



THE LITTLE RIVER REVIEW

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Compatriots,

Our next chapter meeting is Thursday, March 17, 2022 at 6:30p.m. at the Thomson-McDuffie County Library, located at 338 Main Street in Thomson. Supper and Fellowship begins at 5:00pm at Hogie Joe’s Sports Grill, located at 128 Railroad Street.

Our meeting speaker will be Doug Parker, a 30-year veteran of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI). Doug owns and operates Parker Consulting & Investigations (<https://parkerpci.com/>.) He recently created “Thin Blue Defend” (<https://thinbluedefend.com/>), an application or “app” which collects information to assist in the defense of police officers in use-of-force cases in anticipation of criminal and/or civil litigation. Doug is also the author of “A Killher Plan”, a book based on a true story about an intriguing murder investigation he conducted while working for the GBI. (<http://akillherplan.com/>). Doug hails from the city of Jonesboro, GA, where his father was a law enforcement officer. Come join us for an outstanding presentation.



J. Douglas “Doug” Parker

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 12: Compatriot Steve Burke of the Wiregrass Chapter SAR presents “Survival Techniques for Living Off the Land”, McDuffie Museum, 10:00am, 121 Main Street in Thomson. This is part of “A History Lover’s Morning at the Museum” sponsored by the Captain John Wilson NSDAR.

March 17: Little River Chapter meeting at the Thomson Library at 6:30; Supper and Fellowship at Hogie Joe’s Grill in Thomson beginning at 5:00pm; Doug Parker will be our guest speaker.

March 18: Revolutionary War Re-enactment / Living History Event at Aiken High School, 449 Rutland Drive NW, Aiken SC, 9am-3pm. Contact Ted Walker, event coordinator, at twalkerj@bellsouth.net or 803-599-1654.

April 15-16 – Patriot Grave Marking (15th) and Fort Frederica Patriot’s Day at St. Simons Island (10am on the 16th), sponsored by the Marshes of Glynn Chapter SAR. Contact J. Steven Hinson by April 1st at stevenhinson61@gmail.com or 912-258-2033.

April 21: Little River Chapter Meeting

April 27: Thomson High School Navy JROTC Awards Ceremony; 6:00pm in the school auditorium, Compatriot Lewis Smith will present the SAR JROTC bronze medal to Cadet Robert McGahee.

April 27: Harlem High School Army JROTC Awards Ceremony; 6:00pm in the school gym, Compatriot Alton McCloud will present the SAR JROTC bronze medal to Cadet Aleksander Helpingstine.

May 19: Little River Chapter Meeting

May 30: 11am - The John Milledge Chapter SAR has been invited to participate in the Memorial Day ceremony at the Veterans Cemetery in Milledgeville. Contact Chapter President Terry Stair at drstair@outlook.com if you’d like to participate.

June 16: Little River Chapter Meeting

July 4: Independence Day Commemoration at the Signer’s Monument in downtown Augusta

July 10-15: National Society SAR Congress in Savannah (See <https://gasocietysar.org/2022-nssar-congress/>)

LITTLE RIVER TRIVIA: *There are 3 bodies of water in Georgia named “Little River.” Our Chapter Namesake is a 72-mile long tributary of the Savannah River, and is the river into which Kettle Creek flows. Another Little River empties into the Withlacoochee River near Valdosta, and the other is located in Cherokee County near Atlanta.*

See Website – Georgia’s “Little River Trail:”

<https://qarivers.org/water-trails-and-paddling/georgias-little-river-water-trail/>

CHAPLAIN’S CORNER: *Please continue to pray for Compatriots Bill Colbert, Dave Donehoo, and several others as they deal with and recuperate from health problems.*

The Battle of Brier Creek Education Day and Commemoration on March 4-5 was a great success ! Please see our chapter Facebook group for posts with photos, videos, and TV News Coverage from Fox 54 in Augusta.

FEATURED CHAPTER COMPATRIOT: John H. "Jack" Roth III



Jack's grandfather, John H. Roth Sr., started "John H. Roth & Co." in the late 1800's. See the company website <http://jonrothco.freeservers.com/home.html>, home of Old English Staffordshire Ware in commemorative designs such as Liverpool Jugs, Coffee & Tea Pots, Coasters, Mugs, Cups, & Saucers, many of which are dedicated to Revolutionary War figures and battles. Jack took the reins from his father, John H. Roth Jr., and ran the company for many years. You can find their products on display in gift shops such as George Washington's Mount Vernon.



Samples of Old English Staffordshire Ware by John H. Roth & Company

Summary of our Previous Chapter Meeting

We met on February 17 at the Thomson-McDuffie County Library. Compatriots Ben Creech and James Davis III were inducted as new members. Compatriot Don Thomas was our speaker, and gave a wonderful talk about his 22-year journey in the SAR. He was presented with the SAR Patriot Medal from the GA Society SAR. Several new streamers were presented for various awards. Bill Colbert and Gary Smith accepted a Patriot Grave Marking Certificate on behalf of the chapter for our involvement in the grave dedication ceremonies of their ancestors Reubin Hill and David Smith. Bill and Gary placed two white stars on the chapter's Patriot Grave Marking streamer in honor of their ancestors. Bill then gave a summary of the meeting and included photos in a post on our Chapter Facebook group.

Registrar's Roster 2022

Membership Applications Approved		
Name	Patriot	Patriot State of Service
Ben Creech	William Creech	South Carolina
James Davis III	John Camden	Virginia
Membership Applications Awaiting Approval at National Headquarters		
Name	Patriot	Patriot State of Service
Bobby Felder	John Henry Felder, Sr.	South Carolina
Jerry Lambert	John Henry Lambert, Sr.	Virginia
Supplemental Applications Approved		
Name	Patriot	Patriot State of Service
Dobbie Lambert	Crisparius/Casper Van Nostrand	New Jersey
Supplemental Applications Awaiting Approval at National Headquarters		
Name	Patriot	Patriot State of Service
Jack Roth	Edward Milliken	Massachusetts
Jack Roth	Jonathan Morris, Sr.	Connecticut
Mack Shealy	John Boland	South Carolina
Jack Roth	Caleb Munson	Connecticut
Bill Colbert	David Sayers	North Carolina

Our total number of chapter members stands at 63. If you know anyone that would like to become a member of our Chapter, please contact me at 706-825-5810 or e-mail me at wjtank@comcast.net.

In SAR Friendship & Service,

Bill Tankersley