

# Atlanta Tidbits Ledger

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### No Meeting in August Next Meeting – Thursday, September 8

Mark your calendars for the next regularly scheduled chapter meeting at the **Petite Auberge Restaurant** in the Toco Hills Shopping complex at 2935 N. Druid Hills Road NE in Atlanta at noon. 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. 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.

#### **David Noble Earns Florence Kendall Award**

Many Patriots in the **Atlanta Chapter** and around the state are well aware of **Dr. David Noble's** leadership associated with his work at **Kettle Creek Battlefield** and with his efforts in the soon to be published book "**Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1775-1783**." With all that he does, we sometimes take for granted the job that he has done so well for a number of years, **Chapter Registrar and Membership Chairman**. David's success in bringing new members into the Society has not been overlooked at the national level. At the **National Society, Sons of the American Revolution's 126<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference** held in Boston July 8-13, **David Noble** was awarded the **Florence Kendall Award**. This award is presented to the "top three compatriots who have recruited the largest number of new members." **David was Number One** with 55 new members last year, well above number two and three. In addition he was presented with the **Liberty Medal and six Oak Leaf Clusters** to go along with the many Oak Leaf Clusters that he had been presented in the past. Each Oak Leaf Cluster represents 10 new members brought into the Society.

Two time Past State President George Thurmond made the announcement at the recent State Board of Managers meeting in Barnesville. George said that "In my opinion, this goes along with the Color Guardsman of the Year and Westmoreland award as the top honors each congress! We (Georgia) haven't had a Florence Kendall recipient in probably 20 years. When you are at the head of the line in a 34,000 membership line, you have achieved something special."

David does amazing work in many areas, and he is well on the way to the Florence Kendall Award again next year. **Thank you David** from all of us in the Atlanta Chapter.

## Atlanta Chapter Web Site Control Regained

Any other month of the year this would be the lead story. After over a year of wrangling and legal work, the Atlanta Chapter has regained total control of our website <a href="www.saratlanta.org">www.saratlanta.org</a>. In an effort that has included countless hours of work by one of our new members, **Charles Griffin**, along with guidance and assistance from **Richard Marsh**, the chapter can now update the content of our long dormant web site.

It would be difficult, if not impossible, to convey the amount of effort that **Charles** has put into this project. He innocently volunteered to take this on, but it is highly unlikely that he expected to encounter that obstacles that kept popping up in front of him. Because of his work schedule, Charles is not able to attend many of our meetings, but please take every opportunity to thank him for his work.

**Richard Marsh** has now placed the website back in working order. Over the next few weeks and months he will continue to refine the content of the site and get it back into an asset that will be of great value to the Atlanta Chapter. Richard asked that the following information be shared with all of our members:

**IMPORTANT NOTE**: Beginning in September, all newsletters and Chapter correspondence will be transmitted from the new website domain using the email address: <a href="mailto:ChapterNews@saratlanta.org">ChapterNews@saratlanta.org</a>. Please make note of this and make sure that this email address is not blocked by your email server.

We would like to build the new website containing information and content that is meaningful to the membership as well as those visiting our site. Please take a few minutes and visit saratlanta.org and take a tour. Please remember that development only began a few days ago and there is still much work to do. Please send any comments and/or suggestions to Richard at <a href="mailto:saratlanta@gmail.com">saratlanta@gmail.com</a>.

Thanks go to all of those involved in getting this issue resolved. In addition to **Charles** and **Richard**, thanks go to **Henry Cobb and Terry Manning** for their work to move this forward.

As a side note, the new National website reported last month continues to have problems. President Tomme asked for patience as they attempt to resolve the issues.

#### **Activity Updates**

# Our Projects Move Forward

As reported last month, **David Noble** reports that the **State DNR** has approved the cadaver dog and ground penetrating radar study contracts at **Kettle Creek**. David was back at Kettle Creek the last week of July. He hopes to soon take a group outing to the **Kettle Creek Battlefield**.

**Richard Marsh and David Noble** expect to should hear from the **Taylor Foundation** in the near future about the publishing date for the book "Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1775-1783." Get ready to purchase a copy for your favorite Library or Historical Society.

# Membership Growth Continues

Chapter membership continues to grow. **Membership Chairman David Noble** reports that 22 applications have been mailed to the State Registrar so far this year.

#### **Chapter Donations**

## **Quilts of Valor Thank You**

The Atlanta Chapter recently received a Thank You from the Gwinnett Quilts of Valor for the Chapter's donation.

May 31, 2016

Gwinnett Quilts of Valor Quilters 1201 Timber Glen Court Lilburn, Georgia 30047

Dear Atlanta SAR

Once again it is my pleasure to personally thank the Atlanta SAR on behalf of the Gwinnett Quilts of Valor Quilters for your donation.

