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The Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter Newsletter

Welcome Back to the 2021 Chapter Newsletter. Apologies for the extended length of time since the last edition. With all the changes from Covid isolation and business returning to normal time seems to slip by. The newsletters release will be more consistent in the future.

There have been many events and ceremonies since the last newsletter. In spite of the Covid isolations the Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter and other nearby Chapters of Compatriots have participated in many events that honor our ancestor Patriots. Unfortunately all of them cannot be highlighted in detail with this version of the newsletter, however there are photos shown from some of them. In addition, the Chapter Facebook page is regularly updated with photos of events by fellow compatriots. As always we welcome any submissions for the newsletter.

Chapter Information. This newsletter has a lot of information related to upcoming Chapter and SAR events that have been planned or are in the planning stages. If you have a suggestion or an event you would like to plan or schedule contact Mike King or Scott Giltner.

Road-Trip Planning. During the next two months there is a variety of planned "road-trips" that are planned. These are fun events and ceremonies, however they take some planning to ensure that the travel and lodgings are available and safe. If interested contact Patrick Wesolosky for more information and to be included in the planning. Some of these trips include:

- Mt. Vernon, Alexandria, Virginia - Standing guard at President George Washington's Tomb. September 18, 2021. (Some of current group going to DC from September 16 - 19.)
- Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia - Presenting wreath at Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. September 18, 2021. (Will be in the afternoon).
- Kings Mountain - Commemorating the Patriot victory over the British. (October 7, 2021).

Upcoming Events. The Chapter has quite a few diverse events planned during the next few months with the possibility that more will be added. To keep up to date with planned events make sure that you check the Events Schedule listed on the Chapter website at: www.GISSAR.org for additions and changes.

A goal of the Chapter is to also provide all SAR, DAR and other organizations a chance to participate in something they would be interested in and enjoy doing. The Chapter welcomes others to participate with any of the Governor Isaac Shelby activities, events or social gatherings. If you have any suggestions or are interested in participating contact Mike King, Scott Giltner or Patrick Wesolosky.

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Chapter SAR Rosette Pinning Ceremonies. During the last few months the Chapter has welcomed new members into the Chapter with special SAR rosette pinning ceremonies. Each new member is contacted to set up a time for their pinning. The ceremonies will be photographed and recorded for those who cannot make it. Most of the pinning ceremonies occur at the Chapter monthly meeting. However, if needed other arrangements can be made. Recently a pinning ceremony was held at Mission Bar-B-Que with family, friends and compatriots having lunch afterwards. As always, families and friends are always welcome to come.

Chapter members who received a pin in the past but did not have a ceremony are also welcome to get pinned during a ceremony and receive their recognition as well as their Patriot ancestor.

Some of the compatriots welcomed into the Chapter when receiving their official SAR Rosettes during this year include:

• Ken Woodburn	• Don Gosser
• Clyde Wilson	• Philip Bloyd
• Richard Gardner	• Josh Satterly
• Chris Canine	• Patrick Parker
• Jon Canine	• Ryan Michael O’Dea
• Chad Canine	• Kenneth Evans
• Leroy Halter	• Stephen Page
• Kurt Hall	• Matthew Page
• Parker Page	

There are quite a few more Rosettes to be pinned in the next couple of months for new members who have had their applications submitted for approval. We look forward to welcoming all of them.

SAR Military Service Medals. The Chapter now presents SAR Military Service and War medals to members during a ceremony at monthly meetings or special events. The efforts of all SAR members to support the Chapter and the SAR is appreciated. And, the sacrifice of Chapter members who served in the military is also appreciated and honored. Some of those who have received their military service medals this year include:

- Steve Bullard
- Robert Kirkland
- Kurt Hall
- Clyde Wilson
- Gerald Gammons
- Tom Montgomery
- Gene Fouts

Special thanks goes to Larry Selby researching all of the members to ensure that those who deserved the recognition for their service to our country received their medals.

SAR Service Medals. The SAR Service Medal will be provided to the Chapter recipients at meetings as they earn the medals.

Posthumous Ceremonies. The Chapter recognizes that often someone who plans to join the SAR may pass away before officially joining. Or, a family member would like to have a father or brother recognized for their patriotic ancestry even though they were not able to join. If you would like to do a posthumous recognition ceremony please let Mike King know so it can be planned.

