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Next Meeting – Thursday – January 14

The next regularly scheduled chapter meeting is at the **Petite Auberge Restaurant** in the center of the Toco Hills Shopping complex at 2935 N. Druid Hills Road NE in Atlanta at noon on Thursday, January 14. 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 (February 20 at the **Cherokee Town & Country Club**) at a different site and in July and August when we do not schedule a regular meeting.

We encourage you to bring with you **soda can tabs** to support the **Children of the American Revolution**, **Box Labels for Education** to support **DAR** programming, and **magazines and toiletries** for the **VA Medical Center**. A drop-off point at the table next to the registration table is set up to receive your donations.

Monthly Program

A Different Perspective on Iraq

Remember that line from a popular country-western song that goes something like, "Not sure I know the difference between Iraq and Iran..."? Well, now's your chance. **Atlanta Chapter SAR** is honored to have an American Patriot who served this nation in the Mid-Eastern War as our January guest speaker. He is **Craig L. Schneider, LTC U.S. Army (Ret.)** whose topic will be "A Different Perspective on Iraq". **LTC Schneider** has served throughout his military career as an Intelligence Officer with 13 years of service in Naval Intelligence, including duty in Desert Storm/Desert Shield, Kosovo, Iraq, and Kuwait. His military decorations include the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, and the Knowlton Award of the Military Intelligence Corps Association. He holds a Master's Degree in Public Education from Norwich University and a BA in Latin American Studies from the University of Texas, El Paso. Come, hear this intriguing, firsthand insight on the war as it occurred in Iraq.

DAR Liaison

Invitation to DAR Georgia Day Luncheon



The **Hightower Trail Chapter NSDAR** has invited Atlanta Chapter SAR members to attend its **Annual Georgia Day Luncheon** at the **Canton 1**st **United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall** at 930 Lower Scott Mill Road, Canton, on 6 February at 11 a.m. Featured speaker will be **Walker Chewning** on "Kettle Creek Battlefield – Its History and Future Plans for Development and Management." Send \$22 check payable to the chapter by February 1 to Linda Hartung, 101 Susobell Pl, Woodstock, GA 30188-5103.

Atlanta Officers for 2016 Elected



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

President Al Adams saratlsec@aol.com 1st Vice President Harold Brooks hbrooks@peachtreepres.org 2nd Vice President Fisher Craft tfcraft@bellsouth.net **David Rosinger** drosinger@yahoo.com Secretary **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 Harold Brooks hbrooks@peachtreepres.org Historian temanning@aol.com Terry Manning

Chapter Color Guard

GASSAR Updates Uniform Costs

The Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution (GASSAR) recently updated the estimate for compiling a replica Revolutionary War militia uniform in Section 18.03.2 of its online *Source Book* (at www.georgiasocietysar.org) by reporting the following:

The cost of a militia uniform is much less than that of a Washington Guard uniform. Since the militia outfit is usually purchased piecemeal, the following is an indicative cost (prices from James Townsend and Sons (Dec 2015)):

Fall or Fly Front Knee Breeches \$90

18th Century Work Shirt \$45 plain or \$55 checked

Neck Stock \$8.50 Hunting Shirt, canvas \$65-80

Standard Wool Felt Tricorn Black TH-905 \$66 (need to use the search function for the TH-905)

Heavy Cotton Stockings \$13 Leather Garters \$8

Shoes, shoe buckles, suspenders, and accessories would be extra. The cost would be even lower if the outfit were homemade.

The above estimate totals about \$300 using the lowest price ranges provided. Now is an excellent time to outfit yourself while there is the opportunity to reduce the cost to \$100 by taking advantage of a \$100 stipend from the chapter and a \$100 stipend from the state (upon attending at least one state scheduled Color Guard event in uniform). 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! For help or further tips on choosing your style of militia attire, talk to **Jim Hankins, David Noble,** or **Terry Manning**.

A Little of This and a Little of That

- The **Atlanta Chapter SAR** sponsored 17 wreaths at the annual **Wreaths Across America Ceremony** at **Southview Cemetery** on Saturday, December 12.
- The chapter Historian has deposited with the State Historian the chapter's scrapbooks covering 2001 to 2014 for placement in the state society's records collection at the **Atlanta History Center**. The AHC holds the chapter's records covering 1929 to the present.
- The new movie *Revenant* looks like an action-packed version of what life on the frontier might have been like. Send us your reviews!
- New bargain books found at Barnes & Noble include *The Birth of American Spying The Fox and the Hound* (\$7.98, 260 pages) and *Revolutionary Spies Intelligence and Espionage in America's First War* (296 pages).

Membership Activity

Contact **Registrar David Noble** to assist your friends and relatives with new membership (<u>danoble10@att.net</u>). Contact **Henry Cobb** to assist you with supplemental applications to recognize your second, third, and additional patriot ancestors (<u>whc2gt@yahoo.com</u>).

