

# NSSAR King Eagle Scout Contest

## Essay Suggestions

The Patriotic Themed Essay should be approximately five-hundred words or less. The theme of the essay should be based on an event, person, philosophy or ideal associated with the American Revolution, or the Founding Documents. Some suggestions you may want to use for your theme:

1. Events
  - a. Events leading up to the Revolution, e.g. Boston Massacre, Tea Parties, Battle of Point Pleasant, etc.
  - b. A Battle, Campaign, or Expedition during the Revolution
  
2. Persons
  - a. Members of the Continental Congresses
  - b. Those who served in the military – Continental Army or Militias
  - c. Patriotic service by men or women other than those in the military
    - i. Civil Servants
    - ii. Members of Committees
    - iii. Those who rendered material aid
  - d. Prisoners of war
  
3. Philosophy or Ideals Associated with the American Revolution
  - a. Mecklenburg Declaration, 1775, Albemarle, Virginia Declaration, Halifax Resolves and similar.
  - b. Any pledge to support the cause of the Colonies, such as the oath of Fidelity and Support, Oath of Allegiance, Articles of Association, or the Association Test.
  
4. Founding Documents
  - a. Continental Association
  - b. Declaration of Independence
  - c. Articles of Confederation
  - d. US Constitution

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