Remote Ceremonies. Recently the Chapter has had new members who did not live in the Louisville vicinity but still wanted to have the unique induction pinning ceremony from the Chapter. If a Chapter compatriot knows of someone in this situation let us know so we can schedule a zoom call and a special induction ceremony.

Announcements - Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

A Saluting Our Patriot Ancestors. Patrick Wesolosky has initiated a new Chapter ceremony to honor our Patriot ancestors. The ceremony, similar to what some other Chapters are now doing, will have a Chapter member stand and say their ancestors name out loud along with the involvement they had during the Revolutionary War. The ceremony ensures that our treasured Patriots that sacrificed so we can have our freedom are remembered. It also reminds us that all those in the SAR are here to recognize these Patriots and learn about the historical surroundings of each during the Revolution. It will be a great way to honor our ancestors and learn more about fellow Chapter members and history. The schedules for these "Patriot Salutes" are still in the planning stage.

Honor Flight Scheduled. At long last a Bluegrass Honor Flight is scheduled for October 20th. For the last two years the flights were canceled due to Covid. We all look forward to going to the airport to welcome home all the veterans who traveled to Washington, DC to visit monuments for the day. Hopefully this flight will occur without being canceled due to the new Covid outbreak. More information on this event will be coming later this month.

Louisville - Week of Valor. The annual Week of Valor events is now being planned for Veteran's week in November. At this time the Chapter will be involved in multiple events that week including the "reverse parade" and other ceremonies listed on the schedule page. Other events are now being added to the schedule when they are confirmed. This includes a special Veterans Program at Klondike Elementary School on November 10th.

Biplane Ride Raffle. Congratulations goes to Patrick Wesolosky for winning the raffle for a biplane ride for two people that circles over Louisville. The ride includes photos and video tape of the trip.

Pearl Harbor Day Dinner. Planning is underway for the annual Pearl Harbor Dinner to be held on December 4th, 2021 at the same location we have our Chapter meeting, Middletown United Methodist Church. During this dinner the new Chapter awards for Chaplains and Women Veterans will be given out to the inaugural recipients.

Hometown Pizza. Members of the Chapter are now meeting at Home Town Pizza in Middletown on Shelbyville Road now that the Covid restrictions have been relaxed. The gathering there usually starts at 5:45 - 6:00 pm for a quick supper before going to the Chapter meeting at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome.



2021 Wreaths Across America, Zachary Taylor National Cemetery.

In 2020 social isolation protocols made it a challenge for the annual *Wreaths Across America* ceremony at Zachary Taylor National Cemetery. However, with perseverance and planning by Scott Giltner the placement of wreaths on the graves of Veterans was still accomplished. The National Cemetery Administration, managing all Federal Veterans cemeteries, required only 10 people can be in the cemetery as a group. So, the memorial ceremony was limited to ten people and held on Friday, December 18th. The actual placement of wreaths on the graves was December 19th and required scheduling of 10 people at a time to place wreaths and then leave for others to then place theirs. Even with obstacles, the Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter was still able to honor and remember those who served and sacrificed for our country in the military. However, this it is expected that the regular ceremony will return like the ones from previous years. More information about the 2021 Wreaths Across Ceremony will be forthcoming as we get closer to December.

Kent Hathaway - Chapter Historian. Usually the Chapter Historian just keeps records, notes and other materials for future posterity and maintain the history of the Chapter. However, Kent Hathaway has expanded the role by being a true "historian" for the Chapter by presenting a historian event that happened during the Revolutionary War. This has added to one of the SAR and Chapter goals about educating ourselves about the war and events of those times. Some of the presentations have included The Battle of Gloucester, Massachusetts and the Siege of Fort Ticonderoga. Kent's efforts are appreciated by the Chapter.



Upcoming Scheduled Events. The following list contains scheduled events planned for the Chapter. All events should be verified before planning to attend. Correspondence will be sent out when an event is about to occur and the website link at www.GISSAR.org under *Chapter Info, Upcoming Events* should also be referenced. The status of any meeting or event may change at any time and many new events are often added.



