



The

April—June 2018

# Hornet's Nest

## The President's Dispatch



Donald Burdick

A good time and much important information was obtained by the Georgia delegation at the recent National Congress in Houston, Texas. We had 21 delegates which was more than any other state except for the host state, Texas! Ed Rigel, Sr. and Bob Sapp were chosen Minute Men, the most prestigious and highest award presented by the National Society.

Dr. Rigel was chosen "Color Guardsman of the Year." Such recognition is given to the Color Guardsman who is deemed best representative of Color Guards and the best example of service to the ideals of the Sons of the American Revolution by his service as a color guardsman. A significant award when Ed was selected out of 36,000 members eligible to serve in the Color Guard!

Dr. Ed Rigel, Sr. and PG Mike Tomme were elected to the National Executive Committee.

PG Mike Tomme and Allen Greenly were appointed to the National Planning Committee for the National Congress to be held in Savannah in 2022. Both already serve on the State Planning Committee for this Congress.

Former State President Wayne Brown was elected as a National Trustee from Georgia. Wayne was appointed Chairman of the Public Service and Heroism Committee.

Roger Coursey was elected to a four-year term on the Georgia Washington Endowment Fund, Board of Directors. In this, Roger joins George Thurmond who presently serves on this board.

The Georgia Society is well recognized for the service of its members at the National level and each of the individuals named are congratulated and thanked for representing the Georgia SAR so well!

We also thank President General Larry Guzy, 2017-18, and first lady Karin for rendering outstanding leadership and service at the National level this past year. Both represented Georgia well. President General Warren Alter, Arizona society, was elected President General for 2018-19 at this Congress.

Also, at Congress, four Georgia compatriots (Thomas Chrisman, Jack Dugger, Loyd Lewis, Jr. and Alton McCloud) received Liberty Medals and 16 compatriots received OLC for recruiting 10 new members.

NSSAR "Partners in Patriotism Certificates" were awarded to Chapter Presidents, George Wheelless (Casimir Pulaski), Don Bullock (Marquis de Lafayette), Steve Hinson, Sr. (Marshes of Glynn) and John Flikeid (Robert Forsyth) for their chapters' work with veterans and

participation in Wreaths Across America. NSSAR Grave Marking Medals for participation in 15 grave marking events were presented to Wayne Brown and Emil Decker and OLC's to Allen Greenly and Jay Guest.

Jamie Ruff, Jr. of the Piedmont Chapter received the NSSAR Thomas J. Bond Memorial. Photography Award (Certificate & cash award) for the best photograph depicting the spirit of patriotism.

Congratulations to these compatriots. Georgia was also recognized for work with the C.A.R. and participation in the American Poster Contest, SGT Moses Adams Brochure Contest, Rumbaugh Oration Contest, Knight Essay Contest, Eagle Scout Scholarship Competition and ROTC/JROTC Contest.

Paul Prescott, Chairman of the Flag Committee has announced that the NSSAR Flag Committee has issued a new certificate available to chapters that conduct a proper flag disposal ceremony with the public invited. If your chapter qualifies please send Paul a short description of the ceremony and the date it was held. The first chapters receiving a "Certificate for U.S. Flag Retirement" are the Piedmont and Robert Forsyth Chapters.

Also, Flag Certificates are available for presentation to organizations, businesses and individuals displaying the flag properly. I suggest that Chapter Presidents have a supply of these certificates available and emphasize that each member become involved in recognizing such organizations and individuals and present a Flag Certificate. Contact Paul before September 21<sup>st</sup> so that he can order certificates and obtain them for you at the NSSAR Leadership Meeting, September 27<sup>th</sup>.

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*The center of the fight for Independence in Wilkes County, Georgia, became known as "the hornet's nest" because of the stinging attacks made from there by the Georgia Patriots against the British and Tories.*

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In April, Nancy and I attended the Athens Chapter meeting. We also attended the South Atlantic District meeting in Hickory, NC where I reported on Georgia Society's membership, events and activities.

We attended Lyman Hall Chapter's Grave marking for Compatriot Burt Hawk where I brought greetings, presented our GA Society wreath and dedicated the grave marker. Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, along with the GA Color Guard and other members of the GA SAR, we attended Patriots Day on Saint Simons Island.

Marshes of Glynn Chapter members Bill Ramsaur and Jimmy Boatwright did a superb job in organizing and conducting this event which drew a large crowd. I brought greetings, presented the GA Society wreath and made introductory remarks. A highlight of the program was a group of local school children, each assuming the role of a revolutionary patriot and dressed as this patriot, briefly telling of this patriot's contribution to the Revolution. Compatriot Jimmy Boatright was outstanding in organizing this part of the program and even attending children's rehearsals.

The Parade of Patriots through St. Simons Village was well received with applause for the participants including Commander Bill Palmer and the Elijah Clarke Color Guard and Revolutionary Patriots (Compatriot Johnny Turrentine and Sybil Ludington) on horseback. Sunday, a Colonial Worship Service sponsored by the GA Society and local SAR/ DAR Chapters was held in St. Ignatius Episcopal Church which was built in 1886.

In May, we attended the Athens Chapter meeting. I also participated in grave markings by the Samuel Elbert Chapter for Patriot soldiers John Calloway and Owen Fluker. I brought greetings, presented our GA Society wreath and dedicated both grave markers.

Also participated in the Grave Marking Ceremony conducted by the William Few, George Walton, Lyman Hall and Button Gwinnett Chapters at the Signers Monument in Augusta. I brought greetings, present our GA Society wreath and dedicated the beautiful grave marker.

Memorial Day weekend I participated in ceremonies in Snellville at the Veterans Memorial and in Watkinsville at Veterans Park. At both events, I joined with the Militia in firing the musket salute.

Also, in May I attended the Lyman Hall Chapter meeting and gave a talk on Patriotism and Jonathan Trumbull, Governor of the Colony of Connecticut, Washington's confi-

dante and patriot soldier.

In June, Nancy and I participated in the Altamaha Chapter's Scholarship program in Jesup. Seventeen high school graduates and parents were recognized. Each graduate received a \$1,200 College Scholarship and was given an opportunity to tell about their college and career plans. I brought greetings and spoke briefly.

GSSDAR State Regent Melodye Brown has invited GA SAR Chapters to participate and host a table providing membership information at DAR District Workshops in August. This is an excellent opportunity to recruit new members through the DAR Referral Program. An email providing dates and DAR contact has been sent to the BOM or contact Shep Hammack, email: [shep7h@aol.com](mailto:shep7h@aol.com)

At the recent BOM meeting, Secretary George Wheelless reported that at the end of March, membership reported to National was 1,844.

The recruitment of new members is going well. It's possible that we could reach 2,000 members by year's end. However, this depends on retaining members we now have.

I'm asking that each chapter President take steps now to minimize "drops" by contacting members early and urging them to renew membership for 2019.

Please do not wait to near year's end. In April, the BOM approved increasing State dues \$5.00 to help support Georgia hosting the National Congress in Savannah in 2022.

With this increase in dues, each member can feel that he is taking part in contributing to the success of Georgia hosting this National event.

I enjoy being associated with each of you in our noble work.

## Secretary's Report Georgia Society, Sons of the American Revolution Summer 2018

### Active Membership as of

01 Mar 2018: 1,754

#### Plus:

New Members	80
Memorial Member	0
Transfers In	0
Reinstatements	25
Reinstatement-Transfers	3

Total Additions 108

#### Less:

Deceased	12
Memorial Member	0
Resignations	0
Transfers Out	6

Total Losses 18

### Active Membership as of

30 Jun 2018: 1,844

### Reported to National

#### Plus: Dual Members

(Out of State) ...24

### Active Membership as of

30 Jun 2018: 1,868

### Reported to BOM

## Board Of Managers Meetings

Saturday, Oct 27, 2018  
Saturday, Jan 26, 2019

#### BOM location:

Garden Patch Restaurant  
100 Southland Drive  
(old highway 41)  
Barnesville, GA. 30204

**Georgia Society New Members Since Monday, January 1, 2018**

	<u>Registered</u>	<u>New Member</u>	<u>Patriot</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<b>Athens</b>	12 Jan 2018	Charles William FOLEY	John Collier	Charlie Alfred NEWCOMER, III
	12 Jan 2018	Charles William FOLEY, III	John Collier	Charlie Alfred NEWCOMER, III
	12 Jan 2018	Charles William FOLEY, III	John Collier	Charlie Alfred NEWCOMER, III
	12 Jan 2018	Caden Yale FOLEY	John Collier	Charlie Alfred NEWCOMER, III
	09 Feb 2018	Clifford Carmichael LOWERY	John Griffith	Kirby Matthew TOWNS
	16 Feb 2018	Henry Wilder BAILEY, Jr.	William West	Kenneth Scott COLLINS
<b>Atlanta</b>	16 Feb 2018	Leroy LAMAR, III	Joshua Wilson	David Andrews NOBLE
	16 Feb 2018	Lynn Chadwick BUTLER	Ichabod Marshall	James Henry LEE
	16 Feb 2018	Marion Brian LAMAR	Joshua Wilson	David Andrews NOBLE
	16 Feb 2018	Thomas Wood MONTGOMERY	John Morton	David Andrews NOBLE
	07 Mar 2018	Philip Spencer KING	Elijah Horton	David Andrews NOBLE
	21 Mar 2018	Jonathan Louis McDONALD	Joseph Humphrey	David Andrews NOBLE
	30 Mar 2018	Carter James ALLINGER	John Green	James Norris FREEMAN
	30 Mar 2018	Sawyer Benjamin ALLINGER	John Green	James Norris FREEMAN
	27 Apr 2018	Richard Simpson WHITNER	Thomas Farrar	David Andrews NOBLE
<b>Blue Ridge Mtns</b>	09 Feb 2018	Jason Lee EDWARDS	Abaslom Hooper	Jack Powell Dugger
<b>Brier Creek</b>	09 Feb 2018	Randy Donald JONES	Abraham LeVan	William Joseph TANKERSLEY
<b>Button Gwinnett</b>	16 Feb 2018	William Lewis EVELYN	Philip Pendleton	William Harrison PALMER
	06 Apr 2018	Elijah Wayne STANCEL	Samuel Pharr	Harold Douglas FORD
<b>Casimir Pulaski</b>	11 May 2018	Franklin Dewey VEAL, Jr.	Francis Veale	George Herman WHEELLESS, II
<b>Coweta Falls</b>	23 Feb 2018	Jimmy Ray FEWELL	Philemon Bradford	Hugh Irmon RODGERS
<b>Joel Early</b>	12 Jan 2018	John Carter BRADSHAW	Levi Lee	David Neal SPOONER
	12 Jan 2018	John Harley BRADSHAW	Levi Lee	David Neal SPOONER
	09 Feb 2018	Kenneth Payne MURPHREE	Amos Richards	David Neal SPOONER
	09 Feb 2018	Billy Ray WISEMAN	Samuel Dunlap	David Neal SPOONER
	04 May 2018	Bob Jerone TABB	Langhorne Tabb	David Neal SPOONER

	<u>Registered</u>	<u>New Member</u>	<u>Patriot</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<b>John Collins</b>	23 Feb 2018	Eli Justin LINES	James Davis	James Allen HENSON, Jr.
	23 Feb 2018	Gary Joe HOYT	Benjamin Martin	Robert Van Blackwell
	30 Mar 2018	Joseph Lamon SMITH	Jesse Doles	Henry Lamon SMITH
<b>Jos. Habersham</b>	16 Feb 2018	Henry Matthews HUGHES	George Rucker	William Hughes RAPER
	16 Feb 2018	William Jack BETTRIDGE	George Rucker	William Hughes RAPER
<b>Lyman Hall</b>	12 Jan 2018	Thomas Austin CHAMBERLAIN	Peter Ashby	Carter J WOOD
<b>Marquis de Lafayette</b>	26 Jan 2018	Gary Marshall SMITH	Anthony Jenkin	David George JESSEL
	09 Feb 2018	Vernon Dale BASSHAM	James Compto	Robert Donald BULLOCH
	23 Feb 2018	William Brennan MUNSON, Sr.	Zenas Burnha	Robert Donald BULLOCH
	04 May 2018	Roger Clark PERRIN	Samuel Pearson	David George JESSEL
<b>Marshes of Glynn</b>	26 Jan 2018	Stephen Patrick DENGLER	George Wiant	David Francis DENGLER
	16 Feb 2018	John Ellis PEARCE	Twisden Bowden	Larry Richard NEWTON
	06 Apr 2018	McLane TILTON, IV	Nehemiah Tilton	James Steven HINSON, Sr.
<b>Mount Vernon</b>	26 Jan 2018	Gregory George GARRETSON	James Gardner	Eugenius Sheppard HAMMACK
	26 Jan 2018	Michael John GARRETSON	James Gardner	Eugenius Sheppard HAMMACK
	26 Jan 2018	David Frances GARRETSON	James Gardner	Eugenius Sheppard HAMMACK
	26 Jan 2018	Matthew Joseph GARRETSON	James Gardner	Eugenius Sheppard HAMMACK
	16 Feb 2018	John Webster ROBITSCHER	Zachariah Flagler	Eugenius Sheppard HAMMACK
	07 May 2018	Kenneth Clarence REED, III	Jeremiah Keeler	Eugenius Sheppard HAMMACK
<b>Piedmont</b>	30 Mar 2018	William Alan MARTIN	Simon Lane	James Malcolm RUFF, Jr.
	30 Mar 2018	Alan Wayne MARTIN	Simon Lane	James Malcolm RUFF, Jr.
	30 Mar 2018	Colin William MARTIN	James Lane	James Malcolm RUFF, Jr.
	27 Apr 2018	Miles Augustus THORNBURG	Alexander Osborn	James Malcolm RUFF, Jr.
	27 Apr 2018	Jason Lee THORNBURG	Alexander Osborne	James Malcolm RUFF, Jr.
<b>Robert Forsyth</b>	09 Feb 2018	Kenneth Bennett VAN ALSTYNE, III	Leonard Van Alstyne	John Erik FLIKEID
	16 Feb 2018	Noah Robert BETTICH	Thomas Draper	William Allen GREENLY
	16 Feb 2018	Lukas Mohamed BETTICH	Thomas Draper	William Allen GREENLY

	<u>Registered</u>	<u>New Member</u>	<u>Patriot</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
	16 Feb 2018	Charles Bradford BRYANT	Elias Allred	William Allen GREENLY
	06 Apr 2018	John Mark DAVIS	Emphraim Rand	Christopher Michael RUSSO
<b>Rome</b>				
	23 Feb 2018	Tray Matthew PATTERSON	Arthur Patterson	William Spencer Houston
	06 Apr 2018	Jarratt Dykes BRYAN	Devereaux Jarratt	William Spencer Houston
<b>Samuel Elbert</b>				
	09 Feb 2018	John Pentecost YOUNTS	William Pentecost	James Larry WILSON
<b>Valdosta</b>				
	12 Jan 2018	Matthew Maxwell BLACK	Lemuel Black	Michael Maxwell BLACK
	27 Apr 2018	Edward Davis WALKER, III	John Brown	Michael Maxwell BLACK
	27 Apr 2018	Edward Davis WALKER, II	John Brown	Michael Maxwell BLACK
<b>William Few</b>				
	12 Jan 2018	William Charles Wingfield LAMB	Lewis Lanier	William Howard COLBERT
	09 Feb 2018	Ronald Leroy AWE	Eppa Fielding	William Howard COLBERT
	16 Feb 2018	Joseph Edward KNICK	William Knick	William Joseph TANKERSLEY
	16 Feb 2018	Joseph Henry KNICK	William Knick	William Joseph TANKERSLEY
	16 Feb 2018	Dorroh Lee NOWELL, III	John Griffith	William Joseph TANKERSLEY
	23 Feb 2018	Thomas Wesley SMITH	Andrew Houser	Delbert Alan SMITH
	30 Mar 2018	Parry McCoy SMITH, Jr.	Andrew Porter	William Joseph TANKERSLEY
	06 Apr 2018	Martin Alexander SCHWERZLER	Peter McLean	William Howard COLBERT
	27 Apr 2018	Christopher Irving KNOX	John Tankersley	William Joseph TANKERSLEY
	04 May 2018	James Alan RICHARDSON	Asa Whitcomb	William Joseph TANKERSLEY
<b>Wiregrass</b>				
	30 Mar 2018	Willie David GUNN	John Gunn	Carlie Lee SMITH, Jr.

