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COMPATRIOTS,

President General Jack Manning, Virginia Society President Peter Davenport, George Washington Chapter President David Thomas and all the members of the Virginia Society - Thank you.

What an honor to be part of the Sons of the American Revolution wreath laying at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier along with President General Manning, Colonel Davenport and David Thomas.

As some of you know I am a 3rd US Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard) alumni. I have a photograph of me as a member of an Honor Guard cordon during a wreath presentation at the Tomb in September 1969, exactly 50 years ago.

All those five decades earlier my Honor Guard Platoon Sergeant, a seasoned and twice combat wounded veteran of the Korean and Vietnam Wars, always emphasized our involvement in ceremonial duties was not about us. It was about those we were honoring. As Senator Tom Cotton (former platoon leader in The Old Guard) wrote in his book it was our "Sacred Duty" to look our best and do our best to honor our fallen comrades.

As a former "Old Guardsman" I was reluctant to be a member of the wreath presentation group comprised of President General Manning, Compatriots Davenport and Thomas. I would have preferred to remain in the background with the other SAR Colorguardsmen present that day. However, someone told one of the sergeants that I was a former member of "The Old Guard." The sergeant directed me to step forward and assist the President General with the presentation of the SAR wreath.

As the Sergeant of the Guard gave us our final instructions, I thought, "I shouldn't be here." Then it came back to me. It was not about me or PG Manning, or Compatriots Davenport and Thomas or the cordon of approximately 20 SAR colorguardsmen from all around the country. It was about the three heroes buried there, "Here rests, In Honored Glory, an American soldier, known but to God." And it was about the 5000 other unknown soldiers and 300,000 veterans and family members interred at Arlington National Cemetery.

Again, thank you President General Manning, Compatriots Davenport and Thomas for allowing me to be a small part of what will always be a wonderful memory.

In conclusion, Un Hui and I thank all the VASSAR compatriots and their wives for your hospitality - particularly Colonel Davenport.

James Fosdyck
Commander,
2019-2020



TOMB OF THE UNKNOWNNS

Sons of the American Revolution Wreath Presentation
Tomb of the Unknown Soldier;
Saturday, September 14, 2019



President General Manning and Color Guard Commander James Fosdyck with SAR Color Guard in attendance. the compatriots not in uniform are left to right: Peter Davenport VASSAR President), PG Jack Manning, Jim Fosdyck (in Uniform) and David Thomas (George Washington Chapter, VASSAR president).



President General Manning and Color Guard Commander James Fosdyck laying wreath

National Color Guard Events - 2019

Approximate 2019 Date	Color Guard Event	Location	Host
January 19	Battle of Cowpens	Chesnee, SC	Daniel Morgan SAR
January 26	Battle of Cowans Ford	Huntersville, NC	Mecklenburg SAR
February 9	Battle of Kettle Creek	Washington, GA	Georgia
February 16	Crossing of the Dan	South Boston, VA	Virginia
February 23	Washington Birthday Parade	Laredo, TX	Texas
February 23	Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge	Currie, NC	North Carolina
March 1-2	NSSAR Spring Leadership Meeting	Louisville, KY	
March 9	Last Naval Battle of the Revolution	Merritt Island, FL	Florida
March 16	Battle of Guilford Courthouse	Greensboro, NC	North Carolina
April 12	Halifax Resolves	Halifax, NC	North Carolina
April 18	Patriot's Day	Nationally	
May 2	Kentucky Derby Pegasus Parade	Louisville, KY	Kentucky
May 4	Battle of Pensacola	Pensacola, FL	Florida
May 11	Raid on Martin's Station	Ewing, VA	Virginia
May 25	Battle of Fort San Carlos	St Louis, MO	Missouri
May 25	Buford's Massacre	Lancaster, SC	General Francis Marion SAR
May 25-27	Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous	Vincennes, IN	Indiana
May 27	National Memorial Day Parade	Washington DC	District of Columbia
May 27	Memorial Day events *	Various locations	
June 8	Action at Machias	Machias, ME	Maine
June 8	Battle of Ramseur's Mill	Lincolnton, NC	Catawba Valley SAR
June 17S	Battle of Bunker Hill	Charlestown, MA	Massachusetts SAR
June 29	Battle of Monmouth	Monmouth Cty, NJ	New Jersey SAR
July 4 every year	Let Freedom Ring / July 4th Events *	Various locations	
July 7 - 11	NSSAR National Congress	Costa Mesa, CA	
July 27	Siege of Fort Laurens	Bolivar, OH	Ohio
August 17	Battle of Blue Licks	Carlisle, KY	Kentucky
August 24	National American Legion Parade	Various	
September 1	Battle of Groton Heights	Groton, CT	Connecticut
September 14	Battle of Saratoga	Stillwater, NY	Empire State
September 14	Gathering at Sycamore Shoals	Elizabethton, TN	Tennessee
September 14	Vigil at George Washington's Tomb	Mt Vernon, VA	
September 20-21	NSSAR Fall Leadership Meeting	Louisville, KY	
October 4-6	Point Pleasant Battle Days	Point Pleasant, WV	West Virginia
October 7	Battle of Kings Mountain	Blacksburg, SC	Kings Mountain SAR (NC) / Daniel Morgan SAR (SC)
October 19	Yorktown Days	Yorktown, VA	Virginia
November 11	Veterans Day Events *	Nationally	Various
December 7	Battle of Great Bridge	Norfolk, VA	Virginia
December 21	Wreaths Across America	Various Locations	
Events that can occur on random dates throughout the year			
	Massing of the Colors		
	Fields of Honor / Healing Field		
	Honor Flight		

* SAR color guardsmen who participate in a local event on the actual day or the weekend closest to **July 4th, Memorial Day or Veterans Day** can count that event toward the Silver Color Guard Medal and the Von Steuben Medal for Sustained Color Guard Service. This is limited to a single event. Multiple events on these days cannot be counted multiple times.

** Date Added refers to first appearance in Color Guard Handbook after approval by National Color Guard Committee. Those national events that do not have a date, were listed in the first edition dated 9/24/2000 thus signifying approval prior to that date. Events with Date Added next to them cannot be counted for Color Guard Medals prior to the earlier of the date added or the actual date the event would have occurred after it was added.

N.B.: Dates and times are subject to change and interested parties should refer to the respective state society web sites closer to the actual event.

Send event updates to [sarwilliamssa\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:sarwilliamssa@gmail.com)



State Society Color Guard Commanders

Welcome to the NSSAR Color Guard.

Please note that any questions concerning potential color guard events or participation in events should be directed to the respective commander in the state where the event is taking place.

Each commander is e-mailed each new issue of **The SAR Colorguardsman** for distribution to the guardsmen within each state society. Any questions about the distribution of the new issue should be directed to the respective state commander.

Changes are noted in **RED** text

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This is the current listing of state society color guard commanders with confirmed data. Those state societies that are not confirmed are asked to submit updated data to the editor. **No Color Guards:** Alaska, Arkansas, Dakotas, Delaware, District of Columbia, Hawaii, Indiana, Montana, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Wyoming .

Vendor List

This is a **partial** Vendor Listing by company name. Understand that these vendors are **not** being recommended - just listed. Before purchasing anything from these vendors check with your fellow color guardsmen for their recommendations/ endorsements.

If you have a vendor that makes/sews era regalia, send the name (or URL/contact information) to the editor for inclusion in the next issue.

Type the listed name of the vendor into your browser tab

- Bethlehem Trading Post,
- Smiling Fox Forge
- Avalon Forge
- Barkertown Sutlers
- Burnley & Trowbridge Co.
- C & D Jarnagin Company,
- Cobb Creek - Fine Clothing
- Custom Wig Company
- Flintlocks, etc
- MyFlintlocks, LLC
- Ft. Downing Trading Co.
- Fort Vause Outfitters
- Fugawee
- G. Gedney Godwin Online
- HB Forge
- Black Powder 411
- International Guns
- Just Two Tailors
- Joe's Leather Works, LLC
- Livonia Smithery
- Loyalist Arms & Repairs
- Military Heritage
- Panther Primitives -
- Samson Historical
- Smoke&FireStore
- Spring Valley Lodges
- Sutlers of Fort Frederick Market Fair (2015 listing)
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CONGRESS



1st half of PG's inspection of Color Guard



Memorial Service, St. Andrews Presbyterian Church
2nd half of PG's inspection of Color Guard



Un Hui Yi presents Commander Mark Anthony a quilt from Quilt Reaction Force (front)side).



Members of the Color guard and their ladies.

PHOTOS COURTESY
OF ROBERT MCGUIRE
(FLSSAR)
AND UN HUI FOSDYCK



Color Guard Safety Officer Mark Kramer and Commander Mark Anthony present a national Von Steuben Color Guard Medal to Dan McKelvie of the California Society



Un Hui, PG Alter and Commander Anthony



Color Guard on parade at Castaways Park lead by members of the Los Angeles Fifes and Drums.



Above: Jack Manning, Honor Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck, Ring Bearer Un Hui Yi, Honor Guard members Kent Gregory, John Ferris and Dan McKelvie (Jim Klingler out of frame).

Below: Honor Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck, Ring Bearer Un Hui Yi, Honor Guard front row left to right John Ferris, Kent Gregory, Dan McKelvie and Jim Klingler.

PG Alter removes Ring from cushion. Ring Bearer Un Hui



SAR 250th Anniversary Flag



Left: Brian and Diane Stephens. Brian is the VP South of the CASSAR.

Right: 2. Dan and Karen McKelvie (CASSAR).

FALL LEADERSHIP

Photos by Un Hui Fosdyck



Command Staff: (l-r) Vice Commander Lou Raborg, 1st Adjutant Brooks Lyles, 2nd Adjutant Scott Collins, and Commander James Fosdyck



William Sharp receives a NSSAR Von Steuben Color Guard Medal.

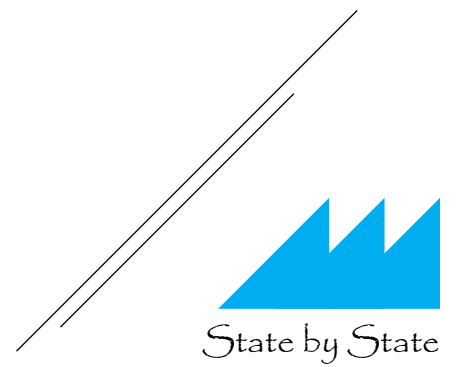


Brooks Lyles discusses the new 250 flag



Bill Schwetke, Peter Davenport, Un Hui Fosdyck, and Jim Fosdyck

Reports from The Field



State Society's color guard activities in the previous three months as reported by the State Society's Color Guard Commander

Color Guard Units' Highlights!

From the Editor

The previous high water mark was 27 state societies' color guard reports. **This issue has xx!** We now have a much higher bar to reach and one might expect that the January issue should have at least 27 reports and possibly more.

There are some things about submitting content, especially for state Color Guard Commanders or their designee, that need to be explained and understood in order to reduce any future controversy.

- The color guard events or activities must be from only the three months immediately prior to the issue's publication date.
- **Please do not send PDF files.** Send the native document: WORD, Text, etc.
- Submit events when color guard units participate in designated chapter color guard events, designated state color guard events, and/or designated District/National color guard events. **State Color guard commanders should pass on these guidelines when communicating with his state's color guard members.**
- **The deadline for submission of content is the end of the month prior to the Issue date:** December 31 for the January Issue, March 31 for the April issue, June 30 for the July Issue, and September 30 for the October issue.
- The state Color Guard Commanders should be sending that message to all of their state's chapter color guard members/commanders.
- Please use the chain-of-command when submitting content. Chapter Color Guard Commanders should submit to their state's Color Guard Commander who then uses his judgement to submit to this Editor.
- **IMPORTANT** - When submitting photos, **please do NOT embed them into any document** (PDF or WORD) but send them in the original resolution.
- **IMPORTANT** - When submitting photos, **for any event please submit no more than two photos for any single event.** When submitting text to explain the event using photos please accurately label which photo goes with what text. I get a photos titled IMG-12345, IMG 45678 and the text will say photo 1 and photo 2. Which is photo 1 and which is photo 2?

I look forward to the issue that has all 38 state color guard units with something in the issue. Missing in this issue are: **Alabama, Idaho, Maine, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, & Utah.**

Thank you, one and all, for making this section showcase and shine a light on **your** color guard units' activities and community involvement.



FROM THE BAILIWICK OF THE QUARTERMASTER

Some of you may know that several of our flag cases (they're gun cases) and two flag stands were damaged while in transport from Costa Mesa to Louisville. Quartermaster Charlie Scott took the necessary steps to ensure the proper paperwork was completed in order to file a claim for reimbursement from the transportation company.

At Leadership Color Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck and Color Guardsman Paul Callanan gave a short presentation to the George Washington Endowment Fund Distribution Committee asking for \$1500 to replace the cases and stands. When the freight claim is paid to the SAR, this claim amount will be returned to the GWEF towards the amount of the replacement of the flag cases and stands. The Distribution Committee acted on and approved the request on September 20, 2019 at our Fall Leadership meeting. The funds for the replacement of the cases and stands was approved by President General Manning and Treasurer General Pickette.

Several months ago, President General Manning requested that rather than a state flag the Color Guard post a Bunker Hill flag on the dais to recognize his residence in New England. Quartermaster Charlie Scott ordered a Bunker Hill flag and finial for the new President General. The cost of the flag was \$53.50 and the finial \$15. At the suggestion of Treasurer General Pickette, Quartermaster Scott was reimbursed from a special purpose fund for the Color Guard. It doesn't appear that any expenditures have been made from this fund in several years. Using the special purpose funds requires a recommendation from the Treasurer General to the President General. The President General must approve all expenditures from the special purpose funds.

Thank you, Compatriot Scott, for all you do for the Sons of the American Revolution.

James Fosdyck, Commander

HANDBOOK UPDATE

The Color Guard Handbook has been updated through the actions of the last Congress. The Executive Committee of the SAR has asked for the opportunity to review and endorse the Handbook. This review is basically to make sure there are no sections that do not conform with overall SAR governance documents. Once this review and endorsement are complete, the Handbook will be uploaded onto the SAR website and a link will be provided to the State Society Commanders





ALABAMA -

The Spirit of '76

The Spirit of '76 is alive and well in the Alabama Society's Tennessee Valley Chapter Color Guard.

This refers not the spirit of 1776 and the Declaration of Independence but the fact that there is 76 years' difference in age between its youngest and oldest members.

