



West Virginia Society
Sons of the American Revolution
Daniel Boone Chapter

THE MONTHLY CRIER

August 2017



President's Update

We had a very good turn-out at our Chapter Meeting on August 19th. A total of eighteen members and guests were present. Two new members, Compatriots Chris Mason and Zach Mason, were formally inducted and welcomed into the Chapter.

Several awards were also presented during the meeting. JROTC Cadet Austin Bennett was present at the meeting and was presented the Chapter JROTC Medal for his essay that was submitted as part of the JROTC Essay Contest. Compatriots Steve Hart, Brian Casto and Richard Greathouse were presented the Bronze Roger Sherman Award. Compatriot John Blair was presented the Military Service Medal. Lastly Compatriots John Blair and Brian Casto were presented Certificates of Appreciation.

We are pleased to announce that our Chapter has a new member, Edison Gunno, Jr. Please join us in welcoming Compatriot Gunno! His Patriot Ancestor is Jesse Hughes.

We are very excited that our Chapter is continuing to grow. Four applications for membership have been completed this month and forwarded to the State Registrar for review prior to submittal to the National Society. Prospective members include Larry Bennett, Austin Bennett, Max Blair and Roger Lynch.

We hope that all chapter members will continue to promote the SAR and encourage their friends and associates to consider applying! Compatriot John Blair has expressed a willingness to help with genealogy research and preparation of application forms.

Thank you, and I look forward to seeing you at the next Chapter meeting!

Rich Greathouse

President, Daniel Boone Chapter

Color Guard

We are continuing to grow our Chapter Color Guard. At the moment, we have enough members to be able to consistently support the State Color Guard at events. We have also conducted one Chapter Color Guard event, but it took a commitment from pretty much every Color Guard Member to make it happen. We need a few more people that are willing to participate! It is common for there to be schedule conflicts that prohibit a member or two from participating in an event, so we need some more members to allow us to still have enough people if one or two are unavailable for a specific event. Compatriot Steve Pauley has agreed to become the Chapter's Color Guard Commander, but is still relatively new to the chapter himself. As he gets settled into his role, we will start trying to schedule an occasional drill to practice.

Chapter Initiatives

Educational Outreach

As outlined in the Upcoming Events section, there is a planned visit to Oak Hill Elementary as well as a merit badge workshop for Boy Scouts. If you have an interest, and are available, we would welcome your help at these events. Also, we ask your help in identifying other opportunities to provide education on early American history to youth. Ideally it would be presentations to schools, where we can present to a larger number of students, but don't ignore other opportunities that exist, such as church youth groups and scouting organizations.

Flag Certificates

Please continue to keep an eye out for companies, individuals and government agencies that fly the United States flag for patriotic purposes. Remember though that the flag must be flown properly! If the flag is flown at night, then the flag must be illuminated. If you see a person or entity that is properly flying the flag, please let us know at the next chapter meeting. We can provide a Flag Certificate to be presented to the individual or entity.

Patriot Biographies

Help us honor and perpetuate the memory of our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by submitting a biography on them! Submission of biographies do not need to be large. They are typically around 500 words. Also, while we do wish that the biographies be as accurate as possible, they do not need to have documented references. Once submitted, the biographies will be uploaded to the Patriot and Grave Index for the benefit of others.

Thoughts & Prayers

Please keep Tristan Bowyer in your prayers. He is a young man that is a prospective member of the Chapter, and he has already been very active in Color Guard activities and reenactment educational events. He very recently left to join the U.S. Army, and his father was killed in a logging accident. He could use any support offered at this challenging time in his life.

Upcoming Events

9 Sep 2017 – WVSSAR Board of Management Meeting, 1909 Harper Road, Beckley, WV

15 Sep 2017 & 16 Sep 2017 – Educational Outreach – Frontier Life Demonstrations, Oak Hill Elementary, Oak Hill, WV

16 Sep 2017 – Daniel Boone Chapter Meeting, Compatriot James Owston is planned as a guest lecturer. He will speak on DNA testing for genealogy purposes. State Archives Library, Charleston, WV

28 Sep 2017 to 30 Sep 2017 – NSSAR Fall Leadership Meeting, Louisville, KY

30 Sep 2017 – Craik-Patton House & Daniel Boone Chapter WVSSAR will be co-hosting a Merit Badge Workshop Day at the H. Bernard Wehrle Sr. Scout Leadership Service Center, Charleston, WV

7 Oct 2017 – Battle Days Parade, 11AM, Pt. Pleasant, WV

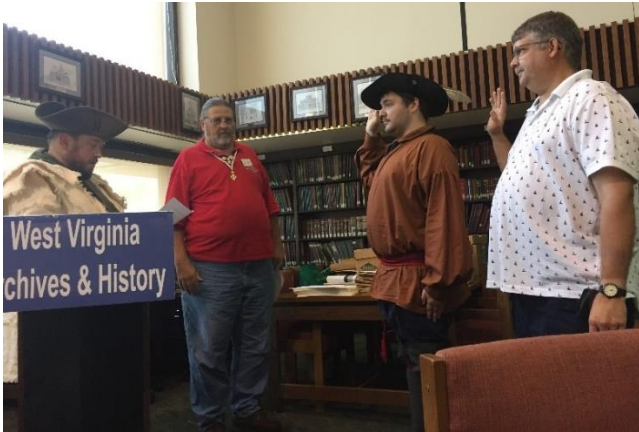
8 Oct 2017 – Battle Days Wreath Laying Ceremony, 2PM, Tu-Endie-Wei State Park, Pt. Pleasant, WV

21 Oct 2017 – Mining Your History Foundation Annual Conference, State Cultural Center, Charleston, WV

11 Nov 2017 – Veteran's Day Parade, 11AM, Beckley, WV



Photo Gallery



Compatriots Christopher and Zachary Mason taking their oath as part of the Induction Ceremony.



The Daniel Boone Chapter welcoming new members Chris and Zach Mason.



Chapter President Richard Greathouse with JROTC Cadet Austin Bennett after the presentation of the Outstanding Cadet Award to Cadet Bennett.



Chapter President Richard Greathouse with Compatriot Steven Hart after the presentation of the Bronze Roger Sherman Award to Compatriot Hart.



Chapter President Richard Greathouse with Compatriot Brian Casto after the presentation of the Bronze Roger Sherman Award to Compatriot Casto.



Chapter President Richard Greathouse with Compatriot John Blair after the presentation of the Military Service Medal to Compatriot Blair.