



The

July—September 2017

Hornet's Nest

The President's Dispatch



Wayne L. Brown

Radar to discover burial remains on the Brier Creek Battlefield near Sylvania, GA.

This activity has been completed as reported by our Liaison Dr. David Noble and we are now awaiting the Georgia Department of Natural Resources to complete their analysis of data obtained and release the findings.

Our third quarter ended with fall Leadership in Louisville during the last weekend of September where we learned that the National Congress Planning Committee recommended and the Trustees selected Georgia to host the 2022 Congress in the city of Savannah. This is truly a privilege and an opportunity to display Georgia's rich history. However, we must all work together for this venture to be successful. We were successful in 2009 and we can be successful in 2022.

I am so very fortunate to be associated with such a talented and industrious group of men as the members of the Georgia SAR and to that point; the Georgia SAR and several of its chapters and members received thirty-one awards at the 127th Congress in Knoxville and eleven members received the Liberty Medal or Oakleaf Cluster for their sponsorship of new members.

Our Society has been very busy during this past third quarter. Following Congress, the Board of Managers voted at the July 29th meeting to secure Directors and Officers Liability Insurance for the BOM.

This has been accomplished with the first year's premium paid and this administration is currently investigating a recommended source of liability insurance for the Elijah Clarke Militia. In addition, the BOM voted at the same meeting to secure the services of Bigman Geophysical for the purpose of employing Ground Penetrating

As we review the above awards received and activities during this past quarter along with our traditional events such as grave markings and classroom presentations, it's obvious that the Georgia SAR is one of the most active societies in the SAR and it is an honor to be counted among its members. Moss certainly does not grow under the feet of the Georgia SAR!

Board Of Managers Meetings

Saturday April 29, 2017
Saturday July 29, 2017
Saturday October 28, 2017
Saturday January 27, 2018

BOM location:

Garden Patch Restaurant
100 Southland Drive

Secretary's Report Georgia Society, Sons of the American Revolution Fall 2017

Active Membership as of 01 Jan 2017	1,672
Plus:	
New Members	194
Transfers In	0
Reinstatements	43
Reinstatement Transfers	2
Total Additions	239
Less:	
Deceased	17
Resignations	0
Transfers Out	13
Total Losses	30
Active Membership as of 01 Oct 2017	
Reported to National	1,881
Plus:	
Dual Members (Out of State)	26
Active Membership As of 01 Oct 2017	
Reported to BOM	1,907

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.

Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution Annual Conference

January 26 - 27, 2018

Registration Form

Sonesta Gwinnett Place

1775 Pleasant Hill Road, Duluth, Georgia 30096

(At Exit 104 Pleasant Hill Road on I-85 in Gwinnett County)

Reservation: Phone 1-855-463-3095 or 1-770-923-1775

Rooms: \$99 plus taxes (Rate guaranteed through January 5, 2018)

Registration Link <https://gc.synxis.com/rez.aspx?Hotel=58939&Chain=5157&arrive=1/25/2018&depart=1/28/2018&adult=1&child=0&group=012518SONS>

Please mail this registration form by December 31, 2017 with check payable to "Georgia Society SAR" to President Wayne L. Brown, 2062 Double Creek Drive, Powder Springs, GA 30127

Registration Fee (SAR Members Only): (Prior to Dec 31, 2017) \$ 10.00
(Late fee after Dec 31: +\$20.00) \$ _____

Schedule of Events - Friday, Jan 26:

2:00-5:30 pm	Registration		
2:00-4:00 pm	Leadership Registration: "Role of a Registrar" (Open to all)	_____ x \$10.00 =	\$ _____
3:00-5:00 pm	Leadership Registration: "Color Guard" (Open to all)	_____ x \$5.00 =	\$ _____
3:30-5:30 pm	Hospitality Suite		
6:00 pm	Reception (Cash Bar)		
7:00 pm	Member Awards Banquet (Members, wives, guests)	_____ x \$55.00 =	\$ _____
	(Black Tie, Business Suit, Uniform, Kilts, Prince Charlie)		

Schedule of Events – Saturday, Jan. 27:

8:00 - 8:20 am	Late Registration		
8:30 am	Memorial Service (Members, wives, guests)		
9:15 am	Winter Board of Managers Meeting (Members)		
9:15-10:00 am	Ladies' Program: Sarah Swab "Quilts of Valor"		
10:15-11:00 am	Ladies Auxiliary Annual Meeting		
10:45 am	Annual Meeting: GA Society Election of Officers (ALL Membership Votes!)		
11:45 am	Chapter and Youth Awards Luncheon & Installation of 2018 Officers		
	(Members, wives, and guests) (Business Suit, Uniform)	_____ x \$45.00 =	\$ _____

Total Remitted

(Registration, +/- Late Fee, Friday Workshop, Banquet & Saturday Luncheon) = \$--_--_____

Registration Information

Name to Appear on Name Tag (Member): _____

Name of Chapter: _____ E-mail: _____

State Title(s): _____

Chapter Title(s): _____

Name To Appear on Name Tag (Wife): _____

Name To Appear on Name Tag (Guest): _____

Name To Appear on Name Tag (Guest): _____

State Officers & Committees

NEWS



Georgia Society Senior Vice President—Don Burdick

Third Quarter Activities

July 4-31, Placed Trifold display in Hart County Library, GA Revolutionary War Trails
 July 7-12, NSSAR 127th National Congress, Knoxville, TN, attended committee meetings, South Atlantic District Breakfast Meeting, SAR 1000 Recognition Breakfast Meeting and Sunday Memorial Service.
 July 19th, GASSAR EXCOM Meeting, Atlanta, GA
 July 29th, GASSAR BOM Meeting, Barnesville, GA
 Sept. 2nd, Patriot Rev. Thomas Maxwell Grave Marking, Elbert County, GA, presented wreath and participated in militia musket salute.
 Sept 2nd, Patriot William Bibb Key Grave Marking, Elbert County, GA, presented wreath and participated in militia musket salute.
 Sept 7th, Photo and article, "Constitution Week," with Sara Lesseur, First Vice Regent, John Benson Chapter NSDAR & Donald Burdick, Senior VP GA GASSAR in The Hartwell Sun
 Sept 28-30, NSSAR Fall Leadership Meeting, Louisville, KY, attended committee meetings, German Society Meeting.

Furnished and discussed four membership applications with Duane Embry, Sonny Durkee, Matt Reid and Sam Massey.

Presented Flag Certificates to: Becky Taylor, Manager, new Cracker Barrell restaurant, Lavonia, GA; John Charles Chittom, President, Athens Janitor Supply Co. Athens, GA; Wyatt Eidson, Director, Academy Sports and Outdoors, Athens, GA.



Georgia Society Registrar—Bob Sapp

Status of applications received up to 30 September of 2017

Applications received for review were 203 of which all but five are reviewed. As of 30 September 2017, 190 applications were sent to NSSAR and 33 applications were pended by state registrar.

Two applications were returned to applicant. NSSAR staff approved 121 applications and pended seven.

The third quarter 2017 statistics are as follows:

97.0 % applications reviewed

96.4 % applications sent to NSSAR

63.7% approved by NSSAR

3.7% pended by NSSAR

16.8% applications pended by State Registrar

The Genealogist General has noted that the staff has been increased recently and should accelerate the processing time. Focus is on new applications and therefore supplementals will still lag behind. Current approval time for new applications is five to four weeks.



Graves Committee—Sonny Pittman

On Saturday, September 2, the **Samuel Elbert, Button Gwinnett and Atlanta Chapters** conducted **SAR Revolutionary War Patriot Grave Marking Ceremonies** honoring **Patriots Rev. Thomas Joel Maxwell and William Bibb Key** in Elbert County, Georgia. Both grave markings were well attended with the Georgia's SAR Award winning Color Guard and Militia Units present. A luncheon, hosted by the chapters, was held at the Concord United Methodist Church in Elberton between the two ceremonies.

On Monday, September 18, the **Col William Few Chapter** conducted a **SAR Revolutionary War Patriot Recognition Ceremony** for the **Nineteen Patriots** known to be interred in the Saint Paul's Churchyard in Augusta, Georgia. The recognition ceremony was part of the **DAR-SAR Constitution Week Ceremonies** held in Augusta and involved volunteers from the school children present planting small US flags in front of Col Few's grave, while each patriot's name and service in the American Revolution was called out and Georgia Society Chaplain Alan Smith rang the Georgia Society bell in honor of each patriot's service and sacrifice.

SAR Patriot & Compatriot Grave Markings Held in 2017:

I need Chapter Presidents to send me a short email notice of any SAR Patriot and Compatriot Grave Markings held by your chapter to date in 2017 and any you plan to conduct before the end of the year.

I want to make sure all of our Patriot and Compatriot Grave Markings have been properly recorded and forms and photos posted in the Grave Registrations Section on our website, so each chapter involved gets proper credit during the January 2018 Annual Meeting in Atlanta.

Patriot & Compatriot Grave Marking Information:

Please note that, after completing a grave dedication ceremony, Chapter Presidents are responsible for registering each grave dedicated by reporting it together with a headstone photo using the electronic form presented in Chapter 26, Section 26.07F or in Chapter 10 of the Source Book Web Edition. Note either Form 26.07F or Form 10.10F is for both Patriot and Compatriot Grave Registrations. Click on "Patriot" after "Registry Type" to get the drop down for the Compatriot Form. Note either Form 26.07F or Form 10.10F is for both Patriot and Compatriot Grave Registrations.

Patriot and Compatriot Grave Markings and appropriate documents are to be submitted to the Webmaster and Graves Committee Chairman.

Chapters are reminded to include in their grave marking program a Grave Dedication Statement presented by the Georgia Society President, Chapter President or Senior Compatriot attending.

All Georgia SAR Chapters should have received copies of the two volume set, Georgia Revolutionary Soldiers & Sailors, Patriots & Pioneers by Ross Arnold and Hank Burnham, which will help in locating Patriot Graves.

President Brown's Goal:

All chapters are encouraged to seek out Revolutionary War Patriot Graves and Conduct Grave Marking Ceremonies.

President Brown's goal is to have each Chapter conduct at least one Revolutionary War Patriot Grave Marking Ceremony in 2017.

Graves Committee Membership:

Sonny Pittman, Chairman. 2202 Holly Haven Court, Augusta, GA 30907. (706) 860-1050. sonnypittman@comcast.net. Committee members include Jerry Brigham, Donald Burdick, Roger Coursey, Bruce Maney, Bill Tankersley and George Thurmond.

