



The Kentucky Pioneer

“United we stand, divided we fall.”



Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution

The Liberty Tree



The threat of rain did not dampen the spirits of those who attended the dedication service of the Liberty Tree at the proposed Veterans Memorial Park in Crestwood, KY. It was special doing the ceremony and having members of the C.A.R., DAR and Boy Scouts there for support. In addition to having the Regents and members of five DAR DAR Chapters (Corn Island, Cox's Station, Fincastle, John Marshall,

and Peter Force) KSDAR Regent Jessieanne Wells attended the event. NSSAR Executive Director Don Shaw donated the tree and was on the program talking about the History of the Liberty Tree. Other dignitaries included: NSSAR President General David Sympson and his wife Evelyn, NSSAR Treasurer General Lindsey Brock and his wife Billie and NSSAR Registrar General Michael Tomme and his wife Cillia. If having three National officers was not enough, a fourth--Vice President General of the Central District, Rev. Forrest Bond Chilton ran the program.

Members of the Gov. Isaac Shelby SAR Chapter sang the Liberty Tree song, gave a flag-folding demonstration and did a black-powder gun salute to honor the Veterans for which the park was designed. The Chairman of the Veterans Memorial Park Committee, Don Helton, was presented with a Bronze Good Citizenship medal for his work with Veterans and the Memorial Park.



Forrest Chilton, Chuck Scott and Bob Bynum join Charlie Scott on the fife as they sang the Liberty Tree song



Charlie Scott, Chuck Scott, Rev. Forrest Chilton and Scott Giltner give a Flag-folding demonstration in honor of the many Veterans for whom this new park is designed.

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Liberty Tree Dedication Veterans Memorial Park, Crestwood, KY



The Liberty Tree is planted and is projected to grow to be a huge tree. It will be the focal point of the Veterans Memorial Park. The Colors and Standards are posted by a combined SAR/Boy Scouts Color Guard.



Don Shaw, who donated the tree and KSDAR Regent Jessieanne Wells.



Zachary Selby, Grandson of SAR member Larry Selby, leads the Pledge to the Flag.



Black-Powder shooters Vic Bitter, Dennis Scott, Joe Parish and Marshall Wilkins wait to fire a gun salute.



Tom Jones and Vic Bitter



Enjoying the program were (L-R) NSSAR PG David Sympton and his wife Evelyn, NSSAR Treasurer General Lindsey Brock and his wife Billie and NSSAR Registrar General Michael Tomme and his wife Cilla.



DAR members from four chapters (Corn Island, Fincastle, John Marshall and Peter Foree) pose with their State Regent Jessieanne Wells.

Ladies, we appreciate your support!

Challenge Coin goes to the Olympics

Before Clark Burckle, Louisville swimmer, went to the Olympic Trials, family friend John Clay Barnett (SAR member) gave Clark's father a SAR "Challenge Coin" and told him give it to his son as a challenge to do his best. It appears that Clark accepted the challenge as he finished in the top two in the trials and won a spot to represent America in the Olympic games.

Clark swam the two fastest races of his life in the semi-finals and finals of the Olympic 200 meter breaststroke competition. In the finals he finished sixth against the worlds fastest swimmers. Great job Clark--we are proud of you!



2012 Congress Matching Gift Challenge

During the 122nd Congress held in Phoenix, Arizona Dr. Sam Powell, President of The SAR Foundation, announced that he and his wife Karen will make a \$1.5 million gift to the Center for Advancing America's Heritage, payable in 2012.

Dr. Powell also announced that Societies will be given double credit for all future payments to the CAAH up to \$1.5 million towards the state Challenge Campaign. This campaign seeks to have all Societies reach a combined goal of an average of \$250 given to the CAAH, per member, and more than 20% of the members donating. A new target is established to have half - 50% - of the Compatriot membership contribute - in any amount - to the completion of the construction project now in sight, with full pride in what has been accomplished by so many efforts.

Please make checks payable to: The SAR Foundation with CAAH written on the "Note" or "For" line on the bottom left side of the check.

If you have any questions regarding the Matching Gift Challenge, please do not hesitate to contact Linda Dunn at (502) 315-1777 or via email to ldunn@sar.org

Kentucky Chapters

& Kentucky SAR members

Can we meet the Challenge?

Ft. Laurens, Ohio Memorial Service



Compatriots left to right: Jesse Moore (Simon Kenton Chapter,) Vice President General of the Central District Rev. Forrest Bond Chilton, President of the OHSSAR Steven Kelley, NSSAR President General Stephen Leishman, Tom Geimeier (President-Elect KYSSAR,) former VPG of the Central District T. Rex Legler and Paul Schenk (OHSSAR.)

