

Newsletter of The Georgia Society
Sons of the American Revolution



Special Annual
Conference
Edition

The
Hornet's
Nest

The President's Dispatch



It is indeed an honor and a privilege to stand before you today as the new President of the Georgia Society. Seventy-five men have held this position before me, and I can only hope to live up to the standards they set when they took office.

A brief introduction for those of you who may not know me: I was born in Gainesville. I attended Emory University for undergraduate and Georgia State University for graduate studies. I work for a small business doing program management and human resources. My wife, Brandy, is a DAR member and is serving her second term as President of the Ladies Auxiliary. We have two dogs, and in what spare time I can find I play several instruments, none of them very well. I have been a member of the SAR since 2008, I joined the Color Guard in 2009, and I am a Charter Member of the Robert Forsyth Chapter in Cumming.

Several years ago, I saw a post on social media that described the chair that General George Washington sat in during the Constitutional Convention of 1787. That chair featured a carved sun as the headrest. Benjamin Franklin said "I have often looked at that behind the president without being able to tell whether it was rising or setting. But now I... know that it is a rising...sun."

Supposedly this was in reference to the sun rising on a new nation. The Compatriot who posted this had a picture of the Rising Sun, S.U.N., chair and from that, came up with the **Rising Son, S.O.N.**, Challenge. He had three goals he wanted to accomplish, and I feel those goals are applicable to our Society as well.

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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.

S: Support the President General's Initiatives. President General Dodd is, of course, focused on the America 250 celebration, which officially kicked off with the Boston Tea Party last year. This year the SAR Signature Event is the First Continental Congress, and in five years we will celebrate the 250th Anniversary of the Battle of Kettle Creek. If you remember how quickly the five years passed after the approval of the Savannah Congress, you understand why we should start planning now. I believe we can expect to welcome Compatriots from across the country, all of whom will be fighting for hotel rooms in the little town of Washington. Historic Sites & Celebrations Chair Bill Dobbs has collected a veritable treasure trove of information and contacts pertaining to that weekend, and I fully expect we will make use of that to help plan our event. I just hope I can talk him into sticking around a little longer.

The Georgia Society is helping to lead the charge with other America 250 celebrations. We have not one, but two, Liberty Tree programs, led by Ron Redner of the Piedmont Chapter and Kevin Karel of the Cherokee Chapter. The goal is to plant a Liberty Tree in each of the 64 Georgia Counties named for an American Revolution Patriot. Ron has drafted a letter to the State Senators of the Counties and I look forward to participating in these plantings over the next year.

We are also promoting the America 250th Anniversary Memorial Bench Program, led by John Trussell of the Ocmulgee Chapter. This project started with two bench dedications during the Savannah Congress and is spreading across the country, with Texas and Rhode Island recently coming on board.

PG Dodd has also placed an increased focus on social media engagement. Through the use of Facebook, Instagram, and various other outlets, we have the opportunity to reach a broader section of the population and increase awareness of our goals. I will be asking our State Facebook admins to increase the posting and sharing of our activities and SAR-related information. I would encourage you to check out the Revolutionary War Rarities podcast, which are 8-10 minute episodes about the rarely known, rarely taught stories of the American Revolution.

O: Offer assistance to a Committee. The past few years have seen some turnover in Chairmen, and we need to make sure that the institutional knowledge possessed by the current Chairmen does not disappear when they decide to step down. I recently took over the National Eagle Scout Contest, and it's disappointing to hear that many new Chairmen feel thrust into the position with no training or guidance. I will be working with the Keeper of the SourceBook to update and revise descriptions to more accurately reflect the job that is being done by each Committee so future Chairmen have a better idea of what their duties and responsibilities may be.

As with most things in our organization, offering assistance starts at the Chapter level. Whether it's a Youth Contest, Public Service recognition, or just presenting Flag Certificates, find the one thing that speaks to you and get involved with it. Find that Committee Chairman and offer to help. As our elder statesmen become less active, we need to make sure the next generation of leaders is ready and well equipped to step into their role.

N: Net one new member. Membership retention and growth is an issue that we deal with at the Chapter, State, and National level, and has been a claimed focus of every Chapter, State, and Society President since I joined fifteen years ago. This year will be no different. In my annual report, I mentioned that the National Membership Chairman had sent out a list of Compatriots who had not renewed over the past five years. There were more than 600 names on that list. How many of those can we bring back to our Society? Over the next few weeks, I will be reaching out to Chapter Presidents and RVPs with contact information for those drops. Hopefully we can convince them that SAR is still a worthy activity.

When Past State Registrar Bob Sapp would visit Chapters, he challenged all members of the Chapter to earn the Liberty Medal, which is given for recruiting and signing up ten new members. While that is a lofty goal, I believe in starting small and working up. With that in mind, I challenge everyone to work on increasing our membership by bringing in one new member. We started this year at 1807 after closing last year above 2000 - let's see if we can get there and stay there for 2025.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Georgia Society. I look forward to working with each of you as we continue to grow what I believe is the best Society in the country.

Ed Rigel Jr.

President, Georgia Society





The President's Farewell

I have been honored during the last year and a half to serve as the State President of the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution. My tenure began under tragic circumstances with the sudden death of our beloved Past President Joe Vancura. As we have marched forward from that Valley of Death, we have been strengthened by the knowledge that Joe would have wanted us to be positive and to grow stronger as the patriotic and educational organization that we are!



