



The

July-September 2018

Hornet's Nest

The President's Dispatch



Donald Burdick

Several members of the Georgia Society attended the Fall Leadership Conference in Louisville, KY, September 28-29, 2018. An enjoyable time was had Thursday evening when we held our traditional Georgia gathering at a nearby restaurant. A few compatriots from other States also attended.

Georgia's National Trustee, The Hon. Wayne Brown summarized the meeting in his report sent to the BOM, October 22, 2018. In this report, it is mentioned that the 2019 National Congress will be held in California. This Congress will be held in Costa Mesa, CA, July 5-10, 2019.

Congress Headquarters will be in the Orange County Hilton in Costa Mesa. As rooms are filling up fast, please make reservations now if you are planning to attend.

Also, please refer to NSSAR Web page, "National Congress" for further information on Congress Registration, etc. and updates as more information becomes available.

At the Georgia Society's Fall Board of Managers Meeting, October 27th changes in the Bylaws were approved to have a second Registrar position. Following the January 2019 Annual Conference, we will have a Registrar for the South and a Registrar for the North areas of our State. Both Registrars will have full authority to review, approve and transmit through our State Secretary membership applications from assigned chapters to National Headquarters.

Article III, Section 2e, of our Bylaws permits the State President with approval of the Executive Committee to appoint a member in good standing to fill the remainder of the term of the vacated office. A meeting of the Ex Com was previously called to meet after the BOM meeting to fill this vacancy. Steven Hinson, Registrar for the Marshes of Glynn Chapter was nominated, seconded and unanimously appointed to fill this position effective 25 January 2019. He will serve in this appointed position through 2019 and be available for nomination along with other State officers for election in 2020.

Also, at the Fall BOM Meeting the Charter for the new Fall Line Chapter was approved unanimously by the BOM. The Chapter has 56 members and will be located in Sandersville, Washington County. It will serve surrounding areas. Congratulations to President Sandy Mercer (Fall Line Chapter), President Wilder Smith and Registrar Dess Smith (Wiregrass Chapter),

East Region VP/Chapter President Sonny Pittman and Registrar Bill Tankersley (COL. William Few Chapter) and President

Lee Smith (Brier Creek Chapter) who worked so hard over several months to recruit members and organize this new chapter. Membership Committee Chairman Gordon Woodard was out of State and could not attend this BOM meeting.

PG Mike Tomme, Vice President of the Membership Committee made the motion to approve the Chapter's Charter. State Registrar Bob Sapp and State Secretary George Wheelless also contributed much time and effort to bring to fruition the Fall Line Chapter.

More good news. Registrar Bob Sapp and Carter Wood (Lyman Hall Chapter) have held meetings with Regent Ann Brown and Daughters of the Sunbury DAR Chapter in Winder to discuss plans for establishing a SAR Chapter in Winder.

There are over 30 SAR members living within ten miles of Winder who will be invited to join this new chapter. Several men in the area have indicated they will join a chapter if located in Winder. A Genealogy Workshop was conducted in Winder, November, 3rd, 2018 to help further this effort. DAR members are excited and eager to help establish a new SAR Chapter in the Winder area.

Sonny Pittman, East Region VP together with State Registrar Bob Sapp have organized a Registrar's Workshop which will take place at the New China Restaurant in Swainsboro on Saturday, December 1st, 2018 at 10 AM.

Chapter Presidents and Registrars in the East Region are invited but any compatriot who would like to attend may come. For further information contact VP Pittman, Tel:706-951-2160.

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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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We have been encouraging several of our chapters to participate in an informal "Partnership Program" which involves a well-established chapter assisting nearby, less active chapter that will welcome assistance in recruiting, registering, conducting educational programs including providing speakers and dual memberships. Some chapters already have ongoing partnerships or are willing to partner with other chapters. Included are COL. William Few, Wiregrass, Marshes of Glynn and Joe Early Chapters. If your chapter would appreciate assistance don't hesitate to ask. The objective is to assist and not take charge.

I spoke to a State President at the National Congress in Houston who said he encourages Chapter Presidents to suggest that members as individuals attend the meeting of another chapter to see how they do things and perhaps bring back new ideas. Worth considering?

Nancy and I attended Chapter meetings where I brought greetings and spoke at the Col. William Few, Piedmont and Athens Chapters.

We also participated in Grave Markings co-sponsored by the Apalachee DAR and Athens SAR Chapters; and participated in a Grave Marking co-sponsored by the Button Gwinnett and Piedmont Chapters. At both ceremonies I dedicated the grave markers, and we presented wreaths on behalf of the Georgia Society SAR and Ladies Auxiliary.

We attended National Congress in Houston, TX in July and the South Atlantic District meeting in Spartanburg, SC in October where I reported on Georgia Society Activities and new chapters. We participated in the Battle of King's Mountain commemoration and presented wreaths for the Georgia Society and Ladies Auxiliary.

We also participated in four patriot grave markings co-sponsored by the Samuel Elbert SAR, Atlanta SAR and Stephen Heard DAR Chapters. I brought greetings and dedicated the Grave Markers. We also presented wreaths on behalf of the Georgia Society SAR and Ladies Auxiliary.

Our Georgia Society SAR Annual Conference will be held, January 25-26, 2019 at the Sonesta Hotel, Duluth, GA. Please see Georgia Society Web Page (GeorgiaSociety.org) for information on conference Registration and Hotel Registration. If you have questions do not hesitate to call Wayne Brown, Tel: 404-694-4609. President General Warren Alter and 1st Lady Nancy will attend. President General Alter will address the Conference. Chapter Presidents, please spread the word and urge members to attend. Let's have great participation for our Annual Conference.

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

Active Membership as of

01 Jan 2018: 1,754

Plus:
 New Members 132
 Memorial Member 0
 Transfers In 4
 Reinstatements 41
 Reinstatement-Transfers 4

Total Additions 181

Less:
 Deceased 15
 Memorial Member 0
 Resignations 0
 Transfers Out 7

Total Losses 22**Active Membership as of**

30 Jun 2018: 1,913

Reported to National

Plus: Dual Members
 (Out of State) ...24

Active Membership as of

30 Jun 2018: 1,937

Reported to BOM

Georgia Society SAR Annual Conference

January 25-26, 2019



Board Of Managers Meetings

Saturday, Jan 26, 2019
at Annual Conference

Saturday, April 27, 2019
Saturday July 27, 2019
Saturday October 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>
Athens	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
Atlanta	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
Blue Ridge Mtns	09 Feb 2018	Jason Lee EDWARDS	Abaslom Hooper	Jack Powell Dugger
Brier Creek	09 Feb 2018	Randy Donald JONES	Abraham LeVan	William Joseph TANKERSLEY
Button Gwinnett	16 Feb 2018	William Lewis EVELYN	Philip Pendleton	William Harrison PALMER
	06 Apr 2018	Elijah Wayne STANCEL	Samuel Pharr	Harold Douglas FORD
Casimir Pulaski	11 May 2018	Franklin Dewey VEAL, Jr.	Francis Veale	George Herman WHEELLESS, II
Coweta Falls	23 Feb 2018	Jimmy Ray FEWELL	Philemon Bradford	Hugh Irmon RODGERS
Joel Early	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

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John Collins	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
Jos. Habersham	16 Feb 2018	Henry Matthews HUGHES	George Rucker	William Hughes RAPER
	16 Feb 2018	William Jack BETTRIDGE	George Rucker	William Hughes RAPER
LaGrange	13 July 2018	Charles Owen McLEOD	Edward Ingram	Forrest C Johnson III
Lyman Hall	12 Jan 2018	Thomas Austin CHAMBERLAIN	Peter Ashby	Carter J WOOD
	15 Jun 2018	Joseph Blakely BUTTERWORTH		
	15 Jun 2018	James Michael NUTTING		
	15 Jun 2018	Samuel Burch NUTTING		
	19 Jun 2018	Woodrow Wilson GOLDEN, Jr		
Marquis de Lafayette	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
Marshes of Glynn	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.
Mount Vernon	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
Piedmont	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.
Robert Forsyth	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

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	16 Feb 2018	Charles Bradford BRYANT	Elias Allred	William Allen GREENLY
	06 Apr 2018	John Mark DAVIS	Emphraim Rand	Christopher Michael RUSSO
Rome				
	23 Feb 2018	Tray Matthew PATTERSON	Arthur Patterson	William Spencer Houston
	06 Apr 2018	Jarratt Dykes BRYAN	Devereaux Jarratt	William Spencer Houston
Samuel Elbert				
	09 Feb 2018	John Pentecost YOUNTS	William Pentecost	James Larry WILSON
Valdosta				
	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
William Few				
	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	Perry 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
Wiregrass				
	30 Mar 2018	Willie David GUNN	John Gunn	Carlie Lee SMITH, Jr.

Total: 72

SAR Medal of Appreciation



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
Lyle Edward Letteer		Lyman Hall	16 Aug 2018
Curtis Eugene MCWATERS	159049	John Collins	17 Aug 2018
David Oscar BELL,	203548	Marshes of Glynn	25 Aug 2018

CALIFORNIA SOCIETY SAR is hosting the 2019 SAR National Congress

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.



Come and Take It

Fort Morris 13th Annual "Come and Take It!" Commemoration

Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution

Saturday, Nov. 17, 2018-- 10:00am



Friday, Nov. 16th

5:00pm – Hospitality & Lodging: Holiday Inn, 4601 Hwy 17; Richmond Hill; Exit #87 off I-95; Call 912-756-6668 ask for Sons of the American Revolution Rate- \$109.00

6:30pm - Dinner: Love's Seafood Restaurant, 6817 Chief of Love Rd (912-925-3616)

Saturday, Nov. 17th

10:00am – Fort Morris- Sunbury Memorial Ceremony; Fort Morris Historic Site, 2559 Fort Morris Rd, Midway, GA 31320 Exit #76 off I-95- (912-884-5999)

SAR Chapter Representatives will receive a "Come and Take It!" Flag Streamer.

11:30am - Lunch: Sunbury Crab Co, 541 Brigantine-Dunmore Road (912- 884-8640)

Number of Reservations: Friday Dinner ____ Saturday Lunch ____

Name(s) _____

Email _____ Telephone _____

Participation: Flag Bearer ____ Musket Salute ____ Wreath Presenter ____

Organization _____ Title _____

Name of Wreath Presenter _____ Location of Residence _____

To ensure recognition in program, please respond ASAP – wframsaur@aol.com

OR Mail: Bill Ramsaur, 116 Florence Street, St. Simons Island GA 31522; Tel: 912-223-1438

State Officers & Committees **NEWS**

Georgia Color Guard Commander—Bill Palmer



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)	56	506

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.

Participation: The number of members participating continues to be very good. The 3rd quarter is usually one where very little is scheduled due to the heat. However, we had multiple 4th of July events, National Congress, State BOM, Old Soldiers Day Parade, Compatriots Curtis McWaters, Mike Ruff, and Billy Holcombe Funeral plus Grave Marking. Marques de LaFayette Birthday, Constitution Day St. Paul's Church (William Few), DAR Constitution Week Luncheon, and Leadership.



