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Next Meeting – Thursday March 8th

Mark your calendars for **Thursday April 12th** 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 2nd Thursday

April 12, 2018

Our speaker will be **David Bessho** who served in the U.S. Army from 1983 to 2011. He was commissioned as an Infantry officer and served on active duty in West Germany and South Korea. After leaving active duty, he continued to serve in the Army Reserve as a Civil Affairs officer with the 360th Civil Affairs Brigade (Airborne). After 9/11, he was called up for service in Afghanistan in 2002, and again in 2007 for the surge campaign in Iraq. His presentation briefly covers the background and mission of the U.S. Army Civil Affairs branch and discusses some of the operations of the 360th Civil Affairs Brigade (Airborne) in Afghanistan (2002-2003) and Iraq (2007-2008).

March Meeting Highlights



Chapter President Henry Cobb leads the meeting





Tim F. Miller was our speaker in March. His topic was Patriots vs. Loyalists, America's First Civil War. He discussed how families were sometimes split because of their differences over the Colonies independence from Great Britain. An example he used was Benjamin Franklin and his son.

New Flag Steamer



Tom Gurley presents a streamer to Color Guard Chairman Terry Manning that was presented to the Chapter for placing a wreath at the Briar Creek ceremony on March 3rd.

Door Prize Winners

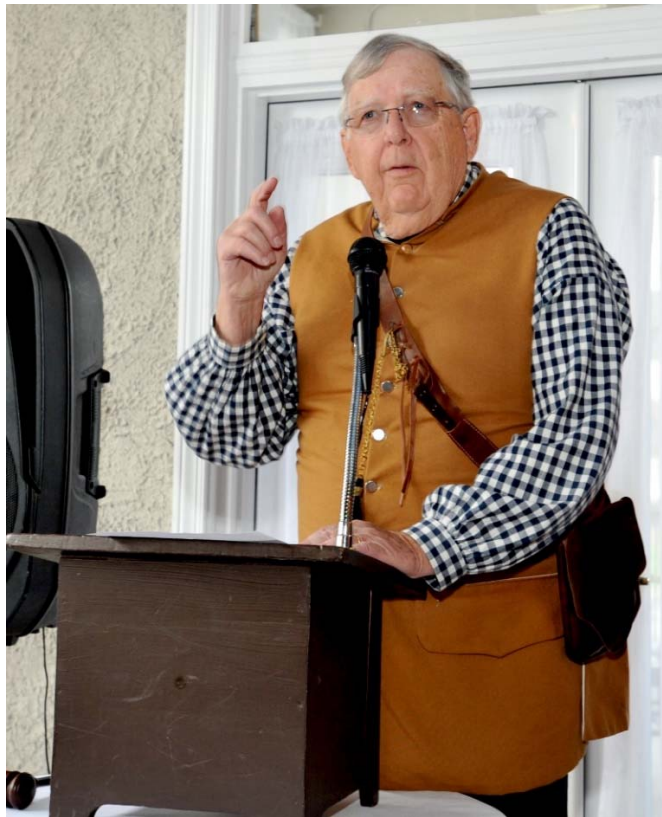


Dot Smith wins a pencil sharpener as one of the door prizes



John Titus was another one of the door prize winners

Two other door prize winners were Gregory Smith, suit bag and Ken Thomas, SAR lapel pin.



David Noble discusses locating the home site and grave of Col. John Dooly

Eagle Scout Chapter Essay Winner



In February Blair Dilbeck was awarded a medal and certificate for being the Chapter's Eagle Scout Essay contest winner.

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 approximately \$15,000. 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 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 less than 70 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

Some locations in Georgia that do not have a copy of the book are:

Dougherty County (Albany), Washington County (Sandersville), Gwinnett County, Laurens County (Dublin), Ware County (Waycross), Coffee County (Douglas), Henry County (McDonough), Houston County (Perry), Lowndes County (Valdosta). If you are interested in purchasing a book for a library in one of these locations please contact Richard Marsh. This is not a comprehensive list of the locations without books.

