to recognize outstanding chapters and the most outstanding state society within the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution for their participation with the Veteran community, and supporting activities of the NSSAR Veteran's Committee.

The reporting period for the USS Stark Award competition is January 1 through December 31 of the previous year, the Contest Year.

1. Chapter member appointed to VA Hospital Council or VAVS Committee. (Must be appointed in writing by NSSAR Veterans Committee Chairman)			
Point Value:	25	No. of Appointments:	Total Points: 0
List Member's name and VA Hospital Council or equivalent organization:			

2. Each hour served in VA Hospital Volunteer Service. (verified by submitting local VA Hospital Report)			
Point Value:	10	No. of Hours:	Total Points: 0
List Member's name; VA Hospital; number of hours:			

3. Each SAR Member visiting a Veteran in a Hospital, Nursing Home or the Veteran's home where the hours are NOT recorded as in #2. (Each Veteran visited, minimum of 20 minutes per visit for a maximum of three (3) visits per hour) (Virtual participation is permitted. See criteria at end of form.)			
Point Value:	5	No. of Visits:	Total Points: 0
List Member's name; where; number of hours			

4. Each GIFT (personal care item) donated to Veteran in a VA Hospital or Nursing Home or other organization whose primary clients are Veterans. (Personal care items can include playing cards, combs, puzzles, etc.)			
Point Value:	1	No. of Items:	Total Points: 0

Example: Compatriot John donates 5 sample bars of soap, shampoo, etc, that he receives from a motel while attending an out of town SAR event. 1 point per item x 5 items per month = 5 points per month

5. Each dollar donated to VAVS projects and coupon books (maximum of \$5,000 for Chapters, no limit for Societies).

Point Value:	1	No. of Dollars:	Total Points:	0
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Example: Compatriot John donates 5 dollars per month to the local VAVS. 1 point per dollar x 5 dollars per month = 5 points per month

6. Each PUBLICATION donated to a VA Library or Reading Room or other organization whose primary clients are Veterans. (Publication can include magazines, paperback books, etc.)

Point Value:	1	No. of Publications:	Total Points:	0
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Example: Compatriot John donates 5 old magazines or books that he receives per month. 1 point per item x 5 publications per month = 5 points per month

7. Each Veteran outing or party that includes Veteran patients. (Virtual participation is permitted. See criteria at end of form.)

01 – 10 Veterans	Point Value: 10	No. of Outings:	Total Points: 0
11 – 25 Veterans	Point Value: 15	No. of Outings:	Total Points: 0
26 – 50 Veterans	Point Value: 20	No. of Outings:	Total Points: 0
51 + Veterans	Point Value: 25	No. of Outings:	Total Points: 0
Mileage points per mile traveled	Point Value: 1	No. of Miles:	Total Points: 0
#7 Total Points:			0

Example: Compatriot John takes Jack and Richard (both Veterans) out to lunch and for a car ride once a month. 10 points for the outing + 10 miles for the car ride x 1 point = 20 points per month (10+10 x 1 = 20)

8. Special Observance (section A and B) **(Virtual participation is permitted. See criteria at end of form.)**

A. Special observance is a Chapter sponsored event – Non-SAR Meeting. Only Chapters can count this event and they must be sole sponsor or lead sponsor (master of ceremonies and responsible for the planning, preparation, and execution of event). Chapter meetings on special observance dates do not constitute a special observance and may not be counted. Other Veteran organizations or public must be in attendance to count as a special observance.

Washington's Birthday	Point Value: 50	No. of Events:	Total Points: 0
Patriot's Day	Point Value: 50	No. of Events:	Total Points: 0
Memorial Day	Point Value: 50	No. of Events:	Total Points: 0
Flag Day	Point Value: 50	No. of Events:	Total Points: 0
Fourth of July	Point Value: 50	No. of Events:	Total Points: 0

Constitution Day	Point Value: 50	No. of Events:	Total Points: 0
Veteran's Day	Point Value: 50	No. of Events:	Total Points: 0
Yorktown Day	Point Value: 50	No. of Events:	Total Points: 0
Revolutionary era historic site initially marked	Point Value: 50	No. of Events:	Total Points: 0
Other historic or patriotic observances (Not listed above: Kings Mt., Cowpens, etc.)(List below)	Point Value: 50	No. of Events:	Total Points: 0

Name of Other Event(s) (if needed use blank paper):

B. Attendance at Special Observance

Points per Member	Point Value: 5	No. of Members:	Total Points: 0
		#8 Total Points:	0

Note: Section #8 does not count toward the General William C. Westmoreland Award.

9. Participation in the SAR Wounded Warriors Program (presenting SAR Certificate and Challenge Coin) **(Virtual participation is permitted. See criteria at end of form.)**

A. An **Informal** presentation of the SAR Certificate **and** Challenge Coin.

Points per presentation	Point Value: 25	No. of Presentations:	Total Points: 0
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B. A **Formal** presentation of the SAR Certificate **and** Challenge Coin.

Points per presentation	Point Value: 50	No. of Presentations:	Total Points: 0
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C. Mileage points per mile traveled

Point Value: 1	No. of Miles:	Total Points: 0
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		#9 Total Points:	0
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Note: These presentations will not count towards "visits" scored under Section #3

A Formal presentation requires the following:

- 1) the venue and date for the presentation are prearranged,
- 2) the certificate and coin are presented by a member of the SAR,
- 3) colleagues, friends, and/or family members of the recipient are present, and
- 4) the SAR member presenting is dressed in proper attire with SAR insignia or in period clothing.

