

## The Kentucky Pioneer

## "United we stand, divided we fall."



## Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution

## Message from the KYSSAR President

### Compatriots:

From my family to yours, we hope you had a "Blessed and Safe Thanksgiving Holiday". If traveling, use caution and enjoy all that are around you. Be ever vigilant concerning your surroundings. Take nothing for granted! I am impressed by all the positive SAR, State and Chapter activities that are posted on social media. I have yet to view any negative messages about our society, nor should we ever fall into that medium.

Our Kentucky membership continues to grow; we are now at 1091 members strong, with 15 additional applications to complete. Hopefully we can document this growth before the end of the year!

If you're wondering how we continue to grow, look no further than the documentation provided by the NSSAR Membership Committee, Recruitment and Retention guidelines. This is a great tool to use within your state to grow your society. We do not use everything suggested but we have embraced those items that fit our criteria. We also have dedicated volunteers that donate a tremendous amount of their time.

Christmas will quickly be on our doorstep too! Keep God ever present in you heart and pray for our "Nation". We will be able to remain strong by keeping God and family as the priority in our lives.

I look forward to seeing all in 2016. Have a Happy and Safe New year!

Chuck Scott 2015-16 President, KYSSAR



#### KY S.A.R. Officers-2015-16

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http://www.kyssar.org/

## **Compatriot Colonel Christopher Herndon, U.S. Army**



## National Defense University Press The premier professional military and academic publishing house



Colonel Christopher Herndon, U.S. Army

## The NDU Foundation Congratulates the Winners of the 2015 Writing Competitions

The NDU Foundation is proud to support the annual Secretary of Defense, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Joint Force Quarterly essay competitions. NDU Press hosted the final round of judging on May 15–16, 2015, during which 24 faculty judges from 15 participating professional military education institutions selected the best entries in each category.

Colonel Christopher Herndon, a member of the Kentucky and German Societies was chosen by the National Defense University for The 2015 Kiley Award. It is given to authors of the best Joint Forces Quarterly (JFQ) article of the year. This award is significant as JFQ receives between 300 and 400 submissions annually and publishes between 60 and 75 articles annually. To be selected as a Kiley Award winner is the highest level of respect the Joint Forces Quarterly can offer an author.

**Congratulations Colonel Herndon** 

and thanks for the service to our country!



#### **Eagle Scout Essay Committee**

The Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee meeting to judge the essays will meet at 9 am on January 30, 2016 at the Campbell House Restaurant in Lexington. Lucien Rice is helping and has 4 or 5 other people to help judge. If anyone wants to participate contact Chairman Dr. Larry Leslie at: larrymleslie@hotmail.com.

Please send your chapter winner's name, essay and required paperwork to Dr. Leslie no later than January 15th.

## Sons of Liberty—1775

Compatriots from seven chapters gathered at our National Headquarters to provide the color guard for the unveiling of the Sons of Liberty—1775 statue that will now stand guard on Main Street in front of our SAR library and National Headquarters.



Pictures above were taken at the unveiling ceremony of the "Sons of Liberty—1775" statue. The picture on the bottom left shows the size of the statue. On the bottom right are: Dr. Sam Powell, PG David Sympson and PG Tom Lawrence.

## Point Pleasant Battlefield, W V.





Cannon Crew at Point Pleasant

KYSSAR President-Elect Dr. Larry Leslie and wife-Lynn at the Point Pleasant Colonial Ball.



Compatriots at Point Pleasant, W.V.

## **Big Sandy Chapter**



KYSSAR Chancellor Jason Reichenbach at Locust Grove encampment.



KYSSAR President-Elect Dr. Larry Leslie, all dressed up in his new uniform and Indiana Compatriot Jim Arnold.



Two members of the Three Rivers Chapter and Gary Howard and Roger Ratliff of the Big Sandy Chapter joined the local DAR Chapter in marking the grave of Patriot William Burns.

## Genealogy and Revolutionary War related databases offered by SAR Library

The SAR Genealogical Research Library is pleased to announce the availability of two genealogy and Revolutionary War related databases that can be accessed by SAR members from anywhere outside the Library. The "Gale Genealogy Connect" is an e-Book collection of 189 titles of online genealogical research how-to materials and original sources. The "Sources in American History Online (SUSHO): The American Revolution" database contains nearly 500 significant primary source documents exploring the American Revolution featuring personal accounts, maps, pamphlets, monographs, Congresses, speeches, and material detailing the European point of view. To access these databases, login on the sar.org site, then go to the Library site. You will see a block under the Library Navigation section on the left hand column entitled "Library Databases." The two databases will be found there..



