



# Atlanta Tidbits Ledger

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## Next Meeting – Thursday June 8th

Mark your calendars for **Thursday June 8th** 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

June 8, 2017

Regular Monthly Meeting  
Petite Violette Restaurant  
Program- Ken Thomas

**DNA: The New Frontier In Genealogy presented by Ken Thomas**

**Along with our special guest from the Atlanta Chapter NSDAR**

## Summer Vacation

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

# Highlights of May Meeting

The speaker for the May meeting was Robert C. Jones who presented a talk on Spies during the Revolution.



President Cobb presents speaker Jones with a Certificate of Appreciation

Mr. Jones discussed 5 major spies during the Revolution:

- **Nathan Hale** volunteered for intelligence-gathering in New York City but was captured by the British and executed.
- **Lydia Barrington Darragh** in Philadelphia is credited with saving General George Washington's army from British attack by secretly listening to a meeting held in her house by General William Howe's adjutant general and other officers and then reporting to Washington.
- **Major John Clark** was primarily responsible for running the intelligence network in and around Philadelphia during the British occupation of the city he became a double agent.
- **The Culpeper Ring** was organized by Major Ben Tallmadge on orders from Gen. Washington. The main members were Abraham Woodhull and Robert Townsend. It has become the subject of the AMC series "*Turn Washington's Spies*" which begins the final season at 9 PM on June 17th. You can catch up by viewing prior episodes on the internet.
- **Kate Barry** with Andrew Barry warned the militia of coming British forces before the Battle of Cowpens.

If the subject of spies during the American Revolution is of interest then you may want to read the book "**George Washington's Secret Six**" by Brian Kilmeade and Don Yeager.

## David Noble discusses the use of Cadaver Dogs

David Noble discussed searching for possible Revolutionary War grave sites using Human Remains Detecting Dogs (HRD) also known as Cadaver dogs. After a brief video that showed one of the dogs in action, he read an excerpt from a paper prepared by Bigman and Associates that described the concept and sited sources. He thanked the members for our contribution of \$3,000 in 2016 that helped launch this project. The members present found this to be quite interesting.



Door Prize winners for the month of May were Bill Hays and Mark Bell.



## Two Atlanta Chapter Members Hold State Society Offices

Two members of the Atlanta Chapter are now in official capacity as Georgia Society Officers.

**David Noble** was elected to the position of State Genealogist.

**Richard Marsh** is now the State IT Chairman

# Atlanta Chapter Member Passes Away

Atlanta Chapter member Donald Allan Kenagy resident of Atlanta, GA passed away on May 14, 2017. In lieu of flowers, the family request donations be made to the Penn Ridge Cemetery Association, c/o Nancy Roberts, 3404 S. Texas Road, Trivoli, IL 61569. A celebration of Donald's life will be held at a later date.

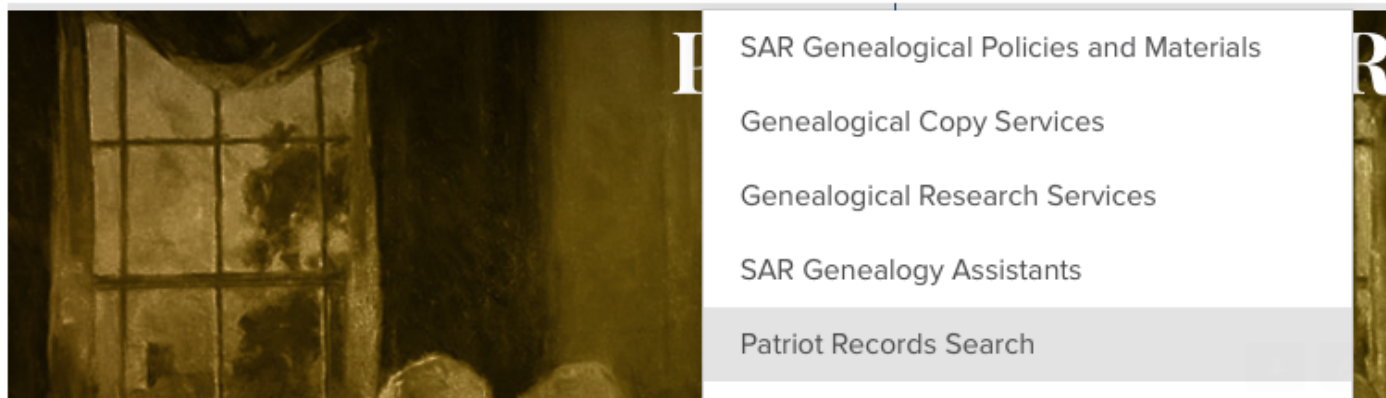
## Patriot Biographies

Please consider submitting a biographical sketch or information on the location of burial of your Patriot ancestor to National.