Our Chapter in the Community

Terry Manning continues to represent SAR and the Atlanta Chapter with his many presentations to groups of all types. During the first 3 months of **2018 Terry presented** programs on behalf of SAR to **over 1,100 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 on researching Col. John Dooley's home death and burial location.



2018 Chapter Officer Directory

Chapter officers to serve February 24, 2018, to February 23, 2019, are as follows:

President	Henry Cobb	whc2gt@yahoo.com
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Historian	John Titus	mojotitus@bellsouth.net

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.

Al Adams
Bill Armstrong
Stuart Brady
Sam Chafin
Philip Clinkscales III
Henry Cobb
John Coning
Ed Conley
Phil Curtis
Bill Goodman
Gene Grasser
Tom Gurley
James Hankins
Joseph Hankins
Pat Hankins
Ann Hays
Bill Hays
Don Kenagy
Charles Lord
Katherine Lord
Bruce Maney
Charlie Maney
Ginny Manning

Terry Manning
Richard Marsh
Ted McMullan
Lowrey McNeel
Joe Meyer
Charlie Newcomer
Alice Noble
David Noble
James Noble
Ray Patton
Joyce Patton
Loy Reddick
Ed Rigel, Sr.
Joan Rigel
Stephen Schroeder
Kathleen Ann 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. Our newest (46th) Atlanta Fellow is Charlie Newcomer.

Veterans Respect Activities

The role of the Veterans Respect Committee is to pursue opportunities to honor and recognize current service members and veterans of past service. A wide range of activities fall under this charge. Some examples are:

- hours served in the VA Hospital (VAH) Volunteer Service,
- visiting a veteran in a VAH, nursing home or private home,
- donating personal care items to a VAH or nursing home serving veterans,
- donating publications to a VAH,
- organizing an outing for one or more veterans,

- participating in a veteran's funeral as a participant, pallbearer, or attendee,
- attendance at Revolutionary War Veteran's Grave Marking,
- participating in placing flags or wreaths on veteran's graves.

We are aware that many of our Atlanta Chapter members have been involved in such activities, but do not know the extent. We would like to gather information on such efforts. If you have been involved in any such activities since January 1, 2017, please report the details to our President Henry Cobb ([404-664-8204/whc2gt@yahoo.com](tel:404-664-8204)) or our Historian John Titus ([678-995-0874/mojotitus@bellsouth.net](tel:678-995-0874)).

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.

JROTC

Tom Gurley presented a Bronze JROTC medal and Certificate to Cadet Captain Ernest Zode Compton at Grady High School on March 21st.



The Chapter could use more volunteers to present awards to JROTC Cadets (NO Speeches required).

Membership

New Members

Member

Lynn Chadwick Butler

Thomas Wood Montgomery

Matthews Michael Pierson (2017)

Leroy Lamar, III

Marion Bryan Lamar

Patriot Ancestor

Ichabod Marshall

John Morton

David Lawyer

Joshua Wilson

Joshua Wilson

Transfer In

John Kirkpatrick Thompson, Jr.

John Kirkpatrick Thompson, III (junior member)

