

June 26th 2022, Sunday (10:00 am) - 241st Commemoration of the Battle of Spencer's Ordinary

Event Level: State

Host/POC: Williamsburg Chapter VASSAR/John Lynch.

Location: Freedom Park, 5537 Centreville Road, Williamsburg, VA.

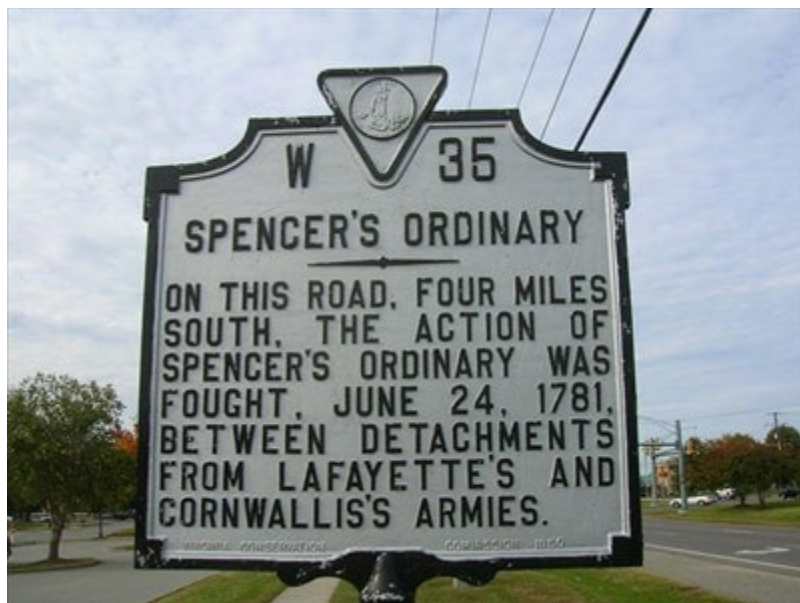
Firing Event: No

Event Color Guard Commander: Lynch.

Heat Index: ~85F

Details: The 1781 engagement at Spencer's Ordinary took place between Patriot forces (Virginia militia and a detachment of Continentals) and British troops (John Simcoe's Queens Rangers and an attached unit of German Jaegers). Both sides failed in their primary mission: the Patriots to cut off and capture the British foraging party; the British to bring back cattle to Cornwallis' main army in Williamsburg. Simcoe's troops were forced to retreat from the battle after being flanked but were shortly thereafter met by British troops marching from Williamsburg. British returned to hold the deserted battlefield. The Patriots recovered the cattle and then rapidly withdrew. Today Freedom Park, the intersection of Longhill and Centerfield Roads, the gas station adjacent to the intersection, and the veterinary clinic across the street from the gas station are found within the bounds of this Revolutionary War battle. .

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Daniel, Dunaway, Hodges, Lynch, Phillips, Thompson, Westenberger.







June 25, 2022, Saturday (12:00 pm) - Color Guard Muster & Workshop

Event Level: Chapter

Host/POC: Col. James Wood II Chapter VASSAR/Dale Corey.

Location: 484 Red Bud Lane, Strasburg, Virginia.

Firing Event: Yes

Details: This will be a Color Guard Muster & Workshop. Will hold presentations on safety, color guard etiquette, marching, commands and musket firing procedures.

VASSAR Color Guard Attendees: Carrigan, Christensen, Cook, Cordes, Corey, Daniel, Osborn, Phillips, Reynolds, Robinson, Schwetke, B.Schwoerer, Sink, St. Jacques, Tyler.



CANCELED June 25th, Saturday – Safety, manual of arms and black powder use and firing

Event Level: VASSAR Eastern Region Color Guard Workshop

Host/POC: Eastern Region Commander VASSAR/Kimball Thompson at thompson15@cox.net

June 18th, 2022 - Saturday (3:00 pm) - 248th Commemoration of Loudoun

Resolves

Event Level: Chapter

Host/POC: Sgt Maj John Champe Chapter VASSAR/Ken Bonner.

