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Next Meeting – Thursday March 14th

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

Our speaker for March will be **Hoke Kimball** co-author of the book "Governor's Houses and State Houses of British Colonial America 1607 to 1783 – an Historical, Architectural and Archaeological Survey". The book is a comprehensive survey of British colonial governor's houses and buildings used as state houses in North American colonies.

Atlanta Chapter Receives Several Awards at The Annual State Society meeting

The Atlanta Chapter received several awards at the State Society's Annual Meeting on January 26th. A list of the awards is as follows:

Flag Certificate Award

For presenting the most flag certificates of any chapter in 2018

Georgia Society Membership Award 2018

For retaining 90% or more of members

Georgia Society Distinguished Chapter 2018

For meeting goals and objectives of the Georgia Society

Education Outreach Streamer & Certificate 2018
*For history, patriotism and educational presentations
to over 1,000 students and adults*

BG Robert L. Scott, Jr. Veterans Award 2018
1st Place Group IV
For outstanding support to Nation's Veterans

President General's Award Chapter of Distinction 2018
For promoting the ideals of our National and State Societies

President General's Award Chapter of Excellence 2018
*For conducting programs and activities that
promote SAR ideals*

Americanism Award Chapter of Distinction 2018
For surpassing previous year's total by 20%

Americanism Award Chapter of Excellence 2018
For attaining 5,000 Americanism points

Rev. War Patriot Grave Marking 4 stars
Adams, Banks, Gains and Eavenson

Georgia Society Compatriot Grave Marking 1 star

Atlanta Chapter SAR Celebrates George Washington's 287th Birthday At Capital City Club Luncheon/Awards Meeting

Outgoing Atlanta Chapter two-term President Henry Cobb presided over his final meeting on Saturday, February 23rd. A new slate of Officers was sworn into office by Scott Collins, Georgia State SAR President. New officers are: Jim Freeman, President; Mark Bell, 1st Vice President; Charlie Newcomer, 2nd Vice President; Al Adams, Secretary; Richard Marsh, Treasurer/IT Chairman; Dave Noble, Registrar; Ed Floyd, Chancellor; Bob Campbell, Sergeant At Arms; John Titus, Chaplain; Henry Cobb, Historian; and Terry Manning, Color Guard Commander.

The meeting site was the lovely Capital City Club dining room, hosted by Chapter 1st Vice President Mark Bell. Attendees enjoyed an excellent meal, service and parking. Terry Manning took members into his vast content of *Mini Traveling Trunks* for another outstanding performance as guest speaker. A generous number of chapter member awards were presented. Atlanta Chapter received a total of six NSSAR State Awards and a number of Streamers were added to the Chapter flag.

Chaplain J.R. McAliley, III, conducted Member Memorials for 2 fallen compatriots:

**Dares Emery Wirt
Deceased April 26, 2018
And
Douglas Theodore Stephens
Deceased January 21,2019**

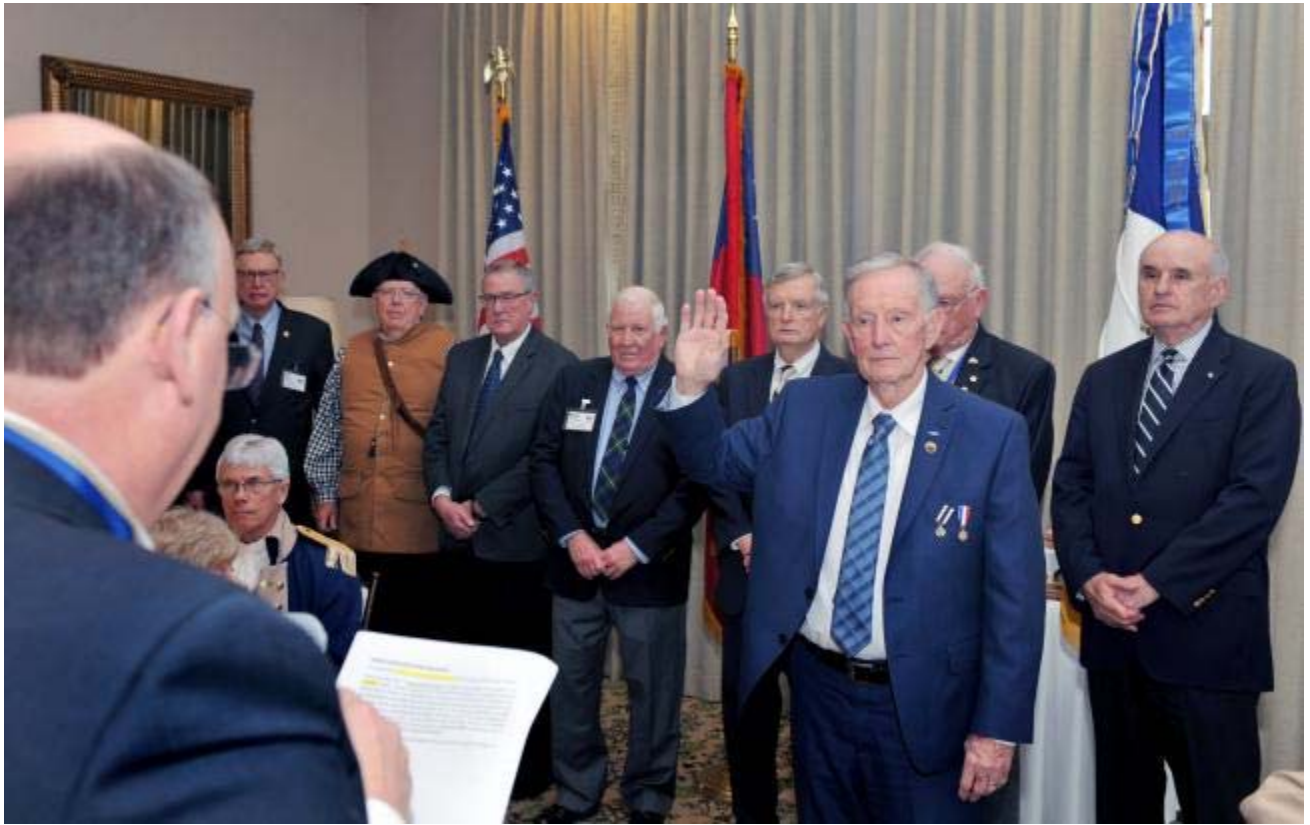
The chapter extends its appreciation to the outgoing officers who served and welcomes the newly elected officers. Atlanta Chapter will continue to seek opportunities that perpetuate patriotism and provide community service.