Hugh Rogers

Hugh Rogers

Reinstatements

Supplemental Certificates

Gregory Smith

Cristobal Faustin Vigil

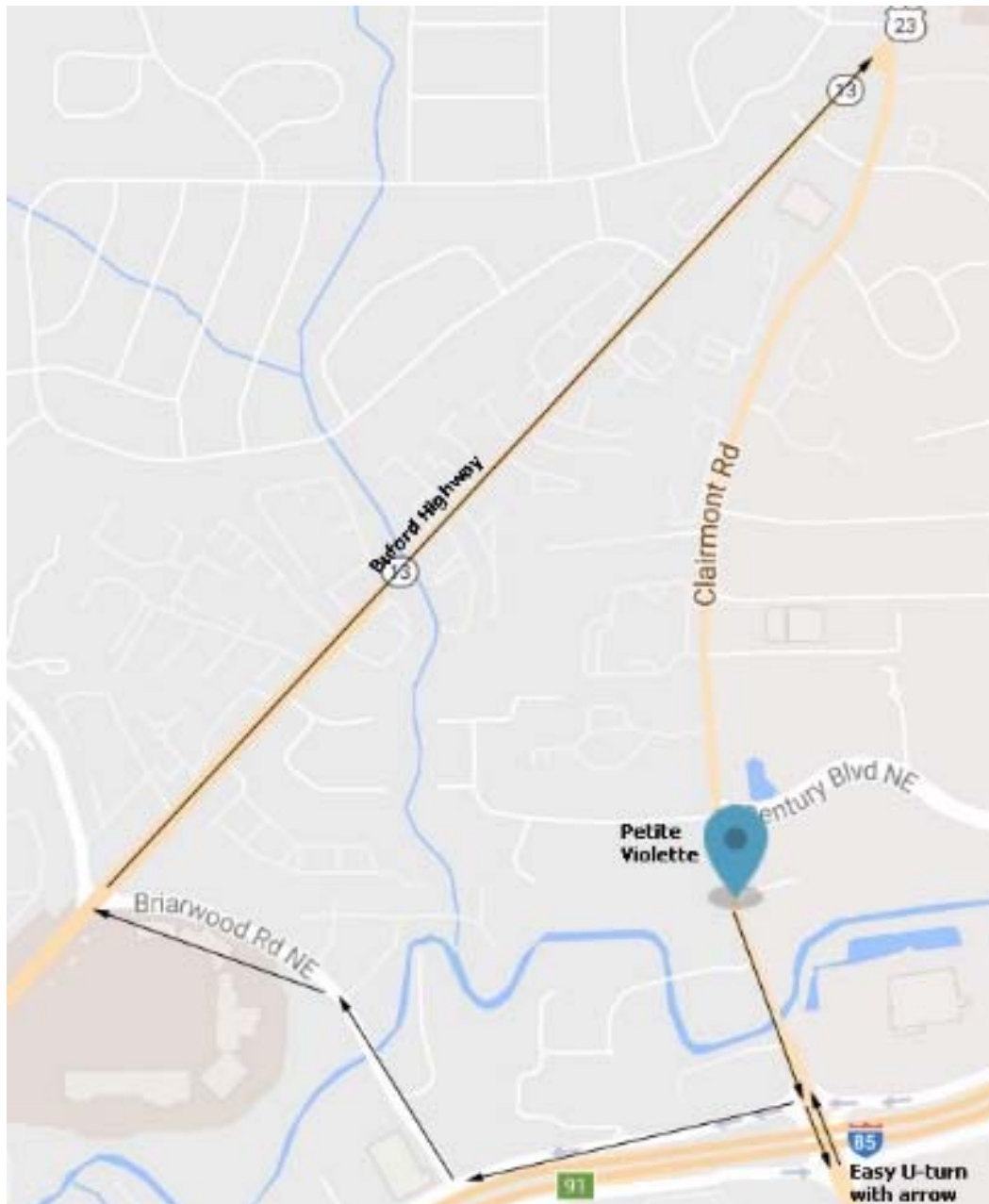
Parking

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.



April Birthdays

The following members have a birthday in April:

Richard Marsh	1 st
Bill Gurley	2 nd
David Noble	3 rd
Newton Quantz, IV	6 th
Robert Schmidt	12 th
Charles Griffin	13 th
Daniel Meacham	16 th
Ted Gordon	16 th
Charlie Newcomer	18 th
William Scurry	20 th
Matthew Zelif	23 rd
Ed Floyd	25 th
Merritt Pearson	27 th
Gregory Smith	29 th

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

2018

07 April Battle of Thomas Creek, Jacksonville, FL

14 and 15 April Frederica Patriots Day, St. Simons Island, GA

21 April Grave Marking Absalom Hooper, Cullowhee, NC

28 April Georgia Society Board of Managers meeting Barnesville, GA