



# Atlanta Tidbits Ledger

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## Next Meeting – Thursday September 14

Mark your calendars for **Thursday September 14th** 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.

## Upcoming Regular Atlanta Chapter Meetings

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

September 14, 2017

## Summer Vacation

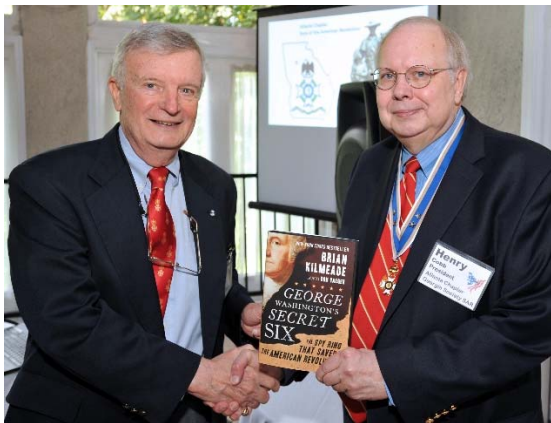
We will not have meetings in July and August. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be **Thursday September 14, 2017**.

## Highlights of June Meeting



The speaker for the June meeting was Kenneth H. Thomas, Jr. who presented a talk on DNA. We were joined by ladies from the Baron DeKalb Chapter, Atlanta Chapter and the William Day Chapter and the Chancellor George Wythe Chapter of NSDAR.

Door Prize winners for the month of June were John Titus and Marjorie Squires.



John Titus receives door prize



Bill Squires shows prize won by his wife Marjorie

## Atlanta Chapter Member Passes Away

Atlanta Chapter member Thomas Fisher Craft, Jr. resident of Decatur, GA passed away on June 15, 2017. Donations may be made to the Wesleyan College Chapel Fund, 4760 Forsyth Road, Macon, GA 31210-4462.

### Save the Date

The Atlanta Chapter will hold a Grave Dedication for our former member Fisher Craft on Friday October 6, 2017 at the Decatur Cemetery. Details to follow.

# New Scrapbook

In addition to the great Scrapbook being maintained by the Chapter's Historian, John Titus we now have a Scrapbook depicting the Chapter's efforts in placing a monument in the Warrenton City Cemetery commemorating the service of Revolutionary War Patriot Captain David **Bushnell**. Captain Bushnell was the inventor of the submarine, "**The Turtle**". This new addition was prepared by Alice and David Noble along with Terry Manning. Be sure to thank them. Both scrapbooks are available for your review at each of our meetings.

## **Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1776-1782**

### **Our book is now in the Library of Congress!**

The proceeds from the book to the Atlanta Chapter are already exceeding \$14,300. 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 42 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. Out of 300 books the chapter has distributed two thirds of the books. **There are only 93 books remaining.**

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)

#### **Volunteers needed**

The Chapter could use two or three volunteers to help identify which libraries in Georgia **Do Not** yet have a copy of the book. This would entail identifying libraries within the various Georgia Counties and contacting them to find out if they have a copy of the book. This would then give us a list to point people to who wish to make a donation. Please let Henry Cobb, David Noble or Richard Marsh know if you can do this. **So far Vic Verdi has volunteered to work on this.**

## **Our Chapter in the Community**

The Atlanta Chapter along with the Button Gwinnett Chapter of SAR and the Stephen Heard Chapter of NSDAR will be sponsors of the **grave marking for Thomas Maxwell** on September 2, 2017 in Elbert County, GA. More information to follow. We hope to see you there.

On June 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> Eugene Wilson, Henry Cobb, Greg Smith and Vic Verdi along with several ladies from the **Baron DeKalb Chapter of NSDAR** placed American flags on the graves of Revolutionary soldier graves in DeKalb County and City of Atlanta in observance of July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Photos from Thursday June 29<sup>th</sup> are below.



**Jennings Hulsey**



**Hulsey Family Cemetery**



**Lewis Stowers**



**Joseph Lyon**



**John Biffle**



**William Gunnell and Joel Chandler  
Eugene Wilson DiAnn Wheeler and Henry Cobb**



**William Morris**



**Isham Hendon**



**William Gilbert**



**William Suttles**

[More photos to be in the August newsletter.](#)

**Terry Manning** continues to represent SAR and the Atlanta Chapter with his many presentations to groups of all types. Terry has already made nearly 45 appearances for the first six months 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:

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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**  
**Phil Curtis**  
**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. The newest Atlanta Fellow is **Phil Curtis**.

### **Mentor Program**

The National Society is encouraging chapters 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.