Captain William Arnold Chapter

CWAC Project Bread, helping feed our community, helped four local groups (Corinth Worship Center; Williamstown Senior Citizen Center; Spears Foundation - Soup Kitchen; and the Sparta Baptist Church who served Veterans and others in the community. This project was due to a local merchant who wanted to help veterans and our community to help those who may need food and to let them know they are not forgotten..Our chapter project served 57 (22.47%) Veterans and 199 others (77.53%) with two chapter members and six volunteers helping on this project with a total of 254 people served.



Jackie Miller

KYSSAR Color Guard Patriot John W. Whittle, Sr. Grave Marking Service Whittle Cemetery, Liberty, KY



Sallie Cheatham Smith, DAR Chaplain says the opening prayer.



Pledge to the flag.



Tom Higgins, Past President of the Kentucky Society SAR, salutes after presenting the KYSSAR wreath.



Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter members Tom Higgins, J.C. Barnett and Charlie Scott fold the American Flag during the service.



Jasmyn Johnston, Jack Jouett C.A.R. member plays Amazing Grace as a music tribute.



Mel Hankla stands at attention while Jennifer Fair sings our National Anthem.



Gravestone and SAR marker for Patriot John W. Whittle, Sr.



Joe Parish and Scott Giltner fire a gun salute

Dar members attending the Patriot Grave marking service were: Jeanette Wortham, Susan Lewis, KY Regent Jessieanne Wells, Marcie Murdock, Barbara Zink, Ruth Korsenborn, Sharlene Cooper, Carolyn Goodman and Ann Franklin.



Louisville Thruston Chapter



Will Schrader poses with newly Naturalized citizens.



Attending a joint SAR, DAR, C.A.R. luncheon were members of the Jack Jouett C.A.R. Chapter and some of the senior leaders.



Present at the joint SAR, DAR, C.A.R. luncheon were: KYSSAR President-Elect Tom Geimeier, KYSSAR President Harry Geimeier, Louisville Thruston Chapter President-Elect Doug Collins, PG David Sympson and KYSSAR Treasurer Richard Bierman.



Louisville Thruston Chapter Color Guard members: Jon Huffman, Will Schrader, Hener Head and Commander Dan Klinck.



Louisville Thruston Chapter Color Guard at Louisville Bats baseball game

KYSSAR Color Guard Patriot Captain Edmund Fair, Sr. Grave Marking Service Fair Cemetery, Liberty, KY



Gov. Isaac Shelby members, Larry Selby (mixing concrete), Forrest Chilton (supervising) and Charlie Scott set the SAR marker prior to the grave marking ceremony.



Al Coleman (Lafayette Chapter member) salutes during the pledge to the flag.



Mel Hankla, (Louisville Thruston member) and a descendant of Patriot Fair, talks about his ancestor.



Al Coleman (Lafayette Chapter) and Dr. B.J. Parsons, President of the Count Casimir Pulaski Chapter.



Event organizer, Jeanette Russell Wortham, places a flower by the grave of her ancestor. KSDAR Vice Regent, Barbara Zink holds the umbrella.



Flags posted at cemetery



Sheriff Korsenborn plays taps on his trumpet.

Jack Jouett C.A.R. Chapter wreath presented by President Natalia Johnston.



Big Sandy Chapter members honoring Patriots and getting more new members



The gravesite of Patriot Thomas C. Brown was originally pointed out to us by chapter member John David Preston, a descendant of said patriot. I guess that the DAR chapter at Paintsville probably placed the government marker, since John David's mother and sister were active in that chapter. Making a path with a weed-eater back to the grave site, are Roger Ratliff and Jerry Nichols. This gravesite has not been weeded this year and as a result we will need to re-visit this site in the fall. Prior to this year this site was maintained by someone other than the SAR.

Patriot Thomas C. Brown was born in Aug, 1761 in Hampshire County, Va and enlisted in the Va Line in Hampshire County and lived there until 1827. At that time he moved to Floyd County, KY and applied for his pension 17 Sep 1832. The soldier married Mary Brown on 15 Dec 1831 and he died Apr 1857. (Pictures by Gary Howard)



Before and after pictures of the burial site for Patriot Ayres Vaughan. The Big Sandy Chapter members pictured are left to right Roger Ratliff & Jerry Nichols. Big Sandy SAR members also weeded this gravesite prior to memorial day of this year and placed a flag thereon. This gravesite was originally pointed out to us by one of our members Jim Spencer. Patriot Aristophus T. Vaughan was in the Battle of Guilford Courthouse and also provided material aid to a hospital for Revolutionary War soldiers. His grave is located in Prestonburg, Floyd Co., Kentucky.



