



# The Kentucky Pioneer

“United we stand, divided we fall.”



## Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution

### Message from the KYSSAR President--Douglas T. Collins



Compatriots: Throughout this year, I have discussed all the great things that the Kentucky Society does. It was not until this week, when I was preparing my report of Society activities for the Central District Meeting at the end of October, that this became abundantly clear. I thought this would be good opportunity to share with each of you the activities of the Kentucky Society over the last year so you can share in the pride I feel for the great work we do: Participation in Veterans Day parades and Wreath across America ceremonies; assisted the NSSAR Merchandise Department in preparation

of their annual inventory count; we celebrated our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at the site of our founding – Senate Chamber of the Old Capital Building; we placed a plaque commemorating the event that is on display in the Senate Chamber; supported the placement of the Purple Heart Monument at Walton, KY; participated in Memorial Day and 4<sup>th</sup> of July observances throughout the Commonwealth; worked with the American Heritage Girls; hosted the President General at the Blue Lick Memorial Service; successfully petitioned the Historic Sites and Celebrated Committee to recognize Blue Licks Kentucky as a National Event to be held each August; commissioned a new Chapter – the Three Rivers Chapter (Letcher County); participated in monthly Naturalization ceremonies for new citizens; procured a new State Charter to replace the one presumed to be lost; celebrated members receiving the Von Steuben medal for Color Guard and the Westmoreland Award for veteran’s support; presented Flag Certificates to many individual an organizations for their patriotic display of the U.S. Flag; attended numerous school programs - visited public school, private school and home school groups telling the story of the American Revolution; supported the C.A.R both through interaction as well as monetary support; participated with the Wounded Warriors program; attended Honor Flight returns of WWII and Korean Veterans; supported the DAR throughout the state with various joint programs; sponsored Youth Programs with the Middle School Brochure Contest, the Elementary School Poster Contest, the Eagle Scout Essay Contest, JROTC programs, the Knight Essay Contest and Teacher of the Year program (where we sponsored the National winner); provided support of the U.S.O and presented portraits of George Washington to local schools in support of PG Dooley’s initiatives; participated in approximately 30 Patriot Grave Markings throughout Kentucky; presented 7 Grave Marking medals and 3 oak leaf clusters.

If that was not enough, members of the Kentucky Society participated at many national events, including: Crossing of the Dan, Rendezvous at Vincennes, Kentucky Derby Pegasus Parade, Kings Mountain, Raid on Martins Station, Point Pleasant, Sycamore Shoals, and the vigil at Washington's Tomb.

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**Message from the KYSSAR President (continued)**

Lastly, KYSSAR Members hold 67 membership spots on 34 different National Committees. Four of these are as Chairmen and four are as Vice-Chairmen. With this involvement, KYSSAR has an opportunity to help set the course for the future of the SAR.

Keep up the good work. Your commitment helps us to fulfill the mission of the Sons of the American Revolution – “.... to maintain and expand the meaning of patriotism, respect for our national symbols, the value of American citizenship, and the unifying force of ‘e pluribus unum’ that was created from the people of many nations -- one nation and one people.”

Fraternally, Douglas T. Collins  
VPG International District (2014-2015)  
President Kentucky Society (2014-2015)

**Big Sandy Chapter**



Chapter President Dr. Larry Leslie presents chapter wreath at the Battle of Point Pleasant ceremony.

**Captain William Arnold Chapter**



Brian Schilling (in uniform) and his brother-in-law at the Patriot Alvin Mountjoy cabin marking.





## DAR & C.A.R.



**DAR members at recent Honor Flight**

(L-R) Marcie Murdock, Bonnie “BJ” Allison, Laura Jones and Shelley Kuussalo



Dennis Scott and Marshall Wilkins flank Past KSDAR Regent Jessiianne Wells after placing markers for her Patriot ancestor Robert Samuels.



The Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter held a very successful information and fundraising campaign during the Ham Festival. Throughout that weekend the chapter sold “opportunity tickets” for chances to win a custom-made hunting knife donated by artist Allen Coleman of Cerulean. The funds from the weekend were earmarked for the chapter’s Scholarship Fund for local students. The men raised an amazing total of \$550 for this cause. **Pam Metts, Regent of the local James Thomas Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution**, bought the winning ticket and received the knife at a recent chapter meeting.



## SAR & DAR

### Rededication of Low-Dutch Meeting House--Bland Ballard DAR Chapter



This marker was stolen, found and now back at the Low-Dutch Meeting House.



Gov. Isaac Shelby members Joe Parish and Vic Bitter fire their guns at the Low-Dutch Meeting House.



Group picture of DAR & SAR members.

### Patriot Alvin Mountjoy Cabin Marking--Hart Chapter DAR



The SAR furnished flags, music and a gun salute at the cabin marking sponsored by the Hart DAR Chapter. Hart DAR Chapter member (NSSAR Genealogist) Leslie Miller (in center picture) organized the event.



