



The Kentucky Pioneer

“United we stand, divided we fall.”



Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution

The gavel is passed



from Pat Berry to Steve Mallory

Steve Mallory sworn in as new President of the
Kentucky Society, Sons of the American revolution.

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Bronze Good Citizenship medal



Tim Brown

Medals awarded at the annual KYSSAR meeting:



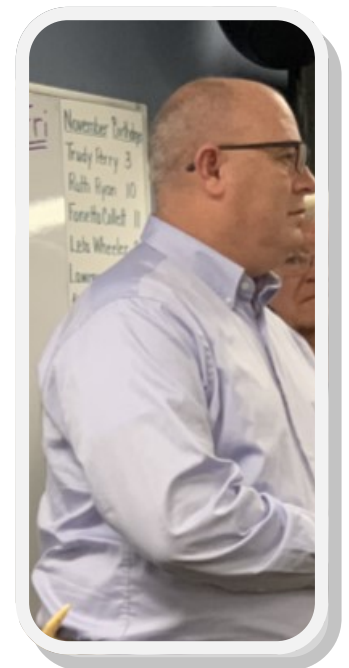
**Silver Roger Sherman
Medal**



Mike King



David Etter



Chris Coleman

Meritorious Service Medal



Patrick Wesolosky



Dr. Larry Leslie



Doug Collins



Geoff Baggett

Patriot Medal



Dale Henley & Steve Mallory



**Distinguished
Service
Medal**



Scott G. Giltner

Brenda Berry
(wife of President Pat Berry)

Receives the Daughters of Liberty medal



On the medal is an image of Sybil Ludington, the female Paul Revere, who is famed for a midnight ride just like Revere's when she was only 16 to raise the New York militia when the British raided Danbury, Connecticut.

The medal is gold in color, and depicts Sybil Ludington riding a galloping horse, commemorating her heroic ride of April 26, 1777, to warn of the approach of British forces and symbolizing the contribution of the many women who aided in the struggle for American independence.

Pat Berry

Immediate Past President—Kentucky Society



**Received the Silver Good Citizenship
Medal**

Youth Contest

Winner: Abby Brown \$200.00
Southwest Elem. School, Murray, KY
Sponsor: Colonel Stephen Trigg Chapter
Runner-Up: Trice Jones \$100.00

Middle School Brochure Contest

Winner: Mary Lila Harris \$200.00
Blessed Sacrament School
Sponsor: Simon Kenton Chapter

Knight Essay Contest:

Winner: Noah Grebe \$500.00
duPont Manual High School
Sponsor: Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter
Second Place: Angelina Harris \$200.00
Third Place: Clara Gross \$100.00

Orations Contest:

Winner: Jessica Arlinghaus \$500.00
Cooper High School
Sponsor: Simon Kenton Chapter
Runner-up: Landon Cambron \$200.00

Arthur M. & Berdena King Eagle Scout Contest

Winner: Brett Eugene Phelps \$500.00
(Bardstown, KY)
Sponsor: Col. John Hardin Chapter
Second place: Jacob Schuetter \$200.00
Third Place: Eric Schneider \$100.00

**Alena Cruz, President
Kentucky Society
Children of the American Revolution**



Each year, the State President of the Kentucky Children of the American Revolution has a state project. This year, the K.S.C.A.R. theme is "A Haven for our Heroes".

This project will raise funds for Active Heroes new retreat center in Shepherdsville, KY. The retreat center is only one of the many amenities that Active Heroes provides for the veterans. At the moment, the retreat center has hiking trails, archery, camping and a playground.

By the end of the C.A.R. year, the retreat center will be better designed to help veterans both mentally and physically.

At the summer state SAR meeting, a \$250.00 donation for this project was approved.

President Cruz, Good Luck on your project!

Note:

President Cruz has about 30 children's books written and autographed by Miss America (Heather French Henry). The books were donated by the author to help fund the C.A.R. project. If you would like to purchase one or more of these books at \$10 each contact Charlie Scott at meb42639@aol.com.