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

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



Graves Committee—Sonny Pittman

Searching For Our Patriot Ancestors and Their Burial Locations in Georgia

Aside from the customary sources located in Georgia Revolutionary War Records, a significant number of abstracts of which are posted on the Georgia Society Website at <http://gasociety.org/gravesregistry/browseources.php>, there are two reference “tools” I find most useful, and I believe will help you, in the search for Patriot Ancestors and their grave locations in Georgia. They are the:

Georgia Revolutionary Soldiers & Sailors Patriots & Pioneers, Volumes 1 & 2, by Ross Arnold and Hank Burnham, published in 2001; and,

The NSSAR Patriot Research System (PRS) located at: <http://sarpatriots.sar.org/patriot/search/>

Your chapter registrar/graves marking chairman probably has a dog eared copy of the Ross & Burnham books you can borrow. The Georgia Society presents a copy of both volumes to every new chapter once it is chartered and stands up to “join the fold.” And, as mentioned above, there are some extracts from both volumes pertaining to particular Patriots noted on Graves Registry Website.

I like to use the Ross & Burnham volumes, because they are a Georgia County-by-County compilation of Revolutionary War Patriots who made Georgia their permanent home and who died in our state, including information on their military service history, birth dates, death dates and places of burial with an index. AND, for further research, source references are noted, where available, under each Patriots name. Note: An asterisk (*) before the name indicates a marked grave (meaning there was a grave stone there at one time).

The NSSAR Patriot Research System (PRS) is a combination of the previous NSSAR Patriot and Graves Registry (Online), NSSAR Revolutionary War Graves Registry (Book and CD), information from the NSSAR Patriot Index CD (2002), and additional information and updates from various State Grave Registry Databases. The database will continue to expand as new patriots and graves are found and new members are approved.

Please be aware that the Patriot and Grave Registry is NOT a comprehensive list of all the individuals who served in the American Revolutionary War, nor is it an indication that an SAR membership application (Record Copy) exists for every Patriot listed herein.

There are several ways to search for information on the PRS system:

1. **Patriot Search:** Search the database based on Patriot Name, Patriot Number, and other criteria.
2. **Member Search:** Search the database based on a SAR member. This allows for viewing all known descendants of a given member.
3. **Descendant Search:** Search the database based on a Descendant name. A descendant is someone who sits between a SAR Member and a Patriot in their lineage. This search is a work in progress, as not every record has lineage data in this database today, and won't be included in the results.
4. **Biography Search:** Search the database specifically for finding Biographies that have been submitted. Search results are limited to those Patriots who have had a biography submitted.

The database is available for the purpose of general research and assisting with the SAR membership process. The sources contained within this database are NOT acceptable as proof of service for an SAR application. You must still find the original reference to the service when submitting an SAR application.



Georgia Society Registrar—Bob Sapp

Applications received for review were 234 of which all but nine are to be reviewed. As of 30 September 2018, 217 applications were sent to NSSAR and 39 applications were pended by state registrar. Five of which were returned to applicant. One hundred and twenty-six applications have been approved by NSSAR with three applications pended. [N.B. Six NSSAR pended applications are indicated in 2018 of which three were sent to NSSAR in 2017]

The third quarter 2018 statistics are as follows:

96.2 % applications reviewed
 92.7 % applications sent to NSSAR
 58.1% applications sent to NSSAR approved
 1.4% applications pended by NSSAR
 17.9 % applications pended by State Registrar



Americanism Committee—Roger W Coursey

Below are the results of the 2017 Americanism Contest awards were presented at the Congress in Houston last July.

The Allene Wilson Groves Award (Americanism) goes to the top State Society that participates in the various educational outreach programs of the SAR — for 1000+ members category **Georgia took 2nd place**. The Virginia Society won 1st place.

The President General's Streamer Award is presented to the top State Society that records the best efforts with respect to various administrative goals that contribute to the success of the SAR – **Georgia came in 4th**.

The 2017 NSSAR Americanism contest was a success for the Georgia Society, thanks to the efforts of all the chapters that submitted Americanism Reports last year. Although, we did not do as well as we did in 2016, we were well represented.

In the Georgia Society, 20 of the 33 chapters submitted reports. NO matter how your chapter fell in the rankings nationally, each chapter that submitted a report supported the Georgia Society and your points helped our society do as well as we did among the state societies. Here is a listing of where each chapter ranked nationally:

Americanism

2. Casimir Pulaski
12. Cherokee
17. Robert Forsyth
24. Rome
27. Brier Creek
55. George Walton

PG Streamer

Chapters with 1-49 members (70 chapters participated)

7. Robert Forsyth
22. Casimir Pulaski
30. Brier Creek
39. Cherokee
61. George Walton
70. Rome

PG Cup

3. Casimir Pulaski
13. Robert Forsyth

NOTE: Although Casimir Pulaski took 2nd place in Americanism, they won the award this year since Halifax Resolves (NC) won last year and was given Honorable Mention for being in 1st place again.

Chapters with 50-99 members (63 chapters participated)

2. Marshes of Glynn
4. Piedmont
5. Button Gwinnett
11. Athens
25. Wiregrass
26. Marquis de Lafayette
27. William Few
30. Capt. John Collins
34. Lyman Hall
43. Joseph Habersham
48. Edward Telfair
55. Mount Vernon

4. Piedmont
6. Athens
10. Button Gwinnett
13. Lyman Hall
15. Marquis de Lafayette
20. Marshes of Glynn
23. Edward Telfair
28. Mount Vernon
29. Capt. John Collins
32. William Few
37. Wiregrass
57. Joseph Habersham

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25. Marquis de Lafayette
28. Lyman Hall
29. William Few
30. Capt. John Collins

NOTE: Although Marshes of Glynn took 2nd place in Americanism, they won the award this year since Col Stephen Trigg (KY) won last year and was given Honorable Mention for being in 1st place again. Also Marshes of Glynn took 2nd place in President General's Cup, they won the award this year since Col Stephen Trigg (KY) won last year and was given Honorable Mention for being in 1st place again.

Chapters with 100-199 members (36 chapters participated)

9. Coweta Falls
16. Atlanta

22. Coweta Falls
24. Atlanta

14. Coweta Falls
21. Atlanta

Several chapters have complained that I reduce the number of points from what they submitted to me. I go over each report and delete items that are not allowed by the contest rules. If you submit your report early to me, I try to let you know what I have done. If you are late submitting your report, I do not have time to send you input on your report while trying to compile the results for our Annual Meeting. Keep in mind, that points are also reduced at National when they are reviewed for the National Competition if they deem them to be not qualified for what you are claiming.

All chapters should be compiling their reports at this time. Reports are due by 5 Jan 2019. I will need your reports so that I can get the awards ready for our Annual Meeting the end of January. If you have questions on any entry, let me know and I will try to give you an explanation.

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. Every SMI in your AO should know the name of the POC within your chapter to contact about JROTC matters. Chapter OC Nomination Packages need to be sent to me by the 1st weekend in December 2018. A Chapter Outstanding Cadet Medal may be purchased at the NSSAR Store for \$45.00 #0265.

By separate email to BOM, specific instructions for nominating a Chapter OC have been disseminated. If I can assist you in this regard, please contact me. The Enhanced Program Chapter Outstanding Cadet (OC) should not be presented the SAR Bronze ROTC Medal after having already received the JROTC Chapter Award.

Fifteen Silver ROTC Medal Packages have been purchased for twelve Georgia Universities. Medal Packages will be sent to ROTC Units in the 1st Quarter of 2019. 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 present SAR Bronze ROTC Medals to JROTC Units within the chapters' (area of operations) in the spring timeframe. Recipients are selected for this medal by the Senior Military Instructor (SMI). Chapter are responsible for the purchase of SAR Bronze ROTC Medal Packages. (Store: #0201 Bronze ROTC). Award Criteria: (a cadet can only receive the SAR Bronze ROTC Medal once.) Chapters are strongly encouraged to have a compatriot present the medal. Chapters should report these presentations on Form 10.06.0F Chapter Report to BOM and PG/Americanism Report.

The SAR Bronze ROTC Medal for AFJROTC Units has been removed from the List of Medals authorized by Air Force to be worn on a cadet uniform. Chapters need to contact AFJROTC Units in their AO to determine if the Unit still wants us to present the medal at the Unit's Award Ceremony.

Sea Cadet Units (NSCC) may nominate a cadet for the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal (#0214) and there is a Sea Cadet Ribbon (#0205) to go along with this medal; however, the Sea Cadet Medal Set (#0205S) has both the BGCN and the Sea Cadet Ribbon. If you have a question about awarding criteria or the Navy Sea Cadet Corps Program, please contact me. A CAP Cadet could be awarded this set.

The Georgia Society SAR supports three DOD (overseas) JROTC Units (Kadena HS Okinawa, Shape HS Belgium, and Vicenza HS Italy). SAR Bronze ROTC Medal Packages will be mailed under cover letter to these Units in 1st Quarter of 2019.

State Historian—Dr. David A. Ludley

Objectives 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:

In July, attended and participated in 128th NSSAR Annual Congress in Houston, Texas.

In September, attended and participated in NSSAR Fall Leadership Conference in Louisville, Kentucky.

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.



Veterans Committee—Bill Kabel

As descendants of America's very first veterans the SAR has long championed service to, honor, and recognition of, veterans. It has come to my attention that we may not have been as diligent and rigorous in honoring our contemporary veterans, including our very own members. NSSAR has two certificates of recognition and medals for those who have served in our Armed Forces. Recent data suggests that less than 5% of our members have received either the War Service Award, or the Military Service Award. Brief descriptions of each from the SAR Handbook (III) are included below.

WAR SERVICE MEDAL

The War Service Medal was first authorized in 1899 for members who had served in the War with Spain. Subsequent specific War Service Medals were authorized for World War I and World War II service. Subsequently, a generic War Service Medal was authorized for those who have served in the armed forces of the United States (or a country that was an ally of the United States or in a United Nations Peace Keeping Force) and fought against a common enemy of the United States in a war or action that has been recognized by a branch of the Armed Forces of the United States and for which a campaign medal and ribbon are authorized. The medal is bronze and may be presented by a chapter or society to SAR members (or purchased by SAR members). Proof of such service, in the form of a copy of the member's discharge (or other U.S. Government proof in the case of a member in active service), must be presented to his chapter or state society secretary before the medal can be purchased and/or worn. Specific bronze bars are available indicating service in WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Southwest Asia, Kosovo, Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Global War on Terrorism (for service associated with the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal) and may be attached to the medal drape. Oak leaf clusters may be worn to designate service in any of the recognized wars or actions (previously described) to recognize participation in a war or action for which a specific bronze bar is not available. The medal is available in miniature. A War Service Medal certificate is available.

MILITARY SERVICE MEDAL

The Military Service Medal, authorized in 2006, may be presented by a chapter or society to SAR members (or purchased by SAR members) who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States, Coast Guard, or a country that was an ally of the United States, or in a United Nations Peace Keeping Force, who otherwise do not qualify for the SAR War Service Medal. Proof of such service, in the form of a copy of the member's discharge papers or DD-214 (or other U.S. Government proof in the case of a member, in active service), must be presented to his chapter or state society secretary before the medal can be purchased and/or worn. The medal is available in miniature. A Military Service Medal Certificate is available. The Military Service Medal ranks the same in order of precedence as the War Service Medal. The ribbon is of the same color as the War Service Medal and is of the same size. This member may NOT wear both the Military Service Medal and the War Service Medal.

Both the War Service and the Military Service medals have a high priority among SAR medals, with a priority rank of "4," which means there are very few SAR medals that can be worn ahead of them.

NOTE: A review of the member's DD214 form must be made to verify service and determine which medal is appropriate. It is recommended that the Veterans Chairman, or the Awards and Recognition Chairman maintain copies of the DD214s for confidentiality purposes. Chapters should keep a record of all awards, and the date awarded, since we never know when somebody from National or District will ask for the information.