## Colonel Stephen Trigg Chapter

Twelve compatriots from the Colonel Stephen Trigg Chapter conducted a Patriot grave marking service for Revolutionary War Private John Mabry. Amongst those attending was Navy Veteran Wilburn Wilson who received the chapter's Veteran's Appreciation medal. Mr. Wilson also was presented the American Flag that that was folded as the nation's tribute to Patriot Mabry.



Tony Dothsuk, Dilly Anderson and Ron Drennan fold the American Flag as the Nation's tribute to Patriot John Mabry.



Black-powder shooters Steve Mallory and Ken Oakley prepare to shoot as a tribute to Patriot John Mabry.



Wilburn Wilson



Patriot John Mabry gravestone and marker.



Compatriots of the Colonel Stephen Trigg Chapter.

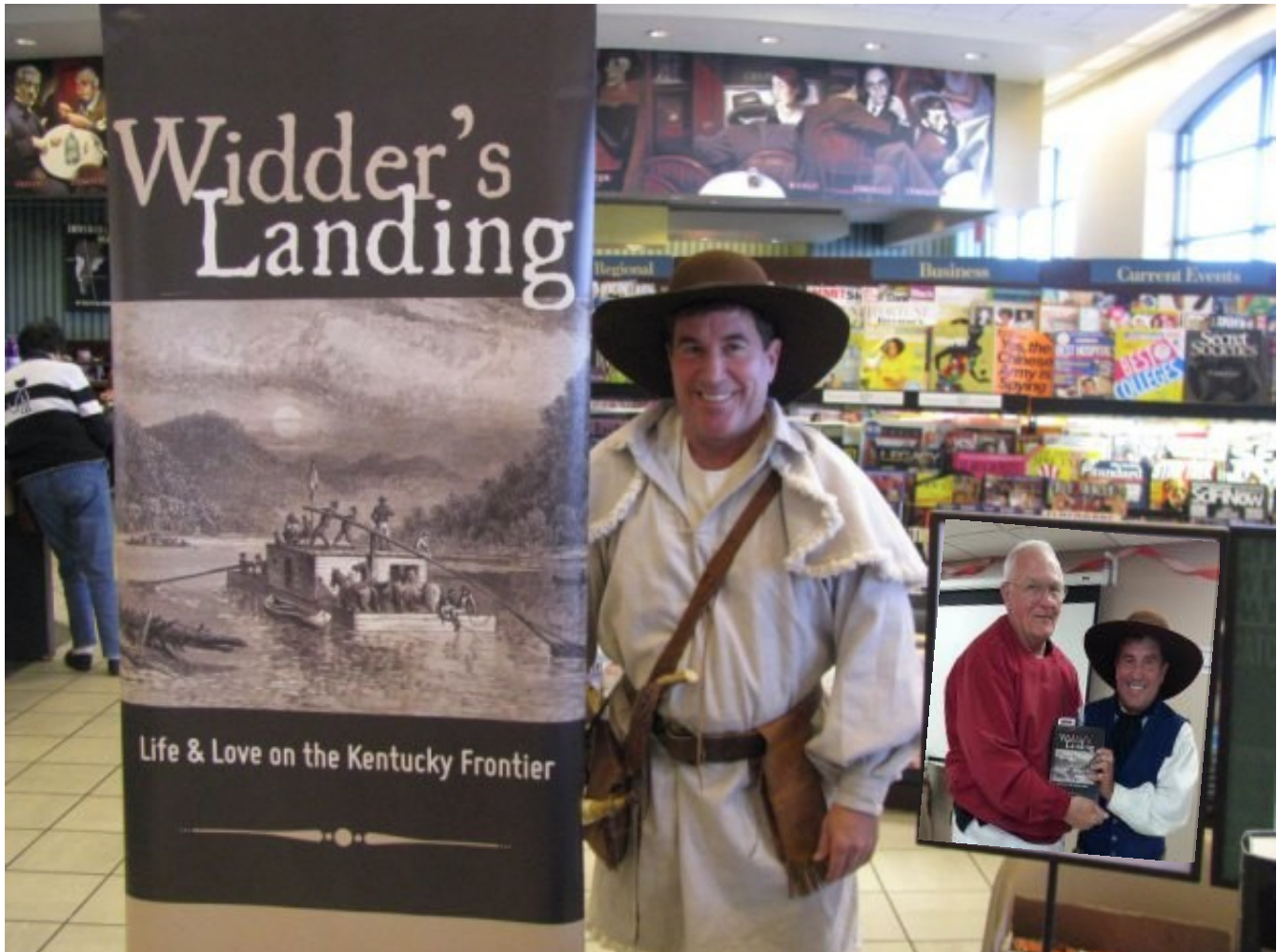


Flags being posted.



