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Next Meeting – Wednesday, January 18 NEW LOCATION, DIFFERENT DAY

Mark your calendars for the next regularly scheduled chapter meeting at the **Petite Violette Restaurant**, 2948 Clairmont Rd, Atlanta, GA 30329. This month our meeting will be held on **WEDNESDAY**.

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.

This month's program will be presented by **Fred Mobley, Archivist, DeKalb History Center**.

Exact change or a check for the lunch fee of \$20 will be appreciated.

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.

Atlanta Chapter Entrant Wins State Essay Contest

As this newsletter is going to press we have received notice from the State Society that the Essay entered by **Lane Elder** and sponsored by the Atlanta Chapter has won first place in the **Knight Essay Contest** at the state level. Her essay was entitled "**More Than Just French Fries: France's Influence on Early America.**"

Lane had previously been announced as the winner for our Atlanta Chapter for which she is awarded a \$200 scholarship. For winning at the state level she will receive an additional \$600, and she will be honored along with her parents at the **Chapter and Youth Awards Luncheon at the Georgia Society Annual Conference** on January 28th.

By winning the state competition Lane's essay will move on to the **National level** where the possible first place scholarship is \$6,000. We will all be pulling for Lane to win that competition.

We will also have the opportunity to recognize **Lane and her parents** at one of our Atlanta Chapter meetings in the near future.

November Meeting Highlights

The Atlanta Chapter of SAR in conjunction with the Baron DeKalb Chapter of the DAR held a Pearl Harbor Commemoration Luncheon on December 7, 2016, at the 57th Fighter Group Restaurant. The event was attended by about 90 SAR and DAR members and guests.

The Atlanta SAR is very grateful to the Baron DeKalb DAR for their inviting us to be a part of this great event.



Atlanta Chapter Chaplain J.R. McAleily offers the invocation



The Colors were presented by the Atlanta Chapter Color Guard



Cheryl Manley offers a personal account of a relative present at Pearl Harbor as Baron DeKalb Regent DiAnn Wheeler looks on



The Program was a presentation by several SAR and DAR members who recited the accounts of the events of a number of military personnel on December 7, 1941, as told in the service members own words



There was plenty of time to eat



David Noble presented the debut of his and Richard Marsh's new book Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1776-1782

Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1776-1782

As announced last month, David Noble and Richard Marsh's new book, *Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1776-1782* is now available in print. The proceeds of this book will go 100% to the investigation, preservation and restoration of Revolutionary War battle sites in the state of Georgia.

The proceeds from the book to the Atlanta Chapter are already in excess of \$6,400. 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 review follows:

GENEALOGY FOR DECEMBER 4, 2016 BY KENNETH H. THOMAS, JR.

TOPIC: REVOLUTIONARY WAR SOLDIERS IN GEORGIA SUBJECT OF NEW BOOK

David A. Noble and Richard P. Marsh have just completed and published "Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements, 1776-1782" on behalf of the Atlanta Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution. This landmark book pulls together for the first time information gleaned from Revolutionary War pensions and other sources to identify those men who served in the Revolution in battles and engagements on Georgia soil. The men could be from other states, but are included herein because they served in Georgia. The authors took several years to compile the information by reading all the applicable pensions, and the result is an alphabetical list of the 2,000 men, with each entry including the units, engagements, references, and any biographical information gleaned. The introductory materials include battle summaries for all 42 engagements covered, from well-known battles such as Kettle Creek, to many minor ones. Each one is discussed with sources and known participants, some appearing in print for the first time. This book will be a great new source for anyone trying to prove their ancestor's service in the American Revolution, but will not be the only source, as many people served the patriot cause without going into battle. The SAR is interested in any updates to the information being sent to their website, SARAtlanta.org/patriot-book. The book was published with a grant from the R. J. Taylor, Jr. Foundation. It is available for \$90 postpaid from SARAtlanta.org/patriot-book via PayPal or by check to Atlanta Chapter SAR, Patriot Book, 2545 Circlewood Rd., NE, Atlanta, GA 30345. The website allows you to purchase a book and designate it for donation to your local public library, or other institution.

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

Atlanta Chapter to Co-host Hornet's Nest Commemoration

Hornet's Nest Commemoration To Highlight Elijah Clarke Grave Dedication

Friday Events Include Period Music, Cabin Tours, Free Indoor Chili Luncheon and desert, Penny Wreath Program, Book Signings, Kettle Creek Program, Remembrance Ceremony, & Grave Dedication

The weekend of celebration for the **Battle of Kettle Creek** will be especially exciting on **Friday, February 10, 2017**, when activities sponsored by the William Few and Atlanta chapters SAR, Elijah Clarke and William Heard chapters NSDAR, Friends of Elijah Clark State Park, and the Lincoln County Historical Society join to sponsor a variety of activities at the Elijah Clark State Park in Lincolnton, just east of Washington, Georgia. A regional Colonial Color Guard of militia and Continental Line participants from across the Southeast, including the Georgia Society SAR Color Guard and Elijah Clarke Militia Unit, will also join the festivities with musket firings and representations of colonial lifestyle. The park is the site of the grave of Georgia's most famous Patriot fighter, Col. Elijah Clarke, whose grave will be marked by an SAR Patriot Grave Marker on this date.

