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The Shelby Sentinel Governor Isaac Shelby Chapter Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revoultion



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Presidents Message:

Compatriots,

First of all, I want to welcome a couple of new Governor Isaac Shelby Members to the family, Straus Scantlin and Gage Overton. They have expressed interest in jumping in and helping out wherever needed. HUZAH!! and welcome to GIS. WE also have a quite a few prospective members as well.

Summer is here and we are very busy doing a lot of activities. Please, while doing events drink lots of water. We have already had a few compatriots get overheated. Wearing wool uniforms can get very hot as most of you know, so please pay attention to your bodies and stay hydrated!!

I want to think everyone for doing a great job. We are making great strides in making contacts. Just recently, we did a Flag Day Presentation at Cowley Park in Prospect, KY. Jon & Chris Canine have been very instrumental in getting us the ok in doing that event. The Mayor of Prospect, Doug Farnsley came to the event and loved what he saw. he invited us to be a part of the Independence Day Celebration and there ae other events he wants us to be a huge part of as well. We have also been making other contacts as well to put on demonstrations. As you know, this is extremely important for teaching and keeping the history of our great nation alive.

I believe our chapter is moving in the right direction, but we need everyone's input. If there is anything you think we should do or have any idea to further the chapter in getting us out to the public, please don't hesitate to reach out. Like I said, we need everyone's input!!

One last thing, Blue Licks is coming up soon. We need all hands on deck in putting this event together. whether it is color guard, helping to sign in wreaths, placing wreaths, helping place flags..etc. we need your help! As most of you know this is our chapters signature event and it is also a national event! So, If you are interested in helping out please contact Scott Giltner. he will get you hooked up.

Just remember, this chapter takes all of us to keep it going and grow. So please come out to support our events, meetings..etc.

Your most humble servant, John Doss

Announcement's

We are currently working on getting a 250th Anniversary bench to put in front of the SAR Headquarters. This is going to take some planning but we hope to get that started very soon.

Vice President Chris Canine would like the chapter members to get together sometime for an outing of fun, and fellowship. Maybe visit a historic site, grab lunch, just hangout and relax and have fun!

The Patriot Clothing Closet is Going very well and we are collecting quite a bit of stuff for anyone who wants to be in the color guard and does not have period clothing of their own. If this is you, Please reach out to Chris Canine for details. chris.canine@icloud.com

If you don't know, we are planning a chapter pig Roast to raise money for the chapter. A special thank you to Compatriot Kris Hawkins for his Amazing donation. This is going to be a great time for all. Fun, fellowship, laughter, and music! We are looking at October 14th, so please come out and bring Family and friends More info to come ASAP

Events

July

4th

Independence Day Ceremony & Parade Location: Owl Creek Lodge, 10607 Hobbs Station Road, Middletown, KY. Time: 10:00am-non (muster at 9;15am)

4th Independence Day Presentations & Parade
 Location: Cowley Park 8028 Westover Drive, Prospect, KY.
 Time: 6:00pm to 7:00pm Parade
 Time: 7:00pm to 9:00pm Presentation booth

6th Blackberry Festival Parade Location: Nicholas County Elem. School, 133 School drive, Carlisle< KY. Time: 7:00pm (muster at 6:00pm)

8th Memorial Service for Eric McClain Location: Cain Ridge Meeting house 1655 Cane Ridge, Paris, KY. Time: 3:00pm (muster t 2:00pm)

9th Color Guard for DAR Marker - William Christian Location: Oxmoor Farm, 720 Oxmoor Ave. Louisville, KY. Time: 2:00pm (muster at 1:00pm)

13th- 20th NSSAR 133rd Annual Congress
Location: Rosen Plaza Hotel, 9700 International Drive, Orlando, FL.
Time: (see Schedule)

14th Naturalization Ceremony
Location: 411 South \$th Street, Suite 200, Louisville, KY.
Time: 10:00am (muster at 9:15am)

See more Upcoming Events on the GIS Website



Independence Day



Independence Day is a federal holiday in the Unite States. It commemorates the Declaration of Independence. It was rarified by the second Continental Congress on July 4, 1776, establishing the United States of America.

The Founding Father delegates of the second Continental Congress declared that the Thirteen Colonies were no longer subject to the crown, King George the Third. It was originally drafted by Thomas Jefferson in consultation with fellow committee members John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Roger Shermam, and William Livingston.

It is a remarkable coincidence that both Thomas Jefferson and John Adams, the only two signers of the Declaration of Independence later to serve as presidents of the United States, both died on the same day. July 4th 1826, which was the 50th anniversary of the Declaration.

