



# Atlanta Tidbits Ledger

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## Next Meeting – Thursday, May 12

Mark your calendars for the next regularly scheduled chapter meeting at the **Petite Auberge Restaurant** in the Toco Hills Shopping complex at 2935 N. Druid Hills Road NE in Atlanta at noon. 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. **Exact change or a check for the lunch fee of \$20 will be appreciated.**

The program for the May meeting will be our very own **David Noble** as he discusses things that he has learned during the Sacred Soils Project and in preparing his book, *“Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1775-1783.”* The program is entitled **Southern Campaign- Feb. 1779- Carr's Fort, Vann's Creek and Kettle Creek Battles.**

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.

### April Meeting

## *“Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1775-1783”*



The April meeting was highlighted by a program presented by our own **David Noble and Richard Marsh**. They gave an overview of their upcoming book entitled *“Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1775-1783.”* Various pages of the book were shown to illustrate the depth of information available on each battle and each individual soldier.

A follow up program will be presented at the May meeting to go into greater depth on some of the important battles of the Revolution that took place on Georgia soil.

Our newest chapter member, **Michael Lee Chapman**, was installed by **Past State President and Past Atlanta Chapter President Terry Manning**.

**Metro Regional Vice President Jim Lynch** brought greetings to our Chapter. He announced that the VA has recently made available a lapel pin for **Vietnam Veterans**. **VP Lynch** had some pins with him which were presented to veterans, and he said that he would have pins available for all eligible SAR members. **VP Lynch** also presented a **Certificate of Appreciation for Fisher Craft** for his years of dedicated work on the **Flag Recognition Committee**.



### Member Activities

## **Our Chapter Members Continue to be Very Active in the Community**

Members of our Atlanta Chapter continue to be very active in the SAR Community and the community as a whole.

The JROTC Committee, headed by Tom Gurley, has presented a number of JROTC Bronze Medals during the month of April. More will be presented in May. A full report will follow next month. Thanks to all of our members who have helped with the presentations.

Eugene Wilson has been hard at work on his project to locate the burial sites of Revolutionary Soldiers in this area. He has visited and photographed a number of the graves over the past couple of months. He has noted the condition of the cemeteries as he has looked for opportunities for our Chapter's involvement in grave maintenance and grave marking. Eugene would welcome help from others as he expands the project.

Past President Terry Manning continues his work in the community with the Traveling Trunk. He also represented our Chapter and the State Society at the Atlanta Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. Past President Manning has recently completed his longtime project of creating an Index for the Georgia Society's Source Book. The work has been widely appreciated by SAR members across the State of Georgia.

There are a number of opportunities that are available to our Chapter membership. Each of the committees below are in need of help. A chairman is needed for some of the committees, but member volunteers are needed for all. Please check out this list and find a way to become more involved in the chapter activities.

**Americanism** – Compiles points on chapter activity contest earned in other SAR programs

**C.A.R. Liaison** – Serves as contact with local and state societies of the Children of the American Revolution

**Newsletter** – Publishes a regularly scheduled newsletter to inform and educate members on SAR activities

**Publicity** – Arranges for media releases within the community, to Hornet's Nest, and SAR Magazine

**Education** – Coordinates the outreach speakers bureau and school awards program and conducts lineage workshops

**Flag Respect** – Ensures Flag Certificates are regularly presented

**Graves Dedications** – Plans dedications for patriot/compatriot grave sites

# Daughters of the American Revolution Supporting our Troops

Loriann White, Regent, Hightower Trail Chapter, NSDAR will be at the May meeting of the Atlanta SAR Chapter to give information on the DAR Project. Below is some explanation of the endeavor.

The Ladies of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) are encouraging our citizens to participate in a patriotic initiative to celebrate our DAR 125th Anniversary as an organization. This patriotic initiative is the DAR will be partnering with the **Guinness Book World Records** to create a NEW World Record supporting our Active Military Service Members.

The NEW World Record we are going for is --"*The most collected handwritten letters to our Active Military that are collected and mailed in one month.*"

One person writes **ONE LETTER ONLY** to an Active Service Member to be part of this amazing feat. (See attachment for specific Guinness Guidelines for participating.)

Anyone, any age, any group may participate as long as they follow the strict guidelines from Guinness so all letters are verified and counted for the new World Record.

If any children are writing == they may use a school or church address in lieu of a personal home address for their safety consideration.

The Roswell, Georgia DAR Chapter, Martha Stewart Bulloch Chapter, NSDAR Project Patriot Committee this summer will have 3 deployed units who will be just a few of the military service members serving world-wide who will be receiving your handwritten letters for this Guinness Book of World Record.

We will have a Marine Unit (Iraq), Navy Sailors/ Medical Personnel (USNS MERCY - hospital ship) and a Joint Mission Unit with Marines/ Navy Medical Personnel (Afghanistan), so if you need an active military service member to address your ONE LETTER to --- you may use Dear Marine, Dear Navy Nurse, Dear Navy Doctor, Dear Navy Corpsmen as the person you send your letter. If you use one of our deployed units -- leave off the TO Recipient Address on the outside envelope as Project Patriot Committee will address those letters for you with our unit's overseas deployment addresses on your behalf.

