



# Cincinnati PATRIOT

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## Ohio Society President James D. Schaffer Completes his Term



The Cincinnati Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution is proud of our Compatriot Jim Schaffer who just completed his term in office as the President of the Ohio Society of SAR. His tenure is now identified by a remarkable set of accomplishments that include setting the benchmark for productive BOM Meetings, identifying a monumental flaw in the financing for the Society's Life Membership funding, then leading a repair with attributes acceptable to all and replacing the previous Ohio Society Event Insurance Coverage with a plan that will actually provide protection to compatriots during our events. He expanded the participation in the Society's Committees in both breadth and depth, developing an updated set of measurements and standards for most, with a plan of action to address the remaining committees.

Jim's "hands on" approach to President enabled him to place his mark on a significant number of Chapters across the state, achieving a model that could only enhance SAR at all levels, National, State and Chapter. He even led the formation and creation of Ohio's newest Highlanders Chapter in the areas east of Clermont County.

Congratulations Jim for an excellent job!

MBG

## May Honor Flight Return at CVG on May 17, 2016

Michael Gunn, Michael Blum and Gerald Knight

Attended the 2<sup>nd</sup> Honor Flight of 2016 return from their trip to Washington, D.C. where Veterans were honored for their service by an

applauding crowd of well wishers as they crossed through a posting of colors and active military personnel from an Army unit.





## ROTC Awards Presented



Michael Gunn presented Cadet Clayton Orsburn the SAR Bronze Color Guard Certificate and Medal at the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Marine Corps Junior ROTC Honors Night Ceremony at Holmes High School, 2500 Madison Avenue, Covington, KY, 41014 on May 13.

Company Commander Major Paul Wilson proudly looks on.



"On the evening of May 12th,

the Ripley High School presented their US Marine Corps JROTC Awards Program. Pictured is program director Col. James Clark standing by as Cadet Lt. Col. Charity York receives the SAR JROTC Recognition Award and Medal, presented to her by SAR Compatriot Ian Cunningham. Ripley High School is a small school, but big on success, and it is always thrilling to see the young students rewarded for their achievements."



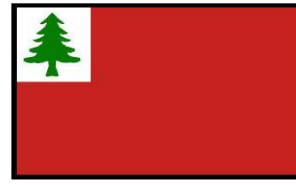
## CCSAR at a Special Grave Marking in Brush Creek,

**Tennessee** The Cincinnati Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution (CCSAR) joined the Tennessee Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (TNSSAR) through its Lieutenant William P. Quarles Chapter in Carthage, TN which hosted and sponsored a formal Grave Marking Ceremony in Carthage on May 7, 2016. Guests at this event included many members of the Tennessee & Ohio Society SAR and DAR including many direct descendants of the Revolutionary War Patriot, Turner Lee Wilkerson.

The ceremony included:

- An unveiling of the Patriot's Headstone recently provided by the Veteran's Administration as well as granite Patriot Marker presented by the SAR
- The State Color Guards of both Tennessee and Ohio Societies were to present the colors and provide a musket salute in honor of Patriot Wilkerson's service during the American





Revolution beginning in 1775 and ending in 1782.

• Representatives of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Smith County Historical Society were also in attendance.

The event was on May 7, 2016 at 2:00 PM at the Wilkerson Family Cemetery located at 47 Tisdale Hallow Road in Bluff Creek. The cemetery is located on the old family farm that was settled in the autumn of 1816.



Turner Lee Wilkerson, enlisted in the First Virginia Regiment in 1775 from Henrico County, Virginia. He served in the company that was led by Captain John Fleming of Gooch- land County, in the regiment that was commanded by Colonel Patrick Henry. In December 1775 he was marched from Williamsburg to what is known today as Great Bridge, Virginia a short distance from Norfolk. His Revolutionary War Pension application # S3601 details his service in the Battle at the “Long Bridge” known

today as The Battle of Great Bridge. He also participated in a number of skirmishes against Lord Dunmore’s British Forces in and around Norfolk before returning to Williamsburg, and receiving a discharge in 1776, after his yearlong enlistment.

After the war, Turner resumed the raising of his family and farming in Buckingham County, VA. From 1780 through 1801, Turner’s wife bore him nine children before she died in about 1801. Turner married his second wife Agnes Brooks on 10 August 1802 in Prince Edward County and began a second family of seven children before migrating from Prince Edward County, Virginia to Smith County, Tennessee in November 1816. He died on 19 May 1838, he was eighty years old.

He was a resident of Bluff Creek in Smith County, Tennessee. His home was surrounded by the farms of family and neighbors. He was buried in the family cemetery, in an unmarked field stone has marked his grave for over 175 years. There has been a Turner Lee Wilkerson in every generation of the Wilkerson line since 1758.



**Benjamin Franklin Wilkerson of Brush Creek Tennessee inducted into the Sons of the American Revolution by members in CCSAR on May 7, 2016 in his home.**

Turner Lee Wilkerson III is a member of CCSAR and six members of the Cincinnati based unit joined him at the Grave Marking and dedication of a new VA tombstone at the ceremony. Included in the ceremony was an induction of six members of the Wilkerson family into the SAR, but one member who is suffering from a serious illness and was unable to attend the ceremony. So at the request of Turner Lee Wilkerson III, four members of CCSAR visited Benjamin Franklin Wilkerson in Brush Creek, Tennessee and CCSAR President Michael Gunn inducted him into the SAR with Turner, Shaun Smith, Conner Smith, Turner’s wife Shari and Michael’s wife Carole present. Benjamin was visibly moved by the event.