The Big Sandy Chapter had their scheduled meeting August 25, 2012 at the Jenny Wiley Lodge, Prestonsburg, KY. This meeting was well attended with fifteen regular SAR members and two prospective SAR members in attendance. There were also five DAR members and two guest present. Three new members received their new member rosettes. They were Jimmy Marcum, John Scott, and Ed Austin. Chapter President Dr. Larry Leslie led this ceremony. At the meeting, member Jason Reichenbach presented a program where he discussed some of the weapons used in the Revolution.

KYSSAR State meeting



Jessie Moore, Simon Kenton Chapter,
leads the Color Guard



The KYSSAR held its state meeting at the NSSAR library.



Receiving the Liberty medal for being the first-line signer for ten new members are:
Dr. William Schrader, Dr. Larry Leslie and Al Coleman.



Del White received a
Service to Veterans
medal.



New flag that honors military personnel who gave the
ultimate sacrifice for our country. The flag is being held by
Joe Parish and Tom Higgins.



Simon Kenton Chapter members Harvey Hampton
and Jessie Moore accept the Stark Memorial award
won by the Simon Kenton Chapter.

Battle of Blue Licks Memorial Luncheon (KYSSAR)



Flags posted at Blue Licks luncheon by a combined Kentucky Color Guard.

Members from eight Kentucky Chapters were represented (Gov. Isaac Shelby, Simon Kenton, Big Sandy, John Howe, George Mason, Louisville Thruston, Lafayette, and Captain William Arnold.) States represented were: Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia and Florida. VIP's attending were: PG David Sympson and his wife Evelyn, Past VP General of the Central District Rex Legler, West Virginia National Trustee Lance Carter and his wife Judy, VP General of the Central District Rev. Forrest Chilton, Kentucky State President Harry Geimeier, Kentucky President-Elect Tom Geimeier and his wife Mary, past KYSSAR President Tom Higgins, Jack Jouett C.A.R. President Natalia Johnston and Presidents of six Kentucky Chapters. Last, but not least, our speaker Major General (Ret.) Carl Black and his wife.

General Black presented a very inspiring message to those in attendance. He said "You can lose a battle but you cannot lose the war!" He blended his message around the fact that the battle was lost at Blue Licks but the Patriots who fought there helped Kentucky gain statehood. He compared the above with what has been happening in our country as we have gradually lost some battles (without fighting) but we cannot afford to lose the war!



Major General (Ret.) Carl Black speaking at the luncheon and holding a Liberty Bell presented for his service to our Country and his continued patriotic service.

Battle of Blue Licks Memorial Service (KYSSAR)



Vice President General of the Central District, Rev. Forrest Chilton at the Blue Licks Memorial service.



Vic Bitter



Jasmyn Johnston plays Amazing Grace as a music tribute.



Presenting wreaths are: Mary Geimeier (Boone County DAR), Lance Carter (WVSSAR), Rex Legler (INSSAR), Chuck Farmer (Jacksonville, FL SAR) and Brian Schilling (Captain Wm. Arnold Chapter)



Robert Brent (Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter), Sam Hatcher (Big Sandy Chapter) and Lance Carter (John Howe Chapter)



Simon Kenton Chapter Riflemen: John Ziegler, Justin Schwebler and John Rogers.



SAR & DAR at Blue Licks



Black-Powder Gun Salute



Scott Giltner Played taps to conclude the service.

Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter



GIS members Tom Higgins, Forest Chilton, Chuck Scott and Charlie Scott do a flag-folding ceremony at Blue Licks memorial service.



GIS members on float during parade at Fredonia, KY



For the last six years, the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter has been #1 in the nation in "Service to Veterans." Several of their members have received the "Service to Veterans" medal. Some of them, Rev. Forrest Chilton, Philip Yenowine, Reggie Roberson and Bill Linnell are individual leaders in the nation.

Despite being slowed by illness, Philip Yenowine continues to collect books and other items for the Veterans. Recently, Forrest Chilton and Charlie Scott assisted Philip by taking 46 boxes of books and a good supply of personal hygiene items to the VA Hospital in Cincinnati.

Philip, congratulations for your "Service to Veterans"



Two of the students show off their penmanship generated by use of the quill pen. The other two recited the preamble to the Constitution. All four of them, as well as some handicapped students were given Liberty Bell coins.



