



The Kentucky Pioneer

“United we stand, divided we fall.”



Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution

SAR, DAR, C.A.R. & Descendants of Patriots

at Blue Licks Memorial Service

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Members from several SAR, DAR & C.A.R. Chapters joined together to pay tribute to those Patriots who fought in the Battle of Blue Licks. There were also four descendants of Patriots who were actually in the Battle. A total of 16 wreaths were presented.



Tom Geimeier
KYSSAR President

2014 KYSSAR Officer Slate submitted by the Nominating Committee

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Election at KYSSAR meeting, Nov. 2, 2013

Bio's for those nominated for KYSSAR Positions

KYSSAR President



Douglas T. Collins Doug is currently serving as President-Elect of the Kentucky Society and is also President of the Louisville Thruston Chapter. In addition, he serves as the chapter webmaster. He has served on the Internal Audit Committee of the National Society, having been appointed by each of the last four President-Generals. He has completed three audits for the Internal Audit Committee and performed observations of the annual inventory of the Merchandise Department for each of the last three years. Doug has received the Meritorious Service Medal and the Roger Sherman Gold Medal for service to the National Society, as well as a Meritorious Service Award for service at the Chapter Level. Additionally, he has received the Lafayette Medal with a Bronze Cluster for volunteer service to the National Society, the Liberty Medal, the Lamplighter Award and the Thomas Jefferson Medal. He is married to Alison McKinney Collins (a fourth generation member of the DAR) and his sons Hunter and Christopher are both members of the Kentucky Society.

KYSSAR President-Elect



Charles Richard "Chuck" Scott Chuck is currently serving as Vice President of the Kentucky Society and is also President of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter. A few years back he accepted the position of Kentucky Chair for the 2015 NSSAR Congress that will be held in Louisville. Chuck has surrounded himself with good people as he tackles this job. He is a retired Army Veteran and a devout patriotic compatriot. Chuck is very active in his chapter's color guard. He has taken part in 58 Patriot Grave marking services and a total of 240 color guard activities in the past five years. Chuck has received both the Meritorious and Patriot medal at the state level and the Meritorious and Good Citizenship medal at the chapter level. He has also earned both the Bronze and Silver Color Guard medals and served as Central District Color Guard Commander. Chuck is a Realtor® with Century 21, Joe Guy Hagan Realtors. He has been married for 39 years to Laurel Otto. They have two sons and two grandsons--all future SAR members.

KYSSAR Secretary



Delbert B "Del" White, III Del is currently serving as Secretary of the Kentucky Society and has served in that capacity under presidents Forrest Chilton, Harry Geimeier and Tom Geimeier. White has developed and implemented a database for Kentucky members and has included data for all past and present members of the society. He developed a stand-alone version of the database and has distributed it to all chapter presidents and secretaries. He is past president of the Lafayette Chapter, and has served as newsletter editor, webmaster, and VP for that chapter. White also holds the chairmanship of the Patriot & Grave Registry, a NSSAR committee and volunteers in the development and implementation of the P&G Registry at <http://patriot.sar.org>. He is married to Nadine White and his son Cameron is a member of the society.

KYSSAR Treasurer



Richard B. Bierman Dick has been Treasurer of the Kentucky Society for several years. He is a member of the Louisville Thruston Chapter and a dual member of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter. He takes part in the color guard units of both chapters. He specializes in the Naturalization of new citizens by conducting a class for the candidates and also is there when they are naturalized. He is a graduate of the University of Kentucky and served in the U.S. Army.

KYSSAR Registrar



Jessie L. Hagan Jessie is a genealogist at National Headquarters and has served as the Kentucky Registrar for several years. He is a member of the Louisville Thruston Chapter and a Past President of the Kentucky Society.

Bio's for those nominated for KYSSAR Positions (continued)

KYSSAR Vice President & KYSSAR Surgeon



Dr. Larry M. Leslie, M.D. Dr. Leslie is currently Surgeon for the Kentucky Society and has been a member of the SAR since 1989. He has served two terms as Chapter President of the Big Sandy Chapter--from 1995 to 2002 and from 2007 to the present date. His chapter is the fastest growing chapter in the state. Larry graduated from Transylvania University in 1970 with a BA Degree and received his MD degree from the University of Louisville in 1974. After serving his Internship he opened his Medical Practice in Prestonburg, KY where he is certified in both Family Practice and Geriatrics.