**Total: 72**

DAR Referral Medal



SAR Liberty Medal







# In Memoriam

## Georgia Society Deceased Members Since Monday, January 1, 2018

<u>Compatriot</u>	<u>Nat'l No.</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>DECEASED</u>
Charles Hal DAYHUFF, III	130998	Marquis de Lafayette	02 Jan 2018
Albert Mims WILKINSON, Jr.	84835	Atlanta	14 Jan 2018
Charles Alfred De SAUSSURE, III	195995	Lyman Hall	18 Jan 2018
Thomas Robert Mc EVOY,	182271	Cherokee	14 Feb 2018
Gregory Andrew HOLLIS	161119	Marshes of Glynn	02 Mar 2018
James Alan RICHARDSON,	207400	William Few	10 Mar 2018
McLane TILTON, IV	207072	Marshes of Glynn	10 Apr 2018
Fletcher Ryals DUNAWAY,	141914	Joel Early	20 Apr 2018
Dares Emery WIRT	142768	Atlanta	26 Apr 2018
Clyde Thomas ADAMS	146489	Samuel Elbert	05 May 2018
John Marshall CORDELL	154209	Samuel Elbert	28 May 2018
Thomas Parks OLIVER, III	171546	Athens	14 Jun 2018

## CALIFORNIA SOCIETY SAR is hosting the 2019 SAR National Congress

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### 2019 SAR National Congress

#### The SAR is coming to California.

Traditionally, approximately every 10 years, the SAR holds the National Congress in California. Many of you will remember the 2008 Congress in Sacramento and the great time we had there.

In 2019 California again will host the National Congress, this time in Orange County at the spacious [Orange County Hilton at Costa Mesa](#), a stone's throw from the famous South Coast Plaza, and "next door" to Newport Beach. The Congress Planning Committee chose this location after a comprehensive search, working with representatives of the California society to find a hotel which met the requirements regarding both budget and amenities.



The hotel is just minutes away from [Orange County's John Wayne Airport](#), served by all major airlines.

*Mark your calendars now for July 5 through 11 and plan to attend.*

# State Officers & Committees NEWS



## Georgia Color Guard Commander—Bill Palmer

### GA Society SAR Color Guard - 2nd Quarter 2018

Color Guard Staff: Bill Palmer (Commander). Allen Greenly (Deputy Commander – Northern Division), Jimmy Boatright (Deputy Commander – Southern Division), Sid Turner (Commander, Elijah Clarke Militia Northern Division), Steve Burke (Commander, Elijah Clarke Militia Southern Division), Ed Rigel, Jr. (Adjutant), Ed Rigel, Sr. (Immediate Past Commander and Advisor)

### STATISTICS – PAST SEVEN YEARS

Year	Members Participating	State and National Events	Total Color Guard Participation
2011	64 (12 Rookies)	82	782
2012	62 (15 Rookies)	72	663
2013	60 (3 Rookies)	60	578
2014	80 (17 Rookies)	68	761
2015	81 (13 Rookies)	66	786
2016	93 (20 Rookies)	77	814
2017	113 (8 Rookies)	66	692
2018	119 (6 Rookies)	20	406

### Year to Date

**Membership:** The Color Guard has added six members to the Color Guard/Militia, as first time participants to its roll in 2018. We now have a source for Continental uniforms. It is GG Godwin, Inc.

**Participation:** The number of members participating was outstanding! Militia turnout has been high as usual. We do however, need more Color Guardsmen. During the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter the Color Guard participated in multiple Patriot and Compatriot Grave Markings; DAR State conference; Frederica Days St. Simons; Colonial Worships; Supported Gwinnett Counties Bi-Centennial; Parades; Boy Scout Day; Multiple Memorial Day Programs; Ramsour's Mill; Warrior Classic for Wounded Warriors; and Patriotic concert.



## Georgia Society Registrar—Bob Sapp

Status of applications received as of 30 June 2018 is as follows:

Applications received for review were 149 of which all but thirteen are reviewed and seven are to be mailed. As of 30 June 2018, 126 applications were sent to NSSAR and 20 applications were pended by state registrar. Three of which was returned to applicant. Sixty-five applications have been approved by NSSAR.

The second quarter 2018 statistics are as follows:

- 91.3 % applications reviewed
- 84.6 % applications sent to NSSAR
- 14.7 % applications pended by State Registrar

It is noted that about 50% of the applications received are supplementals.



## Georgia Trustee —Allen Greenly

### Trustee Report of the Annual Congress, Houston, TX July 11-18, 2018

#### Trustee Meeting Sunday July 15th

**PG Guzy** called the meeting to order at 9:30 am on July 15, 2018 with an opening Prayer. It was determined that a quorum was present for the continuance of business and the meeting went forward.

**PG Guzy** called on all the former PG's to make opening remarks.

**PG Guzy** called on any Vice President Generals and Trustees that were present and not sworn in at the National Congress in July to stand and be sworn in. There were several.

**PG Guzy** announced RFP for the website and the Member Database generated five new bids. The ExComm had tasked the IT committee with an evaluation of all bidders. The IT Committee

wrote a letter to the ExComm recommending that the SAR begin a long term relationship with one company. The matter was tabled by the ExComm committee and the IT Committee was tasked to do a full evaluation and the matter would be brought up at the Fall Trustee meeting. It was reported that the **code of the** current website is good, it just need a lot of fixes. It was also reported that the membership database was about to fail, but the new IT Director has made upgrades to the current database and it will not fail.

**PG Guzy** announced that the Funds Management Agreement between the SAR and the SAR Foundation was withdrawn from consideration so that the new Chancellor General could make tweaks to the agreement. This agreement cannot be brought back until the 2019 Congress.

**PG Guzy** called on the Chairman of the Budget Committee, William Lee Popham, Sr. to present the budget status. Chairman Popham reported that there were only five months of expenses shown in the budget to actual. The annualized 2018 budget currently shows an increase of \$7,100 of Revenues less expenses. He also reported that the 2019 budget showed a positive \$1,500 in Revenues less Expenses. The 2019 budget will be presented to the Trustees at the Fall Leadership meeting. PG Guzy reported that the ExComm had been negotiating an agreement with a cell tower company to place a cell tower on the roof of the headquarters building. This agreement called for no cost to install or maintain the cell tower by the SAR. The projected income from the cell tower would be approximately \$3,000 per month. A motion was made to allow the ExComm to sign contracts for the cell tower. The motion passed.

A total of five motions on the website and Member Database were made from the floor. The first motion was to negotiate a long term contract with Crosby Interactive. There were no cost projections given. A motion was made to close debate on the first motion, the motion carried. The motion to negotiate a long term contract with Crosby Interactive failed. Motions 2-5 became moot. The meeting was adjourned.

#### Congress July 16 - 18, 2018

**PG Guzy** called the meeting to order at 9:04 am with the Invocation and pledges.

**PG Guzy** called on several organizations to bring greetings. The Texas Society had received several Proclamations from cities and the state, including one signed by the Governor of Texas declaring July 11, 2018 to July 19, 2018 to be the Sons of the American Revolution week.

**SG Warren M. Alter** presented the minutes for the 2017 Annual Congress for approval. The minutes were approved.

**PG Guzy** reported that the membership of the SAR as of July 10, 2018 was 35,889.

**PG Guzy** reported that the ExComm recommended that the new SAR logo be approved. They also recommended that the logo be Trade Marked. A motion was made to approve the new SAR logo and to have it Trade Marked. An amendment to the motion was made to change the wording from Trade Marked to the appropriate marks. This motion passed. A vote was then taken on the revised motion and it passed.

**PG Guzy** then awarded the Gold Good Citizenship medal to James Macingvale or as he is known in Texas as Matress Mac. A second Gold Good Citizenship medal had been approved for Justin James (JJ) Watt for his humanitarian work, but he was unable to attend the Congress. His medal will be awarded at a later date.

**PG Guzy** brought a motion to amend By-Law 14 by the Chaplain Committee which had been postponed at the Spring Leadership meeting. The Chaplain Committee moved to postpone the amendment to By-Law 14 indefinitely. The motion carried. A report by the Museum Committee stated that the committee had been trying to contact donors or relatives of donors to repatriate items that had been given to the SAR.

The SAR Foundation reported that they had made 500 copies of their Annual Report available for the Trustees. They reported that they had \$700,000 in income during the past year. They then reported that the Foundation had created a new Foundation Donor website. The new Foundation Donor website can be accessed through the SAR website or be found at [www.sarfoundation.org](http://www.sarfoundation.org). They reported that all money donated through this website would go to the Foundation and not the SAR general fund. After a discussion, the Foundation will modify the website so the Donor can choose which entity they want their donation to go to.

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## Trustee Report

### Bylaw Changes

A motion was made by the Virginia Society to change the wording in Volume 1, Constitution, Article III, Eligibility for Membership to read "Any male shall be eligible for membership in the Society being a citizen of good repute in the community, is the lineal descendant, whether by blood or by legally decreed adoption, of an ancestor who was at the time of his last known service demonstrated loyalty to, and rendered active service in the cause of American Independence". The change in wording would allow an adopted child to be eligible to join the SAR through the adopting parents. A motion was made to limit the discussion to 10 minutes equally divided with two for and two against. The motion passed. After the discussion the motion failed.

The second amendment was recommended by the Bylaws Committee to add new sections to define two additional classes of membership described in Bylaw 1 and the Membership Policy (SAR Handbook, Volume III, Page 1).

The proposed new classes of membership were a National Life Member and an Emeritus Member.

This change would clearly list all five classes of membership and define them in one area.

A motion was made to amend the language in the Junior Membership definition from "age birth to eighteen (18) years" to "under 18". The motion passed.

A motion was made to postpone the vote on the proposed Bylaw change to the next day in order for the Bylaws committee to review the wording. The motion passed.

A motion was made by the Bylaws Committee to change Bylaw No. 1, Membership; Section 1 to delete the word "residence". The motion passed.

A motion was made by the Bylaws Committee to change Bylaw 1, Membership by adding a new Section 6 and renumber the current Section 6 to Section 7.

The change would be to make available to all Regular and Junior members a National Life Membership. The motion passed.

A motion was made by the Bylaws Committee to change Bylaw No 1, Membership; Section 6 (to be renumbered).

In the first paragraph, add a period after Bylaws and delete "except that".

Delete (1)

New (1) wording. A one-time payment in addition to the normal processing fee, in the amount of ten times the annual dues will be collected.

A motion was made to delete the "ten times the annual dues". The motion passed.

The motion passed.

The Oklahoma Society proposed and the Bylaws Committee recommended a change to Bylaw 16, Board of Trustees.

The motion was to delete sections (b), (c) and (d) from Section 1.

This would have eliminated General officers (including Vice President Generals), all living former Presidents General, and members of the Executive Committee from being Trustees.

The motion failed.

The Bylaws Committee made a motion to revise Bylaw 22, Fees and Dues, Section 6, first paragraph.

The revision would be "A new member shall pay National Society dues for the calendar year in which his application is approved except as follows. Each State Society shall determine when the dues of its members are to be collected; provided, however, that the National Society dues accompanying any application registered on or after September 1 shall be credited to the following year.

The motion passed.

The Bylaws Committee made a motion to revise Bylaw 22, Fees and Dues, Section 6: Add a new paragraph.

The new paragraph would be "Notwithstanding the prior paragraph, any new Junior Member application submitted to the National Society in which the new Junior Member will attain the age of 18 prior to December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year in which the application is registered shall submit National Dues in an amount equal to the Regular Member dues as set by the Annual Congress in recognition of the change in membership status that will occur for this new Junior Member as of December 31<sup>st</sup>.

The motion passed.

The Bylaws Committee made a motion to revise Bylaw 22, Fees and Dues: Add the following Section 8 and renumber the remaining sections.

Section 8. Any member may purchase a National Life Membership rather than pay annual dues. Life membership is by virtue of an approved application for enrollment and the payment of a set fee into the Ray Henshaw National Life Membership Fund. All applications for enrollment in the Fund must come through the State Societies. The application and fee shall be sent to the Executive Director of the National Society for processing and entering into the records of the Registrar General. A Com-patriot receiving a National Life Membership shall be exempt from further payment of National Society dues.

The motion passed.

The Bylaws Committee made motion to revise Bylaw 22, Fees and Dues, current Section 9.

The revision was "Any member, whose membership has been terminated for any cause, except terminations under the provision of Bylaw No 33, Section 7, may be reinstated by any State Society, in which event such State Society shall immediately report such reinstatement to the National Society, and shall at the same time pay to the National Society the annual dues for such member for the then current year and he shall thereupon be entered on the records of the Registrar General. Reinstatements recorded by the Staff Registrar in accordance with the provisions hereof on or after September 1 shall be credited to the following year.

A motion to amend the wording from "Staff Registrar" to "Registrar General" was made. This motion passed.

The motion passed.

A motion was made by the Bylaws Committee to revise Bylaw 22, Fees and Dues, Section 6: Add a new paragraph.

The new paragraph will be "The fees and dues for memorial memberships shall be fixed by the Annual Congress. National Society dues for memorial memberships accompanying any application registered on or after September 1 shall be credited to the following year."

A motion was made to strike the second sentence in the new paragraph. The motion passed.

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Back to motion No. 2.