10. Participation in the Operation Ancestor Search Program

(assisting Veterans to build their own "family tree" by the use of computer genealogy) **(Virtual participation is permitted. See criteria at end of form.)**

A. Presentation of the Operation Ancestor Search Program to a group of Service personnel.

Points per program	Point Value: 20	No. of Events:	Total Points: 0
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B. Assisting each Veteran with computer genealogy (Must be in association with the Operation Search Program).

Points per volunteer hour	Point Value: 10	No. of Hours:	Total Points: 0
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C. Mileage points per mile traveled	Point Value: 1	No. of Miles:	Total Points: 0
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#10 Total Points:		0
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Note: Participation in the Operation Ancestor Search Program will not count towards "visits" scored under Section #3

11. Special Observance (attending in cooperation with other Veterans organizations) **(Virtual participation is permitted. See criteria at end of form.)**

Chapter member attending in cooperation with other Veteran organizations – non-SAR meetings

Per Member Attending (mileage does not count)	Point Value: 5	No. of Members:	Total Points: 0
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Per Member Attending in Colonial Attire (mileage does not count)	Point Value: 10	No. of Members:	Total Points: 0
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Example: Compatriot John was able to attend the July 4th and the Veteran's Day parades supported by the local American Legion Post. 5 points for attendance only; 10 points if had an active part in Colonial attire.

12. Marking a Revolutionary Patriot grave and other funeral/grave related items

A. Initial Revolutionary War Patriot's Grave Dedication (Only Chapters can receive this credit, this does not count toward individual points) The exception to this is shown in Example #2.

Per Grave (maximum of 200 points for Chapters, no limit for Societies)	Point Value: 50	No. of Events:	Total Points (A): 0
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Example #1: Compatriot John's local chapter sponsored the marking of two (2) Revolutionary War Patriot Veteran's Graves. Each grave marking worth 50 points x 2 events = 100 points year

Example #2: Compatriot John obtains an NSSAR Grave Marker and places it on his own Patriot ancestor's grave and the primary chapter is not involved. The exception mentioned – marking service consisting minimally of an SAR emblem/stone marker being placed, appropriate ceremony (as listed in the National Handbook) with a Master of Ceremonies, Chaplain, a Compatriot in uniform, invited descendant(s) and other Compatriots. Each grave marking worth 50 points x1 marking = 50 points per year

B. Attendance at a Revolutionary War Veteran's Grave Marking

Per Member attending (mileage does not count)	Point Value: 5	No. of Members:	Total Points (B): 0
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Example: Compatriot John was able to attend each of the two Grave Dedication Ceremonies sponsored by a SAR/DAR/C.A.R. Chapter. Each worth 5 points x 2 markings = 10 points per year.

C. Flags and Wreaths (at Wreaths Across America ceremonies) placement on a Veterans' Graves			
Flag Placement Per Grave (maximum of 200 points for chapters, no limit for Societies)	Point Value: 1	No. of Flags:	Total Points: 0
Wreath Placement (maximum of 500 points for chapters, no limit for societies)	Point Value: 5	No. of Wreaths:	Total Points: 0
Wreath Purchased (maximum of 1500 points for chapters, no limit for societies)	Point Value: 15	No. of Wreaths:	Total Points: 0
		Total Points (C):	

D. Patriot Grave Registry information donation to the NSSAR (Location and documentation of new Patriot Grave information donated to the National Patriot Graves Registry Committee)			
New Grave information donated to Graves Committee:	Point Value: 5	No. of Graves:	Total Points: 0

Example: Compatriot John was able to locate two Patriot graves in a local cemetery. He sent the location of the graves and documentation of Revolutionary War service to the Chairman of the Patriot Graves Registry Committee.

E. Participation in a Veteran's funeral (Virtual participation is permitted. See criteria at end of form.)			
A visit to the funeral home counts if you cannot attend the funeral service, but points cannot be counted for both the visit and attendance.			
Reading, Dedication, or Bugler	Point Value: 20	No. of Members:	Total Points: 0
Pallbearer or Honorary Pallbearer	Point Value: 20	No. of Members:	Total Points: 0
Attendance	Point Value: 5	No. of Members:	Total Points: 0
Points per mile traveled	Point Value: 1	No. of Miles:	Total Points: 0
If funeral is for an Active Duty Veteran Killed in Action, use the points shown below for the calculations			
Reading, Dedication, or Bugler	Point Value: 40	No. of Members:	Total Points: 0
Pallbearer or Honorary Pallbearer	Point Value: 40	No. of Members:	Total Points: 0
Attendance	Point Value: 10	No. of Members:	Total Points: 0
Points per mile traveled	Point Value: 2	No. of Miles:	Total Points: 0
#12 Total Points			0

13. Donating new or used Men's and/or Women's Clothing

The value of the clothing as determined by using a price suggested by a consignment or thrift shop (per the IRS suggestions on determining the fair market value of used clothing)

The clothing must be given to either a VA facility or other organization whose primary clients are Veterans.

Points per dollar in value	Point Value: 1	No. of Dollars:	Total Points: 0
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14. All new or used but working items, such as TV's, Computers, etc.

A. Donation of new items purchased and donated within 30 days of purchase (receipt of purchase and donation required) counts as actual dollar value (tax not included)

Original Cost in Dollars	No. of Dollars:	Total Points: 0
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B. Donation of used but working items receive points equal to 1/3 of original purchase price

Original Cost in Dollars	No. of Dollars:	Point Value (1/3): .33	Total Points: 0
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TOTAL OVERALL POINTS:	0
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