



# The Kentucky Pioneer

“United we stand, divided we fall.”



## Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution

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**KYSSAR President-Elect Tim Brown**

**receives prestigious Scouting award**

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## **“Tim Brown Receives the BSA’s Silver Antelope Award”**

For over 112 years now, the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) has continued to exist thanks to the efforts of countless volunteers at every level of the organization. From den leaders to National Jamboree staff, everyone’s service helps transform the lives of this country’s youth, preparing them to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes.

For Scouters whose work affects the Scouting movement on the council, territory and national levels, the BSA bestows what is known as the “Silver family” of BSA awards. This includes the council-level Silver Beaver, the territory-level Silver Antelope, and the national-level Silver Buffalo.

On Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, the BSA announced the Silver Antelope and Silver Buffalo Award honorees for the *Class of 2022*. These individuals now join an illustrious list of people who have given noteworthy and extraordinary service to youth, dating back to the creation of the awards...1925 for Silver Buffalo recipients, and 1942 for Silver Antelope recipients.

Among the list of this year’s honorees is the KYSSAR’s own President-Elect Tim Brown who was selected to receive the Silver Antelope Award. With his selection, Tim becomes one of just eleven members from Kentucky’s Blue Grass Council to have received the award since 1942, and the first since Governor Paul E. Patton received it in 1999. In fact, five of the council’s eleven award recipients have been Governors of Kentucky (Lawrence Weatherby, Ed Breathitt, Wendell Ford, Julian Carroll, and Paul Patton).

Compatriot Brown has been a proud member of both the Boy Scouts of America and the Blue Grass Council since joining the Scouting program as an eight-year-old Cub Scout in 1967. He is an Eagle Scout (*Class of 1976*), and currently serves as the National Chair for Council Support on the BSA Alumni Association National Committee. Tim is also a National Committee Task Force member for the BSA’s National Scouting Museum (NSM).

In addition to the Silver Antelope Award, Tim is also a recipient of the Silver Beaver Award, the District Award of Merit, the Council Alumnus of the Year Award, the Territories Alumnus of the Year Award, the William T. Hornaday Gold Badge, the NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout Award, and the Order of the Arrow Distinguished Service Award (DSA).

Outside of Scouting, Compatriot Brown is the past Deputy Director of the Kentucky Select Soccer League, and currently serves as the Chairman of the Kentucky SAR Eagle Scout Committee. Tim also serves as the BSA National Events Liaison on the National SAR Eagle Scout Committee.

Professionally, Tim has over 30 years of combined executive management experience with both governmental and private sector entities. He is currently the Senior Environmental Scientist for the Kentucky Division of Forestry.

Tim and his wife Tami are long-time residents of Nicholasville, Kentucky, and are the proud parents of daughter Chelsea (Cooley), and Eagle Scout son Zachary (*Class of 2011*). They are also the proud grandparents of future Eagle Scouts Rhett Walker Cooley, Riggs Carter Cooley, and Collins Rae Cooley.



**George Rogers Clark Memorial, Vincennes, Indiana**



**KYSSAR Compatriots: Patrick Parker, Allen Rushing, Jay Doss, Chris Canine, Kent Hathaway, Steve Mallory and Patrick Wesolosky.**



**NSSAR Compatriots**

## Lafayette Tour, Frankfort, KY



**Julien Icher and Randy Lane**



**Kneeling: Steve Gahafer, Patrick Wesolosky, Mike King.  
Standing: Charlie Scott, Mike Sullivan, Patrick Parker, Randy Lane**

## Lafayette Trail at Great Crossing



**Kneeling L-R: Patrick Wesolosky, Patrick Parker, Richard Quire, KYSSAR President Scott Giltner. Standing: Mike King, Mike Sullivan, Tim Wisner and Joe Clancy**



**Mike Sullivan and Patrick Wesolosky**



## **Message from the State President**

Scott G. Giltner, Kentucky Society President

Compatriots of the Kentucky Society,

I would like to take this opportunity to discuss one of the goals of the SAR. The goals of the SAR are divided into the three categories of Patriotic, Educational, and Historical. While all three of these categories are equally important and contain a fair amount of overlap, it is my belief that education is the foundation on which our Patriotic and Historical goals are constructed.

