September 23 – 26, 2021 Thursday - Sunday – NSSAR Fall Leadership Meeting

Location: Louisville, KY Details: This is a **National - level event**, hosted by the NSSAR Weather: Attendees: Schwetke and Weyler

September 18, 2021 Saturday (4:15 pm) - President General's Wreath Laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns

Muster time (at the tomb): 3:15 pm (participants are encouraged to arrive between 3:00 and 3:30 pm)

Location: Arlington National Cemetery

Details: This is a National - level event, with SAR PG Davis Wright presenting the Society wreath. Please advise Ken Bonner via email at <u>ken.l.bonner@gmail.com</u> if you plan to participate. For planning purposes, I have in the past parked in the visitor's parking deck and entered the Cemetery via the Visitor's Center. Proceed to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier for our muster.

Weather: Mostly sunny, about 84 degrees .. should be delightful!

Attendees: Bonner, Schwetke (Bill), Schwetke (Doug), and Weyler. We were also joined by Compatriot Van Cunningham, visiting from the Texas SAR!



September 18, 2021 Saturday (8:00 am) - SAR Vigil at Washington's Tomb

Location: George Washington's Mount Vernon, Alexandria, VA Details: This is a National - level event, commanded by the National Color Guard Commander. Registration for this event is utilizing SignUp Genius, which can be accessed at <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094CAAA92DABFD0-</u>

<u>mount</u>. There are still a number of open slots in the afternoon. The following Virginia SAR Color Guardsmen are presently registered.

Weather: Mostly sunny, about 84 degrees .. should be delightful! Attendees: Christensen, Schwetke (Bill), Schwetke (Doug), and Thomas (Jeff)

September 11, 2021 Saturday (10:00 am) – 241st Gathering at Sycamore Shoals

Location: Sycamore Shoals State Historic Park, 1651 W Elk Avenue, Elizabethton, TN Details: This is a **National - level event**, hosted by the Watauga Chapter TNSSAR. The organizing contact is Tim Massey, and he can be contacted via email at <u>horses319@comcast.net</u>.

The year was 1780. The tide of the Revolution had turned against the colonists. The British, forced out of New England, gained new allies in the divided South and won

victory after victory in a bloody civil war. Charleston had fallen, and American forces had crumbled at the battle of Camden. But then the impossible occurred ... the frontiersmen of the western mountains began a long march, gathering an army along the way, from the highlands of Virginia to the hills of South Carolina. At a place called King's Mountain, they destroyed British forces and opened the way for the final American victory at Yorktown.

Weather: Attendees:

September 4, 2021 Saturday (11 am) – 240th Commemoration of the Battle of the Capes - Canceled

Location: Francois Joseph Paul de Grasse Statue, Fort Story, Virginia Beach, VA. Details: This is a **Chapter - level event**, hosted by the Norfolk Chapter VASSAR. Please see the attached event flyer for more details, and RSVP by <u>August 2nd</u> to Gary Pridgen at <u>gpridgen@cox.net</u> or by phone at (757) 301-2862.

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Weather:

Attendees: Bonner, Cook, Corey, Crain, Daniel, Dennis, Geisinger, Hall, Hamill, Jameson, Kelly, Morris, Osborn, Russell, Schwetke (Bill and Doug), Schwoerer, and Weyler

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