If any Compatriot would like to serve on the Georgia Society Graves Committee, please contact President Brown or Graves Committee Chairman Sonny Pittman.

Our goal is to have at least one committee member in each region of the state.

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 2017-2018. 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 2017. A Chapter Outstanding Cadet Medal may be purchased at the NSSAR Store for \$45 #0265. By separate email to BOM, specific instructions for nominating a Chapter OC have been disseminated. There are problems with NSSAR web site JROTC pages, please refer to the guidance previously provide to BOM and/or use GASSAR Source Book. 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 2018. 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 GA SAR 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 Medal & Certificate \$13.50, #0420 Presentation Folder \$1.50).

Award Criteria: (a cadet can only receive the SAR Bronze ROTC Medal once)

- *Awarded to cadet currently enrolled in the JROTC Program
- *A junior (in their 3rd year of a 4 year program or 2nd year of a 3 year program)
- *Top 10% of the JROTC class *Top 25% of his/her class

Parent Services disseminate these requirements to JROTC Units by directives. SMI's may need to be reminded of the criterion for our award, well in advance of the Awards Ceremony.) 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. New JROTC Units are assigned to a chapter in the area of the school. Inquires about the SAR Bronze ROTC Medal are referred to the President of the chapter assigned to support the Unit.

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 BGCM 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 2018.

Friends of the Library —Hugh Rodgers

Current Committee: Michael Black (Valdosta Chapter) Hugh Rodgers (Coweta Falls Chapter)

The membership numbers for the Third Quarter, 2017, are as follows:

- 15 Chapters
- 1 Georgia Society SAR
- 1 Georgia Society NSDAR
- 43 Compatriots and friends
- 60 Total Georgia Society memberships in FOL**

This total represents a drop of three from the previous quarter. Thus 18 of the Georgia Society's 33 chapters are not members of Friends of the Library. Our total of 60 represents 3.3% of the Georgia Society's total membership. Chapters and compatriots are urged to join or renew membership in the Friends of the Library to help make the SAR Genealogical Library one of the best in the nation.

Georgia is still the leader among states societies, ahead of our nearest challenger TNSSAR. Thanks to all those Georgia compatriots, wives and DAR members who support the FOL. Membership is available for \$25 annually for chapters and individuals. Membership forms can be found on line at the NSSAR web page and will be available at the BOM on Oct. 28th.



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

Please remember we have a new medal approved, the Life Saving medal. Below are the descriptions of the Heroism and Life Saving Medals so you can see the difference:

Heroism:

It recognizes outstanding bravery and self-sacrifice in the face of imminent danger, i.e., acts which involve great personal courage and risk to the recipient. It is intended primarily for acts by civilians not in uniform but does not exclude police, firemen, and SAR members. It is not intended to recognize acts that would have been covered by armed forces medals for valor.

Subsequent Presentation Authorized: An individual may receive this medal multiple times. Presentation and wear of oak leaf clusters shall follow NSSAR policy.

The SAR Life Saving Medal is presented to those individuals who have acted to save a human life without necessarily placing their own life or themselves in imminent danger. The medal is intended primarily for acts by civilians not in uniform, however, police officers, fire fighters, emergency medical personal, lifeguards, and SAR Compatriots are not excluded from receiving this award.

The medal is not intended to recognize acts that would otherwise qualify for military or another organization's valor medals and, in all cases, the fact that the actions of the rescuer actually saved the life of the victim must be validated by EMS or medical personnel. Lifesaving examples include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Performing the Heimlich maneuver or other first aid to prevent a person from choking;
2. Saving a person from drowning by bringing the person to safety;
3. Performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) or rescue breathing until the person breathes normally; or
4. Performing CPR or applying an automated external defibrillator (AED) on an out-of-hospital cardiac arrest before EMS arrival.

The medal is intended to recognize the actions of any person:

1. who was directly responsible for the saving of a human life or
2. who prolonged a human life to the extent that the victim was still alive upon transfer to the care of medical authorities, even though the victim might expire at a later time.

Only one award will be awarded for each incident regardless of the number of victims involved. Nominations will not be considered after a lapse of 24 months of the incident. The medal may also be presented posthumously.

GASSAR·Public·Service·&·Heroism·Medal·Presentations·2017

Chapter	Law Enforcement Commendation	Fire Safety Commendation	Emergency Medical Services Commendation	Heroism	Life-Saving
					
Athens	1		1	1	
Blue-Ridge-Mountains				1	
Button-Gwinnett	1		1		
Captain-John-Collins		1			
Ocmulgee	1				
Robert-Forsyth	1				
William-Few			1		

IT Committee—Richard Marsh



Website—Significant progress has been made in restoring the functionality and content of the Society's website.

The following provides highlights of this quarter's efforts:

The Grave Registry is now restored and functional

A photo gallery has been added. Rick Reese has volunteered to manage the content of the photo gallery. Photos for inclusion in the gallery may be emailed directly to him or by using the contact form link on the photo gallery page. We are in need of content for this area.

There are still several areas that are lacking content:

Junior Membership – The junior membership page continues to display page currently being drafted.

Awards—The Awards page is missing Society awards information for 2009, 2015, 2016 and 2017.

Officer and Committee Chair contact information has been modified to protect individual email addresses from public view or access

Several other areas need to be reviewed by the responsible Society Officer or Committee Chair for accuracy and obsolescence.

Bylaws Committee—Dr. Edward P Rigel, Sr



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

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: Revised Bylaws reflecting amendment to Article V, Section 4, Historic Sites & Celebrations posted to the SourceBook.

State Historian—Dr. David A. Ludley



Objectives for 2017:

Create a catalog of the items contributed in 2017, belonging to the GASSAR, and carried to the Atlanta History Center.

Update the Georgia Society Website section "History of Georgia" for the year 2017.

Activities of the past quarter:

During the 3rd Quarter of 2017, additional items were added to the Digital Catalog and placed in storage at the Atlanta History Center, Kenan Research Center.

Many of these additional items were obtained at the July 29th BOM meeting in Barnesville, Georgia.

Attended and participated in meetings for both the Marquis de Lafayette Chapter and the Captain John Collins Chapter.

The flash drive catalog has been updated. A broad index of Items archived at the Kenan Center is included in this Digital Catalog.



Trustees Report—Allen Greenly

President General Guzy called the meeting to order at 9:45 am on September 30, 2017 with an opening Prayer and Pledges. It was determined that a quorum was present for the continuance of business and the meeting went forward.

PG Guzy called on any Vice President Generals and Trustees that were present and not sworn in at the National Congress in July to stand and be sworn in. Chancellor Davis L. Wright preformed the swearing in ceremony.

Secretary General Warren M. Alter presented the minutes for the last two Trustee Meetings on July 9th and July 12th for approval. The minutes were approved.

PG Guzy called on the IT Committee to present their report. The IT Committee has created an RFP to have the IT requirements researched. They have hired a consulting firm to speak to all the stakeholders and to evaluate where the SAR is in its drive to create a GRS (Genealogy Research System). This report is due in the next 30-45 days.

The GRS Report will:

- Create a set of Requirements
- Stakeholders Document – who touches
- Use Cases
- Technical Specification
- Request For Proposal

The GRS Report will be ready by Congress in July 2018.

A motion was passed to move the deadline for the use of online membership applications to March 1, 2018. They are currently working on separating the name field into separate name fields; first, middle, last, suffix.

A motion failed to add the words “if necessary” to the above motion.

A motion was passed to explore a marketing agreement to pursue putting a cell tower on the Main headquarters roof. The cost to the SAR would be \$0.00. The revenue, if done, would be between \$700 - \$3,000 per month. The marketing agreement would be brought back to the Trustees prior to signature for approval.

A motion was passed to terminate the Blackstone contract. Blackstone is the group that was hired to develop the website. The contract automatically renews if a 60 day notice to terminate is not given. This motion was to give them the 60 day notice. The contract ends on 2/14/18.

A motion was passed to engage Robert Haft International's subsidiary Protivity to audit and access the IT systems. They will audit what we have, should have and pinpoint the problems we are facing. The cost is between \$34,000 and \$38,000. A budget for \$42,000 was approved earlier for IT services.

A motion was passed to approve the 2018 budget. The Executive Committee brought the motion to the Trustees.

A motion was passed to accept a gift of \$10,295 and to use the gift to pay down the debt.

A motion was passed to accept a gift of \$2,000 and the money used for operations.

A motion was passed to shift the investments of the SAR Foundation and the George Washington Endowment Trust Fund from a 50% - 50% equity/fixed income split to a 60% - 40% equity/fixed income split.

A motion was passed to have the ExCom explore the use of voting cards. When voting is held by the Trustees, the Trustee would hold up a voting card. Trustees would be given the cards prior to the meeting and would turn them in at the end of the meeting.

A motion failed to use electronic voting at Congress to get instant results.

The Nominating Committee is composed of:

- Five most Recent PG's – 5 members
- Council of State Presidents – 4 members
- Appointed by PG – 2 members

Membership:

- As of 7/12/17 – 34,524
- As of 9/25/17 – 35,795
- New member from 7/12/17 to 9/25/17 – 1,271
- Total 2017 new members – 3,750

A motion was passed to approve the Georgia Society to host the 2022 Congress.

A motion was made by the Nevada Society to protest the destruction, defacing or removal of iconic memorials. A motion was passed to refer the resolution to the By-Laws Committee for study and recommendation

A motion passed to the SAR Trustees to endorse and support the purchase of land containing the Princeton battlefield by the Civil War Trust and the Campaign 1776.

A motion passed to request the State Societies to send information to the membership on the Princeton battlefield.



Education Outreach Committee—Rick Reese

Rickreese68@att.net

Poster Contest for 2017-2018 School Year:

The theme for the poster contest will be based on Revolutionary War Events.

Students will have a choice between the topics of:

Lexington and Concord

OR

Valley Forge

Important details – see attached SAR GASSAR Poster Contest details (below)

Brochure Contest for 2017-2018 School Year:

The SAR Brochure Contest theme is the same every year – it does not change from year to year. Choose from any of the five (5) Foundational Documents of the United States as the theme for your brochure:

Articles of Confederation, Declaration of Independence, U.S. Constitution, Bill of Rights, Federalist Papers

SAR GASSAR Poster Contest details—School Year 2017-2018

The purpose of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) Annual Poster Contest is to stimulate interest in the history of the Revolutionary War at the grade level when this period of American History is usually taught in the Georgia public school system.