The day will kick off at 10:30 a.m. at the restored cabin and Elijah Clark Museum with a variety of demonstrations on colonial lifestyle, including demonstrations of colonial attire, a Traveling Trunk display, period dulcimer music, and musket demonstrations. Authors of new period books will be on hand for book signings: Dr. David Noble of "*Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1776-1782*" and Dr. John Turrentine of "*Defining the Founding Fathers and their Spirituality Examined*".

A free indoor chili cookout and dessert buffet at noon will be served compliments of the Friends of Elijah Clark State Park and William Heard Chapter NSDAR, followed by a wreath ceremony and grave dedication at 1:30 at the Elijah Clarke gravesite. The dedication ceremony will feature remarks by Compatriot David Noble whose 832-page book released in December 2016 highlights 42 engagements and the men who fought them in Georgia during the Revolution. He will speak on recent studies at Kettle Creek that are effectively newly locating the burial sites of many of the participants and re-writing the history of how that engagement took place.

Those without wreaths to present of their own can participate in the ceremony in our popular Penny Wreath Program. Donate a penny when you check in and you'll be a part owner of a joint Partners in Patriotism Wreath representing all of the organizations that donated toward its purchase, allowing you to bring greetings on behalf of your particular chapter or group. In the event of inclement weather, an alternate indoor, heated building is available on site if needed.

Those interested in further camaraderie at the park may wish to visit one of the cabins hosting warm fires, snacks, and hospitality following the official ceremonies.

Those wishing to stay at one of the 20 lakeside cottages or at a campsite at the park will receive a special discount, probably 20% less for this special occasion (2-night stay required at the cottages). There are also a large number of chain motels in nearby Thomson, Georgia, on the Interstate close to

For further details or to ensure being listed in the official program of the grave dedication contact Charlie Newcomer (canewcomer@att.net) prior to February 1 with information on your name, title, and organization.

Take Notice

**238th Anniversary of the Battle of Kettle Creek
Revolutionary Days**

***A National Society SAR Historic Site Event Sponsored by the
Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution***

February 10, 11 & 12, 2017

Washington, Wilkes County, Georgia

Friday—February 10th, 2017

12:00 Noon—4:30 P.M.: Join U.S. Army Military Historian for a walking tour of the Kettle Creek site, 18th century history and Battlefield Relics. Tours start at the Federal Monument on War Hill at 12-noon, 1:30 P. M. and 3:00 P.M...

6:00 P.M.: The Kettle Creek Battlefield Association, Georgia Society SAR and Kettle Creek NSDAR will host a dinner and Revolutionary War program in honor of the Kettle Creek Patriots.

Saturday Morning-February 11th, 2017

9:00 A.M. The Georgia Society SAR Elijah Clarke Militia Honor Guard with Musket Salutes will raise the 1776 Colors of the Revolutionary War on the Wilkes County Courthouse Flag pole.

9:00 A.M.—12-Noon: Historical performers in the City Square, Georgia Society SAR Living History building with demonstrations, Mary Willis Library period display, Robert Toombs House Historic site with Period performers, Washington City Museum with the Kettle Creek Artifact Room.

10:00 A.M. The Georgia Society SAR combined Color Guard & Militia will gather at the Revolutionary War monument on the Washington City square to Salute and Honor the *Wilkes County Militia - (the Heroes of the Hornets' Nest)* and all Revolutionary War Patriots.

Georgia Society
Sons of the American Revolution
Celebrating the History of the Battle of Kettle Creek
&
Our Heroes of the American Revolution

Saturday-February 11th, 2017

10:30 A.M. Gather behind the Courthouse for the assembly of the Revolutionary War Parade— ALL the public (Children & Grownups) are welcome to participate in the event as our National Colors and re-enactors lead us around the City square. **Parade STARTS at 10:45 A.M.**

11:00 A.M. Georgia Society SAR Elijah Clarke Militia and other re-enactors with black-powder muskets will present a dramatic portrayal of the Battle of Kettle Creek in Fort Washington Park behind the Wilkes County Courthouse.

11:45 A.M. The Georgia Society SAR Color Guard--*Elijah Clarke Militia* and others, will present arms and fire a thunderous musket salute as the Revolutionary War Colors are lowered and our Present-day National Colors are raised on the Square.

