



# The Kentucky Pioneer

“United we stand, divided we fall.”



## Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution

### Travels of the KYSSAR President

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



Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution marched together in the Inauguration Parade for Kentucky’s new Governor—Matt Bevin.

L-R: Tommy Jones, Laura Jones, Bonnie Allison, Tom Higgins, KYSSAR President Chuck Scott, Robert Brooks, Charlie Scott and Scott Giltner.



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## Big Sandy Chapter



Big Sandy Chapter members: Front row L-R: Daniel Branson, Barry Hall, John David Preston, Robert Young and Richard Smith.

Back row L-R: Sam Hatcher, James Spencer, Roger Ratliff, Jason Reichenbach, Gary Howard, Chapter President Dr. Larry Leslie, Daniel Taylor, John Hays, Jerry Nichols and Jonathan Ricky Justice.



Dr. Larry and Lynn Leslie attending Yorktown Day Appreciation Dinner at Yorktown Victory Center.

## George Mason Chapter



Mark Humphries (in the Colonial outfit) and Chapter President David Cartmell congratulates the winner and runner-up in the chapter's Elementary School poster contest. Both students received a ribbon and a cash award.



Frank Allison helping with the food.

The George Mason Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution held their holiday meeting on Dec. 8, 2015 at DeSha's Restaurant in Maysville. They were joined by members of the Limestone Chapter DAR and Limestone Society C.A.R. President David Cartmell opened the meeting by welcoming the members and guests.

The evening's program honored local winners of the Americanism Poster Contest. Contest Chairman Mark Humphries introduced the winners and their families. First place was awarded to Cooper Rolph. Second place was awarded to Carson Pugh. Both are students at Mason County Intermediate School.

On Dec. 5-6, the annual Frontier Christmas festival was held in Old Washington. SAR members volunteered to help the Limestone Chapter DAR with their food sales at Paxton Inn. The DAR wants to publicly thank Frank Allison for coordinating the food sales. It was a tremendous job!

## Colonel Stephen Trigg Chapter



the Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter recognized participants from the North Calloway Elementary School in Murray, Kentucky, for their participation in the annual SAR Poster Contest. Ninety-six fifth-graders made posters as a class assignment and were included in the contest. The school winner was Elizabeth Morrow. She received a Bronze Medal, a copy of the book, *Battle of Blue Licks*, and a twenty dollar cash prize. In addition, her poster will go up against the school winner from Southwest Elementary School in Murray to represent the Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter in the Kentucky Society competition. Here is a photo of Elizabeth with Chapter President Geoff Baggett and her winning poster.

Chapter members also dressed up some of the students while giving their Revolutionary War in a trunk presentation.



Three Compatriots of the Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter traveled to Murray, Kentucky, today to present the “Revolutionary War in a Trunk” presentation to three fifth-grade classes at the Southwest Elementary School. Steve Mallory and Bob Sholly accompanied Geoff Baggett in leading an energetic, fun-filled living history presentation. Amazingly, the county superintendent of schools gave permission for our teaching team to bring a flintlock rifle into class to provide a truly authentic historical experience! Steve was able to show the mechanism and action of a flintlock. As it turns out, the teacher thought we were going to take everyone outside and fire the rifle! Everyone was disappointed that they didn’t get to hear the big boom!

## Colonel Stephen Trigg Chapter

### Veterans Honored



**Veteran Honored:** Geoff Baggett and Steve Mallory with Maj. Herbert Lee Segler, Jr., wearing his Bronze Good Citizenship Medal.



Compatriot Geoff Baggett honored a very special World War II veteran today with the chapter's *Veteran's Appreciation Medal*. Frosty Martin, a native of Trigg County, served in the United States Navy during the war.



Gifts for the Veterans at Pennyroyal Veterans Center in Hopkinsville.