SEPTEMBER	
10th	Painted Stone Living History Event - School Day (Cancelled). Location: Red Orchard Park, Shelbyville, KY.
10th	Grave Markings before Sycamore Shoals. Tipton-Haynes Historic Site, 2620 S. Roan St, Johnson City, TN. 2:00 pm
11th	Middletown Parade. Location: Middletown, KY. Time: 11:45 a.m. (Muster @Eastern H.S. parking lot at 11:00 a.m.)
11th	Painted Stone Living History Event - Long Run Massacre (Cancelled), Location: Red Orchard Park, Shelbyville, KY.
11th	Gathering at Sycamore Shoals. Location: Sycamore Shoals State Park, 1651 W. Elk Ave, Elizabethton, TN. Time: 10 a.m.
16th	GISSAR Chapter Meeting. Location: Middletown United Methodist Church, 11902 Old Shelbyville Rd, Middletown, KY. (Pre-meeting gather at Hometown Pizza, 11804 Shelbyville Rd, Middletown, KY)
17th	VA Volunteer Annual Picnic. Carrie Gaulbert Cox Park, 3730 River Road, Louisville, KY. Time: 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
18th	Vigil at George and Martha Washington's Tomb. Location: Mount Vernon, VA. Time: TBA (muster Cunningham Bldg).
18th	Presentation of Wreath at Tomb of Unknown Soldier, Arlington National Cemetery, 12:15 p.m.
18th	John Mountjoy Grave Marking. Location: 111 Mountjoy Street, Falmouth, KY. Time: 2:00 p.m. (muster at 1:00 p.m.)
23rd	DAR Grave Marking of Past State Regent. Location: Carlisle Cemetery, 361 W. Main St., Carlisle, KY. Time: 11:00 a.m. (muster 10:15 a.m.).
23rd	Fall Leadership Meeting. Location: Brown Hotel, 335 W Broadway, Louisville, KY. Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
24th	Fall Leadership Meeting. Location: Brown Hotel, 335 W Broadway, Louisville, KY. Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
25th	Fall Leadership Meeting. Location: Brown Hotel, 335 W Broadway, Louisville, KY. Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
29th	Special Veteran Ceremony. Location: Mission BBQ, 4607 Shelbyville Rd., St. Matthews, KY. Time: 11:30 a.m.
30th	Samuel McElroy Grave Marking. Ryder Cemetery, 600 Danville Highway, Lebanon, KY. 1:00 p.m. (muster at noon).
30th	Joseph Ray, Sr. Grave Marking. Location: Stewart's Baptist Creek Cemetery, Stewart's Creek Road, Lebanon, KY. Time: 3:00 p.m. (muster at 2:15 p.m.).
OCTOBER	
2nd	Harvest Homecoming Parade. Location: New Albany High School, 1020 Vincennes St, New Albany, IN. Time: 3:00 p.m. (Muster @New Albany H.S. parking lot at 2:00 p.m.)
3rd	Gold Star Family Monument Dedication. Location: 500 Main Avenue, Shelbyville, KY. Time: TBD (muster at TBD) Pending on final schedule from Shelbyville. May be postponed due to construction issues.
6th	Kings Mountain Reception. Location: Courtyard by Marriott, 110 Mobile Dr., Spartanburg, SC. Time: 4:30 p.m.
6th	The Night Before Kings Mountain Presentation. Location: Cowpens National Battlefield, 4001 Chester Hwy, Gaffney, SC. Time: 6:00 p.m.
7th	241th Anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain. Location: Kings Mountain Natl. Military Park, 2625 Park Rd, Blacksburg, SC. Time: muster @9:00 a.m. - ceremony @11:00 a.m.
20th	Honor Flight. Location: Louisville Airport, Louisville, KY. Time: TBD (muster at TBD)
21st	GISSAR Chapter Meeting. Location: Middletown United Methodist Church, 11902 Old Shelbyville Rd, Middletown, KY. Time: 7:00 p.m. (Pre-meeting gather at Hometown Pizza, 11804 Shelbyville Rd, Middletown, KY)
22nd	Vigil at Frankfort Cemetery. Location: 215 E Main St, Frankfort, KY. Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (muster at 9:00 a.m.)
24th	Ralph Crume Sr. Grave Marking. Location: 690 and the Hudson-Fairfield-Buras Road, Constantine, KY. Time: noon (central time) (muster at 11:00 a.m. (central time). (Lunch: Mt. Zion Family Life Center, 2853 S. Highway 259, Harned, KY).
26th	Gold Star Families Memorial Monument Remembrance Ceremony. State Capital Grounds, Frankfort, Kentucky, Program and Time still being determined.
30th	Abraham Heistand Grave Marking. Location: Old Mulkey Meeting House State Historic Park, 38 Old Mulkey Park Rd, Tompkinsville, KY. Time: TBA.
30th	Central District Annual Meeting. Location: Receptions, 1379 Donelson Road, Erlanger, KY. Time: 8:00 a.m. (registration). 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. (banquet). 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. (Patriot Grave Marking).
?th	18th Century Market Fair. Location: Locust Grove, 561 Blankenbaker Lane, Louisville, KY. Time: 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
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NOVEMBER	
6th	Veterans Day Flag Ceremony. Location: Cave Hill Cemetery, Louisville, KY. (entrance on Payne St. across from Breckenridge/Franklin Elem. School). (Park at 1351 Payne, Breckenridge Elementary School Elementary School). Time: 11:00 a.m. (muster at 10:00 a.m.)
6th	Veterans Day Parade. Location: Southeast Christian Church, 920 Blankenbaker Parkway, Louisville, KY. Time: 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (muster at TBD).
7th	Veterans Day Service. Location: Veterans Park, 10707 Taylorsville Rd, Jeffersontown, KY. Time: 4:00 p.m. (muster at 3:30 p.m.)
10th	Klondike Elementary School. Veterans Day Recognition Celebration. 3807 Klondike Ln, Louisville, KY 40218. During the afternoon. Timing still being planned.
18th	GISSAR Chapter Meeting. Location: Middletown United Methodist Church, 11902 Old Shelbyville Rd, Middletown, KY. Time: 7:00 p.m. (Pre-meeting gather at Hometown Pizza, 11804 Shelbyville Rd, Middletown, KY).
24th	Vigil at Zachary Taylor's Tomb in Zachary Taylor National Cemetery in Honor of His Birthday. The vigil will begin after the United States Army ceremony posting a wreath in the Presidents memory. Most likely noon.
DECEMBER	
4th	Pearl Harbor Supper. Location: Middletown, United Methodist Church. Time: 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. More details coming.
18th	Wreaths Across America. Location: Zachary Taylor National Cemetery, 4701 Brownsboro Rd, Louisville, KY. Time: 12:00 p.m. (noon) (muster at 10:00 a.m.)