This is a National contest which begins at the Chapter level, with each SAR chapter judging posters from schools in its area to determine 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners from each school. Each Chapter then determines an overall Chapter winner to submit to the Georgia Society (GASSAR), which determines 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners at the state level. Each State then submits its 1st place winner to be judged at the NSSAR Annual National Congress, where 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place National winners are determined.

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 Events" in school years ending in an even number will be the general topic. The specific options for topic selection for the GASSAR poster contest will be:

Lexington and Concord OR Valley Forge

Who may enter the Contest? Students who are in the third or fourth grade at a public or private school, or at the equivalent level of Home Schooling may participate.

Rules:

A minimum of 12 posters per school must be submitted for cash prizes to be awarded to winners at the school

Use a standard poster board size of 22 inches by 28 inches.

Any media of drawing material may be used. Unpublished material (not commercially printed) may be used. Three dimensional posters will not be accepted.

The subject conforms to the announced topic. It must show evidence of research. The student may include a brief explanation on the poster concerning any symbols used.

Group posters are not allowed. Each poster must be the work of an individual student.

All entries must have the following information taped to the back of the poster: Name, Address, Home Phone Number, Age, Grade, Name of teacher, Name of School, Address of school.

TIPS for a Good Poster:

Display the name of the Topic prominently on the poster.

Include some limited text to reflect facts and figures to evidence research on the subject. Posters with "boxed" text tend to present a better appearance than those with no text and those with randomly scattered text.

Very basic Internet research often reveals major myths of history to avoid on a given subject.

While the American flag is a very proud patriotic symbol, avoid using modern versions of it on the poster and use the correct historical flag for the time period if a flag is used.

Limiting the text to a few bulleted items can decrease the opportunity for grammar and spelling errors. Limited pasting of computer-generated text is permitted.

Spell out the names. Don't use postal abbreviations, such as NY for New York.

Art work giving the appearance that it was obviously not done by the student may be downgraded by the judges. Neatly done original artwork tends to judge better than computer generated illustrations.

Judging Criteria:

Does the poster express the annual topic/theme?

Does the poster show originality by the student?

Does the poster show evidence of research? • Does the poster show artistic merit and creativity?

Does the poster reflect historical accuracy?

Is the poster neat? Creative use of a computer can improve the overall appearance and neatness of the poster.

Important Dates:

By week of March 12, 2018 -Judging by Chapter of posters at each school

By April 28, 2018 -Judging by Georgia Society of chapter winners

NSSAR Congress (July, 2018) -Judging of National winners

The recognition of Chapter and State winners will be at the respective school (s) in a timely manner before the end of the school year.



Georgia Fellows Board Chair—Edward P. Rigel, Jr

Committee Objectives

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.

Fund Balance: \$ 8,178.26.

New Georgia Fellows:

William Tankersley – Compatriot Tankersley resides in Appling, GA, and is a member of the Col. William Few Chapter SAR.

Ronald Ramsey – Compatriot Ramsey resides in Conyers, GA, and is a member of the George Walton Chapter SAR.

Warren and Nancy Alter – Compatriot Alter and his wife reside in Tuscon, AZ, and he currently serves as Secretary General.

Fund Activity: President Wayne Brown was approved for \$150 to obtain, enlarge, and frame a copy of the Georgia Society SAR Charter.

Third Quarter: No activity.

Nominations to replace Compatriot Paul Prescott, whose term ends at the end of 2017, will be taken through the month of November. We sincerely thank Compatriot Prescott for his continued service to the Georgia Fellows.

Until further notice, there is presently a standing approval for \$100 stipends towards the purchase of a Continental Line uniform or Militia outfit. The stipend is given to members joining the State Color Guard upon proof of purchase of such an outfit and confirmation by the State Color Guard Commander that such uniform has been obtained and worn at a State or National Color Guard event. Compatriot Emil Decker of the Robert Forsyth Chapter has received the stipend in 2017. With new Continental Line uniforms available from GG Godwin, any Compatriot who orders a new uniform is eligible to receive the \$100 stipend, even if they are previous recipients for old uniforms or Militia outfits. Compatriots interested in the new uniforms should contact Color Guard Commander Bill Palmer.



Georgia Color Guard Commander—Bill Palmer

Year to Date

Membership: The Color Guard has added four members to the Militia, as first time participants to its roll this year to date. We now have a source for Continental uniforms. It is GG Godwin. Please see the order form and measurement chart on the next page.

Participation: The number of members participating was awesome! Militia turnout has been outstanding. A highlight of the 3rd quarter was Presenting Colors, and firing muskets on the Sun Trust field as part of the Atlanta Braves 4th of July pre-game show.

New Uniform Supplier

SAR-Continental-Uniform

G. Gedney Godwin, Inc., P.O. Box 100, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania 19481

(Website: ggodwin.com 3dcartstores.com)

Ph.: 610-783-0670 Fax: 610-783-6083

Information required:

1. Name: _____ SAR-number: _____

Address: _____

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Phone: _____

2. Georgia-SAR-Color-Guard

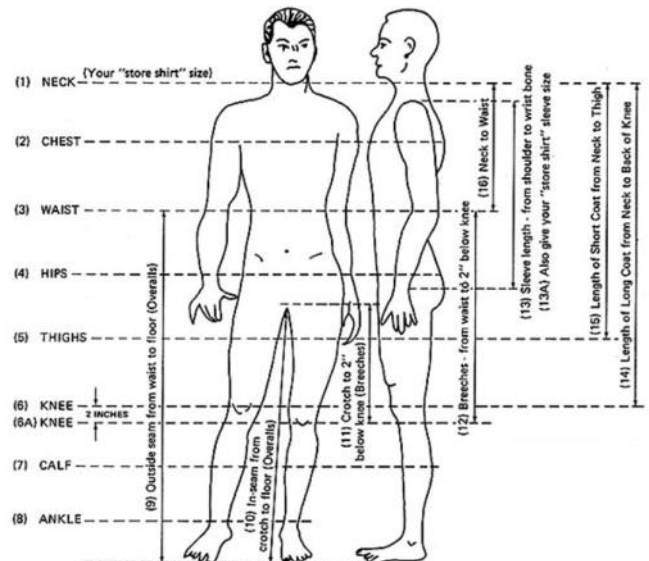
3. Items & prices ordered (See below)

4. Sizing chart from website (See below)

Items Ordered:	Catalog No.	Price Negotiated
1. Blue/buff Wool-blend-coat-with-turnbacks, <u>gold-buttons</u>	MC9	\$415.00
2. Buff-wool-waistcoat-gold-buttons	MW3	120.00
3. Buff-wool-breeches-with-gold-buttons	GMB3	150.00
4. Officer's-shirt-with-ruffles	OS1	40.00
5. Gold-bullion-epaulets	177-G	50.00 (pr.)
6. Officer's-Cocked-Hat, Black-Satin-Trim		
(Head-measurement: 22 3/4 in)	OCH3	99.00
7. Stockings-Cotton-wool-blend	14CW	23.25
8. Men's-All-purpose-Colonial-Shoes (Regular-shoe-size: _____; _____)		
Shoe-width: _____; Length-of-stocking-foot-from-big-toe to-heel: _____ (inches)	GMS2	104.00
		\$1,001.25

Size-Chart-for (name):

1. Neck (store shirt size)
2. Chest
3. Waist
4. Hips
5. Thighs
6. Knee
- 6a. 2-in-below-knee
7. Calf
8. Ankle
9. Outside-seam-from-waist-to-floor
10. In-seam-from-crotch-to-floor
11. Crotch-to-2-in-below-knee
12. Breeches—from-waist-to-2-in-below-knee
13. Sleeve-length—from-shoulder-to-wrist-bone
- 13a. Store-shirt-sleeve-size
14. Length-of-long-coat-from-neck-to-back-of-knee
15. Length-of-short-coat-from-neck-to-thigh
16. Neck-to-waist



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Public Relations Committee - John Trussell



Dear Compatriots- We are trying to run more Georgia related articles in the National SAR Magazine and in the last issue we had a couple of Georgia Chapters highlighted. Let's keep that channel of good news going, so please send me any major news with photos and captions, and I'll send it on to the SAR Magazine! I have requested relevant news from the GASSAR Color Guard, so we should have a lot of good SAR activities to report in future issues!

I have approached the editor of "Georgia Magazine", our state's largest distribution magazine with over 500,000 readers, to consider a story by this writer on "The Revolutionary War in Georgia" for its July 2018 issue. This magazine goes out to every rural electric member in the state, so it has great coverage!

In other news, I submitted the letter below to many Georgia Newspapers and I know some of them ran it. It ran in the Macon Telegraph the week of July 4th.

Dear Editor- July 4th is a wonderful day of celebration for our country. It's a great time to gather with friends and family to enjoy the many freedoms of the USA and remember the long battle for our freedom. The Revolutionary War started at the battles of Lexington and Concord on April 19, 1775. The war did not end until the Treaty of Paris was signed on September 3, 1783. Thus the Declaration of Independence on July 4th stated our countries intention to become an independent nation, but much work and bloodshed was sacrificed for our freedom. Approximately 6,800 Americans died in battle and as many as 18,000 died in British prisons. Captured on the battlefield, these prisoners were ushered away to prison ships with deplorable conditions where our proud soldiers died of starvation and disease. These are truly our forgotten patriots. In Georgia there were 42 battles during the Revolutionary war, but only a few are celebrated today. But the Sons of the Revolution (SAR) and the Daughters of the Revolution (DAR) are working to bring more of those battles into the history books.

*You might be wondering if your great grandfather back in 1776 was involved in the Revolutionary war and the truth is that many Georgians have unknown patriot ancestors waiting to be discovered! Let us help you discover your patriot ancestor! For more information, go to sar.org or dar.org, or give me a call at 478-953-9320. Happy birthday to our Wonderful country!
John Trussell, President, Ocmulgee SAR Chapter, etc*

Don't forget that the new power point program, "The Revolutionary War in the South" is available on our website- gasocietysar.org. On the menu bar, look for "Resources" and at the bottom, you'll see GASSAR power point. The power point is available for all visitors to the website for viewing. The new Microsoft online power point presentation is for you to use locally for public education and new member recruitment. It is 76 slides covering the Revolutionary War in the South, family genealogy and joining the SAR and DAR. It is meant to be both educational and entertaining so that other civic groups, which are a rich ground for new members, will actually want to see it. You can add it to your laptop or download it onto a thumb memory drive so it can be inserted into a smart TV, which is available at many hotels and meeting centers.

