



The Kentucky Pioneer

“United we stand, divided we fall.”



Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution

Headquarters Renovation Progress



Pictures show the front of our future headquarters, the newly poured back wall and work that has been done to strengthen the timber supports in the basement. Also, inside the elevator has been removed and some of the sub-flooring has been removed.

Thanks to all for the many donations that have been made.

To keep up to date on the renovation progress, go to the NSSAR web site at:

<http://www.sar.org/>

Three videos, showing what has been done, have been posted.
Additional videos will be added until the renovation is complete.
Keep watching!

Have you made your donation?

Individual or Chapter ?

Any amount will help!

Don't miss out on the matching donation plan!

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**** Headquarters break-in--Suspect identified -- see page 8 ****

Volunteer Service at National Headquarters



Five members of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter (Charlie Scott, Tom Higgins, Scott Giltner, Junior Murdock and Rev. Forrest Chilton) helped NSSAR Merchandise Manager Susan Griffin take inventory.

We appreciate the job Susan does and wanted to help with this year-end job!

Two Feel-good Stories

A few members from the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter (Forrest Chilton, Dennis Scott, Tom Higgins and Charlie Scott) did a Veterans Day program at Warren East Middle School back in November. A few days later Tom and Charlie were back at the school taking part in a business program. About five of the students remembered them from the Veterans program and made a special effort to thank them for doing the program. The special thing, however, was a young man who came to their table and didn't mention the program until he was asked about the bracelet he was wearing. He told them "After the program you guys did the other day I decided to start wearing this bracelet." The bracelet has on it "Proud to be American." It makes the SAR activities seem worthwhile!



The second story has to do with a gentleman John Clay Barnett met at a retail store. The man told J.C. "You are the man in the picture!" J.C. asked "What picture?" "The picture hanging on my kitchen wall" said the gentleman, speaking with a foreign accent. "You posed with me after I became a Naturalized Citizen. Every day I look at that picture and thank God for giving me the opportunity to come to this great country." He thanked J.C. for being part of this process and asked if they could pray together. Once again our new citizen thanked God for the opportunity he was blessed with.

These two stories show that we are making a difference with the activities that we do!



Different people but same type of picture.

Captain Charles Gatliff Chapter



Back Row: Ricky Chadwell, Jason Chadwell, Dave Bergmen, Donnie Rains, Mike Warren, John Mountjoy, Roy Siler and Paul Falin. Front Row: David Moore, Clifford Jones, Ernie Siler, J.B. Mountjoy, Herman Moore and Michael Colegrove.

Ricky and Jason Chadwell were inducted as new members and Dave Bergmen was the featured speaker at the chapter meeting.



Arthur Jeffries

Compatriot Arthur Jeffries, a valued member of the Captain Charles Gatliff Chapter, passed away December 23rd after a lengthy illness .

He will be missed by his many SAR friends.

Lafayette Chapter



Lafayette Chapter President Al Coleman attended the Battle of Cowpens ceremony and presented a wreath for his chapter. Here he poses with Vice President General Forrest Chilton in front of the Cowpens memorial.

Attention KYSSAR Members

The Editor received the following e-mail from Colleen Wilson, Director of Education for the NSSAR:

Good morning Charlie,

I hope you had a nice weekend. I have received an email from one of our Steele Reese teachers at South Laurel Middle School requesting help obtaining American flags. After many years of not saying the Pledge of Allegiance they have begun reciting it each morning. Many of the classrooms do not have a flag and some are using a UTube video. Is there a program within the KYSSAR that would provide them with some classroom flags? This particular school is South Laurel Middle School.

Please advise so I can get back to the teacher. See how effective you gentlemen were at the University of the Cumberlands! Your flag station resulted in an renewed respect for our flag reinforced each day by participating teachers. Congratulations!

Best Regards,
Colleen

What can we do?

This seems like a project that is worthwhile. After all, isn't this what the SAR is about? We hear all the time that our young people are not being taught Early American History. Who knew that some schools were not even saying the "Pledge of Allegiance?"

I am willing to be a collection point and will try to get the best price possible on some flags to give to this school. Any individual members or chapters that would like to contribute to this project, send your check payable to the KYSSAR, with a notation "American Flag Donation" to: C. Scott, 10703 Boxwood Hill Court, Louisville, KY 40223.