As I have traveled throughout Georgia and beyond to surrounding states, during the past eighteen months as State President, I have been most inspired by the wonderful, good people that I have met and gotten to know...to learn from, and to truly appreciate as Compatriots. Not to mention the fine Americans that I met while serving as Senior VP before that! I know that by visiting so many chapters and historic Revolutionary War sites, I too have learned a great deal more about the Revolution, and I hope that my presentations, including the Colonial and Revolutionary War Art talks, have perhaps brought new historical and patriotic information to my Compatriots, as well as DAR attendees.

The SAR is a nonprofit, nonpartisan 501c3 organization dedicated to promoting patriotism and teaching our great American legacy and American history to our children and future generations. In so doing, we also honor our veterans, our flag, our Constitution and the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic. This education is necessary because, as President James Garfield once said, "Next in importance to freedom and justice is popular education, without which neither freedom nor justice can be permanently maintained." After all, as Benjamin Franklin said, "You have a Republic, if you can keep it!" And that is why, whenever we in the Sons of the American Revolution meet, we solemnly pledge ourselves to defend the Constitution against every foe!

To these ends, my goals for the past eighteen months have been to promote the National and the Georgia Society SAR to be more visible to the general public, and therefore to increase our membership. With your continuing help, brothers and sisters, there is no limit to what we can achieve! Thank you!

Libertas et Patria,

David A. Ludley, Past President of the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution

Registration & Friday Afternoon Classes





Registrar Workshop



Escape from Colditz

Registrar workshop; Escape from Colditz and 18th Century Medicine classes were the start to a fine Conference. Thanks to Steven Hinson, Carter Wood, and Emil Decker for their enlightenment on the various subjects discussed.



18th Century Medical Practices



Friday Night Reception















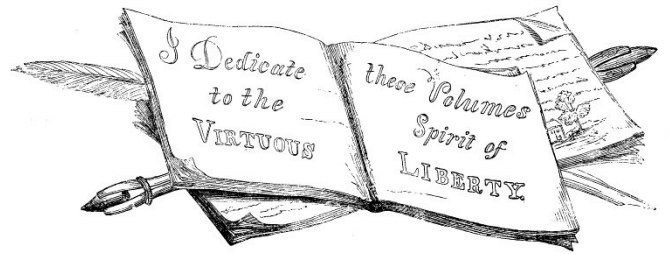
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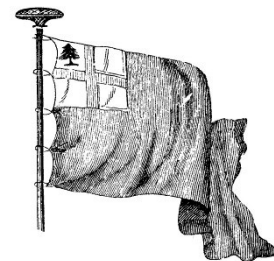


Each year the Past Presidents of the Georgia Society who are present at the Annual Conference gather for a photo.
 (L-R Sitting) David Jessel, Allen Greenly, David Ludley, J. Michael Tomme, Wayne Brown. (L-R Standing) Scott Collins, Roger Coursey, & Bill Dobbs.

Member Awards Banquet









Daughters of Liberty Medal

Betty Brown Harrah, Regent GA State Society, NSDAR
Kitty Worrell Watters, Brenda Davison Jessel, Lynn Baxter
Jacques



Martha Washington

Elizabeth J. Collins

Lydia Darragh Medal

Janet Edelen



Ladies' Medal of Appreciation

- Ginger Deraney, Ladies Auxiliary, President
- Brandy Leigh Rigel, Ladies Auxiliary 1st Vice President
- Jane Grier Durden, Ladies Auxiliary 2nd Vice President
- Mary Turner, Ladies Auxiliary, Treasurer
- Catherine Collingwood Jimenez, Ladies Auxiliary, Secretary
- Anna Hicks Bulloch, Ladies Auxiliary, Chaplain
- Brenda Davison Jessel, Ladies Auxiliary, Parliamentarian



State Meritorious Service Medal

- Terry Allen Gibbs
- Shep Hammack
- Edward P. Rigel, Jr.



Bronze Color Guard Medal

Donald Henry McCarty, Jr.
J Daniel McMichael
Caleb I. Kinard

Silver Color Guard Medal

J. Daniel Michael
Robert W. Moore
Stephen Paul Weaver
Caleb I Kinard



Von Steuben

Sidney D. Turner

Commander's Award

Ralph C. Galpin



PG Robert B. Vance, Sr. Membership Plaque

Harold Ford, Button Gwinnett Chapter

14 New Members during 2023

Patriot Grave Marking

Craig Benton

Don McCarty

Gary Page

Jared Ogden

John McAskill

Kenneth Van Alstyne

Raymond Francis Kyle

Alton McCloud - OLC

Emil Decker - 2nd & 3rd OLC

Edward P. Rigel, Jr. - 2nd, 3rd, & 4th OLC

Kenneth Scott Collins - 7th, 8th, & 9th OLC



Compatriot Grave Marking Medal

Kenneth Scott Collins

Rookie Color Guardsman

Craig Benton

Raymond F. Kyle, Sr.

Honor Guard Status

Joel Clayton Hustis

Senior Honor Guard Status

Edward P. Rigel, Jr.