I have sent this program to the National SAR headquarters for possible use on our national Website or by state SAR chapters. We are also looking into putting it on "You Tube".

If you have important local chapter news, please share it with me and "The Hornets Nest" newsletter. I am attempting to run more Georgia news in the national SAR Magazine, so please let me know how I can help you!



Eagle Scout Committee - Bill Coffeen

Our committee has received 55 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.

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, 2017. 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 2017 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 them to you.



Source Book Committee—Dr. Edward P Rigel, Sr

The Georgia Society SAR SourceBook is accessible for viewing by all members of the Society:
http://www.georgiasocietysar.org/index.php?option=com_wrapper&view=wrapper&Itemid=70

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

3rd Quarter Activity: SourceBook sections updated, revised, added or deleted in the 3rd Quarter 2017:

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| 03.1.1 State Committee Chairmen.doc | 10.10F Graves Registry Form.doc |
| 04.1 Active Chapters and Officers.doc | 12.02 Specific Information.DOC |
| 04.6.1 Chapters and Regions.doc | 16.0.1 Recipients--Medals, State & National.doc |
| 06.10.1 Chapter New Member Induction Ceremony.doc | 16.0.1.10 Recipients--Liberty Medals.doc |
| 06.10.2 Chapter New Member Induction Ceremony (alt).doc | 16.0.1.5 Recipients---Ladies, State & National.doc |
| 06.5 Chapter Officers.doc | 16.0.3F Awards Recommendation Form.doc |
| 06.5.1 Chapter President Guidelines.doc | 17.3.0.2F 2017 President-General-Americanism-Scoresheet-03072017.xls |
| 7.0 Bylaws of the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution | 26.00 Managing a Revolutionary War Grave Dedication.doc |
| 10.01 Transfer of Chapter Membership.doc | 26.02 Grave Marking Procedures.doc |
| 10.05 Change of Address.doc | 26.07 Georgia Society SAR Graves Registry.doc |
| 10.07 New Officer Notification.doc | 26.07F Graves Registry Form.doc |
| 10.07F New Officer Notification Form.doc | 27.2 Knight Essay Contest.doc |
| 10.10 Georgia Society SAR Graves Registry.doc | 27.2.3 Knight Essay Rules GA.doc |

Many changes reflect revisions of urls in accordance with the new GA SAR website address. State and Chapter Officers, State Committee Chairs and Members, are encouraged to review sections in the SourceBook pertinent to their area



Flag Respect—Paul Prescott

The Flag Respect Committee has not yet received 3rd Q reports from all of the chapters. Only fourteen (14) chapters have reported that they have presented Flag Certificates in 2017. This will not qualify GASSAR for the Adm. Furlong Award for 2017. Fortunately, there are still two months of the year left in which chapters can present Flag Certificates and qualify GASSAR for the Adm. Furlong Award. Let's at least get us qualified for the award at Congress even if we do not make 100 percent participation.

Regional Vice-Presidents, please emphasize the presentation of Flag Certificates during your meetings with the chapters in your region and assist them if needed. I would like to see an item on the Regional Vice Presidents

reports that says as follows:

“Have you discussed with your chapters the need to present Flag Certificates? Yes or No (____).

Have all of your chapters presented at least one Flag Certificate? Yes or No (____).

If not, it is your responsibility to present a Flag Certificate in their place.”



DAR Liaison—Shep Hammack

For a description of the function of the DAR Liaison Committee: On the GASSAR Home page left side, select Source Book Web Edition, then 03 Committees, then 03.2.1 Georgia Society Committee Descriptions. Then scroll down to the “Daughters of the American Revolution Liaison Committee.” A copy of the DAR Finders Form is available in the Source Book at 12.08.1F. This form is vital to the ongoing recognition of DAR members who assist in the preparation of SAR applications and the recruitment of new SAR members.

For information about help from DAR in assisting with applications and forming a new chapter : On the GASSAR Home Page left side, select Source Book Web Edition, then 06 Creating and Governing New Georgia Society Chapters, then 6.2 Forming a New Chapter with DAR Assistance.

For information about reduced fees for Family Plans which is helpful in discussing with DAR members about husbands, sons and grandchildren, see Georgia Society Source book 12.07.2

Budget and Expenditures \$650 YTD

ACTIVITIES THIS QUARTER

National SAR

As of Sept 8th, Georgia has submitted 81 DAR Referral Forms with new members. While this number is ahead of last year, we are currently 2nd behind Texas with 88. Last year Georgia had 104 with Texas in second with 62, so you can see that Texas is making a push to catch Georgia. 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.

On a National basis, we are on track to exceed last years DAR Referral totals by over 30%.

The National DAR Liaison committee continues to promote the expansion of the Georgia DAR Referral Award program to other states.

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 by committee members were:

Attended the Martha Stewart Bulloch DAR Chapter “Send Off” for the Marines of B Company 4th Battalion Recon Unit.

Committee member Shep Hammack presented a program for the Fort Peachtree NSDAR Chapter meeting on Sept 7th.

Committee member Steve Hinson attended the Mineral Springs DAR meeting on Sept 8th.

Committee member Shep Hammack presented Colors for the Chestatee River NSDAR Chapter picnic on Sept 10th

Committee members Shep Hammack and Charlie Newcomer attended the DAR Constitution Day Luncheon at Piedmont Driving Club on Sept 16th.

Committee member Charlie Newcomer attended the Constitution week program presented by the Rev. John Andrews DAR Chapter in Watkinsville, GA on Sept 17th

Committee member Charlie Newcomer attended the Constitution week program presented by the Augusta DAR Chapter on Sept 18th

Worked with Marguerite Cagle of the Fielding Lewis Chapter, DAR to enable her to present the Referral Program to the Fielding Lewis Chapter at their Sept. meeting.

Committee member Shep Hammack attended the National DAR Liaison Committee meeting at Fall Leadership.

**** 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. Let's set another record next year. Continue to promote the SAR/DAR joint activities.

Stress at the July BOM the importance of submitting a DAR Finder Form with the applications, when appropriate.

Assist the GASSAR Registrar 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.

[DAR Liaison—Shep Hammack](#)

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The DAR/SAR Form Finder Program Award has changed effective immediately. The monetary dollar amounts are in affect for this year and going forward. The D.A.R. Liaison Approved the change this past 2017 Fall Leadership Meeting in Louisville, KY. The Budget Committee approved the monetary change effective immediately.

We are in the process of getting approvals from Medals & Awards Committee and also with the Hand Book Committee to revise the National Handbook.

These awards, authorized in 1990, are used to acknowledge and recognize DAR State Societies that excel in identifying, assisting, researching, discovering hard rock research information for the application and discovery of new members eligible and they become SAR Members.

This is a two track system:

First Track is (Using a leveling formula by percentage and highest number with the number of applications that have the DAR form finder submitted versus the total number of applications submitted taking into account the state societies total of active members.

The State SAR 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.

Second Track is state societies with the highest raw numbers of approved SAR members using the DAR Finder Form, and \$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 \$1200. 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.

The forms must be completely filled out and submitted with the new member application.

Below is the link to the DAR Form Finder Program for membership.

<https://members.sar.org/media/uploads/pages/244/k97essi7jyPi.pdf>

Americanism Committee—Roger W Coursey

The Allene Wilson Groves Award goes to the top State Society that participates in the various educational outreach programs of the SAR.— for 1000+ members category Georgia received Honorable Mention – since Georgia won last year, we were ineligible to win this year. Georgia had the highest score but was ineligible to win.

The President General's Streamer Award is presented to the top State Societies that records the best efforts with respect to various administrative goals that contribute to the success of the SAR—Georgia won this award. Texas actually had the highest score, but were ineligible to win since they won last year. Texas received Honorable Mention.

The 2016 NSSAR Americanism contest was a real success for the Georgia Society, thanks to the efforts of all the chapters that submitted Americanism Reports last year. Nationally, there are 562 chapters and 58 state societies that comprise the National SAR.

In the Georgia Society 19 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.

Below is a listing of where each chapter ranked nationally:

AmericanismPG StreamerPG Cup**Chapters with 1-49 members (62 chapters participated)**

- 3. Casimir Pulaski
- 8. Blue Ridge Mountains
- 10. Cherokee
- 32. Rome
- 59. Brier Creek

- 13. Casimir Pulaski
- 20. Cherokee
- 47. Brier Creek
- 49. Rome
- 61. Blue Ridge Mountains

- 4. Casimir Pulaski
- 8. Cherokee

Chapters with 50-99 members (73 chapters participated)

- 2. Button Gwinnett
- 3. Piedmont
- 4. Marshes of Glynn
- 9. Wiregrass
- 18. Athens
- 22. William Few
- 24. Lyman Hall
- 25. Robert Forsyth
- 26. Joseph Habersham
- 28. Ocmulgee
- 32. Captain John Collins
- 62. Edward Telfair
- 64. Mount Vernon

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- 26. Marshes of Glynn
- 32. William Few
- 36. Wiregrass
- 37. Athens
- 45. Joseph Habersham
- 56. Ocmulgee

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- 3. Button Gwinnett
- 6. Marshes of Glynn
- 10. Robert Forsyth
- 11. Wiregrass
- 15 Athens
- 16. Lyman Hall
- 20. William Few
- 26. Captain John Collins
- 27. Ocmulgee

Chapters with 100-199 members (26 chapters participated)

- 19. Atlanta

- 16. Atlanta

- 17. Atlanta

States (1000+members)

- 1 Georgia

- 2. Georgia

Georgia Society could not have done as well as we did without the input of every chapter that submitted a report last year. Therefore, it is very important for every chapter to submit an Americanism Report this year. All chapters should be compiling their reports at this time.



Veterans Committee—Bill Kabel

Since the 2nd quarter report was not distributed to the BAOM due to computer problems, the 2nd and 3rd quarter reports are combined here.

On March 29, I delivered donations to the Atlanta VAMC Voluntary Services, and went to the Vietnam Commemoration program.