Otha "Skeet" Vaughan turned 90 years in June while Keegan Hembree turned 14 at the same time. Both are longtime members of the Tennessee Valley Chapter Color Guard. Skeet is a graduate of Clemson, retired NASA engineer and U. S. Air Force veteran. His ancestor is John Dillard of the Culpepper Minutemen. Keegan is a 9th grader at Hartselle High School. His ancestor is Col. John Holder of Boonesborough, Kentucky fame. Keegan just completed the requirements for his Silver Color Guard medal and is awaiting National approval. The Tennessee Valley Chapter is very proud of our oldest and youngest and enjoy watching them participate as a team.



ALSSAR holds flag dedication ceremony at American Village

June 21, 2019, dawned hot and humid but that did not deter NSSAR President General Warren Alter and President General Mike Tomme (2016-2017), along with Registrar General Bruce Pickett, Historian General John Thornhill, Surgeon General Dr. Darryl Addington, Southern District Vice President General Colin Wakefield, SAR Foundation member Sam Powell and over 100 members of the Alabama Society as they gathered together at the



American Village in Montevallo to dedicate the American Village Flag Project and formally present it to the American Village Citizenship Trust.

Attached Right Picture - The ALSSAR flag pole project is centered behind a kneeling George Washington. —Photo courtesy of the American Village

Attached Left Picture - A 25-member Color Guard representing four states displayed the colors at the June 21 dedication ceremony. —Photo courtesy of the American Village



ARIZONA -

The last parade we did was in Chino Valley on August 31st.. We have done this one for several years. They asked us to lead the parade this year. Due to the month with all on vacations only five from Prescott were able to attend. Two had no uniforms so we furnished Navy. Five came up from the Phoenix area and two of them needed uniforms. From left to right Steve Monez, Steve Miller, David Bonnett Ross Alexander, Robert Filler, Daniel Thompson, names unknown for the next two, Tom Chittenden and Ed Lipphardt Drum. Banner Carrier Eagle Scout Michael Morgan. I have attached the larger JPEG images attached





On July 4, we did three parades. One in Tucson, Prescott, and Flagstaff. No picture for Prescott. Color Guard at Summer Haven July 4th Parade. Tucson marched on Mount Lemon in the Summer Haven Parade.



On July 4, we did three parades. The marchers in Flagstaff were L/R Steve Monez, James Cates, Gerry Davis, Ed Lipphardt, Paul Wescott, Gene McCarthy, Tom Chittenden, Denis DeAtley, Dan Thompson, Steve Miller and Celeste Cates.



The parade on August 17, was in Payson, about 100 miles from Phoenix and the same from Prescott. We have done this one several years. Left to right Ed Lipphardt, Steve Miller, Steve Monez, Paul Wescott, Bill Baran, and David Bonnett.



We marched at congress and took part in the Memorial Ceremony. The picture below is marching out to the point above the Bay. Steve Monez carrying the French Flag, Steve Miller Arizona Flag, William Baran Carrying the Arkansas Flag. The second picture is at the memorial Service, L/R., Bill Baran. Rudy Byrd, Steve Monez, Steve Miller.





The Arizona Society Marched in the Armed Forces Day Parade in Flagstaff on May 18. Flagstaff is In the northern part of our state and many chapters were represented. Prescott, Rim Country (Payson), Phoenix and one Sedona Dar Chapter. Our members traveled 100's of miles to attend



We presented colors at the Colonial Dame meeting. This was our first presentation for the Colonial Dames .L/r Bill Baran, James Cates, Steve Miller, Jan Huber, Dan Thompson, and Jerry Davis,



We presented colors at the Dysart School Board Meeting on September 11. Pictured from left to right Steve Miller, Jan Huber, two juniors, Brandon and Seth, Loren Littlefield. This was our second time to do this and on such a memorable date..



The Arizona Society Color Guard presented Colors for the Copper State and Paradise Valley chapters of the DAR on Jun 8, Flag Day in Good Year Arizona. The program presented By Steve Monez was Flags of the Revolution. CG from left to right Steve Monez Matt Scott, Jan Huber, James Cates, Bill Baran, David Bonnett, Steve Miller.



Right - We marched in the Ahwatukee Parade. Resting in the shade before starting. This is a town where the temperature is very high even at that time.



Orange County Chapter (CA) Color Guard (Lee's Legion) presenting the Colors at the Garden Grove Car Show; June 28. Left to Right: Fifer Matt Noell, drummer Knox Chaney, musket man Kent Gregory, US Flag Mark Torres, CA Flag Jim Klingler, SAR Flag John Ferris, Lee's Legion Flag Spencer Torres, musket man Larry Hansen and Commander Jim Fosdyck.

PHOTOS BY UN HUI YI



JULY 4TH, - 2019 OR IS IT 1776 ?

Making history fun at Sylvan Park in Redlands, CA

Don Boatright is only one of the several compatriots who were working at the direction of General Washington as part of the recruiting effort to take up arms and fight - "Taxation Without Representation"

The man in the blue shirt is our current California State Senator Mike Morrell flanked in the attached photon by Charlie Frye (left) and Don Boatright (right).

With the help of several of its members and prospects who do not shown in these photos, the Redlands chapter completed enlistment papers for just over 200 of those who visited our "Sons of the American Revolution" encampment!

Our color guard also participated in the local parade and received recognition for 3rd place!



The Let Freedom Ring Ceremony was held at the Cerritos (CA) Civic Center.

President General Alter read the Let Freedom Ring Proclamation and was joined by First Lady Nancy while ringing the Let Freedom Ring Bell. Colorguardsmen (compatriots) from at least 10 states participated in the program. We were also joined by members of the Los Angeles Fifes and Drums.

PHOTOS BY UN HUI YI



The July 4, 2019 Lake Forest (CA) Parade

Orange County Chapter (CA) Color Guard (Lee's Legion). Left to right: John Blake, Mark Torres, Liz Ferris, John Ferris and Larry Hansen. Dan and Karen McKelvie participated but must have been camera shy..

PHOTOS BY UN HUI YI



The Orange County Soccer Club Pro Soccer Match at Championship Soccer Stadium, Irvine, CA

Left to right: Kent, Gregory (musket), Mark Torres (Betsy Ross flag), Spencer Torres (CA flag), John Blake (SAR flag), Larry Hansen (musket) and Jim Fosdyck (commander)..

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The CASSAR Colorguardsmen and LAUX members serving as Congress greeters at John Wayne Airport; July 5, 2019

Greeters Larry Hansen, Matt Noell, Wayne Rogers, Mark Torres and Robert Scott Whitman escort MOSSAR President James Osbourn to the Costa Mesa Hilton Hotel. Executive Committee member running late appreciated the help of the SAR Colorguardsmen serving as greeters at John Wayne Airport.

PHOTOS BY UN HUI YI





The Huntington Beach (Surf City) California Independence Day Parade

The Huntington Beach 4th of July Parade is the biggest Independence Day parade west of the Mississippi and has been held since 1904.

Jim Blauer (Orange County Chapter Color Guard) prepares to ride in a 1932 Ford Coupe provided by a friend of the Orange County Chapter.

Colorguardsmen and friends from several states and two CASSAR Chapters pose in front of the Pacific Ocean. Nice day for a parade.

Main Street gets narrow with all the popups and crowd.

Harbor Chapter (CA) Color Guard Commander Brian Merrell carrying a huge 76 Flag.

The parade begins led by NSSAR Color Guard Vice Commander Lou Raborg.

PHOTOS BY UN HUI YI



CONNECTICUT

4 July 2019 - Grave Marking of Wolcott & Tallmadge and Let Freedom Ring - Litchfield, CT

The 1st ceremony started at 12:00 Noon, the Mary Floyd Tallmadge Chapter DAR hosts a ceremony that honors Gov. Oliver Wolcott, Sr. and Col. Benjamin Tallmadge at their graves in East Cemetery. The SAR, the C.A.R., and the First Litchfield Artillery Regiment will also participate. Gov. Oliver Wolcott, Sr. was the 19th Governor of Connecticut and a signer of the Declaration of Independence. He was the second of three generations of Wolcotts to serve as Governor of Connecticut.

Col. Benjamin Tallmadge was a senior intelligence officer under Gen. Washington and the leader of the Culper Spy Ring. Upon learning that Maj. John André had been arrested with a pass for getting through the American lines and a set of papers detailing West Point's defenses hidden in his stocking, Tallmadge suspected Benedict Arnold to be André's accomplice.



Tallmadge's actions led to the exposure of Benedict Arnold's treason. Maj. John André was found guilty of being a spy and was sentenced to hang.



The 2nd ceremony

started at 1:45 PM, when the First Litchfield Artillery Regiment performed a "Let Freedom Ring" ceremony on the Litchfield Green during which, using two cannons, they fired 13 salutes for each of the original 13 States in the order that they ratified the Constitution of the United States of America. SAR Color Guard members each carried and presented a flag of the thirteen original states at the same time that a cannon fires a salute to each state. At precisely 2:00 PM Eastern Daylight Savings Time, just as the smoke cleared from the last cannon salute, the bells of the four churches that surround the Green began to ring. This is timed so that bells throughout the United States of America ring simultaneously to celebrate Independence Day.

13 July 2019 - 240th Anniversary of the Invasion of New Haven at Beacon Hill Park

The 240th Anniversary of the Invasion of New Haven was a great success. We had over 75 people attend this event along with the Mayor of New Haven. The Connecticut Line set up a small encampment on the top of the remains of the old fort at the top of Beacon Hill which overlooks the New Haven harbor and Long Island Sound. The only remaining features are the earthen walls of



the fort perimeter and the War of 1812 ammunition bunker. Following speeches by the Mayor, the Friends of Ft. Wooster, and the Connecticut SAR the new tablet replacing the original from 1895 was unveiled. The Connecticut line along with members of the 6th Connecticut and the 2nd Co. Governors Footguard provided a 3-volley musket salute. Refreshments were served by the Friends of Fort Wooster and the New Haven Museum.



7 September 2019 - 300th Anniversary of the town of Litchfield CT.

The Gov. Oliver Wolcott, Sr. Branch awarded the SAR Flag Certificate to American Legion Post 44 in Bantam, Connecticut on September 7th. The occasion was the 359th consecutive Veteran of the Month ceremony performed by Post 44 and it coincided with the Town of Litchfield's 300th anniversary celebration. In honor of all veterans of the American Revolution from Litchfield and Morris, a large Betsy Ross Flag was flown over the Litchfield Green. This was the first time that Post 44's Veteran of the Month ceremony did not take place at the All Wars Memorial in Bantam.

The Veteran of the Month program was conceived in November 1989 by two past Commanders of the American Legion Post 44 in Bantam, CT.

The SAR Flag Certificate was awarded in recognition of exemplary patriotism in the display of the Flag of the United States of America. Photograph of the flag raising courtesy of Eric Hahn.

The Connecticut Line provided the 3-volley musket salute following the raising of the Betsy Ross flag to begin the events for the day. As part of the 300th events that day, the Connecticut Line also setup a large encampment with multiple tents, weapons and equipment displays, maps and charts, and other items from the American Revolution.



7 September 2019 - The 238th Anniversary of the Battle of Groton Heights - NSSAR Silver Color Guard Event

Members of the Connecticut Line of the Connecticut SAR Color Guard/Living History Unit took part in the commemoration and memorial ceremony of those who died defending Fort Griswold on Sept. 6, 1781. In the battle 165 American Militia attempted to defend the fort against 800 British forces under the command of Benedict Arnold. The fort was overwhelmed, and many were killed following the surrender by Col. William Ledyard. A welcoming was given by Mayor Keith Hedrick of Groton. Following the presentation of the colors by the Connecticut Line, the 88 names of the slain defenders of Fort Griswold were read by the descendants of those patriots who gave all. Compatriot Dave Perkins read the names of the six members of his Perkins family that were slain that day. Following the reading of the names, CTSSAR Capt. Nathan Branch President Stephen Z. Taylor placed a wreath inside the fort at the site where Col. William Ledyard died. The Connecticut Line provided a three-volley musket salute after the laying of the





wreath from a top the new viewing platform as the sun set to the West. The ceremony was hosted by the Friends of Fort Griswold Battlefield State Park Foundation. Prior to the ceremony inside Ft. Griswold the Connecticut Line had its usual grave marking ceremony at the grave site of Col. William Ledyard and this year we included the marking of four additional patriots buried in the Ledyard Cemetery which is about ½ mile away from the battle site.



Samuel Adams Camp #4, Clearwater Chapter

On September 14, 2019 the Clearwater Color Guard participated in the joint SAR/DAR joint meeting celebrating Constitution week at the St Petersburg Yacht club in St. Petersburg, hosted by the St. Petersburg SAR chapter. The featured speaker was Joseph Hardesty, Director of the SAR Genealogical Research Library.

The meeting was attended by over 140 guests composed of thirteen chapters of The DAR and three chapters of the SAR.

The color guard was led by Dick Young, color guard commander Tampa Chapter. Also participating was David Bryant, VP and William Swain, Sargent at arms of the Tampa Chapter, and Robert Anderson Clearwater Chapter.



On Thursday September 26, 2019, the Color Guard was represented and hosted by the SAR Saramana Chapter, led by Doug Erb, president, and Steve Fields and Jill Fields. The Tampa Chapter was Dick Young and William Swain and Robert Anderson from the Clearwater Chapter.

All were invited to serve at the Missing in America Project led by Kathy Church, MIAP-Florida State coordinator. The SAR members served as Pall Bearers, transporting the remains of veterans and veterans spouses the columbarium to be interred in the National Cemetery in Sarasota.

Compatriot John Bittner Memorial Service

The Caloosa Chapter Color Guard was asked to participate in a Memorial Service for Compatriot John T. Bittner, Jr. that was held at his Masonic Lodge #115 F+AM in Punta Gorda Florida on September 28, 2019. Compatriot Bittner passed away on June 18, 2019 at the age of 99 years. Compatriot Bittner had joined the Florida Society SAR and the Charlotte Chapter in 1978, and had been Chaplain of the Charlotte Chapter for many years and until the time of his death. He had been a member of the Masonic Lodge #115 for 70 years. The Memorial Service took place on Compatriot Bittner's 100th Birthday.

The Caloosa Chapter Color Guard was honored to participate in this service, and was joined by members of the Charlotte Chapter Color Guard in rendering honors to Chaplain Bittner who also served more than 20 years in the US Army and retired as a Major. He will receive full military honors at a military service to be conducted on September 30, 2019 at the Sarasota National Cemetery.

Participants in the SAR Color Guard included LTC Robert W. McGuire, Jr. (US Army ret.) – Color Guard Commander, First Sergeant Lewis Elliott, Hamp Allen (Charlotte Chapter President), Robert Sprague (Past President, Charlotte Chapter) and Rev. Dwight Elam (Florida Society State Chaplain).



FLORIDA -

Flintlock Musket training through the National Park Service at Kingsley Plantation.

