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Chapter Meeting – Friday, September 17th

The September Chapter Meeting will be held at MCL Cafeteria at Noon on Friday, September 17, 2021. The Speaker will be Compatriot Bill Tate who will give an address on the “Battle of Kings Mountain.” Also, the chapter’s JROTC Enhanced Award Winner – Cadet Richard will be present to accept her award and read her essay. The Meeting will be held on Friday, so members can watch the Ohio State Game on Saturday.

Compatriot Judge Henry Shaw Honored



“In a surprise ceremony today, the Delaware County Commissioners renamed the hearing room of Delaware County’s Historic Courthouse in honor of retired Common Pleas Court Judge Henry E. Shaw, Jr.

The hearing room served as the iconic building’s first courtroom from 1869 to 2017. Shaw presided over it from 1976 to 2003, and his 27 years on the bench made him Delaware County’s longest-serving General Division Common Pleas Court judge. But the honor derives just as much from Shaw’s devotion to preserving local history, the Commissioners noted in the ceremony.

“Henry was a driving force in making sure we preserved this majestic building and upgraded our Veterans Memorial out front,” said Commissioner Gary Merrell on behalf of himself and his fellow Commissioners Jeff Benton and Barb Lewis. “He has been a central figure in Delaware County all of his career and it only makes sense that we should name this hearing room, which is so central to the operations of the county, in his honor.”

The proclamation read in Shaw’s honor noted his involvement with numerous historical organizations, including the Delaware County and Ohio Historical Societies, the National Trust for Historical Preservation and the Sons of the American Revolution.

From the Delaware County Web site, Jane Hawes Author



Patriot Grave Marking – June 19, 2021

The Patriot Grave Markings was attended by 80 people! The weather caused us to move from the gravesite to the Jefferson Township Firehouse. People from Cincinnati, Lancaster, Cleveland and Ashtabula County made the drive to the site. There were all three organizations present – Sons, Daughters and Children of the American Revolution.

With the weather clearing we moved to the second cemetery where three patriots were remembered at 2591 Darling Road in Jefferson Township/Gahanna. The second site remembered, Thomas Ayers, John Johnson and Andrew Hanna in the Jefferson Township Cemetery, known as Ayers Cemetery, no more than 4 miles from Mathis will be honored.

The Ohio Society Color Guard was present with members from Hocking Valley, Cincinnati, Northeast Ohio, and Franklin attending. New State President Troy Bailey was present and gave remarks. There were thirteen Benjamin Franklin Chapter members present. This Week regional newspaper had articles before and after the event, we are pleased to report.



Don Miller pays respects at Tomb of Unknown Patriot at Fort Laurens

Wreath Presentations by Chapter

Summer is the time for Presentations! Over the summer the chapter had representation at the Tomb of the Unknown Patriot at Fort Laurens on July 24th, the Battle of Blue Licks on August 21st and the Grave Marking of Compatriot Kenneth Lee Pierce on August 14th.



Group Photo at Blu Licks in Kentucky. Chapter President Don Miller is front center.

Welcome New Members

Robert Janes	John Funk	Kelley Culley	Arlin Hill	Philip Grubs
Jamie Richardson	James Funk	Terry Kellenberger	Mark Vidmar	Elijah Feller
Andrew Jennings	Harold Mead	Benjamin Feller		

Supplemental Applications should work with Jim McCune at Jamccunejr@gmail.com. He also works with new member applications. After the July SAR Congress prices for all applications have increased.

2022 Dues Notice will be Sent out by email in Early October

Donations are Welcome – Money Pays for Community Awards

Any Direct Donations to the Chapter are Appreciated and Welcomed. The money will be used for the Community Awards including: Police & Fire, ROTC/JROTC, Poster, Essay, Oration, Eagle Scout. Dues do not cover all the Chapter costs for the awards, Please consider the Chapter in your Donation schedule. Checks should be made out to BFC with a notation in the memo section what awards to be supported and should be sent to the Chapter Treasurer William Diehl at 3341 Big Run South Road, Grove City, Ohio 43123.

You + Kroger = Chapter Funds

\$102.61 was the total last quarter by 23 households from the Kroger Community Awards. That helps the chapter a lot but think of the amount if all 180 members were to participate in the program!

It is an automatic program once you agree at the check-out. Ask the Check-out clerk how to sign up. No one wants to pay more in their dues so we have come up with a painless way to raise funds. The Kroger Community Rewards program is separate from their Fuel Rewards Program.

Other than chapter dues the chapter takes in no other funds and this is a painless way to help maintain the strength of the chapter and expand our outreach services.

Smile.Amazon.Com leads to dollars for Chapter

Amazon Smile rewards is fundraising for the chapter and 0.5% of your Amazon purchase is donated by Amazon. You must shop at [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) to have your purchase qualify or it will not be donated.

- A) Go to [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) (not [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com))
- B) Follow the prompts to sign in with your regular amazon sign in credentials
- C) On the next screen click "Get started"
- D) Type in 31-6050253 in the search box and click search
- E) You will see "National Society of The Sons of The American Revolution Grove City Oh"
- F) Click select
- G) Click "Yes" on this screen
- H) Follow any other prompt and you should be all set.

Remember you have to shop on "[smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com)" for the chapter to receive the reward.

Look -Up Chapter Website

The Benjamin Franklin Chapter website is changing with the times. Steve Powell has been adding and expanding the website. Look-Up <http://www.bfc-sar.org/>. Pages have been created for the Calendar, Officers, Members, Ancestors.

2021 Chapter Meeting Schedule

September 17th, Friday

October 16th, Saturday

November 19th, Friday

December (no meeting) Merry Christmas!