Steve Mallory and Geoff Baggett displaying over \$500 worth of Christmas gifts for the men of the Pennyroyal Veterans Center in Hopkinsville. The purchases were made possible by a \$500 gift from the Kentucky Society that is allocated for Veterans causes in each yearly budget. The Pennyroyal Veteran's Center provided a detailed "wish list" of needs for the men, including items such as winter coats, gloves, hats, underwear, t-shirts, socks, umbrellas, and house slippers. It was amazing how quickly and easily \$500 was spent! But these gifts will make for a very Merry Christmas for the men of the veteran's facility in Hopkinsville.

## Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter

### Patriot Edward Jones Grave marking service



The picture on the left shows Charlie Scott, Joe Noffsinger and Tommy Jones performing a flag ceremony. On the right, Tommy Jones, Dennis Scott and Marshall Wilkins fire during the black-powder gun salute.



KYSSAR President Chuck Scott and Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter President Scott Giltner presented the first two Kentucky Centurion medals. They were presented to Forrest Bond Chilton and Doug Collins. Forrest and Doug were instrumental in the approval and design of this medal. Fifteen Gov. Isaac Shelby members qualified for this medal.



Some of the awards presented at the recent awards dinner went to: Vic Bitter who received a Patriot Grave marking medal; Terry Giltner, the chapter's First Lady, was recognized and Marshall Wilkins received his Silver Color Guard medal.

## Louisville Thruston Chapter



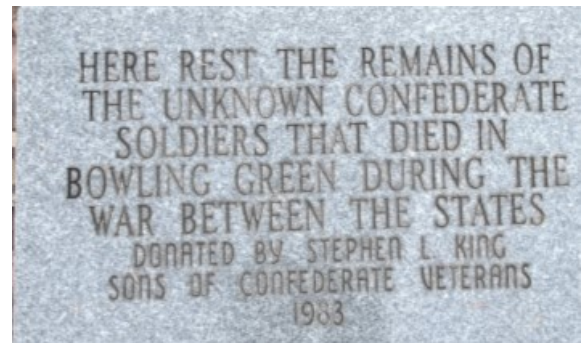
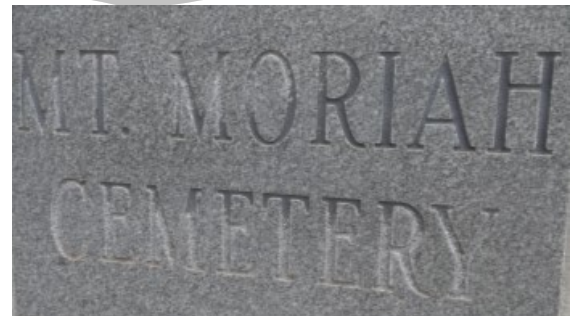
KYSSAR President Chuck Scott presents Kentucky's new Centurion medal to President General David Sympson.



KYSSAR Treasurer Richard Bierman at a recent Naturalization ceremony with a new citizen and the Federal Judge.

## Captain Charles Duncan Chapter Wreaths across America

Chapter members assisted by a few Gov. Isaac Shelby members placed a wreath at the Warren County Courthouse and at six different cemeteries. A short ceremony was held at each location.





## John Manire Chapter



Robert L. Fears 1940—2015

Long time John Manire SAR Chapter member, who served six terms as President, Robert Lawrence Fears, 75, Hopkinsville, died Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2015, of natural causes. His service was held at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Hopkinsville. Burial was at Haley's Mill Cemetery.

A native of Princeton, he was born Aug. 8, 1940, the son of the late Ira Lawrence and Ruby Jewell Bowling Fears.

He served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the North Central States mission and received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Kentucky in 1969.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pennyroyal Hospice, 220 Burley Ave. Hopkinsville, KY.

Compatriot Fears will be missed by members of the John Manire Chapter and the Kentucky Society.



KYSSAR President Chuck Scott presents a Silver Roger Sherman medal to chapter member Tommy Henderson. The medal had been awarded at a previous state meeting but had not been presented.