As reported by Chuck Farmer, Color Guard Commander, George Washington Camp (Jacksonville), on Friday, September 27, four of our color guard members, plus a membership applicant, completed Flintlock Musket training through the National Park Service at Kingsley Plantation. Thanks to NPS instructor Geoff Johnson compatriots Darrell Goss, Charles Coats, Paul Tucker, Claude Farmer, and SAR applicant Josh Jolly were successful in fulfilling NPS requirements on safe handling, loading and firing firelock long arms under the Von Steuben manual of arms. Each man was issued a wallet sized signed and dated certification of completion.

West Central Florida Honor Flight Mission # 39

The Hillsborough River Camp (Tampa), joined by the St. Petersburg SAR, the Pithlachasocotee DAR (New Port Richey) and many other patriotic organizations met West Central Florida Honor Flight Mission # 39 for the Welcome Home Celebration. All these many people showed their gratitude to some 75 or so veterans from WW II, Korea and Vietnam, their escorts and Honor Flight staff on their return from their long day in Washington DC. Our Color Guard was asked to join the Honor Guard made up of various local Law Enforcement Units as they did their final march into the main reception area. Pictured below are the members of the SAR Color Guard with the "Bomber Girls" who also meet each WCF Honor Flight and greet each returning veteran personally.

Missing in America Project Interment Ceremony at Sarasota National Cemetery

The Nathaniel Green Camp (Saramana) was joined by SAR Compatriots from Tampa and Clearwater on September 26 in a Missing in America Project Interment Ceremony at Sarasota National Cemetery. The purpose of the Missing in America Project is to locate, identify and inter the unclaimed cremated remains of American Veterans through the joint efforts of private, state and federal organizations. To provide honor, respect and dignity to those who have served this country by securing a final resting place for these forgotten heroes. All SAR members present were asked to carry an urn containing the cremains of one of the 12 veterans interred that day, or a US flag accompanying each urn. There were also five spouses of veterans interred. This was a moving ceremony recognizing the lives and sacrifices of those veterans and family members who would have been otherwise forgotten. Pictured below, just prior to the Ceremony are: Richard Young (Tampa) Florida SAR Color Guard Commander, Robert Anderson (Clearwater), William Swain (Tampa), Jill Fields, Florida SAR Ladies Auxiliary, Steve Fields, Florida SAR RVP and Douglas Erb, President Saramana Chapter.



Missing Collier-Lee Hpnor Flight

The Caloosa Chapter joined with numerous area DAR Chapters and thousands of other patriotic citizens in welcoming the participants on Honor Flight #20 back to RSW airport on Saturday evening, September 28th. Our own color guard was augmented by the Naples and Saramana Chapters, and saluted each Veteran Honoree and Guardian as they processed through Concourse D of the Terminal. This is a great event that we have been participating in for the past couple of years. We have sponsored a total of four Guardians to date on previous missions and look forward to sponsoring a Veteran Honoree and another Guardian on the next flight: Mission 21 on November 2, 2019.

The Caloosa Chapter SAR has pledged another \$2,000 to support the Collier - Lee Honor Flight Program and we will attend the upcoming Gala that they are holding on November 9, 2019 as a part of their fund-raising efforts. Anne & I have purchased tickets to attend the Gala and we strongly encourage com-





patriots and friends to do the same. The link to buy seats at the event is <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/honor-flight-gala-tickets-70378617339> and tax deductible donations from \$100 to \$5,000 may be made through that process. The Caloosa Chapter will have a table for eight at the Gala, and the first six persons who donate will be welcome to join with us.

The Honor Gala will celebrate our veterans. Enjoy the cocktail hour, visiting with WWII heroes, dinner with heroes, and a live auction plus much more. The keynote speaker is Col. Danny McKnight (Blackhawk Down, the lost patrol) and Norman Love, an American pastry chef located in Fort Myers, Florida. 92.5 radio personality Drew Steele will be emcee for the evening. 6 O'clock in the evening – Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort.

Please let Commander Bob McGuire know if you decide to participate and buy tickets to this event so that I may add your names to the Sons of the American Revolution table at the Gala. Let me know if you have any questions.

The Caloosa Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution has been supporting the Honor Flights in Southwest Florida for several years with donations, nominating Veterans and Guardians, and providing Color Guard support to welcome each mission at the Fort Myers Airport (RSW).

Chapter President & Color Guard Commander Bob McGuire chats with program Directors Sean and Dr. Debi Lux prior to flight arrival. The Caloosa Chapter Color Guard has been fortunate to receive support from other area SAR Chapter's guardsmen, particularly from the Saramana and the Naples Chapters for this Mission.

Military and Law Enforcement Color Guard Units formed up just outside of the Security Area of the airport in preparation for the arrival of Honor Flight Mission 20 returning from Washington Reagan airport after a day of touring the monuments commemorating World War II, Korean War, and Vietnam War along with the Iwo Jima monument, the Air Force monument, and Arlington National Cemetery with the Tomb of the Unknown.

As the participants in Mission 20 deplaned and processed up the Concourse, with each Veteran in a wheelchair being pushed by their Guardian, the Guns n Hoses Pipes n Drums of Southwest Florida led the way from the security checkpoint out to the welcoming crowds.

Formed in 2011 by a few pipers and drummers who had performed at Police and Fire Funerals, the group now includes active and retired Firefighters and Law Enforcement Officers, Military Veterans, EMS and other Patriots from all over the US, Canada, and other countries. They perform in support of service organizations with decorum and respect befitting the circumstances, "Remember what we are here for".

The General Lighthouse Harry Lee Color Guard marched immediately behind the Guns n Hoses Band, leading the Honor Flight 20 participants through the assembled crowd of three to four thousand cheering, flag-waving, Greeters – young and old - shouting WELCOME HOME!

We were joined in the event by many local chapters of the DAR. At the end of the march, near the doors where participants boarded waiting buses, we rendered salutes to each of the veterans in recognition of their service to the United States in so many lands under the most difficult circumstances. The Caloosa Chapter and others of the Sons of the American Revolution want to especially recognize the outstanding contributions of the Collier Lee Honor Flight staff and volunteers. Well done and Huzzah!

Tavares Fourth of July parade

Lake-Sumter chapter does not meet in the summer, so we have little to report. We did participate in the Tavares Fourth of July parade. Several color guard members appeared and carried the flags. No complete uniforms because of the heat.



"Lake-Sumter members and color guardsmen turned out to participate in the Tavares Fourth of July parade in spite of the heat and threat of thunder storms. Full uniforms were discouraged because of the heat, but Old Glory was never more proudly carried by Lake-Sumter Chapter."





Georgia Society SAR Color Guard and Militia performed at the pregame show for the Atlanta Braves July 4th game

Left: Color Guard - Allen Greenly, Mark Anthony, Stallings Howell, Carter Wood

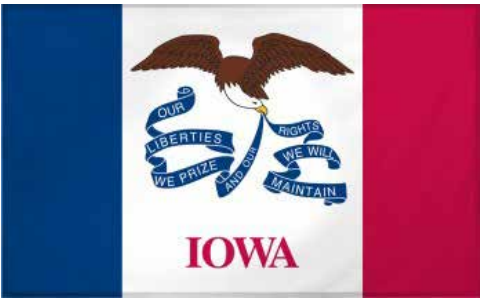
Militia - Lee Smith, Steve Burke, Fred Meyer, John Hyatt, Eldon Evans, Gordon Woodard, Emil Decker, Ron Redner, Scott Collins, Chuck Garnett, Jay Guest, Gary Page, David Wiley



Color Guard Compatriots presented Colors at Birdies for the Brave golf tournament for Wounded Warriors at Sugarloaf Country Club. Bill Palmer, Bruce Maney, Eldon Evans



Color Guard, Militia, and Artillery presented Colors and fired muskets plus cannon at the Grave of Colonel William Few in Augusta, Ga. Bill Palmer, Larry Whitfield, Ralph Galpin, and Sonny Pittman.



Civil War monument Restoration

On Saturday 24 August 2019 Iowa SAR members James Braden, Andrew Braden, Ron Rittel, David Lamb and Mike Rowley joined with some of the past members of The 49th Iowa Veteran Volunteers

in Eddyville, Iowa at the Civil War monument they helped restore in 2010.

The restoration helped inspire on a nearly total park renovation by the citizen of the small Iowa community.

On the same day David Lamb presented a Certificate of Appreciation by Color Guard Commander Mike Rowley on behalf of the Iowa SAR for his generous support of the Wreaths Across America project for Woodland Cemetery.



Photo L to R Frank Hannah, Henry, Jeff Rasmussen, Mike Rowley, David Lamb, Ron Rittel, Rick Stewart, Andrew Braden, James Braden, David Sample.



Left - IA SAR David and Mike Rowley end of Urbandale JULY 4th Parade

Right: IA SAR Color Guard L to R Doug Frazer Alan Wenger David Rowley Patrick Lant Tom Clegg Jon Verner Mike Rowley Dr. Jerome Greenfield - Urbandale 4th of July 2019



Right: Iowa Lt Governor Adam Gregg Right with IA Color Guard Commander Mike Rowley in DES MOINES, IOWA



Left: Korean War Veterans Day in Des Moines Iowa with Iowa Color Guard member Mike Rowley

Right: On Oct 07, 2019 Iowa SAR Color Guard member Mark Leonard presenting info-facts about the Revolutionary War and the creation of the US Constitution to Ida Grove (Iowa) High School seniors



The NATIONAL SOCIETY SAR, The Daniel Morgan Chapter, South Carolina SAR and The Kings Mountain Chapter North Carolina SAR Invite you to attend the 239th Anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain



MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2019 AT 11:00 AM
KINGS MOUNTAIN NATIONAL MILITARY PARK
BLACKSBURG, SC

SAR, DAR, C.A.R. and other patriotic and lineage societies & chapters are invited to participate in a formal wreath laying ceremony at the United States' Monument. Participants presenting a wreath must deliver it to the Visitors Center no later than 9:30 am on October 7th for labeling and transportation to the monument. Transportation will be provided for those needing assistance to the monument. Continental, militia or period attire is encouraged.

Please complete and return the registration form provided on the following page to jdhoyle@rocketmail.com no later than Saturday, September 21st for the registration to be included in the printed program.

Questions about the event can be directed to the same email address.

The Courtyard by Marriott located at 110 Mobile Dr, Spartanburg, SC 29303 is the official hotel for the 2019 Kings Mountain anniversary. A room of \$105 plus tax is available. The hotel can be reached at 864-585-2400. Mention the SAR block of rooms

The deadline for making a reservation at this rate was September 13th. Additional hotels are available in Gaffney, SC, Gastonia, NC or Kings Mountain, NC.

Directions to Kings Mountain National Military Park (The park is located on South Carolina Highway 216):

- From Spartanburg, SC, take Interstate 85 NORTH to North Carolina Exit #2 and turn RIGHT. The Visitors Center is located approximately 5 miles on the left.
- From Charlotte, NC, take Interstate 85 SOUTH to North Carolina Exit #2 and turn LEFT. The Visitors Center is located approximately 5 miles on the left.

The following is a listing of the events associated with the anniversary commemoration.

Sunday, October 6th

TBA OFNA Meeting

Courtyard by Marriott, 110 Mobile Dr, Spartanburg, SC

- 4:00 pm South Atlantic District, National Society SAR District Meeting
Courtyard by Marriott, 110 Mobile Dr, Spartanburg, SC
Reception to follow
- 6:00 pm The Night before Kings Mountain
Cowpens National Battlefield, 4001 Chesnee Hwy, Gaffney, SC
Presented by the Overmountain Victory Trail Association

Monday, October 7th

- 9:30 am Deadline for delivery of wreaths to Kings Mountain Visitors Center
- 11:00 am Wreath Laying Ceremony at the United States Monument
- 3:00 pm Arrival of the Overmountain Victory Trail Marchers / Commemoration Ceremony

2019 Kings Mountain Wreath Registration

Registration forms should be returned to jdhoyle@rocketmail.com

Deadline for registration so that it will appear in the printed program was Saturday, September 21st

Society Name: _____

Chapter Name: _____

Name of Presenter: _____ Title: _____



Activities of the Kansas Society Color Guard continued through the 3rd quarter of 2019 primarily by individual color guardsmen as various presentations and chapter color guard involved events.

Unfortunately the 4th of July Parade in Lenexa, KS for which we were registered to called due to a rain storm with significant lightning.

24 July 2019-Dewey Fry, Steven French, Robert Wandel and Bruce Bowman presented the colors at a Naturalization Ceremony at the Lied Center on the campus of the University of Kansas. 353 petitioners were sworn in as new citizens of the United States of America. In the photo (Left), left to right are the aforementioned Color Guardsmen in order.

In the photo (Below Right) left to right are Dewey Fry, Gretchen Welk from the Court Clerk's office, Steven French, Robert Wandel, Chief Magistrate Judge of the US Kansas District Court- Julia Robinson, Kim Leininger from the Court Clerk Office, and Bruce Bowman. It has become customary, the KSSAR Color Guard leads the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance at Naturalization Ceremonies organized by the US Kansas District



Court at the Robert J. Dole Courthouse in Kansas City, Kansas and the Naturalization Ceremonies on the University of Kansas.



3 August 2019-Dewey Fry, Ken Ludwig, Kirk Rush and Steven French Presented the Colors at the Kansas Society Board of Governors quarterly meeting in Emporia, Kansas.

4 August 2019- Dewey Fry, Dennis Nelson, Kirk Rush and Steven French of the Kansas Society were joined by James Scott, Robert Grover and Stephen Sullins of the Missouri Society in the Celebration of Life of a young Kansas Society DAR member and fifth grade history teacher in Kansas City, Missouri who lost her life by drowning.

23 August 2019- Dewey Fry, Steven French, Jerry Vest and Bruce Bowman Presented the Colors at a Naturalization Ceremony at the Robert J. Dole US Courthouse in Kansas City, Kansas. 92 petitioners were sworn in as new citizens.

13 September 2019- Dewey Fry and Steven French Presented the Colors at a Naturalization Ceremony at the Dole Institute for Politics on the campus of the University of Kansas. (Left) .



28 September 2019- The Kansas Society Color Guard marched in the Overland Park Fall Festival Parade in Overland Park, Kansas. There were many more people lining the streets than there had been in the past; many showed their appreciation for the color guard and respect for the US Flag. Left to right in the photo (Below) were Alan Martin, Dewey Fry, Steven French and Dennis Nelson.



National Veterans Wheelchair Games

The National Veterans Wheelchair Games (NVWG) were held 11 to 16 July in Louisville, KY. The NVWG is co-presented between the Department of Veterans Affairs and Paralyzed Veterans of America.