Our local QOV group meets monthly to work on the quilts for our men and women that are or have served our county so bravely. With your help, we can continue to purchase the fabric and batting that is needed for the many quilts that we make and present..

On behalf of those that receive our quilts and for our volunteer quilters that wish to honor them with a quilt, we thank you so very much for your donation.

Gratefully,

Girny Manning

Treasurer

## Washington Memorial Library Donation

At the recent **Board of Managers** Meeting for the Atlanta Chapter, a donation in the amount of \$100 was approved to the **Washington Memorial Library in Macon** for use in an area that would benefit genealogy study. The donation was made from the proceeds of our past **Book Sale** efforts that were set aside for **Education**.

## 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.

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

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.

#### **Upcoming**

## **Upcoming Regular Atlanta Chapter Meetings**

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

## **Upcoming State and National SAR Events**

- 3 Sep Grave Marking Robert Walters, Sr., at Shoal Creek Bapt. Ch., Hart County, Morning
- 3 Sep Grave Marking Moses Ayers, Old Reed Creek Church, Hart County, Afternoon
- 10 Sep Commemoration of Battle of Brier Creek (see invitation below)
- 17 Sep -- William Few Commemoration, Augusta
- 18 Sep Grave Marking for Compatriot Albert Sydney Johnson III, sponsored by the Athens Chapter SAR and Elijah Clarke and Rev. John Andrews Chapters DAR, Bishop, GA, 1400 hrs
- 24 September Chartering Ceremony Mount Vernon Chapter, evening
- 30 Sep NSSAR Fall Trustee/Leadership Meeting
- 01 Oct NSSAR Fall Trustee/Leadership Meeting
- 01 Oct Compatriot Gosnell Grave Marking sponsored by Casimir Pulaski Chapter:
- 7 Oct Kings Mountain
- 9 Oct Savannah
- 15 Oct Grave Marking sponsored by William Few Chapter:
- 19 Oct Yorktown
- 22 Oct GA SAR BOM Meeting, Barnesville, 1000 hrs
- 22 Oct Grave Marking sponsored by the Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, Griffin, 3:30:
- 29 October Patriot James Rylee Grave Marking sponsored by Robert Forsyth, Lyman Hall and Joseph Habersham Chapters, Gillsville, GA
- 11 November Veterans Day Ceremony, Oconee Veterans Memorial Park, Watkinsville, 1100 hrs
- 11 Nov Veterans Day Activities
- 19 Nov -- Fort Morris

#### **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 1st Vice President Harold Brooks Fisher Craft 2nd Vice President **Secretary David Rosinger Treasurer** Henry Cobb II Registrar David Noble **Sergeant-At-Arms** Bob Campbell Chancellor Ed Floyd Chaplain Harold Brooks Historian **Terry Manning** 

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#### WILLIAM FEW CHAPTER AND THE WIREGRASS CHAPTER

With the

#### **BRIAR CREEK CHAPTER**

Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution

Invite you to attend the

#### 237<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF BRIAR CREEK

Saturday, September 10, 2016 at 11:00 A.M.

Brannens Bridge Road (entrance is about 100 yards from the Briar Creek landing/bridge)

Sylvania, Screven County, Georgia

Coordinates N 32º 48º 19.82º W 81º 28º 17.05º

SAR, DAR, C.A.R., other patriotic and lineage societies & chapters and the general public are invited to participate in the formal wreath laying ceremony at the Briar Creek Battleground. Continental, militia or period attire is encouraged.

Please complete and return the registration form provided on the following page no later than Saturday, September 3, 2016 for the registration to be included in the printed program. Registration forms should be returned to:

Mrs. Jane Durden

DAR Liaison to the Wiregrass Chapter
PO Box 478

Swainsboro, GA 30401

hsdurden@bellsouth.net
478-494-4113



# The Athens Chapter Sons of the American Revolution And The Elijah Clarke and Rev. John Andrew Chapters, NSDAR

#### Requests the honor of your presence

At the dedication of a grave marker Commemorating the service of

Compatriot
Albert Sydney Johnson III

**Sunday, Sept.18, 2016** 

2:00 P.M.

Bishop Cemetery Bishop Cemetery Road Bishop Georgia

Please R.S.V.P. Before Sept. 1, 2016 If you plan to lay a wreath, contact William Galt 706-424-6086 billyg@uga.edu



#### **Directions:**

From Atlanta: From I-85 North to HWY 316. Right on Hwy 53 East. Right at light just past Publix on Experiment Station Road. Right on ramp for 441 bypass of Watkinsville. Take right in Bishop on Bishop Cemetery road.

From Athens loop: Take exit 441 South. Stay on 441 bypass of Watkinsville. Take right in Bishop onto Bishop Cemetery road

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