Outgoing Officers



New Officers (l to r) Cobb, Floyd, Noble, Marsh, Campbell, Titus, Newcomer, Bell and Adams are inducted by Scott Collins State Society President



Jim Freeman is inducted by State President Collins



Jim Freeman is congratulated by Scott Collins



Ann Cobb receives the Lydia Darragh award



Bill Hays, Gene Grasser and Ed Floyd



President Cobb stands in front of award table



J.R. McAliley receives Bronze Roger Sherman award



Peggy Freeman receives medal of appreciation



Eugene Wilson receives the Bronze Roger Sherman award



Al Adams receives Military Service award



George Wysong receives the Law Enforcement award



Gregory Smith receives the Distinguished Service award



Terry Manning entertains the crowd with an item from the Traveling Trunk

Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1776-1782

Limited Supply of Books Remaining (there will not be more).

If you have been thinking about purchasing a book now is the time.

The proceeds from the book to the Atlanta Chapter are approximately **\$19,000** 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 40 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 of 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), 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, David Noble, John Titus and Bill Goodman continue to represent SAR and the Atlanta Chapter with their many presentations to groups of all types.

During 2018 they presented 85 programs on behalf of SAR to over 3,600 individuals.

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.

Atlanta Chapter is co-sponsor of the Elijah Clark Ceremony



Parts of the ceremony held at Elijah Clark State Park.



2019 Chapter Officer Directory

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

President	Jim Freeman	jimfreeone@comcast.net
1st Vice President	Mark Bell	rexdad@comcast.net
2nd Vice President	Charlie Newcomer	canewcomer@att.net
Secretary	Al Adams	moveradams@aol.com
Treasurer	Richard Marsh	rpmarsh1@att.net
Registrar	David Noble	danoble10@att.net
Sergeant-At-Arms	Bob Campbell	gingerbob@bellsouth.net
Chancellor	Ed Floyd	floyd7@bellsouth.net
Chaplain	John Titus	mojotitus@bellsouth.net
Historian	Henry Cobb	whc2gt@yahoo.com

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
Jim Freeman
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

Our chapter has begun a new project to purchase VA Canteen Coupon Books which patients can use in the canteen, coffee shop or cafeteria at the VAH, Decatur. These books will be distributed by the VA Volunteer Service at the hospital. At each meeting there will be a jar marked "\$ for VA Canteen Coupon Books" to accept donations. Please look for it and contribute a dollar (or more).

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, 2019, please report the details to our Chaplain John Titus (678-995-0874/mojotitus@bellsouth.net)

Membership

Transfer In

Member

Gregory Bingham

Patriot Ancestor

Samuel Bingham

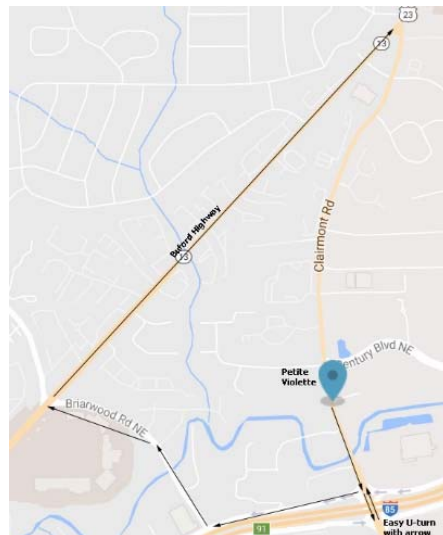
Parking

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.





March Birthdays

The following members have a birthday this month:

Stephen Schroeder, Sr.	4 th
Brian Brown, Jr.	5 th
Henry Cobb	9 th
Charles Moran, Jr.	10 th
Baxter Bedell	10 th
Bob Campbell	10 th
Timothy Murphy	13 th
Bruce Maney	13 th
John Henry, Jr.	15 th
Ford Pierson	16 th
Stephen Allgood	17 th
Mark Bell	22 nd
Jim Toney	24 th
Gregory Miller	25 th
Ed Floyd	25 th
Peter Lyon	27 th
Richard Williams	27 th
Brian McKinney	28 th
William Skinner	29 th
Eugene Wilson	31 st

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

Event Calendar

Upcoming State and National SAR Events

2019

March 2 – Battle of Briar Creek

March 16 – Guilford Courthouse, Greensboro, NC

April 12 – Lyman Hall statue dedication, Hall County Administration Building, Gainesville, GA

April 27 – State Board of Managers meeting, Barnesville, GA