KYSSAR Vice President



Jesse Gordon Moore Jesse is currently President of the Simon Kenton Chapter. He is an active member of his chapter's color guard--one of the most active in the state. Jesse is active in youth activities as he is involved when his chapter makes presentations at schools, civic organizations and DAR meetings. Jesse has been a SAR member since 2004--originally with the Cincinnati Chapter where he served as Treasurer and Registrar. He transferred to the Simon Kenton Chapter in 2011 and in addition to his current position he served one year as Vice President. Jesse has earned the Bronze Color Guard and Service to Veterans medals.

KYSSAR Historian



Charles E. Scott, Jr. Charlie has served as Historian for the State Society for several years. In addition to publishing the Kentucky Society newsletter, that currently is issued to about 1000 subscribers, he has also published three Kentucky Society yearbooks--one of which won a National award. Charlie is a NSSAR volunteer--usually assisting the NSSAR Registrar. He has been awarded a Meritorious Service award at the National level for producing videos of the renovation of our new library and headquarters buildings. He has also earned the Patriot and Distinguished Service medals at the state level. He is an active member of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter Color Guard where he plays the fife. He has both the Bronze and Silver Color Guard medals and a Service to Veterans medal with a Silver Oak-leaf cluster. He has 98 Patriot Grave markings to his credit and a total of 376 SAR events since joining the SAR in 2005. Charlie was in the banking business for 42 years. His education includes: BS Degree from the University of Louisville, Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin (Madison) and a Masters Degree in Marketing from Webster University of St. Louis. Charlie served six years with the Kentucky Air National Guard

KYSSAR Chaplain



Dr. Michael Colegrove has recently served as Chaplain for the KYSSAR and is current President of the Captain Charles Gatliff Chapter. Michael earned his Bachelor of Science Degree from Cumberland College, his Master of Arts Degree at Eastern Kentucky University and earned the Doctor of Philosophy Degree from George Peabody College of Vanderbilt University. He retired, after 30 years in the military, with the rank of Colonel. He resides in Williamsburg, Kentucky with his wife Donna. He is employed by The University of the Cumberlands where he serves as Vice President for Student Services, Director of Leadership Studies and Professor of Education.

KYSSAR Chancellor



Jason Reichenbach is a member of the Big Sandy Chapter and is an attorney in Paintsville, KY. He is currently serving as Chancellor for the KYSSAR.

National Trustee



Tom and Harry Geimeier. Both are members of the Simon Kenton Chapter and have served as President of their chapter and the KYSSAR .

Alt. Nat'l Trustee



Simon Kenton Chapter



Chapter President Jesse Moore, Tom Geimeier, Esther Drewry and Don Drewry at Ft. Laurens in Bolivar, Ohio. Ft. Laurens is the main event held in Ohio by the OHSSAR.



A good reason to invest in an uniform!

At the recent Blue Lick luncheon, NSSAR Merchandise manager Susan Griffin and her daughter (Lillie) admired the ruffles on Harry Geimeier's new outfit.



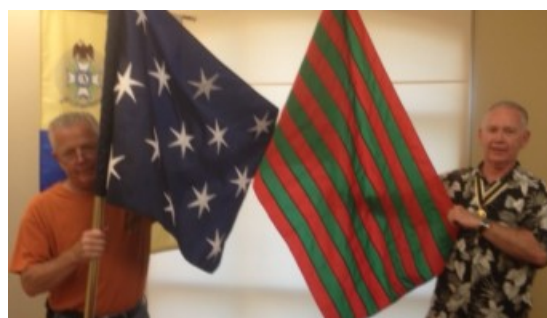
KYSSAR President Tom Geimeier and new member Col. Richard Cole.



The Simon Kenton Color Guard at Linden Grove Cemetery for the Korean War Memorial service. (L-R) John Rogers, Steve McCain, Kent Marcum, John Ziegler, Pat Berry, & Harry Geimeier.



KYSSAR Color Guard Commander Don Drewry carries the American Flag at Blue Licks. He is flanked by riflemen Joe Parish and Josh McCain.



Harry and Tom Geimeier display new flags--a commanders flag and a George Rogers Clark flag.

Simon Kenton Chapter (continued)

The **Doolittle Raid**, also known as the **Tokyo Raid**, on 18 April 1942, was the first air raid by the United States to strike the Japanese Home Islands (specifically Honshu) during World War II. By demonstrating that Japan itself was vulnerable to American air attack, it provided a vital morale boost and opportunity for U.S. retaliation after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on 7 December 1941.