2:30 P.M. Pageantry at the Kettle Creek Battlefield includes, Continental Army, Georgia Militia, Musket volley salutes, Wreath Presentations, SAR/DAR/CAR, Hereditary Organizations, Local, State & National officials, High School JROTC, students and public, place Wreaths to honor the Heroes of the Hornets' Nest--the Wilkes County Militia for their 1779 Victory at Kettle Creek.

9:00 --- 5:00 P.M. The Robert Toombs Historic Site and the City Museum will remain open for Visitors. Children & Uniform personnel are welcome Free of Charge.

Sunday-February 12th, 2017

*9:00 A.M. Join the Georgia Society SAR and the Local NSDAR Chapter in a
Memorial*

Service Honoring the Wilkes County Militia (Heroes of the Hornets' Nest) and the SC Upper 96 Militia who together defeated the Loyalists at the Battle of Kettle Creek. As in the past this Memorial Service is open to the public and everyone is encouraged to participate.

Phillips Mill Baptist Church, 5479 Greensboro Road, Washington, GA 30673 (706) 678-7825

Election of 2017 Officers to be Held at January Meeting

The **Nominating Committee** consisting of **Terry Manning as Chairman, Bill Hays and Ed Floyd** presented the proposed slate of officers for 2017 at the November membership meeting.

The proposed slate is as follows:

President	Henry Cobb
Vice President	Richard Williams
Treasurer	Richard Marsh
Secretary	Al Adams
Chaplain	JR McAliley
Information Tech.	Richard Marsh
Chancellor	Ed Floyd
Sgt-at-Arms	Bob Campbell
Registrar	David Noble
Historian	John Titus

The election of officers will be held at the **January monthly meeting**, and the induction will be held during **the George Washington Birthday luncheon in February**.

Wreaths Across America

The **Atlanta Chapter** was represented in the Wreaths Across America ceremony by chapter Past President Terry Manning who participated in placing wreaths at **SouthView Cemetery in Atlanta** on December 17th. The Atlanta Chapter had previously made a donation in the amount of \$120 to the **Wreaths Across America** program.

Our Chapter in the Community

Terry Manning presented his program on the “**History of Santa Claus**” to a number of groups during the month of December. Among the groups were the **Chamblee 1st United Methodist Church, the General Daniel Newman DAR Chapter, the Suwanee Goodtimers and the Gwinnett Quilters Guild**.

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. In fact 2016 was well off of his 2015 total.

Georgia Society Conference this Month

The **Georgia Society Annual Conference** will be held **January 27-28, 2017 at the Sonesta Gwinnett Place** Conference Center in Duluth. The meeting is open to all SAR members. A registration form is attached at the end of this newsletter.

Atlanta Chapter Dues are Now Due

By now you should have received an email containing the Dues bill for the 2017 SAR year. The dues are due now. **Please pay as soon as possible** to avoid the cost to both you and the chapter for going through a cumbersome reinstatement process. If for some reason you have not received a bill, please contact Richard Marsh at saratlanta@gmail.com

Contributions to SAR Programs

The end of the year is upon us. 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.

Atlanta Chapter Web Site Updates

Richard Marsh continues his work to refine our new web site and to make it user friendly for our members as well as outsiders who might visit the site. Please visit the site and give Richard feedback about your experience. The more eyes that see it, the better his information and therefore the better his refinement can become.

Information for ordering a copy of **David Noble and Richard Marsh's book** is available on the website.

Richard continues to receive inquiries about membership, and the site proves to be more valuable each day.

Please send any comments and/or suggestions to Richard at saratlanta@gmail.com.

Membership Growth Continues

Chapter membership continues to grow. As noted above, three new members were installed at the November membership meeting. We welcome them and others who are in the pipeline. We look forward to having their involvement in our ever growing chapter. Certificates have arrived for seven new members. They will be inducted as soon as they are able to attend a meeting. Another five applications are awaiting approval by National.

On January 1st of this year our membership as reported by the State Secretary was 139. At the end of the year our membership had grown to 169. Thanks to all who have sponsored new members. Keep up the good work.

Membership Chairman David Noble reports that he continues to receive new applications and that several more new members will be coming soon. We are also receiving a number of membership inquiries from our newly revived website.

Atlanta Fellows

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
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
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.

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** is available to answer your questions concerning a Supplement, and he will guide you through the process of filing the application. David Noble and John Titus will receive additional supplementals at the January meeting.

