

Sons of the American Revolution

Kentucky Society Annual Spring Meeting

March 8th 2025



NOTES:

Student Contest Program Agenda 2024/2025

KYSSAR

Emcee - Youth Contest Committee Chair Pat Berry

- 10:00 – Coffee and Social time
- 10:30 – Introductions and appreciation
- 10:35 – **State Poster 1st place announced**, Poster presented
 - *Alex H. – Sponsoring chapter (Simon Kenton)*
- 10:40 - **State Brochure 1st place announced**, brochure presented, award and photo.
 - *Nollie K. – Sponsoring chapter (Simon Kenton)*
- 10:45 – **State Oration 1st Place announced**. Oration reading, award and photos
 - *Luke G. – Sponsoring chapter (Lafayette)*
- 11:00 – **State Essay 1st Place announced**. Essay reading, award and photos.
 - *Jack G. – Sponsoring chapter (Lafayette)*
- 11:15 – **State Eagle Scout 1st Place announced**. Essay reading, award and photos
 - *William M.–Sponsoring chapter (Simon Kenton)*
- 11:30 – **State Student Video contest 1st Place announced**. Video presentation, award and photos
 - *Cate S., Maggie L., Iris D., Samantha L. – Sponsoring chapter (Simon Kenton)*
- 11:45 - **State JROTC 1st Place announced**, Essay reading
 - *Mia R. – Sponsoring chapter (Lafayette)*
- 11:50 – Group photos with SAR State and sponsoring chapters
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ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

Call to Order by KYSSAR President McCain..... 1:00 PM

Welcome..... Steve McCain

Invocation..... James Gearhart

Posting of Colors.....State Color Guard Commander Scott Giltner

Pledge of Allegiance.....Tim Brown

SAR Pledge.....Jim Stinnett

“We descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution, who by their sacrifices established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.”

Recognition of Dignitaries and Guests..... Steve McCain

Offer of Brief Greetings From:

- o William Gist – President General (1995/1996)
- o Wayne Eells – Central District Vice President General (2024-2025)
- o DAR Madam Regent Linda Conrad
- o Mike Scroggins – Executive Director

Memorial Service Honoring Deceased Compatriots of 2024-2025

.....Chaplain James Gearhart

Year’s Accomplishments..... Steve McCain

Commencement of Business Meeting

Declaration of Quorum (20 Members / 5 Chapters).....Steve Vest

Approval of Minutes from KYSSAR Fall Meeting (November 16th, 2024)

Approval of Minutes from KYSSAR BOG Meeting minutes (February 25th, 2025)

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- Vice President's Report Richard Quire
- Secretary's Report..... Stephen Vest
- Treasurer's Report..... Doug Collins
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- DAR Liaison..... Jay Doss
- CAR Liaison Scott Giltner
- Social Media Director Patrick Wesolosky
- Webmaster Bill Nichols
- Assistant Webmaster Will McGinnis
- ***Kentucky Pioneer Newsletter Editor*** Tommy Druen

Chapter Reports:

	<u>Report</u>
Big Sandy (Prestonsburg / Floyd County)	Y
Blue Licks (Berry / Harrison County)	Y
Capt. Charles Duncan (Bowling Green / Warren County)	Y
Capt. Charles Gatliff (Williamsburg / Whitley County)	N
Capt. John Metcalfe (Madisonville / Hopkins County)	N
Capt. Virgil McCracken (Paducah / McCracken County)	Y
Capt. William Arnold (Williamstown / Grant County)	N
Capt. William Prince (Princeton / Caldwell County)	N
Col. Benjamin Logan (Russellville / Logan County)	N
Col. Daniel Boone (Frankfort / Franklin County)	Y
Col. James Harrod (Harrodsburg / Mercer County)	Y
Col. John Hardin (Elizabethtown / Hardin County)	N
Col. Stephen Trigg (Cadiz / Trigg County)	Y

ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA (Continued)

Gen. Richard Butler (Morgantown / Butler County)	Y
George Mason (Maysville / Mason County)	Y
Gov. Isaac Shelby (Middletown / Jefferson County)	Y
John Howe (Greenup / Greenup County)	N
John Manire (Hopkinsville / Christian County)	Y
Lafayette (Lexington / Fayette County)	Y
Louisville Thruston – Louisville / Jefferson County)	Y
Lt. Robert Mosley (Owensboro / Daviess County)	Y
Simon Kenton (Florence / Boone County)	Y
Three (Whitesburg / Letcher County)	N

Unfinished Business:

- Captain William Arnold Chapter Dissolvement
- Mail Chimp mass electronic mailing investigation

New Business:

- Youth Contest (Video) award amount.
- Bank Movement
- Election and Installation of 2025-2026 KYSSAR Officers

Motion to Adjourn the Business Meeting

Incoming President's Address:

.....President Patrick Wesolosky

Announcements:

NSSAR Congress –

KYSSAR Photos – New Officers / Past Presidents (Immediately Following Meeting)

SAR Recessional..... Patrick McMurchie

“Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a nation of free men.”

Retirement of Colors (in place)

Benediction..... James Gearhart

KYSSAR Fall Meeting Minutes

November 16th, 2024 Elizabethtown, Kentucky

Chapters Attending:

Bid Sandy	Captain Charles Duncan	Captain Charles Gatliff	Captain John Metcalf	Captain Virgil McCracken	Captain William Arnold
Captain William Prince	Colonel Benjamin Logan	Colonel Daniel Boone	Colonel James Harrod	Colonel John Hardin	Colonel Stephen Trigg
General Richard Butler	George Mason	Governor Issac Shelby	John Howe	John Manire	Lafayette
Louisville Thruston	Lieutenant Robert Mosley	Simon Kenton	Three Rivers	Blue Licks	

Call to order by KYSSAR Pres. Steve McCain

Posting of the Colors Scott Giltner State Color Guard Commander

Invocation State Chaplin Jim Gearhart

Pledge of Allegiance Secretary Steve Vest

Sar Pledge Vice Pres. Richard Quire

Declaration of a Quorum by Secretary Steve Vest

Law Enforcement Officer Geoffrey Deibler of Morganfield Police Department honored with Community Service Law Enforcement Medal – Presented by Bruce Bennett

Plan to accept or reject new changes to Constitution and Bylaws was sidetracked by the announcement of Scott Giltner that Section 4 appeared to be missing in the emailed Constitution and Bylaws. It was agreed by those present that this was missing in error and a **Motion was made to return the missing section 4 by Richard Quire with a Second by Bruce Bennett, Motion passed.** With the resolution of the missing Section to be restored as approved a **Motion was made to adopt the changes to the Constitution and Bylaws as purposed by Pat Berry with a Second by Steve Vest. Motioned Passed.**

The Nominating Committee was introduced and the slate of Officers for the coming year introduced to be voted upon, Treasurer Doug Collins brought up a question not considered. Treasurer Collins mentioned that with Tim Brown's position as VPG in the event that Steve McCain would be unable to fulfill his position as Trustee with Tim Brown as the Alternate Trustee the Kentucky Society would lose a vote as Tim Brown would be unable to vote as both VPG and Alternate Trustee. Treasurer Collins suggested that Steve Vest therefore fill the position of Alternate Trustee. Tim Brown stood and asked that his name be withdrawn as Alternate Trustee. **Motion to replace Tim Brown with Steve Vest as Alternate Trustee made by Doug Collins with a Second by Steve Vest.** This was followed by a **Motion to accept the candidates for office as presented by the Nominating Committee with the above replacement by Bruce Bennett with a Second by Jim Gearhart.**

A discussion was held on the possibility of revoking the Charter for the Captain William Arnold Chapter. Doug Collins brought up the fact that the Charter could not be revoked until the financial information and account for the Chapter was closed. **Motion was made by Steve Vest that upon the financial information and accounts closed for the Captain William Arnold Chapter that the Charter for this Chapter be revoked there was a Second by Doug Collins. Motion Passed.**

Patrick Wesolosky discussed the upcoming Spring Meeting and announced that it would be held in Louisville at Sullivan University Campus.

SAR Recessional led by Patrick McMurchie

Colors Retired in place

Benediction by Chaplin Jim Gearhart

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted *Patrick McMurchie*, KYSSAR - State Recording Secretary

KYSSAR Board of Governors Meeting Minutes
February 25th, 2025, VIA ZOOM

2/25/2025	BOG Meeting	Attendance			
	Captain Charles Duncan	Captain Charles Gatliff	Captain John Metcalf	Captain Virgil McCracken	Captain William Arnold
Bid Sandy					
Captain William Prince	Colonel Benjamin Logan	Colonel Daniel Boone	Colonel James Harrod	Colonel John Hardin	Colonel Stephen Trigg
General Richard Butler	George Mason	Governor Issac Shelby	John Howe	John Manire	Lafayette
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Meeting minutes sent out with Annual Spring Meeting Packet for review and not approved yet.



President
Kentucky Society SAR Annual Meeting
March 8th, 2025



KYSSAR Compatriots, Officers and Friends as I sit and review the past year, I sit in awe of how quickly the past year has come and gone. We just came off of a wonderful Fall State meeting in November. I am so grateful to all who contributed in some way to make this a successful meeting. Continuing with Past President Tim Brown's vision of training sessions for our compatriot officers, I feel like this is something that will continue far into the future.

Since the Fall State meeting, I like many of our chapters have been involved with Wreaths Across America events held all across the state of Kentucky. These are beautiful events during a beautiful time of the year and mean so much to the families that are laying the wreaths on their loved one's grave.

We continued to work on our society website. While we were on the cusp of visual changes to the site, our store page had the priority as we continued to make our on-line dues work without issue. While our on-line dues usage was around 20% I expect this to continue to grow in the future. Many thanks to Webmaster Bill Nichols and Assistant Webmaster Will McGinnis. If you only knew the activities that go on behind the scenes that keeps things going. Treasurer Doug Collins and past Webmaster Scott Giltner are reasons we don't pull up a blank page. I expect this tool to continue to grow and change and I am excited about the future of our website.