A motion was made to send back to the Bylaws Committee for review. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Treasurer General Jack Manning for the 2018 and 2019 Dues and Fees.

Dues and fees for the year 2018 – 2019 shall remain the same except for a Memorial Application, which shall have an \$80.00 application fee plus \$35.00 annual dues.

An amendment was made to increase the Memorial Application fees to \$350.00 which would go to the SAR Foundation. The motion failed.

The motion passed.

A motion was made from the floor to include the Spanish flag in all future National events. The flag would be the National Flag of Spain.

This motion was to begin in 2018 – 2019. The motion passed.

The Nominating Committee put forth a list of nominees for General Officers for 2018 – 2019.

A nomination from the floor was made for PG Larry Guzy to be elected as President General for 2018 – 2019.

The Rules of Congress and the NSSAR Bylaws state that all those nominated from the floor must have submitted the appropriate disclosure forms. PG Guzy submitted those forms when he announced his candidacy at the Fall 2017 Leadership meeting. He later withdrew his name from consideration. He did not submit new disclosure forms prior to being nominated from the floor at Congress.

After discussion, a vote was taken on whether or not PG Guzy had followed the Bylaws for filing for office. That is, the forms he submitted in the fall expired when he withdrew his nomination and were not applicable for the nomination from the floor. By vote the delegates ruled that he had not followed the bylaws and rules.

Copies of the old disclosure forms were resubmitted and the question was raised as to whether PG Guzy might be nominated from the floor again. Treasurer General Jack Manning, sitting in the Chair, ruled that PG Guzy could be nominated again. PG Guzy was nominated from the floor again. A motion was made that the body overrule the decision of the Chair. The motion passed.

Nominations for all officers were then closed.

There were two openings for the SAR Foundation Board, each a three year term. There were two candidates for the two openings, Mike Elston and Sam Powell. Rick Hollis, a board member whose term was expiring was nominated from the floor. A runoff vote by secret ballot was scheduled for the afternoon.

A motion was made to suspend the time limit rule for candidates to address the Trustees. The motion failed.

A list of the uncontested Vice President General's was read. A motion to elect ~~the~~ those VPG's was made and was passed. Contested elections would be included in the afternoon ballot.

A motion to destroy the voting cards for contested elections was made, the motion passed.

President General-elect Alter presented his proposed list of appointees to the National ExCom. A motion was made to elect the appointed members of the ExComm committee, the motion passed.

The list of 2018 – 2019 Trustees and Alternate Trustees was read and revised with additional information from the states. A motion was made to elect the revised list of Trustees and the Alternate Trustees. The motion passed.

A motion was made to elect the General Officers, Vice President Generals and the ExComm Committee members as Trustees was made. The motion passed.

All Trustees and Alternate Trustees were sworn in for the year 2018 and 2019.

The Congress was adjourned on Wednesday, July 18, 2018 at 9:45 am.



## Bylaws Committee —Dr. Edward P Rigel, Sr

**Committee Objectives:** The committee will review the Georgia Society SAR Bylaws on a regular basis to recognize needed revisions and prepare any recommended changes to the Bylaws by the membership for review by the Executive Committee and submission to the Board of Managers for approval. The committee will provide assistance to members seeking guidance on making revisions to the Bylaws by offering suggested re-wording or alternative means to accomplish the desired action.

**2nd Quarter Activity:** Assisted Compatriots Tomme, Sr. and Greenly in preparation of an amendment to **ARTICLE III. OFFICERS Section 2. Nomination and Election of Officers** and submitted same to BOM members on 27 Jun 2018.



### **Knight Essay Contest Committee— Terry A. Gibbs**

The 2018-2019 Knight Essay Contest commences this calendar year with the beginning of school in August of 2018. Contestants enter the contest through the nearest SAR Chapter. The deadline for entries at the Chapter Level is December 1, 2018. A reminder to that effect will be sent to BOM email distribution system at that time. In the meantime, the summer is an excellent time for prospective contestants to begin their research for their essays.

In the 2017-2018 Knight Essay Contest more than 300 essays were submitted nationwide at the chapter level. This year's winners are:

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Kate McLeod. Kate was sponsored by the Texas Society. Kate received a \$5,000 cash prize, a medal, a recognition certificate up to \$500 towards travel expenses and a one night hotel stay with a chaperone at the NSSAR National Congress in Houston. Her winning essay will be submitted for publication in the *SAR Magazine*.

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Sarah Chen. Sarah was sponsored by the Alaska Society. Sarah received a \$2,500 cash prize and a recognition certificate.

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Rachel Halberg. Rachel was sponsored by the Wisconsin Society. Rachel received a \$1,000 cash prize and a recognition certificate.

Each of the winners have the option to designate their cash prize as tax-free if they elect to have their prize monies sent directly to their educational institution.

The contest is open to any United States citizen enrolled in the 9<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grades during the contest period. Students attending public schools and private schools are eligible as well as home-schooled students. The deadline to enter in Georgia is December 1, 2018. Inquiries regarding rules and eligibility may be directed to [tgibbs@bellsouth.net](mailto:tgibbs@bellsouth.net)



### **Eagle Scout Committee - Bill Coffeen**

#### **Eagle Scout Committee Report – 2nd Quarter 2018**

Our committee has received 38 requests for letters of commendation year-to-date which is about on par with last year at this time. The chair passes on these requests to chapters who have active Eagle Scout programs or the chair fulfills the request himself if no chapter support presently exists. If your chapter is unfamiliar with how to set up a recognition program please contact me at [billcoffeen@gmail.com](mailto:billcoffeen@gmail.com) or call me at 770-419-2549.

The Georgia Society can approve up to four compatriot applicants annually for the Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer award issued by NSSAR. No applications have been submitted year to date. Therefore, I encourage all chapters to submit an application to me for those members who are involved in Scouting and deserve such recognition. You may download the application from the National website or contact me. Once completed, forward the application accompanied by a check made out to the SAR for \$20 and send it to my attention at 3799 Westwick Ct., Kennesaw, GA 30152

The committee continues to encourage all chapters to participate in our local, State and National Eagle Scout recognition and scholarship programs and we'll provide support and direction to help you grow your program. To my knowledge the following chapters (24% of all State chapters) do not presently have a chairman for Eagle Scout Recognition:

Blue Ridge Mountains	Brier Creek	Four Rivers Patriot
George Walton	John Milledge	La Grange
Patrick Carr Rangers	Rome	Washington-Wilkes

If I am in error please contact me by phone so I can update my records.

As a reminder, the GASSAR college scholarship deadline for chapter participants is December 31, 2018. All chapter winning entries should be forwarded to me at 3799 Westwick Ct., Kennesaw, GA 30152 or preferably by email at [billcoffeen@gmail.com](mailto:billcoffeen@gmail.com). It is essential that all 2018 applicants use the application documents available at the Georgia Society SAR Source Book: 27.3.2

#### Note:

Thanks to Richard Marsh, Atlanta chapter and IT chair, our Eagle Scout Scholarship page on our Georgia Society website remains current to the best of our knowledge. Under the Youth Programs link it provides general information about our local, State and National college scholarship program and specific contact information broken out by BSA Council & District, Georgia County and SAR chapter. Please forward to me any photos of Eagle Courts of Honor, etc. your chapter may participate in and I'll get them posted on our Georgia website.



### Graves Committee—Sonny Pittman

#### **Second Quarter, 2018 Patriot Grave Markings Held:**

Compatriot James Bertram “Bert” Hawk was honored for his long-time SAR service by the Lyman Hall Chapter in a Compatriot Grave Marking held in the Memorial Park South Cemetery on Sunday, April 4, 2018.

Revolutionary War Patriots Thomas Bacon, Joseph Quarterman, John Osgood, Josiah Osgood and William Way were honored for their Revolutionary War Service and Sacrifice by the Athens Chapter, Wiregrass Chapter, Marshes of Glynn Chapter, Brier Creek Chapter, Robert Forsyth Chapter and the Captain John Collins Chapter in a Patriot Grave Marking held in the Midway Cemetery, Midway, Georgia on Sunday, April 29, 2018.

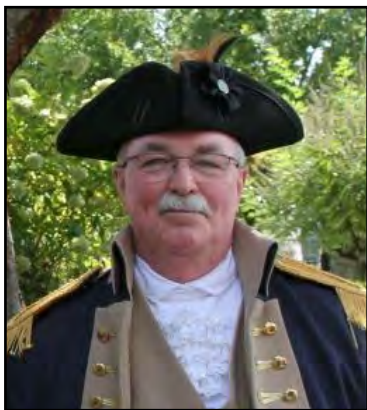
Revolutionary War Patriot Owen Fluker was honored for his Revolutionary War Service and Sacrifice by the Washington Wilkes Chapter in a Patriot Grave Marking held at Carters Grove Baptist Church in Crawfordville, Georgia on Saturday, May 5, 2018.

Revolutionary War Patriot John Callaway was honored for his Revolutionary War Service and Sacrifice by the Washington Wilkes Chapter in a Patriot Grave Marking held at the Callaway Family Cemetery in Rayle, Georgia on Saturday, May 5, 2018.

Revolutionary War Patriots John Everett and Charles McCall were honored for their Revolutionary War Service and Sacrifice by the Brier Creek, Ocmulgee and Wiregrass Chapters in a Patriot Grave Marking held in the Everett/McCall Cemetery in Candler County, Georgia on Saturday, May 11, 2018. The Governor David Emanuel/Adam Brinson Chapter, Sukey Hart Chapter and Lt James Monroe Chapters, NSDAR, co-sponsored the ceremony.

Revolutionary War Patriots Governor Button Gwinnett, Dr. Lyman Hall and Col George Walton, Georgia's Three Signers' of the Declaration of Independence, were honored for their Revolutionary War Service and Sacrifice by the Col William Few, Button Gwinnett, Lyman Hall and George Walton Chapters in a Patriot Grave Marking held in the meeting hall of the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, because of threatening weather conditions, and the dedication by President Burdick of the 240 pound in ground granite marker, purchased by the four SAR chapters, held the Signer's Monument in Augusta on Saturday, May 19, 2018. The Augusta and College Hill Chapters, NSDAR, co-sponsored the ceremony.

GASSAR Graves Registry information, forms and photos should be submitted to Dr. Ed Rigel, Sr., Graves Registrar, and the undersigned in a timely manner.



### 2022 Congress Planning Committee—Allen P. Greenly

The 2022 Congress Planning Committee met on June 9, 2018. Present were Co-chairman Allen Greenly, Vice Chairman Roger W. Coursey and Vice Chairman Terry Gibbs. A phone committee update was given to Co-chairman Mike Tomme after the meeting had adjourned. The update was given by Allen Greenly and Terry Gibbs.

Committees that will be established are:

Color Guard	Communications and Transportation
Music and Entertainment	Protocol and Distinguished Guests
Ladies Hospitality and Activities	Publicity Printing and Souvenirs packet
Kick Off Planning	Fund Raising
Credentials	Tours
Registration	Day Captains Committee
Attendee Sub Committee	Transportation
Bags Sub Committee	Treasurer

The committee decided that all volunteers would wear a distinctive shirt for easy identification.

A list of volunteers was presented to the committee. This was a list of individuals that have contacted a member of the committee and expressed an interest in being a volunteer at the congress. There was also a list of names presented for individuals to be contacted about being a committee chairman or a volunteer.

Specific duties of committee chairman will be forthcoming. The committee will need the design for the Congress Medal set prior to the Fall Leadership. The committee must supply the national Medals and Awards Committee our design for approval. Once we have their approval, we can have the medals manufactured and will begin selling them at Spring Leadership 2019.





## Historic Sites & Celebrations —Delbert Allen Smith

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Event April 14 and 15

The Frederica Patriots Day Celebration held on St. Simons Island reminds us of the beginning of the Revolutionary War at Lexington and Concord on April 19, 1775, and the capture of three British ships in the Frederica River on April 19, 1778. The events included a memorial ceremony, a parade, and a Colonial Worship Service. The celebration was sponsored by the GASSAR Historic Sites and Celebration Committee, Marshes of Glynn SAR Chapter and two local DAR chapters. President Don Burdick began the program by describing the two events.

GASSAR Color Guard and the Elijah Clarke Militia presented the Colors. Eight elementary students in colonial attire presented historical events; the middle school performed several musical selections. There were sixty wreath presentations in honor of the Minute Men and the Frederica soldiers and sailors. Fifteen SAR chapters, eighteen DAR chapters and other heritage groups made wreath presentations. The Elijah Clarke Militia concluded the ceremony with a musket and cannon salute reminding the audience of the lengthy Frederica Battle. The parade began at the light house and wound through the village and returned to the light house. Several thousand viewers were there.

Both the GA and Florida State SAR Color guard carried Revolutionary War battle flags to lead the parade. A JROTC unit represented the citizen soldier Minute Men while Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts carried flags of the period. An American Legion Color Guard also took part. Golden Isle Strummers rode in an antique Fire Engine playing Yankee Doodle. Paul Revere and Sybil Ludington rode their horses.

A Colonial Worship Service was held at Christ Church, Frederica. The Reverend Whit Chapman, a member of the Marshes of Glynn Chapter, led the service with appropriate hymns and sermon with many members of the congregation in colonial attire.

### Members of the Committee

Alan Smith, Chm, Bill Ramsaur, Charlie Newcomer, Bill Palmer, and John Flikeid.

### Events for Remainder of 2018

Sep 18	Constitution Day at St Paul's Church Augusta
Oct 7	King's Mountain
Oct 9	Battle of Savannah
Nov 17	Ft. Morris/ Sunbury
Dec 1	Battle of Vann's Creek

### New Events

If any chapter wishes to add an event for the remainder of this year or to be placed on the calendar for next year, please contact D. Alan Smith- DAS1842@icloud.com. Please list the date, the event, the location and the sponsoring chapter or chapters.



## Public Relations Committee - John Trussell

This was an active quarter for the PR Committee and the Ocmulgee Chapter, in Macon, Georgia organized and hosted a grave marking event for Patriots Charles McCall and John Everett. Many thanks to the many fine individuals and chapters of SAR and DAR who aided in the effort! Bill Palmer, commander of the SAR Color Guard, and the Color Guard members and militia did a wonderful job during the ceremony! We had approximately 100 people in attendance and the event was carried on the front page of the Statesboro Herald, Sunday edition, and it was also carried in the Metter Newspaper. A very bountiful reception, with plenty of excellent food, was hosted by the Excelsior Baptist Church and the Candler County Historical Society. One of the Patriots, Charles McCall, organized the first Bulloch County courthouse and jail, in 1802, and his son, Charles McCall, Jr, was the first sheriff of Bulloch County. Later, two of his brothers also served as sheriff. The present Sheriff of Bulloch County, Noel Brown, and the Sheriff of Candler County, John Miles, honored us with their presence and comments.

