



# Atlanta Tidbits Ledger

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## Next Meeting – Thursday April 13th

Mark your calendars for **Thursday April 13th** chapter meeting at the **Petite Violette Restaurant**, 2948 Clairmont Rd, Atlanta, GA 30329.

Regular meetings are held on the **second Thursdays of the month** except in February when we meet on the Saturday closest to Washington's birthday and in July and August when we do not schedule a regular meeting.

Remember those **soda can tabs**, **Labels for Education**, and **Box Tops for Education** for donation to the **Children of the American Revolution**, **magazines and toiletries for veterans at the VA Hospital**, **paperback books for the USO**, and **history and genealogy books** for our fund raising Traveling Book Store. A drop-off point at the table next to the registration table is set up to receive your donations.

## Highlights of March Meeting

The speaker for the March meeting was Robert C. Jones who discussed Georgia Heroes in the American Revolution. He talked about Elijah Clarke, Nancy Hart, Lachlan McIntosh, Archibald Bulloch, Lyman Hall, George Walton, Samuel Elbert Button Gwinnett and others.



President Cobb presents a certificate of appreciation to speaker Jones.

# New Member

**William Michael “Mike” Prince** was inducted as a new member at the March meeting. Please welcome Mike as a new member.



**President Henry Cobb, Mike Prince, Past President Terry Manning**

# Membership

The NSSAR Genealogist General reports that in 2016 the SAR received over 4,000 new applications with current approval time at 12 weeks after they are received at NSSAR. Supplemental applications are now averaging 22 weeks after receipt. NSSAR membership as of December 31, 2016, stood at 35,285.

Atlanta Chapter membership as of January 1, 2017, stood at 146.

# Color Guard

**We could use a few more members of the Atlanta Chapter Color Guard in uniform.**



The cost of a militia uniform is much less than that of a Continental uniform. Since the militia outfit is usually purchased piecemeal, the following is an indicative cost (prices from James Townsend and Sons (Mar 2017):

Fall or Fly Front Knee Breeches	\$115-150
18 <sup>th</sup> Century Work Shirt	\$45 plain, \$60 checked
Neck Stock	\$8.50
Hunting Shirt, canvas	\$65-\$120
Tricorn Black Hat, Wool felt	\$68 search website for TH-905
Stocking, heavy cotton	\$13
Leather Garters	\$8

Shoes, shoe buckles, suspenders, and accessories would be extra. The cost would be even lower if the outfit is bought locally. The above estimate totals about \$325 using the lowest price ranges provided. Now is an excellent time to outfit yourself while there is the opportunity to reduce the cost to \$100 by taking advantage of a \$100 stipend from the chapter. We welcome you to participate in our own chapter's Color Guard at meetings in uniform. We also occasionally attend grave dedications, parades, flag retirement ceremonies, and historic site celebrations in uniform. Join the fun!

