



December 18th, 2022, Sunday (1:00 pm) - Wreaths Across America - Front Royal

Event Level: National

Host/POC: Boy Scout Troop #4/Jim Naccash. Co-host Col. James Wood II Chapter

VASSAR/Dale Corey.

Location: Prospect Hill Cemetery, 200 W. Prospect St., Front Royal, VA.

Firing Event: Yes

Event Color Guard Commander: Corey. **Details:** This will be held with the Boy Scouts.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Carrigan, Christensen, Corey, Daniel, Dennis,

Jameson, Moore, Reynolds, B.Schwetke, Tyler.



December 18th, 2022, Sunday (11:00 am) - Wreaths Across America - Culpeper

Event Level: National

Host/POC: Culpeper Minutemen Chapter VASSAR/Jameson.

Location: Culpeper National Cemetery, 305 U.S. Ave., Culpeper, VA.

Firing Event: Yes

Event Color Guard Commander: Schwetke.

Details: Muster time is 10:45 am.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Cook, Dennis, Jameson, Schwetke.

December 17th, 2022, Saturday (11:00 am) - Wreaths Across America - Loudoun County

Event Level: National

Host/POC: Ketocin Chapter VADAR and co-hosted with Col James Wood II and Sgt. Maj. John Champe VASSAR Chapters.

Locations: (1) Ketocin Baptist Church, 16595 Ketoctin Church Road, Purcellville, VA. (2) North Hill Baptist Church, 38130 North Fork, Purcellville, VA.

Firing Event: Yes (x2)

Event Color Guard Commander: Osborn.

Details: Color Guard muster at 10:15 am for the first event. Firing at both cemeteries. **Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees**: Bonner, Christensen, Cordes, Corey, Daniel, Osborn, Reynolds, B.Schwoerer, Tyler.



December 16th, 2022, Friday (11:00 am) Wreaths Across America - North Hill

Event Level: National

Host/POC: Ketocin Chapter VADAR/Kecia Brown. Co-hosted by Col. James Wood II

and Sgt Maj. John Champe VASSAR Chapters.

Location: North Hill, Clarke County, VA.

Firing Event: Yes

Event Color Guard Commander: Corey.

Details: Wreaths Across America at North Hill, Clarke County with Ketoctin DAR

Chapter. This will be conducted on Friday.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Corey, Daniel, Osborn, B.Schwetke,

B.Schwoerer, Tyler.

Wreaths Across America

These Color Guard Events all count as a National Level Event for <u>Silver Color Guard</u> or Von Steuben Medal credit.

Event Level: National Host/POC: Various

Location: Various locations.

December 11th, 2022, Sunday (10:00 am) - Wreath Laying at Trenton Battle Monument

Event Level: National ("Ten Crucial Days")

Host/POC: Princeton Chapter NJSSAR/Roger Williams.

Location: Trenton Battle Monument, 350 N. Warren St., Trenton, NJ

Firing Event: TBC

Details: Color Guard muster at 9:30 am. Parking is along North Warren Street or at the Greater Zion-Mount AME Church 42 Pennington Rd., Trenton NJ 08618 (Directions: click here)

Color Guard RSVP: Click here.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees:

December 11th, 2022, Sunday (3:30 pm) - Wreath Laying at Washington Crossing Historic Park

Event Level: National ("Ten Crucial Days")

Host/POC: Princeton Chapter NJSSAR/Roger Williams.

Location: Washington Crossing Historic Park, 1112 River St., Washington Crossing,

PA 18997.

Firing Event: TBC

Details: Color Guard Muster 3:00 pm at the Washington Monument in front of the

Visitors Center. Directions, click here

Parking signs will direct you to just north of the Visitor Center at the "Valley of

Concentration" Parking Lot (Directions: click here)

Color Guard, RSVP <u>please click here.</u>
Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees:

December 10-11, 2022, and January 7-8, 2023 - Traversing the Ten Crucial Days

Event Level: National

Host/POC: Princeton Chapter NJSSAR/Roger Williams

Location: Various.

Details: See attached flyer.



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December 9th, 2022, Friday (7:30 am) - Culpeper Commemoration of Battle of Great Bridge

Event Level: Chapter

Host/POC: Culpeper Minutemen Chapter VASSAR

Location: Culpeper Minuteman Monument, Yowell Meadow Park, Culpeper, VA.

Firing Event: Yes

Event Color Guard Commander: TBC

Details:

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Cook, Daniel, Dennis, Hamill, Jameson,

Robinson, Schwetke.

December 4th, 2022, Sunday (5 pm) - Gold Star Family Gala

Event Level: Public Service

Host/POC: Honor and Remember Organization / George Lutz, founder. and Gold Star

father.

VASSAR POC: Melhuish.

Location: The Founder's Inn, 5641 Indian River Rd., Virginia Beach, VA.

Firing event: No

Event Color Guard Commander: Schwetke.

Details: The VASSAR Color Guard has supported this annual public service event for more than a decade. It is held each year to honor and remember our fallen servicemen and women at the Gold Star Family Gala. This event is normally attended by several

hundred people. Only a small Color Guard is usually provided: two musket men, and two flag bearers (US and the Honor & Remember flags). This year we would also like to add fife and drummer to the team. Looking for a good point of contact on this last

The NSSAR President General's June 29th, 2010 Resolution (see below) stated in part. "...be it resolved that the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution supports legislation to establish a unique national flag to honor and remember those who have given their lives in military service for our great nation, the United States of America...and it further resolved that the United States Congress is urged to adopt House of Representatives Bill 1034 to select the 'Honor and Remember Flag' which has been created by Honor and Remember, Incorporated, to serve as a national symbol."