As we sit here today and watch outstanding students from across our state, I think about the efforts of the students and so many to coordinate the end result of what we are witness to which is the future of our country. When National created a new category of Student Video contest, Kentucky stepped up and entered it's first entry. The first of many in the future. Many thanks to the Committee Chair Pat Berry and all on this committee to make sure Kentucky stands out among our nation when it comes to youth education.

Our KYSSAR Color Guard while not as busy since November continue to make Kentucky proud as colors are posted at Wreaths Across America, Student Events, Chapter Meetings and patriotic holidays The devotion that our color guard members have is inspiring as our compatriots travel many miles to support chapters within our state and even outside out state.

The message here is our success cannot depend on one or even a few who stand up and lead. Its going to take all of us to contribute our talents and time to have long term success. Please consider getting involved in 2025!

May God bless you and your families and continue to bless the Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution.

G. Steve McCain, President – Kentucky Society



President-Elect Report
Kentucky Society SAR Annual Meeting
March 8, 2025



As President-Elect of the Kentucky Society, I have been actively engaged in various administrative duties and events since the Fall Meeting in Elizabethtown Kentucky.

I have attended all the KYSSAR BOG and ExCom Meetings and Central District Meetings. I will be attending the SAR National Leadership in Louisville on February 28 and March 1, 2025.

As the chair of the KYSSAR Awards Committee, I have worked with President McCain, Vice President Quire, and Executive Committee to stay on top of the awards President McCain is presenting this Spring and the awards earned by Compatriots since our Fall State Meeting.

I have remained busy since the Fall Society Meeting attending events, representing President McCain, bringing Greetings on his behalf, and presenting the KYSSAR Wreath. Some of these include the following National Color Guard events, Battle of Cowpens, the Daniel Morgan Wreath Laying, and the Battle of Cowan's Ford. I have also represented the state at a Patriot Grave Marking Services for the President General Addington's wife in South Carolina. Since last fall, I have also had the opportunity to volunteer at SAR Head Quarters three times.

Additionally, I have participated in discussions and meetings about the viability of two KYSSAR chapter's futures. One of these chapters in the process of closing. Hopefully, the other chapter can turn themselves around.

Submitted by:

Patrick Wesolosky

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Vice President Report
Kentucky Society SAR Annual Meeting
March 8, 2025



05 February 2025

My fellow compatriots,

2024-2025 has been a busy year and your society leaders have stayed busy attempting to refine and improve how your society supports its chapters and serves its members. As the society vice president, I am by default on numerous committees. However, it was as the membership committee chairman that I have spent the bulk of my time considering the membership challenges that we face.

One of those challenges is retaining current members. In that realm, a recurring reason that I hear is for members not renewing their membership is dues increases. While no one enjoys paying more for the same thing that got cheaper the previous year, I ask you to indeed consider what are your chapter members getting for their dues? Do they see the community service that your chapter does? Do they know that you are presenting awards to the youth in your area in an effort to get them to the state level where they can earn further awards all in the name of promoting patriotism? Do they see local patriot graves being marked or local monuments or memorials going up? Or, is it a question of them not seeing what your chapters are doing or is it more accurate to say that your chapter has nothing to show the members for their continued patronage?

For chapter leaders, it is a lot easier to convince your members to renew when they have been made aware of what their dues have been used for during the previous year. That involves regular communication, meetings, planning, updates, and follow through. It is a very awkward phone call when you ask a member, who you've not communicated with since last year's dues notification, to renew for another year and they ask, "Why?"

So as we start off a new year, I ask each chapter leadership team to consider how that phone call is going to go in December when you are beating the bushes for those that have yet to renew. When they say, "what am I getting for my money," are you going to be able to point to a specific thing that your chapter has done in your area or are you going to default to the less than popular idea of his dues only going to fund the state or national society?

In closing, it has been my pleasure to serve as your society's vice president for the 2024-2025 year. We will face the challenges of the future together. After what our patriot forefathers suffered, bled, and died for, we owe them that.

Pro Patria!

Richard L. Quire



February 20, 2025

Stephen M. Vest, KYSSAR Secretary
1001 Silver Creek Drive
Frankfort KY 40601

President McCain,

It has been a privilege to serve in the office of KYSSAR Secretary for 2024-25.

One item I found during my tenure was an extensive gap in the Blue Data Base in that for an unknown number of years, no state numbers were assigned. As recently as **Benjamin Rhye Chandler**, current president of the Captain John Metcalfe Chapter, a state number was not issued. More than 200 Kentucky compatriots, including **Phillip Boyd**, executive director of the SAR Foundation and “**Buzz**” **Carmichael** of the Blue Licks Chapter, do not have state numbers.

To remedy this situation, I have issued state numbers to the new members [as processed] and have backfilled blank ones as they have either updated an address, filed a supplemental application or transferred within the KYSSA.

On February 20, 2025, **John Milton Matter** of the Louisville-Thruston Chapter became the 5,297th fully documented member of the KYSSAR. I expect us to exceed 5,300 before the officer transition in March. The state numbers do not indicate exactly how many compatriots Kentucky has/had as **Lukas A. Knappenberger**, who transferred in 2019, holds State No. 10,895, which I assume that was his California number.

Other than this correctable problem, the rest of the society’s records—be what they may—are in good shape and modifications made to the Blue Data Base by Treasurer **Douglas T. Collins**, Vice President **Richard Lee Quire** and others have made it the most dependable source of information on Kentucky compatriots.

Fraternally,

State Treasurer Report

March 8th 2025



Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution Officer's Report Form

Officer's Name: Douglas T. Collins		
Mailing Address: 7004 Shallow Lake Road		
City: Prospect	State: Kentucky	ZIP Code: 40059
Telephone Number: 502-797-1445 (📞)	E-Mail Address: aliedoug1776@gmail.com	
Filing Date: March 2 2025	Office: Treasurer	

Reports, Activities, and Recommendations

Through February 2025, (eleven months into the fiscal year), revenue is slightly under plan for the year by \$1,600 (2.2%). Presently, expenses show approximately \$22k under plan, however, there is approximately \$20,000-\$21,000 still to be paid to Youth award winners and Chapters for their portion of annual dues.

In expense categories, Other Operating expenses are in excess of the budget. This is due to two donations received from members when paying their dues (Library-\$100, Museum-\$41). Additionally, Supplies was over plan by \$242. Of this amount, \$287 is related to the cost of copies, with \$193 related to prior years expense that was previously unbilled.

The Blue Licks luncheon resulted in a net positive impact of \$375. After all expenses were submitted and processed.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug

Douglas T. Collins,
KYSSAR Treasurer

Treasurers Report Continued



Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution Statement of Activities

Annual Trend - April through February

	April 2020 - February 2021	April 2021 - February 2022	April 2022 - February 2023	April 2023 - February 2024	April 2024 - February 2025	YTD 2025 Budget	FY 2025 Budget
REVENUE							
Deposits from Standard Activity	59,877.83	58,158.38	59,424.84	66,413.15	69,166.09	64,881.67	70,750.00
Net Activity, KLTR Disposition	-	-	10,122.22	(735.01)	-	-	-
Net Penney Foundation Activity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	59,877.83	58,158.38	79,547.06	65,678.14	69,166.09	64,881.67	70,750.00
EXPENSES							
Total Dues	52,222.00	46,851.60	60,021.00	42,777.00	39,283.00	48,266.67	53,200.00
Total Awards	1,848.53	3,331.16	3,017.00	6,067.62	6,634.16	9,258.33	10,100.00
Total Donations	250.00	250.00	750.00	500.00	250.00	935.00	1,020.00
Total Central District	-	(2,371.36)	3,031.36	279.25	270.25	293.33	320.00
Total Meeting Catering	-	(520.00)	-	557.86	(385.00)	916.67	1,000.00
Total Other Operating Expenses	1,707.08	1,483.40	794.21	1,326.73	814.82	678.33	740.00
Total Postage and Mailing	489.95	1,230.05	535.48	1,324.08	1,059.84	1,255.83	1,370.00
Total Supplies	811.71	1,958.75	1,074.07	774.45	1,031.89	724.17	790.00
Total Software & Website	800.94	60.08	165.89	811.87	17.89	504.17	550.00
Total Bank Charges	179.00	259.81	140.50	290.31	-	137.50	150.00
Total Office	-	-	22.00	-	-	-	-
Total Blue Links	116.90	125.29	558.89	140.03	(375.16)	678.33	740.00
Total Unassigned	-	-	-	150.00	-	733.33	800.00
Total Expenses	59,206.11	51,044.78	78,110.41	55,029.20	48,691.88	64,681.67	70,750.00
Net Deposits/Expenses (+ / -)	1,551.92	7,074.60	436.65	10,648.94	20,564.21	-	-
Net Deposits excluding KLTR Disposition Activity	1,551.92	7,074.60	(18,695.57)	11,383.95	20,564.21	-	-

COMMENTS

\$66,608 Dues, \$1,265 Application Fees, \$934 from Wm Arnold Chapter closing and \$151 Kroger Rebate

Total Revenue is \$1,614 less than budgeted (2.2%)

\$1,800 Chapter Dues for 2023 processed in current year, \$37,290 National Dues

Purchase of Awards (SAR Store sale) - \$2,451, (Orations fund) \$3,624, Youth Awards - \$2.9

C.A.R Annual Donation

District Dues based on 7/31 memb. wrapup (1,081)

Prepayment for March Meeting meals

Insurance - \$674, Library Donation (from member paid with dues payment) - \$100,

Museum Donation from Member \$41

Secretary \$448, Treasurer \$218, Registrar - \$123, unassigned \$271

Copies - \$638, Treasurer Supplies - \$225, Secretary Supplies - \$116, Dues cards - \$52.9

Net result of Blue Links was a "profit" of \$375 after all reported expenses

Total Expenses are \$22,178 under plan, however, there is \$14,225 scheduled to be paid to Youth and Chapters for annual dues with an estimated additional \$6,000-7,000 unidentified awards still to be paid.