Lafayette Volunteer Service Medal

Sanders G. Mercer Jr. - 2nd OLC

J. Steven Henson - 2nd OLC



Service to Veterans Medal

Kenneth Scott Collins

William S. Edelen Jr.

Gary Hoyt - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th OLC



Silver Good Citizenship Medal

David A. Ludley, PhD
Brenda Davison Jessel
Danny Nelson Ginter



Silver Roger Sherman Medal

William B. Dobbs II
Edward P. Rigel Sr.
Edward P. Rigel Jr.
William Tankersley
David Jessel
J. Michael Tomme Sr.



Patriot Medal

The Patriot Medal is the highest award presented to a Compatriot by a State Society and recognizes long, faithful, outstanding and distinguished service at the state and/or chapter level. The Patriot Medal is awarded only by a State Society and may be presented only to an individual and may be received ONLY once. Service at the national level is not considered in making the award. It is desirable that it be presented at the annual meeting of the state society. A representative cannot accept the Patriot Medal. A Compatriot may receive this medal only once. State Societies are authorized 1 medal per 500 members, but are not required to issue all medals authorized. Medals not awarded may not be carried over to the next year.



Patriot Medal

David Arthur Ludley has been a member of the Sons of the American Revolution since June 23, 2010, when joining the Captain John Collins Chapter.

Compatriot Ludley has served as the President, Vice President and Historian of the Captain John Collins Chapter and remains a dual member of that chapter. He has also served as the Historian, Flag Committee Chairman and two terms as Vice President of the Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, which is now his primary chapter. He has also served the Georgia Society as State Historian for several terms, State Senior Vice President, and has served as President of the Georgia Society since the untimely death of President Joe Vancura.

He was the primary designer and draftsman of the National Society Savannah Congress medal. Also during the Savannah Congress, he was asked by the Historian General to be the speaker for the Historian General's Roundtable speaking on "Colonial and Revolutionary War Art and Related Works". He has made this presentation to a number of SAR and DAR chapters as well. He has also painted George Washington and auctioned it off, donating all resulting funds to the Captain John Collins Chapter.

He also been very supportive of the VA veteran's hospitals, donating many articles of clothing.

After receiving his master's degree in English, David was named Supervisor and

Coordinator of Adult Basic Education, English as a Second Language at Triton College in Illinois. He then began a successful career in the University System of Georgia at Clayton State University, becoming a Professor Emeritus of Art History and English, and also the Art Area Coordinator.

He has been very active the Freemasons and the Kiwanis. He has served 3 years as President of the Reynolds Nature Preserve Board of Trustees, and has served three years as Vice President of the Clayton State Retirees Association.

Congratulations to you, Compatriot David Ludley.



Robert Weatherby Moore has been a member of the SAR since September 20, 1982, joining the Coweta Falls Chapter. He has served as the Coweta Falls Chapter Secretary from 2016-2018, 2nd Vice President from 2019-present, and as chapter Americanism Committee Chairman from 2019-present.

He has served as the Georgia Society Children of the American Revolution Liaison in 1989 and from 2013-present (a total of 12 years). He is also currently serving as the Georgia Society Sergeant-at-Arms. Being a member for over 40 years, he has been active in the Georgia Society Color Guard and has been active in numerous grave markings.

Being so active in the Children of the American Revolution, Compatriot Moore has received the Silver and Bronze Distinguished Service SAR-C.A.R. award. Some of his positions with the Children of the American Revolution have been: Georgia Honorary State President and Georgia Senior Honorary State President of the Georgia State Society of the National Society of the Children of the American Revolution; Past National Senior Chairman of the Handbook Committee for the National Society of the Children of the American Revolution; Past National Senior Chairman of the C.A.R.-DAR-SAR-SR Committee for the National Society of the Children of the

Patriot Medal

American Revolution; and for 4 years served as the National Convention Chairman for the National Society of the Children of the American Revolution. He has also been an active leader in the Boy Scouts, being an Assistant Scout Master and Eagle Scout. Congratulations to you, Robert Moore.

Frederic Miller Reese, III has been a member of the SAR since January 29, 2014, joining the Piedmont Chapter.

Compatriot Reese has served with distinction as Editor of the award winning chapter newsletter, Piedmont Piper, for the past seven years.

Compatriot Reese has served as a member of the Georgia Society Electronic Communications Committee for several years, especially during the 132nd Annual NSSAR Congress in Savannah, Georgia, where he worked as a sound engineer and edited several videos filmed at the Congress. Over the years he has served quietly to photograph and video the Georgia Society Annual Conferences, Board of Managers Meetings and chapter events, enabling excellent publicity for the Society, all using his personal equipment. All this has come at no expense to the Award Winning Georgia Society.

Compatriot Reese has served quietly alongside his father to video and record state and chapter meetings and events. This was especially valuable during the Covid-19 shutdown, enabling the Georgia Society to continue to function effectively. His service in 2017 earned him the Chapter Distinguished Service Medal while also receiving the NSSAR Thomas J. Bond Photographic Award in 2017.

He is also a valued member of the Georgia Society Color Guard.

Congratulations to you, Ricky Reese.

(The next award was presented on Saturday at the BOM)



Alton O'Neal McCloud has been a member of the SAR since July 14, 2011, joining the Col William Few Chapter, where he served as chapter registrar.

