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Next Meeting – Thursday April 11th

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

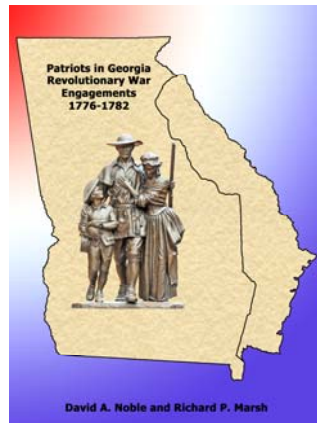


Jim Freeman is the speaker for the April 11th luncheon meeting of Atlanta Chapter SAR. His topic will be Colonel Andrew Hampton, patriot, aristocrat, father, soldier and battlefield commander. He successfully bridged the gap between commanding the newly formed militia, over the mountain men and Washington's senior officers, as he fought battles and skirmishes in the Carolinas.

Compatriot Bill Palmer will introduce two recently approved GSSAR medals now available to Atlanta Chapter Members.

Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1776-1782

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



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

JROTC AWARDS CEREMONIES



Al Adams with Cadet CSM Keywon Mitchell, U.S. Army LTC Kenneth Johnson during the South Atlanta High School JROTC Awards Ceremony Tuesday, March 19th 2019 in Atlanta



Frederick Douglas High School JROTC Awards Program, Leroy Matthews presenting the SAR Bronze ROTC Medal to Cadet1SG Hydrea Mack with her Senior Military Instructor Col Eric Robinson!



Atlanta Chapter Sons of the American Revolution member Vic Verdi presents the NSSAR ROTC Medal to Cadet Aiden Moore, during an Atlanta Public Schools JROTC Awards Ceremony at M.L. Jackson High School, Thursday, March 28, 2019 in Atlanta.



Atlanta Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution past President Trudy Alexander presents the NSDAR ROTC Medal to Cadet Arionne Lindsey during an Atlanta Public Schools JROTC Awards Ceremony at M.L. Jackson High School, Thursday, March 28, 2019 in Atlanta.



Atlanta Chapter Sons of the American Revolution member Tom Gurley, right, presents the NSSAR Bronze ROTC Medal to Cadet Major Anthony Cochran, center, with Senior Military Instructor LTC Charles Johnson, left, during an Atlanta Public Schools JROTC Awards Ceremony at Henry W. Grady High School, Friday, March 29, 2019 in Atlanta.

Atlanta Chapter SAR Congratulates JROTC Recipients!



Attention All Atlanta Chapter SAR Compatriots!

Four JROTC Units sponsored by the Atlanta Chapter Sons of the American Revolution...remain unsupported to date. Action is needed to provide this much needed support.

JROTC cadets work diligently throughout the school year in developing their leadership and technical skills, often under peer pressure, as they achieve and advance these skills. Sons of the American Revolution recognized these efforts with the presentation of the SAR Bronze JROTC Medal during their Annual JROTC Awards Ceremonies.

Greg Smith, Atlanta Chapter, JROTC Chairman leads our efforts in these presentations, during the months of April and May. He cannot do it alone.

You are needed! No speech is required, you just show up, shake a cadet's hand, write the Cadet's name so that we have it for Chapter record and leave....that is relatively simple and requires minimum time on site.

Here are the schools & JROTC ceremony dates:

Benjamin Mays High School...Award Ceremony...16 April @10:30 AM

Banneker High School....Award Ceremony...18 April @6:00 PM

Cedar Grove High School...Award Ceremony...6 May @6:00 PM

McNair High School....Award Ceremony...15 May @ 2:00 PM

All Atlanta Chapter members can participate, whether you are currently attending Chapter meetings or not. SAR is a patriotic, service organization and this is an excellent opportunity to fulfill our obligation to support the JROTC program. Please make time available and join this effort.

Thank you!

**Contact: Gregory Smith, Atlanta Chapter Chairman, JROTC Program
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Atlanta Chapter Compatriots are recognized for their efforts during the 2018 JROTC Season with SAR Certificates of Appreciation! Thank You For Your Service Gentleman! Left to right, their name is on the certificate. Al Adams, Bill Armstrong, Mark Bell, Bob Campbell, W. Henry Cobb II, Tom Gurley.



Atlanta Chapter President Jim Freeman presented the Past President's Award to Henry Cobb, commending him for having served two terms as President. Henry presently serves as Atlanta Chapter Historian.



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
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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 Clinkscapes 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.

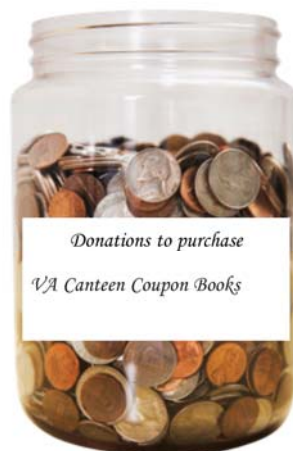
Veterans Respect Activities

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



"We can't all be Washingtons, but we can all be patriots" Charles F. Browne

Membership

New Member Installed



Member

Barrett Hanson

Patriot Ancestor

Walter Hanson

Event Calendar

Upcoming State and National SAR Events

2019

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

April 27 – Spring Board of Managers meeting, Garden Patch Restaurant, Barnesville, GA



Richard Marsh	4/1
William Gurley, Sr.	4/2
David Noble	4/3
Robert Schmidt	4/12
Daniel Meacham	4/16
Theodore Gordon	4/16
Charlie Newcomer III	4/18
William Scurry, Jr.	4/20
Mattabam Long, IV	4/25
Merritt Pearson	4/27
Gregory Smith	4/29

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

Petite Violette 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.