Colleen Wilson, Director of the Center for Advancing America's Heritage joined members of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter at the Painted Stone Settlers student day. Our group sponsored a booth where the students could try their hand at writing with a quill pen. Over 700 students attended this event. **Thanks Colleen!**

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**

Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter (continued)

Middletown Family Festival Parade



Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter members take part in the Middletown Family Fun Festival parade.



Jack Jouett Children of the American Revolution members joined in the fun by riding on the float. Elizabeth, Andrew and Lara Beth are children of Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter member Scott Giltner.

Painted Stone Settlers--Long Run Massacre & Prisoner exchange



Indians gather and prepare their plans before attacking settlers moving from Painted Stone to Lynn Station.



Over 700 students from several schools watched a demonstration of cannon firing and the re-enactment of the Indian attack on the Painted Stone Settlers.



Frontier church service was led by Sister Yolonda.



A very emotional prisoner exchange service was held. Mothers in tears searching for children who had been taken by the Indians. A young goat and other supplies were traded by the settlers to gain the release of a few captives.



Members of the Gpv. Isaac Shelby Chapter plus some of the Painted Stone Settlers presented Colors before the re-enactments.

Simon Kenton Chapter



Simon Kenton Chapter attendees at the Blue Licks Memorial Service



State President Harry Geimeier with a great bass!

Brother, Tom Geimeier said he thought Harry got the fish at Bass Pro Shop!

Actually, Harry caught his trophy bass at Kentucky Lake. From looking at the length and girth of the fish we guess it tipped the scales between 7 and 8 lbs.



KYSSAR President Harry Geimeier takes time away from fishing to present the KYSSAR wreath at the memorial service at Blue Licks .



New Simon Kenton Banner

Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter



Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter held its meeting Sept 12th at the Owensboro Police Department Community room. Mike Mills did an Outstanding Job presenting "Living History the Accoutrements of a Frontier Gentleman." Included in his presentation was his collection of early weapons and various object that were used during the American Revolution to about 1812.

Grave marking service for Patriot Judge William Worthington



The Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter along with the Ohio Valley INSSAR conducted a SAR Grave marking ceremony on Thursday, September 13, 2012 for Revolutionary War Soldier Judge William Worthington. The ceremony took place in the family burial plot Island, KY. The Worthington family placed a new marker for Patriot Worthington's wife, Mary Meason Worthington, to match her husbands Veteran marker placed in 1989 by the Capt. William Rowan Chapter DAR. About 50 people from several states attended the service. The pictures show a close up of Patriot Worthington's stone with the SAR marker and a picture of both stones and the SAR Color Guard.

Color Guard members from left to right are: Spencer Brewer, John Franklin Jones, Gary Tunget, Earnie Payne, Bob Ellis, Ken Gilkey and Maurice Worthington.

Capt. Charles Gatliff Chapter

The Capt. Charles Gatliff Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution met September 13th at the Hutton School of Business located on the campus of the University of the Cumberlands. Following an opening ceremony and dinner chapter members viewed a video production of the 9/11 Commemoration Ceremony conducted on September 11, 2012. The featured speaker for this event was COL (Ret.) Mike Farley. The video featured the University of the Cumberlands Marching Band and the University's Army ROTC Honor Guard. The event was conducted in Patriot Park located at the Hutton School of Business.



Pictured are those in attendance: Back Row: Michael Colegrove, John Mountjoy, Wesley Jones, Paul Falin, Herman Moore, Donnie Rains and Roy Siler. Front Row: Gillis Wilder, Ernie Siler, Clifford Jones, J.B. Mountjoy, Eugene Siler, III and Eugene Siler, Jr.

Schedule: National Events

September 28 & 29	NSSAR Leadership meetings Brown Hotel, Louisville, KY Reservations @ 502-589-1776
October 5-7	Battle of Point Pleasant Tu-Endie-Wei State Park Point Pleasant, WV
October 7	Battle of Kings Mountain Blacksburg, South Carolina
October 12 & 13	Central District meeting Holiday Inn Cincinnati Airport 1717 Airport Exchange Blvd. Erlanger, KY 41018
Nov. 30--Dec. 2	Battle of Great Bridge Chesapeake, VA

Attending and taking part in events like those above can help you earn the following medals:
Bronze and Silver Color Guard & the new Baron Von Steuben medal

Fall KYSSAR Meeting

Where: James Harrod Conference Center
430 W. Lexington St
Harrodsburg, KY.

When: Saturday, October 27th



Schedule:
Board of Governors meeting: 10:30 AM
Regular meeting: 11 AM



Cost: \$18.00

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