Observance:

In 1777, thirteen gunshots were fired in salute, once at morning and once again as evening fell, on July 4th in Bristol, Rhode Island. In Philadelphia in a manner a modern American would find familiar, they had an official dinner for the Continental Congress, toasts, 13-gun salutes, speeches, prayers, music, parades, troop reviews, and fireworks. Ships in the port were decked out with red, white, and blue bunting.

In 1778, from his headquarters at Ross Hall, near New Brunswick, New Jersey, General George Washington marked July 4th with a double ration of rum for his soldiers and an artillery salute.

We should remember that while declaring independence, our Founding Fathers were, by signing the Declaration of Independence, signing their own death warrant. If the war had been lost, they surely would have been hanged. They put their lives on the line for a cause they truly believed in.

Battle of Blue Licks Alemorial Ceremony

The Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution invites you to attend the Memorial Service for the 241th Anniversary of the Battle of Blue Licks

Saturday, 19 August, 2023 @ 10 a.m. EDT Blue Licks Battlefield State Park 10299 Maysville Road, Carlisle, KY (Color Guard muster at 9:00 a.m.)

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

Contact Scott Giltner - stgilt@earthlink.net to register.

Afterwards:

Join us in the park lodge for a lunch buffet and the Kentucky State Society Summer Meeting.







The Battle of Blue Licks

The Battle of Blue Licks, fought on August 19, 1782 was one of the last battles of the American Revolutionary War, ten months after Lord Cornwallis's surrender at Yorktown, under the command of Captain William Caldwell and about 50 of Butlers Rangers along with approximately 300 Indian warriors led by British Indian Department officials, Alexander McKee, Simon Girty, and Mathew Elliot. They crossed the Ohio River into Kentucky from the Ohio Country. They meant to surprise and destroy the settlement of Bryans Station.

Caldwell and McKee's force laid siege to Bryans Station on August 15th, killing all the settlers livestock and destroying their crops. The siege only lasted two days because they learned that Kentucky militiamen were on their way.

On the 18th of August, the militia arrived at Bryans Station, it included a force of about 47 men from Fayette County and another 135 from Lincoln County. Colonel John Todd was in overall command, assisted by Lieutenant Colonel Daniel Boone, Lieutenant Colonel Stephen Trigg, and Major Hugh McGery, led the Lincoln County contingent. Benjamin Logan, Colonel of the Lincoln County militia was gathering men , and had not arrived yet.

Daniel Boone advised waiting on Logan to arrive but others wanted immediate action. Pointing out that the enemy had a 40 mile head start on them. so, being compelled to go along, Boone did. On the morning of August 19th they arrived at the Licking River near a spring and salt lick known as the Lower Blue Licks. A few Indian scouts were spotted watching them from across the river. Todd called a council and asked Daniel Boone what he thought? Boone said he had been growing uneasy and suspicious because of the obvious trail the Indians left.

High McGary, known as a kind of a hot head, urged immediate attack. He mounted his horse and called "Them that ain't cowards, follow me". The men immediately followed as did the Officers, who were trying to restore order. It is said Boone remarked "We are all slaughtered men".

The Men Formed a battle line several rows deep. They advanced up the hill, Todd & McGary in the middle, Trigg on the right and Boone on the left. Boone was right in his suspicion, Caldwell's forces were waiting on the other side, hiding in ravines. When the Kentuckians reached the top of the hill, the Indians opened fire on them at close range. The Shots were devastating. After only 5 minutes of fighting, the center and right of the line fell back. Only Boones men managed to push forward. Todd & Trigg, were easy targets on horseback, were shot dead!!

The Kentuckians retreated down the hill, fighting hand to hand combat with the Indians. When Boone Learned he was surrounded, he ordered his men to retreat. He grabbed a horse and ordered his 23 year old son, Isreal, to jump on. Isreal suddenly fell to the ground, he was shot, and realizing his son was dead, Boone mounted the horse and joined the retreat.

At the Ford along the Licking River, a disorganized mob attempted to reach safety. With warriors close behind, a quick thinking militiaman, Benjamin Netherland, rallied a small group, and ordered them to open fire. This worked in detouring any further pursuit and Caldwell's forces gave up the chase. Caldwell gathered his troops and marched back to Ohio.

Lasting about 15 minutes, the largest battle of the Revolutionary War fought in Kentucky was a resounding British victory. Caldwell inflicted about 100 casualties, approximately 54% of Todds Force. Daniel & Rebecca Boone Grave Marking





















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Misc. Events









Founders Day Jack Jouett





New Albany, Indiana Grave Marking



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Heroes for Humanity Parade Shelbyville, KY.

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Flag Day Cowley Park, Prospect, KY.



