The NVWG promotes wheelchair sports for veterans as part of their rehabilitation to improve function, independence and getting them active in their home communities in sport and fitness. Approximately 680 veterans participated in the Louisville games.



The Kentucky Society of the Sons of the American Revolution presented the colors for both the opening and closing ceremonies of the Wheelchair Games. The Kentucky Color Guard was comprised of members from four different chapters; Simon Kenton, Gov. Isaac Shelby, Lafayette, and Louisville Thruston. Also participating in the color guard was the Mary Engles Chapter of the Kentucky Society DAR and the Jack Jouett Chapter of the Kentucky CAR. The color guards consisted of 15 members and 12 members respectively for the opening and closing ceremonies. For both ceremonies the color guard were led by a fifer and drummer. After the opening ceremony the color guard also led the procession of veteran athletes out of the venue.



The color guard for Military Appreciation Night was provided by the Kentucky Society Color Guard. The color guard carried 30 flags which included past national flags of the United States, all six military service branch flags, historic battle flags, POW/MIA, KIA, Gold Star, Honor & Remember, World War II Commemoration, Medal of Honor, and various other flags. Accompanying the color guard were two drummers. The color guard consisted of members of the Gov. Isaac Shelby, Louisville Thruston, Simon Kenton, and Lafayette chapters of the SAR and the Mary Engles and John Marshall Chapters of the DAR.



National Military Appreciation Night

The men and women who serve our country, both past and present, were honored at the Louisville Slugger Field in Louisville, KY. Military Appreciation Night, held on 9 August, recognized the service and sacrifice of our military personnel. Before the game a special ceremony was held which recognized three Medal of Honor Recipients and three Gold Star Families.



Battle of Blue Licks Memorial Ceremony

On 19 August 1782, American Militia under the command of Colonel John Todd with subordinate officers Lt. Col. Stephen Trigg and Lt. Col. Daniel Boone were led into an ambush and defeated by a combined force of American Indians and British Rangers. The battle, one of the last in the American Revolution, took place on a hill next to the Licking River in present day Kentucky. The vastly outnumbered American force of approximately 182 suffered casualties of approximately 72 killed and 11 captured.

The Kentucky Society SAR honored the Patriots killed in the battle with a memorial service held at the Blue Licks Monument on 17 August. Guests of Honor were Chancellor General Peter Davenport, Past Surgeon General Larry Leslie, and Central District Vice-President General William Sharp. The master of ceremonies was Kentucky Society President Mike Sullivan. Taking part in the ceremony were 23 SAR chapters from Kentucky, Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, and West Virginia, along with the German Society and French Society. Also in attendance were three DAR

chapters from Kentucky and Virginia and five CAR chapters from Kentucky and Virginia.

The color guard for the ceremony consisted of a fifer, drummer, 15 riflemen, and 28 flag bearers. During the memorial ceremony Kentucky State Chaplain Geoff Baggett read the Honor Roll of those Patriots killed in the battle accompanied by the tolling of a bell after each name. During the Honor Roll, members of the rifle/musket team performed the drill 'mourn on arms'. The Patriots were also honored with approximately 40 wreaths laid at the monument. The ceremony concluded with a gun salute followed by the sounding of Taps.



MARYLAND

28/July Members of the Maryland SAR honored the memory of Compatriot John P. Foreman of Chestertown with a dedication of his SAR grave marker at Chester Cemetery today. Members of the MDSSAR Color Guard traveled from the around the state to participate. (lt to rt) Rev Christos Christou Jr., current State President James Perry, Past President Edward A Forman, Color Guard members Lou Raborg, Christopher Smithson, Michael J Kelly Jr., William Smithson, David Hoover and Gene Moyer.



Take Aim (pic 2) with Lou Raborg, Christopher Smithson, Michael J Kelly Jr. William P Smithson, David W. Hoover and Eugene R. Moyer.



14/Sept The Color Guard had a busy day with 3 events at 2 location. Starting off with 3 of the MDSSAR Color Guard's Finest (Below) David Hoover, Gene Moyer and Michael Kelly Jr. were part of the NSSAR Color Guard's annual Vigil at his Excellency's Tomb at Mount Vernon. HUZZAH to all to all who participated.



10/Aug The Annual Atlantic Middle States Conference was hosted by the Delaware Society this year with a number of Color Guard members from around the region in attendance including our own David Hoover and Michael Kelly Jr.



During the same day Mount Vernon was holding their annually Colonial Market and Fare were Guardsman David Embrey, on the far left, (Below) traded his Blue Regimental and musket for A Musician Red one with fife and led Fife and Drum musick demos through out the day.



The day ended with the Annually Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Wreath laying at Arlington National Cemetery by NS-SAR President General John Manning with Guardsmen from across the Nation in support Above right) including our own Michael Kelly Jr. President General John Manning with Guardsmen Michael Kelly Jr. pose for photo (Rght) – Photo credit Tim Dioquino



17/Sept What better way to celebrate Constitution Day then by Presenting Colors for the Naturalization Ceremony of 20 new citizens at Fort McHenry in Baltimore. The combined Maryland SAR/1812 Color Guard Below) include David Embrey, Gene Moyer, William Smithson, David Hoover and Ken Hunt. What a great day for America and HUZZAH to all of our new citizens. Photo by Becky Moyer



20/Sept The Friday Night Banquet at Fall leadership began with the posting of the Colors with our Gene Moyer far right (Right) with the Maryland State Flag. HUZ-ZAH to all that participated.



ANANIAS COOKE (1761 - 1852)

Compatriot Matthew Sargent of the Old Middlesex Chapter has been deeply involved with researching and cataloging veterans' graves in his home town of Marlboro, MA. The project ironically began several years ago while working in Italy. He visited the famous Sicily-Rome American Cemetery in Anzio and wondered if anyone from Marlboro was buried there.

Back in the states, his interest grew as he started to learn some of the stories be-



MASSACHUSETTS



TITUS AMIDON

Saturday, September 21, 2019 – The General Seth Pomeroy Chapter of the Massachusetts Society conducted a graveside memorial service in Springfield, MA for Revolutionary War Veteran Titus Amidon at the Springfield Cemetery. The service included a wreath-laying ceremony by the Col. Henry Knox Regimental Color Guard of MASSAR which also included a series of musket volleys in his honor.

Organizing this fine event was the Pomeroy Chapter Registrar, Compatriot David Robison with the capable assistance of Pomeroy Chapter President, Thomas Vincent. In attendance were two direct descendants of Titus Amidon, Patty Vitale and Julia Ward. Ms. Vitale spoke on the role Titus Amidon played during his service in the War.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, the group visited the Historic Springfield Armory, commissioned by President George Washington on the advice of General Henry Knox. Eighteenth Century Historical Interpreter, Dennis Picard, gave a presentation on the Shay's Rebellion followed by lunch and a casual tour of the Armory.



Michigan Society Color Guard and Michigan Oaks Chapter recognizes Mr. Ron Zuccaro

On Saturday, July 13, 2019, representatives of the Michigan Society Color Guard, along with other members of the Oaks Chapter, Michigan S.A.R. traveled to the home of Mr. Ronald Zuccaro to present him with a Sons of the American Revolution flag certificate for his extensive and impressive display honoring the United States Flag. The display, which is shaped in a large semi-circle, also displays the flags of all branches of the United States military, statues in tribute to service dogs, and a special memorial honoring the friends Mr. Zuccaro lost while serving in combat in Viet Nam.

Ron Zuccaro has led a varied and interesting life. He has served terms of enlistment with the U.S. Army, Marine Corp, and Navy. He served in Viet Nam and was awarded two Purple Hearts. Ron's love for his country is best exemplified by his year of service and his beautiful display is a fitting tribute to the flag that he served under. The Oaks Chapter, Michigan S.A.R. and the Michigan Color Guard were honored to recognize Mr. Zuccaro's display of patriotism.



MICHIGAN



Grave Re-dedication of Patriot Richard Jersey

The MISSAR Color Guard members attended the grave re dedication of Patriot Richard Jersey. Private Richard Jersey was in Captain Henry Dodge's Company and Colonel Frederick Weissenfels's Regiment New York, Levies, in the Revolutionary War. This event took place on Sunday September 15, 2019. He is buried in Washington Cemetery centered in Macomb County, Michigan.

Along with our Commander Burkland and Musketeer Aaron Wiles, our SAR bag piper Ron Barnard marched with the events group. Full military honors were executed along with our MISSAR sword salute. Boy Scout Troop 360 also remembered this revolutionary war soldier with Pvt. Jersey descendant family members in attendance. The DAR and SAR both laid wreaths in honor of this soldiers war service.



9-11 Ceremony at the Great Lakes National Cemetery

The Ceremony was organized by Regent LaCroix and Vice Regent Kelly VanWormer of Michigan and our group was invited to participate. This was the first, of what is expected to be an annual, event to recognize those Veterans interred at the Cemetery during the year without family representation or military honors performed.

Names of 14 Veterans were read and a ceremonial bell rung in their honor. They were members of each Service

and served in WW II, Korea, Vietnam and the Cold War. Members of the Army, Navy, Marines and Air Force folded Flags and presented them to members of the DAR and the Navy presented their flag to me.



At the Ceremony was Past VPG and Color Guard Commander Burkland and his wife Carol, Oaks Chapter President John Raya and his wife Susan.



Moving Vietnam Wall in Hamburg MI

Compatriot KVC VP Bob Mathews and VPG James Petres presenting a wreath



Michigan John Quick Grave Dedication

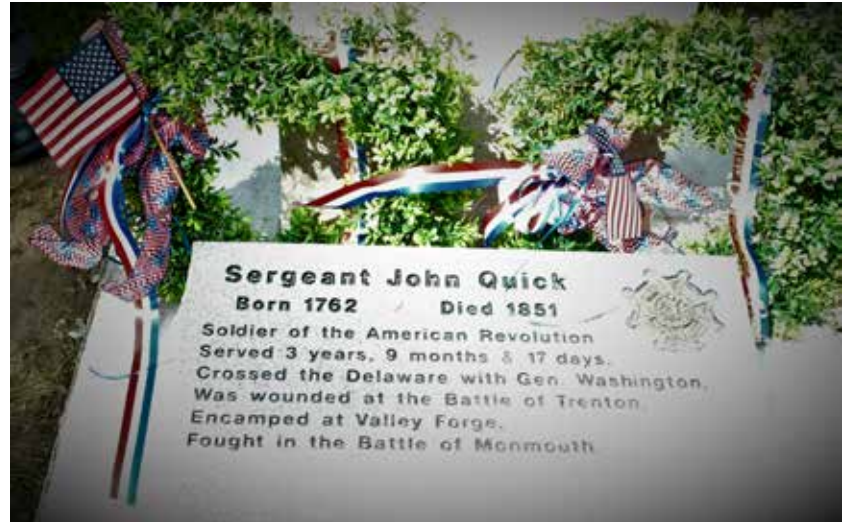
On Saturday August 10, 2019 the MISSAR Color Guard members participated in the grave re-dedication of patriot John Quick. His grave is located in the Quaker Cemetery, in Maple Grove Township. He was a descendant of Bernie Grosskopf. Compatriot Grosskopf is a Trustee of the Central Michigan Chapter in the MISSAR. A new addition to our MISSAR color guard is Larry Blackett, NSSAR Minuteman, with his 75 caliber howitzer cannon he built himself. It gives a fabulous look to our troops

The MISSAR Color Guard performed a Sword Salute and the gun crew fired Cannon Volleys to honor Patriot John Quick.

From Left to Right ;David Moore-Drummer, Jason Gideon-Guardsman, Aaron Wiles-Guardsman, John Raya-President Oaks Chapter, Dennis Van-Wormer-MISSAR State Treasurer, Rose Blackett, Larry Blackett-NSSAR Minuteman, Gerald Burkland-MISSAR Color Guard Commander, Ken Goodson-MISSAR State President, Bob Hawcroft-VP Paul Emery Chapter

Taking the picture is Bernie Groskoff a Descendant of John Quick and Secretary of the Central Michigan Chapter.

Sargent John Quick served 3 years 9 months and 17 days as a Revolutionary War Soldier, Crossed the Delaware with General George Washington, was wounded at the Battle of Trenton, he was encamped at Valley Forge and fought in the Battle of Monmouth.



MINNESOTA -

July 4, 2019

The Minnesota Color Guard joined forces with the 7th Pennsylvania Regiment for the annual "Flying Pancake Breakfast" event in Wayzata, Minnesota. The troops posted the Betsy Ross flag to open the ceremony, and later posted the current American flag. They also marched to the dock and fired their musket guns several times with members of the 7th Pennsylvania Regiment.

The event is hosted by the Minnesota CAR, and the state DAR also participates.

SAR Member Kevin Sullivan recited the Declaration of Independence out loud as part of the ceremony before the mayor introduced WWII veterans who attended. Attendance this year finished at 1,416.



Musket Firing
Photo by Tom Sneed.



Steve Hyde, Kevin Sullivan, Craig Whiting, Chris Moberg, John McCallum, James (11, grandson of Craig), along with three members of the 7th Pennsylvania Regiment. Photo by Tom Sneed.

IPC at Eagle court of honor



Missouri Society, SAR Color Guard Members present SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to a Missouri Highway Patrolman

On July 1, 2019 the Independence Patriots Chapter awarded Trooper Darren C. Belardo the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal during the Troop A Highway Patrol Employee Recognition Luncheon held at Troop A headquarters, Lees Summit, Missouri.

Below - Left to right: Independence Patriot Chapter (IPC) President Stephen Sullins, Missouri Highway Patrol Trooper Darren C. Belardo, Missouri Highway Patrol Troop A Commander Capt. Scott A. Shipers, and Compatriot Don Turner, Ozark Patriot Chapter (OPC). Photo provided by Stephen Sullins, IPC President.



Commemorative Grave Marking of Revolutionary War Patriots by the SAR and the DAR at the Sappington Cemetery

On July 13, 2019 the John Sappington DAR Chapter and the Spirit of St. Louis SAR Chapter held a joint grave marking ceremony at the Sappington Cemetery in Crestwood, Missouri for three Revolutionary War Patriots – John Long, John Sappington, and Joseph Wells. Both SAR and DAR grave markers were installed. Members from four chapters of the MOSSAR Color Guard participated in the grave markings. This cemetery was originally known as the Long Cemetery named for Revolutionary War Patriot Judge John Long. Crestwood, Missouri was originally known as Sappington, Missouri. Descendants of the three Patriots were in attendance.

Captain John Long was born on December 25, 1755 at Port Royal, Caroline County, Virginia. He married Elizabeth Fenton Bennett. They had 4 children. He died in St. Louis County, Missouri on March 15, 1826. His son William Long in 1808 married Elizabeth Sappington, one of the 17 children of John Sappington.