KLTR RECONCILIATION	
Beginning Balance of Fund	70,245.38
Deposits	(2,695.46)
Expenses	(257.10)
OS Checks to Chapters	(\$478.00)
Payments made in 2023 (for Budget year 2024)	(\$4,065.00)
Unidentified Members - 4x (6) - with Revised cost for Life Membership as of August 2023	28,823.37
Ending Balance	15,163.69
Original Calculation for State Disposition	13,659.88
Total Over / (Under)	1,503.81

State Registrar's Report 2/20/25

For the 2024 fiscal year, the State Registrar's position followed the restructured form of the last quarter of 2023. That form consisted of 4 regional Registrars and a State Registrar. The State Register was the published contact for membership inquiries.

It was the task of the State Registrar to forward these inquiries from the SAR website, and other means of inquiry, to the appropriate Regional Registrar. The Regional Registrar contacted the prospective member and assigned them to a Chapter Registrar. It was the Chapter Registrar who assisted the prospect in completing their application.

Upon completion of the applications, they were sent back to the Regional Registrar for approval. Once approved they were transmitted to National.

Over 150 of these inquiries were forwarded to Regional Registrars for follow-up and assignment between 4/1/24 to 4/20/25. The National Average for follow-through of this type of inquiry is roughly 15%.

As of this report, the West Regional Registrar's position is vacant and Jackie Miller, who is the East Regional Registrar, is also standing in for the West Registrar until a replacement is identified.

Submitted by Del White



Genealogist Report

Kentucky Society SAR Spring Meeting

08 March 2025

I have been in touch with the State Registrar and several chapter Registrars with questions and advice on applications. As one of the Assistant State Registrars I have signed off on several applications that have been sent to Louisville for approval. I would also encourage anyone working on applications to go to the eLearning in the blue ribbon on the national site and watch the SAR Registrar Training. This training provides certificates upon completion of the course.

You can also click on Genealogy in the white ribbon on the national site and scroll down to Genealogy Resources then scroll to find the Genealogist General Gary O. Green forums 1-7. All of the videos are very helpful in filling out complete accurate applications that will pass the Genealogist inspection at headquarters.

I would encourage the State Registrar, Assistant State Registrars and any chapter Registrars to go to headquarters and spend the with one of the Genealogist. You will learn a lot to help us all turn in better applications to headquarters. I can help arrange this if need be.

If you have are trouble with a pended application there is a SAR Pended Google group that can help with your pended application.

As always if anyone has any questions or concerns feel free to reach out to me.

Steve Gahafer

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Chancellor's Report

To: The Kentucky Society of the Sons of the American Revolution
From: Joe W. Hendricks, Jr. Chancellor,
Kentucky Society Date February 25, 2025

Re: Chancellor's Report for the Summer Meeting I have endeavored to provide advice related to the affairs of the society and to respond to the various questions put to me throughout the year from our chapters as well as our other officers. Recommendation: There is a National Society requirement that for any Chapter that is hosting a National Society Event where black powder is used (i.e. any grave marking that qualifies as a national event) that the National Society be named as an insured for the host organization's liability insurance policy. I encourage every chapter hosting a national event to review its policy to comply with this requirement.

Historian's Report

Assistant Treasurer Report

Membership Committee Report

-See Vice President Report

Assistant-State Registrar Report (East)-March 2025

Assistant-State Registrar Report (West)-March 2025

Assistant-State Registrar Report (Central)-March 2025

Assistant-State Registrar Report

(LV Metro Regional Registrar Report)-March 2025

2024 Applications (1/1/24-12/31/2024)

Applications Submitted to NSSAR

App Type	Total	GIS	LV Thruston
Regular	19	11	8
Junior	1	0	1
Supplemental	1	0	1
Memorial	0	0	0
Total	21	11	10
Replacement for Pended	1	1	0
Grand Total	22	12	10

Change from 1/1/2025-2/18/2025)

App Type	Total	GIS	LV Thruston
Regular	0	0	1
Junior	0	0	0
Supplemental	0	0	0
Memorial	0	0	0
Total	0	0	1
Replacement for Pended	0	0	0
Grand Total	0	0	1



National Trustee's Report Kentucky Society SAR Spring/Annual Meeting

March 8, 2025

Greetings KY SAR Members,

Historically, the National Trustee's report is a synopsis of the announcements, proposals, decisions, activities, and recognitions that occur at the National Trustee Meeting held immediately prior to the KY SAR state meeting.

Cases in point:

- The actions of the Trustees Meeting that was held at the National SAR Congress in July of 2024, was reported on by me at the KY SAR's Summer Meeting in August of 2024.
- Similarly, the actions of the Trustees Meeting that was held at the National SAR Fall Leadership Meeting in October of 2024, was reported on by me at the KY SAR's Fall Meeting in November of 2024.

However, all reports that are to be included in the 2025 KY SAR Spring/Annual Meeting packet were requested to be delivered by February 21st. However, the Trustees Meeting at the National SAR Spring Leadership Meeting will not be held until March 1, 2025. As such, there are no actions to report at the time of this writing (February 20, 2025).

Therefore, I will make copies of my National Trustee's Report available to attendees at the KY SAR Spring/Annual Meeting on March 8, 2025.

In Liberty,

Tim



Timothy C. Brown

National Trustee
Kentucky Society SAR
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National Alternate Trustee Report

Kentucky Society SAR Spring Meeting

19 February 2025

Strategic Plan for 2025-2030: Since the KYSSAR Fall Meeting held on 16 November, 2024, I have been participating in the planning meetings for the **National Society Sons of the American Revolution Strategic Plan 2035**. The draft NSSAR Strategic Plan has been completed and will be presented to the National Trustees for approval at the upcoming Spring Leadership Meetings on 1 March 2025.

Below is the Mission Statement, Vision Statement, and Core Values as outlined in the proposed strategic plan. Societies and chapters are encouraged to recite the Mission Statement at all meetings and to familiarize themselves with the Core Values.

Mission Statement

The Sons of the American Revolution honors our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities, and educating and inspiring future generations about the founding principles of our Country.

Vision Statement

We will be a leading promoter of the study of the American Revolution and an advocate for our Nation's founding principles.

Core Values

Action Statement

Integrity	Be honest, respectful, and ethical
Patriotism	Demonstrate love, support, and defense of the United States of America
Leadership	Inspire others to achieve our mission
Education	Inform the public about America's founding history

NSSAR Financial Report:

The last financial information provided to the Trustees is as of 30 November 2024. The table below provides a summary of the current finances of the NSSAR. And the SAR Foundation.

	NSSAR
Total Current Assets	\$1,333,074
Property & Equipment	\$14,251,087
Other Assets	\$16,111,996
Total Net Assets	\$31,696,157
Total Current Liabilities	\$608,741
Total Net Assets	\$31,087,417

	SAR Foundation
Total Current Assets	\$400,204
Property & Equipment	-
Investments & Contributions	\$4,570,739
Total Net Assets	\$4,970,943
Total Current Liabilities	\$65,305
Total Net Assets	\$4,905,638

Future Congresses: The 2025 National Congress will be held in Uncasville, CT. The dates are 12-18 July 2025. This is a shift in the days of the week over which congresses are normally held. Room rates will be \$179 per night plus a \$25 fee.

The 2026 National Congress will be held in Greensboro, NC.

The 2027 National Congress will be held in New Orleans, LA.

The 2028 National Congress will be held in Columbus, OH.

The Texas Society has been approved to host the 2029 National Congress.

Respectively Submitted,

Scott G. Giltner
National Alternate Trustee
Kentucky SAR

SAR America 250th Committee

KYSSAR America 250 Committee

Patrick McMurchie Committee Chairman

February 11, 2024

This committee was established to assist the Chapters and State Society to promote the commemoration of the 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution and the establishment of the United States.

At the Fall Meeting we conducted a Workshop to assist Chapters in coming up with ways to raise funds by partnering with other organizations, obtaining a license from the state to hold raffles, etc. We talked about Liberty trees, planting a new tree or designating an existing tree as a Liberty tree. America 250 Benches material from granite, to wood and of course America 250 Medals how to qualify,

According to our current records our members have earned;

36 - Bronze Medals

26 - Silver Medals

23 - Gold Medals

Chapters represented in the above Member earned Medals are Colonel Stephen Trigg, Simon Kenton, Colonel James Harrod, Lafayette, Louisville Thurston, Governor Isaac Shelby and Captain Virgil McCracken.

Our ladies have earned;

11 - Bronze Medals

5 - Silver Medals

4 - Gold Medals

Chapters represented in the above Ladies earned Medals are Colonel Stephen Trigg, Colonel James Harrod, Lafayette, Louisville Thurston, Governor Isaac Shelby and Captain Virgil McCracken.

CHAPTER 250TH PLANS

Communication from newly elected President Geoff Baggett, Colonel Stephen Trigg Chapter

Colonel Stephen Trigg Chapter dedicated a 250 Bench on November 5, 2023 in downtown Cadiz, Trigg County, KY. President Geoff Baggett promises an update after his next meeting.

Communication from John Humphries President Colonel John Hardin Chapter

Colonel John Hardin Chapter has been working with the city of Elizabethtown, to provide an SAR 250th Anniversary Bench. The bench meets the City's requirements for a memorial bench

KYSSAR America 250 Committee (continued)

in the park and was recently installed, with a dedication to take place later this year. Colonel John Hardin funded the bench at a cost of \$1,600.00.

Communication from President Stuart Martin, Simon Kenton Chapter.

The celebration of our 250th anniversary will feature the placement of a granite bench at the Kenton County Veterans' Memorial, located in the Lou Hartfiel Memorial Park. Simon Kenton has secured all required approvals for the design and installation of this bench, and are currently engaged in fundraising activities. Their goal is to raise all the necessary funds to facilitate the timely ordering of the granite bench, ensuring its installation is completed by the third quarter of 2025.