Note: Please let the Chapter know if you have an idea for an event; if any organizations would like to involve the Chapter in an

Veterans Support - Larry Selby. The Governor Isaac Shelby, Service to Veterans Chairman, Larry Selby has been busy with activities to support our Veterans. As the Holiday Season approaches there will be many ways to make contributions for Veterans. More information about donation plans and volunteer opportunities will be coming in the next newsletter.



Cross Roads by Chaplain Eric McClain. Eric is still recovering at home from his battle with Covid. We miss and wish a speedy recovery to his return to his Chaplain duties for the Chapter. In the meantime, he is working on a Chapter manual of prayers for the different types of event. This will be helpful in having personalized invocations for future events.

Tracking the Giltner Ancestors. On a recent trip the Scott Giltner family visited the site of Fort Allen in Weissport, Pennsylvania where his Patriot Ancestor, Andrew Giltner, served during the Revolutionary War. The fort was designed and built by Benjamin Franklin in 1756. They also visited the church the Giltner ancestor's help found in 1745 near Saegersville, Pennsylvania. To the left and right is a photo of Scott with Andrew and Elizabeth at the monument to the fort.



Have you visited an ancestor's site or a historical site from the Revolutionary War recently? If so contact Mike King to help with the write-up and make sure you take some photos for the newsletter.



New Member Workbook Updated. The *KY SAR New Member Orientation Workbook* has been revised (as of August 2021), and uploaded to the KY SAR website. The documents can be found by clicking on the following link: (<http://www.kyssar.org/wordpress1/new-member-orientation/>). The guidelines are well written and will be used by the Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter in the future.

Kentucky Colonels. Many of the Chapter compatriots are members of the Kentucky Colonels. This benevolent organization provides grants and donations to worthy causes. It is also an honor to be from Kentucky and carry the title "Kentucky Colonel". If interested in learning more about becoming one, contact Mike King.

Planning Activities.