Compatriot McCloud became a founding member of the Little River Chapter, where he then served as 1st Vice President and Color Guard Commander. He has been a Member at Large of the Georgia Society Board of Managers. He is an active member of the Georgia Society Color Guard and the Brier Creek Militia.

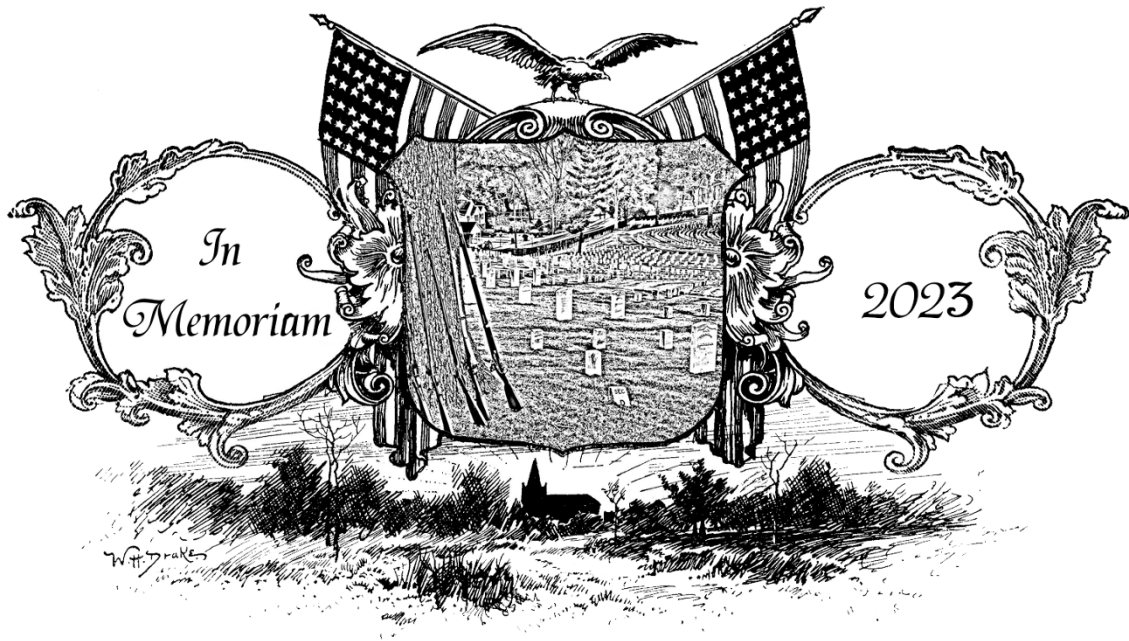
He was first line signer for 10 new members for the Little River Chapter. He has been actively supporting grave markings by restoring graves and installing new SAR grave markers. He has served at numerous color guard events and patriot grave marking ceremonies. He participates with the Elijah Clarke Militia and Brier Creek Artillery by firing his flintlock rifle and 6-lb Naval Cannon at events. He is also an active participant in the Youth Education Outreach events for the chapter.

Compatriot McCloud was a Jackson County, AL Deputy Sheriff, city of Stevenson, AL patrolman, captain and chief of police, and a Department of Justice Police Officer in Washington, DC. He was also the statistician and public

address announcer for high school football games, and even called the football games on radio for one high school.

Congratulations to you, Compatriot Alton McCloud.

Memorial Service



Georgia Society Deceased Members January 01, - December 31, 2023



Robert Edward TRACEY

Piedmont

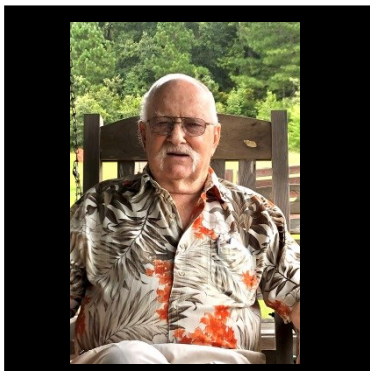
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Douglas Dryer TAYLOR

Marshes of Glynn

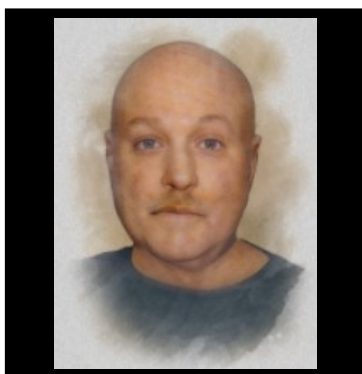
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Stephen Dwight BERG

Marshes of Glynn

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Henry Manning DREYER, III

Casimir Pulaski

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John Wesley MORROW, III

Blue Ridge Mountains

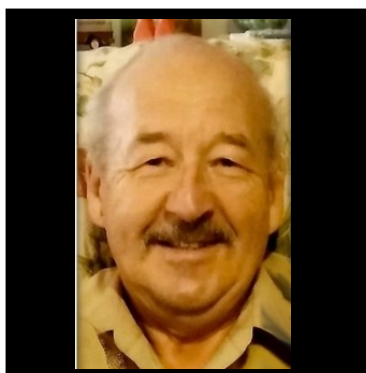
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Charles Dewey STONE