Members of the Kentucky Society have been active in these three areas, but with the upcoming 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the American Revolution, I would like to emphasize the importance of our educational goals. The primary educational goals of the SAR can be outlined as follows:

✦ sponsoring youth awards programs, including essay and oration contests for students, based on historical and patriotic themes, and providing presentations within our communities about the events leading up to and during the American Revolution and philosophical bases of the American Revolution and the Constitution. In 1965, then Governor Ronald Reagan stated in his inaugural address that “Freedom is a fragile thing and it’s never more than one generation away from extinction”. I believe this quote appropriately describes the importance of, and the need for, the SAR’s educational outreach programs.

### **Get Involved**

There are many approaches that can be taken in furthering the educational goals of the SAR. I strongly encourage each member of the Kentucky Society to determine how their interests and skills can be applied in furthering our educational efforts not only with our youth, but the general public as well. There are numerous ways and means in which a member of the Kentucky Society can support our educational outreach. Below are just a few ideas for consideration. The potential areas for education programs are limited only by our efforts.

Presentations to schools and public: People from all walks of life and occupations contributed to the freedom of our nation. Portraying an individual from the colonial and Revolutionary War period is a powerful tool towards informing others about the concerns and motivations of our forefathers and how they influenced the development of our country into what it is today.

Many Kentucky Society members are currently active in this area, but more are always welcome. Ideas for living history portrayals could be based on your employment or hobbies. As way of an example, as an engineer, I developed an interest in colonial surveying. For several years now I have been providing presentations on colonial surveying and the manner in which settlers acquired land and influenced the growth of our nation. Currently I am researching and developing a presentation on engineers in the Continental Army and how they contributed to the American war effort and helped bring about the surrender of the British at Yorktown.

Here are just a few ideas for presentations.

Are you musically inclined? If so, you could develop a portrayal of a period musician and demonstrate period musical instruments and music.

Do you have a background in education? Comparisons and contrasts between schools/educational practices of today and the 18<sup>th</sup> century could be a good topic.

Are you interested in agriculture, animal husbandry, or just have a green thumb? Farming methods in the 18<sup>th</sup> century and how they drove the economy and need for more land could be a possibility.

Do you have a medical background? Medical practices in the 18<sup>th</sup> century or the Continental Army are always a big attraction for children and the public.

Hobbies in woodworking/carpentry, leatherworking, cooking, weaving, metalworking, etc. could all be developed into presentations on the tools and techniques of various 18<sup>th</sup> century trades and how these trades were affected by British policies.

Admittedly living history portrayals are not for everyone, but other presentations that do not require the acquisition of period clothing or accoutrements can also be developed. You could provide presentations about persons of the Revolutionary War period or the events and philosophical bases of the American Revolution and the Constitution. The list goes on and on. The key is to find a topic which interests you and then develop a presentation around it. If you have an idea for a presentation, but need guidance, do not hesitate to reach out to the Education Committee of the Kentucky Society for assistance.

Promotion of SAR Youth Contests and Awards: The SAR sponsors various youth contests that encourage school age children to investigate the founding of the United States and our Founders. If you are a current teacher, former teacher, or parent/grandparent of school age children, why not reach out to your local schools and offer to promote these contests to the teachers and students? Experience has shown that direct promotion of the Youth Contests within the schools is the best approach to obtain the cooperation of the teachers and participation of the students.

The list of Youth Contests includes the following.