- **Looking for More Member Outreach.** One of the goals of the Chapter this coming year is more outreach and communications with Chapter members. The purpose is to provide all members, regardless of their interest, communications with the Chapter even when not active. We want to let them know, they are still fellow compatriots and welcome at any time to meetings and activities. We also request their ideas to improve the Chapter and let us know about activities that benefits the community and the Chapter.
- **Communications.** One of the keys for the Chapter to be successful and involved with members and those who may desire to be members is good communications. In some instances the Chapter has not done well with communications to keep in touch and keep everyone aware about what is going on in the Chapter. Due to this there is an effort to improve communications. This includes revamping the newsletter, setting up Facebook, having Zoom calls and sending out notification emails. If you have any suggestions please contact Mike King.
- **Chapter Newsletter Send-Out.** The Chapter newsletter is being sent out to all members of the Chapter. In addition, the newsletter is now being sent to all other Kentucky SAR Chapters, DAR Chapters who have requested the newsletter and other clubs and organizations that have activities and events the Chapter may be interested in. The purpose is to let everyone know what we are doing and let them know they are welcome to participate with us and that we may be willing to participate with them. If you know anyone who may be interested in receiving a newsletter, let Mike King know.
- **Missing Chapter Members.** When looking over the roles of the Chapter we found that there are quite a few members over the years that no longer participate, provide feedback, pay dues or do anything with the SAR or Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter. This is shame due to all the effort it took to complete the ancestor genealogy and join the Chapter. There can be many valid reasons for not continuing with the SAR. However going forward there will be a concerted effort to ensure that the reason for leaving is not due to a lack of attention on the part of the Chapter. So, starting this month previous members will be contacted to see if there is something we can do to interest them into coming back. If you know any previous members who may be interested in returning please contact Mike King. We would love to see them again.
- **Upcoming Chapter Directory.** The social isolation due to the Coronavirus has shown the Chapter that there is an increased need for a detailed Chapter Directory. There have been some problems with communications with all members of the Chapter, updated email addresses and ensuring that everyone is kept up to date with Chapter activities. Due to this a detailed Chapter Directory is being developed that will be available to all members of the Chapter and other Chapters as requested. The Directory will hopefully be out by the end of the year.
- **Associates and Friends Program.** The Associates Program is a Chapter activity that is for those working on their lineage to become an SAR member. It is also for those who would like to participate with the Chapter activities but cannot become a member. The exact criteria and standards for the Chapter are still in discussion.
- **Alliances with Other Organizations.** When we participate in ceremonies and events, there are guests and other organizations interested in our outfits and what we do. Many have expressed interest in cross participation with their events. Due to this, the Chapter email list includes other organizations. The Alliances program is design to solicit support and communications with other organizations in our area. Many have events we are interested in, and in turn, they have activities that we may be interested in. This expanded communications will help our Chapter gain more supporting partners and observers for our events. The exact criteria and standards for this program is still in discussion. Let Mike King know an organization that would benefit from our newsletter.
- **Volunteers Needed.** The Chapter has a lot of activities and projects that are now moving forward. There are a variety of them listed throughout the newsletter under committee projects. Volunteers are needed to complete any of these initiatives that support our history and community. If interested in helping contact Mike King. Some areas in need of help include:
 - **Newsletter** - Assisting with articles and information and assembling the newsletter with Mike King.
 - **Chapter Directory** - Helping assemble and update the Chapter directory to send out correspondence and newsletters.
 - **Pickup and Delivery** - As the coronavirus restrictions are reduced, donated items need to be picked up and delivered. The Waterstep Shoe Project and Veterans Donation is an example of items with pickup needs.

Blue Licks Memorial - Annual Memorial Service, August 21st. The annual memorial celebration for the Battle of Blue Licks was a beautiful event this year. The ceremony was able to be held with the full public attendance and program setup without having to use Covid protocols. The event was well attended by guests as well as members of the SAR that were from many different Kentucky SAR Chapters as well as Chapters from six other States. In addition, the National Color Guard Commander, Lou Raborg from Maryland and Scott Collins from Georgia led the formations and postings. They commented it was a really nice, well planned ceremony. The weather was perfect and everyone was very satisfied that the event paid homage to those who made the ultimate sacrifice in what would be the last major battle of the Revolutionary War. Special thanks goes to Marika Wesolosky for her help coordinating during the ceremony, Mary Jean King for the photography and Scott Giltner for his coordination efforts. In addition to the actual ceremony there were other activities that made the Blue Licks gathering enjoyable.

