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### POINT PLEASANT BATTLE DAYS SET FOR OCTOBER 5-7

Events for Point Pleasant Battle Days are scheduled from Friday, Oct. 5 thru Sunday, Oct. 7.

The Candlelight tour of Battle Monument State Park will be Friday starting at 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday, the Battle Days Parade will commence at 11 a.m. on Main Street at Tenth Street.

The Colonial Governor's Reception and Colonial Ball are set Saturday at American Legion Post 23.

On Sunday at 10 a.m. there will be an outdoor Early Colonial Church Service at Tu-Endie-Wei State Park.

The main event on Sunday will be the memorial service to commemorate the Battle of Point Pleasant of Oct. 10, 1774. It will be conducted at 2 p.m. at Tu-Endie-Wei State Park.

The reservation form for the various activities can be found on Page 3.

For additional information on Battle Days go the state website, [wvssar.org](http://wvssar.org).



WVSSAR President Bob Fish (left) presents the Medal of Distinguished Service Medal to General Andrew Lewis Chapter Treasurer Bill Dunfee at the society's annual banquet.

## DUNFEE RECEIVES TOP MEDAL AT BANQUET

General Andrew Lewis Chapter Treasurer Bill Dunfee received the Medal of Distinguished Service at the WVSSAR annual banquet at Hawks Nest State Park. Dunfee volunteered many years at the Huntington VA Hospital transporting veterans thousands of miles.

Many others received awards including:

- \*Frank (Joe) Khare Jr., War Service Medal.
- \*Steve Maxwell, Meritorious Service Medal.
- \*Alfred Cummings, Law Enforcement Medal.
- \*Brian Casto, Meritorious Service Medal (palm).
- \*Finlay Jack Coles, Meritorious Service Medal (palm).
- \*Ira Cook Jr, Meritorious Service Medal (palm).
- \*John Sauer, Meritorious Service Medal (palm).
- \*Lance Carter, Meritorious Service Medal (palm).
- \*Larry Freshwater, Meritorious Service Medal (palm).
- \*Richard Brockway, Meritorious Service Medal (palm).
- \*Tom Galloway, Meritorious Service Medal (palm).
- \*Alfred Cummings, Meritorious Service Medal (palm).
- \*Medal of Appreciation, Barbara Fish.
- \*Certificate of Appreciation, Debra Basham.
- \*Certificate of Appreciation, Samantha Dickinson-Sorrell.
- \*Certificate of Appreciation, Daniel Boone Chapter.
- \*Certificate of Appreciation, Steve Hart.
- \*State Presidents Genealogy Award, Lance Carter.
- \*State Presidents Genealogy Award, Raymond Kane Jr.
- \*State Presidents Genealogy Award, Donald Hale.
- \*State Presidents Genealogy Award, Henry Ruff III.
- \*Past Chapter Presidents Certificate, Scott Johnson.
- \*Past Chapter Presidents Certificate, Richard Wilson.
- \*State Commissioned Genealogist, Henry Ruff III.
- \*State Commissioned Genealogist, James Lockhart.
- \*State Commissioned Genealogist, Lance Carter.
- \*State Commissioned Genealogist, Larry Stricht.
- \*Scout Funding Award, Steve Hart.
- \*CAAH, Frank (Joe) Khare Jr.



Central District Vice President General T. Rex Legler (left) presents the War Service Medal to Frank (Joe) Khare Jr. at the WVSSAR banquet. Joe is the president of the Adam Stephen Chapter.



President Robert Fish Jr. presents the Medal of Appreciation to his wife Barbara at the WVSSAR banquet.

## WVSSAR NEWSLETTER TO APPEAR ONLINE

The future has caught up with the WVSSAR State Newsletter.

Starting this month, the newsletter will appear on the state website at [wvssar.org](http://wvssar.org) on your computer. It will be published twice a year. There will be a spring and a fall edition.

There will be a tab on the [wvssar.org](http://wvssar.org) website for the newsletter.

## GENERAL HUGH MERCER MONUMENT PROJECT

The General Hugh Mercer Chapter reports that plans for its namesake are underway.

A location has been decided. The monument will be about 15 feet tall and lighted.

“Gentlemen this huge project is the first ever for our chapter and we need everyone’s help to make it a success,” said President Richard Lockhart.

## WILSON AND MAXWELL RECEIVE HONORS

Richard Wilson and Steve Maxwell were honored at a recent meeting of the George Rogers Clark Chapter.