Board of Managers



2016 Chapter Officer Directory

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

President	Al Adams	moveradams@aol.com
1st Vice President		
2nd Vice President	Fisher Craft	tfcraft@bellsouth.net
Secretary	David Rosinger	drosinger@yahoo.com
Treasurer	Henry Cobb II	whc2gt@yahoo.com
Registrar	David Noble	danoble10@att.net
Sergeant-At-Arms	Bob Campbell	gingerbob@bellsouth.net
Chancellor	Ed Floyd	floyd7@bellsouth.net
Chaplain	J.R. McAliley, III	jrmcalileyiii@aol.com
Historian	Terry Manning	temanning@aol.com

Change In Meeting Dates and Location

Please remember that in **January** our meeting will be at a new location and on a different day. As most of you know, the **Petite Auberge** closed its old location at the end of the year after over 40 years. They have opened at a new location with a new name in January. The **new name is Petite Violette**, and the **new location is 2948 Clairmont Road, NE**.

In **January** we will meet at the new location of **Petite Violette**. However, they will not be ready by our normal 2nd Thursday date. Our meeting will be on **Wednesday, January 18th**.

In **February** we will have our **George Washington Birthday Celebration** at the **Cherokee Town and Country Club on February 25, 2017**. Reservation information for that meeting will be coming in January.

Hopefully by March we will be back to our regular second Thursday schedule.

Upcoming

Upcoming Regular Atlanta Chapter Meetings

Usually held the 2nd Thursday

January 18, 2017 - **New Location and Different Day of Week**

Petite Violette Restaurant

Wednesday meeting

Fred Mobley

Archivist – DeKalb History Center

February 25, 2017 – **George Washington Birthday**

Reservations required

Installation of new officers

Cherokee Town and Country Club

Event Calendar

Upcoming State and National SAR Events

2017

13 Jan – Daniel Morgan, Spartanburg, SC

14 Jan – Cowpens, Chesnee, SC

27 Jan - GASSAR Annual Conference, Friday Banquet, Duluth, GA

28 Jan – GASSAR Annual Conference, Saturday BOM and Luncheon

10-12 Feb – Kettle Creek Weekend

10 Feb – Elijah Clark Grave Dedication

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

22 April – Frederica Days, SSI

23 Apr – Colonial Worship, SSI

6-12 Jul – 127th Annual Congress, Knoxville, TN

12 or 19 Sep -- 2017 William Few Commemoration – Augusta, Georgia St. Paul's Church

**Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution Annual Conference
January 27--28, 2017**

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

Rooms: \$94 plus taxes (Rate guaranteed through January 5, 2017)

Registration Link

<https://gc.synxis.com/rez.aspx?Hotel=58939&Chain=5157&arrive=1/26/2017&depart=1/29/2017&adult=1&child=0&group=0127SONSSS>

Please mail this registration form by **December 31, 2016** with check payable to "Georgia Society SAR" to President William A. Greenly, 6440 Ivey Meadow Lane, Cumming, GA 30040-6675

Registration Fee (SAR Members Only): (Prior to Dec 31, 2016) \$ 10.00
(Late fee after Dec 31: +\$20.00) \$ _____

Schedule of Events - Friday, Jan 27:

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: "Role of a Secretary" (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 \$50.00 = \$ _____
(Black Tie, Business Suit, Uniform, Kilts, Prince Charlie)

Schedule of Events - Saturday, Jan. 28:

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: Brenda Jessel - "Colonial Imposter Sarah Wilson"
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 2017 Officers
(Members, wives, and guests) (Business Suit, Uniform) _____ x \$40.00 = \$ _____

Total Remitted

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

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): _____

**THE NATIONAL SAR
THE SOUTH CAROLINA SAR &
THE DANIAL MORGAN CHAPTER SAR INVITE YOU TO THE
236TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF
THE BATTLE OF COWPENS**

13-15 JANUARY 2017

SPARTANBURG & CHESNEE, SC

Schedule of Events (times subject to change):

Friday, 13 January

TBA Order of Founders of North America Meeting - Courtyard by Marriott

2:30 pm General Daniel Morgan Statue Ceremony - Morgan Square (corner of Main Street & Church Street, Spartanburg).

Participants will place a carnation on the base of the statue. *4:00 pm* South Atlantic District SAR Quarterly Meeting - Courtyard by Marriott

5:15 pm Cowpens Reception - Courtyard by Marriott

7:00 pm Dr Bobby Gilmer Boss Cowpens Lecture Series - Barnett Room, Spartanburg County Library.
NEW LOCATION: 151 S Church St, Spartanburg. No Fee.

Saturday, 14 January

9:30 am Wreath registration deadline - National Battlefield

10:00 am Wreath Laying Ceremony - U.S. Monument, Visitors Center, National Battlefield

10:45 am March to Washington Light Infantry Monument with National SAR Wreath Laying

12:00 pm Dutch Treat Lunch - Fatz Cafe, 245 Peachoid Rd, Gaffney

Sunday, 15 January

TBA SAR/DAR Genealogy Seminar - National Battlefield

The SAR will have an information booth set up at the battlefield on both Saturday and Sunday