Communication from Richard Quire Past Pres. Colonel Daniel Boone Chapter

The Colonel Daniel Boone Chapter has ordered 250th benches for Franklin & Anderson Counties. We are still working on a bench for Shelby County. With respect to a KYSSAR bench placed at the Old State Capitol, the State Government POC there rejected the idea. As the Col. Daniel Boone Chapter has already obtained the funding, and are now looking at alternative locations in the Frankfort Area.

Communication from Jim Stinnett Pres. Colonel James Harrod Chapter

The VFW Post 3634 has approved funding for the 250th Benches in Boyle County. Boyle County government has approved the location for the bench and will cover the cost of any foundation work. VFW Post 6935, Harrodsburg has approved to pay 50% of the cost of the bench, Colonel James Harrod SAR Chapter will cover the additional costs. President Stinnett has a meeting with City Officials on Friday, February 7th to discuss location of the bench and Liberty Tree.

Communication from John Cherry John Manire Chapter

John Manire Chapter plans to discuss in the future a plan to purchase and dedicate a 250 Bench to be placed somewhere in Christian County.

Communication from Patrick Wesolosky Past President Lafayette Chapter

The Lafayette Chapter will be dedicating a 250 Bench in 2025 at McConnell Spring for the 250th Anniversary of Lexington. Lafayette Chapter is also waiting to hear back from the Lexington Parks and Recreation Department on placing a Liberty Tree at Veteran's Park.

Communication from Mike King Pres. Louisville Thruston Chapter

Louisville Thruston dedicated a Liberty Tree on September 7, 2024 at Veterans Park in Crestwood, Oldham County, KY. Louisville Thruston Chapter is also working with the Aegon Building 400 West Market St. in downtown Louisville to place a 250th Bench in the green space in front of their building.

Communication from Frank Allison George Mason Chapter

George Mason Chapter is exploring possible 250 ideas, still in the planning stages sourcing materials and pricing.

Communication from John Doss Pres. Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter

KYSSAR America 250 Committee (continued)

Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter is currently in the process of purchasing a 250 Bench to be placed in the City of Prospect, Kentucky and also working with them to plant a Liberty Tree.

Communication from Donnie Webster President, General Richard Butler Chapter

General Richard Butler Chapter, President Webster states that the Chapter has ordered a bench for the 250th Anniversary and it is ready to be placed at the courthouse in Morgantown, KY however they are waiting for better weather to get here and have yet to decide when they will have a dedication ceremony.

Communication from Bill DeHaven Pres. Lieutenant Robert Moseley Chapter, Owensboro, KY. Lieutenant Robert Moseley Chapter is working with the Daviess County Parks Department to dedicate a Liberty tree in Yellow Creek Park. This is now a late Spring Project.

Communication from Jim Gearhart Past Pres. Captain Virgil McCracken Chapter

Captain Virgil McCracken Chapter hopes to place a 250 Bench and plant a Liberty Tree, probably this year

(250th Committee continued)

Communication from President Ed Keeton, Big Sandy Chapter

President Keeton indicates that the Chapter has two bench locations in Pike, Roger Ratliff is in charge of the Pike County bench and Donnie Bradley is in charge of the Rowan County bench. Sites secured and benches ordered. There is also a third location in the planning stage. Liberty tree locations are being studied. Working with Pikeville DAR on several 250 projects and have notified Pike County Judge Executive as well as Morgan County Judge Executive of willingness to help plan and participate in all County 250 activities. These offers being well received and anticipating more events.

As Committee Chairman for the America 250 Committee, I am very thankful to the help of our Chapter Presidents to have provided the necessary information to be able to compile this information. I look forward to the many Liberty Trees, 250 Benches and 250 Medals that our Chapters and Members will achieve this year and beyond.

KYSSAR Awards Committee Report Spring 2025

Committee Members:

Patrick Wesolosky – Chairman

Rich Quire – Vice Chairman

Steve McCain

Doug Collins

Steve Vest

Joe Hendricks

In December, the committee communicated via email to discuss the 15% Off Sale that the SAR Merchandise Department was having through the end of the year. We decided that the Kentucky Society should take advantage of the sale to save money and stay ahead of possible future cost increases.

It was decided that we would purchase two years' worth of medals, certificates, and folders. This included awards for both Compatriots and Youth Awards.

The purchase was \$2,612.05 and we saved the society \$735.

Submitted by Patrick Wesolosky

Budget Committee

- No Report

Education Committee

Chapters need to continue contacting teachers and making arrangements to visit classrooms. Teachers need to check the school calendar for available days and times. The SAR is making its presence known in schools. Keep up the good work. Don't forget to include community, civic groups and churches benefit from our programs as well. You can also make contacts through groups such as the National Council for Social Studies (NCSS) or the Kentucky Education Association (KEA).

If this is your first time out at a school, make certain you have completed the Youth Protection training. You will find it on the website. Once you have completed it and have your certificate, please let your chapter secretary know and let the state secretary know as well. Remember, Youth Protection is not just for children, it is to protect you as well. Likewise, if you have completed the training, don't allow it to expire. Your certificate is good for three years. Check the date.

On the Americanism Scoresheet, a chapter can get points for having a speaker's bureau. To be able to count it, you must advertise that you have a Speakers Bureau on your website or some other location.

Patrick Berry

KYSSAR Executive Committee Report

(March 8th 2025)

Executive Committee Report

Submitted February 25, 2025

By Committee Chairman G. Steven McCain

The Executive Committee met on January 7th to discuss current status of dues turned into the society. Discussed the purchase of awards to take advantage of sale by National on medals saving the society \$700 dollars with an early buy. Discussed issues with applications being submitted to State from a chapter level. We continue to have issues holding that Assistant Registrar position for the Western Region.

Continued discussion with the William Arnold Chapter on the financial checks being sent to State Treasurer Collins in order to close the WA chapter. Any flag inventory was suggested to hold with State Quarter Master until needed then returned for future use.

February 18th met with KYSSAR chapter to discuss potential dissolution. Result was the chapter wants to continue and will be meeting soon to elect officers. Continued review of this chapter will be needed in the future until fully on their feet again.

Committee Chair, Steve McCain

Inactive Chapter Committee

March 8th 2025

During our November Fall State meeting based on common agreements between the State and Captain William Arnold chapter, a motion was made to dissolve the Captain William Arnold chapter of Williamstown Kentucky upon receipt of chapter finances and reports being sent to the State Treasurer. Those reports and finances (checks closing the accounts) have been sent to Doug Collins and financial reports to Steve McCain. This was confirmed at our February 25th BOG to confirm the closure of this chapter.

Since our November Fall meeting, I have had a few chapters contact me with concerns of holding their chapter together. The State Executive Committee met with chapter members to confirm if anyone would step up in leadership positions. I'm happy to say some stepped up to help keep their chapter going. Follow-up meetings will need to occur to make sure they are meeting the basic requirements of holding a chapter charter.

I'm sure this review of chapter activity will continue to be a focus for the upcoming administration. The SAR is at a critical stage as many will be reaching out to join a chapter around the 250th Anniversary. We need to be there to answer the call so we can continue to grow. Be that leader who helps keep your chapter going.

Respectfully Submitted

Committee Chair

G. Steven McCain

Membership Committee Report

-See Vice President Report

03/08/2025

Nominating Committee Report

No Report At This Time

Patriot / Compatriot Grave Marking (Stuart Martin)...Ad Hoc Committee

The William G. Pomeroy wants to give you a free \$1,900 marker to signify the burial of one or more Patriots in your community!!!

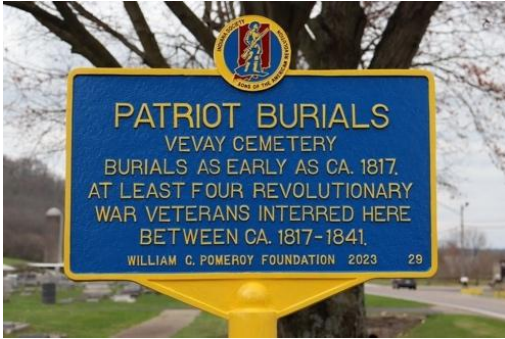


Figure 1 - Multiple Patriots Buried in Cemetery

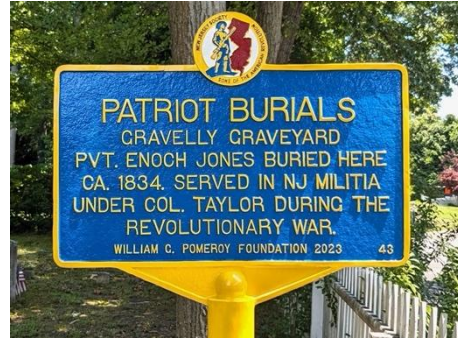


Figure 2 - Single Patriot Buried in Cemetery

I will help you obtain one of these markers, but you will need to provide the necessary documentation as required by the Pomeroy Foundation. It isn't difficult and I would gladly assist you.

The next deadline for applications is September 22, 2025. If you are interested in acquiring a marker, please reach out to me (Stuart Martin) at kypatriotburials@gmail.com or call 802-373-4078. Currently, Kentucky has 3 markers installed, with one more awaiting installation and two additional applications in review. Across the nation, there are a total of 154 Patriot Burial Markers in place. It is our responsibility to honor our Patriots by raising awareness about those who rest in our local communities.

Requirements:

1) Applications will only be accepted for markers commemorating a cemetery or burial site that is either publicly accessible without having to cross private property or is visible from the site where the marker is installed.

2) Proof that the person buried is a Patriot of the Revolutionary War

- Pension Records, Service Records, 1783 Supply Tax, Military Rosters, Pay Vouchers, etc....
- Good Reference: <https://www.learnwebskills.com/patriot/findingapatriot.htm#sou>
- **SAR PRS and DAR GRS entries are not acceptable proof of service.**

3) **Proof that the Patriot is buried in the location where the sign will be installed.**

- Church and/or cemetery records, older recorded cemetery inscriptions, obituary, other historical records, picture of original headstone
- **All known Patriots in the cemetery or burial site must be recognized. You must conduct a good faith effort to identify any and all Patriots.**

4) A signed and dated letter granting permission from the land owner to install the Pomeroy Marker.