<http://jas-townsend.com/index.php>

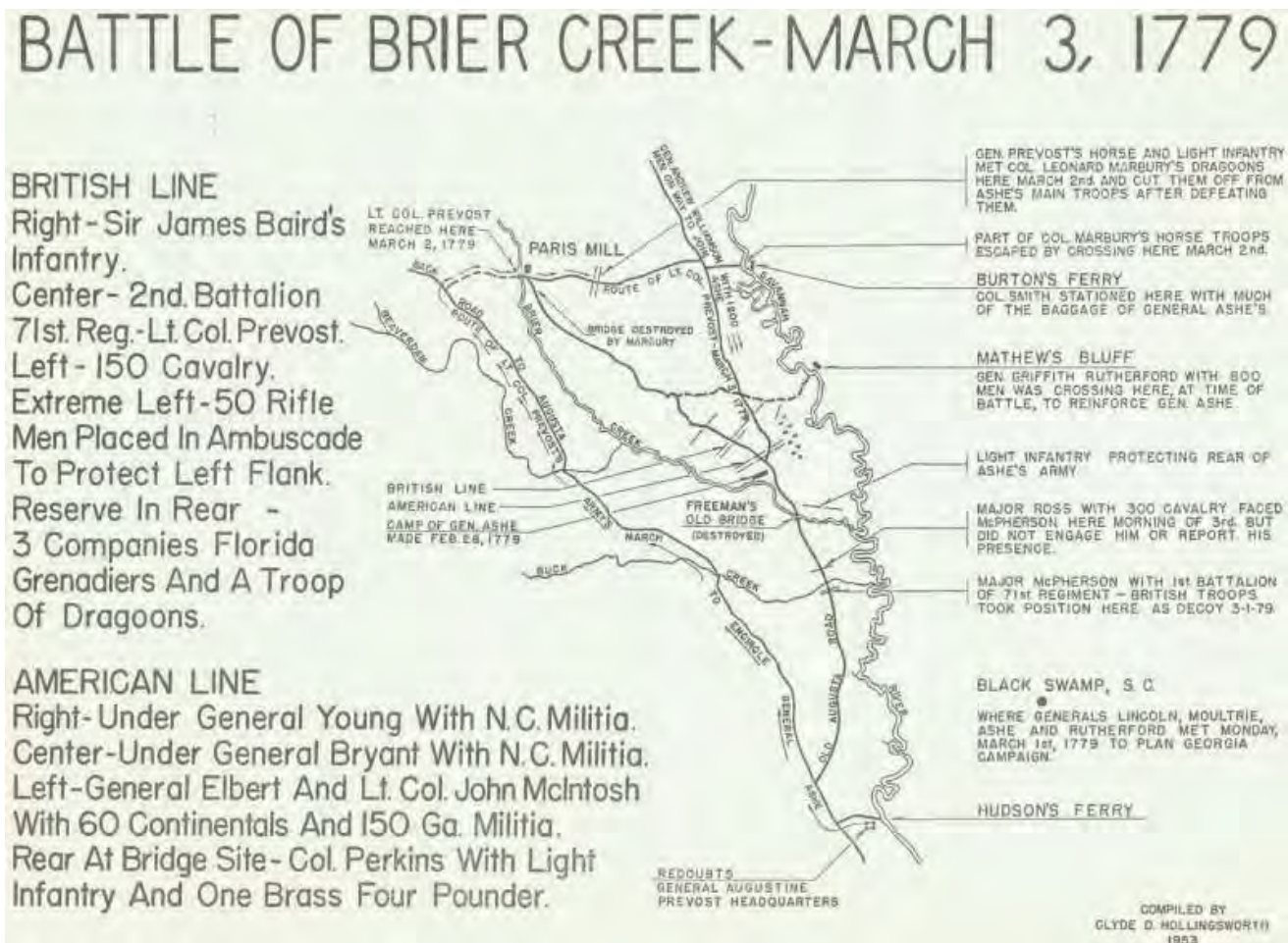
**GREAT NEWS – The Continental uniform is now again available from James Townsend by special order.**

For help or further tips on choosing your style of militia attire, **talk to our Color Guard Commander Terry Manning for more information.**

## New Chapter Formed

On November 19, 2016 Georgia Society SAR added the 33rd Chapter in Screven County (Sylvania) to be known as the Brier Creek Chapter. This is the site of a Revolutionary War battle that took place on March 3, 1779 where the Tories defeated the Patriots. Sylvania is located approximately half way between Augusta and Savannah.





## Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1776-1782

David Noble and Richard Marsh's new book, **Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1776-1782** continues to be well received. David and Richard have made a number of presentations to SAR and DAR groups. The proceeds of this book will go 100% to the investigation, preservation and restoration of Revolutionary War battle sites in the state of Georgia.



On March 9th, 10th and 11th they were at the Georgia DAR convention at Stone Mountain Park where they sold 10 books with potential orders for more pending their chapter approval.

The proceeds from the book to the Atlanta Chapter are already exceeding \$10,000. To put that into perspective, our Chapter would normally have less than \$1,000 per year available to fund the types of projects that these proceeds will fund. This is a monumental opportunity that David and Richard have made available to our Chapter and to the preservation of the 28 known battle sites in Georgia. Members are encouraged to purchase a book for personal use or as a donation to a library or other organization.

Introduction of the book to the public was greatly aided by a review by **Ken Thomas** in his weekly Genealogy column in the December 4, 2016, *Atlanta Journal and Constitution*.