Sgt. John Sappington was born on September 3, 1750 in Anne Arundel County, Maryland. He served with General George Washington at Valley Forge. For a time he resided in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and later settled near Lexington, Kentucky with Daniel Boone. He purchased a Spanish land grant and raised 17 children on 1,920 Missouri acres. He was the builder of the original “White Haven” Farm/Home in St. Louis County. President Ulysses S. Grant was one of the subsequent owners of the home. He died in St. Louis County, Missouri on August 10, 1815.

Private Joseph Wells was born on October 25, 1766 in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. He married Mary Scott. They had 2 children. He served in the Washington County, Pennsylvania Militia. He died in St. Louis County, Missouri on February 6, 1852



Left to right: MOSSAR President James E. Osbourn (SSL), Don Turner (OPC), Steven Biggs (SSL), Marvin Koechig (FDL), Greg Watkins (SSL), Terry Grogan (SSL), Wayne Davis (SSL), Charles McMillan (OMC), Jon Pennington (SSL), Frank Furman (OPC), John Bedell (SSL), and Bob Brindell (SSL)..



Members of MOSSAR Colorguardsmen, members of the DAR, and members of the C.A.R. participating in the grave marking ceremony at the Sappington Cemetery.

Photos taken and provided by Compatriot Greg Landrum (FDL).

Change of Missouri Society, SAR Color Guard Commander at the Missouri Society, SAR Board Meeting on July 27, 2019

On July 27, 2019 a change of MOSSAR Color Guard Commander took place at the MOSSAR Board Meeting held in Columbia, Missouri. Compatriot Steven G. Perkins (OMC) replaces retiring MOSSAR Color Guard Commander Douglas E. Neff (FDL). Participating in the changing of the Color Guard Commander Ceremony was MOSSAR President James E. Osbourn and NSSAR South Central District Vice President General Daniel R. McMurray. After the change of command ceremony, the Pledge of Allegiance was conducted with Commander Perkins taking charge of the Color Guard.



Left to right: MOSSAR President James E. Osbourn (SSL), South Central District VP General Daniel R. McMurray (OMC), and new MOSSAR Color Guard Commander Steven G. Perkins (OMC).

Left to right: MOSSAR Sgt-at-Arms Charles McMillan (OMC), Compatriot Don Turner (OPC), MOSSAR President James E. Osbourn (SSL), new MOSSAR Color Guard Commander Steven G. Perkins (OMC), MOSSAR Treasurer John L. Bedell (SSL), Compatriot Fran Furman (OPC), Stephen D. Sullins (President IPC), and retiring Treasurer Courtney Y. Sloan.

Photos taken and provided by Compatriot Dennis J. Hahn (FDL)



Harry S Truman Chapter received a 35th Anniversary Proclamation from the City of Independence, Missouri

On August 4, 2019 the Harry S Truman Chapter received a 35th Anniversary Proclamation from the City of Independence, Missouri signed by Mayor Eileen N. Weir. The Proclamation was received by Color Guard Members of the Harry S Truman Chapter. Independence is known for being the hometown of former U.S. President Harry S Truman and the Truman Library & Museum.

Left to right: Harry S Truman Chapter President John K. Stewart, Robert L. Grover, Thomas R. Neal, and Roy W. Hutchinson. In the background is City of Independence Mayor Eileen N. Weir.

Photo provided by Compatriot Robert L. Grover (HST).



Missouri Society, SAR Colorguardsmen participate in the opening of the Missouri State Fair in Sedalia, Missouri

On August 8, 2019 Missouri Society, SAR Colorguardsmen served as the opening unit of the Missouri State Fair Parade on a very warm evening in Sedalia, Missouri.

The Missouri State Fair was created on April 19, 1899 by the 40th General Assembly of the State of Missouri. The State Board of Agriculture selected Sedalia Missouri as the location of the Missouri State Fair. The fairgrounds were built on 150 acres of land donated by the J. C. Van Riper family. Several buildings were constructed between 1899 and 1907. Twenty-four acres of ground adjoining the main entrance were purchased in 1907 to provide free camping for fair visitors. The first Missouri State Fair was held in September 1901. The Fairgrounds served as the site for the State of Missouri Centennial Celebration in 1921. There was no Missouri State Fair held in 1943 and 1944 because of World War II. Over the years additional buildings were constructed and additional land was acquired with a total today of 396 acres. Compatriot Presidents William H. Taft, Harry S Truman, and George W. Bush have attended the Missouri State Fair. Non-SAR Member President Ronald W. Reagan attended the Missouri State Fair. Many of the Missouri Bicentennial activities and exhibits will be at the 2021 State Fair in Sedalia during August of 2021.



Left to right: Stephen Sullins (Independence Patriots Chapter), Roy Hutchinson (Harry S Truman Chapter), Russell DeVenney (M. Graham Clark Chapter), and Jesse Lybarger (M. Graham Clark Chapter).

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Photos taken by Kathleen Hutchinson (Blue Springs DAR). Photos provided by Stephen Sullins, IPC President.



M. Graham Clark Chapter presents Flag Commendation Certificate to Gander RV & Outdoors of Columbia (Missouri)

On August 21, 2019 the M. Graham Clark Chapter presented a Flag Commendation Certificate to Gander RV & Outdoors of Columbia of Columbia, Missouri. MOSSAR Colorguardsmen John Coutts, Bruce Hillis, and J. Wayne Merrill participated in the presentation..



Left to right: Harold Kerr (MGC Flag Commendation Certificate Chairman), Compatriot John Coutts, Gander General Manager Grant King, MGC President Charlie Lee, Compatriot Bruce Hillis, and MOSSAR Honorary Vice President J. Wayne Merrill (MGC).

Photo provided by Compatriot Harold Kerr (MGC).



Missouri Society, SAR Colorguardsmen participated in the Grand Opening of the new rifle range at the Arnold, Missouri Rifle and Pistol Club

On Saturday, September 7, 2019 the Arnold Rifle and Pistol Club held its annual "M1 for Vets" ceremony. Refurbished M1 rifles were presented to Veterans SSgt Christopher Osborne (U.S. Army Retired), Sgt Jacob Richardson (U.S. Army Retired), and Cpl Aaron Kent (USMC). It was held as part of the Grand Opening of the new rifle range. The program started at Noon and a lunch followed. MOSSAR Colorguardsmen Greg Watkins of the Spirit of St. Louis and Dan Turner of the Ozark Patriots Chapter participated in the ceremony

Left to right: Compatriot Greg Watkins (SSL), SSgt Christopher Osborne (U.S. Army Retired), Sgt Jacob Richardson (U.S. Army Retired), Cpl Aaron Kent (USMC), and Compatriot Dan Turner (OPC).

Photo taken and provided by Compatriot Greg Landrum (FDL)



Left to right: MOSSAR Color Guard Commander Steven Perkins (OMC), James Scott (AMC), Roy Hutchinson (HST), Stephen Sullins (IPC), Russell DeVenney (MGC), Robert Grover (HST), David Stick (WCC), J. Wayne Merrill (MGC), and Charles McMillan (OMC). Photo taken by Kathy Hutchinson (Blue Springs, MO DAR Chapter) and provided by Compatriot Roy Hutchinson (HST).

Missouri Society, SAR Color Guard Members participate in the grave marking of Compatriot Robert Carroll Daugherty

On September 7, 2019 the grave of Compatriot Robert Carroll Daugherty was marked with an SAR grave marker at the Englewood Cemetery, Clinton, Missouri. Compatriot Daugherty was a member of the Martin Warren Chapter (MWC). MOSSAR Color Guard Members participating in the dedication ceremony were Past Registrar General Russell DeVenney (MGC), Robert Grover (HST); Roy Hutchinson (HST), Charles McMillan (OMC), J. Wayne Merrill (OMC), MOSSAR Color Guard Commander Steven Perkins (OMC), James Scott (AMC), David Stick (WCC), and Stephen Sullins (IPC). Participating in the dedication ceremony were MOSSAR President James E. Osbourn (SSL) and Martin Warren Chapter (MWC) President Walter Henry.



Fernando de Leyba Chapter presents the NSSAR Daughters of Liberty Medal and Certificate to Kristine Sjostrom

On September 11, 2019 the Fernando de Leyba Chapter of St. Charles, Missouri presented to Kristine Sjostrom the NSSAR "Daughters of Liberty Medal and Certificate". The medal is the highest medal that can be presented to a woman. Past Chapter Presidents and Past Missouri Society Presidents Dennis J. Hahn and Charles E. Lilly on behalf of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter presented the medal and certificate to Kristine Sjostrom. The Missouri Society, SAR Board of Directors approved the presentation of the medal to Kristine by the Chapter. Kristine, who lives in Spain, was in St. Louis to participate in a film being produced on the Battle of Fort San Carlos, the furthest west Revolutionary War Battle, which occurred on May 26, 1780.

Kristen Sjostrom over several years researched the life of Fernando de Leyba, Spanish Commandant of St. Louis (Missouri), and contributed a portion of her research to appear as Section 11 in the book published in 2018 by Stephen L. Kling, Jr. entitled, "The Battle of St. Louis, The Attack on Cahokia and The American Revolution in the West". (The Battle of St. Louis is also known as the Battle of Fort San Carlos.) There was a plaque dedicated and an exhibit held in honor of Fernando de Leyba at his hometown of Ceuta, Spain on March 13, 2019. This Fernando de Leyba plaque and exhibit would not have taken place without Kristine Sjostrom. She was the driving force in making this happen. She ensured the SAR was recognized in the exhibit. One of the panels in the exhibit highlights the dedication of the Missouri Society, SAR plaque at Ball Park Village and the Battle of Fort San Carlos Commemoration held in 2014 (the first time it was established as a National SAR historical event). Kristine is a member of the DAR. The Fernando de Leyba Chapter some time ago presented Kristine with the Martha Washington Medal for the information she provided in 2014 to the Chapter on Fernando de Leyba and her approving the Chapter's placing the information on the Chapter Website.



Left to right: Compatriot Dennis Hahn, Kristine Sjostrom, and Compatriot/Colorguardsman Charles Lilly. Photo taken and provided by Compatriot Greg Landrum (FDL).



Left to right: MOSSAR Color Guard Commander Steven Perkins (OMC), Stephen Sullins (IPC), Roy Hutchinson (HST), Russell DeVenney (MGC), James Scott (AMC), Robert Grover (HST), David Stick (WCC), J. Wayne Merrill (MGC), and Charles McMillan (OMC).

Photo taken by Kathy Hutchinson (Blue Springs, MO DAR Chapter) and provided by Compatriot Roy Hutchinson (HST).

Missouri Society, SAR Color Guard Members participate in the DAR grave marking of Elizabeth Taylor, wife of Patriot Major William Taylor

On September 7, 2019 the grave of Elizabeth Courts Taylor, wife of Patriot Major William Taylor, was marked by the Henry County Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution at the Berry-Chipman Cemetery, Windsor, Missouri. MOSSAR Color Guard Members participating in the dedication ceremony were Past Registrar General Russell DeVenney (MGC), Robert Grover (HST); Roy Hutchinson (HST), Charles McMillan (OMC), J. Wayne Merrill (OMC), MOSSAR Color Guard Commander Steven Perkins (OMC), James Scott (AMC), David Stick (WCC), and Stephen Sullins (IPC). Participating in the dedication ceremony were MOSSAR President James E. Osbourn (SSL) and Martin Warren Chapter (MWC) President Walter Henry.



Missouri Society, SAR Color Guard Members participate in the grave marking of Compatriot Richard Herbert Adams



On September 7, 2019 the grave of Compatriot Richard Herbert Adams was marked with an SAR grave marker at the Sunset Hill Cemetery, Warrensburg, Missouri. Compatriot Adams was a member of the Martin Warren Chapter (MWC). MOSSAR Color Guard Members participating in the dedication ceremony were Past Registrar General Russell DeVenney (MGC), Robert Grover (HST); Roy Hutchinson (HST), Charles McMillan (OMC), J. Wayne Merrill (OMC), MOSSAR Color Guard Commander Steven Perkins (OMC), James Scott (AMC), David Stick (WCC), and Stephen Sullins (IPC). Participating in the dedication ceremony were MOSSAR President James E. Osbourn (SSL) and Martin Warren Chapter (MWC) President Walter Henry.



Left to right: MOSSAR President James Osbourn (SSL), James Scott, Robert Grover, Roy Hutchinson, David Stick, Russell DeVenney, J. Wayne Merrill, Stephen Sullins, MOSSAR Color Guard Commander Steven Perkins, and Charles McMillan.

Photo taken by Kathy Hutchinson (Blue Springs, MO DAR Chapter) and provided by Compatriot Roy Hutchinson (HST).



Ralston Independence Day Parade - July 4th, 2019

Several members of the Nebraska SAR Color Guard marched in the Ralston Independence Day Parade this past 4th of July. Ralston, nicknamed "The Independence City", holds the largest parade in the state of Nebraska every year, with over 42,000 members of the public in attendance! Our banner was carried by members of the Nebraska Children of the American Revolution (CAR). Commander Chad Sherrets, Omaha Captain Paul Burright, Lincoln Captain Shawn Stoner, John Braisted, Jim Sly, Mel Burright, Tom Upton, and Terry Springer all participated. We carried muskets, the Betsy Ross flag, and the Nebraska State flag through the 1.5 mile parade.

Photo: Commander Chad Sherrets leads as Lincoln Captain Shawn Stoner, Jim Sly, John Braisted, and Omaha Captain Paul Burright (from left to right) march during the Independence Day Parade



Dr. Aurelius Bowen Grave Marking - August 24th, 2019

The Nebraska SAR Color Guard participated in a second grave marking ceremony for one of the Nebraska Society's founding members, Dr. Aurelius Bowen, at Wyuka Cemetery in Nebraska City. While being Nebraska Society member #1, Dr. Bowen was also the society's 5th State President in 1894. Aurelius Bowen was also listed as Surgeon General of the National Society in 1892. He is descended from Henry Bowen (CT), who fought at the Battle of Bunker Hill. Color Guard Compatriots in attendance were Omaha Captain Paul Burright, Mel Burright, Lincoln Lieutenant John Braisted, Jim Sly, and Terry Springer. To honor Dr. Bowen's Civil War service, the SAR was supported by the Nebraska Rangers, Sons of Veterans Reserve, a unit of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865, who performed a 21 musket salute prior to the playing of TAPS. Photo: Nebraska State President Shawn Stoner gives the address at the Dr. Aurelius Bowen grave marking. Color Guard members standing at attention are Omaha Captain Paul Burright, Jim Sly, Mel Burright, and John Braisted (left to right)

NEBRASKA -



Champion Chase Grave Marking - August 10th, 2019

The Nebraska SAR conducted a grave marking for their first State President, Champion Chase, at Prospect Hill Cemetery in Omaha. President Chase was born in 1820 and passed away in 1899. Besides serving as the 1st Nebraska SAR President, he was a 4 term Mayor of Omaha, the first Nebraska Attorney General, and a Lieutenant Colonel in the Civil War. Due to his Civil War service, we were joined by the Nebraska Rangers, Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW), who did a musket volley in Civil War uniform. Members of several organizations joined us for a wreath laying ceremony, and our keynote speaker was Omaha SAR compatriot, former Omaha Mayor, and Nebraska Congressman, Hal Daub. Nebraska Color Guard members in attendance were Commander Chad Sherrets, Omaha Captain Paul Burright, Mel Burright, Jim Sly, Terry Springer, and Tom Upton. We were also joined by North Central Region Vice President General Christopher Moberg from Minnesota, and immediate past North Central Region VP General Mike Rowley of Iowa. This was the first grave marking event the Nebraska SAR has conducted, and we had excellent support from the public and coverage from the media.

