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"United we stand, divided we fall."



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The Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution

Annual / Spring Meeting & Luncheon

March 11, 2017

BOG: 10:00 AM and the regular meeting at 10:30 AM

Cincinnati Airport Holiday Inn Erlanger, KY

See back page for more details.



Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter



Members of the Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter and the Ohio County Long Knives at the cemetery in Owensboro. All veterans in the cemetery (360 of them) received a wreath this year. Great job chapter!







The picture on the left shows Gary Tunget with Navy Veteran Roger Morris presenting the Navy Wreath at the Wreaths across America in Owensboro. In the center Robert Brooks speaks at the ceremony and on the right, Frankie Jones with Phil Hill presenting the Coast Guard Wreath.

Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter



Officers for 2017 being installed by Central District Vice President General Tom Payne: Robert Brooks (President), Scott Norris (Treasurer), Gary Tunget (Registrar); Charlie Evans (Vice President); Dr. Noel Maddox (Chaplin); Dr. Alben Shockley (Surgeon); Frankie Jones (Secretary); Maurice Worthington (Historian).



Robert Brooks and Gary Tunget installing new members: Dr. Alben Shockley and Alan Bivens.



Larry Field and his grandchildren visit the grave of their Patriot ancestor.

Simon Kenton Chapter



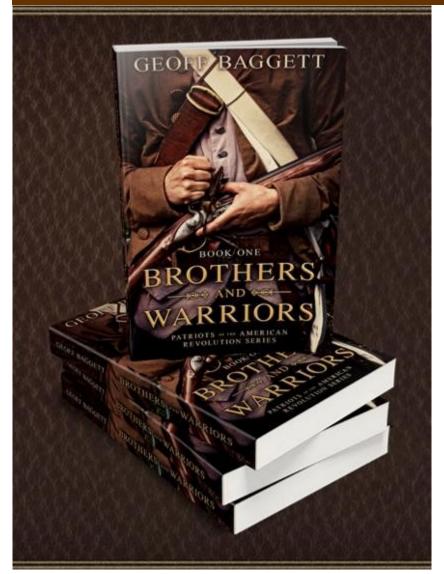
Chapter members at a Wreaths across America event.



Simon Kenton Chapter Officers

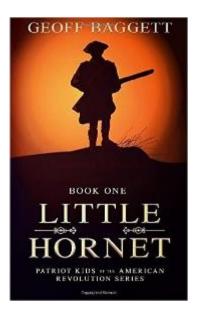
L-R: Donald Drewry, Chaplain; Pat Berry, Secretary; Jim Conrad, Vice President; Tom Geimeier, President; Ray Hughes, Historian; Harry Geimeier, Treasurer

Geoff Baggett writes book!





Geoff Baggett Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter VP, Kentucky Society, NSSAR



The book "Brothers and Warriors" is a fictionalized account of the Revolutionary War experiences of Geoff's 5th great-grandfather, John Hamilton, and his brothers James and William. There is also a youth book entitled "*Little Hornet*". It is for children in grades 3-6 and tells about the exploits of the youngest brother, William.

To get one of Geoff's books, contact him at bagg373@bellsouth.net or order direct at:

https://www.amazon.com/Brothers-Warriors-Patriots-American-Revolution/dp/0997383305?ie=UTF8&ref =asap bc

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Western Kentucky SAR Member Wins National Writing Award





Cocked Hat Publishing is pleased to announce that Trigg County author Geoff Baggett has been awarded the **2016 Gold Award for Best Historical Fiction** by the National Literary Habitat for his debut novel, *Brothers and Warriors*.

The mission of the National Literary Habitat, based in metro Louisville, is to deliver timely, relevant content, tools and resources to writers and authors to prepare them for success in the rapidly changing world of publishing. Their annual book awards contest is a critical part of that mission. Each year the Habitat awards Gold, Silver, and Bronze awards to authors in a range of literary genres.

Baggett is a Baptist pastor in Cadiz and an avid "amateur" living historian, appearing regularly in Revolutionary War attire in schools throughout the region to present his interactive educational program on the American Revolution. He is a member of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution, where he serves as the president of the Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter in Cadiz. He is also a member of the Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge.

In 2015 he decided to expand his obsession with the American Revolution into the field of writing, authoring an impressive four novels in less than a year. Baggett states, "When I started this writing project last year I had no idea that so many people would be interested in my stories. I never imagined having all of these invitations to speak to groups, or the opportunities to dress up in my historical uniform and meet so many amazing new people. And to win a national literary award for my very first book is mind-blowing!"