Subject: Invitation for the Society of the Descendant of Washington's Army at Valley Forge

The Kentucky Brigade of Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge (DVF) was Chartered by the National Society on March 17, 2021. I am sending you an invitation that I am asking for you to please share with your membership either directly or via a newsletter insertion.

The DVF membership includes males and females, adults and children. As we are in the position of growth, I am reaching out to my Kentucky contacts to spread the word. Attached is a pdf and a WORD document for you to be able to distribute.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in spreading the word.

**Douglas T. Collins
Interim Brigade Commander-Kentucky (2021)
Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge
aliedoug1776@gmail.com**



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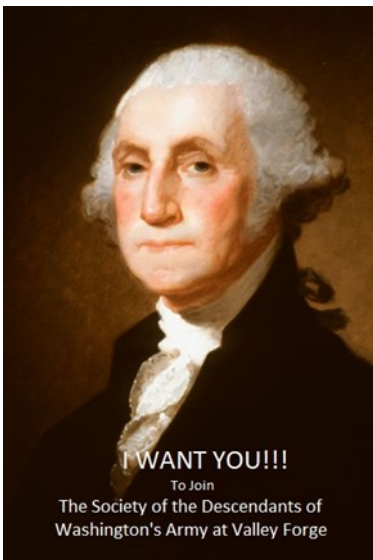
Here ye! Here ye! Here ye!



On March 17, 2021, the Kentucky Brigade of the Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge was Chartered by the National Society. The Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge (DVF) is a historical & genealogical organization where one must prove descent from a person that spent time at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania with the Continental Army between December 19, 1777 and June 19, 1778. The DVF, founded March 25, 1976 in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, is a non-profit, non-political volunteer service organization for men, women, and children dedicated to preserving the memory of those men and women who entered the camp at Valley Forge

any time between December 19, 1777 and June 19, 1778, during the American Revolution in order to rest for the winter. It was at this site that the soldiers located supplies, built log cabins and huts, and dug miles of trenches for defense against a British attack. Nearly 2,000 men died during this winter while those who survived came out of the experience well trained for battle. DVF members gather each summer for the annual Encampment to celebrate the year's accomplishments and tour Valley Forge National Historical Park.

The DVF awards college scholarships, presents history awards to local students, and contributes to the Valley Forge Park Alliance. Any person of any age, regardless of race, religion, or ethnic background, who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution who wintered at Valley Forge during the Revolutionary War, is eligible for membership. Please consider joining our family in remembering the Valley Forge Encampment and honoring our patriots.



DVF Membership: <https://www.valleyforgesociety.com/membership>

Valley forge Muster Roll:

<http://valleyforgesmusterroll.org/muster.asp>

For additional information, contact Doug Collins (Kentucky Brigade Commander) - aliedoug1776@gmail.com

Charles A. Gatliff SAR Chapter & William Whitley DAR Chapter

LOCAL CHAPTERS OF SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION PROVIDE NEW FLAGS TO WHITLEY COUNTY SCHOOLS.

Because of the pandemic, local schools are using precious resources to ensure the safety of their students and teachers in order to provide safe in-person learning and additional virtual learning. This has been an ongoing struggle throughout 2020 and on into 2021. The local schools' staffs wanted to do something in the current school year to build the students pride in their own schools and to reinforce patriotism during these difficult days in the United States.

The superintendents and schools' staffs of the Whitley County school district and the Williamsburg Independent School District reached out to the Charles A. Gatliff Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and the William Whitley Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution to provide new flags for each individual school building in the districts. The Chapters pooled their resources and provided 10 first-quality, embroidered 5 X 8 American Flags for Williamsburg Independent School, Whitley North Elementary, Oak Grove Elementary, Whitley Intermediate, Whitley Central Elementary, Whitley East Elementary, Boston Elementary, Whitley County Middle School and Whitley County High School. Two of the guiding goals of the Chapters are Patriotism and Supporting Education programs that help promote the goals of the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution. It is an honor and with great pride that the local chapters are able to support students and faculty in these two school districts.