On May 3 while in Continental uniform, I gave a presentation to the owners and guests at Marriott's Surfwatch Resort on Hilton Head Island, South Carolina about how they can better serve and support veterans and veteran causes. The presentation was attended by 24 people.

On May 10, I gave my "We the People" presentation, in colonial uniform, to the Old Noonday DAR Chapter about the U.S. Constitution. There were approximately 80 people attending.

The GASSAR is once again designated a sponsor (code -GA0057) for Wreaths Across America, which means that members and chapters will be able to purchase wreaths at a 3 for 2 cost when using the GA0057 sponsor code. More details will be announced later about how to take advantage of this opportunity for the December 16 National Wreaths Across America Day.

On July 2, I participated as a member of the State Society Color Guard to present the colors at two of the "Honor Our Heroes" programs at Roswell's World Harvest Church. There were hundreds of people who attended. This event is held every year the Sunday before the 4th of July. I urge all to attend one of these celebrations. You will be impressed and heart-touched by what you see and hear.

On October 14, while in Continental uniform, I presented a wreath at the grave marking of patriot Roswell King on behalf of the GASSAR Veterans Committee.

On October 16 I made a presentation to the Button Gwinnett Chapter, entitled, "The Story of the Purple Heart," as a part of their recognition of veterans in support of Veterans Day.

On October 17, I gave a presentation to the Captain John Collins Chapter, entitled, "The Story of the Purple Heart," as a part of their recognition of veterans in support of Veterans Day.

On October 27, I gave two of "The Story of the Purple Heart" presentations to a total of approximately 22 owners and guests of Marriott's Surfwatch resort on Hilton Head Island, South Carolina.

At the 29 July BOM meeting a series of proposals were presented that were aimed at getting more chapters to submit Stark reports and to get chapters to enhance their veterans programs and earn more Stark Award points for the Georgia Society. As suggested at that BOM meeting, these proposals were submitted to the chairmen of committees that might be impacted for their input. Since no response on 9/21 was forthcoming from the committees, notification was sent to President Brown of the decision by the Veterans Committee Chairman to enact the principle of "Implied Consent" and to implement the proposals. A separate communiqué will be sent announcing the specifics of the changes.



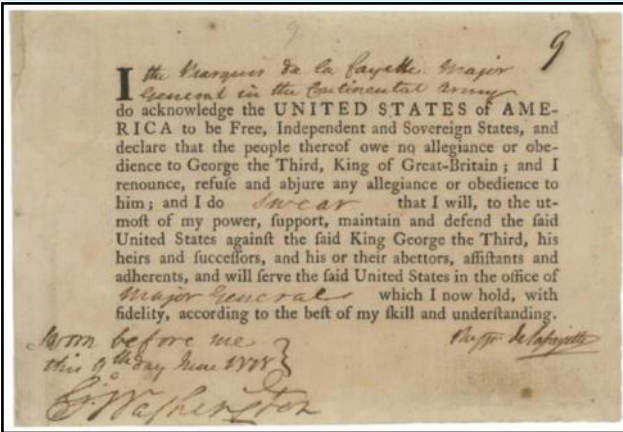
State SAR-C.A.R. Liason—Robert W. Moore

The third quarter of 2017 had several GSSCAR state meetings. The first was the state workshop where members learned about the national programs and national project to raise money to digitize the papers of our fifth President James Monroe. The state workshop was held at Hard Labor state park in Rutledge, GA. President Zachary Frederick presided over the meeting and presented his project "Defenders of Freedom" to raise money for the World War I memorial in Washington DC. Members and seniors enjoyed the day spending time after the meeting seeing local sites of the area.

The second state meeting was Government studies. Members gathered in Madison, GA where they learned more about James Monroe and the Monroe Doctrine. This was lead by the Government Studies chairman Tyler Baker. These state meeting help members learn about Robert's Rules of Order and how to lead meetings.

When C.A.R. members turn 18 they can become dual members of both C.A.R. and SAR. During this time State President Zachary and brother Timothy Frederick joined the Button Gwinnett chapter. In September several C.A.R. societies join with SAR and DAR to proclaim Constitution week. In October members of the Martha Stewart Bulloch society joined with SAR chapter Piedmont Chapter to dedicate the grave site of Revolution war patriot Roswell King. Martha Stewart Bulloch's dual member Eric Johnstone was featured in the NSCAR magazine signing his papers with father and grandfather, joining the Piedmont chapter. I also traveled to Fredericksburg, VA to attend the fall board meetings of NSCAR where we got to tour the James Monroe museum and library.

Marquis de LaFayette



The life of the Marquis de LaFayette is a shining example to people the world over. A hero of two continents, he was a citizen of France and of the United States. When he died, an American flag was placed at his grave in the Picpus Cemetery in Paris and has flown there ever since, even during the German occupation of Paris during World War II.

LaFayette played a major role in the American colonies, helping to secure their liberty from the British. Strangely, he heard of the revolution in 1775 at a dinner with the Duke of Gloucester, the younger brother of King George III. LaFayette called this a turning point in his life, saying "I thought only of joining my colors to those of the revolutionaries." He met with American

representative, Silas Deane, in France, who offered him a commission. He defied the French King, Louis XVI, when he bought a ship, "*La Victoire*," and sailed from Spain in 1777. Landing in South Carolina, he travelled to Philadelphia. He received his commission, without pay, from Congress, before joining Washington, who put him on his staff, at Brandywine. He was nineteen. He was wounded in battle at Brandywine, shedding his blood for us, in a battle which he is credited with rallying the Americans to win. Later, it was LaFayette who was instrumental in halting an attempt headed by General Gage, to replace Washington as Commander-in-Chief. LaFayette returned to France after the Battle of Monmouth Courthouse in 1778 and worked to secure a French alliance. He thus not only brought his personal wealth to help finance the war, he brought influence, which eventually helped secure the backing of the King of France and through that nation, Spain. His return was on board *L'Hermione*, a French frigate.



A replica of that ship conceived in 1995, came to America in 2015. It was the French fleet that blocked the sea escape of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown and LaFayette, riding beside Washington, blocked the land escape from the peninsula to end the war and "Turn the World Upside Down." The Rev. Dr. Waights G. Henry, Jr., the man behind the project that culminated in our town having the statue of LaFayette standing in the heart of our county, said that "Save for George Washington, LaFayette is the single greatest figure of the American Revolution."

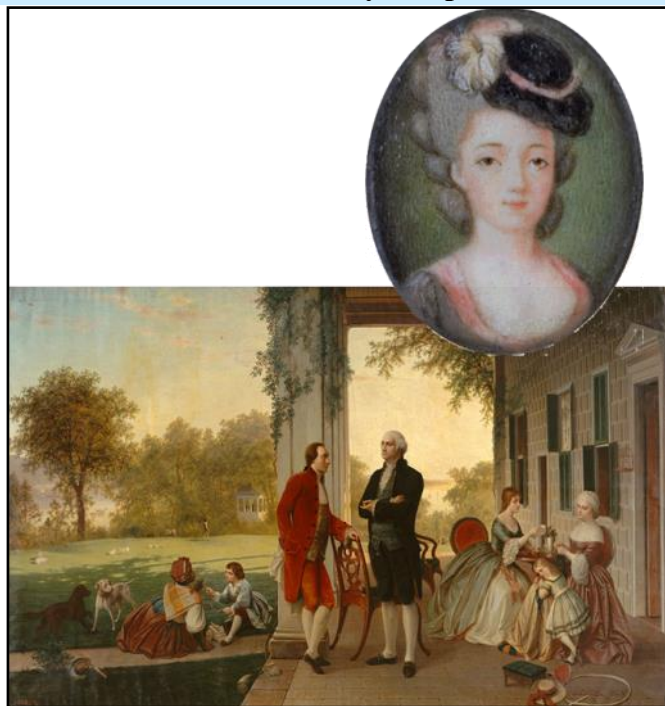
LaFayette, an aristocrat of the highest rank and immense wealth, was devoted to liberty. His work to abolish slavery was responsible for George Washington's decision to free his slaves. He thus has special significance to all Americans. In his lifetime, he was among the best known and beloved people in the United States. He made a return visit to the United States in 1784. He met once again with his old friend, and father-figure, Washington, to whom he had sent the actual key of the infamous Bastille. It is still on display at Mount Vernon. In 1824-1825, he was again the guest of the United States for a tour of all the, then twenty-four, states of the nation. He traveled in each one, receiving vast homage in every metropolis and hamlet and all through the countryside. Crowds gathered to "mob" him at every place he visited. They hung about outside everywhere he was housed or entertained. He was the equivalent of today's superstars, only he was a good role model where today's seldom are.

He laid the cornerstone for the Washington Monument in the capital. He dined with Jefferson at Monticello, thus the author of the Declaration of Independence and the man responsible for the Declaration of the Rights of Man dined together. He dined with Madison, Monroe, and others at the unfinished Rotunda of the University of Virginia. He laid the cornerstones for the monuments at Bunker Hill in Boston; to Nathanael Greene and Casimir Pulaski in Savannah; and to Baron DeKalb in South Carolina. His family and those of his old comrades in arms often visited each other. He named his only son George Washington LaFayette, and Washington was his Godfather. As an aristocrat, his life was in peril when the French Revolution turned towards terror. His devotion to their new constitutional monarchy made him undesirable to the Robespierre led Jacobin radicals, though they knew he was a friend of the people having served in the National Assembly and headed the National Guard and proposed the Declaration of the Rights of Man. He was smart enough to flee France and planned to immigrate to America with his family, but was imprisoned as a dangerous radical in Austria for five years. His wife, Adrienne, pictured to the right, was imprisoned in Paris before she could affect her escape; their property was confiscated; her mother, sister, and grandmother were murdered on the guillotine.

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Only personal visits to the Marquise and her family in prison by James Monroe's wife, Elizabeth Kortright Monroe, kept Adrienne and her children from that fate. Adrienne and her daughters, eventually freed, smuggled her son to America to his Godfather, General Washington and she and their daughters joined the Marquis in his prison in Olmutz. Eventually freed by treaty, the family lived in Denmark. Adrienne returned to France first, secured a pardon for her husband from Napoleon, and managed to recover from the government one property that had been her grandmother's, the Chateau de La-Grange-Bleneau-en-Brie, forty miles from Paris, where they settled and received guests for over three decades. The word "grange" in English usage



denotes a "farm" but in French the literal translation is "barn." So, the name of the estate was actually the House of Bleneau Barn in the area known as Brie.