William Few

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Max Edgar WHITE

Joseph Habersham

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Walter Edwin SCOTT

Brier Creek

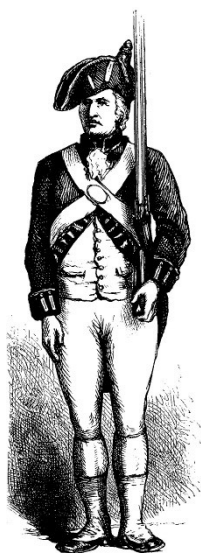
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Rodericc Russ DUGGER

Blue Ridge Mountains

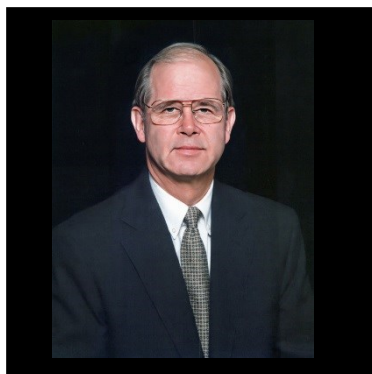
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James Edward DANIEL, Sr.

Lyman Hall

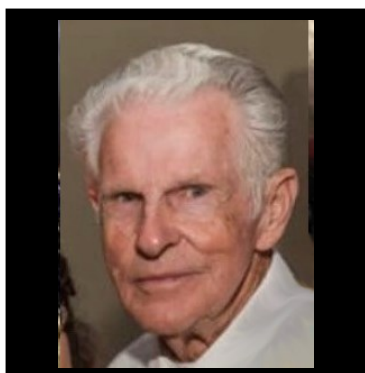
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Robert Andrew SANDERS

Ocmulgee

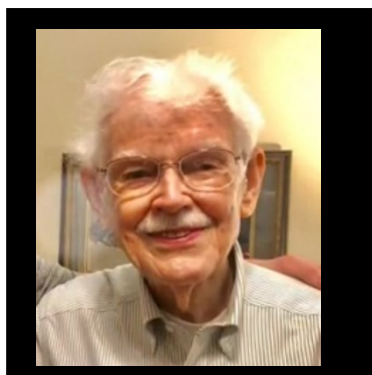
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Marshall Elijah CASH

Joseph Habersham

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Willie David GUNN

Wiregrass

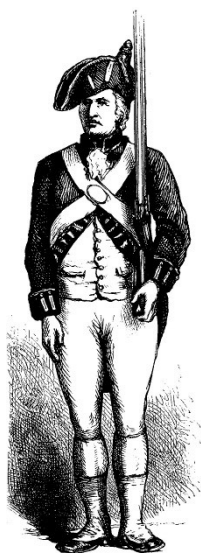
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Casimir Pulaski

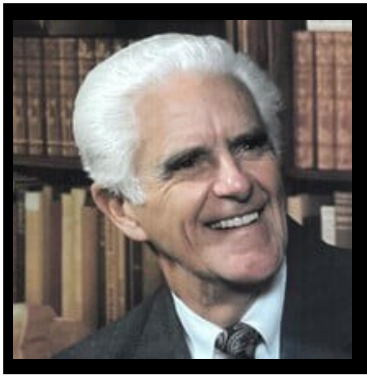
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Eugene Lee WARREN

Piedmont

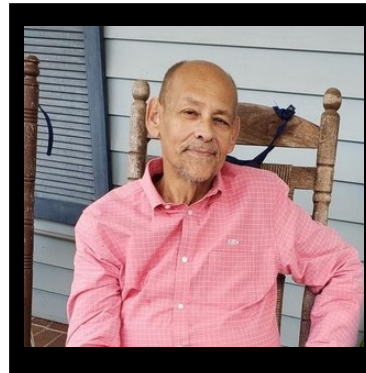
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Laurence Williams LINES

John Collins

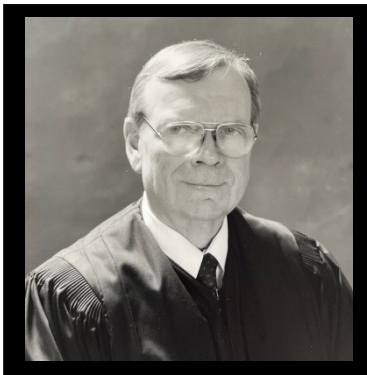
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Dalton

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Kenneth Bemis FOLLOWILL

Coweta Falls

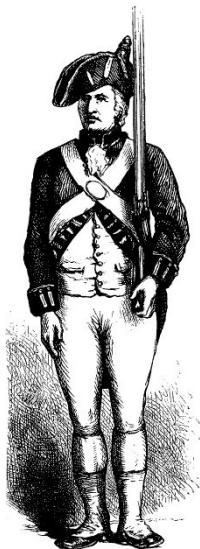
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Joel Early

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James Lee MCCONNELL, Sr.

