



August 2024

August 3, 2024, Saturday (1:00 pm – 3:00 pm) - Tazewell Veterans Certificate of Appreciation luncheon in celebration of America's 250th, Tazewell, VA

Event Level: Chapter

Host/ POC: General William Campbell Chapter VASSAR / Kevin Combs.

Location: 222 Central Ave, Tazewell, VA.

Firing Event: No

Event CG Commander: Gullion.

Details: This is a free appreciation luncheon to local veterans in a way to give thanks for their military service in light of America's 250th anniversary of independence. Certificates suitable for framing will be given out during this event as well. Posting and retiring of colors.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Britton, Combs, Farris, Gullion.

August 9th - 10th, 2024, Friday-Saturday - Atlantic Middle States Association (AMSA) Williamsburg, VA

Event Level: District

Host/POC: VASSAR Sub Committee / Bill Greaf; Ken Hawkins.

Location: Williamsburg Lodge, 310 South England St., Williamsburg, VA.

Firing Event: No

Event Color Guard Commander: Osborn.

Details: Click here for conference details: [Agenda](#).

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Abbott, Bonner, Crain, Hodges, Kelly, Lynch, Osborn, B. Schwetke.

Delaware SAR Color Guard Attendees: Moller.

Empire State SAR Color Guard Attendees: Peirce.

Maryland SAR Color Guard Attendees: Embrey.



August 11th, 2024, Sunday (2:00 pm) – 248th Anniversary Commemoration of the First Reading of the Declaration of Independence in Virginia, Leesburg, VA

Event Level: Chapter

Host Chapter: Sgt Maj John Champe Chapter / Barry Schwoerer.

Location: Spirit of Loudoun Revolutionary War Monument on the green at the Loudoun County Courthouse, 18 E Market St., Leesburg, VA.

Firing Event: No

Event Color Guard Commander: Sink.

Details: In 1776 Virginia Governor Patrick Henry directed all counties to hold a public reading of the Declaration of Independence as soon as they received a copy. The Loudoun County Sheriff read the Declaration on the Courthouse steps near the present courthouse on 12 August 1776. This was the first reading of the Declaration in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Bonner, Daniel, Morris, Robinson, Schwoerer, Sink, Wilson.

August 17th, 2024, Saturday (10:00 am) – Commemoration of the Battle of Blue Licks, Carlisle, KY

Event Level: National

Host/POC: Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter KYSSAR / Scott Giltner.

Location: Blue Licks Battlefield State Park, 10299 Maysville Road, Carlisle, KY.

Firing Event: Yes

Event Color Guard Commander: Giltner.

Details: The Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution hosts the Memorial Service for the 242nd Battle of Blue Licks anniversary.

Note: A reception will be held on Friday, August 16 and a Patriot Grave Marking will be held in Lexington on Sunday, August 18. Click here for the flyer: [Blue Licks](#).

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Phillips.

August 17th, 2024, Saturday (noon) – Opening Ceremony of the Nansemond Indian Nation Annual Pow Wow, Suffolk, VA

Event Level: Chapter

Host/POC: Nansemond Indian Patriot Chapter VASSAR / Tom Badamo.

Location: 1001 Pembroke Lane, Suffolk, VA.

Firing Event: No

Event Color Guard Commander: TBA.

Details: Color guard participation may be limited to manning a tent.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Badamo, Melhuish, Osborn, B. Schwetke.

August 21, 2024, Wednesday (2:00 pm) – Present Colors for funeral Procession for US Navy Commander (Retired) Gerald Thomas Beschta, Fredericksburg, VA

Event Level: Chapter

Host/POC: Colonel Fielding Lewis Chapter VASSAR / Kirsten Schlee.

Location: St. George's Episcopal Church, 905 Princess Anne St., Fredericksburg, VA 22401.

Firing Event: No

Event CG Commander: John Hamilton

Details: Indoor service, with internment immediately after service. Family has many flags, offered for color guard to use as needed. The plan is to arrange a presentation of the Colors at the processional for this funeral.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Hamilton.

August 24th, 2024, Saturday (10:00 am) - Patriot Monument Dedication to George Flohr, Royal Deux Ponts Regt., Wytheville, VA

Event Level: Chapter

Host/POC: Lt. David Cox Chapter VASSAR / Rollie Ney.

Location: St. John's Cemetery 1650 N 4th St., Wytheville, VA.

Firing Event: Yes

Event Color Guard Commander: Gullion

Details: On August 24th, 2024, Lt. David Cox Chapter, VASSAR, will dedicate a granite stone engraved with a description of Private George Daniel Flohr's service in the American Revolution with the Royal Deux Ponts Regiment (French Army). SAR member, author, and German scholar Robert A. Selig will be the keynote speaker.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Britton, Burrison, Carr, Combs, Daniel, Gullion, Kelly, Osborn, Phillips, Richmond, Robinson, B. Schwetke, Waugh.



August 24th, 2022, Saturday (TBC: 11:00 am) – Battle of Long Island (Brooklyn Heights), Brooklyn, NY

Event Level: National

Host/POC: ESSSAR / Robert Meyer.

Location: The Old Stone House, 3rd St. and 5th Ave., Brooklyn, NY.

Firing Event: No

Details: The Battle of Brooklyn (also called the Battle of Long Island) was fought on August 27, 1776 and is considered one of America's greatest losses during our war for independence. The carnage all happened one summer night: The British, who had amassed a large number of troops on Staten Island, stealthily attacked George Washington and his Continental Army at their camp in Brooklyn. Washington was greatly outnumbered and realized the only way to save his army was to flee to Manhattan. While the rest of the troops escaped Brooklyn Heights across the river, Washington sent 400 troops from Baltimore, known as the Maryland 400, on a suicide mission: to distract the British and buy the rest of the troops time. The battle was fought near the present-day site of the Old Stone House. (The one standing in Park Slope today is a 1933 re-creation of the original.)

A large number of the 1st Maryland Regiment were killed, but their sacrifice enabled the Continental Army to escape.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Bonner.

August 29th, 2024, Thursday (11:00 am & 1:00 pm) – Celebration of Life Service and Internment for Colonel Fielding Lewis Chapter Compatriot Charles Mattocks, Stafford, VA

Event Level: Chapter

Host/POC: Col. Fielding Lewis Chapter VASSAR / John Hamilton.

Location: Thompson Funeral Chapel, 186 Shelton Shop Rd, Stafford, VA and Quantico National Cemetery.

Firing Event: No

Event CG Commander: Hamilton

Details: SAR Compatriot Funeral Service. Host Chapter has flags, Color Guardsmen muster at 10:30 at the Funeral Chapel.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Bolton, Hamilton.