## Patriot Ancestor Bio Program by Doug Collins

KYSSAR Compatriots:

As you may or may not be aware, I have been the Chairman of the Patriot Ancestors Biographies Committee since 2014. President General Lindsey Brock stated in his address at his inauguration in Greenville, the Patriot Biographies database would be one of the focus areas of his administration. To support this program, which has been endorsed by his successor – PG Tom Lawrence, we ask that you send a biographical sketch of your ancestor(s) to [patriotbios@sar.org](mailto:patriotbios@sar.org).

The information should be provided in a file that is Microsoft WORD compatible. The data will then be merged into the Patriot and Grave Index. As of December 21, 2015, approximately 4,000 biographical sketches have been loaded to the Patriot and Grave Index. It is our hope that we continue to build this database to serve two purposes.

**We honor our patriot ancestor by telling their story.** As we all know, too much of our history is lost, or is in danger of being lost to the ages. This is one avenue where we can make a difference. In the 1894 Kentucky Society Yearbook, Thomas Page Grant wrote about the establishment of the Sons of the American Revolution, “The men whose forefathers took part in the establishment of the Nation were naturally drawn together, and in some of the older States formed themselves into societies to gather scatter bits of history and save them for coming generations; to preserve alive a memory of the men who gave so much for country and paid so dear a price for liberty; to inculcate in the minds of the rising generations a knowledge of what they fought for, and a love of the principles they held so dear. “

Now, over one hundred and twenty years later, we can do just what Compatriot Grant described. In collaboration with the Patriot and Grave Index, we are able to attach a biography supplied by you to ancestors in that database. The goal of the Committee is not to validate/verify the stories submitted; it is to share and provide a repository of those scattered bits of history.

**We will enhance the recruitment of new members for the Kentucky Society.** Your submission could provide the spark for a non-member to connect with a common ancestor and take the plunge to join the Sons of the American Revolution. Another possibility is that a current Member might find a common ancestor and provide the ability for him to submit a Supplemental Application. I personally have benefited in this fashion, by receiving information on a common ancestor that led to a Supplemental Application.

Please note, there is no defined format for your submission. We ask that the information be between 200 – 500 words and be sent in a Microsoft WORD-compatible format. There is no need for documentation references. As noted on the database, it is the sole responsibility of the author to research the facts and data contained in the submission. Citing sources is not required. The sketch cannot be used for proof of lineage. It can, however, serve as a guide for the continuation of research. The Patriot Ancestor Database is one way you can honor your ancestor's for perpetuity.

For those Chapters/State Societies presented a streamer during 2014-2015, a Star will be presented for each additional 20% achievement. This Star will be affixed to the Streamer.

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For clarification on how the achievement levels are calculated:

Example - A chapter has obtained a 12% submission rate. If they hit a total of 20% during the current year, they will be presented a Streamer. Stars will be presented at each additional 20% level - 40% - 1 Star; 60% - 2 Stars; 80% - 3 Stars, etc.

For the member counts, we will use the December 31, 2015 membership that have paid their 2016 dues. National Headquarters will provide this information as they did last year. All Streamers and Stars will be presented at the 2016 National congress in Boston.

Please get the word out. With your help we will continue to expand the database to build the best data source that we can. We will cut-off the submissions for the 2015-2016 program on May 21, 2016 (Armed Forces Day).

See next page

## Patriot Ancestor Bio Program (continued)

We do have a method to identify the listing of all the Patriot Biographies that have been entered into the database. We have established a Patriot named "Index" - #P-334038 in the Patriot and Grave Index. We have expanded the Index to alphabetize by State of service for the Patriots. Hopefully, this will enable a more specific search when looking for a biography entry.

In order to access:

1. Enter the Patriot and Grave Index ( <http://patriot.sar.org/fmi/iwp/cgi?-db=Grave%20Registry&-loadframes> ) and input "Index" in the box labeled Full or Partial Surname and then click the SEARCH box.
2. Patriot Index with Ancestor # P-334038 will come up. Click on the "Read Biography" box in the lower left corner of the page to access the listing of biographies in the database.