Elementary School Poster Contest  
Middle School Brochure Contest  
Knight Essay Contest  
Rumbaugh Oration Contest  
Eagle Scout Contest

### **More Information**

Compatriot Pat Berry is the chairman of the Education Committee of the Kentucky Society which was formed last March at the Annual Spring meeting. Chairman Berry has an extensive background as an educator in local schools and is also the Youth Awards Chairman for the Kentucky Society. Please reach out to Chairman Berry ([pwberry1776@gmail.com](mailto:pwberry1776@gmail.com)) if you are interested in supporting the Education Committee or have any questions on how to further the educational goals of the Kentucky Society. Members are currently being sought for the Education Committee and we would welcome compatriots interested in furthering the educational program of the Kentucky Society.

Another effort of the Education Committee is to create a list of all the members of the Kentucky Society who already have established educational presentations. The intent is to create a directory of the various presenters around the state and the type of presentations they can provide. When requests are received from schools or other organizations, the directory can be used to identify who within the state could best serve their need based on geographic proximity and presentation topics. If you are currently offering presentations within your community, please reach out to Chairman Berry and let him know.

### **Battle of Blue Licks Memorial Ceremony**

Before closing I would like to remind all society members of the upcoming Battle of Blue Licks memorial ceremony and the Kentucky Society state meeting to be held in August. This year will be the 240<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the battle that cost the lives of many Kentucky Patriots. Please join us on 20 August as we honor those who fought at the battle and remember their sacrifices.

In Patriotic Service

Scott G. Giltner  
President  
Kentucky Society





**Emery Wilson, MD**

**Surgeon, KYSSAR**

### Compatriots

The NSSAR and KSAAR have a Surgeon General or Surgeon among the list of officers. The responsibilities of this office are similar: advise the organization of any health matters which may be of concern to the membership, offer advice on good health to the members, and be available during meetings if required by the members. According to the KSSAR constitution, “Each chapter shall have a President, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar, and such other officers as it may elect.” At its meeting in December 2020, the Lafayette Chapter added a surgeon to its list of approved officers. Other chapters in the state may want to consider adding the position. Although the NSSAR requires the surgeon be a licensed physician of medicine or osteopathy, other health professionals (dentist, nurse, emergency medical technician, etc.) could serve in this position. The Lafayette Chapter constitutional amendment states: ‘The Surgeon shall be a member of the Medical Profession licensed in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. He shall offer advice on good health to the members and be available during meetings if required by the members.’ The current health environment supports the need for such a position at the chapter level, and chapter surgeons could provide a pipeline for the office at the state and national levels.



If an apple a day keeps the doctor away, here is a metaphorical apple: [Talking to a group of medical scientists, football coach Lou Holtz said, “We have rats that die of too much of something and we have rats that die of too little of something. What we need are healthier rats.”](#)

Emery Wilson

KSSAR Surgeon

**Memorial Day, Zachary Taylor Cemetery**



**Compatriots from the Louisville Thruston, Lafayette and Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapters**



**Militia**



**Continental Line**

**KYSSAR Genealogist  
Steve Gahafer**



**Congratulations to Compatriot Steve Gahafer for being elected as the Kentucky Society Genealogist. Steve is also the Vice President of the Lafayette Chapter.**

## Commemoration of the Battle of Fort San Carlos



**Patrick Wesolosky attended the Commemoration of the Battle of Fort San Carlos .  
The battle that took place in Missouri was one of the most Western of the Revolutionary War.**



**Patriot Grave Marking Service  
for Owen Gwathmey**



**Group photo of service sponsored by the John Marshall DAR and the Gov. Isaac Shelby SAR chapters**



**Patriot Grave Marking Service  
for Owen Gwathmey**



**Allen Manning**



**Jay Doss & Patrick Wesolosky**



**Jon Canine, Randy Lane & Allen Manning fold the flag**



**Black  
Powder  
Gun  
Salute**



**While dodging the rain, Compatriots Steve Gahafer and Patrick Wesolosky placed 19 flags at Lexington Cemetery and 6 flags at Versailles Cemetery on Patriot Graves for Memorial Day.**



# Operation HEROs Honor Flight



SAR and DAR members at all-female Honor Flight



Tribute to highest ranking female officer: Looks like four stars on her uniform that would make her a General!