Button Gwinnett

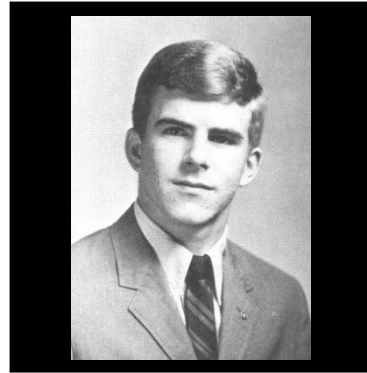
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Charles Thomas GIBSON

Joel Early

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Joseph Smith MOSES

Robert Forsyth

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David Cecil UNDERWOOD

Rome

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Arvin Francis SPELL , III

George Walton

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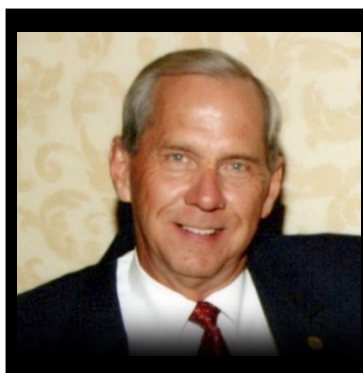
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Little River

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Daniel Scott HICKS
Athens
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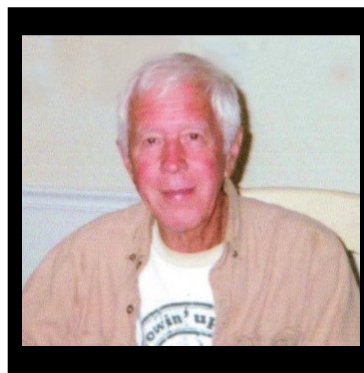
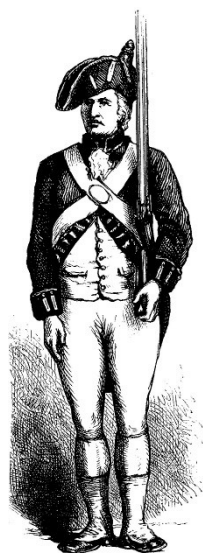
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Joel Early
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Harold Mayo MEADOWS
Joel Early
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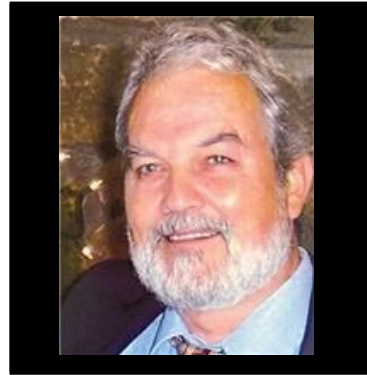
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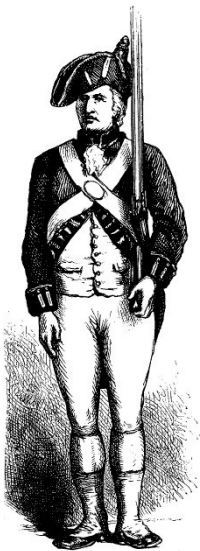
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Thomas Milne OWEN

Washington - Wilkes

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Virgil Cecil CURTIS, Jr.

Coweta Falls

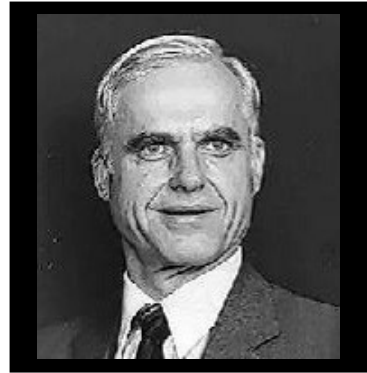
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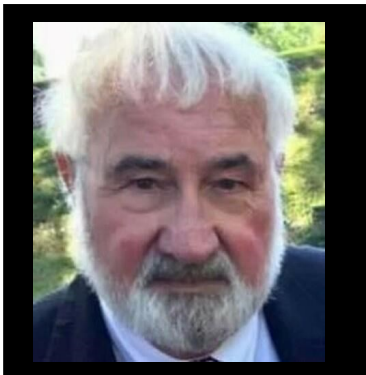
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Charles Rutledge LORD

Atlanta

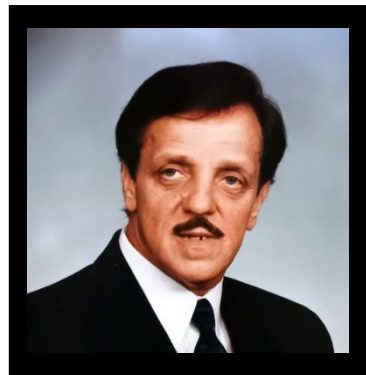
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James Edward STALLINGS, Jr.

Ocmulgee

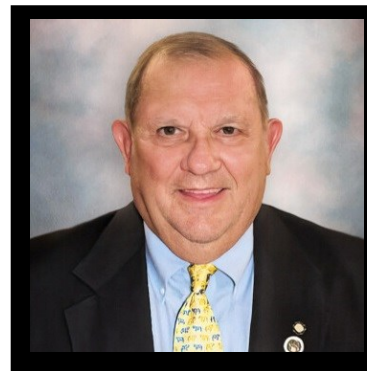
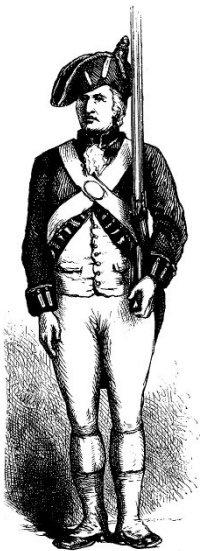
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Donald Michael HART