**DEADLINE to have letters to our DAR Project Patriot Committee Contact/ Lisa Tobin is: MAY 31, 2016.**

You may mail the your letters to:

Lisa Tobin  
MSB PP  
409 Warm Springs Circle  
Roswell, GA 30075

Our Service Members need to know how much they are loved and appreciated. So write your letters, our military loves their Mail Call from HOME.

Let me know if you have any questions about writing the letters to our Active Service Members.

In Patriotism,  
Lisa Tobin  
Project Patriot Committee Chairman  
Martha Stewart Bulloch Chapter, NSDAR  
Roswell, GA

# 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.

Stuart Brady

Philip Clinkscales *III*

Henry Cobb

John Coning

Ed Conley

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*

Penn Templeman, Jr.

Bruce Wanamaker

Eugene Wilson

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.

## Upcoming

# Upcoming Regular Atlanta Chapter Meetings

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

May 12, 2016

June 9, 2016

No Meeting currently scheduled for July and August

September 8, 2016

## Event Calendar

# Upcoming State and National SAR Events

7 May – Battle of Pensacola, Pensacola, FL

11 May – Buford's Massacre Reenactment, TBA in South Carolina, 0800 hrs (filming for the SC SAR educational videos-need militia and colonial women)

14 May Patriot Elias Baker grave marking sponsored by the Rome Chapter, Chattooga County, Camp Hamby on Hair Lake Rd Summerville, GA 1430 hrs

28 May – Scout Day, Marietta National Cemetery, 0830 hours

28 May – Patriot Sgt. Benjamin Wofford Grave Marking sponsored by the Hightower Trail Chapter, NSDAR, Georgia National Cemetery, Canton

28 May – Battle of Waxhaws (Buford's Massacre)

30 May – Memorial Day Activities:

05 Jun – Warrior Classic, Lake Lanier Islands

11 June--Ramseur's Mill

4 July – Independence Day Activities:

8-13 Jul - 126th NSSAR Annual Congress

30 Jul – GA SAR BOM Meeting, Barnesville, 1000 hrs

17 Sep-- William Few Commemoration, Augusta

01 Oct Compatriot Gosnell Grave Marking sponsored by Casimir Pulaski Chapter

## History of SAR

# How the Sons of the American Revolution Came to Be

In 1876 there were many celebrations to commemorate the centennial of the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. As part of this patriotic fervor, a group of men in the San Francisco, California, area who were descendants of patriots involved in the American Revolution, formed an organization called the Sons of Revolutionary Sires. Their objective was to have a fraternal and civic society to salute those men and women who pledged their lives, fortunes and sacred honor to the battle for independence from Great Britain. They desired to keep alive their ancestors' story of patriotism and courage in the belief that it is a universal one of man's struggle against tyranny -- a story which would inspire and sustain succeeding generations when they would have to defend and extend our freedoms.

Out of the Sires grew the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, which was organized on April 30, 1889 -- the 100th anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington as our nation's first President. We have used the acronym SAR to identify ourselves for over 100 years. The SAR was conceived as a fraternal and civic society composed of lineal descendants of the men who wintered at Valley Forge, signed the Declaration of Independence, fought in the battles of the American Revolution, served in the Continental Congress, or otherwise supported the cause of American Independence. The National Society was chartered by an Act of the United States Congress on June 9, 1906. The charter was signed by President Theodore Roosevelt, who was a member of the SAR. The charter authorizes the granting of charters to societies of the various states and territories and authorizes the state societies to charter chapters within their borders.

Grave Marking

**Rome Chapter**  
**Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution**  
With  
**Xavier Chapter**  
**Daughters of the American Revolution**  
Request the honor of your presence  
**At the dedication of grave marker and wreath laying for patriot**  
**Elias Baker**  
**Saturday, May 14, 2016**  
**2:30 P.M.**  
**Garrett Cemetery**  
**Hair Lake Road**  
**Chattooga County Georgia**

Directions: From Rome take US 27 N to Summerville, GA turn left on GA Hwy 48 toward Menlo, GA and go approximately 5.6 miles and turn right onto Sunnysdale Road. Go approximately 1.2 miles (Agnew Road) and turn right to stay on Sunnysdale Road. Go approximately 1.2 miles (Hutchins Farm Rd) turn right again to stay on Sunnysdale Rd. until Hair Lake Road. Turn left onto Hair Lake Road and go about 1.2 miles and the cemetery will be on your right.

Board of Managers



## 2016 Chapter Officer Directory

Chapter officers to serve February 20, 2016, to February 18 or 25, 2017, are as follows:

<b>President</b>	Al Adams	<a href="mailto:moveradams@aol.com">moveradams@aol.com</a>
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<b>2nd Vice President</b>	Fisher Craft	<a href="mailto:ffcrafft@bellsouth.net">ffcrafft@bellsouth.net</a>
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<b>Treasurer</b>	Henry Cobb II	<a href="mailto:whc2gt@yahoo.com">whc2gt@yahoo.com</a>
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