Howard Roberson, Jon Huffman, Bill Manby and Randy Lane



Drummers Paul Whitty and John Harris with fifer Scott Giltner.

## **Colonel Stephen Trigg Chapter**

The Sons of Liberty Chapter of the Alabama Society hosted a grave marking ceremony near the community of Sulligent. The ceremony honored all five known Revolutionary War Patriots buried in Lamar County. The event was certified as a Southern District (Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana) Color Guard Event.

Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter President Geoff Baggett was invited to speak at the ceremony because one of the five Patriots was his direct-line ancestor. His 5th great-grandfather, Sgt. Richard Priddy, served in the 1st Virginia Regiment of the Continental Line from August 1776 through August 1779.



Chapter President Geoff Baggett kneels by his 5th Great Grandfather's stone.



Geoff Baggett, Steve Mallory and Eddie Price.

#### Ft. Massac Encampment

The weekend of October 17-18 marked the enormous annual historical event near Metropolis, Illinois, known as the Ft. Massac Encampment. Located on the site of a pre-Revolutionary War fort on the banks of the Ohio River, the event celebrates the history of the site from the early French and Indian period through the War of 1812.

The Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter set up a display shelter in the educational outreach area and distributed information about the SAR. They also sold raffle tickets for the custom tomahawk fundraiser. Steve Mallory and Geoff Baggett manned the "ticket table." Eddie Price took the opportunity to sell many copies of his excellent book, *Widder's Landing*.

## **Colonel Stephen Trigg Chapter**

#### Field Day—Caldwell County Elementary School

Compatriots of the Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter, for the second year in a row, took part in the fall "Field Day" for the fifth graders of Caldwell County Elementary School in Princeton, Kentucky. The event consists of six interactive educational stations manned by volunteers from the community. All six of the fifth grade homeroom classes rotate through each station for twenty-five minutes. The Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter hosted one station with their "Revolutionary War in a Trunk" program.

Compatriots Geoff Baggett, Steve Mallory, and Jack Dawson led the program, which included period items, Revolutionary War flags, and a display of weaponry and accoutrements. At the end of each presentation Baggett and Dawson dressed one boy and one girl from each class in hunting frocks and tricorn hats, and had some extra fun placing a pony-tail wig on the boy. At the end of each presentation, Mallory fired a shot with his long rifle. The boom of his gun was the signal to all six classes that it was time for students to rotate to the next station.

# In just three hours of time the men were able to share a lesson in Revolutionary War history with approximately 150 students.



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Joe Noffsinger and Richard Spencer pick out flags for retirement.



Dennis Scott carries flag towards fire.



Vic Bitter, Vic's Grandson and Dennis Scott



(Left) John Clay Barnett talks about his rifle at a school visit at National Headquarters. On the right is Larry Selby and KYSSAR President Chuck Scott. Larry and Chuck manned the flag display for the students.

#### Center for Advancing America's Heritage

## **Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter**



Members of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter SAR and Corn Island Chapter DAR at the Jeffersontown VFW Post Veterans Day program.



Jeanette Wortham and Joe Noffsinger



Sally Cheatham Smith, Laura Jones and Marcie Murdock



Regent B.J. Allison & Rev. Forrest Chilton





L-R) Compatriots Jim Conder, Glen Newman, Mike Sullivan, Joe Noffsinger and Tommy Jones.

## Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter—Owensboro Veterans Day Parade



Compatriots from four chapters gather for the parade.





Left to right: Gary Tunget, Pat Berry (Simon Kenton Chapter President) and Robert Brooks





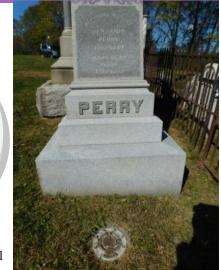


## Patriot Benjamin Perry Grave Marking





(L-R) Glen Newman, Tommy Jones, Joe Noffsinger, Al Coleman and Mike Sullivan





John Perry talks about his Patriot ancestor.



Marshall Wilkins, Tommy Jones and Dennis Scott



Group picture of Perry descendants.

## **Compatriots elected for KYSSAR positions—2016-17**

President: Dr. Larry Leslie

Current President of the Big Sandy Chapter; Surgeon of the KYSSAR and Surgeon General of the NSSAR.