Friday Evening Gathering at Blue Licks Lodge. Patrick and Marika Wesolosky organized a gathering in the lodge meeting room on Friday evening, the night before the ceremony. The goal was to socialize, spend time eating together and get to know other SAR members from other Chapters and States. The food was good and it was nice to see old friends and meet new ones. Everyone who attended agreed that the “night before” event should be an annual occurrence. So, next year plan on coming to the Blue Licks Memorial Service the night before to enjoy the festivities with your fellow compatriots.



SAR Members Gathering the Night Before for Dinner and Conversation

Business Meeting After Ceremony. After the memorial was over, there was lunch and the Kentucky Society held a board meeting followed by a business meeting where society updates were announced and awards were presented. The business meeting wrapped up what turned out to be an exciting weekend.

Blue Lick Battlefield Memorial Event Photos.



Top L to R. Blue Licks Battle Monument with flags and wreaths. Color Guard riflemen and flag carriers posting flags. A large audience for the ceremony this year. Jay Doss, Kent Hathaway and Steve Gahafer at wreath presentations.



Top L to R, down. Scott Giltner and Charlie Scott Music tribute. Charlie Scott salute with guardsmen Patrick Wesolosky and Patrick Parker. Charlie Scott, Randy Layne and Steve Gahafer folding flag and Mike King reading folds. Patrick and Marika Wesolosky present wreath. Rifle Squad. Mourn Arms. Charlie Scott, Scott Giltner, Commander Lou Raborg and Jay Doss. Rifle Salute commanded by Michael Sullivan.



Chapter Committees and Projects. The Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter has a variety of committees and projects that are ongoing or being planned. Some are listed below. If interested or you have an idea for a project let Mike King know. Many of these efforts earn points for the Chapter and member towards medals and awards.



- **Communications and Correspondence - Chairperson Mike King.** Creates and sends out the newsletter, updates the member information and sends out other correspondence. Volunteers needed.
- **Scout Committee - Chairperson Lee Muncy.**
 - **Scout Projects.** Before the social isolation there was a variety of Scouts events and projects scheduled with the SAR and the Chapter. All were canceled when isolation began. Lee Muncy, Chairperson for the Scouting Committee has stated that after things have returned to normal he will begin to organize and schedule the event again and get them back on the schedule. Some of the activities for Scouts include: Merit Badges, Community Service and Scouts Essays
- **Educational Programs, Youth Activities and Awards Committee - Chairperson J.C. Barnett.** These programs includes essays and presentations to schools and other organizations.
 - Next Newsletter will feature contestants in the George and Stella M. Knight Essay contest.
- **Veterans Support Committee - Chairperson Larry Selby.** The Veterans Support efforts work with the Robley Rex Veterans Administration Hospital and other related organizations doing volunteer work and collecting donations.
- **Chapter Events and Color Guard Committee - Chairperson Scott Giltner.** (See events schedule page).
- **SAR and Chapter Awards Committee - Chairpersons Charlie Scott and Patrick Wesolosky.** This committee tracks members participation in events leading to certificates, medals and awards. This committee helped to create new Chapter awards for Color Guardsmen, Women Veterans and Military Chaplains under Chapter Champlain Eric McClain.
- **Special Chapter Projects.** Some projects now underway follow. If interested in helping contact Mike King.
 - **Memorial Stone Marker at Locust Grove.** A proposal last year was made to do an SAR marker stone at Locust Grove near the DAR marker near their front entrance. This project will be organized during the next few months.
 - **Dog Tag Project.** The goal of the project is to have a hanging dog tag for each of the Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter members, past and present. Each tag will have the members and their ancestors name on it. While the dog tags are not Revolutionary War period, they are inexpensive and can create a unique exhibit for SAR members. The planning includes finding a location for the exhibit, determining costs, updating, structure, associated ceremonies, etc. It could be open to others and used for public relations efforts.
 - **Lafayette Trail.** The Lafayette Trail Association is marking the route of the General Marquis de Lafayette during his historic 1824 tour through the United States. Part of that tour was through Kentucky including Middletown, the home of the Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter. More information on the markers and overall effort in the next newsletter.
 - **WaterStep Shoe Project.** The WaterStep organization in Louisville is now collecting usable used shoes for third world countries. To help with this the Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter will ask for any shoe donations starting in February. If you have any new or old shoes, boots, etc. that are usable we will be putting out a call and start collecting them in February and March. Shoes are donated to WaterStep who send the to third world countries and converts them to funding to provide clean water to third world countries and natural disasters. www.WaterStep.org | Save lives with safe water.
 - **Chapter Bell Project.** The use of the Chapter bell will be added to some ceremonies and events. Unfortunately the current bell is heavy and difficult to carry and manage. Due to this a new bell is being sought that is more lightweight and easier to manage while still providing a nice resonating tone. The selection and cost effort is now underway.