Is your ancestor's story included yet? We would love to add as many as you can provide.

Douglas T. Collins  
KYSSAR Trustee 2015-2016

### Sample Bio

#### Thomas Scott

Patriot Ancestor of:

Charles E. Scott, Jr. SAR # 163263  
& Charles Richard Scott SAR # 172104

Thomas Scott (1754--1834), son of John and Margaret Thornton Scott, was born in Pennsylvania and as a young boy moved with his family in 1763 to the Haw River Valley of Guilford County, North Carolina. Thomas Scott married Nancy Carothers on February 9, 1775.

At age 21, Thomas Scott began his military service at Guilford Courthouse when the Cherokee Indians sided with the British at the outbreak of the Revolutionary War. In July 1776, Thomas Scott was drafted for eight months and served under Captain Fleck and Colonel Alexander Martin during General Rutherford's Campaign against the Middle Cherokee Indians in the mountains west of modern day Asheville.

After the death of his father, Thomas and his brothers moved to Washington Co., VA where they were part of the militia under the command of Col. William Campbell. This group of Over-Mountain men gathered at Sycamore Shoals and was part of the force that fought and defeated Col. Patrick Ferguson at the Battle of Kings Mountain.

It was during their stay among the frontier forts and settlements in Southwest Virginia that the Scotts became acquainted with long-hunters like Daniel Boone, who told marvelous tales about new lands just then becoming available in Kentucky. Sometime about 1784, the Scotts and their in-laws moved through the Cumberland Gap into the Bluegrass Region of Kentucky. Thomas Scott received a Kentucky Land Warrant dated May 7, 1785 for 500 acres in an area of Fayette County, in an area that would later become Jessamine County.

The Scott, Carothers, and Frost families all settled on adjacent or nearby farms along Clear Creek. After the disastrous Battle at Blue Licks, Kentucky in 1786, Thomas Scott served as Lieutenant during Colonel Benjamin Logan's expedition against the Shawnee Indians. This campaign ended Thomas Scott's military service.

The Scotts were initially members of the nearby Pisgah Presbyterian Church. The Scotts and their in-laws later became founding members of the Clear Creek Presbyterian Church.

Thomas Scott was issued a Revolutionary War Pension. At 80 years old, Thomas Scott died September 24, 1834 and was buried in Henry County, Kentucky.

**Editor's Note:** Our state only has a 6% participation rate.

We can do better—Please encourage your chapter members to take the time to honor their Patriot ancestor. Charlie Scott

# 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%20Sons%20of%20the%20American%20Revolution%20Room%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](http://www.marriott.com/meeting-event-hotels/group-corporate-travel/groupCorp.mi?resLinkData=The%20Sons%20of%20the%20American%20Revolution%20Room%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](mailto:jdhoyle@rocketmail.com) or 864-263-3644.

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

**Organization & Chapter:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Presenter:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

# 237th Anniversary of the Battle of Kettle Creek Revolutionary Days

February 12, 13 & 14, 2016, Washington, Wilkes County, Georgia

## Friday—February 12, 2016

**12:00 Noon—4:30 P.M.:** Join U.S. Army Military Historian for a walking tour of the Kettle Creek site, 18th century history and Battlefield Relics. Tours start at the Federal Monument on War Hill at 12-noon, 1:30 P. M. and 3:00 P.M...

**6:00 P.M.:** The Kettle Creek Battlefield Association, Georgia Society SAR and Kettle Creek NSDAR will host a dinner and Revolutionary War program in honor of the Kettle Creek Patriots.