Wilson received a past president chapter pin and certificate.

Wilson has been a member since 1976 and his father and grandfather were both members.

Maxwell was given a meritorious award medal and certificate for his contributions to the chapter and the WVSSAR.

# BATTLE DAYS

October 5, 6, 7, 2012

Point Pleasant, WV

Saturday, October 6, 2012 at 6:00 p.m., the 17th Annual *Colonial Governor's Reception* will be held with refreshments and chamber music of the period at the American Legion Post 23 facilities located at 100 Second Street. **The cost is \$20.00 per person.**

Saturday, October 6, 2012 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. the 17th Annual *Colonial Ball* will be held at the American Legion Post 23 facilities located at 100 Second Street. Music and dances of the period will be enjoyed by all. Dances will be taught. ***This event is free of charge.***

Colonial costumes are encouraged at both events, but not required.

Sunday, October 7, 2012 at 12:30 p.m. an informal *luncheon* for *SAR* Members, *DAR* Members, and their *guests*, will be held at Trinity United Methodist Church located at 615 Viand Street. **The cost is \$25.00 per person.**

**RESERVATIONS FOR THE LUNCHEON MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE.  
DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 2, 2012.**

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## RESERVATION FORM

Please reserve the following tickets for the following Battle Days activities for me/us:

(Indicate number)

_____ Colonial Governor's Reception, Saturday, October 6, \$20.00 each	Total \$ _____
_____ Colonial Ball, Saturday, October 6, (no charge)	
_____ Luncheon, Sunday, October 7, \$25.00 each	Total \$ _____

**TICKET TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Please make checks payable to the Point Pleasant Chapter, WVSSAR. Tickets may be picked up upon arrival.  
Mail Reservation Form and check to:**

Point Pleasant Chapter WVSSAR  
P. O. Box 511  
Point Pleasant, WV 25550

Please mail ticket to: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**If you will be laying a wreath at the Memorial Service, check here \_\_\_\_\_. If you checked here, Please list the name of your organization.**

## **VORESS RECEIVES ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Former longtime WVSSAR Registrar Hugh Voress has been presented the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Adam Stephen Chapter. Voress was presented with the award in recognition of his long service to the chapter as treasurer and registrar.

Three War Service Medals were also awarded. John Schley received the World War II War Service Medal. A Vietnam War Service Medal with Purple Heart attachment was awarded to Don Amoroso. A Vietnam War Service Medal was presented to Edward G Gageby.

## **CARTER ELECTED VICE-PRESIDENT GENERAL**

Lance Carter of the General Andrew Lewis Chapter was elected vice-president general of the central district at the annual WVSSAR meeting. Carter is a former state president and is historian of the chapter.

Ten vice-president generals have served from West Virginia. Five of those, including Carter, have been from the GAL Chapter.

The others include Doliver McComas, David Webb, Lyle McCullough and John Smith.

## **COLORS PRESENTED FOR FORT RANDOLPH**

Color Guards from the Daniel Boone and Captain James Neal Chapters presented the colors at Fort Randolph on Sept. 1, Military Muster Day.

Fort Randolph, located near Point Pleasant, offered protection from the British and Indians during the first three years of the American Revolution.

## **IN MEMORIAM**

Glen L. Brookover  
Paul E. Gordon  
James H. Ashcraft  
Gale L. Brookover  
Thomas Owens Jr.  
Max W. Harbert  
Billy S. McComas

## **CAPTAIN JAMES NEAL CHAPTER PICNIC**

The Captain James Neal Chapter sponsored a picnic June 30 at the Parkersburg City Park.

The speaker was Parkersburg Mayor Robert Newell and three new members were inducted by Bob Fish Jr.

A remembrance service was held at the Revolutionary Monument with color guard members Jeff Cline, Jerry Barnes, Wyatt Jones and Ronald Barnes present.

## **ADAM STEPHEN ROTC PRESENTATION**

Jefferson High School's Sarah Shadle was honored with a certificate and medal for her scholastic and leadership achievement in the Junior ROTC program.

The award was presented by chapter member Bob Wade.

## **ADAM STEPHEN MARKER DEDICATION**

On the Fourth of July, the Adam Stephen Chapter participated in the dedication of a marker commemorating the Beeline March to Boston.

Shepherdstown is celebrating its 250<sup>th</sup> year.

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