- **SAR Logo.** The newsletter will begin using the new SAR logo in the next newsletter. The new logo is easier to see and interpret by the general public and is already being used on hats and shirts. Items with the new logo can be purchased from the SAR Headquarters in Louisville or the SAR website.



- **Bourbon Barrel Raffle.** A fundraising raffle is now being organized for the Chapter. The item being raffled is a bourbon barrel full of multiple bottle of bourbon donated by Chapter members. More details will be forthcoming in the September newsletter. The brainstorm of Partrick Wesolosky should be fun and help the Chapter raise funds for needed project.
- **Looking for Ideas and Interests.** Many members assume the focus of the Chapter is just on grave markings and ceremonies where you dress up in Colonial attire. While this has been a major activity of the Chapter, we would also like to expand the interest to other areas for those who are not interested or in a position to go to grave markings and other ceremonies. This includes more genealogy work, historical presentations, visits to museums and other organizations presentations. If you have an area you feel would benefit the members of the Chapter please let Mike King know.
- **Newsletter Submissions.** Do you have a submission, an article or an announcement for the newsletter? Or, is there something you would like to see. If so, please send to Mike King.
- **250th Anniversary Challenge Coins.** Patrick Wesolosky was the first Chapter member to qualify for the 250th Anniversary challenge coin by posting historical information on Facebook. The limited issue coin can be purchased from the SAR bookstore once you have qualified. Requirements and details on activities to qualify for a coin will be outlined in the next newsletter.
- **Social Events.** The following are some planned social events waiting to be scheduled. All Compatriots and Other Chapters, families and friends are welcome to attend for casual fun filled evenings.
 - Distillery Tour. Waiting for social distancing to end. Pending for February.
 - Compatriots and Family Dinner at Selena's. Family and friends are welcome. Pending for March.
 - My Old Kentucky Home Visit. Waiting for social distancing to end. Pending for April.
 - Old Friends Equine Horse Farm Tour. Waiting for social distancing to end. Pending for May.
 - Trivia Night at Mission BBQ. Waiting for social distancing to end. Pending. TBD
- **Haircuts.** Recently there were some comments about people not being able to find a barbershop during social distancing. Just a heads up that if you need one, you can go to the barber that cut Forrest Chilton's hair and now cuts members of the Chapter. You can call Steve at Jim's Barber Shop, 11718 Old Shelbyville Road, Middletown, KY 40243, 502.244.5857 to make an appointment and get a good haircut. Is across the street from the City Hall in Middletown. Steve was kind to Forrest and it is not forgotten.
- **Other Organizations.** There are variety of other organizations with similar interests in ancestral lineage, history and social involvements. The next newsletter will list many of these and some basic information about each. Many are interested in sharing information and participating with the Chapter in our ongoing ceremonies and events. They include:
 - General Society of the War of 1812,
 - Sons of the Revolution
 - 1st Families of Kentucky
 - Louisville Genealogical Society
 - Filson Club,
 - Locust Grove.

Chapter Communications. The following are the primary sources of communications with the Chapter.

- Chapter Facebook. www.facebook.com. Look up: Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter Ky Sar
- Ky Society, SAR Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/1431811717073204/photos/?filter=albums
- GISSAR Chapter Website. www.gissar.org
- NSSAR Website. www.sar.org
- Newsletter Submissions. Send to Mike King at mrkfkng001@gmail.com
- Mailing Address. Send to Mike King at 9016 Willow Springs Drive, Louisville, KY 40242
- Chapter Officers. See the front page for the Chapter Officers email addresses.
- Zoom Social Call-Ins. A special thanks goes out to Patrick Wesolosky for hosting a weekly social call on Zoom. If you would

Correspondence. The Chapter has many associates and friends in the community with similar interests in genealogy, history, Veteran and military support and projects to help others. The Chapter will be sending our newsletters to the list and working to communicate with them about our events and theirs. If you would like to add a person or organization contact Mike King.