VASSAR Color Guard Attendees: Lynch, Melhuish, Schwetke, Thompson.



RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE "HONOR AND REMEMBER FLAG AS AN OFFICIAL SYMBOL CREATED TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO HAVE DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY, AND IN SUPPORT OF EFFORTS URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ADOPT THIS FLAG AS A NATIONAL SYMBOL.

WHEREAS, since the Revolutionary War, more than one million members of the United States Armed Forces have sacrificed their lives in the line of duty to preserve American freedom, and

WHEREAS, there is no greater love of country exhibited than by those who would lay down their lives for their fellow men and women, and

WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of those fallen members of our Armed Forces is deserving of national recognition, and

WHEREAS, there is presently no officially recognized symbol to acknowledge and honor embers of our Armed Forces who have died in the line of duty, and

WHEREAS, Congressman J. Randy Forbes has introduced House of Representatives Bill 1034, which proposes to amend Chapter 9 of Title 36 of the United States Code to designate the "Honor and Remember Flag" created by Honor and Remember, Incorporated of Chesapeake, Virginia as an official symbol to recognize and honor members of our Armed Forces who have died in the line of duty, and

WHEREAS, the "Honor and Remember Flag" will serve as a symbol of national gratitude for all members of the Armed Forces who have given their lives for our freedom, as a perpetual reminder for all Americans to acknowledge the ultimate price of freedom, and will offer solace and comfort to the families who have lost loved ones in military service.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the National Society Sons of the American Revolution supports legislation to establish a unique national flag to honor and remember those who have given their lives in military service for our great nation, the United States of America.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the United States Congress is hereby urged to adopt House of Representatives Bill 1034 to select the "Honor and Remember Flag" which has been created by Honor and Remember, Incorporated to serve as a national symbol.

Adopted this 29th day of June, 2010

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December 4th, 2022, Sunday (Time TBA) - Middletown Annual Christmas Parade

Event Level: Chapter

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

Location: Middletown, VA.

Firing Event: No

Details: The VASSAR float will be provided by the Sqt. Maj. John Champe

Chapter. Meet-up instructions to follow.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Christensen, Corey, Daniel, M.Robinson.

December 3rd, 2022, Sunday (5:00 pm) - 55th Abingdon Annual Christmas Parade

Event Level: Chapter

Host/POC: Parade is organized the Kiwanis Club of Abingdon. VASSAR POC/John

Gullion

Location: Abingdon, VA.

Firing event: No

Event Color Guard Commander: Johnson.

Details: General William Campbell Chapter VASSAR and Blacks Fort Chapter NSDAR will participate in the parade. The 55th Annual Abingdon Christmas Parade is organized

by the Kiwanis Club for the Town of Abingdon and sponsored by Bart Long &

Associates Realty and Auction, LLC. Staging for the parade begins at 4:30pm on Main Street between Hutton Street (Farris Funeral Home) and Tanner Street. Please enter the staging area on East Main Street near Hutton Street. Do not park on Main Street in front of Frost Funeral Home (even if you've always parked there). The Clydesdale horses need that room to get up the hill.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Britton, Gullion, Johnson.

December 3rd, 2022, Saturday (11:00 am) - 247th Commemoration of the Battle of Great Bridge

Event Level: National

Host/POC: Norfolk Chapter VASSAR/Robert Bruce

Location: Chesapeake City Hall, 306 Cedar Rd., Chesapeake, Virginia 23322

Firing Event: No

Color Guard Commander: Thompson.

Details: Event organizers have shifted the venue indoors due to predicted rain. The new venue is the Council Chamber, Chesapeake City Hall. Enter through the front entrance and proceed across the foyer and take the corridor on the fall left hand side.

- Guardsmen muster in the Chamber no later than 10:15 am. Please make allowance for the distance from the parking lot(s) to City Hall (easy walk).
- Due to the indoor set up, only the Color Guard will carry/present Colors (i.e., US; NI, VA; NC).
- Any other flags will be pre-positioned in flag stands along the Chamber's wall (no spare stands, so bring a stand for your flag).
- The original guest speaker (General Zinni, USMC (Ret.)) has canceled his appearance due to unforeseen circumstances.
- Only four wreaths will be presented. Each wreath presenter will be escorted by a Guardsman.

This event commemorates the Battle of Great Bridge, fought December 9, 1775 in the area of Great Bridge, Virginia, early in the American Revolutionary War. The victory by colonial Virginia militia forces led to the departure of Royal Governor Lord Dunmore and any remaining vestiges of British power over the Colony of Virginia during the early days of the conflict. Following increasing political and military tensions in early 1775, both Dunmore and colonial rebel leaders recruited troops and engaged in a struggle for available military supplies. The struggle eventually focused on Norfolk, where Dunmore had taken refuge aboard a Royal Navy vessel. Dunmore's forces had fortified one side of a critical river crossing south of Norfolk at Great Bridge, while rebel forces had occupied the other side. In an attempt to break up the rebel gathering, Dunmore ordered an attack across the bridge, which was decisively repulsed. Colonel William Woodford, the Virginia militia commander at the battle, described it as "a second Bunker's Hill affair". Shortly thereafter, Norfolk, at the time a Loyalist center, was abandoned by Dunmore and the Tories, who fled to navy ships in the harbor. Rebeloccupied Norfolk was destroyed on January 1, 1776, in an action begun by Dunmore and completed by rebel forces.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Badamo, Cook, Daniel, Dennis, Hodges, Jameson, Melhuish, Morris, Robinson, Schwetke, B.Schwoerer, Thompson. North Carolina SAR Color Guard Attendees: DeLoach, Elliott, Tate. C.A.R.: Wajciechowski.

