



The Kentucky Pioneer

“United we stand, divided we fall.”



Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution

The Liberty Tree



Don Shaw, Executive Director at National Headquarters, has donated a Liberty Tree that has been or will be planted at a new Veterans Memorial Park in Oldham County, Kentucky. There will be a dedication service sometime, probably in August.

Members of the Kentucky Society are invited to take part in this ceremony. We plan to present colors, do a flag folding ceremony, a black-powder gun salute, and talk with the young people in attendance about our uniforms. This exposure could also attract some new members to our Society.

If you are interested in attending and taking part in this ceremony, send an e-mail to the editor at cscott@insightbb.com and he will contact you when the date is known..

Look at this video and learn the words to a few verses listed below as we plan on using this at future KYSSAR events.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Mxc1xN_7dc&feature=player_embedded

Plant the seed in our homeland, boys. Let it grow where all can see.
Feed it with our devotion, boys. Call it the Liberty Tree.

It's a tall old tree and a strong old tree,
And we are the Sons, yes, we are the Sons, the Sons of Liberty.

It will grow as we grow, boys. It will be as strong as we.
We must cling to our faith, boys, Faith in the Liberty Tree.

It's a tall old tree and a strong old tree,
And we are the Sons, yes, we are the Sons, the Sons of KainTuckee.

If you can't sing, learn the melody and either hum or whistle the tune. This will make us unique when KYSSAR members gather for an event. We may eventually learn more verses.

Fifers and drummers practice the tune as well. Contact Charlie for sheet music.

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2012 NSSAR Congress



Members of the KYSSAR attending the National Congress are from left to right: Tom Payne, President of the Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter and Past President of the KYSSAR, Rev. Forrest Bond Chilton, President of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter and new Vice President General of the Central District and Tom Geimeier, President of the Simon Kenton Chapter and currently President-Elect of the Kentucky Society.



Registrar General Lindsey Brock, our friend from Florida, poses with Rev. Forrest Chilton after he was inducted as Vice President General.



Rev. Forrest Bond Chilton, President of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter, takes the Oath of Office as he becomes the Vice President General of the Central District.



Our good friend and Compatriot from Ohio, Paul Wilke, receives the prestigious "Minuteman Award." Paul is flanked by President General Larry Magerkurth and his escort Bob Bowen.

2012 NSSAR Congress (continued)



President General Larry Magerkurth presents Rev. Chilton with one of several awards won by the Kentucky Society and Kentucky chapters.



One of the features at the NSSAR Congress was having SAR members write letters and mail them to our military personnel. This is what Forrest is doing.



Jim Strohmeier, from the Lafayette Chapter and Past President of the KYSSAR, at one of the luncheons.

Awards won at NSSAR Congress

- **CAR Activities Award (Kentucky Society)**
- **National Society Periodicals Award**
 Charlie Scott, Editor--Kentucky Society Yearbook
- **U.S. Stark Award – KY Society & Simon Kenton (Service to Veterans)**
 Gov. Isaac Shelby- Honorable Mention, but with the highest National point total
- **Syracuse Award – State Society with the most new Chapters (3)**
- **Genealogist General Award – State Society with the least amount of “Pended” applications – great work Chapter Registrars**
- **Liberty Bell Americanism Award – Gov. Isaac Shelby**
 (Chapter that best implements SAR principles & resolutions)
- **The Allene Wilson Groves Award – Kentucky Society**
 (State Society that best implements SAR resolutions & principles)
- **Center for Advancing America’s Heritage State Recognition Certificate**
- **The President General’s Activities Award – Simon Kenton 2nd place**
- **Partners in Patriotism Certificates – (events with the VFW, American Legion, etc)**
 Simon Kenton, Lt. Robert Moseley, Gov. Isaac Shelby
- **Liberty Medals to Kentucky Society Compatriots for being first-line signers for at least ten new members: William C. Schrader, Larry M. Leslie, Jesse L. Hagan, Daniel W. Dockrey Jr., & Alfred E. Coleman**

Pictures from the 2012 NSSAR Congress by Tom Geimeier

Kentucky Society #1 in Nation!!