*Welcome Home*



**Robert Moseley Chapter  
Memorial Day Service**



**Compatriot Dehaven with the flags.**



**Black-powder gun salute**



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to support the  
2026 SAR Congress in North Carolina



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Tickets will be available until January 31, 2023 @ 12:55 PM.

The drawing will be held on January 31, 2023 @ 1:00 PM.



## **William G. Pomeroy Foundation Patriot Burials Historic Marker**

**The Patriot Burials™ Marker Grant Program provides Kentucky Society - Sons of the American Revolution (KYSSAR) with the opportunity to apply for historic markers to be placed in locations where Revolutionary War Patriots are buried.**



**The following standards and guidelines are intended to ensure the accuracy and uniformity of the text placed on Patriot Burials historic markers. The Pomeroy Foundation will have the final decision on the appropriateness of any text placed on a marker.**

- **The name of the cemetery or burial site must be determined and appear on the marker.**
- **The applicant must obtain necessary written permission from the property owner where the marker is to be installed.**
- **The applicant must provide primary sources to document both the Patriot's Revolutionary War service and burial. SAR and DAR application forms are not acceptable proof of service. Acceptable proof of service includes, but is not limited to pension records, muster rosters, military bound land records, official state government-compiled records (i.e. Massachusetts Soldiers; Sailors in the War of the Revolution). Acceptable proof of burial includes, but is not limited to records of the entity that owns the cemetery and photos of original headstones placed at the time of burial. Replacement headstones and memorial plaques are not proof of burial.**
- **All known Patriots in the cemetery or burial site must be recognized. A single Patriot must not be identified for commemoration while ignoring additional Patriots buried at the same grounds. The applicant must conduct a good faith effort to identify any and all Patriots. Proof of this good faith effort will be required.**

# **William G. Pomeroy Foundation Patriot Burials Historic Marker**

continued

- **Patriots. Proof of this good faith effort will be required.**
- **If the number of Patriots is minimal, an effort will be made to include their name(s) on the marker. If there is sufficient room, the rank of the Patriot(s) will be included. Otherwise, only the number of Patriots will be indicated.**
- **Additional text describing the Patriot's post-war activities will only be included if room is available after the above guidelines are met.**
- **Markers will only be placed in cemeteries or sites where similar signage indicating Patriot burials does not already exist.**

**The cemetery or burial site needs to be in view, or the public is allowed to visit it on private property. All Kentucky Society SAR Chapters are encouraged to submit at least one cemetery by August 24, 2022.**

**The applying chapter must provide primary sources to document both the Patriot(s) Revolutionary War service and subsequent burial in the cemetery. Acceptable proof of service includes pension records, muster rosters, military bounty land records, and official state government-compiled records, such as Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors in the War of the Revolution. Acceptable proof of burial includes records of the organization or agency that owns the cemetery, as well as photos of original headstones placed at the time of burial.**

## **Grant Application Deadline**

**08/24/22 - Information submitted to Compatriot Patrick Wesolosky**

**09/21/22 - Letter of Intent (LOI) becomes available online**

**10/19/22 - Deadline to submit LOI**

**11/23/22 - Application deadline**

**February 2023 - Grants awarded**

**If a Patriot Burials Historic Marker is approved for a SAR Chapter in Kentucky, that chapter is responsible for installation materials and installing the Historic Marker.**

## From the KYSSAR President:

Compatriots,

I am pleased to inform you that the Kentucky Society is now registered as a charitable organization with the Amazon Smile program. The Amazon Smile program is a way that Amazon customers can support their favorite charitable organization with every Amazon purchase they make.

There is no additional cost to the customer to participate in this program. However, Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase amount to the charitable organization selected by the customer.