In other endeavors, I am presently working on revising the national SAR tri-fold handout, so that it might have more local Georgia SAR news and information. The goal is to obtain the national pamphlet in pdf form and make some improvements that will aid us in recruiting new members. I hope to place these pamphlets in every genealogical library in Georgia so that every person who visits the library will learn more about the SAR in Georgia and apply for membership.

In the past few months, I have forwarded several news items to the National SAR magazine so that they can consider it for publication. You may also send news items and photos directly to the magazine at [sarmag@sar.org](mailto:sarmag@sar.org). Please let me know if I may be of service to you in getting the "Good News about SAR" out to the public!

ROTC/JROTC & Service Academies Liaison CommitteeLCDR David G. Jessel USN Ret

All chapters sponsoring JROTC Units should encourage their Units to participate in the Enhance JROTC (Outstanding Cadet Essay Contest) Program for 2018-2019. The time to contact the JROTC Unit's SMI is right after school starts in late August or early September.

Every SMI in your AO should know the name of the JROTC POC within your chapter. You may want to walk the SMI through the OC Nomination process. Chapter OC Packages need to be sent to me by the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in December 2018. *If I can assist you in this regard, please contact me.* In Aug/Sep, I will again disseminate guidance and directions on submitting a strong OC Nomination Package. Please consider the Outstanding Cadet Enhanced Program and the Bronze ROTC Medal Program to be totally separate programs.

Fifteen Silver ROTC Medal Packages were presented to ROTC cadets at eleven Georgia Universities. Chapter Presidents or their representative from ten GASSAR Chapters present these Medals on behalf of the Georgia Society SAR. Recipients are selected by the ROTC Staff at the University. There is no reason for any chapter to expend funds on a Silver ROTC Medal, as this is a function of the GASSAR ROTC/JROTC Committee. Medal Packages are mailed directly to the University POC (Point Of Contact). If a college contacts a chapter about a medal, please refer them to me. All ROTC Programs do not rate a medal because they are considered a cross-town Unit that falls under a Host Unit (University). Chapters presenting Silver ROTC Medals should report this activity on Form 10.06.0F Chapter Report to BOM and PG/Americanism Report.

Chapters presented Bronze ROTC Medals to JROTC Units within the chapters' AO (Area of Operations). Recipients are selected for this medal by the Senior Military Instructor (SMI). Award Criteria: +Awarded to cadet currently enrolled in the JROTC Program, +A junior (in their 3<sup>rd</sup> year of a 4 year program or 2<sup>nd</sup> year of a 3 year program), +Top 10% of the JROTC class, +Top 25% of their class. Chapters should report these presentations on Form 10.06.0F Report to BOM & PG/Americanism Rpt. Sea Cadet Units may nominate a cadet for the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal & there is a Sea Cadet Ribbon (ordered separately) to go along with this medal. If you have questions about the award criteria or the Sea Cadet Program, please contact me.

(NOTE: At the National level we see nominated cadets that do not meet the award criteria. Some are not in the TOP 25% of their class and others did not start in the JROTC Program as freshmen so they fail to meet the third year requirement. Please reiterate the medal criteria with SMI in the early Fall, not at the Unit's Award Ceremony. Under block scheduling a cadet could possibly make up the missed year.)

The Georgia Society SAR supports three DOD (overseas) JROTC Units (Kadena HS Okinawa, Shape HS Belgium, and Vicenza HS Italy).

State Historian—Dr. David A. LudleyObjectives for 2018:

Create a catalog of the items contributed and/or collected in 2018, belonging to the GASSAR, and carry them to the Atlanta History Center.  
Update the Georgia Society Website section "History of Georgia" for the year 2018.

Activities of the Past Quarter:

Several additional items have been added to the Digital Catalog and placed in storage at the Atlanta History Center, Kenan Research Center.  
The flash drive catalog has been updated. A broad index of Items archived at the Kenan Center is included in this Digital Catalog.



Georgia Society Outstanding Cadet 2017-2018, C/MAJ Jason C. Nobles AFJROTC Warner Robins High School sponsored by the Ocmulgee Chapter finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the National Competition which is commendable and a great achievement against keen competition. Cadet Nobles' award was \$1,500. Jason is shown here with then GASSAR President Wayne Brown and President General Larry Guzy last January.



Public Service & Heroism Committee—Bill Tankersley Ed.D.

Public Service & Heroism Report for the second quarter of 2018 shows the names of chapters who have presented one or more of the five Public Service & Heroism medals and certificates. These are the ones of which I have been made aware, so if I have left any chapters out, please send me your chapter name and which medal (s) you presented this quarter.

<b>2018 GASSAR Public Service &amp; Heroism Medal Presentations</b>					
<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Law Enforcement Commendation</b>	<b>Fire Safety Commendation</b>	<b>Emergency Medical Services Commendation</b>	<b>Heroism</b>	<b>Life Saving</b>
					
<b>Athens</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>1</b>
<b>Atlanta</b>				<b>3</b>	
<b>Captain John Collins</b>					<b>1</b>
<b>Marquis de Lafayette</b>					<b>2</b>
<b>Robert Forsyth</b>	<b>1</b>				<b>1</b>



Friends of the Library —Hugh Rodgers

Friends of the Library membership numbers for the Second Quarter, 2018, are as follows:

- Chapters: 13
- Georgia Society SAR: 1
- Georgia Society DAR: 1 (courtesy of Mrs. Brenda Davison Jessel)
- Compatriots & Friends: 41
- Total: 56

Georgia Society holds Second Place in the NSSAR in FOL memberships. Let's restore our First Place leadership in the National Society.

Thanks to the current Chapters maintaining FOL membership: Athens, Atlanta, Captain John Collins, Casimir Pulaski, Cherokee, Coweta Falls, George Walton, Lyman Hall, Marshes of Glynn, Piedmont, Samuel Elbert, Valdosta, William Few. Twenty of our 33 chapters are missing from this list.

Compatriots, wives and DAR members who support the Friends of the Library are deeply appreciated.

Membership in the Friends of the Library is available for \$25 annually for chapters and individuals. Membership forms can be found on line at the NSSAR web page and will be available at quarterly BOM meetings.





### Georgia Fellows Fund—Edward P. Rigel, Jr

From time to time there are requests for funding for projects, activities, supplies, or equipment that are not included in the annual budget. Committees or officers may have valid needs for funds in addition to the budget. Therefore, the Georgia Society Fellows Program was established for the purpose of funding or reimbursing worthy activities, events, or needs of the Georgia Society that are considered to be valid expenditures not included in the annual budget.

Georgia Society Fellows Program Information, Donation form, and roster of Georgia Fellows can be found under Section 23: Endowment Funds of the Georgia Society SAR Source Book.

Fund Balance: \$ 9,304.09 as of 06 July 2018

Second Quarter: The Mount Vernon Chapter was funded \$100 for purchase of items relating to a Traveling Trunk.

Compatriot Rigel, Jr.'s term as Georgia Fellows Fund Board Chairman will conclude at the end of 2018. Nominees to fill the upcoming three-year term will be solicited during Q3 with an election being held in Q4.

Until further notice, there is presently a standing approval for \$100 stipends towards the purchase of a Continental Line uniform or Militia outfit. The stipend is given to members joining the State Color Guard upon proof of purchase of such an outfit and confirmation by the State Color Guard Commander that such uniform has been obtained and worn at a State or National Color Guard event. No Compatriots have received the stipend in 2018.

With new Continental Line uniforms available from GG Godwin, any Compatriot who orders a new uniform is eligible to receive the \$100 stipend, even if they are previous recipients for old uniforms or Militia outfits. Compatriots interested in the new uniforms should contact Color Guard Commander Bill Palmer.



### Americanism Committee—Roger W Coursey

Hopefully all chapters are filling in their score sheet as the years goes on, this makes it much easier come the end of the year when the report is due.

If you have any questions on the Americanism Scoresheet, make sure you contact me and I will be happy to assist you in whether something can or cannot be used, and making sure you place it in the correct section.

We will know how our chapters and the state did at National for last year by the time of our BOM in July. Let's make this year an even better year for our chapters and the state. Let's have all chapters submit your reports, no matter how great or how insignificant you think your chapters happenings and points may be.



### IT Committee—Richard Marsh

#### Website

The website continues to have little to no input from officers, committee chairs and chapters resulting in pages having no or outdated information. The calendar of events also has had no input and basically has nothing other than the BOM meetings.

#### Database

There has been no change in the status of the development of the database since my first quarter report and I received no comments or feedback from that report.





### State SAR-C.A.R. Liaison—Robert W. Moore

For the second quarter, this liaison attended the grave markings of Charles McCall and John Everitt that was held in Excelsior, sponsored by the Ocmulgee Chapter where he served as a flag bearer. He attended the memorial service of the Coweta Falls SAR chapter acting as a flag bearer and a part of the musket salute. He participated with the Coweta Falls color guard as the flag bearer for the marking of the Union Methodist church for the Colonial Dames of 17th Century in Taylor County.

In June, he supported the N.S.C.A.R. By attending the Southeastern Regional meeting in Jacksonville, FL. I want to thank those individuals and chapters that sent monetary support for this meeting. Please make sure you let your local SAR-CAR liaison know of your participation.



### Source Book Committee—Dr. Edward P Rigel, Sr

**Duties** – The *Source Book* Committee shall regularly review and update the contents of the *Source Book*, the unofficial guide to the operation of the Georgia Society. A current version of the Source Book shall be maintained on the Georgia Society website.

**Website Information:** The Georgia Society SAR Source Book is accessible for viewing by all members of the Society: <http://gasocietysar.org/source-book/>

#### **2nd Quarter Activity:**

Follows is a list of Source Book sections updated, revised, added or deleted in the 2nd Quarter 2018:

- 00.2 Source Book Committee.doc
- 02.2.2 Description of Duties.doc
- 02.3 Former Georgia Society Presidents Hall of Fame.doc
- 02.4 Vice President General, South Atlantic District, NSSAR.doc
- 03.2.1 Georgia Society Committee Descriptions.doc

State and Chapter Officers, State Committee Chairs and Members, are encouraged to review sections in the Source Book pertinent to their area and submit either suggestions for improvement and/or proposed revisions to Source Book to the Committee for consideration.



### Patriot Medal Committee—J. Michael Tomme, Sr.

It is time to start thinking about those compatriots who should be submitted for consideration for the Patriot Medal.

Please start gathering documentation and information for the candidate that you are going to submit for the Patriot Medal.

Read the NSSAR Handbook for the rules and guidelines. Use the Patriot Medal form that is on the NSSAR website. If you need extra pages, please use Microsoft Word.

You must **email** me the Patriot Medal form and your extra pages of documentation.

The deadline to have candidates submitted by email to me is **31 October 2018**. The Patriot Medals will be awarded at the Annual meeting of GASSAR in January of 2019.



Veterans Committee—Bill Kabel

May 27 – I participated in a flag raising ceremony as part of a Memorial Day service at the Marriott Surfwatch Resort on Hilton Head Island, south Carolina

May 28, I gave my reenactment of the speech John Adams made to the Second Continental Congress before it voted for the Declaration of Independence to the owners, guests, and staff at Marriott's Surfwatch Resort on Hilton Head Island, South Carolina to help celebrate Memorial Day activities. The presentation was attended by 56 people. The GASSAR is once again designated a sponsor for Wreaths Across America, which means that members and chapters will be able to purchase wreaths at a 3 fo2 cost. More details will be announced later about how to take advantage of this opportunity for the DecemberWAA activity.

June 12 – I visited Army veteran Edward Jones in the Gwinnett Medical Center, recuperating from heart surgery

July 1, I participated with the Piedmont Chapter Color Guard to present the colors at the "Honor Our Heroes" celebration at Roswell's World Harvest Church. There were hundreds of people who attended. This event is held every year the Sunday before the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

July 5, I presented my John Adams reenactment of the speech he made to the Second Continental Congress before it voted on the Declaration of Independence to the Lost Mountain Kiwanis Club in Powder Springs. There were approximately 75 people in attendance.

July 6 I placed a flag on the grave of Pvt. Jonathan Steltzle at the Marietta National Cemetery. He was a Union soldier killed at the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain during the Civil War, and he is a distant cousin.

July 11 I delivered donated items to the Atlanta VAMC Voluntary Services.



Flag Respect Committee—Paul Prescott

Data shown in the table below were derived from the chapters' second quarter BOM reports. Those chapters that reported the presentation of Flag Certificates are shown with the number of Flag Certificates reported. If I received a report with no Flag Certificates reported, including a NCTD, the number shown is "0". If I did not receive a report, the box is blank. That being said, there is no need to panic, especially if I missed your report. We still have five months left to present Flag Certificates for 2018. Schools, federal office buildings, banks and city offices are a good source for presenting certificates. Also, do not forget the patriotic individuals that fly the American Flag properly at home.

Regional Vice-Presidents, please do not forget that one of your assigned duties is to see that each chapter in your district presents at least one Flag Certificate. I have numerous blank certificates and will have them with me at the next BOM. These certificates are \$3.00 each. I plan to attend the next Leadership Meeting in

Louisville and can pick-up as many pre-printed Flag Certificates as you want. These certificates are \$4.00 each.

The NSSAR Flag Committee has issued a new certificate. It is available to Chapters that conduct a proper flag disposal ceremony with the public invited. If you feel that your Chapter qualifies for this Flag Retirement Certificate, please send me a short description of the ceremony, and the date that it was held.

Chapter	Presented	Chapter	Presented	Chapter	Presented
Altamaha	0	Edward Telfair	0	Mount Vernon	1
Athens	8	Four Rivers Patriots	0	Ocmulgee	
Atlanta	10	George Walton	1	Patrick Carr Rangers	
Blue Ridge Mountains	0	Joel Early	0	Piedmont	0
Brier Creek		John Milledge		Robert Forsyth	1
Button Gwinnett	0	Joseph Habersham	0	Rome	0
Capt. John Collins	1	Lagrange		Samuel Elbert	0
Casimir Pulaski	1	Lyman Hall	1	Valdosta	
Cherokee	0	Marquis de Lafayette	4	Washington-Wilkes	0
Coweta Falls		Marshes of Glynn		William Few	3
Dalton		Mill Creek		Wiregrass	



## Rumbaugh Orations Committee—George Wheelless

### Committee Objectives

The stated purposes of the Rumbaugh Orations Contest are: (1) to bring American History to the high school student and focus on events of today, (2) to draw an intelligent relationship between the past and the present, (3) to clearly demonstrate freedom of opportunity as a basic right of our national heritage, (4) to place a positive emphasis on the plans of our founding fathers, (5) to emphasize justice under law in the free society, and (6) to illustrate how the Revolutionary War influenced our freedom of expression.

### Website Information

NASSAR Website: [www.sar.org](http://www.sar.org)

Once on the National website, click on the *Education/Youth* tab. Scroll down to the *Rumbaugh Orations* tab and click on it. This will bring you to the Orations main page. Along the right side of that page you will find links to contest information, procedures, rules, and forms.