#1 in implementing S.A.R. resolutions and principles



#1 in "Service to Veterans"

SAR/Children of the American Revolution Family



Scott Giltner (member of the Gov. Isaac Shelby SAR Chapter) and his family replaced flags and flowers on the graves of Rev. War veterans and their families in the Old Fredonia and Old Livingston Presbyterian Cemeteries near Fredonia KY. The photo of Scott with Andrew shows them replacing the flag and flowers at the marker for Lt. Col. James Hawthorn who commanded a regiment at Kings Mountain and was also at Cowpens. Lara Rose, Elizabeth and wife Terry also participated. Lara Rose, Elizabeth and Andrew are all members of the Jack Jouett Chapter of the Children of the American Revolution.



Fundraiser and Recognition For our troops and Veterans



A concert presented by the Pride of Kentucky Chorus of the Sweet Adelines

Internationally renowned women's organization singing barbershop harmony.

Sponsored by

The Corn Island Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution

A non-profit organization consisting of descendants of patriots of the American Revolution

Date: Sunday – October 14, 2012

Place: Clifton Center

2117 Payne Street

Louisville, Kentucky

Time: 2:00 p.m. til about 3:30p.m.

Cost: Tickets \$10.00

Proceeds to benefit our troops and veterans

**Please contact Janet Hickey Upton, Regent
at 502-426-7091 to purchase tickets**

Captain John Metcalfe Chapter



New members receiving membership certificates. Left to right; William M. Corum(accepting on behalf of his two grandsons); Larry A. Smith; Bill H. Smith; Lee R. Shaw; Robert E. Winstead (accepting on behalf of seven members of his family); James G. Stinson; Ira J. Johnston and Daniel W. Dockrey, President of chapter.



Daniel W. Dockrey, President of Captain John Metcalfe Chapter presenting the JROTC award to Cadet Devin Gilkey



Madisonville, Ky Police Chief Wade Williams presented a program on crime at chapter meeting.



New members receiving membership certificates on June 1, 2012. Left to right, Carl R. Sparks, John F. Tyson and Oswald M. Kington, Jr. and Daniel W. Dockrey, President of Captain John Metcalfe Chapter.

Calendar of State or National Events

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| August 18 | Blue Licks Luncheon and Memorial Service
Blue Licks State Park |
| September 14-15 | 225th Anniversary of the U. S. Constitution in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, |
| September 14-15 | Ceremony at Sycamore Shoals, site where over-mountain men gathered before Battle of Kings Mountain |
| October 7 | Battle of Kings Mountain, Blacksburg, SC |

Captain Charles Gatliff Chapter



Front Row: Clifford Jones, Ron Nicholas, J. B. Mountjoy, David Moore, Don Root and Gillis Wilder. Back Row: John Mountjoy, David Etter, David Bergman, Paul Falin, Arthur Jeffries, Wesley Jones and Michael Colegrove.



Students at CAAH session in Williamsburg, KY

The Capt. Charles Gatliff Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution met May 14th at the Hutton School of Business located on the campus of the University of the Cumberland. Following the opening ceremony and invocation, dinner was served.

Following dinner chapter president Michael Colegrove updated those in attendance about recent state wide and national publicity received related to a program that brought more that 1,000 5th grade students to the University of the Cumberland's campus to learn more about the founding of our nation. The "How We Became the United States of America: The Values that Built Our Nation" program provided in-service training to teachers and follow-up experiences for their students.

The program was funded by a grant from the Steele-Reese foundation and is a partnership involving the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, The University of Louisville, The University of the Cumberland and the Capt. Charles Gatliff Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Additional state wide publicity was received related to an educational effort conducted in

partnership with the Military Science Department of Knox Central High School. This program provided instructional materials to JROTC classes to support the curriculum in the area of Early American History. Cadets who completed the course of instruction will were presented certificates of completion during the graduation ceremony.

The guest speaker for the evening's program was Ron Nicholas, Bookstore Manager for the University of the Cumberland. Mr. Nicholas provided a presentation related to the Battle of Mill Springs.

The Battle of Mill Springs, also known as the Battle of Fishing Creek in Confederate terminology, and the Battle of Logan's Cross Roads in Union terminology, was fought in Wayne and Pulaski counties, near current Nancy, Kentucky, on January 19, 1862, as part of the American Civil War. While considered a small battle in comparison to many that followed in the Civil War, the battle at Mill Springs was the second largest in Kentucky—only Perryville had higher casualties.