The Patriot Records Committee (now a combination of the Patriot Graves and Index Committee and the Patriot Biographies Committee), is charged with developing a strategy for gathering, assembling, producing and distributing updated versions of the SAR Patriot Index, the SAR Revolutionary War Graves Register and the expansion of the Patriot Biographies program. To access, the Patriot Records database on the national website, click on Patriot Records Search from the Genealogy drop-down.



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You will then see a description of the database and how to submit additions and updates. Items in bold red are hot links that will open new windows for the various activities The SAR Patriot Records Index is used to search the Patriot & Grave Index. A tutorial is provided as noted in the 3rd paragraph. Visitors and researchers may submit comments, corrections, and new information related to the Patriot Index or to Patriot Biographies.

When sending information, it is requested that the NSSAR-Patriot-Grave-Biography-Report which is accessed through the SAR Patriot Record Index be used. This will ensure that all information needed for data entry is included to expedite new entries and/or updates. Non-use of this format, could result in delays getting the data entered into the database.

This database is a work in progress. SAR volunteers are attempting to eliminate duplicates, make additions to records when new data becomes available, and add new records and or biographical sketches for patriots as these ancestors are vetted. Please consult the Patriot & Grave Index tutorial or the Patriot Biographies tutorial for further details when navigating the resource. Visitors and researchers may submit comments, corrections, and new information to the Patriot Index Committee by email at [patriotgraves@sar.org](mailto:patriotgraves@sar.org). When submitting a change or correction, please include the patriot's reference number, citations, and references to support the requested change, along with any relevant follow up contact information. Patriot biographical sketches are requested to be submitted



on the NSSAR Patriot Grave Biography Report. **Please note, there is no defined format for your submission, but we ask that you include the name of the submitter, his SAR Member National Number, the chapter and the state-level society.** Non-members are also encouraged to submit a biographical sketch. We ask that the information be between 200 – 500 words and be sent in a Microsoft WORD-compatible format. **There is no need for documentation references.** As noted within the database, it is the sole responsibility of the author to research the facts and data contained in the submission. **Citing sources is not required. The sketch cannot be used for proof of lineage.** It can, however, serve as a guide for the continuation of research. The Patriot Ancestor Database is one way you can honor your ancestor's for perpetuity. Completed forms related to only a biographical submission should be sent via email to [patriotbios@sar.org](mailto:patriotbios@sar.org).

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

If you have any questions please contact either member Henry Cobb or Jim Lee.

## 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)):

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 by \$200 by taking advantage of a \$100 stipend from the chapter and

\$100 stipend from the State Society. 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 GGoodwin 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 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.** It is a common misconception that every book printed is cataloged in the Library of Congress. Actually, it is a lengthy process and not all books are accepted. The Chapter's book was submitted to the Library of Congress in November 2016 and was subjected to a review for relevancy and content according to the library's criteria. We consider it an honor to be considered worthy of a place on the library's shelves. You may see the listing at <https://lccn.loc.gov/2016952704>

The proceeds from the book to the Atlanta Chapter are already exceeding \$12,800. 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. Out of 300 books the chapter has distributed two thirds of the books. **There are only 99 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**

**Join Eugene Wilson, Henry Cobb, Al Adams and members of the Baron DeKalb Chapter of NSDAR on Thursday and Friday June 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> to place flags on graves of Revolutionary Patriots in DeKalb County.** We will meet at 9 AM each morning in the parking lot of the First Baptist Church at the corner of Clairemont Avenue and Commerce Dr. in Decatur. **Please let Eugene or Henry know if you are planning to join us.**



**Terry Manning** continues to represent SAR and the Atlanta Chapter with his many presentations to groups of all types. Terry has already made nearly 33 appearances for the first five 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:

**President**  
**Vice President**  
**Secretary**  
**Treasurer**  
**Registrar**  
**Sergeant-At-Arms**  
**Chancellor**  
**Chaplain**

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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** recognized was **Bill Goodman**.