### Background Statistics

Since the inception of the Rumbaugh Orations Contest, the Georgia Society is currently tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> place in having its contests win 1<sup>st</sup> Place at the National Congress (1967, 1970, 1975, 1977, and 1987). The Georgia Society had not promoted this contest at the State Society level in many years.

We revived the contest in 2008 but had no entry. The 2009 Georgia Society winner, Wells Ellenberg, placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at the 2009 National Congress in Atlanta, GA. The 2010 Georgia Society winner, Gabrielle Cyphers, was a Finalist at the 2010 Congress in Cleveland, OH. The 2011 Georgia Society winner was Sam Bishop. He competed at the 2011 Congress in Winston-Salem, NC. The 2012 Georgia Society winner, Carley Stamps was a Finalist at the 2012 Congress in Phoenix, AZ. The Georgia Society Orations Winner for 2013, 2014, and 2015 was Jefferson DeMott. He was a Finalist in 2013 (Kansas City, MO) and 2015 (Louisville, KY). In 2014 (Greenville, SC), he did well but was not selected as a Finalist.

The 2016 Georgia Society Rumbaugh Orations winner was Meenal Joshi. She was sponsored by the Joel Early Chapter. Meenal represented our State Society at the National Congress in Boston. She placed as one of six Finalists. Meenal Joshi (sponsored by the Joel Early Chapter) won the Georgia Society Rumbaugh Orations contest for the second consecutive year and advanced to the competition at the 2017 National Congress in Knoxville, TN. She gave a solid performance. However, she was not selected at one of the six finalists. The 2018 winner of the Georgia Society Rumbaugh Orations Contest was Karissa Thomason. She was sponsored by the Button Gwinnett Chapter. Karissa traveled to our National Congress for the NSSAR Rumbaugh Finals. Karissa gave a good oration but was not selected to the a Finalist.

### Budget Data

The budget for the Rumbaugh Orations Contest provides \$500 to the winner and up to \$1,000 towards expenses to our National Congress and a \$400 prize to the Runner-Up. The State Orations Medal comes out of the Orations budget.

### Highlights of the Most Recent Quarter

The Georgia Society Rumbaugh Orations Contest was held on 28 April in Barnesville, GA. Our only contest was Karissa Thomason. Karissa participated in the National Rumbaugh Contest. Karissa gave a good performance but did not advance to the Finals.

### Plans for the Next Quarter

Chapters should begin to make contacts with local schools when the resume in the Fall and advertise this contest.

### State and National Competitions

The deadline for Orations entries to be submitted to the Rumbaugh Chairman is 09 April 2019. The date and site of the 2019 Georgia Society Rumbaugh Orations Finals is tentatively set for the last Saturday in April in Barnesville.



## Education Outreach Committee—Rick Reese Jr.

### NSSAR Contest Results at Congress

#### NSSAR Brochure Contest

The Georgia State winner Grace Hargett, from the Piedmont chapter, received Honorable Mention in the brochure contest judging at Congress in July. The national winner was Madison B. Elias from the North Carolina Society.

#### NSSAR Poster Contest

The Georgia State Winner Haven Adams, from the Samuel Elbert Chapter, was disqualified in the national judging because the poster contained 3-D images. It was an otherwise excellent poster, but it did not comply with the poster contest guidelines.

### GASSAR 2018-2019 Brochure Contest Guidelines.

Brochure theme:

Select: One of the Nation's Five Foundational Documents:

The student should research one of these five foundational documents in the American Revolutionary War:

1. Articles of Confederation;
2. Declaration of Independence;
3. Constitution;
4. Federalist Papers
5. Bill of Rights.

Find information on-line, or in a library. (Do not just cut & paste!)

For complete rules and guidelines for Brochure preparation, please see GASSAR Source Book—Section 27.5.0—27.5.2

“Brochure Contest Rules at a glance...”

“SAR Brochure Contest Sample Brochure 2018-2019”

### GASSAR 2018-2019 Poster Contest Guidelines

Guidelines for the Poster Contest are set by the NSSAR, but the specific topics are determined at the state level by the GASSAR Education Committee. Consistent with the stated permanent themes of the SAR for this contest, "Revolutionary War People" in school years ending in an odd number will be the general topic. The specific options for topic selection for the GASSAR poster contest will be one of these individuals:

Paul Revere OR Benjamin Franklin OR Sybil Ludington

For complete rules and guidelines for Poster preparation, please see GASSAR Source Book—Section 27.4.0—27.4.1

“SAR Georgia Society Elementary School Poster Contest Guidelines”

### Advice for getting schools in your area to participate in these SAR Programs

- Chapters having success in getting school participation indicate the benefit of personal contact with either school principals or teachers of 4<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade classes.
- If your chapter has a Traveling Trunk program, promote the poster and brochure contests when you are discussing or conducting traveling trunk presentations.
- Wherever possible make personal contact with school personnel instead of just emailing the contest details.
- We are the ambassadors and the face of the SAR to the elementary and middle schools. The more we have to offer to them at no cost to the school, the better we will be received.

If your chapter has a particularly successful approach in getting schools to participate, please feel free to share your ideas with others.

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Brochure Contest Rules and Guidelines

**SUMMARY**

The SAR Middle School Contest is to create a tri-fold brochure out of a typical 8 1/2" x 11" piece of paper. The brochure must conform to the annual Americanism Contest Theme.

The brochure will be judged on: **Content, Creativity and Correctness.**

The judging criteria rates highest hand drawn art work and authored text by the student as opposed to cut and paste from books, magazines and the Internet.

**First inside panel:** An introduction that presents the basic facts of the Theme.

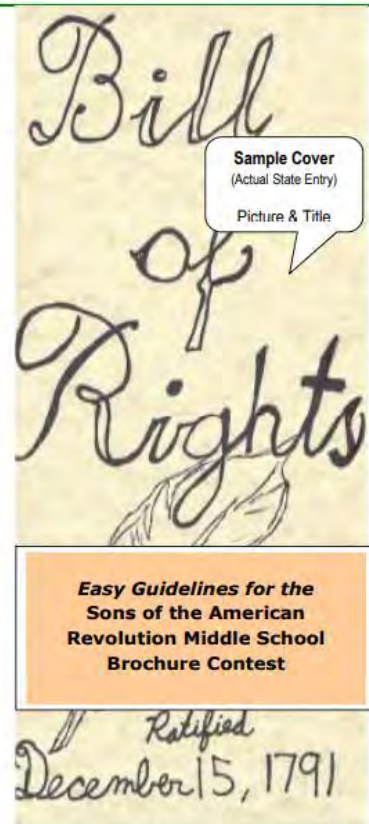
*SAR members can show their support for the Brochure Contest and the Poster Contest by purchasing the Americanism Youth Contest Medal – Contact the Chairman of the NSSAR Americanism Committee, or the Brochure Contest Chairman for more information*

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The National Contest Dedication

**The Sgt. Moses Adams Memorial Middle School Brochure Contest**

Sgt. Adams was with the 13<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Regiment. He died at Valley Forge. This contest has been named in his honor and the thousands of others who gave their lives for the cause of freedom during the American Revolution, and for their families who suffered their loss for generations.



1. Student's Name: First, Middle, Last
  2. School District
  3. School Name: Complete Name
  4. Grade in School + School Year: e.g. 2015-16
  5. Student's Teacher's Name:
  6. SAR Society = e.g. IXSSAR Chapter (provided to the Teacher by the SAR Chapter)
- Need to have this the right size!**  
2 1/2" x 2 1/2" framed box.  
**COVERED DURING JUDGING**  
**WITH a Post-it" NOTE**

**Easy Guidelines for the Sons of the American Revolution Middle School Brochure Contest**

**Inside Cover:** A picture to accompany the introduction. May also contain a brief caption or explanation of the picture. – *Brochure Guidelines*

**Sons of the American Revolution Middle School Brochure Contest**

This contest is directed at students in the 6th through 9th grades, depending on which grade year the American Revolution is taught in their educational system. For example, in California, this would be the 8th grade.

Middle School students will create a brochure depicting the theme chosen by the **Americanism Committee** of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR).

The **Americanism Committee** topic / theme is: Choose from any of the five (5) Foundational Documents of the Nation:

- Articles of Confederation
- Declaration of Independence
- Constitution
- Bill of Rights
- Federalist Papers

**PURPOSE & OBJECTIVE**

- The brochure should exhibit a knowledge and understanding of American history as well as a personal interpretation concerning the ways in which that history affects contemporary society.
- The objective is for the students to truly internalize and understand the events surrounding the chosen document and be able to interpret meaning that is relevant in their own life, or in contemporary society in general.

**Two inner panels:** A detailed explanation of the ideas of the student around the theme. This written explanation should provide a systematic argument persuading the reader to the point of view of the author; that is, it should be a persuasive essay. The writing should be clear, well organized, and convincing. These panels may also contain pictures and/or artwork that make the brochure more aesthetically appealing.

Some questions that may be helpful for the students to consider when completing these panels would include:

- What are the lessons for our country within this document?
- How does this document reflect American society and American values?
- What thoughts do you have regarding the sacrifices made by participants in creating this document?
- What was the outcome of this document and how did this outcome impact American history?
- What motivated the participants to be a part of creating and adopting this document?
- Could you have done what these people did? Would you have done it? – *Brochure Guidelines*

**JUDGING**

Brochures will be judged on:

**Content**  
**Creativity**  
**Correctness**

A copy of the scoring rubric is included in the **Brochure Guide** and teachers are encouraged to share it with their students. Prizes & Awards vary by Chapter and State.

The Guidelines, Judging and other Aids will be posted on the National Web site.  
[www.SAR.org](http://www.SAR.org)

**GUIDELINES**

**Brochure size:** The brochures should be made from a single 8 1/2" x 11" piece of paper. The paper must be folded according to the instructions provided for the contest. The content of the various panels of the brochure should align with the instructions provided.

**Paper thickness:** Any common paper so long as the final product can be folded closed as a tri-fold 8 1/2" x 11" brochure.

**Paper color:** White paper is most common, but pastel, or color paper is acceptable.

**Artwork:** Ideas are the most important element in these brochures and the art is merely a means of conveying those ideas. All artwork on brochures that is hand drawn is highly valued, although artwork created by the young person using software is acceptable. Tracing is permissible and simple drawings that represent complex concepts are encouraged for those who may doubt their artistic skills. **Do not** paste pictures from magazines, books, or off the Internet, or make extensive use of clip art.

**Pasting:** Pasting of hand drawn art work onto a master is permitted.

**Text:** The written text is commonly hand printed. Typed text sections (even pasted on) are also permitted. [ **CAUTION:** This must be original text written by the student – not clipped from magazines, books or taken off the Internet.]

Submit Comments to: [tomadams1776@vahoo.com](mailto:tomadams1776@vahoo.com) or contact your State and Local Chapter Officers



## NATIONAL SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

### ATHENS CHAPTER

## DEBUTANTE BALL COMMITTEE

**Athens Chapter** National Society Sons of the American Revolution, and **Apalachee Chapter** National Society Daughters of the American Revolution are pleased to announce that **The Georgia Colonial Ball and Debutante Presentation** will be held on the evening of **Saturday, December 29, 2018** in the Athens area at *The Georgia Club*, located at 1050 Chancellors Drive, Statham, Georgia. Members of SAR and DAR are invited to sponsor a young lady to be presented as a Georgia Colonial Debutante.



2016 Debutantes

**The Georgia Colonial Ball** will be an elegant, formal affair. Attire for the Debutantes will be long, white Ball gowns with long, white gloves. All other ladies will wear formal evening attire of any color, other than white. Presenters will wear White tie and tails or White tie tartan. Escorts and Marshals will wear Black tie or Black tie tartan. Other gentlemen attending may wear White tie and tails, Black tie, White or Black tie tartan, or Continental Uniform. Medals and decorations are appropriate.

Following the Debutante Presentation, a buffet supper will be served with an open bar provided. Attendees will enjoy dancing to music of the *Last Call Band*. All members of SAR, DAR, CAR and friends are cordially invited to attend. The cost of the ticket to attend the Georgia Colonial Ball and Debutante Presentation is \$75 per person. Invitations and response cards will be sent at a later date.

For more information or questions: Please call or *email* Robin Towns, Chairman, Debutante Presentation  
Phone: (706) 548-7291, Email: [robintowns@aol.com](mailto:robintowns@aol.com) [for *Emails*, please type in subject line: *SAR Deb Ball*]

### 2018 Debutante Ball Committee

COL Joseph B. Neighbors III - Chairman, Master of Ceremonies  
LTC Justin N. Reese III - President, Athens Chapter SAR  
Patricia B. Massey - Regent, Apalachee Chapter DAR  
Dr. Mark Pelton - Debutante Herald  
Camille R. Baxter - Grand Marshal  
J. Edwin Lord - Ball Treasurer

Robin R. Towns - Chairman, Debutante Presentation  
Bonnell W. Lashley - Mother-Daughter Luncheon  
Lynne S. Yarbrough - Bouquets, Decorations  
Amelia R. Pelton - Music, Videography & Photography  
Virgil W. Palmer - Communications, Publicity  
Jackson W. Guest - Color Guard

MG Don Burdick - SAR State President, ex officio



# 2018 Minuteman Award

The Minuteman Award is the most prestigious award of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. The National Executive Committee established the award in 1951. Only those Compatriots who have made significant and exceptional contributions of service to the Society may be recognized. The recipient may receive the award only once. A maximum of six awards may be presented each year.

This year the Georgia Society was very proud and thankful that two of its Compatriots were recognized with this award.

## Robert A. Sapp



L to R: President General Larry Guzy, Robert A. Sapp, George Thurmond

## Edward P Rigel, Sr



L to R: Past President General Michael J Tomme, Jr, Edward P Rigel, Sr, President General Larry Guzy

## Award Citations

*Compatriot Sapp has served the National Society as a National Trustee and Alternate Trustee for the Georgia Society for one year each.. He has served on the following committees: the Americanism Committee for twelve years, serving as Secretary for the Committee for three years and as a Vice-Chairman for three years; the ROTC/JROTC & Service Academies Committee for seven years, serving as Secretary five of those years; the Membership Committee for five years, serving as Secretary for two of those years; and the Color Guard Committee for one year. Compatriot Sapp is a first line sponsor on one hundred and fifty two new members and assisting in organizing four Chapters in the Georgia SAR. He has attended ten Congresses and twenty-two National Leadership Meetings. He is a George Washington Fellow, a contributor to the Council of Youth Awards and to the SAR Center for Advancing America's Heritage.*

*Compatriot Rigel has served the National Society as Surgeon General and as a Vice-President General. He has also served as a National Trustee and Alternate Trustee for the Georgia Society. Compatriot Rigel has served on the following committees: the Eagle Scout Committee for eight years, serving as Vice-Chairman for six of those years and Chairman for two years, the Medical Committee for five years, serving as Vice-Chairman for four of those years and Chairman for one year, the Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee for two years, one as Vice Chairman and one as Chairman, the Council of Vice-President Generals, serving as Vice-Chairman; the Council of Youth Awards, serving as Vice-Chair. Compatriot Rigel is a first line sponsor of thirty-six new members. He has attended nine Congresses and fifteen National Leadership Meetings. He is a George Washington Fellow, and a contributor to Arthur M & Berdena King Eagle Scout Fund; the ROTC/JROTC Scholarship Fund; the George M. & Stella Knight Essay Contest; the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Orations Contest; the Americanism Fund and the SAR Center for Advancing America's Heritage.*

# Color Guardsman of the Year

**Edward P. Rigel, Sr**



L-R: President General Larry Guzy, Ed Rigel, Sr., J. Michael Tomme, Past Color Guard Commander.