## Colonel Stephen Trigg Chapter

The Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter in Cadiz, Kentucky, is pleased to announce that award-winning author and speaker Eddie Price has joined our chapter! His application has been submitted to state, and we anticipate his acceptance by late November. Eddie is an incredible addition to our Speaker's Bureau, and will be, without doubt, our most active and "in demand" historical speaker.



Mr. Price, the author of *Widder's Landing*, is a native Kentuckian. He currently lives in Hawesville, Kentucky, and has an active speaking schedule throughout the region. He is available for public events, SAR and DAR meetings, history fairs, and festivals ... any opportunity to market his wonderful book! His book and area of current expertise is the War of 1812, but he is now working on two other novels ... one a sequel to his current book, and the other a prequel that tells the story of one of his key character's experiences in the French and Indian War and the Revolutionary War.

Mr. Price will be an excellent advocate for the SAR and our local chapter!

For more information about Eddie, you can [visit his website](#), or "[Like](#)" him on Facebook. To see if he will be speaking at an event near you, check his regularly updated [speaking schedule](#).

**Editor's note: I recently attended a talk given by Eddie Price and bought a copy of "Widder's Landing." The talk was great and I look forward to reading the book. Contact Eddie if you need a speaker. Charlie Scott**

## Colonel Stephen Trigg Chapter

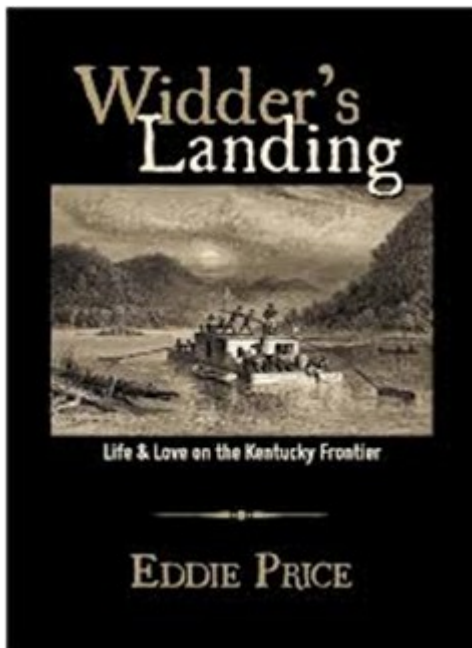
### History in a Trunk at Caldwell County Elementary



Fifth Graders from Caldwell County Elementary School enjoyed an educational “Field Day” at City-County Park near Princeton on Wednesday. The Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter was invited to take part as a host of one of six educational “stations” that students rotated to throughout the morning. All six of the fifth grade classes spent thirty minutes at each station.

Chapter president Geoff Baggett and Vice-President Steve Mallory took advantage of the opportunity to give a living history experience to the students. They set up eight of the chapter’s flags and brought an old trunk full of historical items pertaining to life during the Revolutionary War period. Students sniffed beeswax candles, handled parchment paper, and saw a quill pen. One truly fun part of each class rotation was dressing up a volunteer student in period clothing, including a men’s pony-tail wig!

But the highlight for each class was Steve’s demonstration of the working of his custom-made Pennsylvania long rifle. Since the event was held off-campus, he was able to bring the rifle, explain its function, load a powder charge, and fire it for each class. In fact, his rifle shot was the sign that it was time for classes to move on to their next rotation.



**Mail to: Eddie Price  
175 Windsong Drive  
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**Return Address:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City & State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Person to sign book to and any inscription:**

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**Cost: \$26.95 per book  
Sales Tax: \$1.62 per book  
Shipping per book: \$3.43  
Total: \$32.00 per book**



## Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter

The Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter provided the Color Guard at a memorial service for local historian and long-time DAR member Virginia Davis. Ms. Davis passed away in May at the age of 102.



Posting Colors at the memorial service (L-R) are: Compatriots Gary Tunget, Robert Brooks, Frankie Jones, Lance Howard and Maurice Worthington



Gary Tunget reads prayer for dedication of DAR marker for Virginia Davis. The event was sponsored by the Capt. William Rowan Chapter, NSDAR.



Compatriots Robert Brooks, Gary Tunget and Frankie Jones fire their guns in the black-powder gun salute.



## Honor Flight--Louisville



Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter members at Honor Flight.



Honor Flight reception line.



GIS member Tommy Jones and two Painted Stone Settlers Reed Schrader and Kent Ray.



Painted Stone Settler Dickie Phillips (far left in light blue shirt) had the honor of being with his father, WWII Veteran June Phillips on the Honor Flight.



Marcie and Junior Murdock (back row) poses with some of their family members at the Honor Flight.



## Battle of Kings Mountain



VP General Mark Anthony (S.C.), Scott Giltner, Chuck Scott, S.C. President Dan Woodruff, Dennis Scott, Marshall Wilkins and John Clay Barnett pose at the Kings Mountain monument.