This seems like something that could be an ongoing project for our chapters. Are there any schools in your area that are not saying the pledge because they don't have flags? What a shame--I think we can do something about this!

Charlie Scott
Editor, The Kentucky Pioneer



Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter



When Louisville swimmer Clark Burckle qualified to swim on the United States Olympic swim team John Clay Barnett gave Clark's father a SAR Challenge coin to give to Clark as good luck and to challenge him to do his best.

Clark swam great in the Olympics qualifying for the finals. Our chapter honored Clark recently by presenting him a Liberty Bell for representing our city and country with distinction.



Scott Giltner and Chuck Scott at a CAAH event at National Headquarters.

In this picture Scott is explaining the difference between a rifle and a musket.



Volunteer work at Headquarters

Bob Bynum helping out by preparing awards to send to those making donations to the CAAH.



Will Flint (S.C. CAR) and Chuck Scott



GIS members Chuck Scott and John Clay Barnett attended the Battle of Cowpens ceremony in South Carolina. Here they pose with several National officers. (L-R) Registrar General and National Color Guard Commander Michael Tomme, Chuck Scott, Secretary General Joe Dooley, President General Stephen Leishman, SCSSAR Vice President Mark Anthony, Treasurer General Lindsey Brock and John Clay Barnett

Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter



Robert Brooks, Maurice Worthington and Gary Tunget



Chapter President Tom Payne



Charles Evans



Robert Brooks and Spencer Brewer

Color Guard Members Robert Brooks Maurice Worthington and Gary Tunget presented and posted the Colors for their recent chapter meeting. A large crowd of 37 came to hear Compatriot Charles Evans speak about his Patriot Ancestor Capt. Ben Field. Also, Spencer Brewer gave an interesting antidote about the Flag of the Illinois Rangers during the war of 1812.

Center for Advancing America's Heritage

Scott Giltner and Bob Bynum (Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter members) pose with students from Walden School after doing a skit about the Boston Tea Party.

Here the students raise the "Sons of Liberty" flag after the rest of the class had chanted "Taxation without Representation!"

After the tea was tossed into the river the students returned without the headbands. When questioned, they said that they saw what looked like Mohawk Indians throwing the tea overboard!



Simon Kenton Chapter

Ray Hughes, escort for Doolittle Raiders



(L-R) Sandy Thatcher Miller , Dave Thatcher, CMSGT Wes Fields, Sgt. at Arms Brian Anderson, Ray Hughes (Simon Kenton escort), Col. Sator, daughter Billie Sator, Cindy Chal Cole, Lt. Col. Richard Cole, Tom Casey , organizer of the Doolittle raiders, & Maj. Tom Griffin, seated



(L-R) Tom Griffin, Ray Hughes, Lt. Col. Dick Cole and standing ..organizer Tom Casey. (there are only five Doolittle Raiders left ..one cannot travel.



Simon Kenton Chapter Color Guard
At Highland Cemetery on Veterans Day



Simon Kenton Community Awards

- Law Enforcement, Ray Murphy, Covington, Kenton Co., KY
- EMS, Tony Lauman, Burlington, Boone Co., KY
- Fire Safety, Chris Fryman, Covington, Kenton Co., KY

Louisville Thruston Chapter



Will Schrader congratulates new American citizens at a recent Naturalization Ceremony.



Louisville Thruston color guardsmen, Dan Klinck, Hayden Fuller and Henry Head presented the Colors at the Vietnam War Memorial located on the grounds of Fairdale High School. The event, held each year to honor all veterans from the Fairdale area, is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Council #14447.

Louisville Thruston Annual Dinner-Dance

- (1) President John and Bunny Huffman, Sr. dance.
- (2) Mr. and Mrs. Henry Head looking sharp wait for dinner.
- (3) Doug Collins with his wife and son who is a new member.



Louisville-Thruston Chapter recently donated 1,000.00 toward the NSSAR Building Fund, which will qualify for matching funds. The photo, taken at National Headquarters shows (L to R) Chapter Treasurer Joseph Shields, NSSAR Executive Director Don Shaw and Chapter President John H. Huffman, Sr.



Suspect still on the loose!

NSSAR Headquarters reports recent break-ins.