Compatriot Ed Rigel, Sr. was selected to receive the SAR Color Guardsman of the Year award at the annual Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution held in Houston, Texas.

To be considered for the award a Color Guardsman must have completed three years of service at the national level. Compatriot Rigel was selected as that compatriot who best exemplifies both the spirit of the Sons of the American Revolution and the use of Color Guards to display that spirit.

Compatriot Rigel's activity was accomplished while serving as the Georgia Society President (2012-2013), Georgia Society Color Guard Commander (2011-2016), NSSAR Surgeon General (2014-2015) and Vice President General of the South Atlantic District (2015-2016). Compatriot Rigel participated in over 307 state and national events since 2009.

The Gold NSSAR Color Guard Medal is the highest award that can be received by members of the Color Guard. The medal was presented before at standing ovation who showed their appreciation for his service to the organization. The organization has over 36,000 members.

Compatriot Rigel joins George Thurmond, Paul Prescott, Charlie Newcomer, and Michael J Tomme who have received the National Society Gold Color Guard Medal.



# MOAA Warrior Weekend

The Georgia Society SAR Color Guard is asked each year to Present Colors at the annual MOAA Warrior Classic Banquet at Lake Lanier Islands Resort.

This year we were also asked to Present Colors for the kick-off to their golf tournament.

A Militia unit started the tournament with NOT a shotgun start, but a musket start.

All money raised during this tournament goes to the MOAA Georgia Wounded Warrior Program.



L to R: Bill Palmer, Ed Rigel, Sr, Past National Commander of the DAV, Bruce Maney, Walker Chewning, Eldon Evans.



L to R: Bill Palmer, Eldon Evans, Bruce Maney, Walker Chewning.



# Patriot Day

Patriots Day- April 19<sup>th</sup> marks the beginning of the Revolutionary War at Lexington and Concord. Three years after the “shot heard ‘round the world,” the Georgia Continental Navy captured three British ships in the Frederica River near St. Simons Island on April 19, 1778. These two events were commemorated during the Fourteenth Annual Frederica Patriots Day Celebration held Saturday, April 14 and Sunday, April 15, on St. Simons Island, Georgia. The Celebration included three activities - a Memorial Ceremony and Parade on Saturday and a Colonial Worship Service on Sunday. The Celebration was sponsored by the GA Society SAR Historic Sites & Commemoration Committee, Marshes of Glynn SAR Chapter, and two local DAR Chapters.

Larry Dobbs, a reporter with the Brunswick News, created a wonderful account of the Memorial Ceremony – in fact some of the SAR Compatriots said it was the best description of a SAR sponsored event they had ever read. So we decided to obtain permission to reprint the article in the Hornet's Nest as follows.

**PATRIOTS DAY BRINGS history alive**

By LARRY HOBBS  
hobbs@thebrunswicknews.com

Just a teenager in 1782, Betty Zane braved gunfire and flying arrows to deliver much needed gunpowder to militia fighters under siege by British soldiers at Fort Henry on the Virginia frontier.

Elementary fourth-grader Kiara Frederick told folks all about it Saturday during the Patriots Day ceremony at the casino on St. Simons Island. Moments later, Kiara just about jumped out of her skin when the cannon boomed and the muskets popped during a salute on the green to all of our Revolutionary War heroes.

Her personal feelings about loud artillery aside, the experience of taking part in the Patriots Day celebration gave Kiara keen insight into Miss Zane and other historic figures from America's fight for freedom. She and seven other area elementary school kids took part in the 14th annual observance, dressing the part for presentations on the exploits of Revolutionary heroes and heroines such as Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, Nancy Hart and Patrick Henry.

"The British and Indians were shooting arrows and guns at me and every shot somehow missed me," Kiara, in her role as Betty Zane, told the crowd of about 300. "When I got back to the fort, I gave the powder to the men."

More than 50 historical and heritage organizations

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## History

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took part also in the ceremonies, which featured patriotic songs, the laying of memorial wreaths, the aforementioned salute of firepower, and a lively parade through the adjoining Pier Village. The local annual event is one of the rare Patriots Day celebrations outside of Massachusetts and Maine. There it is a state-recognized holiday to commemorate the April 19, 1775, anniversary of the Battle of Lexington and Concord and the start of the Revolutionary War.

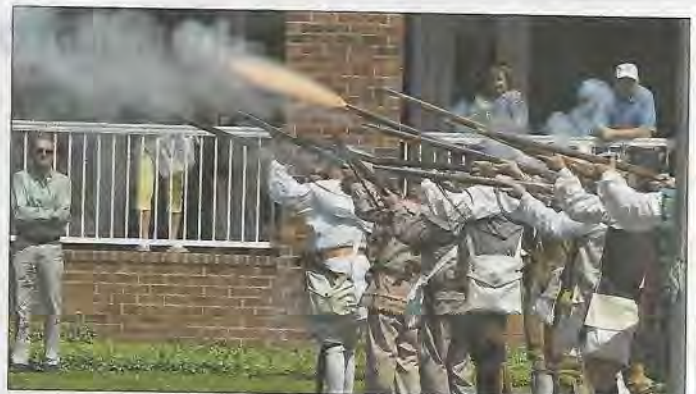
However, April 19 also was the date three years later of the Frederica Naval Action off of St. Simons Island, when three galleys of the Georgia State Navy out-gunned and outmaneuvered three British warships. The local chapters of the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution honor both historic events in this local Patriots Day celebration.

Those local DARs and SARs put considerable time and energy into making this even happen, but it is nothing compared to the part they play in keeping history relevant in local classrooms. Dressed in Colonial-era attire, these dedicated adults bring history's heroes alive for fourth- and fifth-graders who are being introduced to American history in the classroom.

These youngsters who took part in Saturday's Patriots Day celebration put in several weeks of preparation for their roles. Jimmy Boatwright of the Marshes of Glynn SAR chapter even visited each child at their home, helping them review and research their parts.

Parents got in on the act as well, of course.

"She had to do some real in-depth research for this," Yolanda Ketchup said of daughter Kiara's efforts. "It



Bobby Haven/The Brunswick News photos

Above, a musket and cannon salute performed by the Col. Elijah Clarke Militia and Wiregrass Militia Cannon were performed at the closing of the annual Frederica Patriots Day Memorial Ceremony at the St. Simons Casino on Saturday. Below, a parade around the St. Simons Village closes out the Patriots Day ceremony.

was an eye-opener for me too – I didn't even know who Betty Zane was, so we both had to do our homework."

St. Francis Xavier Catholic School siblings Luke and Lea Maye Smith did not realize they would have so much fun preparing for their roles. Luke portrayed founding father Thomas Jefferson and Lea Maye played Nancy Hart, the feisty Carolina backwoods woman who bamboozled and executed a cadre of snobby British officers.

"It was so much fun!" Lea Maye said. "We researched stuff, and we learned a lot of stuff we didn't know before. It was wonderful!"

"It was great," Luke said, when his sister finally let him have a word in edgewise. "We learned a lot about all these cool people from the Revolution."

Altama Elementary fourth-grader Nimil Watson hopes his part Saturday as Paul Revere is the first of many theatrical roles. But the budding actor said the historical significance of Revere's midnight ride to warn the minutemen at Lexington and Concord was not lost on him.

"I know I want to be an actor some day, but I did



all this so I can learn about history," Nimil said. "I got to learn about Paul Revere and all the other patriots that made history in the past."

Sharon Watson, Nimil's grandmother and a retired Altama Elementary teacher, was proud of her grandson's performance.

"He realized his responsibility and he had fun with it," she said. "I'm so glad (the SAR and DAR) provide this opportunity for our students."

Others taking part included: Mason Scott of Altama Elementary as Patrick Henry; Ronny Castanon of Altama Elementary as Ben Franklin; Austin Harris of St. Simons Christian as George Washington; and Anna Belle Chapman of St. Simons Christian as Betty

Geiger, the young heroine with a taste for espionage.

Additionally, the Risley Middle School chorus sang patriotic tunes, the Brunswick High Navy JROTC saber team took part and local Eagle Scout Sam Parker of Troop 248 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

For his part, the SAR's Boatright was pleased to see so many youngsters taking active roles in keeping history alive.

"They all performed so well," said Boatright, who also served as the day's Master of Ceremonies. "They just really knocked it out of the park. We feel like it is important that our history is remembered. We just try to augment what they are learning in the classrooms,



# Signers Monument



## Program Speakers



GASSAR President Don Burdick welcomed guests and opening the proceedings.



Button Gwinnett Past President Bill Palmer represented the Button Gwinnett Chapter.



Lyman Hall Chapter President Carter J Wood spoke of his chapter's namesake.



Ron Ramsey, Past President of the George Walton Chapter represented his chapter.

*Photos by Bill Colbert*



# Signers Monument

## Elijah Clarke Militia



## Elijah Clarke Artillery



Photos by Bill Colbert



# Chapter NEWS

## Athens

### Flag Certificates



Georgia Visitors Welcome Center, I-85



Prolectric



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GASSAR President Don Burdick, a member of the Athens Chapter made three Flag Certificate presentations in one day. Accompanied by his wife Nancy they honored three locations that properly display the flag of our nation.

### Life Saving Medal



Athens Chapter SAR presented the SAR Life Saving Medal to Detective Sergeant William Horton at their regular meeting on April 3, 2018 held at the Jennings Mill Country Club.

The SAR Life Saving Medal recognizes and honors individuals who have acted to save the life of a fellow human being without placing their own life in imminent danger. Sgt Horton was nominated for this medal by Watkinsville Police Chief Lee O'Dillon.

On Wednesday March 21, 2018 Sgt Horton was shopping in a local department store when he encountered a six-year-old boy who was choking and had collapsed on the floor. Sgt Horton picked up the boy and performed the Heimlich maneuver dislodging the item causing the choking.

He continued to care for the child until his breathing was back to normal and calmly reassured the parents during the ordeal.

This was the first award of the Life Saving Medal by the Athens Chapter SAR since it was authorized in 2017.

## Atlanta



### New Members

Atlanta Chapter, Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution inducted four new members at their meeting on April 12.

(L to R), Bryan Lamar, Leroy Lamar III, Thomas Montgomery and Matthews Pierson

### Heroism Medal



(L to R) Henry Cobb, JROTC Department Senior Army Instructor LTC Cranson A Butler (accepting for, Quentin Garlington), Zemyius Hutchinson and Nokio Clemons.

Atlanta Chapter president Henry Cobb awards the SAR Heroism Medal to BEST Engineering, Science, and Technology Academy High School JROTC Cadets Quentin Garlington, Zemyius Hutchinson and Nokio Clemons during a Senior Awards Luncheon, Friday, May 18, 2018 at the University Club at Georgia State Stadium in Atlanta, Georgia.

The three Cadets were recognized for their courage in battling a massive wildfire in the Carver Hills area of Atlanta, which threatened several houses in their neighborhood prior to the arrival of the City of Atlanta Fire Rescue Department. The Cadets also evacuated a group of children to safety, then, after the arrival of AFR Company 28, they assisted the firefighters by hauling heavy supply lines up a steep hill to connect to a hydrant, after which they continued to assist by directing traffic on the scene.

Earlier, the JROTC Cadets were recognized by the then City of Atlanta Fire Chief Joel Baker, where he said, "Many young adults would have preferred to document the whole event on a smart phone rather than assist in the response. I am proud of you and know that pride extends to your teachers, BEST Academy's ROTC program and your parents".



## Blue Ridge Mountains



This Memorial Day our chapter placed flags on patriot graves.



### **Signers Monument**

Blue Ridge Mountains Compatriots took part in the Signers Monument commemoration in Augusta.



Blue Ridge Mountains Compatriots and their ladies strike an authentic North Georgia militiaman pose at one of their many events.



## Brier Creek

### SAR Chapters Cerebrate at 250th Church Anniversary



**Horn's Creek Baptist Church**

On Sunday, April 15, 2018, 4 Compatriots of the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution traveled to Edgefield County, South Carolina to participate in the 250th Anniversary Celebration of the Horn's Creek Baptist Church.

Compatriots Don Bazemore, Brier Creek Chapter, Steve Burke, Wiregrass Chapter, and Don Thomas and Bill Colbert of the Col William Few Chapter posted the colors and retrieved the colors. After the inside ceremony, everyone moved outside while the two Don's and Bill fired a three round volley with their Pennsylvania Flintlock Long Rifles and Steve fired a three round volley with his 6-pounder Naval Cannon.



### Historic Signing of BCRWBA 501C3

The Brier Creek Chapter held its monthly meeting on Thursday night, April 5, 2018 at R & D's Restaurant at 7:00. During the meeting, the newly formed Brier Creek Revolutionary War Battlefield Association was presented by Chair Tommy Christopher and copies of the by-laws for the BCRWBA was passed out.

Chair Tommy discussed the purpose and mission of the proposed 501C3 organization and named the officers and board members who had volunteered to serve.

The mission of the Association is to present and interpret the history, scientific and culture of the area as it is reflected in its heritage of significant Revolutionary Period sites and resources by encouraging the permanent preservation of the site of the Brier Creek Battle, its natural history and related resources.

Through exhibits, educational programs and interpretation, the value of this heritage and its meaning and orientation to present day life will be presented. Programming will create an awareness of the need for the preservation

of our past, through relics, personalities and principles, for future generations.

The following are the officers and members of the board of directors. President Stephen Hammond, 1st Vice-President Sonny Pittman, 2nd Vice-President Tommy Christopher, Secretary State Senator Jesse Stone, Treasurer John Fitzner, Parliamentarian Homer "Chip" Durden, Chairman of the Board of Directors Tommy Christopher, Board members, Grace Waits, Dr. John Derden, Alecia Evans, Wilder Smith, Jr., Scotty Scott, Dianne Fitzner, Dr. Al Freeland, Dess Smith III, Lee Smith, J. Michael Tomme, and Betsy Sternau. Also the ex officio members are: Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Historic Sites Division, the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Game and Fish Division and Dr. Ryan McNutt, professor at Georgia Southern University.