Photo: Members of the Nebraska Rangers, SUVCW stand in front, with Omaha Captain Paul Burright, Iowa compatriot Mike Rowley, Mel Burright, Jim Sly, Commander Chad Sherrets, and North Central VPG Christopher Moberg, stand behind (from left to right) in front of the wreaths at Champion Chase's grave.



Left photo: From left to right, Compatriots Hans Jackson; James Veach; Kevin Stewart; Richard Wright; John Glover and Russell Cumbee posing on the NHS-SAR Color Guard Parade Trailer prior to the Parade on July 4, 2019.

Right Photo: From left to right, Compatriots Richard Wright; John Glover; Hans Jackson; Kevin Stewart and Russell Cumbee marching in the Parade on July 4, 2019.

NEW HAMPSHIRE - New Hampshire Society Color Guard In Ashland, New Hampshire Fourth of July Parade



New Hampshire Society Color Guard Participating in 'Tri-Town Old Home Day' on July 6, 2019



Left Photo: From left to right, Compatriots James Veach; Kevin Stewart and Russell Cumbee manning the booth at the Tri-Town Old Home Day on July 6, 2019.

Right Photo: From left to right, Compatriots Dennis Walsh; Russell Cumbee; Kevin Stewart and Tejasinha Sivalingam marching in the Tri-Town Old Home Day Parade on July 6, 2019

American Independence Festival - Exeter, New Hampshire July 13, 2019



Left Photo: From left to right, Past New England VPG, Richard Wright; NHSSAR 1st Vice-President, Paul Ford; NHSSAR Registrar/Genealogist, Hans Jackson; NHSSAR President Russell B. Cumbee and unidentified re-enactors await the reading of the Declaration of Independence at the American Independence Festival in Exeter, New Hampshire on July 13, 2019.

Right Photo: From left to right, NHSSAR 1st Vice-President, Paul Ford; NHSSAR President, Russell B. Cumbee and NHSSAR Registrar/Genealogist, Hans Jackson giving a hardy Huzzah at the American Independence Festival in Exeter, New Hampshire on July 13, 2019.

NHSSAR Color Guard at the Kingston, New Hampshire 325th Anniversary Celebration



In the photo, from left to right are: NHSSAR National Trustee / Secretary, Doug Wood; NHSSAR Registrar / Genealogist, Hans Jackson; NHSSAR Vice-President, James Veach; NHSSAR Vice-President, Paul Ford and NHSSAR President, Russell B. Cumbee, prior to the start of the Parade.



In the photo, from left to right are: NHSSAR Vice-President, Paul Ford; NHSSAR Registrar / Genealogist, Hans Jackson; NHSSAR Vice-President, James Veach; NHSSAR Vice-President, Paul Ford and NHSSAR President, Russell B. Cumbee and NHSSAR National Trustee / Secretary, Doug Wood, during the Parade.



In the photo, is NHSSAR National Trustee / Secretary, Doug Wood at the NHSSAR Booth.

New Hampshire Color Guard at The Cathedral of The Pines Memorial Service



On August 10, 2019, The NSSAR provided the Color Guard for the New Hampshire DAR during their 72nd Annual Cathedral of The Pines Memorial Service.

In the Left photo, from left to right are: Andrew Akers; Sean Walsh; Bella Blood, DAR Page; Dennis Walsh; John Glover; Russell B. Cumbee and Douglas Wood.

In the Right photo, from left to right are: John Glover; Douglas Wood; Dennis Walsh; Russell B. Cumbee and Bella Blood, DAR Page



New Hampshire Color Guard at the Londonderry, NH 300th Anniversary Celebration on August 17, 2019



Left Photo: Left to right, NHSSAR President, Russell B. Cumbee; Compatriot Dennis Walsh; Color Guard Commander, John Glover; NHSSAR 1st Vice-President, Paul Ford; Compatriot Mark Paine.



Right Photo: Left to right, NHSSAR President, Russell B. Cumbee; Compatriot Dennis Walsh; Miss New Hampshire 2019, Sarah Tubbs; Color Guard Commander, John Glover; NHSSAR Second Vice-President, James Veach; Compatriot Mark Paine





NEVADA -

Color Guard members of the Battle Born Patriots NNVSAR. Paul Hicks, Nevada State Color Guard Commander at funeral of a compatriot, Roger Linscott's, granddaughter



NORTH CAROLINA

Below: James Becker, NC SAR President, installed Senior Master Sergeant George Strunk, USAF Retired as the NC Color Guard Commander on August 17th at the Summer Board of Managers Meeting.



Below: NC Color Guard at the 238th Anniversary of the House in the Horseshoe on August 3, 2019. The house (ca. 1770) was owned by Philip Alston and was attacked by British loyalists led by David Fanning, in 1781.





On Saturday July 13, 2019 the Second Annual Tomb Guard of the Unknown Patriot was held at Fort Laurens located at Bolivar, Ohio. The Memorial was conducted by the Ohio SAR Hocking Valley Chapter Color Guard Commander William Hill. Commander Hill gave the commands on the Changing of the Guard and Baron von Steuben Manual-of Arms including the Funerary Marching Step.

Member from the Ohio and West Virginia SAR Combined Color Guard presented the event on the same weekend as the Brigade of the American Revolution reenactment, (Revolution on the Tuscarawas). This was the busiest weekend at Fort Laurens during the year with hundreds of reenactors and the members of the public. The program was an opportunity to promote the SAR.

L-R Donald Miller, William Hill Kyle von Kamp, Norman Miller, Merle Tomlinson

Photo by State CG Commander Steve Frash

Cincinnati Chapter SAR 2019 Independence Day Memorial

The Cincinnati Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution held their Independence Day Memorial for 2019 at 2:00 PM July 6th, 2019 at the Spring Grove Cemetery & Arboretum Revolutionary War Soldier's Memorial with sixteen members in attendance, the largest number since we established the memorial in 2014. The Revolutionary War Sites and Patriot Graves Committee and the Nolan Carson Memorial Color Guard plans and executes this memorial for the Cincinnati SAR Chapter.

This Memorial honors the 55 Revolutionary Patriots on these hallowed grounds:

with Silas Howell, Stephen Wheeler, Jeremiah French, James Gowdy and Luther Halsey who will be singled out during the 2019 Ceremony.

Benjamin Bassett, Isaac Bates, Jason Bushnell, Christopher Cary, Lucius Chapin, Abraham Chase, Isaac Drake, Abner Martin Dunn, Robert Elliott, William Goforth, Abner Hatch, James Hathorn, Fredrick Horne, John H. Hudson, John Jackson, James Kemper, Peter Kemper, Richard Keys, George Leibee, James Lyon, John Ludlow, Alexander Oliver, John Riddle, John Sellman, Elisha Shepard, Philip Sloat, Oliver Spencer, Charles Vattier, David Wade, Christopher Walker, Benjamin Wood, Ballard Smith, John Mills, Joshua Wyeth, Casper Hopple, James Irwin, Robert Orr, Oliver Martin, John Sloan Wallace, Edward Miller, Hezekiah Flint, Jesse Hunt, John Mercer, Amos White, Cornelius Sedam, Oliver Martin, William Brown, Matthew Lawler, Spencer Cooper, Phillip Coke who are all honored.



In addition, on this special day we shall once again give remembrance to all those who risked to safeguard our liberties on and around the field of battle during the 240 years since the founding of these United States of America with this pledge: We, the members of the Cincinnati Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution Re-dedicate this marked Memorial to the glory of God and in the recognition of the memory of these honorable Patriots of the American Revolution and others in battles fought since.



The following members participated this year: Lee Wilkerson, George H. Stewart, Jr., Shaun P. Smith, Charles Ernst Rogers, John Bradley Jarard, Gary L. Duffield, Clayton Lowell Crandall, Robert Edmund R. Bowers, Ralph E. Bonniwell, Michael J. Blum, Gregory D. Ballman, Robert Sturm, Larry W. Collins, Michael B. Gunn, Jim Houston and Douglas Blake.

Photos by Doug Blake and Paul Collette, please review our Blog at: cincinnati SAR.org for other events and activities of Cincinnati SAR.

by Michael B. Gunn, Ph.D

July 27, 2019: The NSSAR Combined Color Guard Members from Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia and New Hampshire converged in the small town of Bolivar, Ohio to commemorate the Siege of Ft. Laurens at the Tomb of the unknown Patriot at the site of Ohio's only fort from the Revolutionary War. The Guest Speaker for the event was President General Manning of the NSSAR

Ft. Laurens was built in late November, 1778, on the west bank of the Tuscarawas River near what is now Bolivar, OH, General McIntosh named the fort in honor of the President of the Continental Congress, Henry Laurens.

Fort Laurens remained an active American military post from November 1778 through early August 1779. During that time, the fort was clearly perceived by the British and their Indian allies in the northwest as a very serious threat. This was evident from the numerous attacks on the fort by Indians, Loyalist and British soldiers. These attacks resulted in the deaths of more than 20 American soldiers, who were later buried a short distance from the fort near the fort hospital.

(Photo by James Schaffer)



OKLAHOMA

Tulsa Chapter SAR celebrates Let Freedom Ring!

Let Freedom Ring, July 4, 2019

Tulsa area members of the Sons, Daughters and Children of the American Revolution celebrated the national Let Freedom Ring ceremony on the campus of the University of Tulsa. Oklahoma SAR Past State President Ron Painter was the master of ceremonies. Pipe Major William Tetrick of the City of Tulsa Pipes and Drums Corps opened the ceremony with patriotic bagpipe music. Tulsa Chapter SAR Colorguardsmen Bill Graham, John Thompson and Loyd Means presented the colors. Tulsa Chapter DAR member Kelley Friedberg sang "The Star Spangled Banner" and "My Country Tis of Thee." Sara Linde of the Osage Hills Chapter DAR sang "America the Beautiful." Oklahoma DAR Honorary State Regent Dr. Orriene Denslow read an excerpt from the Declaration of Independence. SAR and DAR members rang the Pergola Bell, one toll for each of the original 13 colonies. A feature story about the event was published on the front page of the July 4th edition of the Tulsa World and tv coverage of the ceremony aired on the evening news of two local tv stations.

Tulsa World July 4, 2019

https://www.tulsaworld.com/news/local/awesome-sacrifices-let-freedom-ring-ceremony-commemorates-declaration-of-independence/article_395fd837-0e5c-5634-a89c-ecdb37af873e.html

Below: Oklahoma DAR Honorary State Regent Dr. Orriene Denslow reads from the Declaration of Independence.



Below: Tulsa Chapter SAR Colorguardsmen Ron Painter, Bill Graham and John Thompson join brothers Andrew and Gabriel Adler.



Perfect weather for a Vigil

On September 14, 2019 sixteen compatriots participated in this year's Washington's Vigil representing several State Societies. The Mount Vernon docents incorporated our vigil into their program, which included a wreath laying at the tomb and praised the Sons of the American Revolution to spectators. The weather was almost perfect with a temperature of 81 degrees and pleasant humidity. After posting the U.S. and Washington Commander-in-Chief's flag, the compatriots were divided into groups of two to stand twenty-minute tours. The Vigil was under the command of National Color Guard Commander James Fosdyck, with past Commanders Dave Hoover and Mark Anthony also participating. The length of the tours was later reduced to fifteen minutes to allow more tours by the compatriots and not because of fatigue. I would highly recommend that every color guardsman take advantage of the opportunity to participate in this event in the future; well worth time and effort.

List of participants

James Fosdyck	CA
Mark Anthony	GA
Dave Hoover	MD
Gene Moyer	MD
Patrick Wesolosky	KY
Mike King	KY
Kenneth Smith	NC
George Strunk	NC
Ron Bonham	NC
Ralph Galpin	GA
Mike Kelly	MD
Jon Fixmer	IL
Ryan Dostal	VA
Larry Hansen	CA
Mike Sullivan	
Mark Kramer	CA

Lady's also in attendance

Un Hui Fosdyck	CA
Marika Wesolosky	KY
Mary Jean King	KY
Cindy Anthony	GA
Christine Fixmer	IL
Judy Sullivan	
JoAnn Kramer	CA



ELECTION OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY SAR COLOR GUARDSMAN OF THE YEAR

Nominations for National Color Guardsman of the Year must be submitted to the National Commander by e-mail or U.S. Mail no later than the December 31 preceding the National Congress at which the SAR Color Guardsman of the Year is to be awarded the SAR Gold Color Guard Medal.

To be considered for SAR Color Guardsman of the Year, a Color Guardsman must have completed at least three years of service at the National level. Each State Society and Chapter Color Guard may nominate one compatriot each year for the SAR Color Guardsman of the Year. State Societies and Chapters should consider the Compatriot who best exemplifies both the spirit of the Sons of the American Revolution and the use of Color Guards to display that spirit.

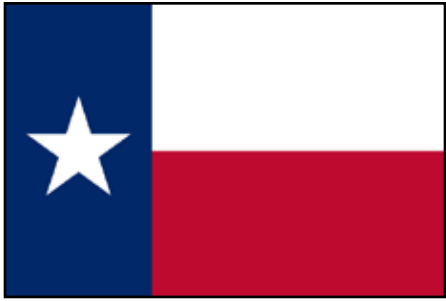
From among all nominations, the SAR Color Guardsman of the Year is elected by the eligible voters attending the Spring meeting of the National Color Guard Committee. Eligible voters shall include:

All previous recipients of the Gold Color Guard Medal;

One (1) representative from each state society. This representative shall be selected by either the state society President or the state society Color Guard Commander. In the event the state society has not formally selected a voting representative, the Color Guardsmen from a given state who are attending the Spring meeting of the National Color Guard Committee may decide among themselves who shall vote for the SAR Color Guardsman of the Year.