Louisville Thruston Chapter



Croghans of Locust Grove commemorative marker

Sylvia Gazak, Fincastle Chaplain is at the podium while Louisville Thruston Color Guard Commander stands guard.

John Marshall DAR Chapter house marking ceremony. Picture at top shows Kentucky DAR Regent Jessieanne Wells, Color Guard Commander Dan Klinck and KYSSAR Treasurer Richard Bierman. Other pictures show the DAR marker and porch view of house with marker attached.



Locust Grove Commemorative Marker dedicated in Cave Hill to the builder of Locust Grove, William Croghan.

Mr. Croghan was married to Lucy Clark, sister of George Rogers Clark. This service was co-sponsored by the Fincastle DAR Chapter and Historic Locust Grove. Pictured (L-R) Keitt Wood, Fincastle Regent; Genevieve Haley, Fincastle Librarian; Sylvia Gazak, Fincastle Chaplain; Dan Klinck, Louisville-Thruston Chapter; Tricia Langley, Fincastle Corresponding Secy; Carol Ely, Executive Director of Historic Locust Grove; and Gwynne Potts, President of the Board, Historic Locust Grove, Inc.

Color Guard Commander Dan Klinck fired a musket salute and Doug Collins provided musical support.

Louisville Thruston Chapter (continued)

Louisville Thruston Chapter Honors World War II Veterans



Seventeen WW II vets attended L.T.'s Flag Day Meeting on Saturday, June 16, 2012 and were presented the SAR War Service Medal with WW II Bar.

Standing (L-R) David Head (color guard), Foster Burba, Everett Rush, Jennings Watkins, Clyde Hamm, Edmund Myles, Wallace Horine, William Camp, Duke Carlisle, Robert Valentine, Cedric Denny, Henry Head (color guard).

Seated (L-R) Leslie Black, Samuel Swope, Edsel Reed, Everett Bethune, Gordon Snyder, Morris Futrell, Donald Thom.

Editor's note: A week after being honored by his chapter, Everett Bethune (middle of front row) passed away.

Naturalization Ceremony



Richard Bierman posing with new citizens after a recent Naturalization ceremony.

Richard also teaches a class in Citizenship at Friendship International. This instruction helps prepare the applicants for the test prior to becoming a citizen.

Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter/Cox's Station DAR

Members of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter (Vic Bitter, Larry Selby, Forrest Chilton, Bob Bynum, Chuck Scott and Charlie Scott) assisted the Cox's Station DAR Chapter in a Flag Retirement ceremony on Flag Day.



Patriotic music was provided by this Union Civil War group-- Vic Bitter stands at attention with his gun.



Boy Scouts salute while retiring several flags.



Bob Bynum reads a passage entitled "I am Old Glory" at the Flag retirement ceremony.



Maurice Fegenbush is presented a certificate for Patriotism by Cox's Station DAR Chapter Regent Carolyn Goodman.

GIS/VFW Flag Retirement Service



On the left, Vic Bitter and his four Grandsons (all dressed in period attire) and on the right, Tom Higgins and his Granddaughter Molly Kate.

Pictures were taken at a recent joint SAR/VFW Flag retirement service.



Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter (continued)



Larry Selby, Rev. Forrest Chilton and Charlie Scott installed a Patriot Grave marker at the grave site of Patriot Samuel Phillips. The crew had trouble determining which stone belonged to Patriot Phillips. Larry suggested rubbing flour on the stone that we thought was the right one. As you can see, the flour did the trick as you could read the name and dates clearly. A ceremony was conducted at the site earlier in the year by chapter members and some compatriots in Louisville for the Derby Parade.

Fourth of July at Fort Knox



The Fourth of July ceremony at Fort Knox featured eleven flags of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter. The Fort Knox band played several patriotic songs and there was one round of artillery fire for each of the 50 states. Brigadier General George Rogers Clark (Mel Hankla) and Fort Knox Commander Major General Jefforey Smith posed after the ceremony for a group photo. (continued on next page)

Fourth of July at Fort Knox



KYSSAR member, Mel Hankla was the featured speaker at the Fort Knox Fourth of July celebration. Mel did an excellent job as he told the crowd about George Rogers Clark and the conquest of the Northwest territory..



Major General Jefforey Smith, Mel Hankla (with a George Rogers Clark flag) and Command Sgt. Major Hershel Turner.

