

May 30th 2022, Monday - Memorial Day Commemoration, Loudoun County Courthouse, Leesburg, VA

Event Level: **National**

Host/POC: Sgt. Maj John Champe Chapter/Ken Bonner.

Location: Loudoun County Courthouse, Leesburg, VA.

Firing Event: **No.**

Details: Prior to the ceremony, the Sgt Maj John Champe (SMJC) Chapter posted the U.S. Flag, VA State Flag, and the Chapter flag in front of the "Spirit of Loudoun". Colors were presented and retired by the Loudoun County High School Naval Junior ROTC Color Guard. The National Anthem was sung by Miss Neve Holloway. A rifle salute was executed by the rifle team from VFW Post 1177 and Taps was rendered by Aidan Jackson. The guest speaker was U.S. Army Lieutenant General (Ret.) Bruce T. Crawford. **Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees:** Bonner, B.Schwoerer, J.Schwoerer, Sink.

May 30th 2022, Monday - Memorial Day Commemoration, Middletown Veterans Park

Event Level: **National**

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

Location: Middletown Veterans Memorial, 8050 Main St. Middletown, VA.

Firing Event: **Yes.**

Event Color Guard Commander: Osborn.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Carrigan, Cook, Cordes, Corey, Daniel, St Jacques, Osborn, Petrie, Reynolds, Jim Robinson, Marc Robinson, Simmons, Tyler.



May 30th 2022, Monday - Memorial Day Commemoration, Culpeper National Cemetery

Event Level: **National**

Host/POC: VFW/Keith Price.

Location: Culpeper National Cemetery.

Firing Event: **No.**

Event Color Guard Commander: Schwetke.

Details:

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Cowherd, Dennis, Hamill, Schwetke, Price.



May 30th 2022, Monday - Memorial Day Commemoration, Halifax

Event Level: **National**

Host/POC: Dan River Chapter/Gary Hall.

Location: Halifax County War Memorial, Halifax.

Firing Event: **No**

Event Color Guard Commander: Hall.

Details: Greg Eanes provided a detailed program on Halifax County residents who gave their lives for our freedom. Douglas Powell presented the history of local veteran research and the planning and the building of the Halifax County War Memorial. Halifax's Memorial is beautifully designed - an appropriate place to remember our heroes.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Eanes, Geisinger, Hall, Powell.



Halifax Memorial

May 30th 2022, Monday (10:00 am) - Memorial Day Commemoration, Colonial Williamsburg

Event Level: **National**

Host/POC: Colonial Williamsburg & Williamsburg Chapter/John Lynch.

Location: In front of the Governor's Palace, Colonial Williamsburg.

Firing Event: **Yes** (Colonial Williamsburg Reenactors)

Event Color Guard Commander: Lynch.

Details: No parade this year. This will be a static event (speakers & podium). Additional details emailed to participants.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Adolphi, Brown, Dunaway, Hodges, Lynch, Morr, Thompson, Westenberger.

May 30 2022, Monday (11:00 am) - Memorial Day at National Cemetery, Winchester

Event Level: National

Host/POC: Col James Wood II Chapter, Virginia SAR/Dale Corey.

Location: National Cemetery, 305 US Avenue, Winchester, VA.

Firing Event: Yes

Event Color Guard Commander: Osborn.

Details: This is a commemorative ceremony to honor Memorial Day and all it stands for. It is co-hosted by the American Red Cross. Muster time for the Color Guard is 10:15. Colors will be presented, posted and retired. A wreath will be presented and a musket salute fired.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Carrigan, Cook, Cordes, Corey, Daniel, St Jacques, Osborn, Reynolds, Jim Robinson, Marc Robinson, Simmons, Tyler.



May 30st 2022, Monday (2:00 pm) - National Memorial Day Parade, Washington DC

Event Level: National

Host/POC: George Washington Chapter, Virginia SAR/Richard Rankin at brandywinecreek@aol.com

Location: National Mall, Washington, DC.

Firing Event: No

Event Color Guard Commander: Melhuish.

Details: The National Memorial Day Parade is scheduled for **2 p.m.** on Monday, May 30. Participants should plan on being on site by 12:45 p.m.

Heat Index: 95F

Parade length: 1.5 miles.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Adamy, Crain, Dooley, Elston, Melhuish, Morris, Sherman, Weyler, Whitney.



National Memorial Day Parade 2022

May 29th 2022, Sunday (2:00 pm) - Wreath Laying Patrick Henry Gravesite, Red Hill Plantation

Event Level: Chapter

Host/POC: Patrick Henry Chapter, Virginia SAR / Mark Day.