For additional information about the Gold Color Guard Medal, please refer to the section on The Gold Color Guard Medal under NATIONAL SOCIETY SAR COLOR GUARD MEDALS.





Honoring Veterans Texas Style

BY TED WILSON

In the small Texas town of Farmersville, located in North Texas, on the 3rd Saturday in Jun, Veterans and locals come from far and wide to honor Audie Murphy, the most decorated soldier of WWII, with a parade and food galore. This year the date was 22 Jun 2019 and the Sons of the American Revolution had sixteen members from seven different chapters representing the Texas Society. Included in the picture are David Temple, TX Society President, Tom Whitelock and Bob Kittrell of the Dallas Chapter, Don Babbs, John Greer, T.L. Holden of the Wm Terrill Chapter, Dennis Vierling, Jason Grey and David Routh of the East Fork Trinity Chapter, Jerry Cope and Dan Hamilton of the Arlington Chapter, Bob Kones and Nick Gilliam of the Plano Chapter Sonny Reploge of the Denton Chapter and David Kinsey of the McKinney Chapter.



Play Ball

BY STU HOYT

Round Rock is a town located on the north side of the capitol, Austin, TX. A few years ago they acquired a AAA baseball team called the Express under the TX Ranger program. Recently they were purchased by the Astros and elevated to a farm team. They encourage local Color Guard units to present the flag for the National Anthem. For the past few years, they have invited the Sons of the American Revolution to present the colors at the home game closest to the 4th. In addition, they have asked us to do a musket salute following the Pledge. This year the game was on the evening of the 3rd because they had an away game on the 4th.

We are asked to gather for the opening of the gates so that anyone wishing to have their picture can join us. About thirty minutes before game time we are lead onto the field in preparation for the commencement ceremonies. Following the Anthem the six color guard muskets were aligned behind the colors for the live firing. When the crowd saw the flame and smoke extend from the musket, they went wild. Color Guardsmen from the William Hightower and the Patrick Henry Chapters were Casey Cotton, Jim Clements, Gary Chappel, Wayne Courreges, Rick Fawkes, Shiidon Hawley, Robert Hites, Stu Hoyt, Bob Jordan, Ron Moulton Nathan and Alex Smith and Ken Tooke.

Big 4th in a Small Town

BY STU HOYT

It seem that everyone in New Braunfels TX looks with anticipation for the start of the 4th of July parade. This year was no different. The small town turns out big for this parade. They were entertain with over fifty units from all aspects of the local community. The local William Hightower Chapter of the Texas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution is always honored with a starting position upfront in the parade. We have a large float on which folks can ride but many choose to march. We are always joined by members of the James Jack DAR Chapter and the Peter Akers CAR Chapter. Left to right standing are John Booth, Stan Trull, Steve Polk, (Chapter Presedent) Cliff Caskey, Stu Hoyt, mike Pryor, Terry Hardemen, Charlie Hauptrief, Tom Jones, and Patrick Hollis. On the float are Blair Rudy, his daughter (Morgan Grace)and granddaughter (Harper), Helen Cox (DAR), Don Chandler, Joe Cox, Melba Shaw and Marydean Motz (DAR), Celeste Valdovinos her son Kenny, and daughter Vanessa son Kade representing the CAR.





A Long Time to Say Goodbye

BY BLAIR RUDY

A short time ago, President Trump visited North Korea. During his visit an arrangement was made to release the remains of those who died while in North Korea. Cpl. Billy Joe Butler of Kerrville, TX was captured, in Nov 1950, during the Korea war, and died while held as a prisoner in Jan 1951. His remains we return to the USA, along with fifty other servicemen, to be Honored at a service in the First Methodist Church., in Kerrville The service was moved to the church because so many wished to pay their respects. Included in that group was the TX SAR Color Guard who carried the colors at the gravesite. Participating in that ceremony were Blair Rudy (New Braunfels), Frank Rohrbaugh (San Antonio), Pat Blackburn (Boerne), Gerald Irons and Bob Smith (Kerrville, and Robert Hites and Jim Clements (Austin).



Patriots Day in Wimberley, TX

BY STU HOYT

On September 11, 2019 (9/11), the Texas SAR Color Guard was invited to join the Wimberley Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Wimberley DAR, and many local First Responder Groups to recognize local Veterans and participate in the announcement of the Patriot of the Year. The ceremony is held each year at the Veterans Memorial Park on a hill above the Emily Anne Gardens, in Wimberley. The TX SAR Color Guardsmen led off the procession by circling the flags of the five services and ending at the U.S. Flag in the center. Each flag was at half-staff and risen to full staff as that anthem was played and those servicemen were recognized. The ceremony ended with the honoring of the POW/MIA flag followed by Taps and a speech by the Patriot of the Year, Representing the TX SAR left to right were: Stu Hoyt, William Hightower Chapter, Jim Clements, Wayne Courrages, and Jim Horton of the Patrick Henry Chapter.





So far this year the Virginia SAR Color Guard has covered 52 Major Events, including 25 National/District Events, and many other chapter and community events. 66 Virginia Guardsmen from 16 chapters have participated in at least one event. Check out our coming events and historical log at: <http://www.virginiasar.org/color-guard.html>

Patriots' Day - Massing of the Colors

On September 11th the Virginia SAR Color Guard was joined by Bugles Across American, the VFW, American Legion, Culpeper Police Department, and Culpeper Sheriff's Department to commemorate the events of Sept 11th 2001. Four separate ceremonies were conducted at four different locations in Culpeper, VA, marking the times of impact of the four airliners on that date.

Picture: At the Wine Street Memorial at the time the third airliner hit the Pentagon.



Virginia Color Guard Change of Command

On September 14th during the Virginia SAR Semi-Annual Meeting President Peter Davenport presided at a ceremony to change command of the Virginia SAR Color Guard. Outgoing Commander Paul Chase was saluted and decorated with the Virginia Society State Service Medal. Ken Bonner took command and immediately organized Color Guard Support for President General Manning's presentation of a SAR wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown in Arlington Cemetery.

Picture – Virginia SAR President Peter Davenport presents the Virginia Color Guard Commander's Sword to incoming commander Ken Bonner, with outgoing commander Paul Chase behind them, and color guardsmen Brett Osborn and Dave Cook visible to the right

President General Manning Presents the SAR Wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown

President General Manning rendered honors and presented the SAR Wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown in Arlington National Cemetery on the afternoon of September 14th. The Color Guard was well represented with many out-of-state color guardsmen participating.

A special moment occurred when NSSAR Color Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck was given the place of honor next to President General Manning for the wreath presentation. Approximately 50 years ago to the day, Sgt Fosdyck did his last tour of duty at the Tomb of the Unknown and now he returned as part of the SAR Ceremony.

Picture: - PG and Official Party with VASSAR Color Guard. The SAR Color Guard that participated at the Tomb of the Unknown, left to right: Bill Schwetke, Kentucky SAR President Michael Sullivan, Larry Hansen (CA), Dale Corey, Mark Anthony (GA), Mike Weyler, Virginia SAR Color Guard Commander Ken Bonner, George Strunk (NC), Virginia SAR President Peter Davenport, President General Jack Manning, NSSAR Color Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck (CA), George Washington Chapter President Dave Thomas, Marc Robinson, Blake Branche, Jim O'Kelley, Mike Kelly (MD), Paul Christenson, Brett Osborn, Dave Cook, Unknown, Unknown.

Picture: President General Jack Manning presents a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown with assistance from NSSAR Color Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck.





The Fifer's Corner

The purpose of this column is to offer insight into the importance of the fifes and drums in the both the British and Colonial Army as well as to offer historically correct musick to those fifers wish to use them.

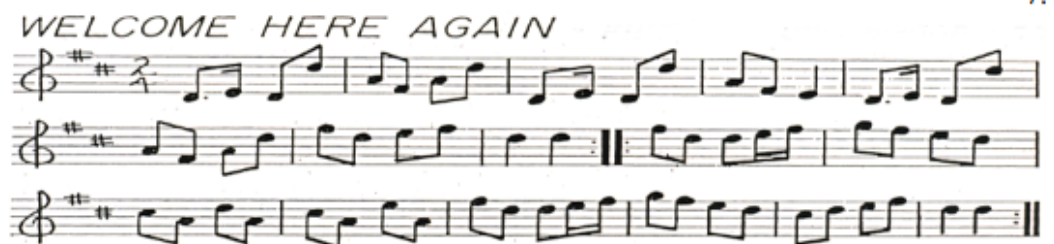
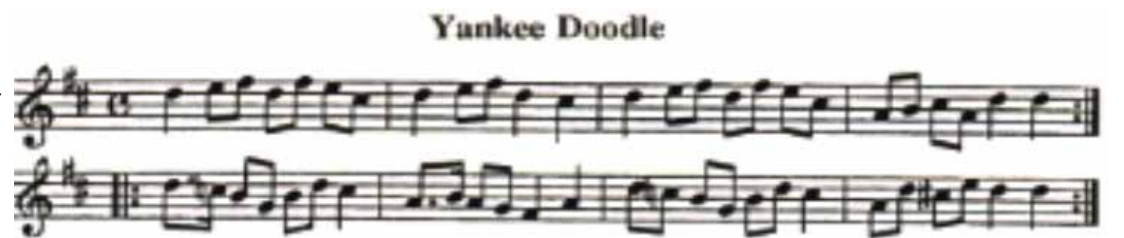
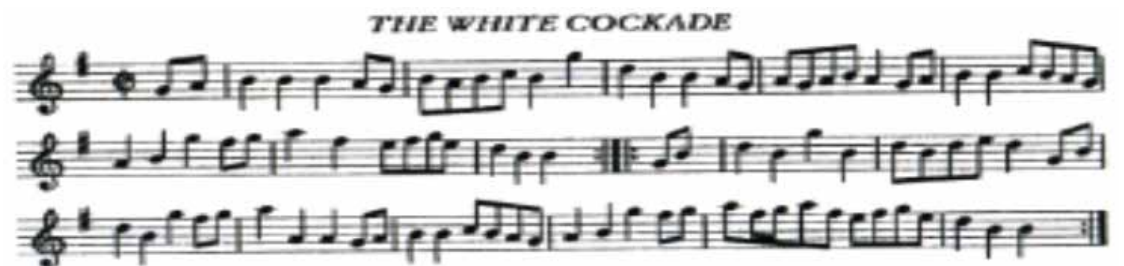
The musick not only regulated the daily routine of a soldier's life in camp but as also was used on the Battle Field by communicate signals to the troops from the Officers. These are known as "Duty Calls."

In his orders to his army during the American Revolution on June 4, 1777, George Washington complained that the "music of the army [was] in general very bad." He ordered that "the drum and fife Majors exert themselves to improve it, or they will be reduced [demoted], and their extraordinary pay taken from them."

The first call of the day was "Drums Call" - Beat by duty drummer and fifer and played before day brake to assemble the field musicians of the regiment just prior to the Reveilly. This issue will include the musick for Drums Call, Yankee Doodle, Welcome here Again and White Cockade.

Please email me at (fiferdave@comcast.net) or like (Fifer Dave) on fb and message me with any questions you may have, topics you would like covered and any feedback you have.

HUZZAH,
Fifer Dave
aka David Embrey



Comments and Questions

This is a magazine section set aside for color guardsmen to ask a question or post a comment. Questions received would be directed to the leadership command structure for necessary answers. Questions should work their way through the local/state command structure - to ensure that the command structure would have the chance to provide the answer and thus be aware of any issues within their command.

Questions should be related to color guard procedures, obtaining vendor lists, or similar general Color Guard subject matter questions.

Q:
Just seeking a point of clarification. When Executive Committee removed the safety policy did that also apply to the safety policy that was already in the handbook? So is there no safety policy currently in the handbook or is the old one still there?

The Georgia Color Guard has been furnished the safety policy as approved by the Color Guard Committee at Congress at our last BOM. I have directed the Commander to review and bring it to our BOM in October. We have already stated implementing the pinging of the

barrel after each of the firings before we reform for pictures at the end of an event.

Scott Collins
President Georgia Society SAR
Adjutant National SAR Color Guard

A:
Scott,

I would venture that as the State President you would be well within your rights and authority to enforce the safety policy as passed at Congress. It has never been our position to distract or over burden a state society, but to establish some minimum requirements that protect first the public, second our color guardsmen and third the organization. Like any regulations they establish the mini-

mum requirements, subordinate organizations can always add to the minimums required. Until such time as EXCOM approves something what we have should suffice as a minimum standard.

As Jim said we at the National Color Guard are unable to enforce the Black Powder Safety Policy, but you as the Georgia State President can within your state as we are in the state of Kansas. At least that is my interpretation.

Regards,
Brooks Lyles
Vice Commander, National SAR Color Guard

The SAR's 250th Anniversary Flag



As we approach 2026, the 250th Anniversary of the founding of the United States we find ourselves already recognizing the 250th Anniversaries of the events that led to our independence. The Stamp Act; The Sugar Act, The Townshend Acts have already occurred; and in March of 2020 the Boston Massacre will be recognized. It is incumbent on us, and in keeping with our Educational Mission, to do everything we can to raise people's awareness of our Colonial American history and the founding of this country. The 250th Anniversary Celebration runs from now through 2023 and there will be more and more events coming up.

One of the first actions of the 250th Anniversary Committee was to hold a contest to select a 250th Logo for the NSSAR. Last year we designed a 250th Anniversary flag that incorporates that logo and the prototype for the flag was procured by Troy Bailey (OH) and presented to the 250th Anniversary and Color Guard Committees at the Fall Leadership Meeting. President General Jack Manning approved the carrying of the 250th Flag in all National, State and Chapter events and directed the 250th flag be placed on the podium at National events, next in precedence after the SAR Flag.

Look for more information and order forms in the next editions of the Color Guard Magazine and the National SAR Magazine. You will be able to order your flag in either a sleeve version or with grommets to meet you state or chapter requirements or standards. The more flags we order the less expensive they will be so I need to get an idea of how many flags by type to order. In order to get a ball park count for placing the order I'd like folks to send an email to nationalcolorguard250flag@gmail.com and let me know grommets or sleeves. This will be the same email address for ordering the flags later on.

POC: Brooks Lyles (KS) First Adjutant, National Color Guard.



Color guard for the Ripley WV Independence Day Parade

WEST VIRGINIA





WISSAR Color Guards at Waukesha Parade
Brian S.Barrett, WISSAR Color Guard Commander

Guardsman Robert Haglund at Green Bay Civic Band Independence Day celebration.