**To date Henry Cobb and Al Adams have agreed to serve as mentors to new members.**

### **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.

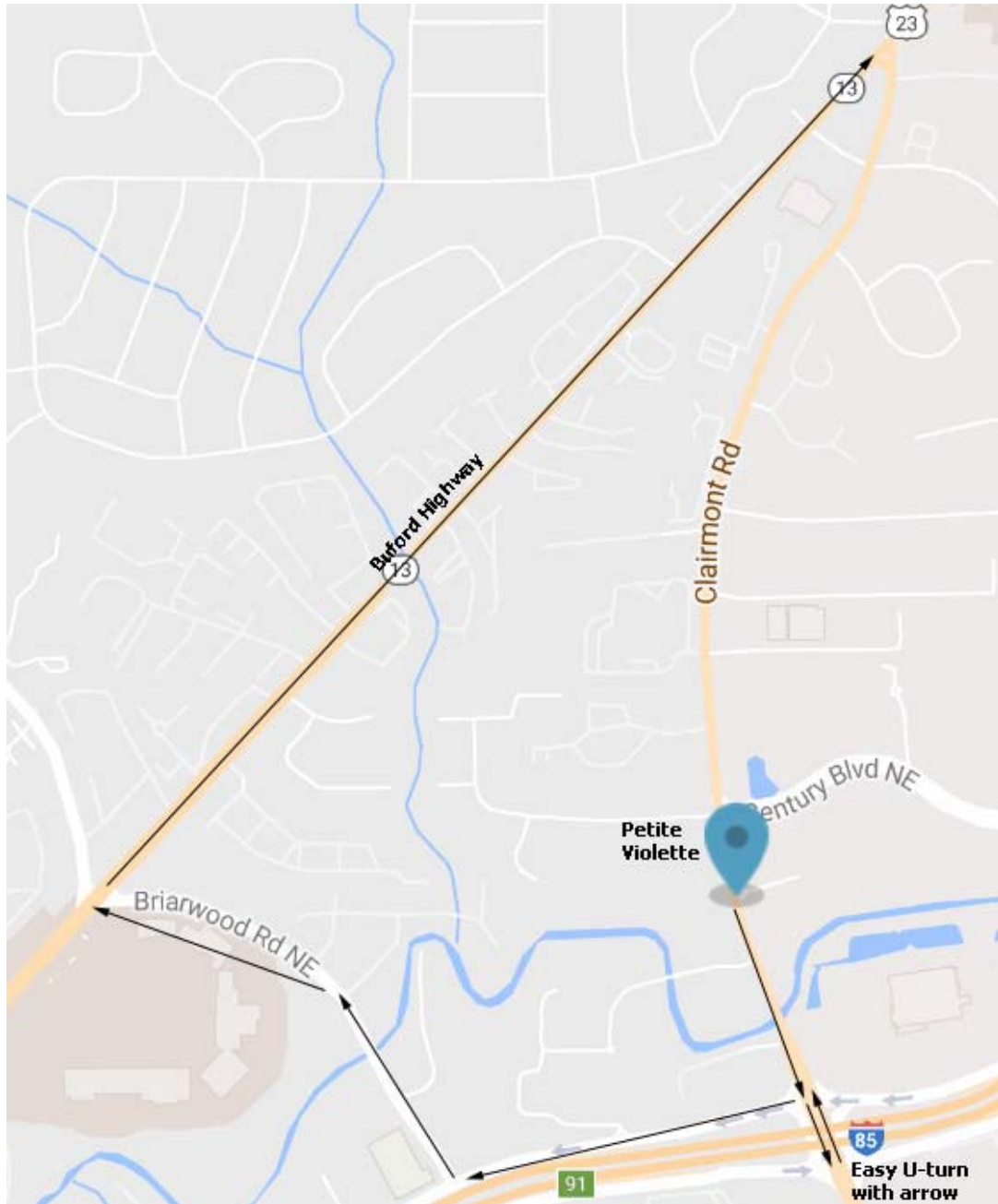
## **Parking**

**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.**



**Have you had a difficult time leaving Petite Violette to go back North on Clairmont Rd? If so here are a couple of potential solutions (see map below):**

- 1) Exit to the right and get into the far-left lane as though you were going to get onto I-85 North, instead make a U-turn under I-85 on Clairmont.
- 2) Exit to the right and turn right as though you were going to I-85 South, stay in the far-right lane on the frontage road and then turn right onto Briarwood Road between the Life Storage building and REI. This will take you to Buford Highway where you can turn right which will take you back to Clairmont Rd.





# July Birthdays

The following members have a birthday in July:

Bill Squires	2
Patrick Stoughton	10
Michael Huston	16
Roderick White	17
Cliff Judkins	17
Paul Spencer	18
James Noble	19
Davis Stitt	21
George Wysong	22
Ken Zeliff	23
William Pearson	26
George Smith	28

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

## Event Calendar

# Upcoming State and National SAR Events

## 2017

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

29 Jul – Board of Managers meeting, Garden Patch Restaurant, Barnesville, GA

02 Sep – **Grave Dedication of Patriot Thomas Maxwell** 11 AM, Elbert County, GA Co-sponsored by the **Atlanta**

### **Chapter**

02 Sep – Grave Dedication William Bibb Key 2 PM Elbert County, GA

16 Sep - Mrs. J. Ralph Hampton Grave Marking Alta Vista Cemetery, Gainesville, GA

19 Sep - William Few Commemoration & Constitution Day– Augusta, Georgia St. Paul's Church

09 Oct - Parade honoring the "Battle of Savannah, Savannah, GA

29 Oct – Grave marking of Patriot Leonard Willis, Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, Dallas, GA

04 Nov – Grave marking of Patriot Elisha Hearn, Putnam County, GA

18 Nov – Fort Morris State Park ceremony, Sunbury, GA

2 Dec – Battle of Vann's Creek, Richard Russell State Park, Elbert County, GA