

# West Virginia Society Sons of the American Revolution

### Daniel Boone Chapter

## THE MONTHLY CRIER July 2017



#### **President's Update**

This has been a pretty busy summer! Having said that, I regret that we have not had Chapter meetings the past few months to allow us opportunities for fellowship, but there always seemed to be a date conflict with an event we were requested to attend. Just some of the events that members of the chapter participated in included a Flag Retirement Ceremony at Fort Randolph where over 400 flags were retired; a Grave Marking Memorial Service for Compatriot Larry Freshwater; a Grave Marking for Patriot Nicholas Marstiller; the Color Guard served as the lead element of the Ripley Independence Day Parade; a drill exercise at the State Capitol complex on West Virginia Day; and most recently, the Chapter Color Guard conducted a Flag Change Ceremony at the Capitol Flea Market. It is exciting to see the Chapter grow more active by attending and participating in these events! Hopefully as we continue to grow, even more members will be able to participate.

At this year's National Congress, our Chapter was honored with the presentation of a Streamer for the "President General's Education Outreach Initiative". We were one of only five chapters nationally to be recognized! This is truly a huge honor, but it is also a challenge! While we received credit for the educational efforts our Chapter members have undertaken in the past, we are also expected to do even more in the future.

We are excited to announce that our Chapter has two new members, who were recently approved by National. Please join me in welcoming Compatriots Chris Mason and Zach Mason to the Chapter. Their Patriot ancestor is John Plumley.

We also welcome Compatriot Jackie Miller, who has become a dual member of the Daniel Boone Chapter here in West Virginia in addition to his "home" chapter, which is the Capt. William Arnold Chapter in Kentucky. Compatriot Miller has several approved Patriot ancestors, including: William Bates, Robert Young Sr., Ambrose Lipscomb, James Mardis-Marders, Anthony

Hall, Joseph Bennett, William Martin, Joel Meador, James Waugh and Thomas Bentley.

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

Rich Greathouse
President, Daniel Boone Chapter

#### **Upcoming Events**

We are planning to hold a Chapter Meeting on August 19, 2017, so mark your calendars! The meeting will be at 11:00 AM at the State Archives Library in the Cultural Center. We have several awards to issue during the meeting, so please come out to show your support for your Compatriots! While not confirmed at this point, Putnam County Sheriff Steve Deweese has been invited to attend the meeting as well to receive the Law Enforcement Award. Please remember that family and friends are welcome to attend as guests.

A couple of District events that are coming up in the near future include the Fort Laurens Memorial Service in Bolivar, Ohio on July 29, 2017; and the Battle of Blue Licks Memorial Service in Carlisle, Kentucky on August 19, 2017. Please note that the Blue Licks Memorial happens to coincide with our next Chapter Meeting date. We have elected to go ahead with the Chapter Meeting, but we will understand if any members are absent from the meeting in order to attend the memorial service.

#### **Thoughts & Prayers**

Lastly, I ask that you keep Compatriots Vernon Devol, Bob Dickinson, Steve Pauley and Rich Greathouse in your thoughts and prayers. Compatriot Devol is recovering from surgery, so we wish him a speedy recovery. Both Compatriot Dickinson and Compatriot Greathouse have family members in the hospital, and they can use our prayers. Compatriot Pauley recently lost a brother-in-law, who was also a close personal friend. As a Chapter, we offer the entire Pauley family our condolences on their loss.



## **Photo Gallery**





Color Guard preparing to enter at the Grave Marking Ceremony for Patriot Nicholas Marsteller at Beverly Cemetery in Beverly, West Virginia on 15 July 2017. The Grave Marking event was hosted by the Daniel Boone Chapter.



Daniel Boone Chapter Color Guard during a Flag Change Ceremony at the Capitol Flea Market in Charleston, West Virginia on 22 July 2017.



State Color Guard marching as the lead element during the Ripley Independence Day parade. Members of the Daniel Boone Chapter comprised half of the entire Color Guard detail at the parade. After voting by Parade officials, the Color Guard was awarded First Place in the Marching Unit Category!



During the National Society SAR Annual Congress in July, Compatriot and National Trustee Steve Hart was presented a flag streamer to the Daniel Boone Chapter for our efforts towards the 'President General's Education Outreach "New Program" Initiative'. The Daniel Boone Chapter was one of only five chapters nationally to be recognized!