WISSAR Color Guard was at the Charles Larson farm in Amherst, WI on Aug 4, 2019 for for the Aupaumut Chapter 50th anniversary celebration. Photo Right 1 to r Mark Nelson, Mike Nelson, Cmdr Brian Barrett, President William Austin, Robert Haglund). photo by Niel Johnson



The WISSAR Color Guard participated in the Janesville, WI, Laborfest Parade on September 2, 2019.

Pictured are commander Brian S. Barrett, (next row l-r Aiden Verhalen, Tyler Vucich and Jason Verhalen carrying banner), (2nd row l-r Eliot Held, Bob Haglund, William Muether, Shane Barrett), (3rd row l-r Mike Nelson, Billy Muether, Mark Nelson) photos by Jenny Verhalen.
Brian S.Barrett





The Battle of Medina, Texas

And Revolutionary Ancestor Peter Sides

Each year the William Hightower Chapter helps sponsor the Battle of Medina which occurred on 18 Aug 1813. One Revolutionary Ancestor Peter Sides was known to have been killed in that battle. The ceremony starts at the memorial under the Big Oak and a seminar is held in Pleasanton in the afternoon. From left to right are Tom Green (Former Chapter member now living in Pearland), Tom Jones, Unknown SRT member from SA, Jim Clements (Patrick Henry), John Thompson (Houston), Stu Hoyt, Robert Hites (Patrick Henry) and Mike Bailey (Houston).

This year Tom Green and Stu Hoyt laid a wreath at the memorial site to honor Peter Sides. A number of people representing the Northern Expeditionary



He owned property there and served as an officer in the militia there. He is listed on the 1787 tax records. There are maps that show where that property is today.

Peter and Barbara and their family lived briefly in Kentucky, where my ancestor John Sides was born. John and his brother Jacob Sides served for Louisiana in the War of 1812.

From there, Peter and Barbara moved to East Baton Rouge Parish about 1799, along with some of the Kuykendalls and Barbara's Carpenter relatives. Sides historians are looking for evidence that Peter was involved in the Second Battle of Baton Rouge in 1810 as such activity against Spain would concur with his military and political precedents.

Peter Sides joined the Gutierrez-Magee expedition to free Texas from Spain in 1812, and was killed in the Battle of Medina on August 18, 1813 by the Spanish Army led by General Arrendondo. Most of the Republican Army of the North were killed in this battle and their remains were left on the field of battle for several years. Years later, the remains were buried in one mass grave under a large Oak tree on the banks of the Medina River located south of San Antonio, Texas in Bexar County.

The battle of Medina is known as the bloodiest battle on Texas soil. The rebels' bodies were desecrated and their body parts were removed and scattered. Arrendondo ordered them not be buried and the remnants lay on the battlefield until 1822.

At the time of Peter's death, he was about 63 years old



Force, Texans, Native American Indians and even the Mexican Army join together in a three round Salute to the fallen.

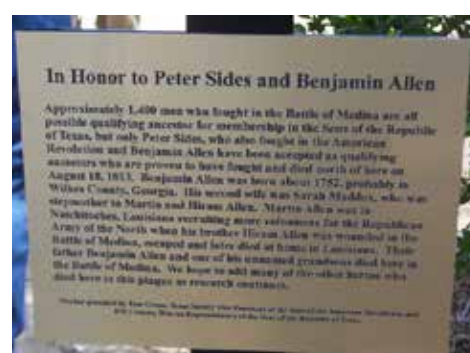
Peter Sides is the progenitor of many people in the Baton Rouge area today and another line of descendants of his daughter Elizabeth and Jonathan Kuykendall went to Texas. His descendants include people with the surnames, Sides, Kuyken-

dall, Edwards, Wells, Fridge, Hubbs, McCulloch and many others.

Peter was born about 1750 in North Carolina or Pennsylvania and the original surname was Seitz. He served as an ensign from North Carolina with the 2nd Battalion of the North Carolina Regiment in the Revolutionary War. He married Barbara Carpenter (original sur-

name Zimmerman - prior to the American Revolution "foreign" surnames had to be Anglicized). Peter and Barbara's father Christian both signed a declaration of patriotism against the crown out in Tryon County, NC in 1755.

Following the war, Peter was one of the first settlers in Davidson County TN in the area that would become Nashville.



Retiring the Colors

By Stu Hoyt

Patriotic Organizations join the ceremony



On the 20th of July 2019, John Know, a member of the Patrick Henry Chapter, TX SAR, of Austin, TX brought his collection of American Flags to the American Veterans Post 115, in Kyle, TX, who were participating in their weekly Saturday Morning breakfast. The post had been collecting American Flags that were ready to be retired and invited John to give them a little history of the flag and the process.

Invited to this retirement ceremony were all veterans and members of various Veterans organizations in the area along with local Boy Scout Troops and the Kyle Fire Department. John started with the early flags, which led up to the Grand Union Flag and how it was the imprint for our Stars and Stripes. After his presentation, he invited everyone to come up and hold a large American Flag that would be the first to be retired. He passed out scissors, which would remove the grommet (which do not go in the fire). Then the flag was disassembled stripe

by stripe and added to the flames. A member read a narrative of the meaning of the flag as each piece was removed. In all about seventy-five flags were retired that day. It was a learning experience and a meaningful experience.



The U.S. Flag Code §176. Respect for flag

States:

“No disrespect should be shown to the flag of the United States of America; the flag should not be dipped to any person or thing. Regimental colors, State flags, and organization or institutional flags are to be dipped as a mark of honor.

- (k) The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.”

What the BSA says

The BSA recently updated its guidelines on retiring worn-out American flags [<http://usscouts.org/usscouts/ceremony/flagret2.asp>], but we still don't require one method over another. The updated guidelines read: “We simply need to ask ourselves if the manner in which we are retiring (destroying) the flag is dignified. If the answer is yes, then that method is perfectly acceptable.”

The American Legion

Unserviceable Flags Ceremony

The Ceremony for Disposal of Unserviceable Flags is outlined in Resolution No. 440, passed by the 19th National Convention of The American Legion in New York, Sept. 20-23, 1937. The ceremony has been an integral part of American Legion ritual since that date. [<https://www.legion.org/flag/ceremony>]

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary

The United States Flag should already be raised and secured on the flag pole. The Master of Ceremonies (**MC**) starts the CD player and plays You're A Grand Old Flag to announce the beginning of the ceremony.

The MC takes his position behind the podium, facing the audience. The four members of the Color Guard stand at Parade Rest (At Ease, with their hands clasped behind their backs), in between the large tables and the first row of chairs, facing the audience, two members on either side of the center aisle.

MC: Ladies and Gentlemen, please take your seats. (Pause)

Tonight we honor the symbol of our American freedom, the American Flag, as we retire her from duty.

As long as Americans cherish liberty more than life itself, the Stars and Stripes shall continue to be the enduring banner of the United States of America. Look at her with

renewed allegiance, honor her, respect her, and defend her.

Please rise and remove your hats for the Invocation. Remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance and the playing of our National Anthem.

The Chaplain moves to the podium.

Chaplain: Lord, we thank You for our Country, its Flag, and the liberty for which it stands. We humbly ask You to watch over our Servicemembers now serving under our Flag. We commit these Flags, worn-out in worthy service, to a clean and purging flame. As they yield their substance to the fire, may Thy holy light spread over us, bring warmth to our Prisoners-Of-War, provide a beacon for our Missing-In-Action to return home, and bring renewed devotion to God and Country. Amen.

The MC returns to the podium.

MC: Please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Color Guard! At-ten-TION! A-bout FACE!

Servicemembers and Veterans wearing appropriate covers, At-ten-TION!

The members of the Color Guard pivot to face the raised Flag. The MC and any other members in the “stage area” also pivot to face the raised Flag. All place their right hand over their hearts and say the Pledge aloud with the MC.

MC: *I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.*

Pause to allow everyone to drop their right hand.

MC: Color Guard! Servicemembers! Veterans! Pre-sent ARMS!

The Color Guard, Servicemembers and Veterans wearing appropriate covers raise their right hand to salute the Flag.

The MC plays The Star Spangled Banner. At its conclusion...

MC: Color Guard! Servicemembers! Veterans! Or-der ARMS!

Color Guard! A-bout FACE! Pa-rade REST!

The members of the Color Guard pivot to face the audience once again at Parade Rest (At Ease, with their hands clasped behind their backs). The MC and any other members in the “stage area” also pivot to face the audience again.

MC: Please be seated. (Pause) The United States Code stipulates, “When a U.S. flag is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, it should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.”

We gather these Flags of our Country and of our States, which have been determined to be no longer serviceable. They have reached their present state in a proper service of respect, tribute, and in the memory of all who have served America. What we are about to do is evidence of our utmost respect and undying honor for the Flag.

All those who have flags to be retired may bring them forward at this time, beginning with the first row. As the people from each row return to their seats, the next row should come forward.

The MC begins playing The National Emblem March and replays it as many times as necessary until all flags have been brought forward.

One member of the Color Guard stands in front of each of the two tables to receive flags from people as they approach. American Flags are placed in one section of each table, POW/MIA Flags in another section, and State Flags in another. Nylon flags and paper flags should be rotated with cloth flags to facilitate burning.

The other two members of the Color Guard stand behind each table and spray each cloth flag with kerosene as it is laid on the table (because most cloth flags have been treated with a fire-retardant). When all flags have been brought forward and the MC has finished playing The National Emblem March.

MC: The Color Guard will now begin retiring the flags we honor here tonight. American Flags will be disposed of first, followed by POW/MIA Flags, State Flags in the order they were admitted into the Union, and, finally, Service Flags of the U.S. Army, the U.S. Marine Corps, the U.S. Navy, the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Coast Guard.

The Color Guard collects the flags in the order of preference, takes them to the fire pit and holds them over the fire until they ignite (or gently places them into the fire).

MC: The Color Guard will maintain a vigil over the fire until no traces of the flags remain. Tomorrow morning, the ashes and the top layer of soil will be collected and properly buried.

Please rise as The Stars and Stripes Forever plays to recognize that the Flags we retire here tonight have been replaced by new Flags and the new Flags will someday be

replaced themselves in a cycle that will never end as long as Americans cherish liberty more than life itself.

When The Stars and Stripes Forever finishes, the Honor Guard continues placing flags into the fire as the ceremony concludes...

MC: Ladies and Gentlemen, that concludes tonight’s ceremony. Thank You and May God Bless America.

The MC plays Patriotic Medley on a continuous loop until the audience disperses.

Flag Retirement Ceremony presented by Texas Compatriot John Knox:

United State Flag Retirement Ceremony on Flag Day

Leader

The Origins of Flag Day

The early history of the U.S. flag and Flag Day is a matter of debate. In 1916 President Wilson issued a proclamation asking for June 14 to be observed as the National Flag Day. But it wasn’t until August 3, 1949, that Congress approved the national observance, and President Harry Truman signed it into law.

“That the flag of the United States shall be of thirteen stripes of alternate red and white, with a union of thirteen stars of white in a blue field, representing the new constellation.”

This was the resolution adopted by the Continental Congress on June 14, 1777. The resolution was made following the report of a special committee which had been assigned to suggest the flag’s design.

(display flags to audience) Will you please join us in saying the Pledge of Allegiance to this Flag one last time before it is retired.

“I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”

We have removed the grommets from the flag, these are the only part of the Flag that cannot be retired.

(Cut off stripes of the U.S. Flags one at a time, saying one statement with each stripe) . After the statements are complete, lay the stripe on the fire and allow it to burn.)

- **FIRST STRIPE** The 13 stripes stand for the original 13 colonies which are: Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Virginia,
- **SECOND STRIPE** The white stands for purity and innocence.
- **THIRD STRIPE** The red stands for hardiness and valor.
- **FOURTH STRIPE** “Give me liberty or give me death.”
- **FIFTH STRIPE** “One if by land, two if by sea.”
- **SIXTH STRIPE** We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquillity, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.
- **SEVENTH STRIPE** We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness.
- **EIGHTH STRIPE** Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof;
- **NINTH STRIPE** Congress shall make no law abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press
- **TENTH STRIPE** “Fourscore and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation”
- **ELEVENTH STRIPE** The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex.
- **TWELFTH STRIPE** “Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country.”
- **THIRTEENTH STRIPE** “One small step for man, one giant leap for mankind.”

Leader Each state is represented by a star on a field of blue. The blue symbolizes the true blue loyalty of our country’s defenders. The white symbolizes liberty — our land of the free. The field of white start on the blue background represents a new constellation.

As we place the field of stars in the fire, let it burn brightly and remind us how truly our flag represents our country.



Firearm Safety and Risk Management

2019 Congress actions

Training Requirement comments requested



By Mark Kramer

This quarter's article will be more of an update as opposed to discussing a specific safety issue or topic. Over the past several years we have been working on safety policies and procedures after having asked for input from all state societies and chapters. These safety policies and procedures went from a highly detailed and large document, to a much simplified and "much smaller" document.

During the 2019 Congress in Costa Mesa, California the Color Guard Committee approved the safety policies and procedures; however, everyone should be reminded that these policies and procedures still need to maneuver through the National approval process.

In addition, during the Congress a subcommittee was formed under the direction of President General Alder that has representation from both the Color Guard Committee and the Insurance and Risk Management Committee to address Insurance issues arising from firing black powder firearms. While the subcommittee was being formed the Insurance and Risk Management Committee was busy reviewing possible insurance options addressing all the insurance needs facing National Society and the State Societies and Chapters. Where one of the issues of the safety policies and procedures was acquiring insurance for those who fire black powder, what the Insurance and Risk

Management Committee has been doing would address this issue. I need to emphasize that although what the Insurance and Risk Management Committee has been reviewing will address the insurance for firing black powder, what this committee has been addressing covers multiple insurance issues facing the State Societies and Chapters not only black powder.

Last month a memo issued by Color Guard Commander James Fosdyck requested information on any training/lesson plans that State Societies or Chapter use to train compatriots on firing black powder. The purpose of this request was due to several compatriots expressing interest in having alternatives to the National Park Service black powder training or the NRA/NMLRA black powder training. All comments were to be sent to me at ocfamarkk@aol.com. To date I have received more comments expressing the need to remain with an established nationally recognized training program than adopting a National SAR training program. Please continue to send comments regarding training requirements for the safety of our compatriots and the public.

Under the direction of Color Guard Commander James Fosdyck, I was advised that he broadened the definition of safety officer to include training. With this I am looking for suggestions for training topics; so if you have some ideas please let me know. In conclusion, I had the opportunity to attend Virginia's State Society's Color Guard meeting in Fairfax, Virginia in September. The training program presented was informative and well attended. I would like to express my appreciation on the welcoming reception several of us non-state society attendees received, you felt the brotherhood.