From left to right: (front row) Lt. Col. Doolittle, pilot; Lt. Richard E. Cole, copilot; (back row) Lt. Henry A. Potter, navigator; SSgt. Fred A. Braemer, bombardier; SSgt. Paul J. Leonard, flight engineer/gunner.



WWII Veteran Donald Thom, Doolittle Raider Co-Pilot Colonel Richard Cole and Two-Star General Carl Black at ceremony for new member Colonel Cole.



NSSAR Secretary General Lindsey Brock presents membership certificate to Colonel Richard E. Cole.

Doolittle Raider, Colonel Richard E. Cole joins the SAR.



Eight World War II Veterans join in welcoming Colonel Richard E. Cole as a new member of the Kentucky Sons of the American Revolution. Pictured from left to right are: Gordon Snyder, Noble Roberts, Clyde Hamm, Ed Myles, Paul Tipton, Colonel Richard Cole, NSSAR Secretary General Lindsey Brock, first-line signer Ray Hughes, Harvey Hampton, Hayden Fuller, Foster Burba and immediate past Vice President General (Central District) Rev. Forrest Chilton.



Waiting outside the NSSAR Library for Colonel Richard Cole to arrive are (left to right): John Zeigler, Richard Biermen, Henry Head, Junior Murdock, Jesse Moore, KYSSAR Color Guard Commander Don Drewry, KYSSAR President Tom Geimeier, Esther Drewry and past KYSSAR President Tom Higgins.



First-line signer Ray Hughes presents Colonel Richard Cole with his SAR Rosette. Watching are Secretary General Lindsey Brock and NSSAR Executive Director Don Shaw.

Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter



Eagle Scout Court of Honor: Chuck Scott and Rev. Forrest Chilton flank new Eagle Scout Gerald Thomas Stovall and his parents in the picture on the left. On the right is “Jerry” with his Grandmother Sherri Stovall. Chuck, Forrest and Charlie Scott attended the Court of Honor ceremony where they presented the new Eagle Scout a SAR Eagle Scout medal and patch.

Children’s Day at the Jack Jouett House



Members of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter (Scott Giltner, Forrest Chilton, Chuck Scott, Vic Bitter and Tommy Jones) took part in the activities at the Jack Jouett House in Woodford County, KY. Above is the home of Jack Jouett--”Paul Revere of the South.”, Vic Bitter’s Grandson Logan Beaver firing a black-powder gun and Scott Giltner’s daughters Elizabeth and Lara Rose in period dress. In the picture on the extreme right Lara Rose and Chuck Scott demonstrate the colonial game of “Graces.”



KYCARE President Jonas Bastien (dark shirt) and his family at the Jack Jouett house with SAR members KYSSAR Vice President Chuck Scott and Scott Giltner.



Riflemen Marshall Wilkins and Vic Bitter at the Blue Licks Memorial Service.

Captain Charles Gatliff Chapter

The Captain Charles Gatliff Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution met August 8th at the Hutton School of Business located on the campus of the University of the Cumberlands. Following dinner David Henderman spoke to the group about the Ready Strong project. This is an educational program helping people better prepare for disasters.



Pictured are those in attendance: Front Row: Clifford Jones, Eric Frost, Gillis Wilder, J.B. Mountjoy, Eugene Siler Jr., David Etter and David Henderman. Back row: Jason Chadwell, Don Root, Jerry Croley, Paul Falin, Herman Moore, David Bergman, Donnie Rains, Ricky Chadwell, John Mountjoy, Brad Biddle and Michael Colegrove.

Captain William Arnold Chapter



Chapter President Terry Conrad and Treasurer Billy Courts all decked out in their new uniforms presented Colors at the Blue Licks luncheon and Memorial Service. The picture on the right shows President Conrad saluting after presenting the chapter wreath.



Service to Veterans

Jackie Miller, II, Terry Conrad and Billy Courts with a donation that will wind up at both the U.S.O. and Veterans Hospital.

Louisville Thruston Chapter and Louisville Bats Baseball Game



Louisville Thruston Color Guard presents Colors at Louisville Bats Baseball Game



Louisville Thruston Color Guard members: (L-R) Commander Dan Klinck, David Head, PG David Sympson, Jon Huffman, Les Black, Christopher Woo, Renee Shields and Paul Whitty.