Pict 1 (l-r) Staff member Mike Harris and Whitley County Schools Superintendent John Siler receive 5 flags donated by the William Whitley Chapter, NSDAR Presenting the flags are Vice Regent Carolyn Falin and Regent Dianne Chambers.

Pic 2 President David Etter and Treasurer Paul Falin from Charles A. Gatliff Chapter present flags to Bobby Gibbs Principal Pleasant View Elementary School. Superintendent John Siler and staff member Mike Harris receive flags for three other elementary schools in the district.

Pic 3 David Etter, President Charles A. Gatliff Chapter, NSSAR presents flag to Tim Melton, Superintendent, Williamsburg Independent School District.

Blue Licks Chapter



Blue Licks Chapter awards Falmouth, KY policeman the Law Enforcement medal.

Colonial Flag project

Update on Blue Licks Chapter's Colonial State Flag project. As remaining pledges continues to come in its with great proud excitement that we have completed this project in just six weeks. Thanks everyone and god bless! All flags, for the thirteen Colonial Flag collection, have been ordered and are on the way. Have a great Easter! Remember it's a great day to be a SAR.

Thanks to all of my Flag Angels!



Americanism, U.S.S. Stark Memorial & President General Streamer Report

Chapters were asked to submit Americanism and Stark Memorial reports at the end of each quarter with the totals being reported in the state newsletter. The main reason for doing this is because only a few of our chapters ever fill out the report annually. Filling out the report as you go makes it much easier than trying to remember at the end of the year what you have done. Our state society competes with other states and these reports indicate how active we have been. In the past the Kentucky Society has fared pretty good with only a few chapters reporting. With all of our chapters working together we will remain very competitive.

This report also shows the chapter what they have done and can be used as part of it's permanent record. We are a team and we are only as good as the sum of of all of our chapter totals.

Please start using the Americanism report as one of your chapter tools. This can also be used prior to each state meeting instead of a chapter report.

Chapter totals will be listed according to size of membership;

Here are the chapters that sent totals in for the first quarter:

Large chapters with membership over 100: **Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter**

Medium Size chapters with membership between 50 & 100: **Big Sandy Chapter**

Small chapters with membership less than 50: **None**



We can win these if we work together!

Liberty Bell Americanism Award



to the Chapter, based upon size, which presents evidence of
best implementing S.A.R. resolutions and principles
2018 - 2019

129th Congress
Costa Mesa, California
July 8, 2019

Wm. M. Altier
President General

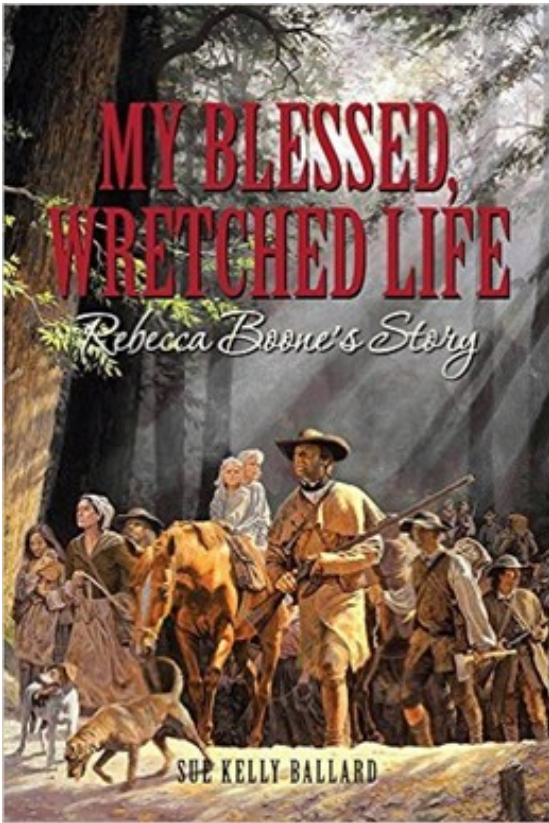
USS Stark Memorial Award



to the Chapter, based upon size with the best record
of service to veterans during the year
2019 - 2020

