



For all DAR sponsored Contests and Programs:

Contact your local DAR Chapter for details. DAR Chapters are responsible for communicating the rules, entry dates and process for their contests.

For all SAR Sponsored Youth Contests and Programs, visit the National SAR website under "Education / Youth".

Rumbaugh Oration Contest:

www.sar.org/youth/rumbaugh.html

Knight Essay Contest:

www.sar.org/youth/knight.html

Eagle Scout Recognition & Contest:

www.sar.org/youth/eagle.html

JROTC/ROTC Awards:

www.sar.org/youth/jrotc.html

Poster Contest:

www.sar.org/youth/americanism.html

Youth Exchange Program:

www.sar.org/youth/

ReciprocalYouthExchange.pdf

National History Day:

www.nationalhistoryday.org

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**Win some of the
\$30,000 in cash
awarded each year by
DAR & SAR through
their Youth programs!**



**Enter
More Than One
Contest!!**

<http://www.sar.org/Youth>

<http://www.dar.org/natsociety/essays.cfm>

LEADERSHIP and EXPERIENCE

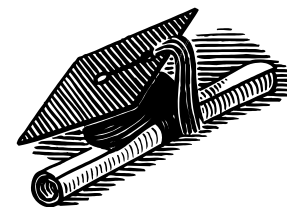
Leadership is a cardinal principle of the SAR and DAR, continuing the legacy of the leaders from whom we descend.

SAR Eagle Scout Scholarship Program
National awards are \$8,000, \$4,000, \$2,000. State and Chapter Level awards vary.

The Eagle Scout Scholarship Program specifically acknowledges Eagle Scouts' leadership skills developed while attaining this prestigious rank. Chapters participate in this program by acknowledging local Eagle Scouts with a certificate of recognition and encouraging them to enter into the scholarship program.

This scholarship program gives the youth an opportunity to summarize his scouting, community, religious, leadership, scholastic, and extracurricular activities. He follows up with a four generation ancestor chart and a 500 word essay on a patriotic theme from the Revolutionary War period. To judge these youth and to pick the winners is challenging. Contest is

open to all Eagle Scouts who have not reached their 19th birthday during the year of application. The following merit badges are given special consideration: American Heritage, Genealogy, Law



Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps / Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC/ROTC) Awards

SAR program for JROTC/ROTC cadets
National Level award is \$1000 +Trip to SAR Congress + Medallion/Ribbon for uniform wear.
State & Chapter Level awards are Medallions/ Ribbons.

The SAR ROTC and JROTC awards recognize those cadets who have a high degree of merit with respect to leadership qualities, military bearing and general excellence. This award is presented by a Chapter, a State Society, or the National Society to ROTC or JROTC cadets, upon recommendation of their Commanding Officer. The SAR ROTC Medal is approved by the United States Army, the United States Navy, the United States Marine Corps, and the United States Air Force.

Youth Exchange Program
SAR program for ages 12-20

No monetary award; Benefit is the life enhancing experience

This is not a contest, but the Youth Exchange Program is a way to meaningfully enrich a student's education. Young people from both countries can experience a different culture and develop new relationships with SAR members and families who share our heritage of freedom. This special program now includes C.A.R. members. The duration of visits can be adjusted, but are typically two to three weeks in duration with friendship and memories that last a lifetime.



Academic Contests

Each year both of these C.A.R. “parent organizations” give thousands of dollars to contest winners and all of these programs are open to students in public, private, pa-

renchial, and/or home schools. For more information about the particular contest or program contact the organization indicated in the description.



It is often said that lessons are not learned until they are applied. The Academic contests apply and strengthen comprehension of American History lessons through art, communication, writing and other applications. Chapters, States, and Divisions sponsor their contest winners to compete at the National level, with increasing financial rewards at each level.

These contests allow students to practice successful oral and written communications. Students can use this valuable experience and talk about their successes on college applications!



Joseph Rumbaugh Oration Contest SAR, Grades 9-12

National awards total \$11,000. State and Chapter Level awards vary.

Participants in this oration contest demonstrate effective oral communications – and C.A.R. members KNOW how to give speeches! This contest culminates in an inspiring National Orations Contest held at SAR Congress each year, with State winners representing their respective SAR State Societies.

Contest audiences are always impressed with the contestants’ intelligent content, skillful research on Revolutionary War history topics, and impressive deliveries!

George S. And Stella M. Knight Essay Contest SAR, Grades 10-12

National awards total \$3,500. State and Chapter Level awards vary.

Essay participants are given an opportunity to explore the influence of the Revolutionary War on present day America. Teachers remark that this contest is a good way for students to “take their lessons beyond the classroom and gain a deeper appreciation for this historical period as well as a reinforcement of lessons learned.”

While writing the essay, the student focuses on an event; person; philosophy; or ideal associated with the American Revolution, the Declaration of Independence, or the framing of the United States Constitution, and provides a well-researched and sourced document to communicate this research.

Christopher Columbus Essay Contest DAR, Grades 9-12

National awards total \$2,000. Division, State and Chapter Level awards vary.

Essay participants are given the opportunity to discuss “What lessons from Christopher Columbus’ life can we draw today to bring clarity to our decisions in the face of an uncertain future?” Every October Americans remember Christopher Columbus for his historic achievements in linking the Old and New Worlds.

The levels of competition are local, State, Division and National. Chapters and States may present monetary gifts in addition to certificates and the National winner reads his/her essay at the Columbus Memorial on Columbus Day in Washington D.C.

American History Essay Contest DAR, Grades 5-8

National certificate, gold pin, and monetary award. State and Chapter Level awards vary.

In the 2011-2012 contest, essay participants wrote on the topic: “*Young America Takes a Stand: The War of 1812.*”

The DAR American History Committee State Chairman selects the deadline date for essays (before April 1) from her state. This contest is conducted on the local, State, Division and National levels.

National Americanism Poster Contest SAR, for students in Grades 4&5

National awards total \$600. State and Chapter Level awards vary.

The National Americanism Poster Contest provides an opportunity for students to express their understanding of events of the American Revolution as it is introduced by their history teachers. The topic for 2011-2012 contest is “*The Battle of Guilford’s Courthouse*”. Topics change for each school year.

National History Day SAR, Grades 6-12

Awards vary from Medals to cash awards depending on the district.

Memorization of facts is a big part of surviving any History class, but participants in History Day activities learn the facts, and then apply them to intriguing presentations in an academic competition similar to a science fair. Students conduct research and select different methods of communicating their results. Many SAR members who attend History Day activities are very enthusiastic about this event.

SAR members support local History Day activities through financial contributions, judging history projects, recognizing students for outstanding projects in the field of American History 1750-1800, promoting History Day, and attending in support of local students who participate. Please check with your local SAR Chapter to determine the deadline for the first level District competition. The reward is a great experience for the students and inspiring for the judges!

Outstanding Student in American History SAR, Grades 11-12

Awards vary from Medals to cash awards.

Most schools have special awards ceremonies at the end of the academic year. One way that SAR can participate in this ceremony is to honor an “Outstanding American History Student” annually. Chapters often select several high schools in their jurisdiction and work with a History Teacher to determine the method of selection and requirements.