Corn Island DAR Chapter members (L-R) Melissa Cooper, Shelley Kuussalo, Joan Henry (prospect) and Laura Huffman.



Fincastle DAR Chapter members: Bottom row (L-R) Richard Taylor, Margaret Taylor, Genevieve Haley. Second row (L-R) Frank Wood and Keitt Wood. Third row (L-R) Patrick Hughes, Patty Hughes and Pat Hughes. Top row: (L-R) John Toon and Director of NSSAR merchandise Susan Griffin (Purple shirt and red hat) flank Susan's sister and brother-in-law.

Battle of Blue Licks



Rev. Don Drewry, KYSSAR Color Guard Commander says the opening prayer after leading Compatriots in posting the flags.



Black-Powder Gun Salute

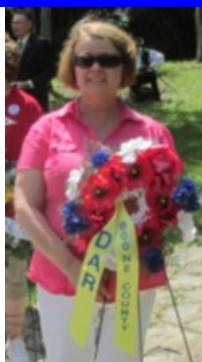
Vic Bitter, Joe Parish, Marshall Wilkins, Larry Elliott, Larry's Grandson (Mason Elliott) and Josh McCain

Battle of Blue Licks (continued)

Wreaths Presented



Lance Carter, VPG of the Central District



Mary Geimeier,
Boone Co. DAR



Limestone DAR
Dena Greene



Allison Collins
John Marshall DAR



Judy Carter and Poage DAR wreath



Lara Rose and Elizabeth
Giltner--flowers from the
Jack Jouett C.A.R. Society



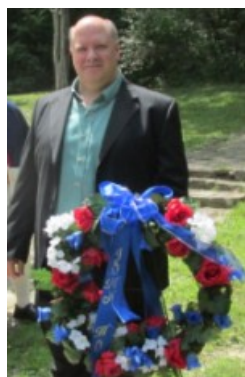
Sandy Humphries
Limestone C.A.R.



"Tony" Robinson presents
wreath for Camp Charlotte



KYSSAR President
Tom Geimeier



Jim Kettel
John Howe Chapter V.P.



Jesse Moore
Simon Kenton President



Al Coleman
Lafayette President



Terry Conrad
William Arnold, Pres.



Dennis Scott
Gov. Isaac Shelby



Jim Strohmeier
Philip Hammond, C.A.R.



Doug Collins
President, Louisville Thruston

Battle of Blue Licks (continued)



Chuck Scott, Joe Noffsinger and Charlie Scott fold an American Flag during the Nation's Salute. Rev. Forrest Chilton explained the meaning of each fold.



Lynn Shea, DAR member and a descendant of one of the Patriots who died at Blue Licks, talks with three others who had ancestors in the battle.



Charlie Scott played one verse of "The Parting Glass" on his fife, then he, Chuck Scott and Forrest Chilton sang one verse of the song.

The Gathering at Sycamore Shoals



Friday, September 20, 2013

4:00 p.m. **Ceremony at grave of Robert Young**
2109 West Market Street, Johnson City, TN
[to the rear of the old National Guard Armory]

6:00 p.m. **Reception at Holiday Inn Johnson City**
101 West Springbrook Dr, Johnson City, TN

7:30 p.m. 230th TREATY OF PARIS DINNER
Peerless Restaurant (*Dutch-treat*)
2531 North Roan Street Johnson City, TN

Saturday, September 21, 2013

10:00 a.m. **THE GATHERING AT SYCAMORE SHOALS**
Fort Watauga, Sycamore Shoals State Historic Area
1651 W. Elk Ave., Elizabethton, TN

3:00 p.m. Adjourn and depart

For the first time, THE GATHERING AT SYCAMORE SHOALS will occur at the same time that the Washington County Regiment of North Carolina Militia will be stationed at Fort Watauga, occupying the shops, taverns, and cabins within the Fort. Their participation, combined with color guard units from the Sons of the American Revolution, Sons of the Revolution, Overmountain Victory Trail Association and others will make this the most outstanding GATHERING yet.

As an additional event, the 230th anniversary of the signing of the TREATY OF PARIS will be commemorated as a closing component of the ceremony at the GATHERING, in addition to a Dutch-treat dinner marking the occasion that will take place on Friday evening in Johnson City at Peerless Restaurant.

THE GATHERING AT SYCAMORE SHOALS is recognized by the National Society SAR as a national event and counts toward qualifying participants for the silver color guard medal. Plan now to attend.

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