



## August 2023

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### August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Saturday (11:00 am) – Battle of Long Island (Brooklyn Heights), Brooklyn, NY

**Event Level:** National

**Host/POC:** ESSSAR / Robert Meyer, [robert.meyer29@gmail.com](mailto:robert.meyer29@gmail.com)

**Location:** The Old Stone House, 3<sup>rd</sup> St. ad 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Brooklyn, NY.

**Firing Event:** No

**Heat Index:** 83F

**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:** Unk.

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### August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Saturday (11:00 am) - Grave Marking for Lt. George Kilgour, Herndon, VA

**Event Level:** Chapter

**Host/POC:** Fairfax Resolves Chapter VASSAR / Dave Cook, [cook006new@yahoo.com](mailto:cook006new@yahoo.com)

**Location:** Chestnut Grove Cemetery, 831 Dranesville Road, Herndon, VA.

**Firing Event:** No (changed)

**Event Color Guard Commander:** Schmidt.

**Heat Index:** 99F (peak)

**Details:** Lt. George Kilgour was a member of the Loudoun County Militia. He also provided supplies during the Revolutionary War. He was a mill operator and owned the land at the intersection of Rt 28 and Nokes Blvd; the land on which the Kilgour/Hummer Cemetery was located. The cemetery operated from 1770 to 1884 but was declared abandoned in 1962. Development in the area caused VDOT to move the graves to the present location. Of the 47 remains moved, only those of Lt. George Kilgour and his wife, Martina Bailey, are known. Registration

Link: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdPQbSO02fQsfnkAX4OSjiMJ5zF2-bNeUbpFZJDYpINTQVZPQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdPQbSO02fQsfnkAX4OSjiMJ5zF2-bNeUbpFZJDYpINTQVZPQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

**Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees:** Bonner, Carrigan, Christensen, Cook, Cordes, Corey, F.Crain, M.Crain, Daniel, Ford, McComb, Morris, Osborn, Schmidt, B.Schwetke, B.Schwoerer, Sink, Wilson.



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**August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, Wednesday (10:00 am) – Armed Forces Flag Ceremony, Tazewell, VA**

**Event Level:** Chapter

**Host/POC:** Gen. William Campbell Chapter VASSAR / John Gullion.

**Location:** Salem VA Medical Center, 388 Ben Bolt Ave., Tazewell, VA.

**Firing Event:** No

**Event Color Guard Commander:** Johnson.

**Details:** Color Guard to honor Veterans.

**Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees:** Britton, Combs, Johnson, Shaver.



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**August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023, Tuesday (7:30 am) – Virginia Commission 250th Meeting, Roanoke, VA**

**Event Level: Public Service**

**Host/POC:** Virginia 250th Commission / Eric Monday

**Location:** Roanoke Hotel, 110 Shenandoah Ave., Roanoke, VA.

**Firing Event:** No

**Event Color Guard Commander:** Hall.

**Details:** Virginia 250th Commission has requested a VASSAR Color Guard to open its meeting at the Roanoke Hotel at 7:30 am. Gary Hall will bring all required flags. Militia attire preferred.

**Virginia SAR Color Guard attendees:** Day, Geisinger, Hall, Spangler.

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**August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Saturday (12:00 pm) – 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:** Thompson

**Heat Index:** 84F

**Details:** The Colors will be paraded on the first of a two-day Native American cultural celebration, including music, dance, food, and crafts. The Pow Wow is located at the end of Pembroke Lane, which runs off Godwin Boulevard (across from Oakland Elementary School) in the Chuckatuck area of Suffolk. Link to the event here: [Nansemond Pow Wow 2023](#)

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



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**August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Saturday (10:00 am) – 241<sup>st</sup> Anniversary 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**

**Heat Index: 75F**

**Details:** The Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution hosts the Memorial Service for the 241<sup>st</sup> Battle of Blue Licks anniversary. Details on the reception, ceremony and summer meeting will be provided. See flyer here for info on accommodations: [Event flyer.](#)

Anyone interested in presenting a wreath or participating in the color guard should contact Scott Giltner at [stgilt@earthlink.net](mailto:stgilt@earthlink.net) no later than August 11. Please indicate if you will be bringing your state flag. Color guard participants are requested to muster at 9:00 a.m. at the monument on the day of the ceremony, which will include firelock safety checks. Additional details and various registrations may be found at this link: [Blue Licks](#). There will also be a Sunday (next day) grave marking ceremony at 11:00 am (click here for the flyer) [Grave marking](#)

**Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees:** Daniel, O'Kelley, Phillips.

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**August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Thursday (3:00 pm) - Veterans Appreciation, Ruritan Fairgrounds, Berryville, VA**

**Event Level: Chapter**

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

**Location:** Clarke County Ruritan Fairgrounds, 890 West Main Street, Berryville, VA.

**Firing Event:** No

**Event Color Guard Commander:** Osborn.

**Heat Index:** 88F

**Details:** VASSAR will present the Colors at 3:00 pm. This is the second time we have been asked to participate in this annual fairground event honoring Veterans.

**Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees:** Cridge, Daniel, Osborn, M.Robinson, B.Schwetke, Tyler.

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### **August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Saturday (2:00 pm) - Reading of the Declaration of Independence, Leesburg, VA**

**Event Level:** Chapter

**Host/POC:** Sgt Maj John Champe Chapter VASSAR / Schwoerer.

**Location:** Loudoun County Courthouse, Spirit of Loudoun Rev War Memorial, 18 East Market St., Leesburg, VA.

**Firing Event:** No

**Event Color Guard Commander:** Schwoerer.

**Heat Index:** 104F (peak)

**Details:** On August 12, 1776, the Declaration of Independence was read from Leesburg's original court building doorway. The SMJC Chapter will re-enact the reading near the old Courthouse steps, near the SPIRIT OF LOUDOUN Revolutionary War Memorial. SAR, DAR Chapters, CAR Societies, and other Patriotic/Revolutionary focused societies are invited to present wreaths and bring their flags to help honor a pivotal document in the history of the United States.

Note: Color Guard muster at 10:15 am. The chapter has US, VA, 250th, and Chapter flags.

No muskets, please.

**Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees:** Christensen, Daniel, Schmidt, B.Schwoerer, J.Schwoerer, Sink, Wilson, Workman.

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### **August 11<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Friday-Saturday - Atlantic Middle States Association (AMSA) Tarrytown, NY**

**Event Level:** District

**Host/POC:** ESSSAR / Tim Middlebrook, [tmiddlesar@gmail.com](mailto:tmiddlesar@gmail.com)

**Location:** Sleepy Hollow Hotel and Conference Center, 455 South Broadway, Tarrytown, NY.

**District Color Guard Commander:** David Hoover.

**Details:** Following link provides additional information on the conference: [AMSA Conference](#) Click here for the [brochure](#). **UPDATE** (click here): [Information](#)

**Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees:** Badamo, Bonner, Cook, Crain, Kelly, Melhuish, Morris, Osborn, B.Schwetke, Thomas, Weyler.



Photo: Tom Roth

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**August 7th, 2023, Monday (09:30-11:30 am) - Summer Youth Camp Presentation, Virginia Beach, VA**

**Event Level: Chapter**

**Host/POC:** Norfolk Chapter VASSAR / Bob Bruce.

**Location:** Military Aviation Museum, 1341 Princess Anne Rd., Virginia Beach, VA.

**Firing Event: Yes**

**Event Color Guard Commander:** Thompson.

**Details:** This is a repeat of last year. Kimball Thompson, Pat Hannum, and Bob Bruce will make classroom presentations to summer campers at the museum. Kimball will be in Revolutionary militia attire and discuss the uniform and musket. The team will then go outside and Kimball will demonstrate the firing of the musket with commands. The team will then go back to the classroom where Pat Hannum will talk about the Revolutionary War and events that occurred in Princess Anne County and Great Bridge.

**Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees:** Thompson.



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**August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, Tuesday (10:00 am) - Presentation of Colors, 108th Annual Conference on Weights and Measures, Norfolk, VA**

**Event Level: Public Service**

**Host/POC:** National Conference on Weights and Measures/Elisa Stritt.

**Location:** Norfolk Waterside Marriott, 235 E.Main St., Norfolk, VA.

**Firing Event:** **No**

**Event Color Guard Commander:** Melhuish.

**Heat Index:** **N/A** (indoors)

**Details:** The National Conference on Weights and Measures is a 110-year-old organization responsible for developing the United States' weights and measures standards used in commerce. These are published and voluntarily adopted by the states for uniform enforcement purposes. The NCWM is having its 108th Annual Meeting in Norfolk, with the General Session taking place on Tuesday, 8/1/2023. The VASSAR CG has been asked to present the Colors. Valet parking will be paid for those attending. Breakfast and coffee offered from 8:30 am - 9 am. [Color Guard muster at 8:15](#). Conference room is on the ground floor to the right of the hotel lobby.

**Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees:** Brown, Melhuish, Thompson.

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