



Sons of the American Revolution

Ohio Society

Organized April 22, 1889

Color Guard Commander's Activity Report

Fall Board of Management

October 17, 2020

Activities Reported By Chapters:

June 27th: The Northeastern Ohio Chapter participated in a combined Color Guard with the City of Cuyahoga Falls Police & Fire Departments to commemorate a new monument to patriot Simeon Prior and his wife, Katharine at the Harrington Cemetery in Cuyahoga Falls.*

July 4th: The Cincinnati Chapter held a Patriot Grave Marking Ceremony at the Sycamore Township Memorial Cemetery in Cincinnati to commemorate a new memorial stone to six patriots: John Ferris, Isaac Ferris, Mathias Felter, Gershom Hubbell, Adam Lee, and William Neves).*

July 4th: The Hocking Valley Chapter Color Guard participated in the 2nd Annual Reading of the Declaration of Independence, hosted by the Hocking Hills Liberty Camp for Kids in Logan.*

July 4th: The Mahoning Valley Chapter Color Guard participated in an impromptu Independence Day Parade when the official Poland, Ohio parade was cancelled.*

August 28th: Members of the Hocking Valley Chapter Color Guard and State Society Chaplain Ed Bonniwell of the Cincinnati Chapter traveled to Mount Gilead and awarded terminally ill compatriot Patrick Kelly of the Centennial Chapter the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal and Army Colonel Chaplain's insignia.*

August 15th: Various OHSSAR Chapters participated, as individuals and in groups, as Color Guard members and presenting wreaths in the virtual segments of the 238th Anniversary of the Battle of Blue Licks, KY.

October 10th: Various OHSSAR Chapters participated, as individuals and in groups, as Color Guard members and presenting wreaths in the virtual segments of the Point Pleasant Battle Days Ceremony, WV.

State Color Guard Events:

September 12th: A Patriot's Day triple grave marking event was hosted by the Northwest Territory Chapter in Allen County at three separate cemeteries honoring patriots Joseph DeFord, William Rodgers, and Simon Cochrun. This event was also reported in the latest edition of the SAR Color Guardsman e-magazine.

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October 5th: An SAR vigil in Cardington, and an SAR graveside service with Color Guard and musket salute in Lexington, Ohio was performed for compatriot Patrick Kelly, who passed away September 28th.

Awards:

Bronze Color Guard Medals: Congratulations to George H. Stewart Jr., and Gregory D. Ballman, both of the Cincinnati Chapter who were approved on July 7th, 2020.

Silver Color Guard Medals: Names of three (3) Hocking Valley Chapter members were submitted to the National Color Guard Commander and are awaiting final approval for Charles S. Bundy, Jeffrey N. Walt, and Alan T. Gummere.

Respectfully Submitted,

William Robert Hill
OHSSAR Color Guard Commander

*All these noted activities were accepted with photos and captions in the latest edition of the SAR Color Guardsman e-magazine.

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