If you have any question about these medals, please contact me. Since chapters are authorized to award these medals it is suggested the chapter purchase the medal and accompanying certificate when making the award.

THIRD QUARTER ACTIVITIES

On August 7, I delivered donations to the Atlanta VAMC Voluntary Services.

On August 23, 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 Lyman Hall SAR Chapter.

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 for 2 rate.

I attended the funeral service for Compatriot Curtis McWaters at the funeral home in Canton, GA.

In my last Quarterly Report I informed everyone that I had prepared a presentation on the story of the Purple Heart medal, and that I am available to give the presentation at SAR chapter meetings. So far, I've given the presentation twice, and I'm scheduled for two more. I have just completed researching and writing another presentation: "The Story of the USS Indianapolis," which recounts its prominent place in the history of our country, and the sad events relating to its sinking by a Japanese submarine in World War II which led to the greatest single loss of life at sea, from a single ship, in the history of the US Navy.

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Both of these presentations deal with those who paid the ultimate price for their country, and are especially significant and relevant as we approach Veterans Day. I would be willing to give either presentation at one of your meetings.

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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.

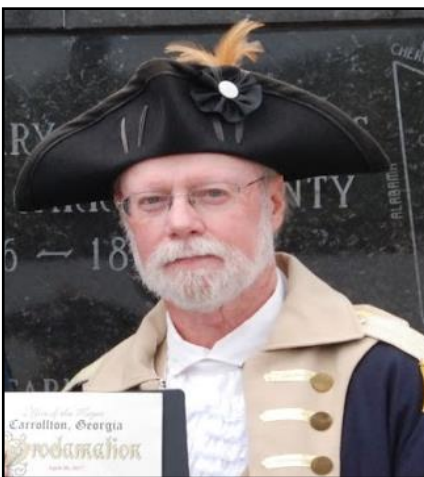
Third Quarter: No activity.

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 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 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.

The Georgia Fellows Fund Board unanimously voted to increase the stipend to \$200 in the hopes that more Compatriots will consider purchase of a new uniform.



Rumbaugh Orations Committee—George Wheelless

The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution invites all high school students (9th through 12th grades) interested in the American Revolution to participate in the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest. The contest is open to all students attending public, parochial, private or home school students in that same grade range. The preliminary rounds of the contest begin at the local level, students may potentially advance to the state or national levels where scholarships and cash prizes are awarded.

The oration is to be five to six minutes in length and should be based on a compelling Revolutionary War subject that is directly related to current national issues and patriotism. Evidence of historical research and creative presentation are also important. The oration will be judged based upon its composition, delivery, significance, and historical accuracy and relevance. For 45 years, the National SAR Oration Contest was named the Douglass G. High Oration Contest after the Ohio Society compatriot who developed the contest. In 1993, the name of the contest was changed, in perpetuity to honor a major benefactor, Joseph S. Rumbaugh.

NSSAR offers scholarships or cash awards for the top winners: • The National First Place Winner receives \$5,000 • The 2nd Place Runner-up receives \$3,000 • The 3rd Place Runner-up receives \$2,000. • Each also receives an Olympic-sized medal. • All other finalists (4th through 6th Place runners-up) are awarded \$400 cash. • All other national contestants receive \$200 cash. The 1st Place national winner presents their winning oration the following day at the National SAR Youth Awards Luncheon. A complete set of rules, along with the application for both the applicant and the sponsoring SAR members, can be found on the National SAR website at www.sar.org



State Chaplain —Delbert Allen Smith

We are almost in the final quarter of the year. It is essential that we have a timely report form each chapter regarding our deceased compatriots with current contact information for the next of kin.

I have had at least one sympathy card returned with the notation: Addressee Unknown. I know personally how much a card can mean to a family or a survivor. Given the age of so many of compatriots, I know that we will also have many deceased members each year.

Perhaps one of the major roles for the chapter chaplain could be regular contact with all inactive members. There is some reason for the inactivity: illness, loss of job, depression, time constraints. The chaplain's call or letter may keep that compatriot in our Society because he now knows that he is missed. An absent chapter member should be like missing hand or foot to a person. Yours also in service,



Eagle Scout Committee - Bill Coffeen

Our committee has received 49 requests for letters of commendation year-to-date. 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 or call me at 770-419-2549. If you have photographs of Eagle recognition presentations you've conducted I'd like to add that to our page on our Georgia Society website.

The Georgia Society can approve up to three compatriot applicants annually for the Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer award issued by NSSAR. Only one application has been submitted year to date. Before the end of the year I encourage all other chapters to submit an application to me for those members who are involved in Scouting and deserve such recognition.

If you find it difficult to find the application, I'll be glad to send it to you. Then forward it along with a check for \$20 to my attention at 3799 Westwick Ct., Kennesaw, GA 30152

Our 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. Please be aware that our annual State scholarship monetary award is now \$550 so I encourage all chapters to make the necessary changes to your correspondence or other marketing material.

If you as a chapter still recognize Eagle Scouts but simply don't have an appointed Chair, please let me know to whom I might forward requests to for such recognition.

As a reminder, the GASSAR college scholarship deadline for chapter participants is December 31, 2018. All chapter winning entries should be forwarded to me preferably by email at billcoffeen@gmail.com or 3799 Westwick Ct., Kennesaw, GA 30152. It is essential that all 2018 applicants use the current application available on the National website. If you run into difficulties tracking it down on that website please contact me and I'll forward it to you.



Georgia Chancellor —Joe Vancura

Compatriots,

It is my pleasure to serve you as Chancellor for 2018. This office shall be a resource to the membership; therefore, I ask Chapter Presidents and Regional Vice Presidents to encourage chapter chancellors to contact me {404.966.1222 / joe.vancura.sar@gmail.com} if they need any assistance in matters appurtenant to their position.



Friends of the Library —Hugh Rodgers

The duties of the Georgia Society SAR Library Committee are specified in the Source Book, Sec. 3.2.1. The Committee's main objective is to foster membership in the Friends of the SAR Library at the NSSAR headquarters in Louisville. Another important focus is the acquisition of materials to support Georgia genealogy at the SAR Library and at research libraries in Georgia.

Current Committee: Michael Black (Valdosta Chapter) mmblack@valdosta.edu
Hugh Rodgers (Coweta Falls Chapter) h_slrogers@knology.net

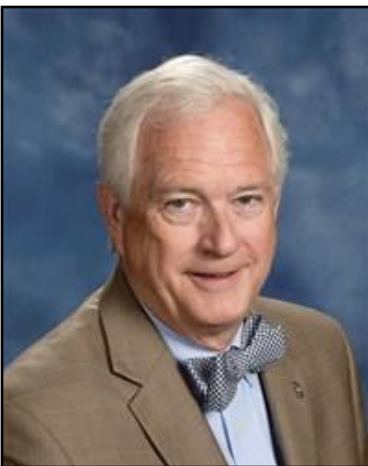
In fulfillment of the Committee's specified mission, the funds budgeted to the Library Committee were distributed to the NSSAR Genealogy Library (Louisville), the Washington Memorial Library (Macon), Friends of the Georgia Archives, and the Atlanta History Center.

The Georgia Society holds a leading role in the NSSAR in FOL memberships. Thanks to Georgia Society Chapters and Compatriots who support this project so important for our genealogical research.

Membership in the Friends of the Library (FOL) is available for \$25 annually for chapters and individuals. Membership forms can be found on line. Chapters that were due for renewal on 31 Oct were: Athens, Atlanta, John Collins, Cherokee, Lyman Hall, Piedmont and William Few. Casimir Pulaski is due at the end of the year.

Please check your records and if your chapter needs to renew please take this opportunity to do so. Chapters that are not yet members are encouraged to join now so that the Georgia Society can maintain its leading role in NSSAR for support of the Library.

Also encourage your Compatriots to join the Friends of the Library.



Historic Sites and Celebrations —Delbert Allen Smith

The year is quickly passing. With a key event having occurred and another shortly occurring, please note the vital importance of Georgia's coast. While the Kettle Creek battle is a signature event in February, no place in Georgia has more significance than the coast of Georgia specifically The Siege of Savannah commemoration which took place on October 9th.

The siege which occurred from 16 September to October 20, 1779 is considered to be the second bloodiest battle of the American Revolution. 8000 troops Patriot, French, Haitian and British troops fought at this relatively small town with 800 Patriot troops dying or being wounded. That's ten percent of the troops present. There were townspeople wounded or killed.

The Come and Take It celebration at Ft. Morris in Sunbury on November 17 marks another major location on the coast for the American Revolution. Without the determined colonists at Midway and Sunbury, Georgia's lot in the Revolution would have been entirely different. The Midway community had threatened to secede and become a part of South Carolina to fight for Independence if Georgia refused to participate in Continental Congress. They were sending barrels of rice to Boston to feed the city during the British blockade. They were committed patriots willing to sacrifice everything for Independence. In spite of the fall of Savannah in December of 1778, they held out at Ft. Morris.

Those brave words in November of "Come and take it," undergirded their decision to resist the British, who were successful this time. If you missed the event in Savannah, circle the date of November 17th and plan to be at Ft. Morris State Park at 10 am to learn more about the vital role of coastal Georgia in securing our independence.



DAR Liaison Committee—Shep Hammack

ACTIVITIES THIS QUARTER

National SAR

The Georgia DAR Society finished second in the DAR Referral competition with 113 referrals. Committee chairman Shep Hammack presented their Certificate along with a check for \$200 at the DAR Constitution Day luncheon on Sept 22nd.

Please be sure to submit a DAR Referral Form if you are assisted in any manner by a DAR member in the recruitment of new SAR members.

The National DAR Liaison committee continues to promote the expansion of the Georgia DAR Referral Award program to other states. I am pleased to note that the DAR Referral Awards structure has been updated at National:

The first track is using a leveling formula by percentage using the highest percentage with the number of application that have the DAR form finder submitted versus the total number of applications submitted taking into account the State Society total of active members.

The DAR State Society that has the highest score of participation as a factor of participation in the program will be awarded certificates and \$300 for 1st place, \$200 for 2nd place, and \$100 for 3rd place to the DAR State Societies.

The second track is State Societies with the highest raw numbers of approved SAR members using the DAR Finder Form, with \$300 for 1st place, \$200 for 2nd place, and \$100 for 3rd place to the DAR State Societies with the highest number of approved SAR members using the DAR Finder Form.

This is a total of six awards totaling \$1,200. The competition runs from January 1 to December 31 of each year. In order to be counted, a DAR Finder Report Form must be attached to the application packet. The SAR Staff Registrar uses these forms to determine the winner. Applications without the form cannot be counted toward the competition. A separate form must be included with each application received and will be counted toward the contest after the application is approved. Multiple applications cannot be applied to one form.

Liaison with Georgia DAR Society

The Georgia DAR Society SAR/SR Liaison Committee chairperson, Leslie Watkins, and I are exchanging notices of activities of our respective societies to keep our members mutually informed of SAR and DAR events in Georgia.

If any chapter has recognized a DAR lady for her efforts, please advise this committee so we can recognize her throughout the state.

DAR Chapters Visited this Quarter by this Committee's Members and other SAR members**

Visits to Georgia Society DAR Chapters were:

Compatriot Carter Wood manned the SAR booth the North Ga DAR Workshop on Friday, Aug. 10th.

Members of the Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter manned the booth at the DAR Workshop on Saturday, Aug. 11th.