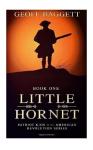
Brothers and Warriors, the first novel in his adult-focused "Patriots of the American Revolution Series," is the exciting story of James, John, and William Hamilton, teenage boys who lived on their own in the North Carolina frontier in 1780 when the British army invaded the south. All of the boys become drawn into the horror and conflict of the American Revolution. But the really interesting part of their story is that they were all real, historical figures. Baggett writes about his own Patriot ancestors, authoring fictional accounts about their lives and adventures during the colonial and Revolutionary War periods. Indeed, the middle brother in the novel, John Hamilton, was his fifth great-grandfather.

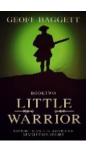
Brothers and Warriors has garnered dozens of positive reviews on Amazon.com. Joel Dennstedt, professional reviewer for Reader's Favorite, described the novel with these words: "Everything about this historical novel, Brothers and Warriors by Geoff Baggett, is thoroughly and pleasingly professional and polished - from the glorious cover to the writing and the precise editing, the impeccable plot-crafting, and the faultless authentic descriptions of locale, along with an abundance of pitch perfect dialogues between a large cast of defily created and well-developed characters, and with each imagined moment of decisive story-telling leading to one immensely great read ... One cannot over-praise this author for his accomplishment or his writing. He makes these feats seem simple, for one is too caught up in the story to think much about the required skills for telling it so well."

Baggett's second novel for adults in the "Patriots" series, *Partisans and Refugees*, was just released in October. He has already begun work on the third volume, and anticipates an April 2017 release. He also has two youth titles in his "Patriot Kids" series.

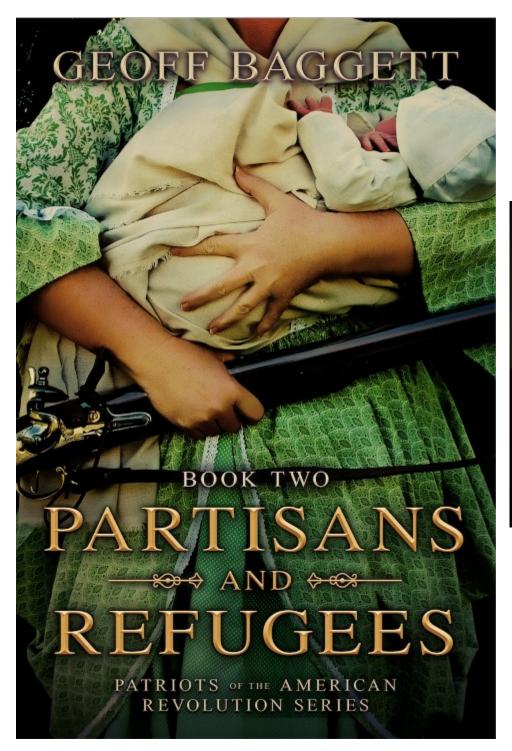
For more information about the works of Geoff Baggett, visit his web site at **geoffbaggett.com** or his amazon author page at http://www.amazon.com/author/geoffbaggett.

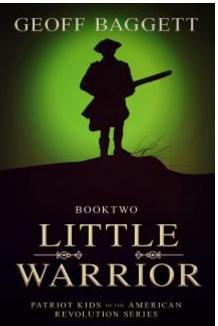
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New Books by Geoff Baggett





2nd Children's book.

To get one of Geoff's books, contact him at bagg373@bellsouth.net or order direct at Amazon.com

New Award

John H. Huffman, Sr. Memorial Photographic Award

This award was created and funded annually by Douglas and Alison Collins as a memorial to John H. Huffman, Sr. (1950-2016). John was a 10-year SAR member and former President of the Louisville-Thruston Chapter (2012-2013). His dedication to ensuring chapter events were documented through his photography was a priority for him. The annual award of \$100 shall recognize and reward the Kentucky Society Compatriot (primary or dual member) whose photographic entry is selected as the most representative of patriotism. An SAR certificate, appropriately embossed, shall accompany the cash award.