Community Programs

Atlanta History Center Hosts Three Kings Day

Apparently the following program has nothing to do with **Martin Luther King**, so some of our members may find it of interest or may otherwise wish to visit the AHC grounds and exhibits at no cost on January 10:

Sunday, January 10

Día de los Reyes - Kick off the New Year with the **Three Kings Day**. This Latin tradition is celebrated through storytelling, music, live performances, and activities designed for the entire family, including a special visit and photo opportunity with the three kings! **This is a free admission day at Atlanta History Center.** Guests are invited to enjoy this holiday festival, and if time permits, to continue their free day adventures with a variety of Atlanta History Center offerings from discoveries of signature and traveling exhibitions to historic house experiences and explorations of beautiful gardens and trails. Food and drinks are available for purchase.

Where: Atlanta History Center, 130 West Paces Ferry Rd NW, Atlanta, Georgia

When: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Board of Managers

Chapter Officers To Meet January 7

Outgoing and incoming officers will meet at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 7, to plan activities into the new year. Members interested in attending or submitting subjects for discussion are welcome to join us or to contact us with your ideas.

YE ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE OF ELIJAH CLARKE AND THE HEROES OF THE HORNET'S NEST



Moving in 2016 from Sunday to Friday!!! Noon to 2:30 p.m., February 12, 2016

Elijah Clark State Park 2959 McCormick Highway East of Downtown Lincolnton, GA

This year kick off your Kettle Creek Weekend Celebration with a free chili chow-down luncheon and dessert buffet followed at 2:00 with a memorial wreath presentation and musket salute to honor Georgia's patriot leader Elijah Clark and other militia "Heroes of the Hornet's Nest." Noted historian Christine Swager will be the guest speaker and regional color guard and militia units will combine to bring pomp and circumstance to the occasion. Indoor facilities are available in the event of inclement weather.

Special discounts of \$105 a night (plus tax) will be offered for 2-night cabin rentals at the park on this weekend.

Sponsored by the Elijah Clark State Park; Friends of the Elijah Clark Park; Lincoln County Historical Society; Lincoln County Chamber of Commerce; Farmer's State Bank; William Few & Atlanta Chapters of the Sons of the American Revolution; and the Stephen Heard & Elijah Clarke Chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Those who want to present a wreath on behalf of DAR or a Patriot ancestor but don't want to haul one around can participate in our Penny Wreath Program! For questions about wreath presentations contact: canewcomer@att.net



2015 Chapter Officers (thru 2/20/16)

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Join our **Atlanta Fellows** whose donations help support our extended outreach programs which have been recognized by the Georgia Society SAR as best in Georgia in 2013 and 2014.

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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, Color Guard, and Flag Receptacle program and funded our Chapter Banner and SAR Table Cover. Donations toward chapter sponsored events such as Wreaths Across America also credit toward the Atlanta Fellow program.

Members Support Friends of the Library

Treasurer Jim Hankins reports that Compatriot William Hurst has joined other chapter members with a donation toward the National Society's Friends of the Library Program. Atlanta Chapter has become a leading chapter in the state in support of this opportunity to make donations to the SAR Library at our national headquarters in Louisville, Kentucky.



Education Outreach

Chapter To Begin New Year with a Variety of Historic Programming Across Georgia

The **Atlanta Chapter** will continue its role as the most active adult education outreach SAR chapter in Georgia with a variety of lectures in January.

- January 10 "Oglethorpe's Folly" at the meeting of the **Chestatee River Chapter NSDAR** in Roswell
- January 11 "The Four Voyages of Columbus" at the **National Society Daughters of American Colonists** in Macon
- January 13 "Kettle Creek" at the meeting of the Cherokee Chapter DAR in Atlanta
- January 20 "'Citation & Analysis for the Family Historian" at the meeting of the **Genealogy Study Group** in Lawrenceville
- January 27 "Oglethorpe's Folly" at the meeting of Cicely Farrar Chapter CDXVIIC in Alpharetta

Member Benefits

Sacred Soils Samples at January Meeting

Members may recall that two of our members, **Compatriots David Noble** and **Jim Hankins**, have collected samples of soil from known battle sites of the Revolutionary War in Georgia. The soils were used to create our **Sacred Soils** displays. The leftover soils were intermingled to create a mixture of **Sacred Soils** for use in future grave dedications in Georgia. Small vials of the soils will be available at the January meeting to those members who may have an ancestor buried in Georgia that you would like to honor by placing a sample of soil at their grave that could contain soil on which your ancestor fought during the war. Or members may wish a sample of soil as a personal memento.

The registration form for our annual February George Washington Birthday Celebration and Annual Meeting to be held on Saturday, February 20, 2016, at 11:00 a.m. is provided by separate file.