Committee member Shep Hammack attended the Old Noonday DAR chapter meeting on Sept 12th to present Helen Ann Blaine Heyd a Medal of Appreciation for referring seven new SAR members.

Compatriot Carter Wood along with Mary Lou Goehring, Regent of the Jacob Braselton DAR Chapter presented a Traveling Trunk to 121 4th graders at Chestnut Mountain ES in Hall County on Sept 14th.

Compatriot Carter Wood staffed a booth with Sunbury DAR Chapter at the 'Art in the Park' festival near Maysville on Sept 15th & 16th.

Compatriot Carter Wood conducted seven Constitution Week Sessions with the Jacob Braselton DAR Chapter on Sept 18th.

Six members of the State Color Guard presented Colors for the DAR Constitution Day Lunch on Sept 22nd.

Members of the Mount Vernon Chapter Color Guard presented colors for the Sandy Springs DAR chapter on Sept 27th.

Committee member Walker Chewning participated in two patriot grave marking which were co sponsored by the DAR.

**** Request that any SAR member who visits a DAR chapter please make this committee aware of your actions.**

PLANS FOR THE NEXT QUARTER

Continue to promote the use of the DAR Finders Form and the SAR competition for the awards to the DAR members and chapters. Continue to promote the SAR/DAR joint activities.

Continue to stress at the BOM meetings the importance of submitting a DAR Finder Form with the applications, when appropriate.

Assist any Chapter with any awards that should be given to DAR members who have assisted with SAR membership applications.

Provide assistance to the GASSAR officers and Committees as may be requested. This chairman is open to any suggestions for the work of this committee to better support the GASSAR goals and objectives.

Currently we have several visits to DAR chapters scheduled.



SourceBook Committee —Ed Rigel, Sr

3rd Quarter Activity:

Compatriot John Flikeid, Robert Forsyth Chapter reviewed the first 17 sections of the GA SAR Bylaws and submitted suggestions for improvement to the Chairman. All suggestions through Section 14 were addressed and appropriate updates to the SourceBook were made. Updates will continue during the 4th Quarter. Many thanks to Compatriot Flikeid for his hard work and time spent on this project.

Follows is a list of SourceBook sections updated, revised, added or deleted in the 3rd Quarter 2018:

- 02.3 Former Georgia Society Presidents Hall of Fame
- 02.4 Vice President General, South Atlantic District, NSSAR
- 04.2 Inactive Chapters
- 04.4 Long Range Plan
- 04.6 Regional Map of Georgia
- 05.0.1 Georgia Society History
- 06.1 - 06.3 Creation of New Chapters
- 06.5 Chapter Officers
- 06.5.1 Chapter President Guidelines
- 06.6 Chapter Meetings
- 06.8.1 Chapter Officers Installation Ceremony (alternate)
- 07.0 Georgia Society Bylaws 7_2018
- 08.00 - 08.7 Rules of Protocol
- 08.71 Protocol Ranking at SAR Functions 2018
- 09.00 - 09.02 US Flag Protocol
- 10.02 Dues Notice
- 10.02F Dues Notice Form
- 10.03 Chapter Meeting Notice
- 10.05 Change of Address
- 10.05F Change of Address Form
- 10.06.1 Distinguished Chapter Streamer
- 10.06.2 Chapter Communications & Reporting
- 10.10 Georgia Society SAR Graves Registry
- 11.1.2 Committee BOM Reports Format
- 11.3.0F Authorized Meetings Travel and Expenses 2018
- 12.2 SAR Membership Brochure
- 12.06F Chapter TRANSMITTAL for Applications and Supplements
- 12.07.1 SAR Dues and Fees 2019
- 12.07.2.0 SAR Applications, Fees and Dues
- 12.07.2.1 Youth to Adult--Sample Letter
- 12.07.2.2 Youth to Junior Letter
- 12.08.1 DAR-SAR Sponsorship Award
- 12.08.1F DAR Referral Form
- 12.10 Request for Birth or Death Certificates
- 12.12 Using Morrow, GA, Branch of National Archives
- 12.13 Using Morrow, GA, Georgia State Archives
- 12.19F Form to Obtain SAR Record Copies
- 12.20 State and National Application Status Reports
- 14.0 Veterans
- 14.1.2F Stark Memorial Award Application
- 14.2 Veteran Donations Points
- 14.3 Veteran Donations Submission Form
- 14.3.1F Veterans Donations Form
- 27.2.1 Knight Essay Rules GA-30Jun2018
- 27.7.2 JROTC Enhanced Program 2016-2017

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



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.



Knight Essay Contest Committee— Terry A. Gibbs

The Knight Essay Contest began with the beginning of the school year. The deadline date for students to submit their essays to a chapter for entry into the contest is December 1, 2018. **Chapters then must select their chapter winner and submit that entry to the Georgia Society Knight Essay Contest Chairman by December 15, 2018 for entry into the Georgia Society Contest.**

Submit GASSAR Chapter winners' essays and applications in separate documents to: tgibbs@bellsouth.net by December 15, 2018. The GASSAR Knight Essay Chairman will then a select panel of judges to review the essays and grade them using a standardized grading sheet. The essay with the most points will be declared the winning essay to represent the Georgia Society in the national contest.

The Knight Essay contest winner for the Georgia Society will be awarded a \$550 Cash Scholarship at the Annual Meeting in January. The runner up or second place essay winner will be awarded a \$400 Cash Scholarship. Submit any questions regarding the contest to me at tgibbs@bellsouth.net.



Flag Respect Committee—Paul Prescott

According to the data collected from your chapter's 3rd quarter reports, we will not receive the Admiral William Furlong award next year at Congress. This will be the first year in my history that we have not received the award; however, there is still time to present a flag certificate to a qualifying individual, business, school, public building, etc., before December 31, 2018.

I usually like to praise people for doing things; however, in this case, with time running out, I am going to list the chapters that have not, according to my records from Quarterly Reports, presented a Flag Certificate.

Altamaha
Blue Ridge Mountains
Brier Creek
Cherokee
Coweta Falls
Dalton
Samuel Elbert
Edward Telfair
Four Rivers Patriots
John Milledge

Joel Early
LaGrange
Mill Creek
Ocmulgee
Patrick Carr Rangers
Rome
Valdosta
Washington Wilkes
Wiregrass

I will have some Flag Certificates with me at the BOM, should any of the above listed chapters need one.

Regional Vice Presidents—It is your responsibility to see that each chapter in your district presents a Flag Certificate. Please help your chapters make a presentation.



Public Relations Committee - John Trussell

It's been said that 50% of all monies spent on advertising is wasted, but you never know which 50%! You try to target a specific audience, whenever possible, but also recognize that you sometimes need to cast a wide net. You hope that you are getting your message out to the public.

The public is mostly familiar with DAR, but how about SAR? We are much smaller and the public is less familiar with our organization. We also have to ask ourselves, how do we attract potential members into SAR? You start by being visible in the community, doing good deeds, recognizing and honoring our military, helping in schools and developing leaders of tomorrow, and supporting democratic ideals, things that we are pretty good at doing in SAR across Georgia. Sometimes we need to look for opportunities to increase our brand within the public awareness and I'll give you one recent example.

Recently my wife Billie and I were in Nashville, Tennessee, and visited the Hermitage, the home place of Andrew Jackson, past hero of the American Revolution, the War of 1812 and U.S. President. I was working on a story for SAR Magazine entitled, "Duelling in Colonial America" and the Hermitage has a dueling exhibition which I watched and took photos of the event.

When we visited his tomb, which is visited by many thousands of tourists each year, there was a bronze marker from the DAR that had been there since the 1930's. I was surprised that there was no bronze marker from SAR or the General Society of the War of 1812. Certainly markers from these organizations would be seen by many visitors each day and I thought we were missing a great opportunity to make the public aware of our groups. I consulted with President Burdick and he gave his permission to pursue the matter. I then asked the PR staff at the Hermitage if they would allow the SAR and 1812 Society (Ga 1812 President Shep Hammack is working on this) to place markers at the tomb to honor Andrew Jackson and they gave their approval.

We are now working looking into working with the Tennessee SAR and Hermitage staff to coordinate the purchase and placement of the markers which will give us much long term, positive public exposure. As a bonus, it will be free, except for the cost of the marker. This was something that was overlooked for many years. Are you aware of opportunities in your community to make the public more aware of SAR?

On another PR front, President Burdick and I have discussed the possibility of placing a joint SAR and DAR ad in the Georgia Magazine, Georgia's largest distributed magazine over 500,000 readers. It goes out free to all EMC Electric members across Georgia. A small ad in the magazine costs \$400 and President Burdick has given his tentative approval, and we are waiting to hear back from the DAR. The cost of the ad would be split between SAR and DAR.

In another PR effort, I recently released two outdoor books. One is "The Best Time to Fish or Hunt is Anytime you Can", which is a collection of some of my favorite outdoor stories from Georgia Outdoor News and Georgia Sportsman magazines. I have a story in the book, "Digging up Relatives from the Past" which discusses genealogical research and gaining membership into the SAR and DAR. Hopefully this story will get the attention of those in the outdoor community.

Another book, "Saving Oaky Woods", about the preservation of an important wildlife management area in Houston County, has a story about the early days of Houston County and the Yazoo Land fraud. It mentions finding your early Georgia ancestors and the part that SAR and DAR can help you in your search, so again a little positive outreach. You can see info on these books at amazon.com.

On another matter, I was recently asked by Allen Greenly to head up the PR committee for the upcoming 2022 National SAR conference in Savannah. This is an important task and I look forward to helping to make the Conference the best one ever! If you would like to help in this effort, I welcome your support, so contact me if you are interested. If I can assist you in any SAR PR effort, please let me know!

IMPORTANT: Thanksgiving is fast approaching and I have included a "letter to the editor" on the following page that I hope chapter presidents will sent to their local newspapers in the very near future. Editors are eager for local letters like these that are positive and informative about important events. Please feel free to change the letter as needed and sign it, as editors want to hear from local people!

Sample 'Letter to the Editor' from each Chapter to their local newspaper

Dear Editor,

How did the Thanksgiving holiday get established in America? George Washington started it!

In 1789, President George Washington issued a proclamation designating November 26 of that year as a national day of thanksgiving to recognize the role of providence in creating the new United States and the new federal Constitution, according to Washington's Mount Vernon research staff.

Americans traditionally recognize the "first" Thanksgiving as having taken place at Plymouth colony in the autumn of 1621. The Separatist Puritan settlers of Plymouth, known as Pilgrims, held a feast after their first harvest as a way of thanking God for their blessings. Invited to their observance were members of the neighboring Wampanoag tribe, but 1621 thanksgiving celebration did not become an annual event.

During the American Revolution, the practice of thanksgiving continued. Colonial legislatures set aside days of prayer to recognize military victories against the British army. After British General John Burgoyne surrendered to the Americans at Saratoga, New York, in October 1777, the Continental Congress suggested that a national day be set aside to recognize the victory. Commander of the Continental Army, General George Washington agreed, proclaiming December 18, 1777 as the first national thanksgiving day.

In 1789, Representative Elias Boudinot from New Jersey presented a resolution requesting that Congress persuade the now-President Washington to declare a thanksgiving observance in honor of the creation of the new United States Constitution. Congress agreed and passed the resolution creating a joint committee to make their request to the president.