Location: Loudoun Revolutionary War Memorial, 18 E. Market Street, Leesburg, VA 20178.

Firing Event: No

Event Color Guard Commander: TBC.

Heat Index: ~75F

Details: Color Guard muster at 2:15 pm. Event will be held on Courthouse lawn at the Spirit of Loudoun Revolutionary War Memorial. County approval for event is pending but expected.

On 14 June 1774 Freeholders of Loudoun County signed the Loudoun Resolves, a protest against Great Britain's "most oppressive and tyrannical Act of the British Parliament, made in the 14th year of his present Majesty's reign". This was a prelude to the Declaration of Independence and one of many Resolutions by Counties and Colonies protesting acts of Parliament. We will summarize the various Resolves and read the Loudoun Resolves near the Old Courthouse steps. Parking in a nearby parking garage. Limited street parking. Host Chapter will provide US, VA, and Chapter flags. CJW-II will bring 250th and Chapter flags.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Bonner, Schwetke, B.Schwoerer.

June 18th 2022, Saturday (10:00 am) - General Daniel Morgan Commemoration

Event Level: State

Host/POC: Col James Wood II Chapter VASSAR/Dale Corey.

Location: Mount Hebron Cemetery, 305 E Boscawen Street, Winchester, VA.

Firing Event: Yes

Event Color Guard Commander: Corey.

Heat Index: ~75F

Details: Daniel Morgan (1735/1736 – July 6, 1802) was an American pioneer, soldier, and politician from Virginia. One of the most respected battlefield tacticians of the American Revolutionary War of 1775–1783, he later commanded troops during the suppression of the Whiskey Rebellion of 1791–1794.

Born in New Jersey to Welsh immigrants, Morgan settled in Winchester, Virginia. He became an officer of the Virginia militia and recruited a company of riflemen at the start of the Revolutionary War. Early in the war, Morgan served in Benedict Arnold's expedition to Quebec and in the Saratoga campaign. He also served in the Philadelphia campaign before resigning from the army in 1779.

Morgan returned to the army after the Battle of Camden and led the Continental Army to victory in the Battle of Cowpens. After the war, Morgan retired from the army again and developed a large estate. He was recalled to duty in 1794 to help suppress the Whiskey Rebellion and commanded a portion of the army that remained in Western Pennsylvania after the rebellion. A member of the Federalist Party, Morgan twice ran for the United States House of Representatives, winning election to the House in 1796. He retired from Congress in 1799 and died in 1802.

Note: Color Guard muster at 09:00 am.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Bonner, Carrigan, Christensen, Cordes, Corey, Daniel, Day, Hall, Morris, Osborn, Petrie, Reynolds, Robinson, Schwetke, B. Schwoerer, Simmons, St. Jacques.



June 17th, 2022, Friday (11:00 am) - Commemoration of Dr. Joseph Warren

Event Level: Chapter

Host/POC: Col. James Warren II Chapter VASSAR/Dale Corey.

Location: 220 N. Commerce, Front Royal, VA 22630.

Firing Event: Yes

Event Color Guard Commander: Osborn.

Heat Index: ~98F

Details: A commemoration to Dr. Joseph Warren, namesake of Warren County. There will be presentation on Dr. Warren, wreath presentations and a musket salute fired in his honor.

VASSAR Color Guard Attendees: Carrigan, Corey, Daniel, Morris, Osborn, Parmerter, Robinson, Schwetke, B. Schwoerer, Simmons, Thomas, Weyler.



"The Death of General Warren at the Battle of Bunker's Hill on June 17th, 1775" by Patriot John Trumbull (1834)

June 14th, 2022, Tuesday (2:00 pm) – Commemoration of Major Pierre L'Enfant (Wreath-Laying)

Event Level: NSDAR

Host/POC: NSDAR & Le Souvenir Français Society/Richard Azzaro (Co-host).