C.A.R. members at Fort Knox



Jack Jouett C.A.R. members Lara Rose, Elizabeth and Andrew Giltner attended the Fort Knox Fourth of July celebration where their father (Scott) was part of the SAR Color Guard.

Afterwards, the Giltners took part in some family events at the post. The tank was of special interest because their maternal grandfather went through armor training at Fort Knox, was an officer in the Armored Cavalry, and served in the same type of tank as in the photo.

Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter

The Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter along with the General Evan Shelby Chapter DAR held a Flag Day Picnic June 14th at the Legion Park in Owensboro, KY. The Community Band preformed patriotic music during the picnic. The Moseley Chapters Color Guard presented the Colors. Speaker Spencer Brewer gave a talk on various flags from before the revolution up to modern day.



Lt. Robert Moseley Color Guard presenting Colors and standards at their Flag Day picnic.



Left to right: Robert Brooks, Maurice Worthington, Frankie Jones, DAR Member and Gary Tunget.



Guest speaker Spencer Brewer, his wife Linda, Edith Bennett and Caroline and Chapter President Tom Payne--co-hosts of the picnic.

Big Sandy Chapter



At a recent Big Sandy SAR Chapter meeting, Gary Howard, Big Sandy SAR Chapter Registrar presented a SAR Medal of Appreciation to Mary Ellen Reid, Regent of the Louisa DAR Chapter. Regent Reid has referred five new SAR members to the Big Sandy Chapter.

On the picture to the right, new member T. J. Litafik has his SAR rosette pinned on by fiancée Ashley McAtee. Betty Howard, Pikeville DAR member looks on.

Captain Charles Gatliff Chapter



The Captain Charles Gatliff Chapter held their annual "Let Freedom Ring" ceremony July 4th on the campus of the College of the Cumberland. The picture on the left has Chapter President Dr. Michael Colegrove and Past Chapter President J.B. Mountjoy. On the right is a group picture that includes several members of the William Whiteley DAR Chapter. The Honorable Eugene E. Siler, Jr., Senior Circuit Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit served as the event's speaker.

Simon Kenton Chapter



Members of the Daniel Boone Color Guard of the Simon Kenton Chapter waiting at reception line at recent Honor Flight. Members (L-R) are: Tom Geimeier, Jeff hampton, Pat Berry, Justin Schwebler, John Ziegler, & Kent Marcum



Group waiting for Veterans



Veterans returning from trip to Washington D.C. to visit war memorials.



Justin Schwebler leads Color Guard as they present colors.



Compatriot Pat Berry and Simon Kenton Chapter wreath at ceremony.

Simon Kenton Chapter (continued)

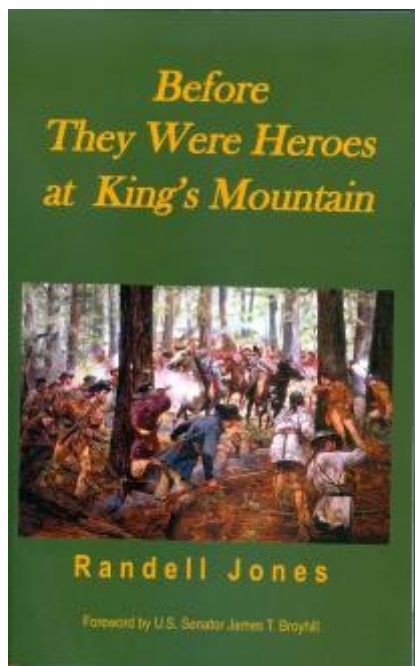


Black-powder gun salute by the Simon Kenton Chapter Daniel Boone Color Guard.



Simon Kenton Color Guard at the Cincinnati Observatory.

“Before They Were Heroes at Kings Mountain” by Randell Jones



Members from three DAR Chapters, two SAR Chapters and members of the Painted Stone Settlers listened attentively as Randell Jones told the story of “Before They Were Heroes at Kings Mountain.”

Several people, in attendance, had ancestors who fought in this important battle that turned the tide of the Revolutionary War.



As tokens of our appreciation, Tom Higgins presents Randell Jones a SAR Certificate of Appreciation and the Rev. Forrest Chilton and Charlie Scott presented him with a framed document signed by Gov. Isaac Shelby on June 28, 1792.