130th Congress
July 13, 2020

John T. McInnis
John T. McInnis, President General



My Blessed, Wretched Life: Rebecca Boone's Story

by Sue Kelly Ballard

Butler Books Publishing Company

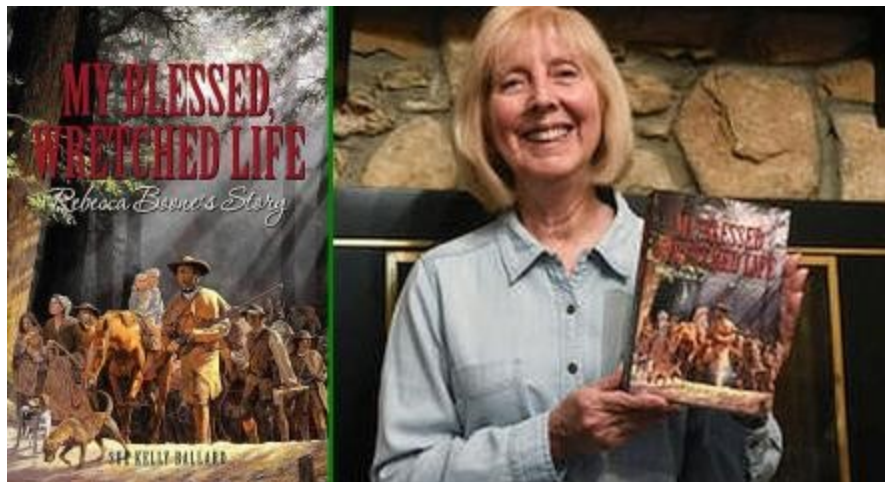
Rebecca's own story, as imagined creatively by Sue Kelly Ballard, is so captivating, so gut-wrenchingly realistic, so obviously genuine, we begin to acknowledge who really moved America westward: our pioneer mother ancestors. Ballard captures every mood and moment of Rebecca's life in the backwoods and on the frontier with accuracy and passion, with authenticity and beauty, and at a pace that keeps the reader diving headlong into each new page eager to swallow up what happens next. Ballard's descriptions of the sights and sounds of the sylvan wilderness, of life's daily routine around a cabin set in a clearing made in the woods, and of the people and animals, both welcomed and unwelcomed, who come there are not segregated into long passages, but are tossed in generously as short snippets on top of the action, keeping the reader easily imagining the setting and circumstances as the story roars ahead. When a dozen things are happening at once, it takes a skilled frontier woman and a talented writer to keep everyone and everything moving along together.

- reviewed by Randell Jones, author of *In the Footsteps of Daniel Boone*

Contact the author at sue.ballard@kctcs.edu

My Blessed, Wretched Life: Rebecca Boone's Story is available through www.butlerbooks.com, and www.amazon.com

Readers may order the book from Amazon (found in SEARCH under title or my name, Sue Kelly Ballard) or from my publisher: Butler Books (www.butlerbooks.com). Each will charge about \$24.99 plus shipping.



Compatriot authors Geoff Baggett & Eddie Price

Historical fiction at it's best!!



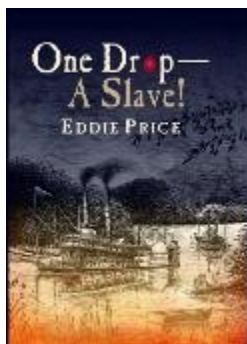
Geoff Baggett



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Eddie Price



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