While the suspect is still on the loose, it is believed that the picture on the left is a pretty good rendering of what he/she/it looks like.

It appears that the suspect might be looking for free food as a garbage can was turned over in the construction area and prints have been found at other areas where food had been available.

Prints found match those where this type of break-in has occurred in the past.



Celebrate African-American History Month
with
The African-American Genealogy Group of Kentucky
&
National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

When: Saturday, February 16, 2013

Doors are open at 9 am-4 pm for research. Presentations are from 10:30am-11:30am with Q&A after. Experienced researchers in African-American genealogy will be available for questions. Reservations are encouraged.

Where: SAR Genealogical Research Library
809 West Main Street
Louisville, KY 40202

Cost: \$5.00 admission. SAR/DAR members and Friends of the SAR Library are free.

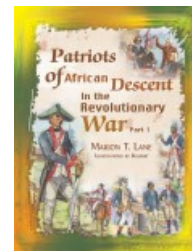
Contact: Rae Ann Sauer, SAR Genealogical Research Library
502-588-6130, rsauer@sar.org



Speakers: Joseph W. Dooley will present *The Vandervall-Coots Lineage: A Case Study in African-American Genealogy*. He is the Secretary General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Joe served as President of the Virginia Society SAR in 2007-2008. While President of the Virginia Society, Joe caused a monument to be erected to black patriots of the American Revolution at the Elam Baptist Church – the third oldest historically black church in Virginia. Joe has prepared applications for membership in the SAR for 10 African American men, descended from both white and black patriots.



Dr. Marion T. Lane will present *America's Forgotten African American Patriots*. She is one of the few African American members of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the National Gavel Society and serves as the National President of the Society of Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge. Marion is a retired public school educator and a Board member of the Friends of Valley Forge National Historical Park. She is the author of *Patriots of African Descent in the Revolutionary War* and *More Than One Ancestry*.



Simon Kenton Chapter (continued)



Simon Kenton Chapter Officers for the year 2013 take oath of office.



Simon Kenton Chapter Color Guard
At Highland Cemetery on Veterans Day



Picture shows Harvey Hampton delivering a cart load of items to a Veterans Hospital.



New chapter members: Jeffrey Sproul,
Brandt Coleman & Don Coleman



Joint DAR/SAR school presentation: Jenny McClurg, Daughter of KYSSAR President Harry Geimeier, leads a classroom discussion. SAR members usually will assist Jenny at these events.

Happy Ending--Suspect Captured and Released



After spending a few hours behind bars and several mug shots, it was decided that life in the big city was not the best option for the captured suspect. His excuse that he only wanted to visit some of his Patriot ancestors in the merchandise area was not accepted by his jury of NSSAR employees Susan, John and Aaron. It was decided that he would spend his remaining years roaming the hills of Southern Indiana where he was taken and released.



At the hearing, Susan Griffin said that she was considering having some of the suspect's ancestors in her NSSAR museum store when our new building is opened--probably in 2014, but none were there now. She thought the suspect was just looking for a free meal

Susan pointed out that she did have some great new items listed on the NSSAR web site and wanted everyone to take a look at the following site:

<http://store.sar.org/catalog/Museum-Shop>

The Genealogy department has not approved this as a possible ancestor of the suspect.

Note: One chapter purchased 50 of the new books to give to those that enter the NSSAR poster contest.

The Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution



Annual / Spring Meeting & Luncheon

March 9, 2013

9:30 am – 3:00 pm

Cincinnati Airport Holiday Inn

Directions: Mineola Pike, Erlanger ... Take I-75 to West I-275 ... Exit 2

Program

***BOG & KYSSAR Business Meetings
Youth Contests Awards & Recognition
Rumbaugh Oration Contest
Installation of 2013 KYSSAR Officers
Compatriot & Chapter Awards
Conclusion of Kentucky Society Business***

Menu- Warm and Wonderful (Noon)

Entrees: Yankee Pot Roast or Meat Loaf
Chicken Pot Pie
Green Beans
Tossed Salad with Two Dressings
Rolls and Butter
Coffee & Iced Tea
Assorted Desserts

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- **Make checks payable to the KYSSAR or Kentucky Society SAR**

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Please make reservations by Friday, March 1, at \$22.00 per person.

**Mail to: Richard Bierman
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Name _____ Spouse / Guest _____