Entries are to be no greater than 8½" x 11" in size, unmatted and unframed, and may be in color or black-and-white. Hi-resolution digital copies of photographs may be requested to facilitate judging and publication of the winning photograph. Only one entry per compatriot will be accepted. Entries are to be sent no later than February 15 of each calendar year to:

Hard copies to:

Douglas Collins 7004 Shallow Lake Road Prospect, KY 40059

Digital copies to:

aliedoug@twc.com

Judges shall be selected from a pool of candidates including, but not limited to: SAR Magazine Editor, professional photographer, KYSSAR Newsletter Editor, KYSSAR Chapter Newsletter Editor(s). Judges will reach their decision in whatever manner they deem appropriate, so long as only one picture is selected as the winner. Announcement of the winner and presentation of the check and certificate will occur at the KYSSAR Annual Meeting held in March of each year. The winning entry will be submitted to the SAR Magazine Editor, who will be requested to run a reproduction of the winning photo each year in the issue of the SAR Magazine.

All entries become the property of the Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution and will not be returned. The award will be first presented in 2017 at the KYSSAR Annual Meeting.





Wreaths Across America-Louisville





DAR members at the Wreaths across America event.





SAR members at the Wreaths across America event.



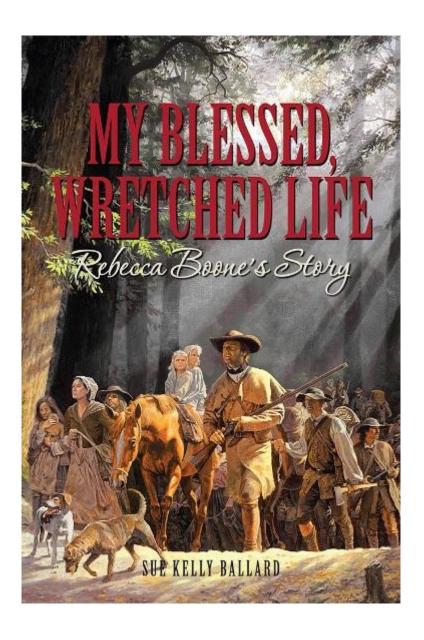
Louisville Thruston Chapter Retirement Party for Dan Klinck



Compatriot Dan Klinck retired in 2016 after serving for twenty years as Commander of the Louisville Thruston Chapter's Color Guard organization. The Dr. V. Edward Masters Memorial Color Guard was founded in 1996, and Dan has been the driving force behind the organization since its inception. His dedication, professionalism and attention to detail truly set the bar high for all chapter color guards that followed.

The retirement party was held on Saturday, January 7, 2017 at the home of David and Evelyn Sympson, and all of the current color guard members were present including many wives and guests. As part of the ceremony, Dan was presented with a framed photographic collage comprised of pictures that spanned the 20 - year history of the color guard. The surrounding mat had been signed by all color guardsmen. Lots of good food and drink were provided including a cake decorated as the First Virginia Regimental flag, which is the standard banner of the color guard. Thanks, Dan. The color guard will continue to rely on you for advice and guidance as it goes forward.



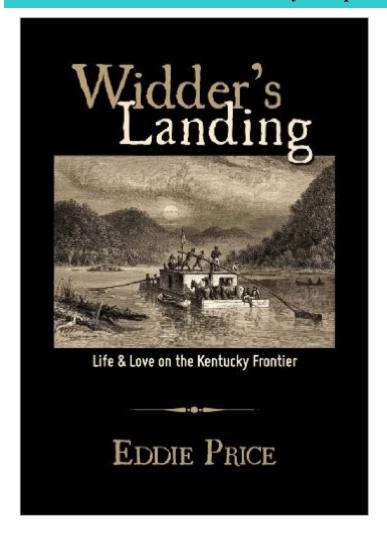


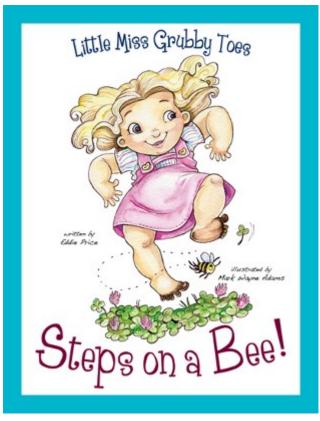
"Rebecca Boone's story is a must-read for all who love early American and Kentucky history. *My Blessed, Wretched life* is history, adventure, memoir, and love story. Its Kentucky pioneer characters become people we intimately understand with all their strengths, weaknesses, joys, fears, and sorrows. Rebecca married an extraordinary man, Daniel Boone. Equally she was an extraordinary woman. The author, Sue Ballard, has carefully researched the historical facts in order to build Rebecca's world and use Rebecca's voice to tell her astonishing story. This book is for those who have already studied this tumultuous era. It is also for those who come to our pioneer history for the first time. The reader will turn its pages eagerly, absorbed by a saga emerging from the past as imagined by a fresh new author and a master story teller."

