Compatriots,

Our twelfth Brier Creek Chapter meeting for 2018 will be held on Thursday night, December 6, 2018 at JOHN FITZNERS BRIER CREEK CLUBHOUSE, located off of Tuckakoe Road at 7:00. There will be no program as this is our Annual Christmas party. Please call President Lee Smith and tell him how many will be coming with you. There will be no cost for the meal. Don’t forget that all spouses and guests are invited to our Christmas Chapter meeting.

SEE BELOW HOW TO GET TO JOHN’S CLUBHOUSE

From Sylvania, Statesboro or Millen, at the intersection of U.S highway 301 and GA highway 21, drive North on U.S. Highway 301 for 8.7 miles and as you cross Brier Creek bridge, TURN right on Tuckahoe Road (good dirt road), drive 3.4 miles to the red cone and turn right on John’s cabin drive (Jimmy Buffett Drive) cross bridge and the cabin will be on the left.

From Augusta at the intersection of U.S. Highway 301 and GA Highway 24, turn left and drive North on U.S. Highway 301 for 3.2 miles and as you cross Brier Creek bridge, TURN right on Tuckahoe Road (good dirt road), drive 3.4 miles to the red cone and turn right on John’s cabin drive (Jimmy Buffett Drive) cross bridge and the cabin will be on the left.

From Savannah at the intersection of U.S. Highway 301 and GA Highway 24, turn right and drive North on U.S. Highway 301 for 3.7 miles and as you cross Brier Creek bridge, TURN right on Tuckahoe Road (good dirt road), drive 3.4 miles to the red cone and turn right on John’s Cabin Drive (Jimmy Buffett Drive) cross bridge and the cabin will be on the left.
On Saturday, November 17, 2018, four East Region Chapters of the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution traveled to the southeast Georgia Coast to the site of the American Revolutionary War battle to Commemorate the “British Demand to Surrender Fort Morris”, to which the Patriots defiantly replied, “Come and Take It”. This battle happened on November 25, 1778. Our very own Compatriot Tommy Christopher was again the Master of Ceremonies for the event. This is the 4th year that Tommy has been asked by the event planners to M/C the Annual Fort Morris – Midway Memorial Ceremony. Our Brier Creek Skunk Brigade also participated with the Georgia/Florida combined Color Guard in Presenting and Retrieving the Colors. They also participated with a 3 round volley with their 50 cal. Flintlock Long Rifles.

See below the photo of Lee presenting the Brier Creek Wreath at Fort Morris

See below the photo of Master of Ceremonies Tommy Christopher presiding at Fort Morris-Sunbury
See below the Brier Creek Skunk Brigade at Fort Morris-Sunbury

Dess Smith, Lee Smith, Don Bazemore, Wilder Smith, Ruskin Powell, Steve Burke
Last month’s program was presented by the Vice President of the Wiregrass Chapter and a “dual” member of the Brier Creek Chapter, Compatriot Steve Burke. Steve has been a member of the Sons of the American Revolution since September 24, 2007. He became a member of the Col William Few Chapter in Augusta before transferring to the Patrick Carr Rangers Chapter in Waynesboro. In June 2011, Steve became a Charter member of the Wiregrass Chapter in Swainsboro where he continues to serve today. Steve also serves the Georgia Society as the “Southern Commander of the Georgia Society Color Guard and Militia”. Steve works full time with the Planters Electric in Jenkins County and resides in Garfield, Georgia. Steve’s son Jason Earl Burke is also a member of the Wiregrass Chapter. Steve’s “Patriot” is Phillip Newton who served as a private in the 2nd SC Regiment at Charleston District, SC. Steve’s son Jason went into the SAR under a different Patriot. His Patriot is Abraham S. Lane who served as a soldier in North Carolina.

See below the photo of Steve Burke during one of his presentation’s at the Wiregrass Chapter
SAM COCHRAN TREASURER’S REPORT:

Compatriot Sam reports that we are doing great with our bank balance. Sam mentioned if you have not received your dues invoice, just give him a call on his cell: 912-425-5515. Regular member: $73.00, junior member $10.00. This is for Chapter, State and National Dues. You may send your “dual” member 2019 dues as soon as you want to.

4th QUARTER, 2018 SAR EVENTS:

December 1, 2018: Registrar’s Conference by East Region VP Sonny Pittman, New China Rest, Swainsboro

December 6, 2018: 12th Monthly meeting at R & D’s Restaurant at 6:30 p.m.

1ST QUARTER, 2019 SAR EVENTS:

January 3, 2019: 1st Monthly meeting at R & D’s Restaurant at 6:30 p.m.

January 18-20, 2019: Cowpens National Park Service Commemoration, Gaffney, SC.

January 25-26, 2019: Annual Georgia Society SAR Conference, Sonesta Hotel, Duluth, GA.

February 7, 2019: 2nd Monthly meeting at R & D’s Restaurant at 6:30 p.m.

February 8, 2019: Elijah Clarke Commemoration, Elijah Clarke State Park, Lincoln Co, GA.

February 8-10, 2019: Kettle Creek Commemoration, Wilkes Co., Washington, GA.

March 1-2, 2019: 240th Anniversary, Brier Creek Battle, Brier Creek Battlefield, Screven Co., GA.

March 7, 2019: 3rd Monthly meeting at R & D’s Restaurant at 6:30 p.m.

In SAR Friendship & Service,

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