Articles of incorporation and the by-laws for the 501C3 association have been forwarded for approval and we should hear back sometime in June. The association will be accepting membership in the BCRWBA sometime in June. Those interested, please contact COB Tommy Christopher at 229-315-0950 or e-mail him at [cecil.t.christopher@gmail.com](mailto:cecil.t.christopher@gmail.com) for more information.



## Brier Creek—continued

### SAR Chapters Participate in the Live Stock Parade



Brier Creek, Wiregrass and Col William Few Chapters of the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution traveled to downtown Sylvania on Saturday, March 31, 2018, to participate in the annual "Livestock Parade".

We all arrived at Screven County High School around 9:30 and prepared our 6-pounder Naval Cannon trailer to carry eight members of our three chapters sitting down on bales of hay. Half of us faced one side and the others faced the opposite side.

Commander of our American Revolution combined Georgia Society Militia, Steve Burke, walked alongside the pickup pulling the trailer and being driven by Compatriot Wayne Howard and riding shotgun was Compatriot Sam Cochran.

Every 50 yards, Steve would give the command to stop, militia attention, prepare to fire, aim, fire, then sit and then forward. We continued this and fired at least ten shots with our Pennsylvania Long Rifles.

When we arrived uptown, Wayne parked the trailer right off the square and pointing south. Steve sat up five tables for his artifacts and Emory sat up two tables for his hand made forged knives. Every fifteen minutes, Compatriot Dess Smith would pick up someone from the crowd and they would come forward and fire the 6-pounder cannon. We fired a total of eight rounds and by 2:00 p.m. the Frontier Days Festival closed down. All three chapters had a great time and look forward to the parade next year.

### Chapter Earns More Streamers



During the Brier Creek Chapter's monthly meeting held on April 5, 2018 at R & D's Restaurant, Sgt-at-Arms Don Bazemore received two streamers to mount on the Brier Creek Chapter's Flag. The first Streamer was presented by President Lee Smith from the 239th Anniversary of the Brier Creek Battle event held on March 3, 2018. President Lee attended that event and presented the Chapter's wreath in commemoration of this battle held on March 3, 1779. The second Streamer was presented by the Patriot editor Dess Smith III from the 237th Anniversary of the Battle of Guilford Courthouse held on March 17, 2018. Compatriot Dess attended that event and presented the Brier Creek Chapter's wreath in commemoration of this battle held on March 15, 1781 in Greensboro, North Carolina.

## Brier Creek—continued



L to R: Dianne Jones, Randy Jones, President Lee Smith

Brier Creek Chapter of the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution held its monthly meeting, Thursday night April 5, 2018 at R & D's Restaurant in Sylvania, Georgia at 7:00.

During the meeting, Randy Donald Jones was inducted by President Lee Smith as our newest member of the Brier Creek Chapter, Georgia Society, Sons of the American Revolution.

Randy is retired and lives with his wife Linda Powell Jones in Statesboro, Georgia. Randy's American Revolutionary War Patriot is Abraham LeVan.

Abraham was the Adjutant to the 4th Battalion, Northhampton County Militia, Pennsylvania. Abraham died on May 27, 1823 and is buried in Zion Cemetery, in Kreidersville, Northampton County, PA.

## June Meeting

Brier Creek Chapter, Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution, held its monthly meeting Thursday night, June 7, 2018 at R & D's Restaurant at 6:30. With President Lee Smith presiding, we had twelve members in attendance and eight guests.

President Lee Smith opened the meeting by introducing all guests and thanked them for attending our meeting.

President Lee then asked our Chapter Chaplain Wayne Brown to led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and then Chaplain Wayne led us in the Pledge to the SAR.

President Lee then presented a "flag streamer" from the Signers Monument Event in Augusta to Sgt-at-Arms Don Bazemore that will be placed on the Brier Creek Chapter Flag. Also, President Lee and Sgt-at-Arms Don were presented Certificates of Appreciation for participating as a "Kettle Creek Battle Reenactor" in Washington, GA on February 14, 2018.

President Lee then introduced Norman B. Turner who then presented the program. Norman's topic was titled "Ebenezer and the Surrounding Counties during the American Revolution".

After the program, President Lee called on the editor of "The Patriot", Dess Smith III, to give the Chapter an update on the formation of our BCBA Corporation and 501C3. Compatriot Smith also gave a report on the events that the Brier Creek Chapter participated in during the month of May: Pine Tree Festival Parade in Swainsboro on May 5; Grave Marking Ceremony for 2 Patriots, Charles McCall and John Everett in Candler County on May 11; Grave Marking on Greene Street at the Signers Monument in Augusta on May 19.

President Lee then asked Chaplain Wayne Brown to led us in the SAR Recessional and the Benediction.





## Button Gwinnett

### Bond Award

The Thomas Jefferson Bond Jr. Award is given to the Compatriot whose photographic entry is selected as most representative of the spirit of patriotism.

This year's winner was Jamie Ruff of the Piedmont Chapter.

Jamie's note below explains the significance to him about his father, Compatriot Michael Ruff of the Button Gwinnett Chapter who is second from the left in this great photo.



*This photo was taken during the pre-game ceremony at the Atlanta Braves game on Independence Day, 2017. The Georgia Society SAR color guard was asked to participate, and they asked me to attend and photograph them. Thirteen militia men to represent the original colonies lined up to fire their muskets at the end of the Star Spangled Banner. I was positioned by the dugout and told two boys I was seated near to keep an eye on the militia men as they had a big surprise coming up. As the song ended, on the word "Brave" they fired their weapons and the crowd absolutely roared. It was a very moving and inspiring moment. I told the boys that's my dad!*

*At the time we didn't know he was sick but after that day my dad got worse quickly and we lost him to cancer six weeks later. I didn't tell the national society all of this when I entered the photo in the annual contest because I hoped it would stand on its own for its patriotism. The photo is bittersweet to me now but it was a great day and I know Dad would have been proud.*

- Jamie Ruff

## Casimir Pulaski



### Scholarship

Casimir Pulaski chapter graciously supports a scholarship in their name which was established in order to promote and support the study of the history of the United States at UWG; to provide financial assistance to UWG students pursuing a degree in American History; and to honor the Casimir Pulaski Chapter SAR and its membership (past, present, and future) for their efforts in the perpetuation of the study of the history of our nation.

Heather Rodriguez and Dr. Julia Brock of West Georgia University, were honored by the chapter represented by Mike Campbell, Richard Whitten and George Wheelless.

## Coweta Falls

Meeting on April 12, 2018 Compatriot Roy Collier provided an outstanding presentation of medical care in the Revolutionary War including the problems American soldiers faced with smallpox. Visitor Shannon Baxtor assisted him. Two new members received their certificates, Jim-

### New Compatriots



President Dan McMichael inducts Harland Price



President Dan McMichael welcomes Jimmy Fewell

### Poster Contest

Compatriot Dan Ginter presented the winning posters from the elementary schools.

First Place: Jack Kim, age 9, 4th grade, Brit David Magnet Academy

Second Place: Olivia Lunsford, age 10, 4th grade, St. Luke

Third Place: Pheobe Marr, age 10, Wynnton Arts Academy

Third Place: Lamya Brown, age 10, J.D. Davis Elementary

Third Place: Ian Adams, age 10, Downtown Magnet Academy

Third Place: Benjamin A. Clarke, age 9, Key Elementary



### Poster Contest Winner

Jack Kim is a fourth grader at Brit David Magnet Academy and is the Chapter's First Place winner in this year's Poster Contest.

He was presented with a check and a congratulatory certificate by President Dan McMichael.

Jack's teacher, Ms Kendra Neal attended the ceremony.





# Coweta Falls—continued

## June Chapter Meeting

Compatriot John House provided a presentation on the history of the U.S. Army and on the importance of the flag. June 14, 1775 was the birth of the Army because the Continental Congress authorized raising 10 companies of riflemen that day. That also makes June 14 the birthday of the U.S. Army Infantry. Two years later, the Congress authorized the first American flag, so June 14 is also Flag Day.

First Vice President Dan Ginter presided due to President Dan McMichael being on vacation. Compatriots placed flags on patriot graves during the Memorial Day time.



Compatriot John House—June Program



First Vice President Dan Ginter and John House

## Traveling Trunk Presentations

Compatriot Dan Ginter made a Traveling Trunk presentation on March 20 at Dimon Elementary, there were 187 students and 4 adults. He presented to the third graders first and then to the fourth graders. On March 23, Dan presented at St. Luke School to 60 students, 4 teachers, and 3 other adults. On May 2, Dan conducted two presentations at the National Infantry Museum for a total of 96 students and 45 adults present from Mulberry Creek Elementary School.



Dimon Elementary



St Luke School



# Coweta Falls—continued

## Memorial Day Celebration

President Dan McMichael presided over the 13th Annual Memorial Day Commemoration held at Park Hill Cemetery. The service included the Star Spangled Banner and God Bless America sung as duets by Janet Durden and Gina Davidson. Compatriot Charles Hall played Taps. Reverend Eddie Smith provided the Eulogy. John House led the Pledge of Allegiance and Bill Pruitt provided the invocation and benediction. Bill Hay led the color guard. Wreath presentations and a musket salute rounded out the program.



## Cleanup of Samuel Cooper Grave Site



Compatriot Harris Fox spent March 17 cleaning up Samuel Cooper's gravesite as part of his Richards Middle School requirement for some community activities.

Part of his school requirement will be a short PowerPoint presentation to his social studies class.





# Coweta Falls—continued

## Union Springs Marker Dedication

Coweta Falls chapter provided a color guard for the historical marker dedication for the Union United Methodist Church at Butler on May 27th.



President Dan McMichael and Compatriots Bernie Talley and Robert Moore were the color guard.

Coweta Falls—continued

**Presidents Day at American Village**

President Dan McMichael was invited to portray President George Washington at American Village in Montevallo, AL on Presidents Day on Feb 19th. President McMichael read Washington's first Inaugural Address to several crowds and welcomed guests to Mount Vernon in honor of his birthday.





## Joel Early

### Joel Early Chapter Officers



### Our Chapter's History

The Joel Early Chapter was named for Joel Early. He was born in Virginia around 1745 and served in the Revolutionary War as an officer in Virginia's infantry.

Lt. Early was attached to Col. James Pendleton's command which marched from Culpeper Courthouse to Williamsburg where his company was detached from the regiment and stationed along the York River to monitor the activities of the British. His group's reports aided in the defeat of Cornwallis at Yorktown in 1781.

Sometime after the war, Joel moved his family to Georgia, first to Wilkes County and later to Greene County, where he lived until his death in 1806.

One of Joel's sons, Peter Early, served Georgia as state Senator, Judge of Superior Court, Governor, and Congressman in the U.S. House of Representatives. Early County, Georgia was created in 1818 and named to honor the former Governor.

The Joel Early Chapter was chartered September 13, 2002 to serve the southwest corner of Georgia. We have members from most of the counties that were carved from the original Early County that was created in 1818. We also have some members or joint members from Houston County, Alabama and Jackson County, Florida which border our area.

The Joel Early Chapter meets at 6:00 PM on the third Saturday of each month except June and July. Our meetings are held at the Red Hill Center located at 2102 Ash Crossing Road, Iron City, Georgia.

For information, contact Steve Peace, President, [peace1@windstream.net](mailto:peace1@windstream.net), 229-308-0055 or Neal Spooner, Registrar, [nealspooner67@gmail.com](mailto:nealspooner67@gmail.com), 229-774-2227.

### Oldest and Youngest



The oldest (95), Roger Spooner, and youngest, Colton Spooner (4), members of the Joel Early Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution.

# Lyman Hall

## Compatriot Grave Marking

Lyman Hall Chapter marked the grave of Compatriot James Bertram (Bert) Hawk on Sunday, April 8th.

GASSAR President brought greetings on behalf of the State Society. Lyman Hall Color Guard members participated.

Chapter Presidents Billy Galt of Athens and John Flikeid of Robert Forsyth represented their Chapters

Bert's son David made a loving and uplifting statement about his father.

Photo L to R: Daughter, Susan, son David, mother and wife Juliette, 'Julie' Hawk at Memorial Gardens in Oakwood, GA.



## President Burdick

## With Sincere Appreciation



Georgia State Society addressed the Lyman Hall Chapter at the May meeting.

Dr Edward P Rigel, Sr was presented with a certificate of appreciation for his many years of productive liaison with the COL William Candler Chapter, NSDAR. Chapter Historian Mindy Wade made the presentation.



## Lyman Hall—continued

### Quilts Of Valor

The mission of the Quilts Of Valor Foundation is to cover service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts Of Valor.

“On Eagles Wings” Chapter of Quilts Of Valor, based in Oakwood, GA surprised Lyman Hall Treasurer veteran Pete Ingram with his individualized quilt at the May 24th meeting.

QOV President Peggy Johnson presented the quilt in recognition of Pete's service in Viet Nam.



### Partnership with Brenau University



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Newsletter of the Brenau University Learning and Leisure Institute



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Lyman Hall Compatriots, assisted by Bill Palmer of the Button Gwinnett Chapter and Mary Lou Goering of the Jacob Braselton Chapter, NSDAR made a series of twelve presentations in the Summer Session of Brenau University's Learning and Leisure Institute at Braselton.

# Marquis de Lafayette



## Team BLUELINE



Chapter President Don Bulloch presents Fayette County Deputy Sheriff Chad Wallace, CEO and Founder of Team BLUELINE with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Officer Chad Wallace presents the Chapter with the Official Team BLUELINE flag.

Team BLUELINE is non profit established to raise funds to assist officers and their families injured or killed in the line of duty.

## Patriot Days



SAR militia at Patriot Days in Fort Frederica at St Simons Island. Compatriot Walt Reed (fourth from the left) presented a wreath on behalf of the Chapter and took part in the Musket Salute on April 14th.



## Marshes of Glynn

### Recognition of Glynn County Educators



Ellen Provenzano and Jimmy Boatright

We have observed many teachers who are passionate about the causes, events and results of the American Revolution, and during a recent SAR meeting, we honored three educators with special recognition.

Ellen Provenzano, Social Studies teacher at Risley Middle School, was honored as our Teacher of the Year. She directed each eight-grade student to write a letter to one of our performers explaining their impact in the Revolution and sponsored our Historical Brochure contest.



Steven Ford and Valerie Bird

We also honored Kerry Weitzel, Media instructor at C.B. Greer Elementary School for sponsoring daily presentations of our Revolutionary Patriots during a week in February. Valerie Bird, Secretary at Oglethorpe Point Elementary School, was recognized for arranging the performances of thirty local citizens during the school's Georgia Day activities, including our Revolutionary Patriots.