-Anne (Mrs. Harry M.) Caudill

The author, Sue Kelly Ballard, is a new member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and lives in Elizabethtown, KY.

Books by Compatriot Eddie Price





Contact Eddie Price at: eddieprice1954@att.net



Eddie Price

To order a signed copy of *Widder's Landing* directly from Eddie Price. Send request and check to:

Eddie Price 175 Windsong Drive Hawesville, KY 42348

\$26.95 per copy

\$ 1.62 Kentucky sales tax per copy

\$ 3.43 Postage (media rate)

\$32.00 total

Please include mailing address, person the book is to be signed for, and any personal message or inscription to be written.

DOUGLAS THOMAS COLLINS

LIBRARIAN GENERAL

2017-2018

National Society Service

VPG International District 2014 - 2015

National Trustee - Kentucky Society 2015 - 2016

International Society President 2014 - 2015

Executive Committee 2015 - 2016; 2016 - present

Budget Committee 2013 - 2016: Co-Chairman 2016 - present

Internal Audit Committee 2010 - present. Vice-Chairman 2015 - 2015

Merchandise 2014 – present; Vice-Chairman 2014 - 2015, Chairman 2015 - present

Museum Board 2014 - present

(Ad-Hoc) Solid Light Committee 2014

Council of Vice-President Generals 2014 - 2015

Council of State Presidents 2013 - 2015

Facilities Committee 2014 - present

Information Technology Committee 2014 - 2016

Patriot Biographies Committee Chairman 2014 - present

Young Members Committee 2014 - present

(Ad-Hoc) Naming Rights Committee Chairman 2016

PG Travel Coordinator 2014 - 2015

PG Alde de Camp 2014 - 2015

Assisted three PGs with Committee assignments 2014 - present

Deputy Compliance Officer 2014 - 2015

Library & Archives Committee 2016 - present

George Washington Fellow, CAAH-SAR Foundation Lamplighter Award, SAR 1776 Society, Knight Essay Fund, Friends of Library.

Assisted with 2015 Congress in Louisville.

Congress Funds Treasurer

National Congresses Attended: 4 (2013-2016)

National Leadership Meetings Attended: 12 (2010-Present)

SAR Awards

National Distinguished Service Award, National Meritorious Service Award, Gold Roger Sherman Medal (3), Liberty Medal (w/ 1 cluster - 29 Members), Lafayette Service Medal (w/ 1 cluster), Grave Marking Medal (w/ one cluster), Bronze Council of State Presidents Medal, Bronze Color Guard Medal, Bronze Sam Adams Congress Planning Medal, Patriot Medal, State Distinguished Service Medal, Silver Roger Sherman Medal Kentucky Society Centurion Medal, Chapter Meritorious Service Medal (2).

State Society and Chapter Service

Trustee - Kentucky Society 2015 - 2016

Alternate Trustee - Kentucky Society 2016 - present

President - Kentucky Society 2014 – 2015
President - Louisville-Thruston Chapter 2013 – 2015

Color Guard Commander - Louisville-Thruston Chapter present

Personal

Married 31 years to Alison McKinney Collins (4th generation DAR with 4 proven patriot ancestors).

Sons Hunter and Christopher are both SAR Members with 15 proven patriot

Father and maternal grandfather were memorialized with SAR Membership posthumously.



Education and Training

University of Louisville, B.S. Business Administration Certified Internal Auditor since 1993

Professional Experience

Director of Financial Systems Kindred Healthcare, Inc. for over 21 years. Responsibilities include: organization of the annual financial budgeting process, administering short-term incentive compensation and producing financial reporting to Sr. Management.

Community Activities

Elected City Commissioner - City of River Bluff, Kentucky

Treasurer - Lakeview Estates Home Owners Association Goshen, Kentucky 2005 - 2007

Member Finance Committee St John United Methodist Church, Goshen, Kentucky 2003 - 2007

1985 Kentucky Colonel

Other Organizations

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (2011)

General Society of the War of 1812 in the Commonwealth of Kentucky (2012); Treasurer - 2015 - present

Society of Colonial Wars in the Commonwealth of Kentucky (2014)

Please send endorsements to:

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The Salt River Chapter, NSDAR

Invites you to attend a special program

Col. Ward B. Nickisch, US Army Retired
Will provide a presentation on
America's Search and Recovery
Of our fallen soldiers.