**President-Elect: Jesse Moore** Past President of the Simon Kenton Chapter.

**Vice-President: Geoff Baggett** Current President of the Colonel Stephen Trigg Chapter.

**Secretary: Rick Kincaid** Former Recording Secretary of the KYSSAR & Formerly in charge of the Wounded Warrior project of NSSAR.

**Recording Secretary: Brent D. Hutchinson** Three Rivers Chapter, Executive Director of Hindman Settlement School

**Treasurer: Richard Bierman** Current Treasurer of the KYSSAR

Assistant Treasurer: Dr. Scott Giltner Current President of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter

**Registrar: Gary Howard** Currently Registrar of the Big Sandy Chapter

Historian & Editor of KYSSAR Newsletter: Charlie Scott Currently Historian & Editor of KYSSAR Newsletter

**Chancellor: Jason Reichenbach** Current Chancellor of KYSSAR

Chaplain: Geoff Baggett Current President of Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter

Surgeon: Dr. Larry Leslie Current KYSSAR Surgeon

Webmaster: Tom Higgins Current Webmaster of KYSSAR, Former KYSSAR President

National Trustee: Chuck Scott Current President of KYSSAR

National Alternate Trustee: Doug Collins

Current National Trustee, Former KYSSAR President

The KYSSAR election was held at the Fall state meeting in Owensboro on November 7, 2015.

# Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter Raffle Fundraiser! Tickets: \$1 Each or 15 for \$10



## CUSTOM PIPE TOMAHAWK Designed and Handcrafted by Steve Mallory Cadiz, Kentucky

for the Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter SAR

Make Checks Payable to:

Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter 1969 Kings Chapel Rd. Cadiz, KY 42211

\*Numbered stubs will be sent to you by U.S. Mail. Drawing to be held at the chapter Memorial Day commemoration on Monday, May 30, 2016.



THE NATIONAL SOCIETY SAR THE SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY SAR & THE DANIEL MORGAN CHAPTER SAR INVITE YOU TO THE 235TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE BATTLE OF COWPENS 15-17 JANUARY 2016 SPARTANBURG & CHESNEE, SC

The Courtyard by Marriott at 110 Mobile Dr, Spartanburg, SC (864-585-2400) will serve as the host hotel for Cowpens participants. A block of rooms is reserved at a price of \$99.00 plus tax which includes breakfast on Saturday morning. The group name for the room block is "SAR".

Reservations can be made at the following link: http://www.marriott.com/meeting-event-hotels/group corporate-travel/groupCorp.mi?resLinkData=The%20 Sons% 20of%20the%20American%20Revolution%20 Room% 20Block%20Jan2016%5Espach%60sonsona% 7Csonsonb% 6099.00%60USD%60false%601%601/1-5/16%601/18/16% 6012/23/15&app=resvlink&stop mobi=yes

#### The reservation deadline is 23 December 2015.

Those wishing to present a wreath at the battlefield on Saturday, 16 January should send the following information to John Hoyle. Compatriot Hoyle can be contacted at: 18 Shannon Ridge Ct, Greenville, SC 29615, jdhoyle@rocketmail.com or 864-263-3644.

#### Wreath registration deadline is 11 January 2016.

#### Organization & Chapter:

Presentor:

Color Guard: YES-NO

Attending:

Daniel Morgan Statues Ceremony: YES-NO

Cowpens Battelfield Ceremony: YES-NO

The SAR will have an information tent set up at the battlefield on both Saturday and Sunday.

#### Schedule of Events:

#### Friday, 15 January 2016

*TBA* Order of Founders of North America Meeting -Courtyard by Marriott

2:30 pm General Daniel Morgan Statue Ceremony -Morgan Square (corner of Main Street and Church Street), Downtown Spartanburg. Participants will be invited to place a flower at the base of the statue.

4:00 pm South Atlantic District SAR Annual Meeting -Courtyard by Marriott

5:30 pm Cowpens Reception - Courtyard by Mariott

7:00 pm Dr Bobby Moss Cowpens Lecture Series -Montgomery Room, Burwell Building, Wofford College,

429 N Church St. Admission is \$5.00.

#### Saturday, 16 January 2016

*9:30 am* Deadline for wreath registration at Cowpens National Battlefield

*10:00 am* Wreath Laying Ceremony - U.S. Monument, Visitors Center, Cowpens National Battlefield

*10:45 am* March to the Washington Light Infantry Monument with National Society SAR wreath layi ng.

12:00 pm Lunch - Fatz Cafe, Peachoid Rd, Gaffney, SC

#### Sunday, 17 January 2016

TBA SAR Genealogy Seminar - Cowpens National