Group picture of those that traveled the over-mountain Victory Trail to get to Kings Mountain.



### Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter



John Clay Barnett and Scott Giltner at the Hite Elementary School Pioneer Day.



Taking part at the 234 anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain are Dennis Scott and Marshall Wilkins with flags and Scott Giltner playing his fife at the battlefield monument.



“The Parting Glass” was the musical tribute at the Alvin Mountjoy cabin marking. Scott Giltner and Charlie Scott played one verse on their fifes. Then Charlie joined lead singer “Chuck” Scott for the second verse and chorus.

Charlie Scott and Scott Giltner fire their guns at the Mountjoy cabin marking.



## Louisville Thruston Chapter



Compatriots J.B. Hitt and John Harris at the Hite Elementary School Pioneer Day.

## John Manire Chapter

### 2014-2015 Officers



(L to R): James G. Adams Jr., President; Dr. Larry Long, Vice President; Dr. Jerry Hart, Surgeon; Eddie C. Deason Sr., Historian; Joe M. Woosley, ROTC Coordinator/Flag Custodian; Michael A. Richardson, Chaplain/Chancellor; Tommy Henderson, Registrar; and Robert L. Fears, Past President and Installing Officer.



Robert L. Fears, Past Chapter President and James G. Adams, Jr. Current President.



## Simon Kenton Chapter



A local JROTC unit joined members of the Simon Kenton Chapter at a Northern Kentucky Honor Flight.



Reason # 1 for wearing a SAR uniform!

Here Pat Berry and John Rogers pose with the World War II Ladies. The WWII Ladies like men in uniform!



Simon Kenton Chapter members and their flags at the Honor Flight reception line waiting for military veterans to return from their trip to visit War Memorials in Washington D.C..



## Patriot John McGee Grave Marking Service



Scott Giltner playing taps at the service



Patriot John McGee Stone



Tommy Jones, Dennis Scott and Marshall Wilkins.



Scott Giltner presents flag to descendant James McGee.



Attending the service were: Kyssar President Doug Collins, Al Coleman, Carolyn Goodman, Past KSDAR Regent Jessianne Wells and William Busch.



## CAAH Event--Education on the River



Belle of Louisville's 100 year old celebration



On the left, NSSAR Education Director Colleen Wilson shows students a 1784 map of Kentucky and explains some early Kentucky history. On the right, NSSAR Assistant Librarian / Archivist Rae Ann Sauer demonstrates how to make a water compass. Several hundred students attended this three day event.



Compatriot John Clay Barnett has the student's attention as he talks about his weapons and the flags on display.

## Future Grave Marking Services

**Saturday, Nov. 1 - Robert Samuels Grave Marking** *Location: New Salem Baptist Cemetery, 2775 Deatsville Rd, Cox's Creek, KY Time: TBA Patriot is ancestor of Jessieanne Wells, Immediate Past Regent of the KSDAR. Sponsored by Cox's Station DAR*  
*Contact Charlie Scott at [cescott@twc.com](mailto:cescott@twc.com) if you plan to attend this event.*

**Saturday, Nov.15<sup>th</sup> - Thomas Wilkins Grave Marking** *Location: Little Mount Baptist Cemetery, 1525 Leafdale Rd, Larue Cty, KY Time: 1:00 p.m. Patriot is ancestor of Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter member Marshall Wilkins.* Pvt. Thomas Wilkins served in the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment of the Continental Army for three years 1776-1779. The 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia fought in major battles of the Revolution, Brandywine, Germantown and Monmouth. The Unit also spent the Winter of 1777-1778 at Valley Forge. **Let Marshall know if you plan to attend at [wilkins@bardstown.com](mailto:wilkins@bardstown.com).**

**Saturday, November 22 – 2:00 PM (CST) Pvt. John Hunt – North Carolina Militia, Pvt. John Harper – 1st Pennsylvania Regiment and Pvt. David Engler – New Jersey Militia (Three Grave Markings) \*\*All three Patriots are 4th Great-Grandfathers of Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter Vice-President Steve Mallory.** **Directions from Louisville:** Take the Western Kentucky Parkway west to exit 58. Proceed south on US 431 / Kentucky 70 (toward Central City / Drakesboro) Go 14.8 miles, then turn left onto KY 949-E, Go 5.3 miles, turn right onto Hunt Rd., Take first left onto Old Hebron Ln., Cemetery will be on your right. **Sponsored by Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter--Contact Geoff Baggett if you can help out on this grave marking service. [triggpatriots@usa.com](mailto:triggpatriots@usa.com)**

**As usual, all SAR & DAR members are welcome!**

**Let the contact person know if you will be presenting a wreath, firing a black-powder gun, etc.**