"FALLEN BUT NOT FORGOTTEN"

Saturday, March 25, 2017 at 11am

Mount Washington Annex
186 Branham Way
Mount Washington, KY 40047

Please RSVP by March 4, 2017 to:

Christy Hummel: <u>bchummel@hotmail.com</u>

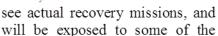
FALLEN, BUT NOT FORGOTTEN The Search and Recovery of POW/MIAs From Prior Wars

Presented by

Ward B. Nickisch, Colonel, US Army Retired

The presentation will provide an update on the Nation's search and recovery operations to bring home the remains of those service members who remain "unaccounted for" from Southeast Asia, Korea and World War II.

Through the use of colored slides, the audience will be able to



scientific processes (including mtDNA) used to identify the recovered remains and return them to the service member's family. Included in the presentation will be an update on recovery missions into North Korea (Democratic People's Republic of Korea) and a very significant recovery of WWII Marines from the South Pacific.



There are more than 1,600 service members who remain 'unaccounted for' from Southeast Asia; almost 8,000 from the Korean War; and more than 73,000 from WWII. The audience will gain an understanding and appreciation for our Nation's commitment and the dedication of the soldiers and civilians who conduct this arduous duty to achieve the fullest possible accounting.



To honor and remember.....it's heart work!

Colonel Ward Nickisch is a native of Huron, South Dakota who retired after almost 30 years of active Army service, including duty in Vietnam in 1970 and 1971. He later commanded two companies in Germany and a battalion in the XVIII Airborne Corps at Fort Bragg, NC and went on to serve as the Deputy Adjutant General of the Army. His last assignment was as the Director of Casualty and Memorial Affairs for the US Army. In that position he supervised the US Army's Central Identification Laboratory, Hawaii (CILHI), which conducted the search, recovery, identification and repatriation of the soldiers (of all military Services) whose bodies were never recovered from all prior wars. In 2003 this unit became a part of the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command (JPAC) which was then reorganized into the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) in January 2015.

He participated in recovery missions in Vietnam. He served as a senior member of the United States Delegation to the first bilateral talks with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. These historically significant talks resulted in the agreement for the conduct of the first Joint Recovery Operations into North Korea beginning in July 1996. Subsequent negotiations reached agreement for additional Joint Recovery Operations and established the framework for similar missions in subsequent years. He was honored to be directly involved in the planning and implementation of the events relating to the disinterment and identification of the remains of the Vietnam Unknown from the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery.

Colonel Nickisch remains active in Veterans affairs at the local, state and national levels. He serves on the Board of Directors of the David Westphall Veterans Foundation in support of the first Vietnam Veterans National Memorial (now a State Park) at Angel Fire, NM; and he serves on the Board of Directors of the Gold Star Mothers National Monument Foundation. In 2012 he was designated by the Secretary of the Army as a Distinguished Member of the Adjutant General's Corps Regiment and inducted into the US Army Adjutant General's Corps Hall of Fame. He is a member of the local chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, and several Veteran organizations including the VFW, the American Legion, the Disabled American Veterans, the Vietnam Veterans of America and the Military Officers Association of America, and he is a patron of the Virginia Grand Military Band. He currently works as a consultant with Serco Inc., a defense solutions provider headquartered in Reston, Virginia. Colonel Nickisch and his wife reside in Gainesville, Virginia.



KY SAR Surgeon Report

Larry Leslie MD – Surgeon General



Recommendations:

Medication Guide or List

Everyone should carry a list of their personal medications on their person (wallet or purse).

It should include your name, personal physician, pharmacy, and emergency contact with their phone numbers.

List your allergies, major illnesses and surgeries.

List your medications, dosage, and frequency (how often you take the medicine).

Sugar is the New Tobacco

- 1. Sugar causes obesity, type II diabetes (3rd leading cause of death), hyperlipidemia, heart disease and probably cancer.
- 2. Fructose (major additive in process food and soft drinks) is addictive and toxic (poisonous) to the body.
- 3. The liver is the only organ to significantly metabolize fructose, and it is the major cause of liver disease. It causes fatty liver and NASH (Nonalcoholic Steatohepatitis cirrhosis).
- 4. Fructose doesn't affect satiety and makes you crave more and eat more calories.

Sugar is toxic to the nervous system. That is the reason that diabetic get peripheral neuropathy and more dementia. It has been shown that sugar impairs memory in rats.