Thomas Jefferson arranged a Revolutionary land grant of 12,000 acres near New Orleans and offered LaFayette, who declined, the Governorship of Louisiana. LaGrange-Bleneau became the center and symbol of independence and liberty the world over as LaFayette wrote to and encouraged movements in Europe and Latin America. His home was also an unofficial American Consulate and, like Mount Vernon, became a votary of freedom.

What makes LaFayette so special to our area? In his last tour of the United States, as the guest of our country, a suggestion of President James Monroe, the Marquis passed through the newly acquired area we call West Georgia. Bought from the Creek Nation that same year, 1825, by the United States, it was given to the State of Georgia to fulfill an obligation made in 1802 wherein Georgia had given up its lands in the northern third of present day Alabama and Mississippi. As LaFayette was escorted through the new lands, west of the Flint River, he reportedly remarked that the lands resembled his home in France.



One of his escorts, Colonel Julius Caesar Alford, seen below at right, therefore suggested

"LaGrange," the diminution of the Marquis' home, when a name was being chosen for the county capital of newly created Troup County. It was a way to further honor the Marquis. Alford's home once stood where Smith Hall at LaGrange College now stands.



The county, created in 1826, was named for the Governor of Georgia, George Michael Troup, who received LaFayette on this visit. At Milledgeville, then the State Capital, the Marquis and his companions and several hundred Georgians feasted on "barbecue, roast beef, bread, and other edibles" according to one who was there. Also seated at the table with Governor Troup and LaFayette was Samuel Armstrong Bailey, then a Colonel and later a General, who lived in LaGrange from 1827 to 1838.

Another connection for the area is that Troup County pioneer, Samuel Curtright, was a cousin of Elizabeth Kortright Monroe, the woman whose visits saved the Marquise and her family. James Monroe, President when LaFayette's visit began, arranged for Congress to award LaFayette another grant of land, about where Tallahassee, Florida is now, and \$200,000.

The statue in LaGrange is one that was cast from an original in LePuy-en-Velay, France near where LaFayette was born. It depicts the Marquis in his French National Guard uniform holding aloft a cockade of red, white, and blue. A cockade was a ribbon worn in one's hat to signify an affiliation. The Rev. Dr. Waights G. Henry, Jr., President of LaGrange College, initiated the project in 1974, backed by Callaway Foundation, Inc. It was erected in 1975 as our tribute to the Marquis and to the Bicentennial of the American Revolution. It is on permanent loan to the city, received by then Mayor, J. Gardner Newman.



hid it until 1945. The bronze cast copy in LaGrange was created by Henry Jackson in his Camaiore, Italy studios in 1974. Since its erection, the statue and surrounding park, LaFayette Square, designed by Scarborough & Neal of Columbus, have often been the scene of occasions to honor the General.

On September 6, 2007, for his 250th birthday, the LaGrange Chapters of the Sons of the American Revolution, President F. C. Johnson, III, and



In 2001, its twenty-fifth anniversary, it was cleaned and rededicated as a project of the Rotary Club of LaGrange, headed by Charles D. Hudson, Jr. The festivities were also sponsored by LaGrange College, headed by President Stuart Gulley, and the City, led by Mayor Jeff Lukken as part of the inaugural Hydrangea Festival, led by Dr. George M. Henry and Mrs. L. Henderson Traylor. A group of twenty-six French Rotarians from LaFayette's hometown attended, guests of the Rotary Club.

The original bronze statue in France was dedicated on LaFayette's birthday, September 6, 1883. The sculptor was Ernest-Eugene Hiole. In 1943, to avoid Germans melting the statue for weapons, local resistance fighters



the Daughters of the American Revolution, Betty Nix Lester, Regent, held a banquet at St. Mark's Episcopal Church and ceremonies on the square that included a twenty-one-gun salute by the Color Guard of the Georgia Sons of the American Revolution.

When LaFayette died, his funeral was kept small and private by the French government, fearful of what rhetoric might be heard there. In America, President Andrew Jackson arranged that he receive the same funeral honors, period of mourning, and military salutes as George Washington had been accorded. John Quincy Adams, who became President in the midst of LaFayette's tour of America, gave a three-hour eulogy in Congress.

In World War I, when the American troops landed in France in 1917, General John J. Pershing's famous remark was "LaFayette, we are here." The phrase symbolized the debt we owed LaFayette, not the French nation or people! Not able in the time allotted to give a complete history of why this man is and had always been and should always be so important to our nation, I simply say that we here today do remember our debt to this great American patriot, Gilbert du Motier, the Marquis de LaFayette, by echoing Pershing's words ... "LaFayette, we are here."

At best count, there are 20 American cities named LaFayette; 14 named Fayetteville, and 12 named LaGrange, with various spellings.

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Clark is President of the Lafayette

Chapter NEWS

Brier Creek

Brier Creek Chapter of the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution held its monthly meeting Thursday night, August 3, 2017 at R & D's Restaurant at 7:00. With President Craig Wildi presiding, we had fifteen members in attendance and five guests.

The program for the evening was presented by Compatriot Steve Burke. His topic was "Artillery during the American Revolution and Accessories". Steve discussed the different types of artillery that were present during the revolution including cannons (guns), mortars, and howitzers. The range of these weapons during the revolution was about 1 mile. Cannons could be used to batter heavy construction with solid shot at long or short range; destroy fort parapets and, by ricochet fire, dismount cannon; shoot grape, canister, or bombs against massed personnel. Mortars could reach targets behind obstructions; use high angle fire to shoot bombs, destroying construction and personnel. Howitzers could move easily in the field than mortars; reach targets behind obstructions by high angle fire; shoot larger projectiles than could field guns of similar weight.

Compatriot Steve also discussed eighteenth century projectiles. Some of those he showed to us and talked about were; round shot, bar shot, chain shot, grape shot, case or canister, carcasses, spherical case or shrapnel, shot & sabot, fixed ammunition (shot & sabot tied into powder bar) and the different types of fuses that were used to fire these projectiles. After the program, President Wildi summoned to the front of the Chapter new member to be installed, Walter Edwin "Scotty" Scott. Next President Wildi asked the Chair of the Brier Creek Battlefield Committee Tommy Christopher to report on the Georgia Society's unexpected help in funding of the "ground penetrating radar" of the State of Georgia's site of the upcoming monument and walking trail on the Brier Creek Battlefield. Compatriot Christopher also presented to the Chapter a plaque that was given to the Brier Creek Militia that presented a Revolutionary War program to the Boy Scouts at Black Creek Camp in Screven County. The Chapter meeting was closed with the SAR Recessional led by Compatriot Emory Fennell and a closing prayer by Chaplain Lee Smith"



During the monthly meeting of the Brier Creek Chapter in Screven County, new member Compatriot Walter Edwin "Scotty" Scott was installed. The meeting was held on Thursday night, August 3, 2017 at R & D's Restaurant at 7:00. Compatriot Scott was the 26th member to be installed as a "Charter" member of the Brier Creek Chapter.

President Craig Wildi summoned Scotty up to the front of the Chapter and asked him to repeat the pledge to the Sons of the American Revolution and then presented him with his Certificate of membership into the National Society Sons of the American Revolution.

Then President Wildi asked his sponsor, Dess D Smith III, to pin onto Scotty's lapel the SAR "rosette". The rosette has the blue and white colors which signify the colors of the uniform that General George Washington wore during the American Revolution.

Coweta Falls

Leo Goodsell, Executive Director of Historic Westville, provided a timely update on the move of the Westville buildings and operation from the Lumpkin, GA, area to South Lumpkin Road in Columbus.

The first house was awaiting clearance to move on the roadways through the city and county. When completed, the site will contain the original Westville town, a Native American village, and a 19th century farm.

The mission of Westville is to provide a living history experience about life in 19th century Georgia for people of all ages to enjoy. Once completed, the site will be a wonderful addition to the facilities already on South Lumpkin Road such as the National Infantry Museum and Oxbow Meadows.



Leo Goodsell presented our program at the July meeting

Coweta Falls Chapter President Dan McMichael Welcomes New Compatriots



Compatriot Don Williams.

Compatriot James Dickenson.

Compatriot Bill Scrantom

Compatriot Joel Lee

Coweta Falls Compatriot Dan Ginter Recognizes Eagle Scouts

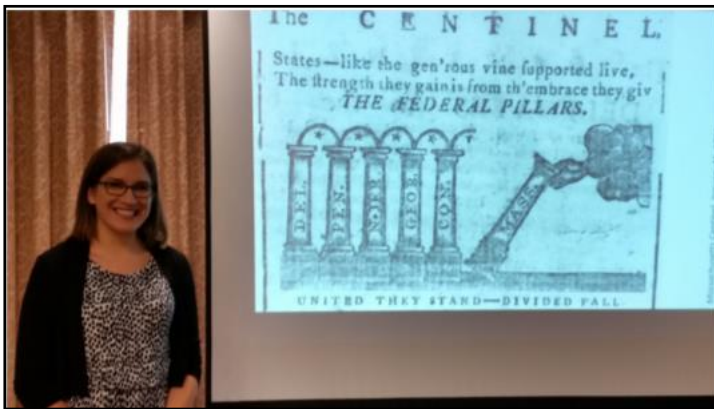


James Carter Bonnell at the National Infantry Museum
September 23rd



Sean M Nunn at Pierce Chapel, UMC
July 29th

Coweta Falls—continued



Dr. Sarah Bowman

September Meeting Speaker

The speaker was Dr. Sarah Bowman, an assistant professor of history from Columbus State. Dr. Bowman's research has focused on southern regional identity after the Civil War.

Her presentation was on the Constitution and how people in the early days of the nation celebrated the nation and the ratification of the Constitution.



Dr. Bowman is from Boston and earned her PhD at Yale.



Roy Collier received a certificate for participating in the Kettle Creek battle-field reenactment.

Traveling Trunk

Compatriot Dan Ginter is beginning the Traveling Trunk season because school has just begun after the summer break. The Ledger-Enquirer featured him in a photograph.

Dan celebrated Constitution Day at J.D. Davis Elementary School with students Aye Rivers and Jamie Dawson, both 9.



Students rang a replica Liberty Bell in honor of the 230th anniversary of the ratification of the U.S. Constitution. Compatriot Ginter also presented the Traveling Trunk to River Road Elementary (Photos are from the River Road Elementary).