The Kentucky Society officers encourage all the Society members to sign-up for this program and select the **Kentucky Society SAR** as their charitable organization. More details on the program and how to sign up are provided in the attached flyer. The money received from Amazon will be used to help support the programs and activities of our Society.

Along the same topic, I have recently received inquiries about whether the Kentucky Society accepts donations, and if so, how can a compatriot make a donation. The simple answer is yes, donations can be made to the Kentucky Society.

Donations to the Kentucky Society should be with a check made out to **KYSSAR** and mailed to the State Treasurer, Dick Bierman at the address below:

Dick Bierman

4120 Calgary Way

Louisville, KY 40241

Donations can be made to specific programs of the Kentucky Society or the general fund. When donating to a specific program, please indicate to which program the donation should apply.

If you have any question about the Amazon Smile program or making donations to the Kentucky Society, please let me know.

In Patriotic Service,

Scott Giltner

President

## About AmazonSmile

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**National Society of the Sons  
of the American Revolution**  
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# Battle of Blue Licks Memorial Ceremony



**The Kentucky Society**

Sons of the American Revolution

invites you to attend the Memorial Service for the  
***240<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Blue Licks***

**Saturday, 20 August, 2022 @ 10 a.m. EDT**

**Blue Licks Battlefield State Park  
10299 Maysville Road, Carlisle, KY  
(Color Guard muster at 9:00 a.m.)**

Join us in this National Color Guard event by presenting a wreath, carrying your state flag or participating in the flintlock gun salute.

Contact Scott Giltner – [stgilt@earthlink.net](mailto:stgilt@earthlink.net) to register.

**Afterwards:**

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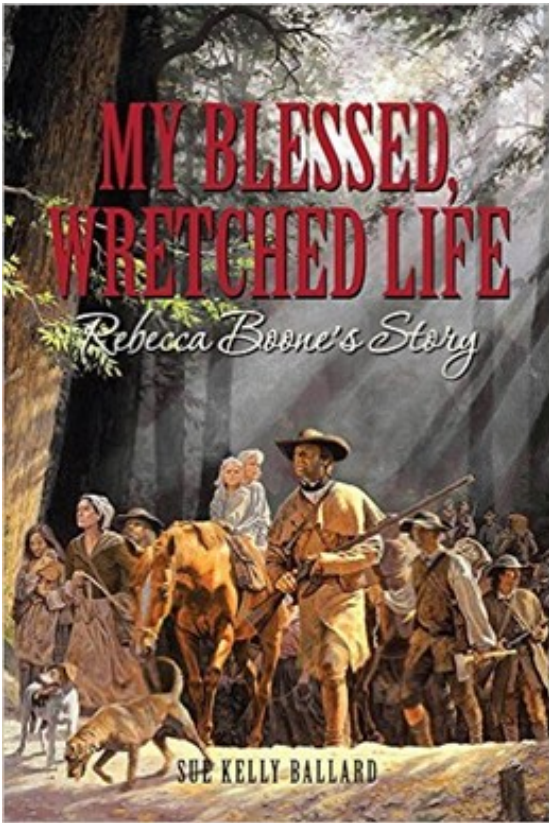
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## My Blessed, Wretched Life: Rebecca Boone's Story