5) The name of the cemetery or burial site, address, and GPS coordinates (easily obtained from Google Maps) where the Pomeroy Marker will be installed.

6) Picture of where the Pomeroy Marker will be installed along with approximate GPS coordinates.

7) Suggested documents to aid in your application:

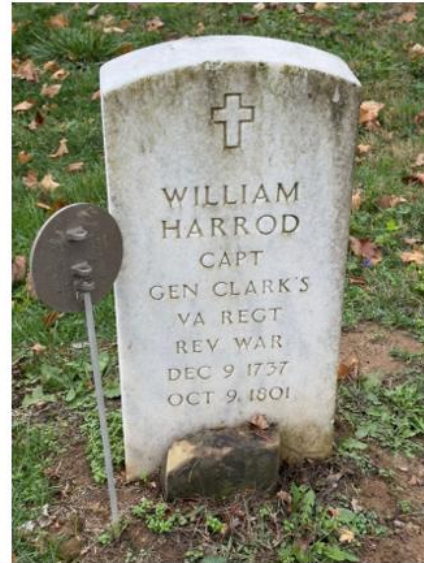
- Picture of the cemetery which shows its current condition

- Findagrave.com memorial ID or current picture of headstone

Examples of Headstones That Are Acceptable Proof of The Patriots Original Burial



This 1965 VA Headstone is not proof alone that Edward Poe is buried here.



This 1990 VA headstone next to the original headstone is acceptable proof that William Harrod was buried here.



This is clearly not an original headstone for Edward Dillman from 1823, so thus it is not proof alone that he is buried here.



The small original headstone next to the new headstone is acceptable proof that Andrew Dillman is buried here.

Service to Veterans Committee Report

-Committee Members:

- Richard Quire, Chairman-Col. Daniel Boone Chapter
- Jim Johnson - Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter
- Jim Stinnett - Col. James Harrod Chapter
- Patrick Wesolosky - Lafayette Chapter
- Mike King - Louisville-Thruston Chapter
- Don Swearingen-Captain Virgil McCracken Chapter
- Scott Giltner-Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter

-Report completed by: **Richard Quire**

-Date completed: **04 Feb 2025**

-Activity since fall meeting: **received and compiled chapter reports to render the KYSSAR Society USS Stark Memorial Award Report**

-Accomplishment you are most proud of during 2024/2025: **Getting 14 Chapter Stark Reports; 1 more than last year. This means KYSSAR will be recognized again at congress for its efforts to support veterans**

Youth Programs Committee

Today is the culmination of our Youth Activities. I would like to thank all of the contest chairs for carrying out their duties effectively, efficiently and fairly: Dale Henley, Tom Geimeier and Stuart Martin. We have entries in Poster, Brochure, Essay, Oration, Eagle Scout, JROTC and Video. Unfortunately, we do not have a History Teacher this year. We know there are very fine teachers out there, we just need to contact them. This year it is my suggestion that if you know an excellent teacher, contact them in September or October so that he or she has time to complete the application without any pressure. I invite all chapters to participate. This year the following chapters submitted entries into state contests: Colonel James Harrod, Louisville Thruston, Lexington LaFayette, Governor Isaac Shelby and Simon Kenton. If you need assistance, contact me or any of the specific contest chairs. I can teach anyone how to chair a committee in the chapter and would always be a resource.

This year we had a brand new contest: Video Production. I still need a state chair for this contest. I will assist you in setting it up. Each chapter needs a contest chair. I have the info but I cannot do all of this by myself. Tech people, PLEASE give this your utmost consideration and reach out to me.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Berry



Eagle Scout Committee Report

Since the State Meeting held in November 2024, a series of congratulatory letters, certificates, and informative brochures regarding the Arthur M. & Berdena King Eagle Scout Contest have been dispatched to six newly minted Eagle Scouts.

This year, we had the privilege of receiving applications for the Eagle Scout Contest from two extraordinary candidates, one hailing from the Governor Isaac Shelby chapter and the other from the Simon Kenton Chapter. Each of these young individuals demonstrated remarkable qualities and a wealth of achievements that truly set them apart.

To enhance the competitive edge of Eagle Scouts on a national scale, I recommend that compatriots help encourage all Eagle Scouts to complete the American Heritage, Genealogy, and Law merit badges. While these badges are not mandatory, they significantly boost an applicant's profile, contributing an impressive nine points to the total score, which has a maximum of 100 points. This additional recognition can make a notable difference in the highly competitive environment of national evaluations. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to these outstanding Eagle Scouts for their remarkable achievements!

Stuart Martin

Committee Chair

DAR Liaison Report

- No report

CAR Liaison Report

Kentucky Society SAR Annual Spring Meeting 19 February 2025

During the period since the Kentucky SAR Annual Fall meeting, one (1) Kentucky chapter have reported activity with the Children of the American Revolution (CAR).

State Project:

Kentucky State President Lucas Brothers continues with his state project entitled “Link to Lincoln”. For this project the Kentucky Society Children of the American Revolution will be raising funds to replace several picnic tables to complement the recent renovations at the Mordecai Lincoln House at Lincoln Homestead State Park.

The Mordecai Lincoln house, built in 1797, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The house is the only existing structure owned and occupied by a member of the Lincoln family in Kentucky that still stands on its original site. The house is located approximately one mile from the main visitor center at the Lincoln Homestead State Park. Mordecai Lincoln was the uncle of President Abraham Lincoln.

CAR State Conference:

The Kentucky CAR State Conference is set for 14 & 15 March in Danville. The venue will be the Holiday Inn Express, 200 Shannon Way. The board meeting will be held on Friday night at 8:00 p.m. The business session will be held on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to noon. In the afternoon starting at 1:30 p.m. there will be a tour of the McDowell House, Constitution Square. The deadline to register is 3 March 2025. The registration fee is \$10 per person for all CAR members, seniors, and guests. The deadline for hotel reservations is 7 March. After this date the block of rooms will close.

CAR National Convention:

The 2025 N.S.C.A.R. National Convention will be at the Renaissance Arlington Capital View Hotel in Arlington, VA from 10-13 April 2025. After 15 February, event registration, hotel information, and the Convention Information Packet (including a schedule of events) can be found on the [National Convention website](#).

Respectively Submitted,

Scott G. Giltner
CAR Liaison
Kentucky SAR

KYSSAR Social Media Report Spring 2025

Vice President Richard Quire and President-Elect Patrick Wesolosky started discussions with KYSSAR Assistant Webmaster Will McGinnis about the possibility of giving each chapter that does not have a website one page of content on the state's website. The goal would be to give each one of these chapters a small presence on the web.

The content would be limited to a few photos, a list of upcoming events, maybe a short article, and contact information. Updates would be limited to a few times a year unless something major happens like an event being canceled or rescheduled.

Discussions on this project are ongoing.

As always, all chapters are encouraged to use Facebook, Instagram, X, YouTube, and websites to help promote and advertise their chapter activities and youth contests. Individual Compatriots are encouraged to do the same to help spread the word about the Sons of the American Revolution and our mission.

Submitted by

Patrick Wesolosky

KYSSAR Webmaster Report

One of the first things we had to do is transfer the site to our new hosting venue. With the aid of BlueHost, our new hosting provider, we moved the site to their servers. We had some issues at first with having the Domain Registrar, Network Solutions, but found a way to simply use the webserver configuration files to point to our new BlueHost account. This resolved many issues. We got the webstore up and running for renewals and have since taken it down to begin working on a fresh look for the site.

Will McGinnis, Jr. has graciously offered to help with the site and has been a godsend to keep things updated and current in our calendar and other parts of the site. He is a quick study and a valuable asset to the website team.

Will and I have created a test website so we can begin to test out WordPress Themes, and demo new modules, and work on new content layouts. This will also give us a chance to make sure the store will work with a new theme, which has been a problem in the past.

Our only hurdle we have left is to get the domain name registrar switched over to BlueHost. Making this change is difficult when the "owner" doesn't understand what all needs to happen. We could change the website name, but I want to try and get this changed without doing that. Domain names are usually owned by a brick-and-mortar type business with utility bills and the like. Since we are not like that it makes the change a bit more tedious because of an address needing to match legal type documents and what they have on file.

Will and I are looking forward to working on the site and bringing an exciting new look to our efforts. Remember a website is a living creature and has to be fed often. If you have good news to share, please do!!!

Respectfully Submitted,

William S. Nichols II

KYSSAR.org Webmaster

Newsletter Editor Report

- No Report Available

BIG SANDY REPORT TO KYSSAR MEETING MAR 8th 2025

Report Completed by: Roger Ratliff, secretary, Big Sandy Chapter SAR

Date: Feb. 8, 2025

Current Officers:

- President Edward Keeton, keehol@yahoo.com
- 1st Vice President, James Stewart, jimstewart2323@att.net
- 2nd Vice President, Dr. William Richard Catron, catron53@bellsouth.net
- President Emeritus, Dr. Larry M. Leslie, larryleslie@gmail.com
- Secretary, Roger Ratliff, rratliff56@outlook.com
- Treasurer, Samuel Davidson Hatcher, 10kycav@kyscv.org
- Registrar, Donald Bradley, dbradley68@yahoo.com
- Chancellor, Kyle Newsome, kylenewsome033@gmail.com
- Historian, Mark Rodney Holbrook, rholbrookcsa@gmail.com
- Chaplain, Norman Russell Marcum, norm_marcum989@gmail.com
- Assistant Chaplain, Aryn Merritt, merrittman@yahoo.com
- Color Guard, Owen Wayne Wright, confedwright@gmail.com
- Genealogist, Barry Kevin Hall, hallsipad24@gmail.com
- Newsletter Editor, Jackie Dean Miller, jackiemiller59ky@gmail.com

Date of Last Meeting: Feb. 8, 2025

Activities Since Last Nov. State Meeting:

- Dec. 14, 2025 meeting program, Remembering our Patriots, attendees named and paid tribute to 90 Patriot ancestors and placed a token wreath.
- Received permission for placing Memorial 250th benches at courthouse sites in Rowan County, Morehead and Pike County, Pikeville; seeking approval for site in Morgan County, West Liberty, KY.
- Placed orders for production of the benches to be in place before Memorial Day.
- Members identified and visited Patriot graves in counties of Morgan, Martin, Letcher, and Knott.
- Color Guard continues to meet for training activities.
- Flag retirement ceremonies were conducted at local schools, teaching retirement protocols; efforts are made to receive funding for replacing old flags.