The Chapter has set a goal to get copies of this book into as many libraries and research facilities in Georgia and across the nation as possible. To achieve this, we are encouraging the purchase and donation of books. All net proceeds from the sale of the book will be used to preserve and support research Georgia Revolutionary War battle sites. Additional information about the book, including purchase and donation options, can be obtained at: [www.saratlanta.org](http://www.saratlanta.org)

## Our Chapter in the Community

**Eagle Scout Recognition** - Through March 15<sup>th</sup> the Chapter has presented nine Eagle Scout Certificates. Richard Marsh, David Noble and Terry Manning presented Eagle Certificates on February 11<sup>th</sup> to two Eagles from Troup 550 at Sacred Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Atlanta. Terry Manning, Rich Williams and Henry Cobb presented certificates to three Eagle Scouts from Troup 67 at Peachtree Christian Church on March 4<sup>th</sup>.



**JROTC Recognition** – Through March 9<sup>th</sup> the Chapter has presented medals and Certificates to 2 JROTC members. There will be additional ones presented in the coming weeks. Tom Gurley could use some assistance in this worthwhile endeavor. No speech required. Please contact Tom at [tbgurley@att.net](mailto:tbgurley@att.net)

**Terry Manning** continues to represent SAR and the Atlanta Chapter with his many presentations to groups of all types. Terry has already scheduled nearly 20 appearances for the first quarter of 2017.

During the 2016 year **Terry presented** programs on behalf of SAR to **over 2,000 individuals**. It is not likely that any other individual in the State Society reaches more individuals on an annual basis than does Terry.

David Noble also continues his work with preservation and exploration of Revolutionary War battlefields. His major efforts continue at Kettle Creek while he is also exploring projects at Carr's Fort and other sites.

## Contributions to SAR Programs

Contributions made by our members to SAR programs such as **Youth Program Endowment Funds, Public Service Program Endowment Funds, Center for Advancing America's Heritage, George Washington Endowment Fund,**

SAR Foundation, Friends of the Library, the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association or the USO count toward the Americanism Points for our Chapter. If you would like to have your contributions counted as part of our Chapter please let **Henry Cobb** know that you have made the contribution, or give the check to Henry so that he can forward it to National. There is no requirement that our Chapter receive credit, so do not feel obligated to let the Chapter know. The contribution is the important part. The chapter receiving credit is a very secondary benefit.



## 2017 Chapter Officer Directory

Chapter officers to serve February 20, 2017, to February 25, 2018, are as follows:

<b>President</b>	Henry Cobb	<a href="mailto:whc2gt@yahoo.com">whc2gt@yahoo.com</a>
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## Thanks to Our Atlanta Fellows

. Many thanks go to our **Atlanta Fellows** whose donations help support our extended outreach programs. Thanks go to our existing Atlanta Fellows who have made additional donations, including donations made by or on behalf of spouses of members of our chapter. Several members have also started making incremental donations toward becoming Atlanta Fellows. The following list may not include some recent donations.

**Bill Armstrong**  
**Stuart Brady**  
**Sam Chafin**  
**Philip Clinkscales III**  
**Henry Cobb**  
**John Coning**  
**Ed Conley**  
**Bill Goodman**  
**Gene Grasser**  
**James Hankins**  
**Joseph Hankins**  
**Pat Hankins**  
**Ann Hays**  
**Bill Hays**  
**Don Kenagy**  
**Charles Lord**  
**Bruce Maney**  
**Charlie Maney**  
**Ginny Manning**  
**Terry Manning**

**Richard Marsh**  
**Ted McMullan**  
**Lowrey McNeel**  
**Joe Meyer**  
**Alice Noble**  
**David Noble**  
**James Noble**  
**Ray Patton**  
**Joyce Patton**  
**Loy Reddick**  
**Ed Rigel, Sr.**  
**Joan Rigel**  
**Stephen Schroeder**  
**William Smith III**  
**Ben Statham**  
**Penn Templeman, Jr.**  
**Bruce Wanamaker**  
**Eugene Wilson**  
**Mary Wilson**  
**Richard Williams**

The **Atlanta Fellows** are members, spouses, businesses, and other organizations that support unbudgeted projects of the Atlanta Chapter with a \$200 donation. Such donations have supported our **Sacred Soils Displays, Bushnell Monument dedication, VA Hospital portico project, and Flag Receptacle program**. Donations toward chapter sponsored events such as **Wreaths Across America** also credit toward the **Atlanta Fellow** program. Newest Atlanta Fellow is Bill Goodman.