Mount Vernon

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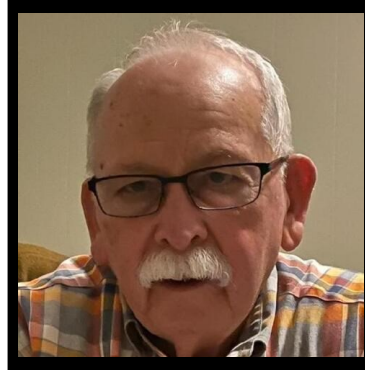
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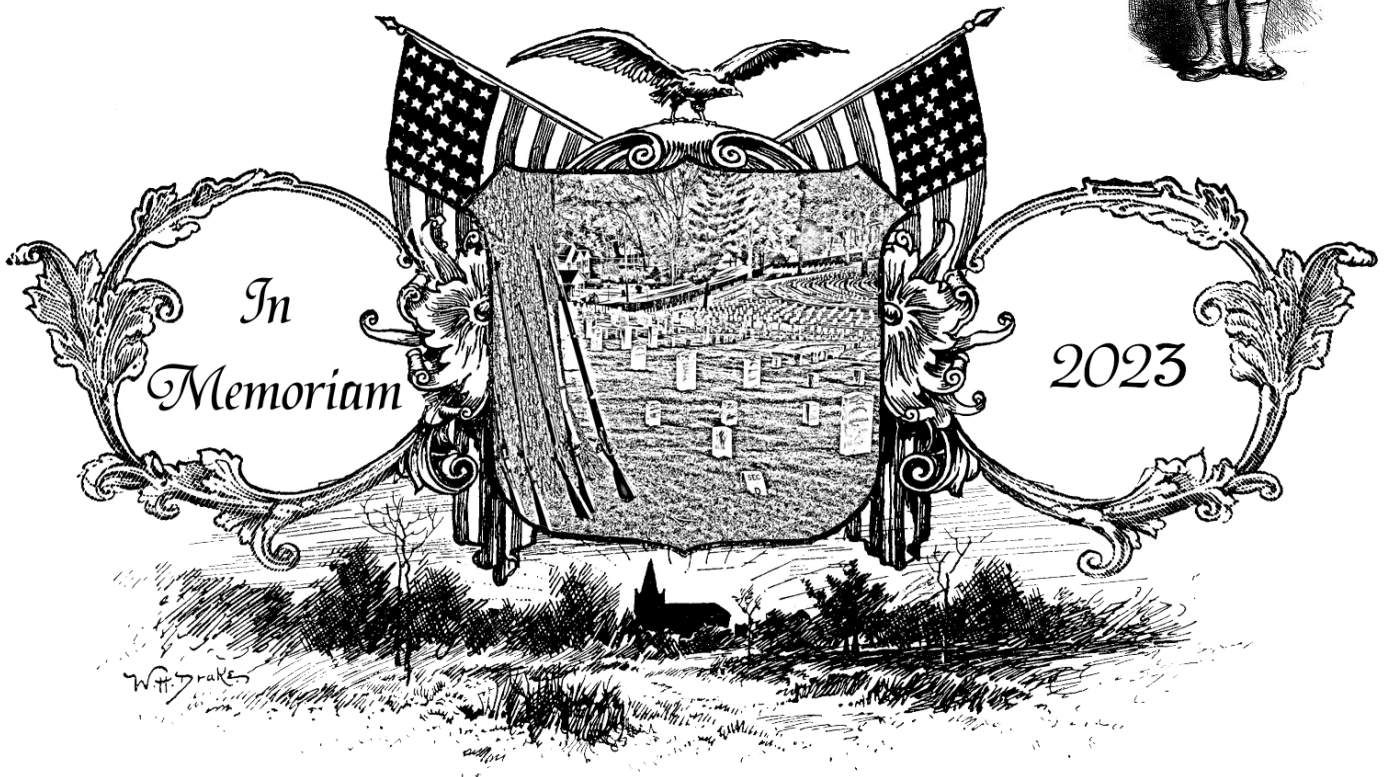
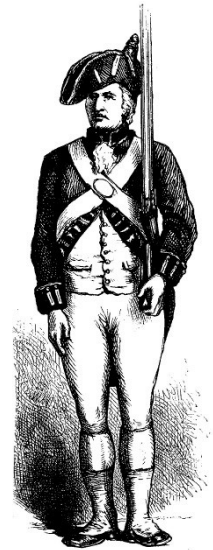
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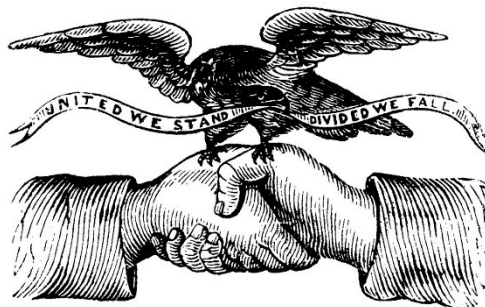
James Ebb DAUGHTRY
 Wiregrass
 22 Dec 2023



Philip Henry MOODY
 Marquis de Lafayette
 24 Dec 2023



Annual Meeting





Ladies Auxiliary



Chapter & Youth Awards Banquet

C.A.R. Medal of Appreciation

Joy Frederick, State C.A.R. President
Emily Tindall, Senior State C.A.R. President