Accomplishments Most Proud of for 2024/2025:

*Retention of members; direct telephone and email contacts were successful in getting some members to pay dues on time; who, otherwise, would have been dropped.

*Receiving permission to place Memorial Benches at two very visible locations, Morehead, and Pikeville,

*Recruiting and Adding new members

Number of New Members since March, 2024

*Seven

Plans for a 250th Anniversary Event

*Dedication and Color Guard Ceremonies for Memorial Benches in Morehead, Pikeville, West Liberty, KY

Submitted

Blue Licks Chapter Report March 8th 2025

Report completed by: Jackie Dean Miller

Date of report: 02/20/2025

- **Current chapter officers**
 - President: Jackie Dean Miller I
 - Vice President: James Alexander Wolfe
 - 2nd Vice President: Lewis (Buzz) Carmichael
 - Secretary: Jackie Dean Miller I
 - Treasurer: Jackie H.F.L.D. Miller, II
 - Registrar: Jackie H.F.L.D. Miller, II
 - Historian: Charlie Edward
 - Chaplain: James Willis Whitehead, Sr.
 - Genealogist: Jackie Dean Miller I

- **Date of your next chapter elections**
 - March 2025 at next Chapter meeting in Pendleton County at Turner Ridge Baptist Church

- **Date of your last chapter meeting:** Zoom Sat. September 28, 2024

- **List of activities since our November State meeting:**
 - Oct. 13, 2024 – Wreath laying ceremony to honor Major John Finley. George Mason Chapter hosted the ceremony with support from SAR chapters Col. Daniel Boone, Lafayette, and Big Sandy. Also DAR chapters Limestone, Jemima Johnson, William Dudley and Capt. John Waller along with CAR chapters Limestone Society, and Martins Fort.
 - Jim Sandlin, Mark Humphries, and Frank Allison participated in “Voices of Liberty” a musical in conjunction with the Read On Program by the Kentucky Gateway Museum and we read letters by our Revolutionary soldier ancestors.
 - Mark Humphries was busy working the Kenton festival in Old Washington speaking to the entire Mason County and St. Patrick 5th Grade Classes about life on the frontier and weaponry. He also spoke with people on the street about frontier life and living.

- Working with 2 JROTC programs to restart presenting medals to deserving cadets in the program. Possibly 2 other programs.
 - **Number of new compatriots brought into your chapter since March 2024 = 1**
 - **Your plans for a 250th Anniversary event you are attending or project you are planning.**
- We will place 1 bench in 2025 time and place will be announced later

Blue Licks Chapter as of 02/19/2024

- Members currently - 12
- New Members - 0

(Blue Licks continued)

- Transfer to Blue Licks - 0
- Re-instatements - 0
- Total Primary Membership - 12
- Dual Members - 25
- Overall Membership - 36

Blue Licks Chapter applications Pending 02/19/2025

- At National - 03
- Apps Working on - 12
- Overall possible new Membership - 15
- Estimated Membership when all Completed Primary Membership
 - 15 +(working on 12) =27
 - Dual Membership = 25
 - Overall Membership - 52

Blue Licks Ambassador's represent our chapter in 16% of the United States of America. Look out World Blue Licks Chapter is back from hibernation watch us cook in 2025!

Chapter President

Jackie Dean Miller I

Captain Charles Duncan Chapter

March 8th 2025

Report Date: 03/02/25

Report By: President Tom Petznick

We have had a chapter member (Ralph Bracher) step up to take over the reins of the chapter. I have scheduled a chapter meeting for Thursday, March 6th at 6:30 pm Central at the Novo Dolce restaurant in Bowling Green. At that meeting we will be electing officers and begin discussions on how to move forward. I have been informed that there are at least two or three individuals potentially interested in membership which is great to hear. I will also be meeting one-on-one with Ralph Bracher to discuss duties, etc. It is our hope to have the chapter in a fully functioning condition as this nation moves into its 250th anniversary in 2026.

Chapter President

Tom Petznick

Captain Virgil McCracken Chapter (#30)

KYSSAR

Report By: Donald Swearingen

Date: 20 February 2025

Chapter Officers:

- President – Donald Swearingen
- Vice President – James Rudd
- Secretary – James Gearhart
- Treasurer – Michael Byrd
- Registrar – Michael Byrd
- Chaplain – James Gearhart

Next Chapter Elections: November 2025 (to be sworn in at December Dinner Meeting)

Last Chapter Meeting: February 11, 2025

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month (January – November) at 5:30 PM, at Concord United Methodist Church, Paducah, KY

Activities since last KYSSAR meeting:

Attended Paducah Chapter DAR meeting in December 2024.

Participated with Paducah Parks and Recreation Department, Paducah Chapter DAR in President's Day Celebration.

Prepared and submitted USS Stark and Americanism Reports to KYSSAR.

Chapter Accomplishments since March 2024:

Funded, installed and dedicated a Purple Heart Memorial at the McCracken County Courthouse.

Continued the Chapter food drive for the Paducah Veterans Clinic.

Presented five (5) Wounded Warrior Certificates and Coins.

Presented three (3) Bronze Color Guard Certificates.

Presented several Flag Display and Flag Retirement Certificates

Presented several Bronze, Silver and Gold 250th Anniversary Certificates, both within the Chapter, Paducah Chapter DAR, Scouts, and other outside groups that we worked with during the year.

Two (2) members attended all three (3) KYSSAR meeting, the District meeting, and one member at National Congress.

Attended the reinternment of William Leukering (WW2 KIA) in Metropolis, IL and the funeral of Gilmer Thomas (WW2 vet).

Attended and sponsored several Patriot Grave Markings throughout the State.

Chapter Membership: Added seven (7) new members and one (1) reinstatement. Unfortunately, six (6) of the new members did not renew (DAR relation filed the applications). One (1) new member so far in 2025.

Plans for 2025:

Fund, install and dedicate a 250th Anniversary Bench somewhere in the city.

July 4th Declaration of Independence Reading.

Sponsor Patriot Grave Marking for Peter Warterfield.

Hope to plan 250th Anniversary event for the Army, Navy and Marines.

Continue participation in the Veteran Day Celebrations; State, District and National meeting; Patriot Grave Marking throughout the area.

Colonel Daniel Boone Chapter Report
March 8th 2025

-Report completed by: Richard Quire

-Date of report: 05 Feb 2025

-Current chapter officers:

- President: Steve Vest
- VP: Richard Quire
- Secretary: Don McGraw
- Registrar: Scott Morgan
- Treasurer: Kent Smith
- Chaplain: Dallas Stafford
- Historian: Don McGraw
- Chancellor: Lonnie Lewis

-Date of your next chapter elections: **Jan 2026**

-Date of your last chapter meeting: **Nov 2024** (Jan 2025 cancelled due to weather)

-List of activities since our November State meeting:

- **Veteran's Day Parade & Commemoration Ceremony**

-Chapter accomplishment most proud of this past year 2024/2025:

- **Obtaining outside funding for 250th benches**

-Number of new compatriots brought into your chapter since March 2024: **6**

-Your plans for a 250th Anniversary event you are attending or project you are planning:

- **250th Benches in Anderson and Franklin Counties**

Col. James Harrod Chapter Report

Chapter : Col James Harrod	Date Report Filed: 02/17/2025	Presidents' Name : Jim Stinnett
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President's email address: Jb.stinnett66@gmail.com	Total new Compatriots since March 2024 YTD: 2
Total Chapter meetings held in 2024: 4	Date of last Chapter meeting: 12/07/2024

2025 Officer Installation Date: February 2025

2025 Chapter Officer Name	2025 Chapter Officer email address
President: Jim Stinnett	Jb.stinnett66@gmail.com
Vice President: Will McGinnis	will@willsplace.net
Secretary: Mike Adams	Mike.adams4468@gmail.com
Treasurer : Joe Yocum	jgydvm@hotmail.com
Registrar : Richard Quire	richardquire@icloud.com
Historian : Mike Adams Assist Historian: Shepard Quire	mike.adams4468@gmail.com richardquire@icloud.com
Chaplain : Ken Kreutzer	kpkreutz@yahoo.com
List others : Color Guard Cdr ; Will McGinnis	will@willsplace.net

<p>List below 2024 major activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1- 8 June 2024 – 250th Celebration of Harrodsburg Ky 40330 • 2 - 14 December 2024 Wreaths Across America, National Cemetery, Danville Ky
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<p>Chapter accomplishments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 – 8 June 2024, First PGMS for Col James Harrod, Celebrating Harrodsburg's 250th Anniversary, This event included the 103d BSB, Kentucky National Guard , Harrodsburg, Ky • 2 – Recognized by NSSAR Congress with the Ohanesian History Award. • 3 – 12 October 2024 , 5 Patriot Grave Marking,
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Major activities related to the 250th anniversary being worked on or planned i.e. (250th benches, Liberty trees, Presentations)

- 1 – 250th Bench, Danville Ky, County approved site for bench, VFW Post 3634 has donated \$1600.00 towards installation
- 2 – 250th Bench, Harrodsburg Ky, site for bench is being discussed at the Harrodsburg Spring, funding is approved from local VFW and Chapter
- 3 – Liberty Tree, Funding for tree is completed, discussion for site in the upcoming months

Current Members: 22 New Members: 2 / Prospective: 1

Chapter Meetings are : February, April, June , August, October, December

The Chapter is actively engaged with our community leaders and working with Mercer County Schools on promoting Patriotism.