Dalton



At a recent meeting of the Dalton, three new members were sworn in.

Pictured here are—L to R: G. Ralph Stafford received his membership certificate along with Major Max Edward Caylor (Mother Nellie Lou Caylor holding his photograph) and Father Max Carter Caylor.

Major Caylor took his membership oath while serving in the U. S. Army, Fort Hood, Texas. State Registrar Bob Sapp did the honors.

The Dalton Chapter is under the leadership of Rob Woodard.

Lagrange



Troup County Historical Society conducted a banquet where the Marquis de Lafayette was the honored guest.

Chairman of the event Clark Johnson is also the president of the LaGrange SAR Chapter.

Shown (l-r) Marquis de Lafayette, George Thurmond and Coweta Falls President Dan McMichael. Bob Sapp was not available when the photo was taken.

Lyman Hall



Forty Years of Scouting

Foy Todd, recently retired Professional Scouter reflects upon his career as a commissioned employee of Boy Scouts of America. He worked in the Northeast Georgia Council for all of his forty years, rising from District Executive to Director of Field Services for the Council's 600+ units and 27K youth.

He presented details of the Council's most recent annual report which again showed good progress. Northeast Georgia is the only Council in the nation to have increase membership or number of units (or both) for thirty-two consecutive years.

Lyman Hall Chapter enjoys a great partnership with Scouting, especially in the surrounding Chattahoochee District.

Marshes of Glynn

Members of the Marshes of Glynn SAR Chapter were featured in two of the most popular events on St. Simons during the Fourth of July festivities. Jimmy Boatright, Steven Ford and Bill Ramsaur, representing Dr. Lyman Hall, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson respectively, spoke to the hundreds of runners and families gathering for the One Mile Fun Run at 8 am in Malory Park. Each briefly described his part in the preparation of the Declaration of Independence and officially started the race. This the eighth time that the SAR Compatriots have been asked to kick-off the very popular Independence Day tradition.

Later that day, Thomas Jefferson (Bill Ramsaur) appeared in a golf cart, identified as Sons of the American Revolution and decorated with Revolutionary Flags. The SAR cart was the lead vehicle in the parade of over one hundred and twenty-five golf carts.

The parade wove through the Pier Village, past the Lighthouse and ended at the Dairy Queen.



Patrick Carr Rangers



Regional Vice President Chip Durden led Compatriots Wilder Smith and Ruskin Powell to visit with Patrick Carr Rangers Chapter.

Durden delivered the chapter's membership award and streamer. Shown in the photo are Chapter President David Hargrove and Chip Durden.

Mount Vernon

The Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award is the name for an award for Scouters of the Sons of the American Revolution. It is an honor due to members of the SAR who act as role models and provide dedicated service to the young men in the Boy Scouts of America (BSA).

The Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award acknowledges the service of the recipient to Scouting and is awarded by the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution.

The award consists of a medal with ribbon, miniature medal, a certificate and a BSA Community Organizations Award square knot.

Robert E. Burt Award



During the Mount Vernon Chapter meeting on October 10th, President Shep Hammack had the opportunity to present to Compatriot Chuck Olson, the Robert Burt Eagle Scout award which was awarded to him at this past SAR Congress.

SAR President General Larry Guzy congratulates Compatriot Olson on his award as his wife, Ann looks on.

4th of July

The Dunwoody 4th of July Parade began in 1976 in response to retired President Dwight D. Eisenhower asking the American people to celebrate the nation's Bicentennial. Georgia Senator Herman Talmadge was the Grand Marshal and arrived by helicopter. Effie Carpenter, the oldest living Dunwoody resident was Honorary Grand Marshal of the parade.

The Independence Day parade became an annual event, and both participants and spectators alike grew in numbers and variety. The current parade, led by the national colors, has over 120 entries. Some 2,500 cheering spectators lined the streets. With the end of the WSB parade in downtown Atlanta, the Dunwoody July Fourth parade is the largest in the state of Georgia.



Mount Vernon – Continued



The October meeting was held at the new location in Dunwoody - Vintage Pizzeria. The meeting had new members, wives and guests that night. The guest speaker for the night was Mary Williams, Past President of the Georgia Toastmasters and she spoke about the women who found unusual ways to help in the quest for America's freedom.

Our guest speaker for the evening was Mary Williams.



The Mount Vernon Chapter Picnic was held on the evening of July 22nd from 6 pm to 9 pm.

Many members attended, including the newly appointed President General of the National SAR, **Larry Guzy** and his wife and first lady, **Karin**.

The cottage was beautifully appointed and tucked into the "Lost Corner Preserve"

New Members Inducted in October



John Bivins (His wife Connie is to his Right), John Elwood, Tom Hughes, Charlie Fetter (for his son, Nicholas Lawrence Fetter), SAR President General Larry Guzy, and Mount Vernon Chapter Registrar Tom Chrisman.



Mount Vernon Chapter Color Guard presented the Colors to open ceremonies at the Dunwoody 4th of July parade.

Ocmulgee

Happy 4th of July



For the past thirty-eight years Ocmulgee Compatriot Jack Caldwell has hosted a July Fourth celebration at his “Villa Alberto” located on the Ocmulgee River. The celebration features good food, music and lots of fellowship. Shown above are Remona Stallings and Billie Trussell enjoying the view of the river, while listening to the music in the background. On the right, Jack, wearing a patriot cap, chats with one of his many friends. Many thanks to Compatriot Caldwell for his annual celebration of our Declaration of Independence from Great Britain.

**Rose Hill Cemetery Presentation**

During the 18 July 2017 Chapter meeting President John Trussell presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Jim Barfield.

Jim brought an interesting presentation regarding the History of Rose Hill Cemetery in Macon, GA.

New Member's Famous Ancestor

During the 18 July 2017 Chapter meeting President John Trussell welcomed our new member Logan Trust.

Logan is a descendant of Revolutionary War General Daniel Morgan, well known for his stunning defeat of Banastre Tarleton during the Battle at Cowpens.



Ocmulgee—continued

Thank you



During the 15 August 2017 Chapter meeting President John Trussell presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Compatriot Stephen Bennett for his presentation of "Yankee Doodle". Compatriot Bennett was also awarded the Military Service Medal to for his service to our Country. We thank him for his service.

Patriot Grave Markings

On September 2, 2017, during the Elbert County Grave Marking to honor the service of Revolutionary War Patriot Reverend Thomas Maxwell, Remona Stallings represented the Mary Hammond Washington Chapter, NSDAR by presenting the Chapter wreath. Later on the same day, Past GA SAR president and Past Ocmulgee Chapter President James Stallings Sr.—a member of the Elijah Clarke Militia rendered honors at the grave of Compatriot William Bibb Key at his grave in the backyard of a residence.

Samuel Elbert

Over 200 Attend Gravesite Ceremonies

The Samuel Elbert Chapter Sons of the American Revolution, and co-sponsored by the Button Gwinnett Chapter and Atlanta Chapter along with the Stephen Heard DAR Chapter, just finished gravesite ceremonies for Rev. War Soldiers Rev. Thomas Maxwell and William Bibb Key, Sept. 2nd. It is estimated about 170 Maxwell descendants, 45 Color Guard members and their wives, local descendants along with some 10-20 William Bibb descendants, 10-15 Samuel Elbert chapter members and local Stephen Heard DAR members met Sept. 2nd to honor these two patriots. Recently, it was a great challenge to get the chapters together, along with the Thomas Maxwell Society, to clean up the Maxwell Cemetery-since April. Originally, it looked like an impossible job with vines, trees, ivy, and much more blocking the entrance up to the monument. Luckily the Maxwell Foundation was contacted and they offered their help. And along with the Button Gwinnett Chapter and the funds offered by the Atlanta Chapter, the sponsoring chapters were able to complete the cleanup and prepare the ceremony. (Note: Originally, for the Samuel Elbert Chapter, Rev. Jack R. Bozeman (deceased) first led this chapter with gravesite services honoring the Rev. War Soldiers Francis Gaines and Brown Dye-two of our first gravesite services).

Button Gwinnett Chapter member and descendant Gordon Woodard brought his family down from Lawrenceville to work several sessions and Woodard and descendent Bruce Maney personally donated funds and worked several sessions.

The Samuel Elbert Chapter, the Atlanta and Button Gwinnett Chapters and the Stephen Heard Chapter were honored to have SAR President Larry Guzy and his Lady Karin Guzy visit and President Guzy honored us as he spoke to the audience. We were very fortunate to have President Guzy attend with his busy schedule.

Descendant Rusty Terrell from Toccoa/Franklin County brought the Maxwell family from as far away as Knoxville, Tennessee and they met afterwards for an Association meeting after the dinner (BBQ) fed to the Association also attended by the Color Guard and their wives.



Not all, but many of the Maxwell Association working on the cemetery.



Compatriot Olds Harris served as Master of Ceremonies at both Patriot Grave Markings - shown here with Audrey Hardin, Chaplain of the Stephen Heard DAR Chapter.



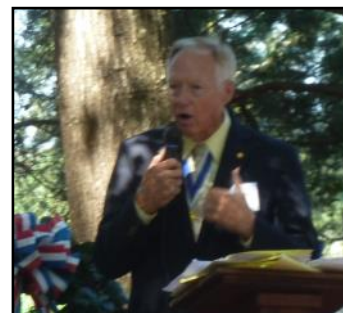
Family and guests gathering for the Rev. Thomas Maxwell Patriot Grave marking—the first of two such events on September 2nd in Elbert County.

Local resident (Elbert County) Ken Taylor graciously allowed the SAR, DAR and family members use his back yard where the William Bibb Key markers were located. Originally, the gravesite had been part of two large plantations where William Bibb Key had his home. Patriot Key had received a pension

Rev. Thomas Maxwell had been jailed while in Virginia before coming down to Elbert County, GA. for preaching the Baptist faith and it was said, the renowned Patrick Henry was the attorney who defended him. Thomas Maxwell fought as a private in Virginia for a number of months. He and his family came to Elbert County by wagon Train before 1790.



Maxwell descendants Al Adams, Bruce Maney and Gordon Woodard address the assembled family and Compatriots.



SAR President General Larry Guzy speaks to the crowd.