This does not apply to natural sugar in whole fruit and vegetables.

These statements are not absolute or beyond a shadow of doubt, but the evidence is becoming stronger and stronger.

8. Harry Truman said: If you can't convince them, confuse them.

The sugar industry and government have misled the public for over 50 years stating that fat was the major health hazard. When two competing scientist in England in the 50's and later in the United States in the 70's came out stating either sugar or fat was the major health hazard, the sugar industry promoted and funded the scientist advocating fat as the heath hazard. Then the sugar industry discredited and destroyed the anti-sugar scientist.

Books by President General Ed Butler

Retired Texas Federal Judge Complies with Request from HRM Felipe VI de Borbon, King of Spain To Write Book About Spain's Assistance During the American Revolutionary War

"Best Revolutionary War History Book for 2014"

In May 2010 Judge Ed Butler and his first lady, Robin, who reside in San Antonio led a group of 35 members of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution on a tour of Spain. During their visit to Madrid, then Crown Prince Felipe granted the SAR members and their wives a private audience at Zarzuela Palace, the royal residence. During that audience King Felipe asked judge Butler to write a book about Bernardo de Galvez and Spain's assistance to the U.S. during the American Revolutionary War.



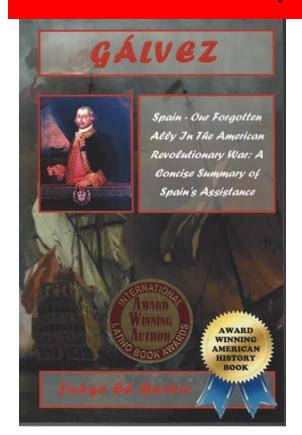
Judge Ed Butler and First Lady Robin visit with King Felipe VI of Spain

Gently poking judge Butler on the shoulder King Felipe, with a broad smile on his face said: "I want you to write a book about Spain's assistance to the United States during the American Revolutionary War; then I want you to write a screen play, and get Hollywood to make a movie. I would like Antonio Banderas to play the part of General Galvez."

Judge Butler replied: "I can write the book, and I can write the screenplay, but it will be up to Hollywood to decide if they want to make a movie."

The 360 page book with 214 footnotes, and 37 pages of Appendices, contains the names of hundreds of Spanish patriots. It documents the significant support rendered by Spain, and allows our Hispanic community to feel proud that their ancestors played a vital role in the formation of our nation.

Books by President General Ed Butler



Galvez / Spain - Our Forgotten Ally in the American Revolutionary War: A Concise Summary of Spain's Assistance, by Judge Ed Butler

So far, this book has won five awards:

- 1) The Texas Connection To The American Revolution presented the "Best American History Book about the American Revolutionary War in 2014;
 - 2) Readers' Review gave it its "5 Star Award;"
- 3) The Sons of the Republic of Texas presented its "Presidio La Bahia Award;"
- 4) Texas Hill Country Chapter of Colonial Dames "Best History Book in 2015."
- 5) International Latino Book Award for Best History
 Book in 2016, plus an 6)
 Honorable Mention in the 2016 North Texas Book Festival's Book
 Awards for Adult Non Fiction.

George Washington's Secret Ally By Hon-Ædward F. Butler, Sr.

George Washington's Secret Ally by Judge Ed Butler

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Program

BOG & KYSSAR Business Meetings

Youth Contests Awards & Recognition

Rumbaugh Oration Contest

Lunch

Installation of 2017 KYSSAR Officers

Compatriot & Chapter Awards

Conclusion of Kentucky Society Business

Menu- American Buffet

Entrees: Roast Top Sirloin of Beef and Roasted Chicken Breast

Fresh Fruit & Seasonal Green Salads

Vegetable Medley, Roasted Red Skin Potatoes,

Rolls and Butter

Served Coffee & Iced Tea

Assorted Pastries & Tortes

* Make checks payable to the KYSSAR or Kentucky Society SAR

Please make reservations by Wednesday, March 1, at \$21.00 per person.

Mail checks to: Richard Bierman, KYSSAR Treasurer
9302 Springbrooke Circle, Louisville, Kentucky 40241

Contact Jesse Moore at jessegordonm@netscape.net

Name Spouse / Guest

There is a block of 10 reserved rooms. Call the main hotel at 859 371-2233 to RSVP at \$95.00 per room with breakfast included. Cutoff to RSVP rooms is Feb. 27