A day well spent participating in an extraordinary set of patriotic events.

Contributed by Michael Gunn,  
Cincinnati Chapter SAR President.



## CCSAR REPRESENTED AT GEORGE ROGERS CLARK MEMORIAL SERVICE

Two Hundred and thirty-seven years ago George Rogers Clark managed to capture Fort Sackville, a British outpost where disruption of colonial expansion continued until Clark's challenges turned their foothold. These efforts eventually enabled the addition of a geographical area, larger than the original 13 colonies, to be added to the United States through the Treaty of Paris' recognition of our lands. Millions of acres west of Pennsylvania to present day Illinois and from the Ohio River north to the Great Lakes.

On Saturday, May 28, 2016 Cincinnati Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution's President Michael Gunn posted the Betsey Ross Flag and presented the Chapter's wreath at the



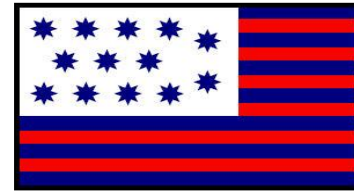
National SAR Event honoring General Clark's accomplishments. SAR classifies this memorial service as one of their National Events. The Chapter earns a streamer for their flag for such participation in this Ceremony held each year on Memorial Day weekend at Vincennes Indiana the site of Fort Sackville.

Contributed by CCSAR President Michael Gunn.

## MARIETTA MEMORIAL SERVICE

Here are a few photos from the Marietta Memorial, 2016 Service for the Patriots of the Northwest Territory.





## CCSAR Hosts a Memorial Day Ceremony at Wesleyan Cemetery

Nine Members of the Cincinnati Chapter of the sons of the American Revolution (CCSAR) attended and participated in a Memorial Day Ceremony at the Wesleyan Cemetery on Colerain Avenue in the Northside Community, Cincinnati, Ohio at 2:00 PM on May 30, 2016.



In addition to honoring our military who have died over the efforts to maintain the freedom and liberties we've come to enjoy here in these United States of America, we re-dedicated a Granite Memorial the chapter placed here last year naming the 18 Revolutionary Patriots who were buried at this cemetery.

After the Chapter Color Guard under the direction of Michael Gunn posted two National Flags, the State of Ohio, the SAR Flag and the new Cincinnati Chapter colors we were led in a pledge to the flag by Compatriot Jim Houston. The Pledge to the SAR led by Compatriot Lee Wilkerson and an invocation from our Chaplain Ken Carpenter. The emcee Michael Gunn shared special greetings and remarks defining the intention of the day's service.

Patriot Jack Bredenfoerder read the list of Patriots on the Memorial, with a bell chimed by Compatriot Ken Burck for each name. A ceremonial wreath was placed at the Memorial by Compatriot Gregg Ballman, then a Firelock Salute by Compatriots Brad Jarard & Lee Wilkerson was followed by Compatriot Michael Blum. The service ended with a Benediction from Chaplain Carpenter.

Even-though the grass in the cemetery was long, and the general maintenance and physical conditions were marginal in comparison to most others in Hamilton County, the spirit of those who attended supported respect due the Patriots honored. More than a dozen other visitors to Wesleyan Cemetery were as pleased as we are with our service, and just as unhappy about the quality of care absent this location.



### 2016 COMING CHAPTER EVENTS

Sun June 12 <sup>th</sup>	CCSAR Flag Day Luncheon
Sat June 18 <sup>th</sup>	Miller Flag Presentation @ Clough Valley DAR
Fri June 24 <sup>th</sup>	Naturalization at U.S. District Court, Room 842, 2 pm
Fri July 1 <sup>st</sup>	Maderia Independence Day Parade, 7pm
Mon July 4 <sup>th</sup>	Liberty Township Independence Day Parade, 10am
Fri July 8 <sup>th</sup>	Naturalization at U.S. District Court, Room 842, 2 pm
Sat July 16 <sup>th</sup>	CCSAR Saturday Brunch @ The Crowne Plaza Hotel



## Supplemental Awards Presented

Compatriots Lee Wilkerson and George Stewart receive supplements from President Mike Gunn for their Patriots Thomas Jackson and Thomas Greer respectively.



### INDEPENDENCE DAY ACTIVITIES

**FRIDAY, JULY 1**

**MADERIA INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE, 7PM.  
ACTIVITIES IN THE PARK AT 8PM  
FIREWORKS AT 10PM**

**MONDAY, JULY 4**

**LIBERTY TOWNSHIP INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE, 10AM.  
MEET AT LAKOTA EAST HIGH SCHOOL AT 9AM  
6840 LAKOTA LANE, LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, OH 45044  
(MEET IN THE NORTHEAST PARKING LOT, NEAR THE FOOTBALL  
FIELD)**

**MONDAY, JULY 4**

**MEMORIAL SERVICE AT SPRING GROVE CEMETERY, 2PM.**

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### Membership

Any man of age eighteen (18) years or over, who is a lineal descendant of an ancestor who supported the war for American Independence is eligible for membership in the Sons of the American Revolution. Men under eighteen (18) may join as junior members.

If you are interested in membership or need help with your application please do not hesitate to contact the Chapter Registrar, Franz B. Ott, II, at 513-384-7411.  
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