Location: Arlington House (Arlington National Cemetery), 1 Memorial Drive, Arlington, VA 22211.

Heat Index: ~86F

Details: This event will commemorate Pierre L'Enfant, born August 2, 1754 in Paris, France, **died June 14th, 1825** in Maryland. L'Enfant is best remembered for designing the basic plan for Washington DC. During the American Revolutionary War he served under Major General Lafayette.

The US Old Guard will provide the Color Guard for the ceremony. The first part of the ceremony will take place in the Old Amphitheater where the standards of each attending organization (in our case the VASSAR standard) will be posted in the amphitheater. Following

the initial ceremony, participants will be invited to process to the wreath-laying site (about 500 yards) for the concluding ceremony.

This ceremony, open to the general public, will be held in the presence of State, diplomatic, military, and cultural representatives of France and the United States. Representatives from various patriotic organizations will also be present, including the DAR and SAR.

Invitation: myemail.constantcontact.com/INVITATION---TUESDAY--JUNE-14--2022.html?soid=1138346937217&aid=YTQ2dgQPGKo&fbclid=IwAR031pZrhWmFS60ASexxePbeinu-HrWXDe_xDb9VsUCXge8isr1dj7BAPrE&fs=e&s=cl

Reminder: weapons are not permitted in ANC (muskets, swords, etc.). This event is open to everyone, so feel free to attend if you can.

Virginia Color Guard Attendees: Davenport.



Colonel Peter Davenport, US Army (Ret.).

June 14th, 2022, Tuesday - Flag Day

Event Level: Not a National Event for Color Guard medal purposes.

Location: Various.

Details: Flag Day is celebrated on June 14 every year, and commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States. In 1777, the second continental congress passed a resolution stating that “the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation”. George Washington’s troops now had a new, unified flag to represent their cause. There were few public ceremonies that honored the flag until June 14, 1877, when it was flown from every government building for the centennial of the flag’s adoption. After that, many citizens and organizations advocated the adoption of a national day of commemoration for the flag. In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson unofficially declared June 14 as Flag Day. Coincidentally, Wilson also proclaimed “The Star-Spangled Banner” the [U.S. national anthem](#) that same year. Nonetheless, Congress did not designate the song as the national anthem until 1931, and only in 1949 did President Harry Truman sign the legislation that made June 14 of each year Flag Day.

June 11th 2022, Saturday (1 to 3:30 pm) - Col. William Preston Memorial Dedication

Event Level: **State** (President's Initiative)

Host/POC: Fincastle Resolutions VASSAR / Rupert Cutler.

Location: 57 South Center Drive Daleville, VA 24083.

Firing Event: **Yes**

Event Color Guard Commander: Hall.

Heat Index: 83F

Details: Registration begins at 1 pm. Indoor event commences at 1:30 pm. Colors will be presented during the indoor portion of the event (Colors will be posted in stands and retired in place). Virginia SAR President Bruce Meyer and Virginia DAR Regent LeAnn Turbyfill will be joined on the speakers’ platform by Botetourt County Supervisor Steve Clinton and Virginia Tech Professor of History Dan Thorp. The theme, “In Defense of Liberty and Patriotism,” will be common to their remarks.

Tommy Moore, Botetourt Clerk of the Circuit Court will be Master of Ceremonies. The event will take place primarily indoors in a large, air-conditioned assembly hall on the ground floor of the adjoining county administration building. The Col. William Preston Memorial is on a site adjoining the Botetourt County Administrative Building in Greenfield, near Roanoke. The permanent granite stone Memorial was constructed recently as an SAR chapter project.

Col. Preston was a founder of Botetourt County and a distinguished Patriot who led Virginia Militia under Nathanael Greene in North Carolina. Appointed Colonel of the Montgomery County Militia by the Continental Congress in 1781, William Preston marched with 350 riflemen from Botetourt and Washington counties to South Carolina to fight the British at Alamance River and Wetzell’s Mill. William Preston died on June 27, 1783, at the age of 53.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Daniel, Geisinger, Hall, Phillips, Schwetke, Weyler.