Col James Harrod Chapter was awarded the Partnership in Patriotism Award at the Fall Meeting

Members of the Col James Harrod Chapter attended the Christmas Tree lighting at Ft Harrod State Park in period attire

Chapter Christmas dinner/meeting with spouses, awards were presented to Chapter members and spouses for the contributions to the Society

Chapter participated in the Wreaths Across America Ceremony at the National Cemetery in Danville, Ky on December 13, 2024

2025 Clark's Powder Run sponsored by the Col James Harrod Chapter; Compatriot Richard Quire was the MC for the event.

Assisted the Colonel Daniel Boone Chapter in presenting the colors at the Kentucky National Board Teachers Induction Ceremony

1 members of the Chapter were awarded the 250th Gold Medal

One non-member of the SAR were also awarded 250th Anniversary Medal

Awarded the Kentucky Rifle pin to one Chapter member

James B Stinnett jr.

Col James Harrod, President

Colonel Stephen Trigg Chapter Report
KYSSAR Spring Meeting
8 March, 2025

Report completed by: Steve Mallory

Date of report: 17 February, 2025

Current chapter officers:

- President- Geoff Baggett
- Vice President - Charlie Murphy
- Secretary - Mark Lacy
- Treasurer - Jim Johnson
- Chaplain - Bob Sholly
- Historian - Mark Lacy
- Color Guard Commander - Bob Sholly

Date of your next chapter elections: Dec. 2025

Date of your last chapter meeting: 17 Jan. 2025

List of activities since our November State meeting:

- 14 Dec. - Wreaths Across America covering 4 locations.
- 17 Jan. - Annual Dinner Banquet, Officer Installations
- 17 - 22 Feb - Washington's Birthday display and Book Presentation, John L. Street Library

Chapter accomplishment most proud of this past year 2024/2025:

- 21 Sept. Sponsoring the first Memorial Service at a Revolutionary War Location in West KY at Fort Jefferson Park, Wickliffe, KY.

Number of new compatriots brought into your chapter since March 2024: None

Your plans for a 250th Anniversary event you are attending or project you are planning:

- We placed a 250th Bench in Cadiz in Nov. 2023. We plan to participate in any upcoming local and area 250th Anniversary events.

Respectively submitted,

Geoff Baggett, President - Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter

General Richard Butler Chapter Report
KYSSAR Annual Spring Meeting.
March 8th 2025

Report Date....February 3rd 2025

Report completed by Donnie Webster

Chapter Officers

- President....Donnie Webster
- Vice President...Roger Southerland
- Secretary...Randall (P.R) Webster
- Treasurer...Randall (P.R) Webster
- Webmaster...Mike McCoy
- Registrar...Ronald Webster
- Historian...Roger Southerland
- Chaplain...Roger Southerland
- Color Guard Commander...Donnie Webster

- Next chapter election of officers December 18th 2025
- Last chapter meeting was January 30th 2025
- Our chapter has been idled other than having 2 monthly meetings since November.
- Our chapter is very proud of purchasing, erecting and dedicating a monument honoring 31 Revolutionary War Patriots that lived or lived and died and buried in Butler County Kentucky.
- Number of new members in 2024/2025 - 0.
- Our chapter has purchased a 250th Anniversary bench and it is ready for erecting it at the Butler County courthouse lawn come spring. We are uncertain at this time when we will dedicate it.

Respectfully

Donnie Webster

Chapter President

George Mason Chapter

Kentucky SAR Annual Spring Meeting

8 March 2025

The chapter officers are:

- President – Frank A. Allison
- Vice President – James H. Sandlin
- Secretary – Mark Humphries
- Treasurer – David W. H. Cartmell
- Registrar – Frank A. Allison
- Genealogist – Dustyn Doyle
- Historian - none
- Chancellor – none
- Chaplain – James H. Sandlin
- Color Guard Commander – none

Current no. of chapter members: 13 **No. of new members:** 0 / 10 prospective, papers filed.

Scheduled chapter meetings: Quarterly on the 3rd Monday, and joint meetings with Limestone Chapter DAR and Limestone CAR on President’s Day, Flag Day, and Christmas.

Officer elections will take place during the May meeting in 2026.

Our chapter has been active with the following events since the last state meeting on 16 November 2024:

Patriotic Events:

- 11 Nov. 2024 James Sandlin participated in the Maysville Veteran’s Day Parade.
- 26 Nov. 2024 James Sandlin visited veterans at the Veteran’s Home in Georgetown, OH
- 30 Dec. 2024 James Sandlin visited Ray Buda, Air Force Chief Master Sergeant E-9 at West Union Nursing Home.
- 2 joint DAR/SAR/CAR meetings for Christmas and President’s Day
- 6 Dec. 2024 Frank Allison entered the Christmas Parade in Maysville, KY.

Educational Events:

Historical Events:

Future Activities:

- Currently working on scheduling more activities with Veterans.

Respectively Submitted,

Frank A. Allison, President
George Mason Chapter

Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter Report February 15th 2025

The Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter has had: (Since the last chapter meeting in November).

- Three (3) members inducted.
- One (1) application at National.
- Three (3) applications pending at National.
- Six (6) applications active/less than 3 months are being prepared by potential members.
- Six (6) initial contacts have been made by the chapter registrar with potential members.
- Four (+) supplemental applications have been approved by National.
- Ten (10) Inductions in the year of 2024.

Since The last chapter meeting in November the Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter has had:

- Nineteen (19) chapter events/activities with a total of 102 chapter members participating.
- No Patriot grave markings.
- Six (6) color guard events with forty-two (42) chapter members participating.
- Nine (9) Veterans events/activities with Fifty-seven (57) chapter members participating.
- Four (4) presentations provided by five (5) chapter members participating.

Accomplishments

- The Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter has created a Battle of Blue Licks challenge coin (for sale now).
- We also created the Kentucky Rifleman pin to be purchased by the color guardsman who have taken the weapons safety class and have shown proficiency in the handling, loading and shooting of the weapon.
- The Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter has also begun the purchase of a 250th Anniversary bench to be installed at Little Hunting Creek Park in Prospect, I(y. (date of installation and Ceremony TBD).

We are also looking to plant a Liberty Tree sometime in the near future.

Chapter Officers:

- President: John Doss
- Vice President: Chris Canine
- Secretary: Scott Giltner
- Treasurer: Reed Martin
- Registrar : Jon Canine
- Historian : John Doss (acting)
- Chaplain: Kent Hathaway
- Chancellor: Karl Truman

Next elections to be held in March 2025

From the time of this report the next GIS chapter meeting will be 20th Feb. 2025

John Doss, - GIS Chapter President

John Manire Chapter

Report completed by: John Cherry

Date of report : 2/21/2025

Current chapter officers

- **John Cherry, President**
- **Rich Cooper, Secretary**
- **John Cherry, Treasurer**
- **Mike Richardson, Chaplain**

Date of your next chapter elections **9/18/2025**

Date of your last chapter meeting **9/18/2024**

List of activities since our November State meeting **none**.

Chapter accomplishment most proud of this past year 2024/2025 **none**.

Number of new compatriots brought into your chapter since March 2024 **none**.

Your plans for a 250th Anniversary event you are attending or project you are planning. **SAR 250 Bench**

Lafayette Chapter Report

March 08, 2025

The Lafayette Chapter held its annual meeting on December 7th, 2024 at Sullivan University in Harrodsburg Rd in Lexington. As part of that meeting the chapter held its annual election and the new chapter officers for 2025 listed below were inducted by State President State McCain. Our next meeting is scheduled for March 10th at Sullivan University. We had sixteen new Compatriots in 2024

- President Steve Gahafer
- President Elect Tim Wisner
- Vice President Thomas Hayden
- Secretary Tommy Druen
- Treasurer Dennis Wells
- Registrar Thomas Hayden
- Historian Kevin Tudor
- Genealogist Doug Tattershall

- Surgeon Dr. Billy Forbes
- Chancellor Sam Burchett
- Chaplin Nick Blevins

Since our last meeting chapter members have been involved several local and national events including Wreaths Across America, Battle of Cowpens, and The Battle of Cowans Ford to name a few.

Last year the chapter placed a stone memorial at historic Bethel Presbyterian Church in Lexington with 10 Patriots listed on it. We also conducted a 5 Patriot grave marking at the church on August 18th that was a national event. President General Addington was in attendance along with Central District Vice President General Eells We plan on placing a 250th bench at McConnell’s Springs, the birthplace of Lexington this year during the 250th anniversary of the founding of Lexington.

Steve Gahafer

President Lafayette Chapter

Louisville-Thruston Chapter Report

Louisville Thruston Chapter Report - Summer 2024				
Date	March 8, 2025, Saturday			
Time	10:30 to 4:00 pm			
Meeting	Spring Meeting - Kentucky Society, Sons of the American Revolution.			
Location	Sullivan University 3101 Bardstown Road Louisville, Kentucky 40205			
Chapter Officers and Committees				
	Position	Name	Phone	Email
	President	Mike King	502.548.6821	Mrfking001@gmail
	1 st Vice President	Pat McMurchie	502.893.7710	mcmurchiepatrick@gmail.com
	2 nd Vice President	Wally Craig	502.449.8351	wallace.craig@twc.com
	Secretary	Jon Huffman	502.641.6241	jonehuffman@gmail.com
	Treasurer	Chris Johnson	502.4948152	flyingtiger1sg@aol.com
	Registrar	Greg Fleitz	502.644.4845	fleitzg@bellsouth.net
	Genealogist	Open		

	Chancellor	Bill Donan	270.836.9751	williamdonan46@gmail.com
	Historian	Doug Collins	502.797.1445	aliedoug1776@gmail.com
	Chaplain	Jim Jackson	502.228.3617	jackson.jamesw@gmail.com
	Web Master	Howard Roberson	502.498.4680	hroberson@twc.com
	Past President	Robert Silverthorn	502.608.5854	rsilvertho@aol.com
	Color Guard Cmd.	Reed Martin	502.599.3029	reedamartinjr@gmail.com
Standing Committees			Chairperson	
Service to Veterans			Mike King, Robert Silverthorn	
Public Relations / Website / Newsletter			Mike King, Jon Huffman, Howard Roberson	
Awards			Mike King, Jon Huffman, Reed Martin	
Membership			Mike King, Jon Huffman	
Youth Activities & Awards, and ROTC			Pat McMurchie, Wally Craig, David Rummier	
Nominating			Assigned Bi-Yearly. Pat McMurchie	
Color Guard			Reed Martin, Mike King	
Audit			Assigned Yearly	

Chapter Activities Since Summer 2024 Fall Meeting.