by Sue Kelly Ballard

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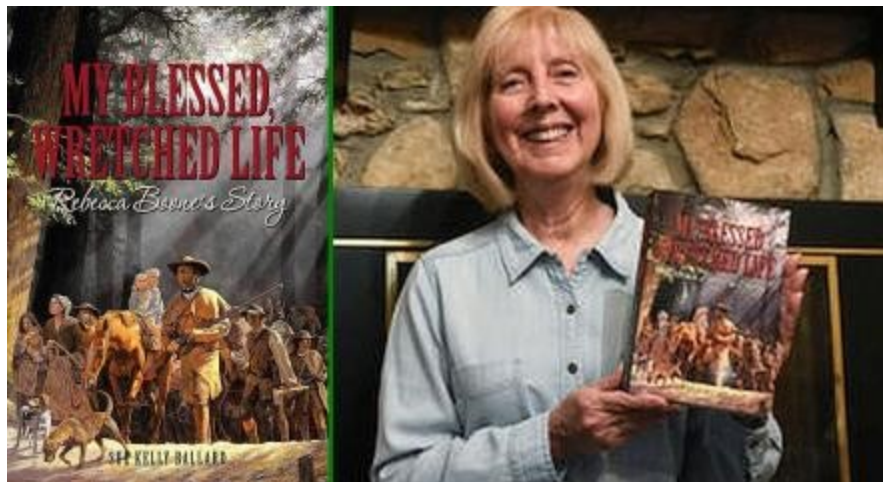
Rebecca's own story, as imagined creatively by Sue Kelly Ballard, is so captivating, so gut-wrenchingly realistic, so obviously genuine, we begin to acknowledge who really moved America westward: our pioneer mother ancestors. Ballard captures every mood and moment of Rebecca's life in the backwoods and 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*

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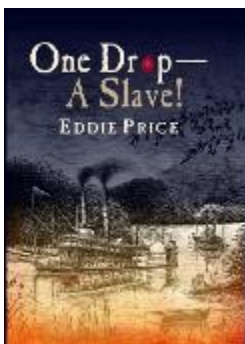
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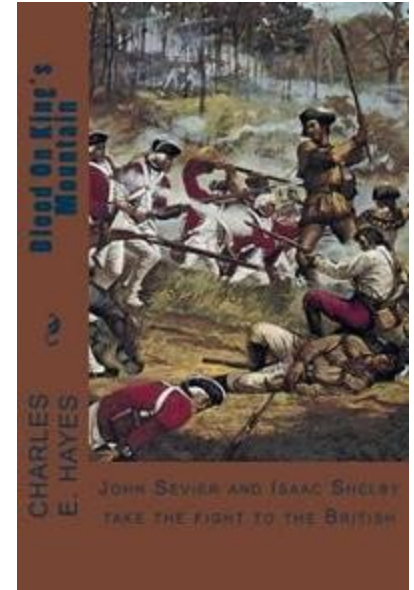
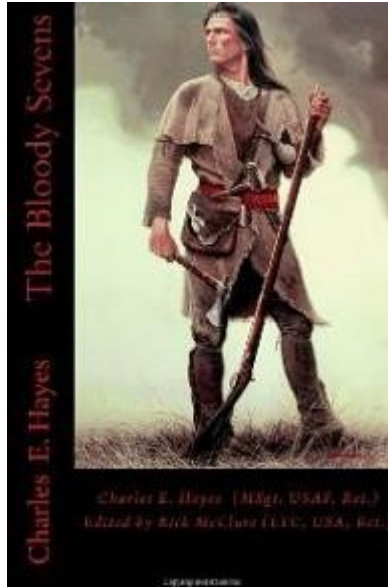
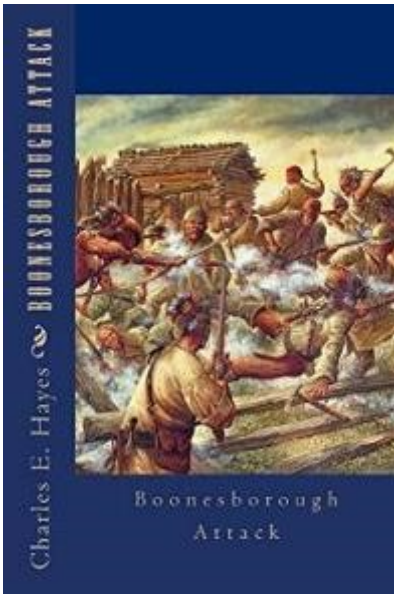
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