## Saturday Morning-February 13th, 2016

**8:30 A.M.** Presentation on the Kettle Creek Battle and Wilkes County history by Military Historian and Professor Lt Col. Ret. Emory Allen Burton

**9:00 A.M.** The Georgia Society SAR Elijah Clarke Militia Honor Guard with Musket Salutes will raise the 1776 Colors of the Revolutionary War on the Wilkes County Courthouse Flag pole.

**9:00 A.M.—12-Noon:** Historical performers in the City Square, Georgia Society SAR Living History building with demonstrations, Mary Willis Library period display, Robert Toombs House Historic site with Period performers, Washington City Museum with the Kettle Creek artifact Room.

**10:00 A.M.** The Georgia Society SAR combined Color Guard & Militia will gather at the Revolutionary War monument on the Washington City square to Salute and Honor the *Wilkes County Militia-(the Heroes of the Hornets' Nest)* and all Revolutionary War Patriots.

## Saturday-February 13th, 2016

**10:30 A.M.** Gather behind the Courthouse for the assembly of the Revolutionary War Parade—LL the public (Children & Grownups) are welcome to participate in the event as our National Colors and re-enactors lead us around the City square. Parade STARTS at 10:45 A.M.....

**11:00 A.M.** Georgia Society SAR Elijah Clarke Militia and other re-enactors with black-powder muskets will present a dramatic portrayal of the Battle of Kettle Creek in Fort Washington Park behind the Wilkes County Courthouse.

**11:45 A.M.** The Georgia Society SAR Color Guard--*Elijah Clarke Militia* and others, will present arms and fire a thunderous musket salute as the Revolutionary War Colors are lowered and our Present-day National Colors are raised on the Square.

**2:30 P.M.** Pageantry at the Kettle Creek Battlefield includes, Continental Army, Georgia Militia, Musket volley salutes, Wreath Presentations, SAR/DAR/CAR, Hereditary Organizations, Local, State & National officials, High School JROTC, students and public, place Wreaths to honor the Heroes of the Hornets' Nest--the Wilkes County Militia for their 1779 Victory at Kettle Creek.

**9:00 --- 5:00 P.M.** The Robert Toombs Historic Site and the City Museum will remain open for Visitors. Children & Uniform personnel are welcome Free of Charge.

## Sunday-February 14th, 2016

**9:00 A.M.** Join the Georgia Society SAR and the Local NSDAR Chapter in a Memorial Service Honoring the *Wilkes County Militia* (Heroes of the Hornets' Nest) and the SC Upper 96 Militia who together defeated the Loyalists at the Battle of Kettle Creek. As in the past this Memorial Service is open to the public and everyone is encouraged to participate. Phillips Mill Baptist Church, Highway 44 (5479 Greensboro Road), Washington, GA.

**Submit request to participate in the Wreath Presentation no later than  
February 1st, 2016, to assure listing in the Ceremony Program**

List Organization, Name of Presenter, Office or Title of Presenter, Will Participate in the Color Guard, Email Address & Phone.

**Mail to: Ed Rigel, Sr., 1504 Berkeley Court, Gainesville, GA 30501-1260; or**

**Email : [compatriotrigel@charter.net](mailto:compatriotrigel@charter.net)**

## **The Kettle Creek Battlefield Association**

Invites you to join us with the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution in celebrating the Battle of Kettle Creek at the annual KCBA banquet to be held on **Friday, February 12th, 2016**, Pope Center, 48 Lexington Ave, Washington, GA 30673

**Program: Langford D. Holbrook**

**“Kettle Creek Battlefield Conceptual Plan for a National Park”**

Dinner Cost: \$30.00 per individual

Please make your checks payable to KCBA

Cash Bar & Reception 5:00 P.M., Dinner at 6:30 P.M.

**Mail to:**

KCBA , P. O. Box 729, Washington, GA 30673

**Please include your email address**

**Dinner reservation must be received by January 31, 2016**

**(Questions: Contact Walker Chewning at 678-409-4644)**

**NOTE: Those wishing to sit as a group or family please designate on your RSVP—Tables seat “8” and will be assigned by number**