Washington issued a proclamation on October 3, 1789, designating Thursday, November 26 as a national day of thanks. In his proclamation, Washington declared that the necessity for such a day sprung from the Almighty's care of Americans prior to the Revolution, assistance to them in achieving independence, and help in establishing the constitutional government. Not ignoring the authority of state governments, Washington distributed his proclamation to the governors, requesting that they announce and observe the day within their states. Newspapers throughout the country subsequently published the proclamation and public celebrations were held. Washington himself marked the day by attending services at St. Paul's Chapel in New York City, and by donating beer and food to imprisoned debtors in the city.

The 1789 Thanksgiving Proclamation, however, did not establish a permanent federal holiday. Washington issued another proclamation in February 1795 to recognize the defeat of a taxation rebellion in Pennsylvania and it was later celebrated sporadically by other Presidents. It was not until the Civil War of the 1860s that President Lincoln initiated a regular observance of Thanksgiving in the United States. The Holiday of Thanksgiving evolved through time, so let us pause and be thankful for the many blessings we enjoy in the United States of America! For more information, contact the Sons of the American Revolution (sar.org) or Daughters of the American Revolution (dar.org)

In Patriotic Service,

Your Name, SAR Chapter President, address



Georgia Trustee — Wayne Brown

PG Alter called the Fall 2018 Trustee Meeting to order at 9:45am on September 29th with an opening Prayer and Pledges. It was established that a quorum was present.

PG Alter presented his report to the Trustees.

PG called for gifts: Chapter President Earl Cagle presented a \$100 donation to the Friends of the SAR Library on behalf of the Captain John Collins Chapter of the Georgia Society.

PG Alter called on all former PGs who were present to make opening remarks.

PG Alter's Travel Coordinator Paul Callanan informed the Trustees and attending members that the PG's schedule was almost full and a request for his attendance should be made immediately. The Congress Planning Committee Chairman, Paul Callanan, discussed the 2019 Congress which is scheduled to be held in Los Angeles, CA and while discussing travel arrangements, the Chairman informed the Trustees and membership to schedule their flight into the Orange County John Wayne Airport and not LAX.

General Officers and committee chairmen were called upon to present their reports if they weren't recorded in the Fall Report or if there were any additions or corrections.

Council of Youth Awards Committee Chairman reported that only one quarter of the award recipi-

ents selected the scholarship option.

Minutes of the Trustee meeting held at 2018 Congress in Texas were approved.

The Trustees approved a motion to select the Mission Data company to develop a member database. Mission Data is located in Louisville and will analyze current and future needs. PG Alter will appoint a program manager in the spring. A proposal of cost and scope will be presented to the Trustees in the spring.

The Trustees approved a motion recommended by the Investment Committee to create a new NSSAR Restricted Fund (NRF) with a 60%/40% allocation.

A motion was passed to approve the 2019 Budget as presented by the Budget Committee.

A motion was passed to allocate \$75,000 for the discovery and strategy portion of Mission Data RFP for the membership database.

A motion to use \$15,000 of Building Fund for IT enhancements at National HQ was approved.

A motion was passed as recommended by the Council of Youth Committee to change the wording on the form to "Scholarship or Cash Awards."

A motion was passed to accept changes to Handbook Volumes 1 – 8 as recommended by the Handbook Committee.

The Trustees passed a motion as recommended by the Executive Committee to buildout National Offices using unspent 2018 funds with remainder coming from 2019.

A motion to change Bylaws #13 and #14 referencing General Officers nominated from the floor failed. The change in #13 would have required Nominations from the Floor to submit their disclosures by June 1st and the change in #14 would not allow the nominee's name to be placed on the ballot if requirement of #13 was not met.

The Genealogy Committee Chairman made a motion which would require the implementation of the new membership application form to become effective September 29th. A discussion ensued and the motion was modified so that the requirement date for the new membership application will be October 31st. The amended motion passed and the required date for using the new application form is October 31st.

PG Alter appointed former PG Tomme as Project Manager for the new membership database development project.

PG Alter appointed the Nominating Committee as follows:

Five most recent PGs with former PG Larry Guzy as Chairman.

Four members from Council of State Presidents.

Two Trustees appointed by PG Alter.

The Nominating Committee list will be published via ShareFile.

A Solid Light presentation was delivered to the Trustees and attending members.

Motion to move forward with Phase II of The Education Center and Museum was approved. Funds raised from July 2017 to August 2018 totaled \$526,400 and funds raised from August 31, 2018 through September 29th totaled \$83,900 with the Rigel Family gift. The Hon. Ed Rigel, Sr and Ed Rigel, Jr on behalf of the Rigel Family donated matching funds up to \$50,000.

The meeting adjourned approximately 2:00pm.



Bylaws Committee — Ed Rigel, Sr

Website Information: The Georgia Society SAR Bylaws are accessible for viewing by all members from the Society *SourceBook Section 07 Georgia Society By-Laws*. *The By-Laws Proposed Amendment Form is also available in Section 07.*

3rd Quarter Activity:

Assisted Compatriots Burdick and Sapp in preparation of amendments to **ARTICLE III. OFFICERS Section 1. Titles** and **Article IV Duties of Officers Section 7. Registrar** and submitted same to BOM members on 25 Sep 2018.



Education Outreach Committee—Rick Reese Jr.

Third Quarter Report

GASSAR Education Outreach at a Glance

Based on 3rd Quarter reports received so far here is the number of chapters participating in:

- Poster Contest = 5
- Brochure Contest = 2
- Knight Essay Contest = 6
- Eagle Scout Recognition = 14
- JROTC Recognition = 19
- Rumbaugh Oration Contest = 3
- American History Teacher Contest = 1
- Traveling Trunk Presentations = 13

If your chapter is not participating in education outreach programs you might want to consider getting involved.

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!)

GASSAR 2018-2019 Poster Contest Guidelines

The 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 the GASSAR Source Book Section 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 4th or 8th grade classes.

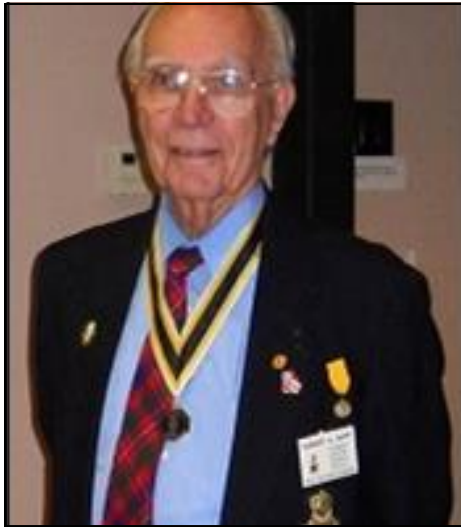
If your chapter has a Traveling Trunk program, promote the poster and brochure contests when you are discussing or conducting traveling trunk presentations.

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 the other chapters.

Registrar Workshop



Georgia Society State Registrar

Bob Saap

Chapter and Society growth is dependent upon new membership and the retention of members.

The East Region Vice-President recognizes the need for adequate training of registrars to prepare applications that can be approved without additional effort.

Therefore a Registrar Workshop will be presented on Saturday, December 1 at the "New China Restaurant" in Swainsboro on South U.S. Highway 1 [622 South Main Street].



Chapter registrars and chapter presidents are strongly recommended to participate in the workshop and it is open to all interested parties. Handouts and a "Registrar Manual" on CD will be made available.

To have adequate number of these items at the workshop, a registration fee of \$10 is suggested and should be sent to Dess Smith, III at 214 North Racetrack St., Swainsboro, GA 30401, by 24 November 2018.

The workshop will start at 9:30 AM and close at noon. A Dutch treat will follow with a buffet meal that will cost about \$8.50.

Note: The workshop is open to all who are interested in preparing SAR applications and gathering source material.



Liberty Medal Recipients



Shep Hammack



Dr David Noble



Bill Raper



Dr Edward P Rigel, Sr



Bob Saap



Dan Ginter—For Hough Rodgers

(Photos by Rick Reese, Jr)

Liberty Medal Receivers



(For) Thomas Christman



(For) Russell K Crumbley, Jr



(For) Jack P Dugger



(For) Alton McCloud



(For) Neal Spooner



(For) Charles Newcomer III

(Photos by Rick Reese, Jr)

Old Soldiers Day Parade



Georgia Society Color Guard, with a C.A.R. Drummer Boy line up for the Old Soldiers Parade



Piedmont and Robert Forsyth Chapters took part in the Old Soldiers Day Parade.

(Photos by Rick Reese III)



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 [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

Compatriot Grave Markings



The Georgia Society Color Guard assembles for the Compatriot Mike Ruff grave marking on Saturday, September 22, 2018



Color Guard and presenters at the ceremony for Compatriot Billy Gene Holcombe grave marking on Saturday, September 22, 2018

(Photos by Rick Reese III)

DAR Constitution Week



Compatriot Shep Hammack commanded a contingent of the Georgia Society Color Guard to present Colors at the annual Daughter of the American Revolution Constitution Week Luncheon at Dunwoody Country Club on Saturday, September 22nd.



Here the Color Guard poses with State Regent Melodye Brown and State Historian Amy Nation.

US Representative Barry Loudermilk was the guest speaker.

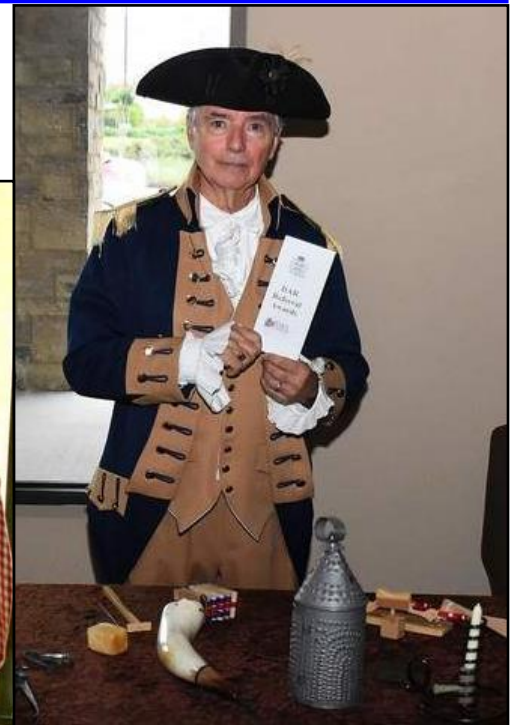


DAR Workshops

Compatriots from Button Gwinnett Chapter and Lyman Hall Chapter supported the Northern Region Daughters of the American Revolution Workshop on Friday



Button Gwinnett Chapter Compatriots Bill Palmer, Unknown Fellow and Mike Watkins



Compatriot Carter Wood promoted the DAR Referral program at the Workshop.



Leslie Watkins, State DAR-SAR Liaison conducted breakout sessions on building relationships with SAR Chapters.

Chapter NEWS

Athens

Grave Marking



L to R: Bill Palmer, JC Hustis, Jay Guest, Eldon Evans served at the Patriot James Wheeler Grave Marking



Roger Sherman Medal presented to Billy Galt, Chapter president, by Jay Guest, Medals and Awards Committee chair.

The Roger Sherman Medal is awarded for two or more years in a leadership position at Chapter level at Jennings Mill Country Club



Atlanta

Members of the Atlanta Chapter made two presentations to Georgia Governor Nathan Deal.

The first presentation was a Flag Certificate for properly displaying the flag at the state Capitol in Atlanta during his two terms of office.