Location: Patrick Henry's Red Hill, 1250 Red Hill Road, Brookneal, VA 24528.

Firing Event: No

Event Color Guard Commander: Corey.

Details: This event will be attended by VASSAR President Meyer and past President Thomas. The event will be to honor the 286th birthday of Patrick Henry who was born on 29 May 1736. This is being arranged at the request of VASSAR President Myers and Past President Thomas. It is scheduled for Sunday afternoon to fit into the other scheduled events that weekend in South Carolina and Washington D.C. *Inscribed on Patrick Henry's tomb: "His fame his best epitaph".*

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Carrigan, Corey, Daniel, Day, Driscoll, Hall, Morris, Thomas.





CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION

By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution of Virginia in the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, there is hereby officially recognized:

PATRICK HENRY DAY

WHEREAS, Patrick Henry, a founding father of Virginia and the Nation, was born in Hanover County, Virginia on the 29th of May, 1736; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Henry became a lawyer through self-study in 1760 and soon gained a following through his oratory skill while he defended the liberties of common people; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Henry distinguished himself as a lawyer and a statesman when he was elected to the Virginia House of Burgesses in 1765, then was admitted to the Bar of the General Court of Virginia in 1769, elected to the Continental Congress in 1774, and when he served as a Colonel of the 1st Virginia Regiment; and

WHEREAS, while serving as delegate from Hanover County to the Second Virginia Convention that convened at St. John's Episcopal Church in Richmond on the 20th of March 1775, Patrick Henry delivered his historic "Give me liberty or give me death" remarks; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Henry served on the committee in the Virginia Convention of 1776 that drafted the Commonwealth's first constitution which was adopted on the 29th of June 1776; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Henry was elected the first colonial Governor of Virginia on the 29th of June 1776 and held office until 1779 and served again as the sixth independent Governor of Virginia from 1784 to 1786; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia honors Patrick Henry's service to the Commonwealth and nation by recognizing the 29th of June as Patrick Henry Day,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ralph S. Northam, do hereby recognize June 29, 2021, as **PATRICK HENRY DAY** in our **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



Ralph S. Northam
Governor

Kelly Thomas
Secretary of the Commonwealth

May 28th, 2022, Saturday (10:30 am) – 242nd Commemoration of Buford's Massacre

Event Level: National

Host/POC: General Francis Marion Chapter, South Carolina SAR/Greg Ohanesian.

Location: Buford's Massacre Site, Buford's Crossroad, SC.

Firing Event: Yes

Details: The Battle of Waxhaws (also known as Buford's massacre) took place during the American Revolutionary War on **29 May, 1780**, near Lancaster, South Carolina, between a Continental Army force led by Abraham Buford and a mainly Loyalist force led by British officer Banastre Tarleton. Buford refused an initial demand to surrender, but when his men were attacked by Tarleton's cavalry, many threw down their arms to surrender. Buford apparently attempted to surrender. However, Tarleton, the British commanding officer was shot at during the truce, causing his horse to fall and trap him. Loyalists and British troops were outraged at the breaking of the truce in this manner and proceeded to fall on the rebels. While Tarleton was trapped under his dead horse, men continued killing the Continental soldiers, including men who were not resisting. Little quarter was given to the patriots/rebels. Of the 400 or so Continentals, 113 were killed with sabers, 150 so badly injured they could not be moved and 53 prisoners were taken by the British and Loyalists. "Tarleton's quarter", thereafter became a common expression for refusing to take prisoners. In some subsequent battles in the Carolinas, few of the defeated were taken alive by either side. This 'Battle of Waxhaws' became the subject of an intensive propaganda campaign by the Continental Army to bolster recruitment and incite resentment against the British. Equally plausible accounts of the battle by soldiers from both sides describe Tarleton as having no part in ordering a massacre as he had been trapped under his horse, and when freed immediately ordered thorough medical treatment of American prisoners and wounded.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Geisinger, Hall, Lynch, Melhuish, Misenheimer, Schwetke.



A replica of the flag of the 3rd Virginia Detachment carried by Colonel Abraham Buford.

May 24th, 2022, Tuesday (11:00 am) - NSDAR Plaque Dedication

Event Level: Chapter

Host/POC: Kecia Brown, Regent Ketocin Chapter NSDAR.

Location: Morven Park, 17195 Southern Planter Road, Leesburg.

Firing Event: No.