### Mentor Program

The National Society is encouraging chapter to implement a mentor program for new members.

Assuming the new member has at least some interest in learning about the S.A.R. (some don't) and his chapter, the focus should be on the neophyte's education and interest. This refers to insuring the new member receives information regarding the S.A.R. in general and the chapter in particular, and is able to spark some interest in the new member remaining active and even becoming involved in the chapter. Therefore, the mentor must have sufficient knowledge regarding both the S.A.R. and the chapter along with a good degree of both communication skills and empathy to be effective. He should endeavor to become a friend, if he is not already, of the new member and tailor his guidance to the member's desire to learn and be involved. The mentor should presume the new member is interested and wants to be a part of the chapter.

Please let chapter President Henry Cobb know of your interest in taking on this role in our chapter.

### Member Help

## Remember to Work on Your Supplemental Applications

In addition to the original application for membership into SAR, members are encouraged to find additional **Revolutionary Soldiers and Patriots** in their family tree and to make a **Supplemental Membership Application** so as to have the Patriot or Soldier added to their record. **Henry Cobb** will endeavor to be available to answer your questions concerning a Supplement, and he will guide you through the process of filing the application.

### Upcoming

## Upcoming Regular Atlanta Chapter Meetings

Usually held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

April 13, 2017  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
Petite Violette Restaurant  
**Program- Jim Reasons**

**Valley Forge by Jim Reason**

**Back by popular demand Jim Reason is a History Teacher at Duluth High School in Gwinnett County.**

# Parking

Some members have asked about parking at Petite Violette. They provide valet parking and there is some parking available at the office building next door at 2948 Clairmont Rd. Below is a photo of the path from this parking area at the first Visitor Parking sign to the restaurant.



## April Birthdays

The following members have a birthday in April:

Richard Marsh	1 <sup>st</sup>
Bill Gurley	2 <sup>nd</sup>
David Noble	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Newton Quantz	6 <sup>th</sup>
Clyde Tuggle	9 <sup>th</sup>
Charles Griffin	13 <sup>th</sup>
Ted Gordon	16 <sup>th</sup>
Daniel Meacham	16 <sup>th</sup>
Merritt Pearson	27 <sup>th</sup>
Gregory Smith	29 <sup>th</sup>

**We are missing a few birthdays in our database. If you have an April birthday and it is not on the above list please let us know.**



## Event Calendar

# Upcoming State and National SAR Events

2017

2-4 Mar – NSSAR Spring Leadership, Louisville, KY  
10-11 Mar – Commemoration of the Battle of Brier Creek, Sylvania, GA  
18 Mar – Guilford Courthouse  
25 Mar – Compatriot David Dukes Grave Marking, Wayne County  
8 Apr – Dual Grave Marking sponsored by Casimir Pulaski Chapter, Tallapoosa, 1100 hrs  
15 Apr – Dual Grave marking sponsored by Athens Chapter, Winterville, GA 10:30 and 1:30  
22 April – Frederica Days, SSI  
23 Apr – Colonial Worship, SSI  
30 Apr- Five grave marking Midway Cemetery, Midway, GA (*see invitation below*)  
6-12 Jul – 127th Annual Congress, Knoxville, TN  
12 or 19 Sep -- 2017 William Few Commemoration – Augusta, Georgia St. Paul's Church

**Athens Chapter  
Blue Ridge Chapter**

**Ocmulgee Chapter  
Piedmont Chapter**

**Robert Forsyth Chapter  
Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution**

**Invite you to attend the dedication of grave markers  
commemorating the service of:**

**Samuel Jacob T. Axson  
Nathaniel Baker**

**James Dunwody  
James Screven**

**Daniel Stewart**

**In conjunction with the St. John's Parish Chapter  
National Society Daughters of the American Colonists  
Sunday, April 30, 2017**

**Midway Cemetery  
US Highway 17 South  
Midway, GA 31320**

**Contact:  
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Cherokee Forest Drive  
Athens, GA 30601-1052**