L to R: Bill Goodman, Al Adams, Bruce Maney, Terry Manning, Bill Palmer, Georgia Governor Nathan Deal, Chapter President Henry Cobb, David Noble, Richard Marsh, Eugene Wilson and Shep Hammack
(Photo by Chapter photographer Gregory Smith)



Governor Deal reads the Flag Certificate

The second presentation was a copy of the book written by David Noble and Richard Marsh of the Atlanta Chapter, "Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1776-1782" to be placed in the Georgia Governor's Mansion Library in Atlanta. The book won the 2017 Minnesota Society Stephen Taylor Award for making a distinguished contribution to the preservation of the history of the American Revolutionary war era and its Patriots.

Atlanta—continued

When most people think of the Revolutionary War, images of Lexington, Concord and George Washington at Valley Forge come to mind. If asked about the Colony of Georgia's role in the Revolution, most people, including Georgians, are not aware of its role.

This was in part due to Georgia's status during the Revolution. Georgia was the only colony that ceased to be governed by a colonial government and reverted to direct control by the British Crown. As a result, significant portions of the documents and records did not survive the Revolution. However, Georgia set the stage for several pivotal engagements with 42 documented battle sites.

David Noble led the research effort reviewing thousands of pension records, historical texts and other sources.

By the date of its publication, 2,052 Patriots had been identified and documented. Many of these patriots were originally from North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia.

The book provides, for the first time, linkage between the Patriots, their officers, the battles in which they fought and those with whom they associated. The book is organized in two primary sections: A summary of battles with the rosters for each engagement; and a summary of the Patriots with outlines for each of the engagements in which they were involved. Further information on the book can be found at www.saratlanta.org



Georgia Governor Nathan Deal (holding book), authors David Noble and Richard Marsh



David Noble shows Governor Deal a list of libraries that now have a copy of the book while Henry Cobb Chapter President and co-author Richard Marsh look on.

Brier Creek

September Meeting

During the September Brier Creek meeting, September 6, 2018, Daniel Johnson presented his program. It was titled General Lachlan McIntosh at the Siege of Savannah. Daniel is the head librarian at the University of South Carolina, Salkehatchie at Allendale and Walterboro.

He learned about the Brier Creek Battleground in 1996 when he was editor of the Sylvania Telephone. He has written two books about the site, Brier Creek Battleground and the brand-new Savannah, Augusta and Brier Creek: Samuel Elbert and his resistance against the Conquest of Georgia.

He also has written a biography, This Cursed War: Lachlan McIntosh in the American Revolution, and two other books about the American Revolution: Fort Morris Battleground and Blood on the Marsh.



Steve Burke and Lee Smith visited the classroom of fellow SAR and Wiregrass Chapter member, Thomas Miller, on Friday, September 7, 2018 to share their knowledge of Colonial America with Mr. Miller's 11th grade U.S. History students at Statesboro High School.

Presentations included showing various animal skins and talking about techniques on how Native Americans and Frontiersmen would have skinned the animals and used the furs for trade and clothing. They also brought various axes and tools that would have been used in Colonial America and discussed how they were made and what they were used for. The highlight of the day for students was getting the opportunity to try on some of the hats and clothing that were made by Compatriot Burke. "In the past few days, several students have talked about how fun the day was and how much they learned from Compatriot Burke and Compatriot Smith," said Mr. Miller. "I feel that it is important for students to be able to see and touch history as often as possible to help them realize that history is not just pages in a textbook, but that these were real people who played a really important role in our nation's story. Living history experts like Compatriot Burke and Compatriot Smith are instrumental in helping me to achieve that goal through their willingness to share their knowledge and love of history with students, and I thank them tremendously for giving of their time to visit my classroom."



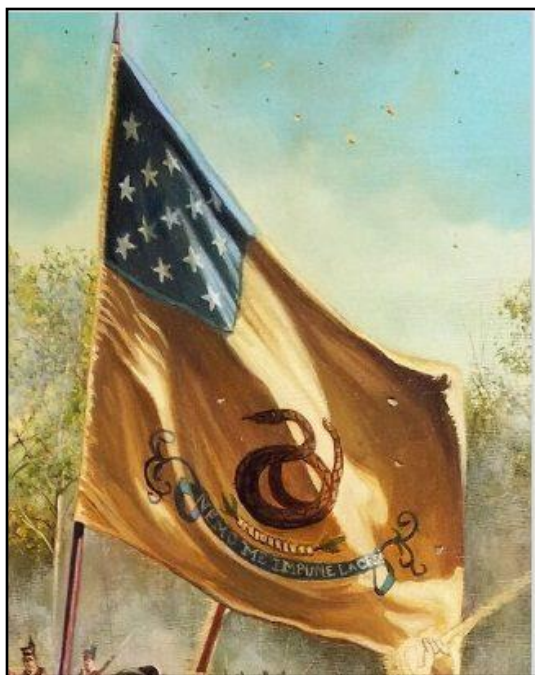
Brier Creek—continued

Historical Society

Six members of the Brier Creek and Wiregrass Chapters, Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution, traveled to Waynesboro, GA on Monday night, September 10, 2018 to present a program to the Burke County Historical Society at the Burke County Library at 6:00 p.m..

Besides the six Compatriots, there were 12 members of the Society present. Two of these 12 members are members of the Patrick Carr Rangers Chapter, GASSAR in Waynesboro. They are Senator Jesse Stone and Councilman Bill Tinley.

Senator Stone introduced Compatriot Dess Smith III, who presented a 22 minute video. After the program all six Compatriots (known as the Brier Creek Skunk Brigade) opened up to questions.



Button Gwinnett

Chapter Meeting

Compatriot Bill Palmer presented the Army National Guard video that included members of the Elijah Clarke militia in a portrayal of the Battle of Kettle Creek last year. Compatriot Bruce Maney participated in the role of Elijah Clarke for several scenes.



(Photo by Emil Decker)

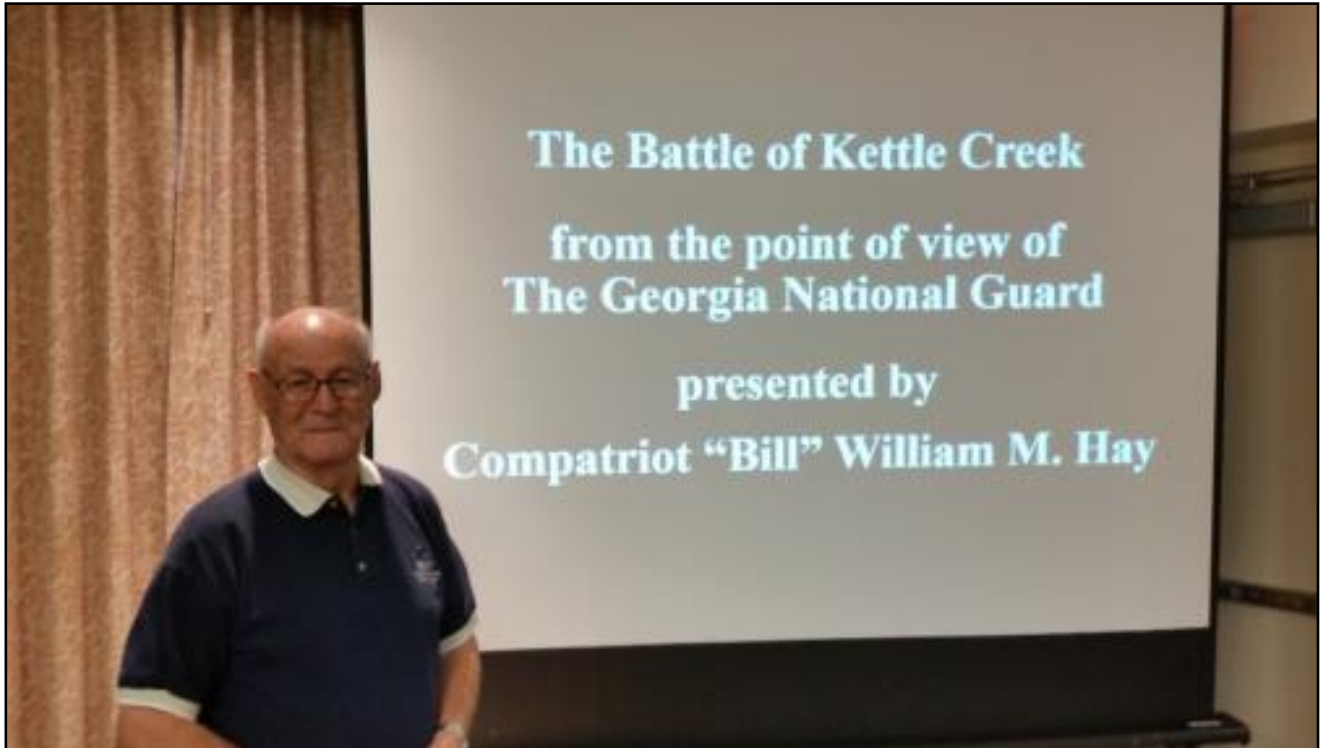


Compatriot Grave Marking for Mike Ruff (James Malcolm Ruff, Sr). Cosponsored by the Piedmont Chapter and assisted by the Philadelphia Winn Chapter of the DAR.

Button Gwinnett Chapter is actively participating in the newly formed Elisha Winn Society of the C.A.R. We have attended the Organizational Meeting and multiple C.A.R. meetings.

Coweta Falls

July Meeting



Compatriot Bill Hay introduced a Georgia National Guard film about Nancy Hart, aka War Woman, and Elijah Clarke with emphasis on the Battle of Kettle Creek.

Members of the GASSAR Color Guard portrayed the militia.

August Meeting



President Dan McMichael provided a presentation on Nathanael Greene that addresses his early life and career in the Continental Army. Compatriot Hugh Rodgers received a Liberty Medal for his outstanding work in membership. Two



President Dan McMichael presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Retired USA Reverend Eddie Smith for his participation in Coweta Falls Chapter 14th Annual Memorial Day Commemoration Ceremony at Parkhill Cemetery.

Coweta Falls—continued

September Meeting



The program on September 13 was by Heather Riganti, a Northside High School history teacher and Army veteran. Ms. Riganti provided a new perspective on the nature of the Revolutionary War as a special example of how change can affect more than politics. She postulated that the war actually began many years before with the effect of the Great Awakening and continued long afterwards as the social changes begun continued to mature.

4th of July



Harry Floyd of the 1st Hamilton Legion and Bernie Talley of the Coweta Falls Chapter participated in the 4 July Independence Day at the National Infantry Museum, The McMichael family participated in events at American Village this summer. Com-patriot Dan's grandchildren Madison and Caleb portrayed George Washington's grandchildren.

Fall Line



National Guard} to the Patriots that founded this great country of ours during the American Revolution. To make this film, they called on the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution to travel to Wilkes County, GA in November 2017 for a full day of filming. We were told to wear our militia uniforms and bring our Flintlock Long Rifles along with about 25 rounds of ammunition. This video featured Elijah Clarke, The Hero at the Hornet's Nest, and Nancy Hart, War Woman. The battles that were depicted were the Battle at Kettle Creek (Wilkes County) and the 1st and 2nd Battles at Augusta, GA.

We voted to name our Chapter, the Fall Line Chapter. Also, President Mercer held a vote on the name for the Fall Line newsletter. It was decided that the newsletter would be named the "The Fall Line Gazette". The meeting was adjourned with a prayer. Our next meeting was set for October 9, 2018 and our Charter Banquet was on November 10, 2018 at 7:00 at the Pringle Building in Sandersville."