Event Color Guard Commander:

Details: The Katocin Chapter NSDAR will dedicate a marker for a Swamp oak propagate at Mt Vernon and planted at Morven Park. Leesburg Mayor Burks and VA State NSDAR Regent will attend. SAR role is presentation of colors, escort of VIP's and retire colors. Guardsmen to muster no later than 10:15 am.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Bonner, Schwoerer, Sink, Corey, Osborn.

May 21st, 2022, Saturday (4:40 pm) - Relay For Life

Event Level: Public Service

Host/POC: Colonel William Grayson Chapter Virginia SAR / Andrew Mills.

Location: Harris Pavilion, 9201 Center St., Manassas, VA.

Firing Event: No.

Event Color Guard Commander: Andrew Mills.

Details: The event is Relay For Life. This is a charity event for cancer research. Color Guard support has been requested. CWG will provide flags but is looking for additional Guardsmen to support.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: A.Mills, J.Mills.

May 21st, Saturday, (11:00 am) – Joint Patriot Grave Marking & Plaque Dedication (Rev War and 1812)

Event Level: Chapter

Host/POC: Norfolk Chapter, Virginia SAR/Ken Hawkins.

Location: Cedar Grove Cemetery, 238 E Princess Anne Rd, Norfolk, VA.

Firing Event: No

Event Color Guard Commander: Thompson.

Details: This is a combined VASSAR/Society of the War of 1812 grave marking event. The ceremony will begin at 11 a.m. and will recognize the service of six Revolutionary War patriots and twenty War of 1812 patriots interred there. President Paul Walden, Virginia Society of the War of

1812 will present a wreath on behalf of the Society of the War of 1812. Overseeing the event is Dr. Kenneth Hawkins of the Norfolk Chapter Virginia SAR.

Note: While graves date back to 1806, Cedar Grove Cemetery was established as Norfolk's first municipal cemetery in 1825 following the closure of St. Paul's churchyard and the enactment of an ordinance restricting the creation and/or use of private burial grounds within city limits. Cedar Grove one of three known sites containing mass burials of Yellow Fever victims. Yellow Fever struck Norfolk in 1795, 1802, 1821 and 1855. At the height of the 1821 and 1855 epidemics, nearly 100 Norfolk citizens died on a daily basis. The bodies were loaded onto a wagon and brought to Cedar Grove Cemetery to be buried in their family lot or a mass grave.

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Dunaway, Lynch, Melhuish, Schwetke, Thompson.
Society War of 1812 Color Guard Attendees: Lyman.









May 21st, 2022, Saturday - Armed Forces Day Events

Event Level: **National**

Host/POC: Various

Location: Various

Details: First observed on 20 May 1950, the day was created on 31 August 1949, to honor Americans serving in the five U.S. military branches – the U.S. Army, U.S. Navy, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Air Force and U.S. Coast Guard – following the consolidation of the military services in the U.S. Department of Defense. It was intended to replace the separate Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard Days, but the separate days are still observed, especially within the respective services.



Commonwealth of Virginia
Office of Governor Glenn Youngkin

Governor's Order for the Commonwealth of Virginia

In accordance with the authority vested in me as Governor, I hereby order that the POW/MIA flag be flown with the United States of America and the Commonwealth of Virginia flags and be flown on all state and local buildings and grounds in the Commonwealth of Virginia in respect of National Armed Forces Day.

I hereby order that the POW/MIA flag shall be flown at sunrise on Saturday, May 21, 2022, and remain flown until sunset.

Ordered on this, the 20th day of May 2022.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Glenn Youngkin".

Glenn Youngkin

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May 14th, 2022, Saturday (1:00 pm) – Commemoration of General Joseph Martin (formerly Raid at Martin's Station)

Event Level: **National**

Host/POC: Col. James Waller Chapter/Martin's Station Chapter./Jarred Marlowe.

Location: Historic Henry County Courthouse, 1 East Main St., Martinsville, VA.

Firing Event: **No.**

Event Color Guard Commander: Melhuish.

Details: Guardsmen muster at 12:15.

Indoor Colors and speaking event held inside the Courthouse. Wreaths presented outside the Courthouse..

Virginia SAR Color Guard Attendees: Bass, Coggins, Coker, Doss, Geisinger, Hall, Kelly, Melhuish, Morris, Reamey, Schwetke, Thomas, Vogler, Weyler.



VASSAR President Bruce Meyer at the General Martin Monument outside the historic Henry County Courthouse, Martinsville, VA

CANCELED. May 14th, 2022 - Raid at Martin's Station

Event Level: **National**

Location: Wilderness Road State Park, Ewing, VA.

Details: SAR participation in this event was **canceled**. The venue shifted to Martinsville, VA (Saturday, May 14).