See News Report of the event here:

www.wdbj7.com/2022/06/11/col-william-preston-memorial-dedicated-botetourt-county/



COL. WILLIAM PRESTON MEMORIAL

BORN IN LIMAVADDY IRELAND DEC 25 1729
IMMIGRATED TO AUGUSTA CO VA 1738
ESTABLISHED GREENFIELD PLANTATION 1759
MOVED TO SMITHFIELD PLANTATION 1773
DIED NEAR PRICE'S FORK VA 1783

LAND HOLDER
SURVEYOR
PEACE MAKER
POLITICIAN
COLONIAL OFFICER









Colonel William Preston Memorial, Daleville.

June 11th 2022, Saturday (11:00 am) - Commemoration of the Virginia Declaration of Rights

Event Level: Chapter

Host/POC: George Mason Chapter VASSAR/Ken Morris.

Location: Mason Family Cemetery Gunston Hall, 10709 Gunston Road, Lorton, VA 22079.

Firing Event: Yes

Event Color Guard Commander: Corey.

Heat Index: 72F

Details: The Commemoration of the Virginia Declaration of Rights authored by George Mason and Adopted on June 12, 1776 by the Virginia Constitutional Convention will take place in the form of a wreath laying at the tomb of George Mason. This document contained points that were used by Thomas Jefferson in the first ten amendments to the U. S. Declaration of Independence less than a month later on July 4, 1776. Immediate Past VASSAR President Jeff Thomas will attend the ceremony.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Bonner, Carrigan, Christensen, Cordes, Corey,

Davenport, Morris, Robinson, B.Schwoerer.
VASSAR YouTube video at: youtu.be/_QinIKuNSoo



Gunston Hall (built 1759)

June 11th 2022, Saturday (7:00 am) - Honor Flight Top of Virginia Opening Ceremony

Event Level: National

Host/POC: Col James Wood II Chapter VASSAR/Dale Corey.

Location: Shenandoah University, Winchester, VA.

Firing Event: No

Heat Index: N/A - Indoors

Details: Colonel James Wood II Chapter along with the Sgt Maj John Champe and Culpeper Minutemen Chapters of the Virginia Society Sons of the American Revolution participated in an opening ceremony for the Honor Flight conducted by Honor Flight - Top of Virginia (HFTV). HFTV is a hub of the Honor Flight Network created to honor America's Veterans for their sacrifices. They serve the Shenandoah Valley, Loudoun County and beyond with top priority to senior veterans along with those that are terminally ill. They transport the veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit the various memorials on the mall and then are taken to Arlington National Cemetery to watch the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. The Top of Virginia conducts three flights a year. The remaining trip for 2022 will be from Harrisonburg on 24 Sep. They accept applications from veterans who served prior to 1975.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Bonner, Corey, Daniel, Ford, Phillips, Robinson, Schwetke, Sink, St Jacques, Tyler.







June 4th 2022, Saturday (11:00 am) – 241st Commemoration of Wayne's Crossing

Event Level: State

Host/POC: Fairfax Resolves Chapter, Virginia SAR/Wm Forrest Crain.

Location: Spirit of Loudoun Revolutionary War Memorial, Loudoun County Courthouse, 18 E Market Street, Leesburg, VA 20176

Firing Event: No

Event Color Guard Commander: Schmidt.

Heat Index: 79F

Details: This is a Chapter level event, hosted by the Fairfax Resolves Chapter and commemorating the crossing of the Potomac River by General Anthony Wayne's army on **31 May 1781**. The army passed through Leesburg on **3 June 1781** en route to joining General Lafayette.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Bonner, Cook, Cordes, Corey, Crain, Huxsoll, Schmidt, B. Schwoerer, Simmons, Thomas.



Wayne's Crossing VASSAR Ceremony