Battle at Ninety Six

Fall Line Chapter, Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution, held its 3rd Organizational Meeting on Tuesday night, October 9, 2018 at the Farm Bureau at 7:00. With President Sandy Mercer presiding, we had 15 members in attendance and one guest, Compatriot Gordan Woodard, the Georgia Society Membership Chair.

The program for tonight was presented by the Wiregrass Chapter Registrar Dess D Smith III of Swainsboro. Compatriot Dess presented his program on the "Battle at Ninety Six", SC. Included in the presentation was a 26 minute video, titled "Ninety Six: Crossroads of a Revolution" and is the National Park Service theater presentation of Ninety Six National Historic Site. This Video was narrated by Trace Adkins.



Ninety Six was Positioned at the crossroads of critical trade routes that linked Cherokee territory to the city of Charleston, the town of Ninety Six was a seal of power in the British colony of South Carolina. It was the site of the first southern land battle of the Revolutionary War in 1775, and the scene of the longest field siege in 1781.

September Meeting

The new Washington County Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, held its 2nd Organizational meeting, Tuesday night, September 11, 2018 in Sandersville. With President Sandy Mercer presiding, we had 25 members in attendance. After President Mercer called the meeting to order, the invocation was said and he lead us in the Pledge to the American Flag.

President Mercer then asked Compatriot Dess Smith III to present the program for the evening. Compatriot Smith's program was a 22 minute video named "Hero of the Hornets Nest and War Woman". This video was commissioned in the fall of 2017 to a North Carolina film company. The film will be used in all high schools in the State of Georgia to show the relationship of the present day citizens soldiers (Georgia Army

Four Rivers

Constitution Day

Four Rivers along with Brier Creek and Wiregrass and Chapters traveled to Augusta to attend and present their Chapters wreaths at the Constitution Day event at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Augusta on Monday, September 17, 2018.



Smith presented his Chapters wreath, Wiregrass President Wilder Smith, Jr. presented his Chapters wreath and Four Rivers "dual" member Dess Smith III, presented his Chapters wreath.



St. Paul's Church sits on the very spot of Old Fort Cornwallis, that was the site of the 1st and 2nd Battles of Augusta during the American Revolution.

This event was sponsored by the Augusta Chapter, NSDAR. The Presentation of the Colors was presented by the Georgia State Society, SAR Color Guard.

During the ceremony, the "Presentation of the Wreaths" was held honoring the Patriots buried at St. Paul's cemetery. Brier Creek President Lee

Joel Early

The Joel Early Chapter Sons of the American Revolution

*Request the honor of your presence
At the monument dedication to
Acknowledge the service of Revolutionary War Soldiers
Buried in the original Early County, Georgia
Which included Baker, Calhoun, Decatur, Grady,
Mitchell, and Thomas Counties, and also a portion of Dougherty Co.
Saturday, November 10, 2018*

10:00 A. M. EST

Blakely, Georgia

Please R.S.V.P. if you plan to attend!!

Steve Peace, President, peace1@windstream.net

Neal Spooner, Registrar, nealspooner67@gmail.com

Directions: Come to Blakely, Georgia

*Blakely City Cemetery is located on South Church Street
½ mile south of the courthouse square!!*

Lyman Hall



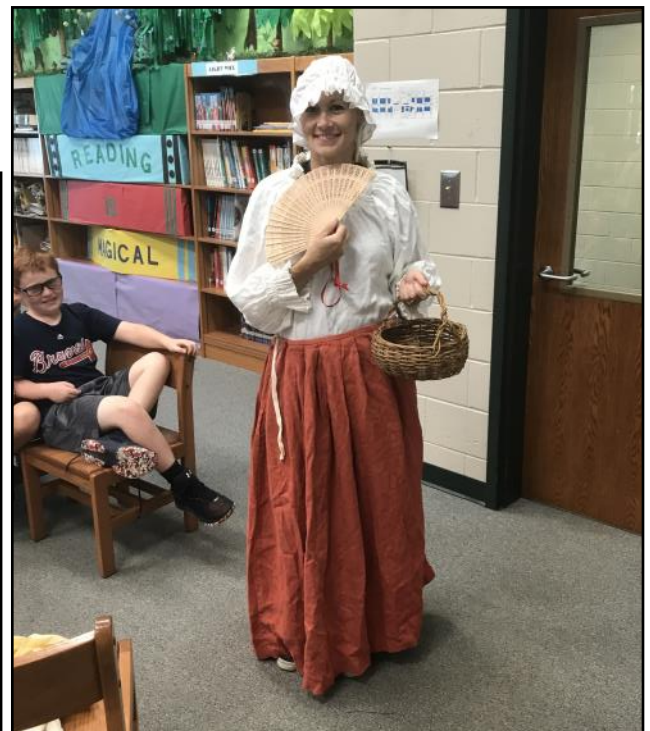
John Adams

Compatriot Bill Kable of the Piedmont Chapter presented the evening's program at the August meeting of the Lyman Hall Chapter.

His presentation was the verbatim recitation of a speech by John Adams to the Second Continental Congress.

Adams' persuasive argument was crucial to the vote for the Declaration of Independence and Bill's portrayal conveyed the same enthusiasm.

Trunk Talk



Paraphernalia arranged and ready for another Trunk Talk. This one was at Chestnut Mountain Elementary School in Hall County. This visit with 4th graders put the Lyman Hall Education team over 2,000 students the year. Teacher Melissa Beverly was a good sport to don the outfit of a Colonial era frontierswoman. Her photo will probably be in the school yearbook.

Lyman Hall—continued



Nancy Hart in Lilburn

Leslie Watkins reprised her often times roles as colonial frontierswoman Nancy Hart at four sessions with eight graders at Five Forks Middle School.

The school visit was arranged by Jeff Rogers; a long serving Gwinnett County teacher and potential Sons of the American Revolution member.

Her performance included some of Nancy Hart's best known exploits in the area that now bears her name as Hart County and Lake Hartwell including her service as a spy for Elijah Clarke and conflicts with Loyalist soldiers who, unfortunately for them, happened upon her cabin while she was making lye soap.

Students handled items from her collection of replica artifacts as well as those in the Lyman Hall Chapter trunks. They smelled but did not taste the lye soap.

Leslie left and instructed students with a farewell greeting in Cherokee as befitting her nickname 'Wahatchie' - the 'War Woman'. Some students remembered her from a previous fourth grade presentation with Compatriot Bruce Maney. Such is the enduring impact of some classroom visits.

Leslie serves the Georgia Daughters of the American Revolution as their DAR/SAR liaison.

Trunk Talk

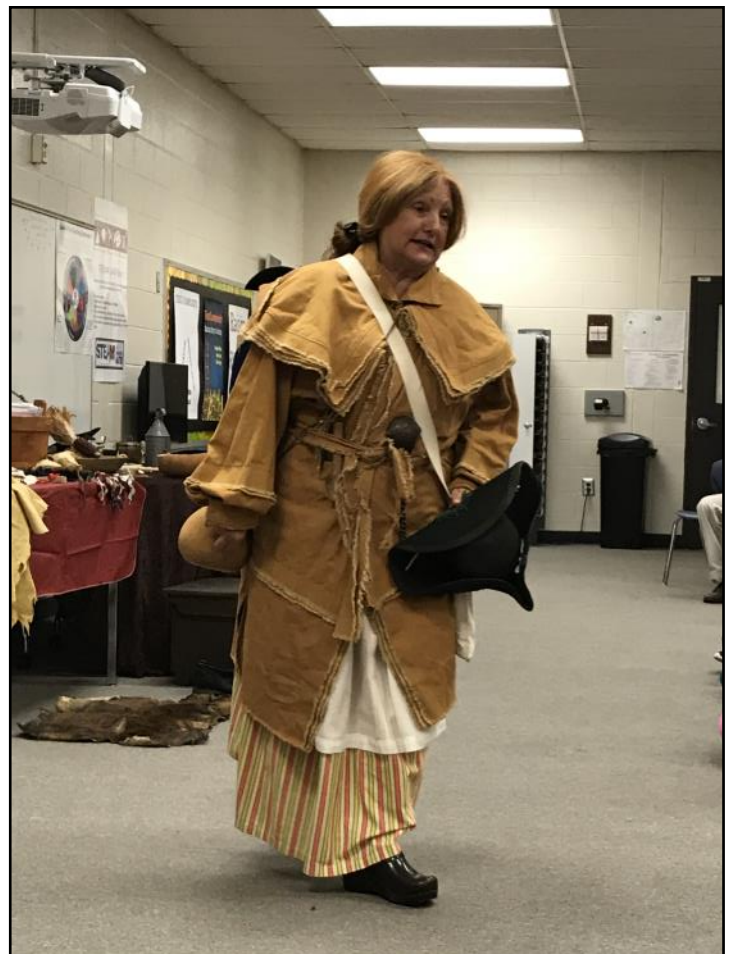
Lyman Hall Compatriot Carter Wood displays a buckskin at Five Forks Middle School in Gwinnett County to the first of four sessions of eighth graders. He assured students that no deer were harmed in the preparations for the visit and that this particular animal had lost a battle with a Ford F-150 out on Rt 29 near their school.

As a partner at these sessions, Leslie Watkins of the Elisha Winn Chapter DAR explained and demonstrated her collection of replica artifacts. She also explained items and uses of her stock of pioneer natural medicines.

Being a Gwinnett school, the duo of retired teachers slightly adjusted their presentation to cover the curriculum required in that County—"Academic Knowledge and Skills" as opposed to Georgia Performance Standards or the newer Georgia Standards of Excellence that is used in other counties or city systems.

Presentation of the mandated topics by certified teachers lets the school count the day as 'Contact Time' instead of it be merely Guest Speakers. Either way, 196 kids had a great time and hopefully were better prepared for required curriculum assessments.

They were sad for the deer.



Marquis de Lafayette

Let Freedom Ring Ceremony



Georgia Society Compatriots assemble to participate in the POW/MIA Day in Fayetteville on September 21, 2018.



Traveling Museum

Compatriots Walt Reed and Knox Herndon welcome a Viet Nam veteran to the Traveling Museum—Rev Knox's trailer full of period artifacts that depict succeeding periods of American history.

The museum was a principal piece at the POW/MIA day event in Fayetteville.

Marquis de Lafayette—continued

New Member



Marquis de Lafayette Chapter GASSAR was pleased to welcome Clark Perrin to membership. Jane, his wife, pinned the SAR rosette on Clark.

C.A.R. Society



Gabrial Page, C.A.R. President George Walton Society, informs us about the new Newnan C.A.R. Society, requesting we enter into a sponsorship with them. The Chapter wholeheartedly approved.



Marquis de Lafayette Chapter was represented at the NSSAR Congress in Houston. Shown here are LCMDR David and Brenda Jessup, Nancy Burdick with GASSAR President Donald J Burdick, MG (Ret), Linda Reed and Walt Reed.

Mount Vernon

Dunwoody 4th of July Parade



Mount Vernon Chapter Compatriots participated in the 4th of July Parade. L to R: Tom Chrisman, Rev. Bill Floyd, Randy Pollard, Bob McCleskey, David Wiley, Terry Manning and Shep Hammack.

New Members at the Picnic



Names of new members in photo: (L to R) Graham Lewis, Jackson Lewis, Ryan Lewis, Xavier Kiefer, Davis Rosser

Moms (L to R) Cathy Lewis, Carolyn Hiatt, Laura Rosser

Back Row (SAR) Tom Chrisman, President Jim McDonald, Chuck Olson (hat), Shep Hammack, John Galt

Mount Vernon—continued



(L to R) George Thurmond, Chapter Genealogist & Registrar Tom Chrisman, Chapter President Jim McDonald.