### GASSAR Honors Marshes of Glynn SAR Chapter



Members holding Certificates and Flag Streamers received during the recent GA Society SAR Conference for outstanding performances during 2017, include (LtoR)- John Morgan with Grave Marker Certificate; Carey Brock with Education Outreach Streamer; Steven Ford with Membership Streamer; Peter Dillion with President General Streamer; Jack Godfrey with Americanism Streamer; Jimmy Boatright with Distinguished Chapter Streamer; Bill Ramsaur with Best Education Program Certificate; and Steven Hinson with support of local C.A.R. Society Certificate.

## Marshes of Glynn—continued

### Honoring the Service of World War II Veterans

During the past three years, we have recognized the service of eighteen veterans of World War II in our SAR Meetings or at their home. During a recent SAR Meeting, Jimmy Boatright presented Patriot Plaques and Certificates to two Navy veterans - Haven Paxton and Albert Shelander. In WWII,

Haven Paxton served on a destroyer which escorted merchant ships to Europe, including two Liberty Ships built in the Brunswick shipyard. He decided to make a career in the Navy where he served for twenty-seven years, including tours in Korea and Vietnam. Albert Shelander also served on a destroyer in the Pacific Theater during World War II.



Jimmy Boatright with Haven Paxton



Jimmy Boatright with Albert Shelander



### Flag Day

14 June



Flag Day Ceremony was an Outstanding!!! - 38 Honor Guards carried flags for the Presentation of Colors- including City of Brunswick & Glynn County Fire, Police & Sheriff's Departments and seven Veterans Council units. MofG Flag Bearers were Jimmy Boatright, Steven Ford, JC Carter, Pete Dillion and Steven Hinson - and other SAR who participated in the ceremony included Mike Browning, Bill Ramsaur, Brent Taylor and Jason Trackwell who carried the VFW flag.

DAR members participating included De Cox, Kathy Trackwell, and Meredith Trawick- many complimented her renditions of "You're a Grand Old Flag" and "The Army Goes Rolling Along." American Legion Post 9 Color Guard performed an impressive flag folding demonstration, entitled "Thirteen Folds."



## Marshes of Glynn—continued

### Honoring World War II Veterans

Marshes of Glynn Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, recognized seven World War II Veterans at the Addington Place Assisted Living in Brunswick. Jimmy Boatright, Awards Chairman for the SAR and Commander Bennie Williams of Brunswick American Legion Post 9, presented Recognition Awards for their service to our country.

Receiving the awards were, Jack Sullivan, US Army, European Theater; Sara Patton, US Army, Nurse; Captain Albert McInnis, served as a Pilot flying B-29's and a meteorologist in the US Army Air Corps; Seaman First Class William D. Gilmer, US Navy, served in the Pacific Theater; Mary Parks Anderson, US Navy serving as Nurse in the Burn Center at the Pensacola Naval Hospital; Richard G. Wooten, US Navy and Seaman First Class Johnny Floyd, US Navy serving in the Atlantic Theater, serving on oil and gas transports delivering fuel to Allies in northern Europe.



L to R: Brent Taylor, Bennie Williams, Jack Sullivan, Mary Parks Anderson, William Gilmer, Jimmy Boatright, Albert McInnis, Johnny Floyd and Steven Ford; not pictured is Richard Wooten and Sarah Patton.



### Middle School Chorus

Bill Ramsour met with members of the Risley Middle School Chorus on May 24.

Many of the Eight-Grade students had performed during the past three Patriots Day Celebrations. He thanked them for outstanding performances and presented them a large framed poster which will be prominently displayed in the Chorus practice room.



# Mount Vernon

## Mount Vernon's Newest Compatriots



(Above) Shep Hammack introduced and presented new Mount Vernon Chapter members Warren Gregory and Michael Gerretson with membership certificates and the SAR rosettes at the June meeting.



(Left) Past Chapter President Shep Hammack inducted new member John Robitscher at the May meeting. Welcome John !



## Flag Certificate

Mount Vernon Chapter awarded the Piedmont Bank of Dunwoody an award for properly displaying their flag.

Color Guard members Tom Chrisman and Randy Pollard presented the award to the manager, Fran Fuchs and her staff.



# Ocmulgee

## Liberty Tree Society C.A.R. Pool Party.

Ocmulgee President Chuck Garnett hosted the annual Liberty Tree Society C.A.R. Pool Party. Three C.A.R. Societies, three DAR Chapters, and the Ocmulgee SAR were represented.

Georgia State Society C.A.R. State President, Audrey Frederick presented her State Project, "Hearts and Hands Helping Heroes", which raises funds for the Veterans Empowerment Organization (VEO).

Liberty Tree C.A.R. also installed new officers with Rebekah Jenkins as their new president. 25 were in attendance. Chuck Garnett shared a program with the kids on recent additions to Kettle Creek Battlefield. Ocmulgee SAR is a proud sponsor of the Liberty Tree Society GSSCAR.



Liberty Tree Society presented Audrey with a check for \$100 for her State Project.



GSS C.A.R. State President installs Liberty Tree C.A.R. officers



# Piedmont

## Honor Air Flight

On Tuesday, April 24, Compatriot Bob Sapp, a veteran of World War II, took part in the 10th annual Honor Air Flight sponsored by the Roswell Rotary Club. Bob was accompanied by Piedmont Chapter President Ron Redner on the trip to Washington, DC.

The event honors our military veterans from all branches of service from World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. Approximately 90 World War II, Korean, and Vietnam War veterans plus guardians, a doctor and emergency personnel will gathered at the Roswell Community Center in the early Tuesday morning and traveled by motor coach to the Atlanta airport.

A chartered plane flew them to Washington, D.C. where they were escorted on buses from the Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport to the World War II Memorial. Then they will visited the Vietnam, Korean Memorials and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington Cemetery.



On this visit to Arlington National Cemetery, Bob and the other heroes got an extra treat, French President Emmanuel Macron was participating in a wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. After a full day everyone was safely returned to Atlanta that evening



## JROTC Recognition Program

Ron Redner presented Cadet Major Jaylen Daniels of Centennial High School with our Chapter JROTC award at the Centennial High School JROTC award ceremony. JROTC Recognition Program

The SAR awards the ROTC Medal to foster the principle of the "citizen-soldier", exemplified by the Minutemen of Revolutionary War days.

This award is presented by a Chapter, a State Society, or the National Society to JROTC cadets who are selected for having a high degree of merit with respect to leadership qualities,





**Piedmont**—continued



Piedmont Chapter members George Thurmond, Jaime Ruff and Bob Sapp earned 80 points for the chapter by participating and presenting the Colors in the Fifth Annual East Cobb Public Safety Appreciation Celebration.

The event was held on Thursday March 29th at the Olde Towne Athletic Club in Marietta GA to show appreciation for the Public Services by the Fire and Emergency Services with an awards

**Brochure Contest Winner**



Seventy-five students competed for these awards. Students were encouraged through their research to exhibit knowledge and understanding of American History using any of the five "Foundational Documents" as the brochure theme which include, Articles of Confederation, the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, the Federalist Papers, and the Bill of Rights.

Each finalist received a copy of the book "Founding Fathers" 8th Grade student Grace Hargett received a first place award and received a check for \$125 for her school entry along with a certificate for winning the chapter competition.

Grace's brochure went to win the Georgia State SAR Brochure Contest competition which she was awarded a check for \$150.

**Poster Contest Winner**



Piedmont Chapter President Ron Redner visited Mountain View Elementary School in Marietta, GA to present awards for our annual poster contest.

Colton Burkhalter won first place in our Chapter Poster Contest and received a certificate and a check for \$50.

Piedmont Chapter Color Guard members George Thurmond and Rick Reese Jr., along with Piedmont Chapter member Jerry Breed presented awards on April 21st to middle school students at Fellowship Christian School in Roswell, GA. for the 2018 SAR Brochure Contest.

The school entries were made under the encouragement of their teacher, Ms. Joan Ertle for 8th Grade Social Studies.

**Children's Parade**



Piedmont Chapter Compatriot George Thurmond participated in the annual Children's Parade.

He is depicted above by a youngster who is outfitted as one of the many cases of tea that were thrown into Boston Harbor.

**Parade Trailer**



President Ron Redner and Immediate Past President Rick Reese, Jr. noted that the Chapter now has access to a trailer for its Old Soldiers Day.

This float is available due to a "loaner" from the City of Milton, through Chapter member Bill Lusk.



# Robert Forsyth

## Flag Retirement

Robert Forsyth Chapter GASSAR sponsors flag retirement receptacles at the Home Depot in Cumming and Dawsonville..

Piedmont Chapter has receptacles at two Home Depot locations, Holcomb Bridge Road in Roswell and Winward Parkway in Alpharetta.

These receptacles are very attractive and are successfully collecting damaged and aged flags throughout our community. The photographs below show examples of the boxes and as can see they fill up quick.



## Honoring Their Namesake

## Flag Certificate



Robert Forsyth Chapter Compatriots, Allen Greenly, John Flikeid and Emil Decker in front of their chapter's namesake's grave, Robert Forsyth, was appointed by George Washington in 1785. He was first US Marshal in Georgia and first Marshal killed in the line of duty.

Robert Forsyth Chapter earned good media coverage from their presentation of a Flag Certificate to the Police Explorer Post chartered to the Forsyth County Sherriff's department.



## Valdosta



### **Bell Ringing Across America**

Mark Wisenbaker Member of Valdosta Chapter SAR and Irene D'Amato, Regent of General James Jackson Chapter NSDAR, rang the Bells thirteen times at First Baptist Church as part of the Bell Ringing across America celebration.

## William Few

### **June Meeting**

### **William Few's Newest Compatriot**



Thomas Smith receives his Compatriot Rosette.



David Harriss welcomes his table at the June 21st Chapter meeting.

**William Few**—continued**New Members**

New chapter members and guests. Left to right; Chris Knox, Martin Schwerzler, Perry Smith, and Thomas Smith

**Spring Chapter Meeting**

Our second quarter chapter meeting, with 61 registered members and guests it was an outstanding event. Several first time guests were among the group and we were honored by their attendance and enthusiasm. There were a number of awards and presentations, and a special recognition for four new members.

Our chapter is now at 96 members, with four more in the application review process. Chapter Chaplain David Titus was recognized as the 2017 GASSAR Chaplain of the Year, a much deserved recognition for his service! The audience was treated to a great program by Steven J. Rauch, a professor, historian and much more at Augusta University. He spoke on "The Second Siege of Augusta, May-June 1781." A special guest and visitor this evening was Rev. Doug Puckett, from the Henry Laurens (Aiken, SC) chapter, who presented our benediction.

**With Appreciation****NSDAR Continental Congress**

New Sons of the American Revolution member, Major General Perry M. Smith, U.S. Air Force (Ret), was thanked for his generous contribution to the Augusta-CSRA Vietnam War Memorial Initiative.



Augusta Chapter NSDAR delegates Patricia Croft, Amy Pittman Lawson, and Katherine Croft were accompanied by Colonel William Few Chapter SAR Compatriot Bill Croft at the 127th NSDAR Continental Congress in Washington, D.C.



## Wiregrass

### Patriots Day Ceremony



Those attending were Sgt-at-Arms Don Bazemore of the Brier Creek Chapter and Vice-President Steve Burke and Registrar Dess Smith III of the Wiregrass Chapter.

Compatriot Don Bazemore presented his Chapters Wreath and Dess Smith presented his Chapters wreath during the ceremony. All three Compatriots participated with the award winning Georgia SAR Color Guard in the "presentation of the colors" and the retrieving of the colors. Don and Dess were part of the Pennsylvania Long Rifle 3 round volley salute, while Steve Burke fired his 6-pounder Naval Cannon in the three round cannon volley.



During the ceremony, there were 67 different organizations that presented wreaths. After the ceremony, the annual Parade of Patriots departed the St. Simons Lighthouse, moved to the pier in downtown St. Simons Island and then returned to the Lighthouse."

### Midway Cemetery Grave Marking

Wiregrass Chapter and the Brier Creek Chapter had eight members of their Chapters travel to Midway Cemetery for the Dedication of Grave Markers commemorating the service of five Patriot Soldiers: Thomas Bacon, John Osgood, Joseph Quarterman, Josiah Osgood, and William Way.

Members attending the ceremony were Chip Durden, Ruskin Powell, Steve Burke, Lee Smith, Dess Smith III, Christian Cotton-Dixon, Charles Cotton-Dixon, and Casey Cotton-Dixon. Also attending was Jane Durden, a member of the Gov David Emanuel/Adam Brinson Chapter, DAR.



Six Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution Chapters sponsored this event. They were the Athens Chapter, Brier Creek Chapter, Captain John Collins Chapter, Marshes of Glynn Chapter, Robert Forsyth Chapter and the Wiregrass Chapter.

This event was in conjunction with the St. John's Parish Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. President Lee Smith presented the Brier Creek Chapter wreath and Dess Smith III presented the Wiregrass Chapter wreath.

Ruskin, Dess, Christian, Charles and Casey fired their Pennsylvania Flintlock Long Rifles eight rounds and Steve and Lee Fired our 6-pounder Naval Cannon three rounds.



## Wiregrass—continued



### "Founding Fathers Presentation".

Wiregrass Chapter, Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution held its monthly meeting, Thursday night, May 10, 2018 at the New China Restaurant. With President Wilder Smith, Jr. presiding, we had 13 members in attendance and two guests, Judy Womack and Mike Lisenby. Also, President Wilder Smith, Jr. installed our newest member, Dr. Willie Gunn into our Chapter.

President Wilder then introduced Mike Lisenby who presented us with his program on the "Founding Fathers". Mike gave us a lot of information about these brave Patriots that was not common knowledge and made us realize that these men were special and gave up so much to help form this great country we have. Mike is a retired Attorney at Law and lives in Emanuel County with his wife, the former Nancy Smith, the daughter of the Late James and Anna Smith.



Wiregrass Chapter installed its 66th member during its monthly meeting held at the New China Restaurant. Dr. Willie Gunn is our latest member and was approved at the age of 92.

During the May meeting, Registrar Dess Smith III presented Sgt-at-Arms George King with a streamer from the Wiregrass Chapter participating in the Frederica Patriots Day Celebration at St. Simons Island, GA on April 14, 2018.

Willie's Patriot ancestor is John Gunn and served his country during the American Revolution in Caswell County, North Carolina. President Wilder Smith, Jr. installed Willie and presented him with his National Society SAR Certificate along with his approved application. Willie's sponsor is Compatriot Carlie Smith who pinned on the SAR rosette.

### June Meeting Program

Daniel McDonald Johnson presented our program for June. His program was on "The Siege of Savannah, Shrieks from Women and Children and General Lachlan McIntosh".

Daniel has written many books and enjoys traveling in South Carolina and Georgia presenting American Revolutionary programs on the many battles and different soldiers of that war. Daniel lives in Allendale, SC.