Samuel Elbert—continued

Washington– Wilkes

Three Generations of Compatriots



Chapter President Lou Harris with (L to R) Dr. James A. Granade III, James A Granade IV and Dr. James A Grande JR, Vice President of the Washington-Wilkes Chapter

The September meeting of the Washington Wilkes Chapter SAR was a special occasion. A record attendance crowd heard an interesting presentation given by a father/son team, Dr. James A.(Jim) Granade, III, and James A. (Jay) Granade, IV. They spoke on the infamous David Fanning who sided with the Tories during the Revolutionary War. Fanning terrorized the South Carolina back country during and for a brief period following the American Revolution. He was perhaps one of the most notorious of all the colonists who sided with the British Crown.

The Granades reside in Atlanta, but spend much of their free time at their home in Rayle, known by locals as the “Hammock Cabin”, reported to be the oldest cabin in Wilkes County. Dr. Granade has a dental practice in Atlanta, and Jay is a senior at the Westminster Schools.

William Few



Colonel William Few Chapter was very busy striving to meet the goals and objectives of the SAR during the 3rd quarter 2017.

Immediate Past President Bill Colbert presented "Traveling Trunk" to 36 Florida Boy Scouts and their leaders during a service project while attending the 2017 National Scout Jamboree at the Summit Bechtel Reserve on July 26.

These young men were at the Brewster Farm near Pipestem State Park in West Virginia working on service projects on and near the farm as part of the Jamboree. The presentation filled an educational component of their day, and was a wonderful opportunity to acquaint them with the SAR and their nation's history.

On August 25, 1st VP Sonny Pittman and President William Tankersley had the pleasure of awarding the SAR Emergency Medical Services Medal and Certificate to Captain Adam Borchik of Gold Cross Emergency Medical Services, Inc., which serves Columbia, Jefferson, and Richmond counties. Captain Borchik was selected by his supervisor, Major John Smith, for outstanding leadership in the EMS field.

Congratulations, Captain Borchik!



Pictured with Compatriots Pittman and Tankersley are Captain Borchik (center) and other Gold Cross EMS leaders and employees.



US Flag - Augusta Regional Airport at Bush Field

On August 31, 1st Vice President Sonny Pittman, chapter Parliamentarian Jerry Brigham and Compatriot Don Anderson joined Bill Colbert at the Augusta Aviation Commission meeting.

They presented an SAR Flag Certificate to Chairman Randy Sasser for their proud display of our nation's flag. It was received with much gratitude and appreciation.



Compatriots Colbert (right) and Pittman (center) presenting the US Flag Certificate to Chairman Sasser (left) of the Augusta Aviation Commission.

William Few—continued

On September 18, the Augusta Chapter DAR sponsored the annual Constitution Week Wreath Laying and Flag Retirement Ceremony, honoring Colonel William Few.

The event was held again at the historic St. Paul's Episcopal Church cemetery in Augusta. Students from Episcopal Day School participated in the ceremony by placing flags at the grave of Col. William Few and honoring the seventeen patriots buried in the cemetery at St. Paul's.

Students also participated in the flag retirement ceremony led by Chapter Compatriot Bill Croft (left) and future compatriot Philip Rhodes.

Flag Retirement Ceremony



President Tankersley (right) presenting the SAR Silver Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate to Major General (ret) Perry M. Smith, U.S. Air Force.

Col. William Few Chapter held its 3rd Quarter meeting September 25 at the Snelling Center, with 91 guests and members in attendance. The meeting opened with junior members Gibson Glenn Howle and J. Hayden McCloud leading the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and the SAR Pledge.

We had a very full agenda, including welcoming seven new members (bringing our chapter membership to 78, with four more pending approval), recognition of five veterans with the SAR War Service and Military Service Medals, and several other certificates and medals for chapter members.

Compatriot Russell Brown presented the chapter with the 2006 framed proclamation by then Mayor Deke Copenhaver that commemorates June 9, 2006 as SAR day in Augusta. Long displayed in the Special Collections room at the Reese Library, Augusta University, it has now

been returned to the Col. William Few Chapter.

The BOM reported on several upcoming events including Veteran's Day, Wreaths Across America, and a Patriot Grave Marking in 2018 for Dr. Lyman Hall and George Walton. Reports were also presented on JROTC, Traveling Trunk, Graves, Eagle Scout recognition, and Flag Certificates.

The highlight of our evening was a program entitled, "American Heroism: Powerful Military and Civilian Stories" presented by Major General Perry Smith. General Smith is a noted retired military leader, public speaker, leadership trainer and author who lives and contributes in the Augusta area. His was an excellent program and received with a standing ovation by the crowd. General Smith also promoted the "Wounded Warrior" project, recognizing its outstanding work with wounded veterans throughout the county. We all had the chance to personally thank one of our nation's wounded warriors Pete May and his wife Anne, guests of General Smith, for his service and sacrifice.

General Smith was presented with the SAR Silver Good Citizenship Medal by chapter President William Tankersley, and the DAR Distinguished Citizen Award by Regent Patricia Colbert of the College Hill Chapter, NSDAR. Plans are for Major General Smith to join the William Few Chapter SAR in the near future.



Compatriot Alan Smith welcomes seven new Chapter members and their guests at the September meeting. More applications are in process.

Wiregrass



Three trips to Screven County proved entertaining for Coastal Georgia Council Boy Scouts and Wiregrass Chapter compatriots



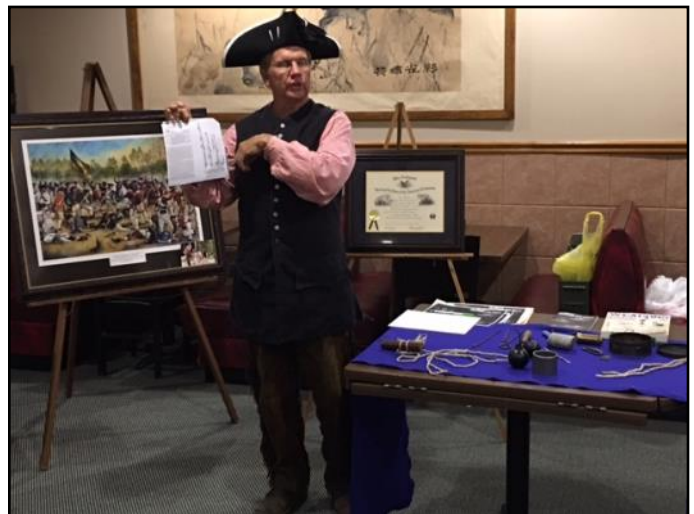
Seated: Chip Durden. Standing l to r: Don Bazmore, Wilder Smith, Ruskin Powell, Steve Burke. Not pictured - Tommy Christopher. Bazmore and Christopher are members of Brier Creek Chapter.

Wiregrass Chapter Sons of the American Revolution held its monthly meeting, Thursday night, July 13, 2017 at the New China Restaurant, Swainsboro, at 6:30 p.m. With President Wilder Smith, Jr. presiding, we had 12 members in attendance and 3 guests.

After the welcome and the invocation by President Smith, we enjoyed a great meal prepared by the New China employees. Our program for the evening was presented by our very own Compatriot Steve Burke who was introduced by President Wilder Smith, Jr. Steve's program was titled "Artillery Used during the American Revolution".

Steve discussed the different types of artillery that were present during the revolution including cannons (guns), mortars, and howitzers. The range for these weapons during the revolution was about a mile. Cannons could be used to batter heavy construction with solid shot at long or short range; destroy fort parapets and, by ricochet fire, dismount cannon; shoot grape, canister, or bombs against massed personnel.

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During July Quarterly Board of Management meeting an item that was of particular interest to both the Brier Creek Chapter and the Wiregrass Chapter was the motion made by the Chairman of the Historic Sites and Events Committee Scott Collins to pay for the "ground penetrating radar" of the five acres of the Brier Creek Battlefield in Screven County that will be the location for the \$250,000 monument and walking trail that the State of Georgia is funding.

GA SAR has donated \$7,212 to pay for the GPR to determine if any of the 200 Patriot Soldiers killed are buried in the five acres. Atlanta Chapter pledged \$100 to the work.

Several Compatriots were summoned to the front to receive the "Liberty Medal" that was presented to the Georgia Society during the NSSAR 127th Congress held in Knoxville, TN on July 10, 2017. The Certificate reads: The National Society Sons of the American Revolution has awarded the Liberty Medal in recognition of outstanding services in the recruitment of new members, signed President General J. Michael Tomme, Jr. Compatriot Dess Smith III received the "Liberty Medal and 2 bronze leaf's for the recruitment of 15 new members in the year 2016-2017.

Wiregrass - continued

Wiregrass Chapter - New Member—with three Grandsons



Wiregrass Chapter of the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution held its monthly meeting Thursday night, August 10, 2017 at the New China Restaurant at 6:30.

During the meeting President Wilder Smith, Jr. summoned Compatriot Carlie Smith to the front of the Chapter. President Wilder then asked Registrar Dess Smith III to say a few words about Compatriot Carlie Smith's American Revolutionary Patriot, Jeremiah Smith.

President Smith then read the Certificate and handed Compatriot Smith his supplemental Certificate and also Carlie Smith's three grandsons' supplementals.

Elijah Clarke and his Family

Wiregrass Chapter, Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution held its monthly meeting Thursday night August 10, 2017 at the New China Restaurant at 6:30. With President Wilder Smith, Jr. presiding, we had 21 members in attendance and three guests.

The program was presented by Secretary/Treasurer and Compatriot Ruskin Powell. Compatriot Powell's program was titled "Elijah Clarke and his Family". Patriot Clarke was born in 1733 and died January 15, 1799. He was a revolutionary soldier, adventurer, and was born in Edgecombe County, NC. He was probably of Scotch-Irish origin, and had the characteristics of a pioneer; he was strong and active, brave and resolute, uneducated, but a leader in stirring times.

In 1774 he had removed to Wilkes County, GA, and when the war shifted to the South, he became one of the leading partisan commanders. He was Colonel of Militia, serving at times under Pickens, and was Brigadier-General in 1781-83. During the Revolutionary War he was wounded four times in different battles, Alligator Creek in 1778, severely at Musgrove's Mill in August 1780, and at Long Cane. During the Battle of Kettle Creek in 1779 in Wilkes County, GA, he shared with Pickens the credit of the victory, displaying foresight in occupying the higher ground. Patriot Clarke was granted an estate of several thousand acres by Georgia for his services during the War.