Liberty Medal

Tom Chrisman, Registrar and Genealogist for the Mount Vernon Chapter, was awarded the prestigious SAR Liberty Medal at the Annual Picnic for bringing so many people into the SAR.

Tom not only processes the paperwork for potential members, but also researches their genealogy wherever it takes him.

Our Chapter is proud to have him as a member and officer.

2nd Annual Picnic

The Mount Vernon Chapter held its 2nd Annual Picnic at the Lost Corner Preserve in Sandy Springs Georgia.

Membership has grown to over 100 members since it's founding in January 23rd of 2016.

Founding President Shep Hammack here signs in to the celebration.

Follow Mount Vernon Chapter at:

MountVernonSAR.org



Mount Vernon—continued



September Meeting

Our Guest Speaker was Mary Williams and her topic was "Revolutionary War Trivia". As it turns out, Henry Wadsworth's poem about Paul Revere is not quite true on facts.

The lantern in the North Church was not for Paul Revere, and Revere did not make it to Concord! He was captured by the British before he got there.



Bill Floyd presented Mary with a Speaker Appreciation Certificate.

C.A.R.



October Speaker



Past MSBDAR State Senior President Catherine Jimenez, who is the current Regent of the local C.A.R. (Children of the American Revolution). Catherine spoke about a program support homeless veterans and asked for financial support.

Vice President Bill Floyd introduced Donna C. Rowe, who spoke of her experiences during the Viet Nam War and the bravery of those with whom she served. She also told a remarkable story of a critically injured infant and the efforts made in successfully saving her life. That child, along with Mrs. Rowe will attend a Viet Nam war film shown at 6:00 PM on November 6th at the theatre on Marietta Square

Piedmont

September Speaker

Mourn Muskets



Piedmont Chapter Compatriots participated in a grave marking for past Compatriot Mike Ruff. Afterward his fellow color guardsmen saluted him with a solemn "mourn muskets" tribute at Georgia National Cemetery.



Vice President Roy Greene introduced our guest speaker Terry Manning. Terry gave a very interesting and entertaining presentation titled "Ten Things you did not Know About George Washington" Among those were his postal franking privileges that Congress afforded him. He also had an ongoing feud with Thomas Jefferson over his (Washington) stance of neutrality towards France.

Compatriot Manning also discussed Washington's famous Farewell Address that was published, but never delivered. The group was interesting to learn that Washington sought input from James Madison, Alexander Hamilton, and John Jay. Terry also shared a fun fact that George Washington slept in over 200 home during the Revolutionary war. If you ever see a sign that says "Washington Slept Here" he probably did.

NEW Meeting Location

We are moving to our New Permanent Home for our monthly meeting location off Woodstock Road in Roswell.

We will now meet at the Bill Johnson Community Activity Building on Roswell Area Park Drive within Roswell Area Park.

Here is the address:

**Bill Johnson Community Activity Building
Roswell Area Park Drive, Building A
10495 Woodstock Road, Roswell, GA.**

Look for Park Entrance



City of Roswell Area Park (West)

Piedmont—continued

August Speaker

Vice President Roy Greene introduced the guest speaker, Henry Bishop, a long time resident of Roswell and member of the Kentucky Rifles Association.

Henry brought with him several examples of rifles and muskets used in the American Revolution and also the War of 1812. He gave a very informative audio visual presentation and talk.



Constitution Week Proclamation



City of Roswell, GA - Mayor Lori Henry presents the Constitution Week Proclamation to The Piedmont Chapter SAR, Martha Stewart Bulloch Chapter, DAR, MSB Chapter C.A.R. .

Robert Forsyth

4th of July Parade



Robert Forsyth members gather to march in the Cumming Steam Engine 4th of July Parade. Participants included (L—R) Eva Russo, David Johnson, John Flikeid, Emil Decker, Chris Russo, Gary Page, and Allen Greenly. Not shown but participating: Chip Van Alstyne & JC Hustis.

Photo by: John Flikeid



Compatriots Ed Rigel Jr., Allen Greenly, and John Flikeid present Bronze Citizenship Medals to South Forsyth Middle School students Olivia Shumbres and Samuel Davidson.

Photo by: Gary Page



Compatriots John Flikeid & Ed Rigel Jr., present Bronze Citizenship Medals to Lakeside Middle School student Roshan Mohanty.

Photo by: John Flikeid

Robert Forsyth—continued**Robert Forsyth Chapter****Pistol Raffle***Sons of the American Revolution*

Proceeds will be used to support patriotic programs in the North Georgia region

**Prize: Two 1738 Land Service Heavy Dragoon Pistols**

Winning ticket to be drawn at December Robert Forsyth Meeting, Golden Corral, Dec. 13, 2018. Do not have to be present to win.

Features the distinctive "long-ear'd" buttcap, elliptical aprons, and stock swell, Originals produced from the 1730's to the 1790's. Reproduction 1738 Land Service (Heavy Dragoon) Pistol is a faithful recreation of this important arm. It features a fireable .62 caliber barrel, hardwood stock, and bright finish. The weapon has proper lock markings. Overall Length: 19.5 in. Barrel: 12 in. Caliber: .62 smooth bore Flint: 1 in. Weight: approx.: 4 lbs. Boxed in an attractive wooden case

Tickets: \$20 each; 3 for \$50Contact Info: Robertforsythsar.org or www.facebook.com/robertforsythsar**Genealogy Workshop**

Sensational genealogy workshop sponsored by Robert Forsyth Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. Why do we each look so happy? 1. We learned about research & documentation. 2. We confirmed we are not related to each other.

William Few

Preserving Patriot Gravesites



Col William Few Chapter Past President and JROTC Committee Chairman Bill Colbert is shown in July, 2018 cleaning up and placing bags of pebbles on the gravesite of Revolutionary Patriot James Carter in Augusta.

and processing their SAR membership applications to approval.

Receiving SAR Supplemental Ancestor Certificates during the meeting were Compatriot Chris Lane for his ancestor Patriot Robert Brown; Compatriot James Lemley for his ancestor Patriot Reverend John Corbly; Compatriot Sonny Pittman for his Patriot ancestors William Black, Jonas Griffin and Sampson Powell; and, Compatriot William Tankersley for his Patriot ancestors William Bentley and John Calloway. Before President Burdick's address to the chapter, Compatriot James Brady delivered a slide presentation outlining the progress being made on the initiative to construct a Vietnam War Memorial in Augusta.

The December quarterly meeting of the Col William Few Chapter will be held at 6:30 pm, on Monday, December 10, 2018, in the Snelling Center Conference Center, 3165 Washington Road. Georgia SAR Society Senior Vice President Scott Collins is scheduled to speak and induct new officers elected for the 2019 term.

Colonel William Few Chapter celebrated surpassing the 100 compatriot member mark at its September 10, 2018, quarterly meeting held at the Snelling Conference Center in Augusta.

In making the announcement, chapter President Sonny Pittman raised the bar higher, encouraging the chapter to "work toward reaching the 150 Compatriot member mark by the end of 2019, so we will have more hearts and hands to help us become the most dynamic and fully-engaged chapter in Georgia." Georgia SAR Society President Don Burdick brought greetings to the 68 compatriots and guests in attendance, congratulated chapter members on accomplishing their membership goal and complimented the chapter on how hard it works to achieve the goals and objectives of the SAR.

New Compatriots William Cooper and Philip Rhodes were inducted into the chapter at the meeting. Compatriot Cooper's ancestor is Patriot William Spivey of North Carolina and Compatriot Rhode's ancestor is Patriot Robert Dixon of Virginia.

Presidents' Burdick and Pittman presented nine SAR Military and War Service Medals to compatriots who have joined the Col William Few Chapter since last September. Compatriots Ralph Brigham, Jackson Cheatham and Sam Thomas received the Military Service Medal and Certificate. And Compatriots William Cooper, Robert Hawes, Justin MacEwen, James Richardson (on active duty), Martin Scherzler, and Perry Smith received the War Service Medal and Certificate.

Chapter Registrar's William Tankersley and Alton McCloud were awarded the SAR Liberty Medal and Oak Leaf Clusters by President Burdick during the meeting for their many hours of volunteer work in recruiting new compatriots

Traveling Trunk at Meadow Garden



Col William Few Chapter Past President Bill Colbert talking to some CAR members at Meadow Garden in Augusta on Saturday August 25th as part of his Traveling Trunk Presentation.

William Few—continued

Coverage of Constitution Week

The *Augusta Chronicle* reported on the recent Constitution Day Celebration held at Saint Paul's Church in Augusta.

Thanks to all who joined us and to the Color Guard, Elijah Clarke Militia and Wiregrass Artillery Battery for rendering Colors and the musket honor salutes.

Commander Bill Palmer allowed Compatriot Sonny Pittman's nine-year grandson Xander to play Taps with the "special" bugle during the ceremony and he is still talking about how much he enjoyed it.

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Ceremony honors Revolutionary Patriots

Special

The Augusta chapters of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Col. William Few Chapter, Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution, and DAR and SAR chapters from across Georgia celebrated the 231st anniversary of the United States Constitution with a ceremony Sept. 17 at St. Paul's Church.

The annual event honored Few, a Georgia signer of the Constitution, and Patriots buried at the cemetery.

The roll was called for the 19 Revolutionary War Patriots buried at the church and a bell tolled after each name was read.

The Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution State Militia and Guard presented colors and fired a three-volley musket and cannon salute to recognize the patriots.



Scott Collins, Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution, speaking at the Constitution Day celebration. [SPECIAL]

Trunk Talks Continue



Our chapter is very blessed to have Compatriot Don Thomas and his wife Pat who give their time and energy so passionately to educate children about life during the American Revolution through the Traveling Trunk program. The students enjoyed viewing the items from their traveling trunk of colonial items, hearing stories about Revolutionary War patriots, and watching Mr. Don fire his rifle!

Wiregrass



29th Flag Certificate

Wiregrass Chapter presented the Poplar Springs United Methodist Church, Adrian, Georgia with our 29th U. S. Flag Certificate. The "Certificate of Commendation" was given by Wiregrass Chapter Flag Chair Al Smith to Pastor Mark Hardin of the Poplar Springs UMC just outside of Adrian, Georgia in recognition of exemplary Patriotism in the display of the Flag of the United States of America in the correct way.

Recognizing people, businesses, organizations and the government with a U.S. Flag Certificate is a project of the Sons of the American Revolution. The Wiregrass Chapter began presenting these certificates in June 2014 and this project is an on going project.

Turpentine Festival



Members of the Brier Creek Chapter and Wiregrass Chapter of the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution took part in the annual "Turpentine Festival" in Portal, Georgia.

Compatriot Steve Burke set up several table's and showed off his skins, hides, and Revolutionary War artifacts. The members of both Chapters answered many questions that the spectators asked. Those attending were: Brier Creek Chapter (Screven County) President Lee Smith, Sgt-at-Arms Don Bazemore and the Wiregrass Chapter (Swainsboro) Vice President Steve Burke.

All three members were dressed in their American Revolutionary Militia uniforms, carrying their 50 Cal. Flintlock Long Rifles. If you would like to join the GASSAR, Statesboro has a local Sons of the American Revolution Chapter. It is the Mill Creek Chapter and Rodney Harville is the President.