Tom Higgins and Charlie Scott presented DAR member Lynn Shea with a SAR Certificate and Medal of Appreciation.



John Marshall DAR members: Laura Jones, Jeanette Wortham and Lynn Shea.

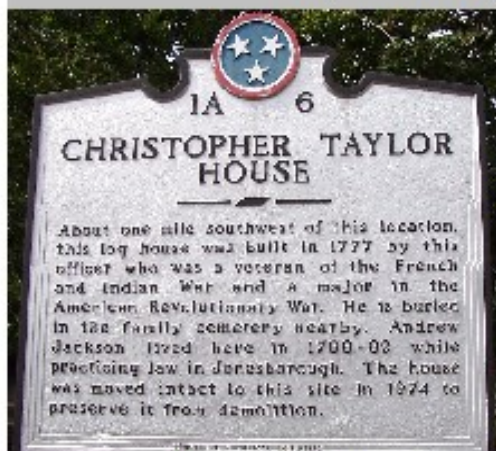


(L-R) Myra Evans (DAR member), Tom Higgins, Sarabeth Farabee(Isaac Shelby DAR) and Larry Selby.

*232nd Gathering at Sycamore Shoals
Grave-marking Ceremony for Captain Christopher Taylor, Jonesborough
225th Anniversary of the Signing of the United States Constitution
September 14-15, 2012*

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.

Captain Christopher Taylor Grave-marking Ceremony



Before he lived at THE HERMITAGE
Andrew Jackson lived here



Christopher Taylor House

West Main Street, Jonesborough, TN 37659

Christopher Taylor Cemetery

250 Old Route 34, Jonesborough, TN 37659

Reception at hotel—5:00 p.m.

Dinner at Peerless Restaurant—6:30 p.m.

HOLIDAY INN Johnson City, 101 W. Springbrook Dr., Johnson City, TN 37604

Hotel is just off I-26—Reservations: 423.282.4611 (mention SAR for special \$77 rate)



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

1651 West Elk Avenue (US Highway 321), Elizabethton, TN 37643

Wreath Laying Ceremony and Celebration

**232nd Anniversary of the Gathering at Sycamore Shoals at Fort Watauga, Elizabethton
And Observance of the 225th Anniversary of the Signing of the United States Constitution**



Everyone is
invited:
SAR, SOR, DAR,
C.A.R., OVTA,
DVF, Color
Guardsmen,
and the
General Public

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John Manire Chapter



A dozen SAR members from KY, TN and IN gather after the dedication of the SAR monument to 71 Patriots was unveiled at the KY Veterans' Cemetery West at Hopkinsville, KY. More than 200 attended the monument unveiling. Photo by Bill Zarella.



John Manire Chapter, KYSSAR President Robert L. Fears, Sr.; Christian County Historian, Prof. William Turner, and Valentine Sevier Chapter, TNSSAR President Cleo Hogan, at the unveiling of the SAR monument to 71 Revolutionary War Patriots, KY Veterans Cemetery West, Hopkinsville, KY, 4 July 2012.



Bob Fears, John Manire Chapter President and Barbara Smith, DAR/SAR Liaison, KSDAR and Registrar of the Colonel John Green Chapter, KSDAR



Members of the Colonel John Green Chapter, KSDAR



Monument erected by the John Manire Chapter to honor Christian County, Kentucky Revolutionary War Veterans.

Christopher Miller--Patriot in the War of 1812 Grave marking service--Elizabethtown, KY



Cassandra Carroll, descendant of Patriot Christopher Miller, removes the cover from the tombstone.



Ruth Korzenborn, President Kentucky Society, U.S. Daughters 1812, Will Schrader, President Kentucky General Society War of 1812 and Mary David Myles, V.P. General, U.S. Daughters 1812 stands proudly with the Kentucky Militia Flag of the War of 1812.



KSDAR Regent Jessieanne Wells, Susan Lewis (Cox's Station DAR), Chuck Scott (Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter, KYSSAR and Roger Bain from the Lafayette Chapter, KYSSAR.



Members of the Captain Jacob Van Meter DAR Chapter



Joe Parish and Scott Giltner from the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter, KYSSAR fire their guns in a black-powder gun salute.



Flag-Folding Ceremony
Charlie Scott, Chuck Scott & Bob Bynum

Watch video of this event at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VStixx7I7Dc&feature=player_embedded