Eagle Scout Award

Trophy & \$550 Check
WINNER: Mr. William A. Burgin, Sponsored by the Coweta Falls Chapter
2nd Place WINNER: \$400 check
Mr. Jacob S. Wang, Sponsored by the Athens Chapter



JROTC Award

ROTC Medal & \$550 Check

Cadet/ Lt. Col. Olivia M. Clark, Sponsored by the Marquis de Lafayette Chapter



Knight Essay Contest
Certificate, Medal, & \$550 check

Miss Brynn Scott,
Sponsored by the
Ocmulgee Chapter



Runner-up Certificate & \$200 check

Mr. Jacob Steven Wang,
Sponsored by the Athens
Chapter

Americanism Chapters of Excellence (5,000 points +)

Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter - 20,970 points

Button Gwinnett - 5,780 points

Streamers failed to arrive in time, so winners held up imaginary streamers.



Well,Some Streamers were imaginary

Americanism Chapters of Excellence

Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter

Button Gwinnett Chapter

Coweta Falls

Little River Chapter

Marquis de Lafayette Chapter

Piedmont Chapter

Robert Forsyth



Americanism Chapters of Distinction

- Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter
- Button Gwinnett Chapter
- Coweta Falls Chapter
- John Collins Chapter
- Robert Forsyth Chapter
- William Few Chapter

President General Chapter of Excellence (4,000 points +)

- Button Gwinnett Chapter
- John Collins Chapter



Education Outreach Streamer (1,000 or more students, teachers and/or citizens) -

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| Brier Creek Chapter | Robert Forsyth Chapter |
| Little River Chapter | Wiregrass Chapter |



Youth Education Medal OLC

- Emil Decker Robert Forsyth Chapter
- Joel C. Hustis Robert Forsyth Chapter



John Dooly Education Outreach Award

- Steve Burke Wiregrass Chapter

Nancy Hart Education Outreach Award

- Leslie Watkins, sponsored by the Lyman Hall Chapter



Flag Certificate Award

Coweta Falls Chapter 79 Flag Certificates

Distinguished Chapter Award

- Athens Chapter
- Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter
- Brier Creek
- Button Gwinnett Chapter
- Captain John Collins Chapter
- Coweta Falls Chapter
- Edward Telfair Chapter
- Four Rivers Patriots Chapter
- Little River Chapter
- Marquis de Lafayette Chapter
- Marshes of Glynn Chapter
- Mill Creek Chapter
- Mount Vernon Chapter
- Piedmont Chapter
- Robert Forsyth Chapter
- William Few Chapter
- Wiregrass Chapter



C.A.R. Distinguished Liaison Award for 2023 (Blue Streamer plus a \$100 check)

Button Gwinnett Chapter

C.A.R. Liaison Outstanding Support for 2023 (Red Streamer)

Coweta Falls Chapter

Piedmont Chapter



Membership Streamer for 90% + Renewals

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| Altamaha Chapter | Little River Chapter |
| Athens Chapter | Mount Vernon Chapter |
| Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter | Ocmulgee Chapter |
| Brier Creek Chapter | Patrick Carr Rangers Chapter |
| Button Gwinnett Chapter | Robert Forsyth Chapter |
| Casimir Pulaski Chapter | Rome Chapter |
| Four Rivers Patriots | Washington - Wilkes Chapter |
| John Milledge Chapter | William Few Chapter |
| Joseph Habersham Chapter | Wiregrass Chapter |



Public Service & Heroism Streamers

- Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter - Silver Streamer
- Little River Chapter - Silver Streamer



Revolutionary War Patriot Graves Committee Awards

Patriot Graves

- Athens Chapter - 6 Patriot Graves
- Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter - 9 Patriot Graves
- Button Gwinnett Chapter - 10 Patriot Graves
- Captain John Collins Chapter - 6 Patriot Graves
- Marshes of Glynn Chapter - 6 Patriot Graves
- Robert Forsyth Chapter - 9 Patriot Graves
- Samuel Elbert Chapter - 1 Patriot Grave
- William Few Chapter - 2 Patriot Graves

Compatriot Graves

- Athens Chapter - 3 Compatriot Graves
- Button Gwinnett Chapter - 1 Compatriot Grave
- Captain John Collins Chapter - 1 Compatriot Grave
- Marquis de Lafayette Chapter - 1 Compatriot Grave



James R. Westlake Communications Award

Best Chapter Website Streamer - John Collins Chapter (JohnCollinsSAR.org)

Best Chapter Newsletter Streamer - John Collins Chapter (The Collins Dispatch)



BG Robert L. Scott, Jr. Veterans Awards -

Chapter with 1-24 Members: Valdosta Chapter

Chapter with 25-49 Members: Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter

Chapter with 50-99 Members: Marquis de Lafayette Chapter

Chapter with 100+ Members: Piedmont Chapter



Installation & Closing

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Button Gwinnett

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Marshes of Glynn

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BOM At Large 2
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Wiregrass Chapter

BOM At Large 3
Paul I. Prescott
Piedmont Chapter

BOM At Large 4
Richard Lee Herron
Brier Creek Chapter

BOM At Large 5
Robert D. Bulloch
Marquis de Lafayette

BOM At Large 6
Roger Otto Bowman, Jr.
Dalton Chapter