- Chapter Administration.
 - Chapter ByLaws reviewed for 2024-2025 with some minor changes.
 - Events Calendar schedule updated for known Chapter events updated on website.
 - Three social outings with SAR and other organizations.
 - The Chapter newsletter is now distributed by email link to other organizations and chapters.
 - Chapter website content continues to be updated.
 - The Chapter is setting up an on-line pay system for events and tickets.
 - The Thruston President had two Chapter Presidents during the last year.
 - Monthly meetings are held by Zoom to work on schedules and issues.
 - Efforts are now being made to implement a working auxiliary at Thruston.
 - Preparation has been made for the bi-annual election and transition of new Chapter officers.
 - A slate for the election is being formulated for the election of new positions and those who will continue to maintain their position.
- Color Guard.
 - Currently working to rebuild the Color Guard at Thruston.
 - Have included DAR in the color guard.
 - Will be adding auxiliary members to the color guard.
 - Began the new non-Revolutionary War uniforms color guard group now called the Blue Coats. They have been at 6 events.
 - Currently working on new uniforms program.
- Service to Veterans.
 - The chapter is involved with Robley Rex VAMC activities as volunteers. Have attended quarterly meetings, volunteer dinners and picnics representing the SAR. Have provided documented suggestions for supporting Veterans programs. Have made ongoing donations and deliveries to Robley Rex Veterans Administration Medical Center with books, food supplies and clothes.
 - Had three visits to nursing/assisted living homes to provide a Military Veterans program.

- Have participated in 4 military memorial programs since November.
- Youth Programs.
 - Engagement with the community for Youth Programs starting early. Mailings sent to schools for Youth programs before school started to begin connecting with the schools for contests.
 - Still working to engage CAR with Louisville Chapter.
 - Working with inner city youth on community programs.
 - Engagement arrangements proposed to all of the JROTC and ROTC units in Jefferson and Oldham Counties. Meetings schedule with seven units to begin opportunities.
- Community Programs.
 - Program started for donations to homeless Veterans, homeless and the needy. Will have a selected day each month to collect used clothing and can goods for the needy at a location in Louisville. Items to be delivered to four locations for distribution.
- The Lafayette Farewell Tour 200th Anniversary. The American Friends of Lafayette is working with the Louisville Thruston Chapter, SAR to celebrate Lafayette’s Farewell Tour. This includes: a variety of ceremonies, dinners, events in Louisville and Southern Indiana where Lafayette visited. The Lafayette bicentennial will also gear up our Chapter for the 250th Anniversary of the founding of America. The arrival of Lafayette at the Portland Wharf will have a special event and ceremony on May 12th, 2025 and other events on that Sunday and Monday.
- 250th Anniversary of the United States Celebration.
 - Chapter planning for the celebration for the 250th Anniversary of the United States is underway.
 - 105 special ceremonies, events and educational programs for 250th have been identified that will be planned during 2025 – 2026.
 - A 250th bench will be installed in downtown Louisville in Spring 2025.
 - 12 new Liberty Trees to be installed in Louisville.
 - Have met with Metro Louisville Government for the city of Louisville and the Chamber of Commerce for Jefferson County involvement related to 250th events.
- Membership 2025.
 - Members 269 for 2024.
 - Paid Members for 2025 - 228
 - New members 4.
 - Dual members 10.
 - Note: Continuing to contact members who did not pay.
- Activities and Events Since January 2025.
 - Color Guard Events: 5
 - National Events: 0
 - Service to Veterans: 7
 - Education/Presentations:5
- Planned Events: Chapter events are listed on the Chapter website at: [www. louthrustonsar.org](http://www.louthrustonsar.org).

Lt Robert Moseley Chapter
Kentucky SAR Spring Meeting
8 March 2025

The chapter officers are:

- President – Charles “Bill” DeHaven
- Vice President– Alben Shockley
- Secretary – Mike Ray
- Treasurer – Scott Norris
- Registrar – Patrick McClure
- Historian – Spencer Brewer
- Chaplain – Alan Bivens
- Surgeon – Ron Berry, MD

Current number of chapter members: 37

Scheduled chapter meetings: Next Chapter Meeting will be March 18, 2025 at the Owensboro Police Departments Community Room, Corner of JR Miller Blvd. and 9th Street, Owensboro, KY, 7:00 PM CST.

Our Chapter meets the third Tuesday, every other month starting in January.

Our chapter has been active with the following events since the last state meeting this past November 2023:

- Chapter Meeting 21 November 2024 and election of officers.
- Wreaths Across America December 2024.

Future Activities:

- Memorial Day Service, Owensboro Moseley Cemetery Park, May 23, 2025.

Respectively Submitted,

Charles W. DeHaven, II, President
Mike Ray, Secretary
Lt Robert Moseley Chapter

The Simon Kenton Chapter is honored to present our report in anticipation of the Spring 2025 meeting of the Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution.

2025 & 2026 Officers (Elections Held Every Other November)

- President – Stuart Martin
- Vice President – Bruce Bennett
- Secretary – Dave Gilbert
- Treasurer – Steven Gillespie
- Registrar – Brian Schilling
- Genealogist – Tom Geimeier
- Historian – (vacant)
- Chaplain – Donald Drewry
- Color Guard Commander – Don Drewry
- Youth Contests Chair – Pat Berry
- Veterans Activities Chair – Glenn Blankenship
- Newsletter Editor – George Steven McCain

Chapter Activities by Month Since 2024 Fall Meeting

1. November 2024

- Monthly Chapter Meeting – Second Wednesday Of The Month
- Chichester Matthews PGMS
- Color Guard For The St. Elizabeth Hospice Annual Veterans Appreciation Luncheon
- Veterans Day Event At Lloyd Memorial High School
- Participated In The Veterans Day Parade And Celebration In Frankfort, KY
- Thanksgiving Luncheon
 - Presented National Society Medals, Public Service Medals, And A Chapter Service and Patriotism Award To Robin Bennett Of The Boone County Chapter DAR.
 - Steve McCain Was Awarded The Chapter Color Guardsman Of The Year.

2. December 2024

- Monthly Chapter Meeting – Second Wednesday Of The Month
- Color Guard For Wreaths Across America
 - Kentucky Veterans Cemetery North
 - Evergreen Cemetery

3. January 2025

- Monthly Chapter Meeting – Second Wednesday Of The Month
- Presentation About The SAR To The Elsmere Rotary By Pat Berry And Tom Geimeier

4. February 2025

- Monthly Chapter Meeting – Second Wednesday Of The Month
- Participated In The 252nd Birthday Ceremony For President William Henry Harrison
- Color Guard For 250th DAR Marker Dedication, Williamstown
- Presidents Day Luncheon -
 - Presented National Society Medals To Chapter Members In Addition To The Winners Of The Student Awards And Contests

2024 New Members

Tyler Hill	Mike Miller	Justin Todd	James Wolfe
Sean Russell (In Process)	Biff Mathis (In Process)	Adam Moyer (Initial Contact)	

Simon Kenton Report (continued)

As of March 2024, we have welcomed four new members to our chapter, and our registrar is currently engaged with three new applicants.

250th Anniversary Event

The celebration of our 250th anniversary will feature the placement of a granite bench at the Kenton County Veterans' Memorial, located in the Lou Hartfiel Memorial Park. We have secured all required approvals for the design and installation of this bench, and we are currently engaged in fundraising activities. Our goal is to raise all the necessary funds to facilitate the timely ordering of the granite bench, ensuring its installation is completed by the third quarter of 2025.

2024 Highlights

1. Student Contests - Submissions by Category

Posters: 103 (2 Schools)	Brochures: 40 (2 Schools)	Essay: 1	Historical Oration: N/A
Video: 1	Eagle Scout: 1	JROTC: 1	History Teacher: N/A

This year marked a significant achievement in the Student Contest, highlighted by a record number of entries, which included the introduction of a video category for the first time.

2. Food Donations

We successfully gathered and contributed a total of 622 food items to the Veterans Administration food pantry located in Florence, Kentucky. This achievement was made possible through our ongoing monthly donations collected during our Chapter meetings. We are committed to maintaining this initiative throughout 2025.

3. William Carpenter PGMS

In collaboration with the city of Florence, Kentucky, we organized a Patriot Grave Marking Service to honor Reverend and Soldier William Carpenter. A newly crafted headstone, valued at \$10,000, was meticulously hand-carved to replicate the original stone, which had succumbed to deterioration and damage over the years. Additionally, a Pomeroy Burial Marker was dedicated during this occasion, further commemorating the legacy of this distinguished individual.

4. Tri-State Honor Flights

Our chapter's color guard took part in all four of the 2024 Tri-State Honor Flights "Welcome Home Rally" events held at CVG Airport.

5. School Events

Throughout the year, we organized a number of educational programs at various schools, engaging students in discussions on a diverse array of Revolutionary War subjects and showcasing captivating displays. Our commitment to improving and elevating our presentations has not gone unnoticed, as we have received invitations to return to these schools in 2025, reflecting the positive impact we've made

Respectively Submitted By: Stuart Martin

Date: February 06, 2025