



January 2023

January 28th, 2023, Saturday (8:00-11:00 am) – 242nd Commemoration of the Battle of Cowan's Ford

Event Level: National

Host/POC: Mecklenburg Chapter NCSSAR/

Location: Hopewell Presbyterian Church, 10500 Beatties Ford Rd, Huntersville, NC 28078.

Firing Event: Yes

Details: Color guard details to follow. The Battle of Cowan's Ford was fought on February 1, 1781, at Cowan's Ford on the Catawba River in northwestern Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, between a force of about 5,000 British and fewer than a thousand Americans who were attempting to slow the British advance across the river. The American general William Lee Davidson was killed in this battle.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: None

January 21st, 2023, Saturday (1:00 pm) – Peter Muhlenberg Commemoration

Event Level: State

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

Location: Shenandoah County Courthouse, 103 Main Street, Woodstock, VA.

Firing Event: No

Event Color Guard Commander: Corey.

Details: Peter Muhlenberg was an ordained Anglican pastor serving a Lutheran community in Woodstock, VA. Besides his new congregation, he led the Committee of Safety and Correspondence for Dunmore County, Virginia. He was elected to the House of Burgesses in 1774 and was a delegate to the First Virginia Convention. Toward the end of 1775, Muhlenberg was authorized to raise and command the 8th Virginia Regiment of the Continental Army. After George Washington personally asked him to accept this task, he agreed. However, his brother Fredrick Augustus Muhlenberg, a minister, disapproved of him going into the army until the British burned down his own church in front of him. Then he joined the military himself. According to a biography written by his great-nephew in the mid-19th century, on January 21, 1776, in the Lutheran church in Woodstock, Virginia, Reverend Muhlenberg took his sermon text from the third chapter Ecclesiastes, which starts with "To everything, there is a season..."; after reading the eighth verse, "a time of war, and a time of peace," he declared, "And this is the time of war," removing his clerical robe to reveal his Colonel's uniform. Outside the church door, the drums began to roll as men turned to kiss their wives and then walked down the aisle to enlist, and within half an hour, 162 men were enrolled. The next day he led 300 men from the county to form the nucleus of the 8th Virginia Regiment.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Bayliss, Bonner, Christensen, Cook, Corey, Crain, Daniel, Hall, Hamill, Johnson, E.Moore, P.Moore, Morris, Osborn, Parmerter,

Phillips, Reynolds, E.Robinson, M.Robinson, Schwetke, Simmons, St.Jacques, Tyler, Van Deusen, Weyler.



January 25th, 2023, Wednesday (1:00 pm) – Compatriot Grave Marking for Col. Jack Sweeney, USA Ret.

Event Level: Chapter

Host/POC: Fairfax Resolves Chapter VASSAR/David Cook

Location: Arlington National Cemetery

Details: On Wednesday 25 January, the Fairfax Resolves Chapter attended the funeral of friend and compatriot Colonel John “Jack” Eldridge Sweeney, USA Ret. at Arlington National Cemetery (ANC). The ceremony was conducted by the U.S. Army’s 3rd Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard). It began at 1:00 PM at the Old Post Chapel in Fort Meyer.

Despite inclement weather (constant rain) the ceremony was well attended. Attendees included Jack’s immediate family; numbers of Jack’s Vietnam unit, Company A, 3rd Battalion, 22nd Infantry, 4th Infantry Division; friends from his time at the Defense intelligence Agency; members of the Sons of the American Revolution and Daughters of the American Revolution; among others. Representatives of the Fairfax Resolves Chapter, in consideration of the family’s wishes, ANC regulations, and the inclement weather, decided to move the SAR’s graveside ceremony to the reception at Patton Hall. Col. Sweeney’s widow was presented with the Gold Roger Sherman medal and certificate which was issued in recognition of Jack Sweeney’s long service to the Fairfax Resolves, the Virginia State Society and to the National Society Sons of the American Revolution.

Virginia SAR Attendees: Cook, Crain, McKinley, Schwetke.



January 21st, 2023, Saturday (09:00-11:00 am) – Regional Color Guard Workshop

Event Level: Chapter

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

Location: Wayside Inn, 7783 Main St., Middletown, Va.

Firing event: Yes

Event Color Guard Commander: TBA

Details:

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Bayliss, Bonner, Buck, Christensen, Cook, Corey, Crain, Daniel, Hall, Osborn. Parmenter, Phillips, Reynolds, E,Robinson, M.Robinson, St. Jacques, Tyler, Van Deusen.

January 17th, 2023, Tuesday (10:00 am) – 242nd Commemoration of the Battle of Cowpens

Event Level: National

Host/POC: Daniel Morgan Chapter SCSSAR/

Location: 4001 Chesnee Highway, Gaffney, SC 29341.

Firing Event: Yes (NPS restrictions apply)

Details: The Battle of Cowpens was an engagement during the American Revolutionary War fought on January 17, 1781, between American Colonial forces under Brigadier General Daniel Morgan and British forces under Lieutenant Colonel Banastre Tarleton, as part of the campaign in the Carolinas (North and South). For more information and registration, please click on the link to the form below.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Morris, Osborn.

[Cowpens Registration and Information](#)

January 14th, 2023, Saturday (1:00 pm) – 242nd Commemoration of the Battle of Cowpens at Daniel Morgan’s Gravesite, Winchester, VA

Event Level: Chapter

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

Location: Mt. Hebron Cemetery, 305 E. Boscawen St., Winchester, VA.

Firing Event: Yes

Event Color Guard Commander: Osborn.

Details: Color Guard muster at 12:15 pm. Bring indoor flag stands and outdoor stakes. Dress warmly.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Baylis, Bonner, Buck, Christensen, Cook, Cordes, Corey, Crain Daniel, Osborn, Parmerter, E.Robinson, M.Robinson, Schwetke, Simmons, St Jacques, Tyler, Weyler.



January 8th, 2023, Sunday (2:30 pm) – Wreath Laying – Battle of Assunpink Creek

Event Level: National

Host/POC: NJSSAR/Richard Serfass.

Location: Mill Hill Park, East Front Street, South Broad St., Trenton, NJ 08608.

Firing event: No

Details: Commemorative Wreath Laying as part of the Ten Crucial Days Campaign.

For specific details, click on the link below or call Roger S. Williams at 609-389-5657.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Adams, Bonner, Christensen, Daniel, Kelley, Osborn, Phillips, M. Robinson, B.Schwoerer.

[Ten Crucial Days](#)



January 8th, 2023, Sunday (11:30 am) – Wreath Laying – Battle of Princeton

Event Level: National

Host/POC: NJSSAR/Richard Serfass.

Location: Princeton Battlefield, 500 Mercer St., Princeton, NJ 08540.

Firing event: No

Details: Commemorative Wreath Laying as part of the Ten Crucial Days Campaign. Color Guard muster no later than 11:00 am. [For specific details, click on the link below](#) or call Roger S. Williams at 609-389-5657.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Adams, Bonner, Christensen, Daniel, Kelley, Osborn, Phillips, M. Robinson, B.Schwoerer.

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