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FORT HENRY CHAPTER TO HOST ANNUAL STATE MEETING

The Fort Henry Chapter will host the 90th Annual WVSSAR Meeting and Dinner Friday, April 21, and Saturday, April 22.

W.E. Stone Memorial Club House, The Club Room, will be the site of the dinner on Friday. Cocktails begin at 6 p.m. with the dinner to follow at 7 p.m. The Club House is located at Wheeling Park, 1801 National Road in Wheeling.

Guest speaker will be David Javersak, professor emeritus of history and dean emeritus, College of Liberal Arts, West Liberty University. His topic is "A Revolution of Principles".

On Saturday, the WVSSAR Annual Board of Management Meeting is set at the Federal Courtroom, Third Floor, Independence Hall, 1528 Market Street, Wheeling. The meeting gets underway at 9 a.m.

For registration forms and more information, please click on the WVSSAR website at wvssar.org.

The Fort Henry Chapter, which was chartered April 26, 2014, already has 40 members.



Lance Carter of the General Andrew Lewis Chapter (left) and Finlay "Jack" Coles of the Point Pleasant Chapter were presented with a cake at the Spring Board of Management Meeting for receiving the prestigious Minuteman Award.



General Andrew Lewis Chapter President Tom Galloway at the tombstone of Chief Cornstalk, a newly discovered ancestor. Galloway had a least three Revolutionary War soldiers fight at the Battle of Point Pleasant. As the license plate says "A House Divided".



WVSSAR President Bill Lester (left) presents Ed Cromley of the Point Pleasant Chapter with the Silver Color Guard Medal.

THREE NAMED HISTORY HEROES

Gregory Morgan and Bob Tabor of the General Hugh Mercer Chapter and Steve Hart of the Daniel Boone Chapter were recently named as West Virginia History Heroes.



The Fort Henry Chapter participated in the Naturalization Ceremony in Wheeling. From left, Bethany College President Tamara Nichols Rodenburg, Fort Henry Genealogist Gary Auber and Senior Federal Judge Frederick Stamp Jr.



WVSSAR President Bill Lester (left) presents Steve Hart of the Daniel Boone Chapter with the Silver Color Guard Medal.

BOSTON WINS EAGLE SCOUT AWARD

Steven J. Boston of Vienna has been named the winner of the WVSSAR Eagle Scout Award. His application has been sent on to the national competition.

Boston will receive the SAR Eagle Trophy and a check for \$100.00.



Members of the WVSSAR Color Guard participated in the 75th Cherry River Parade in Richwood. From left, Rick Greathouse, Bob Grumbling, Steve Hart and Bill Lester.

BLUEFIELD POLICEMEN SAVE FAMILY IN FIRE

The General Hugh Mercer Chapter presented law enforcement awards to Bluefield City Policemen Kevin Ross and Justin Lucas .

The two policemen saved the life of a family of four during a house fire in Bluefield in January.

WATSON RECEIVES MILITARY SERVICE AWARD

Raleigh Watson was presented the Military Service Award at a General Adam Stephen Chapter meeting.



Two Junior members of the Fort Henry Chapter were inducted in the Washington Room at the historic Oglebay Mansion Museum. From left, Chapter Genealogist Gary Auber with his grandsons Brandon and Logan Wright and Chapter President Jay Frey.

GRC LYNCH GRAVE MARKING CONDUCTED

The George Rogers Clark Chapter conducted a patriot grave marking in honor of Peter Lynch. The grave is located in the historic Jackson Cemetery in Clarksburg.

Participating in the ceremony were the WVSSAR Color Guard, various WVSSAR officers and Lynch descendant Hiram "Bill " Lynch IV of Ashtabula, Ohio.

Lynch served three years in various Virginia regiments.



Richard Brockway of the Greenbrier Valley Chapter is presented with the Gold Roger Sherman Medal..

KANE DOCUMENTS 16 GRAVES

Tygart Valley Chapter Secretary Raymond Kane Jr. has documented 16 patriot graves in Randolph County.



WVSSAR President Bill Lester (left) presents Ted Cox of the Captain James Neal Chapter with the Silver Color Guard Medal.

CENTRAL DISTRICT MEETING NOVEMBER 3-4

The Central District Meeting is scheduled Friday, November 3, and Saturday, November 4, incoming Central District Vice President General Robert Fish Jr. has announced.

Activities will be at the Wingate Hotel and Parkersburg Country Club in Vienna.



WVSSAR President Bill Lester (left) presents Finlay "Jack" Coles with a certificate for his hard work on the Furlong Award.

CAPTAIN JAMES NEAL GRAVE MARKINGS

The Captain James Neal Chapter has recently participated in five Revolutionary War Soldier grave dedications .

The chapter color guard was active in nine events.



WVSSAR President Bill Lester (left) presents Registrar Rhendal Butler of the Greenbrier Valley Chapter with a certificate and sash for his genealogy efforts.

LOGAN BLAND ESSAY CONTEST WINNER

Logan Bland has been selected as the state winner of the Stella Knight Essay Contest.

Logan is a junior at Wyoming East High School. His topic was "The Secret Heroes of the American Revolution." He was sponsored by the Captain Ralph Stewart Chapter.

CAPTAIN RALPH STEWART GIVES XMAS GIFTS

The Captain Ralph Stewart Chapter participated in the Christmas Gifts for Veterans at the Beckley VAMC.

There was a great out-pouring of gifts for the event.



Steve Hart of the Daniel Boone Chapter is presented with a past state president's pin at a Board of Management Meeting.

IN MEMORIAL:

Richard Calendine

Donald Baumgardner

Harold Haynes

James Kershner

Jospeh Bigony

Gregory A. Morgan

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