Bill Goodman receives his Atlanta Fellow Certificate and lapel pin



## 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.

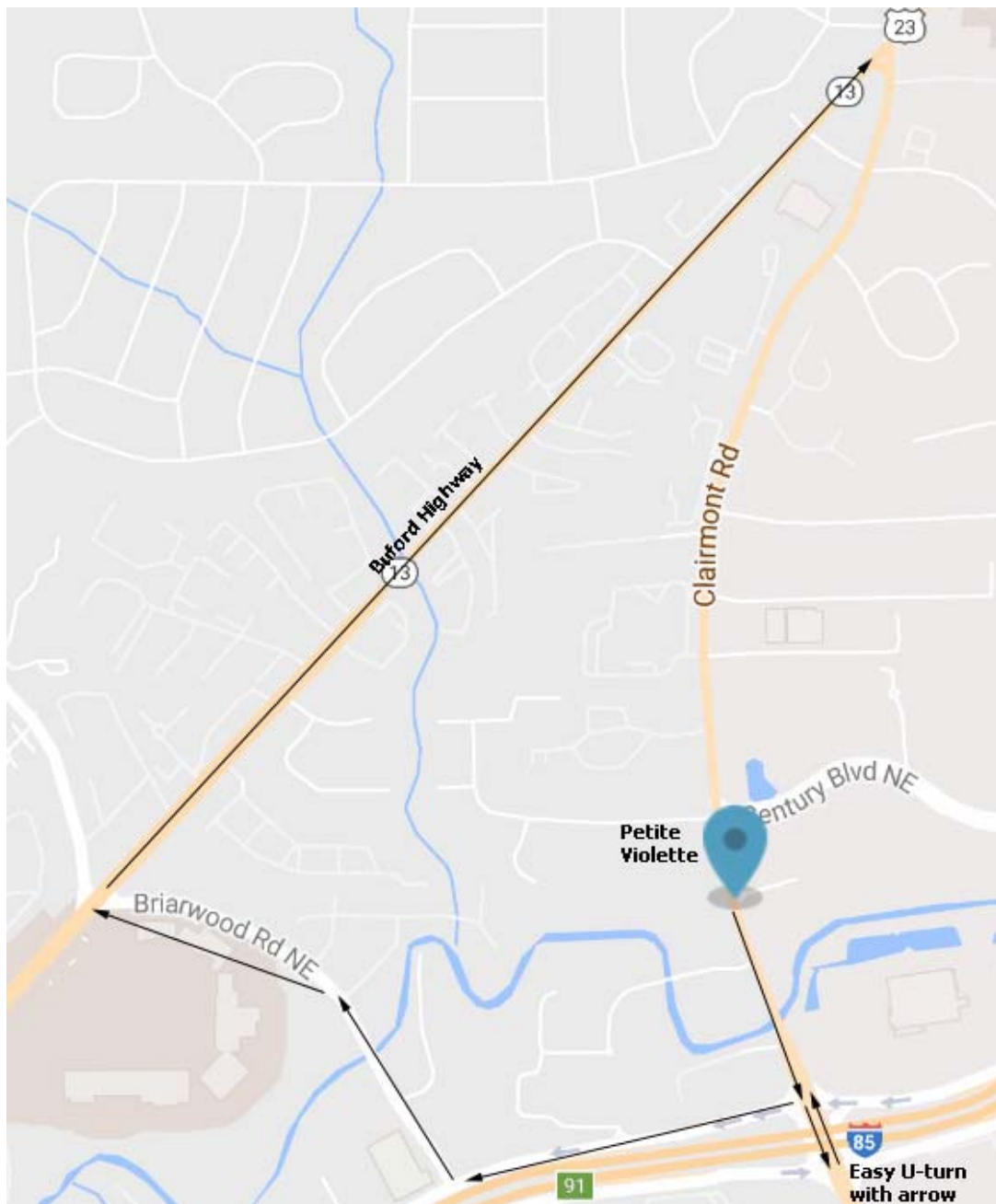
## Parking

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.



# June Birthdays

The following members have a birthday in June:

William 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
Kendall Zeliff	23
William Pearson	26
George Smith	28

**We are missing a few birthdays in our database. If you have a June 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
- 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