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Next Meeting – Thursday May 9th

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

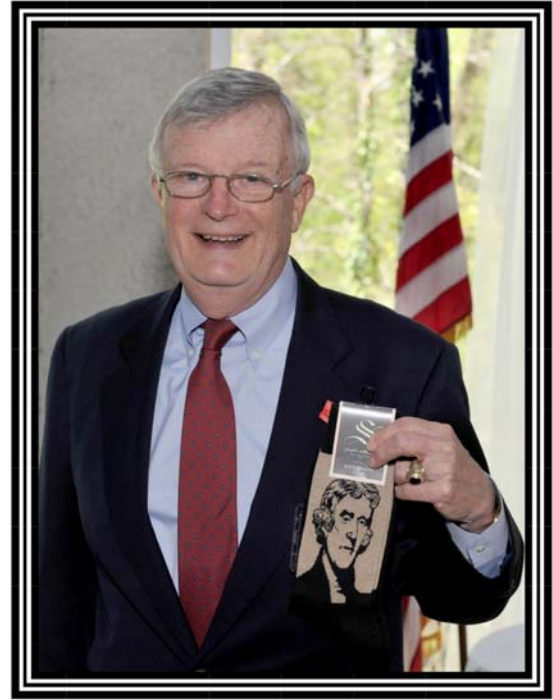
Atlanta Chapter To Hear Two Award Winning Speakers In May

Chapter First Vice President Mark Bell will bring us two former **Military Doctors**, as speakers for the **May 9th meeting**. **Frank Faunce** is a retired **U.S. Army Colonel Dentist** and **Joe Rude** is an **anesthesiologist**, who served in the **U.S. Air Force as a flight medical officer**. Both have received numerous awards for their work...including **The Order of Saint Gregory The Great Knight** conferred in the name of **Pope Benedict**. **Mark your calendar and plan to attend the May 9th Atlanta Chapter meeting and hear these speakers.**

April Meeting Door Prize Winners



Ann Cobb



John Titus

Certificates of Appreciation Awarded





Atlanta Chapter's "First Lady" Becomes The Latest Chapter "Fellow"

Peggy Freeman, wife of Atlanta Chapter President Jim Freeman, accepted her certificate and pin, upon becoming the newest Chapter "Fellow". Peggy is an Honorary Regent of the Philadelphia Winn Chapter (GSSDAR) in Lawrenceville.

Chapter Officers Quarterly Meeting

The Atlanta Chapter leadership team held the quarterly meeting on Thursday, April 4th. Chapter President Jim Freeman presided, with the following officers in attendance: Mark Bell, First Vice President; Charlie Newcomer, 2nd Vice President; Richard Marsh, Treasurer; David Noble, Registrar; Henry Cobb, Historian and Bob Campbell, Sergeant at Arms.

Atlanta Chapter Funding Requests...As Of April 4, 2019

- 1. \$1,000. to Brier Creek Revolutionary War Battlefield Association for Archaeological examination of a grave.**
- 2. \$2,000. To Georgia Land Survey for 5cm LiDAR mapping of Heard's Fort, McNabb's Fort and Carr's Fort.**
- 3. \$2,000. To Lamar Institute to metal detect areas of Heard's Fort.**
- 4. \$2,000. For Human Remains Detecting Dogs for Heard's Fort and McNabb's Fort.**

Our Chapter in the Community



Atlanta Chapter SAR Recognizes Philadelphia Winn Chapter DAR Recipient With Prestigious *Martha Washington Medal*.

In a special Philadelphia Winn Chapter meeting held in Atlanta's historical Swan House restaurant on April 18th, Atlanta Chapter SAR President Jim Freeman presented the *Martha Washington Medal* to Mrs. Mary "Kitty" Watters. This medal was given in special recognition for the number of SAR membership applications Kitty has had successfully approved. She continues to work with applicants on the preparation, research and submittals of new applications and supplements. Her dedication and perseverance have gained additional SAR members, for which we offer Atlanta Chapter gratitude. Jim Freeman also serves as the Atlanta Chapter DAR and CAR Liaison.



**L-R Terry Manning, Atlanta Chapter SAR
Color Guard Commander;
David Noble, Atlanta Chapter SAR Registrar;
Jim Freeman, Atlanta Chapter SAR President;**

Atlanta Chapter SAR Members Attend John Homestead Event

New opportunities for service were revealed in DeKalb County as members attended and participated in the DAR sponsored John Homestead Kiosk Project dedication. The Johns property encompasses more than 20 acres of walking trails and undeveloped property and includes the homestead site, consisting of the house and several outbuildings. An excellent project for consideration by the Atlanta Chapter SAR, due to its close proximity and state of development.

DiAnn Wheeler, Regent of the Baron DeKalb Chapter NSSDAR, presented a *Certificate of Appreciation* to Atlanta Chapter President Jim Freeman. The Atlanta Chapter Color Guard composed of Commander Terry Manning, David Noble and Jim Freeman presented colors. Chapter member Bill Smith and several wives were also in attendance.

Watch the Chapter newsletter for additional developing opportunities of service on the Johns Homestead Project.

Atlanta Chapter SAR President Provides Bottled Water To Patients At Gwinnett and Lawrenceville Veteran Clinics

Atlanta Chapter President Jim Freeman makes another delivery of bottled water to the Lawrenceville VA Clinic. He and his wife, Peggy have provided bottled water each month for the past three years to the Gwinnett and Lawrenceville VA Clinics. Snacks are also provided, as needed. Donated books and magazines (no more than 3 months old) are distributed to the patients.

According to Jim, *“the visits provide a great opportunity to say, thank you for your service”*.



Atlanta Chapter SAR President Jim Freeman (Left) assisted by Veteran Administration Service Worker Kam Brookins (Right).

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.

JROTC AWARDS

Congratulations!



CASEY K. HERMENDEZ, Cross Keys High School NJROTC with Atl SAR JROTC Chairman Gregory Smith



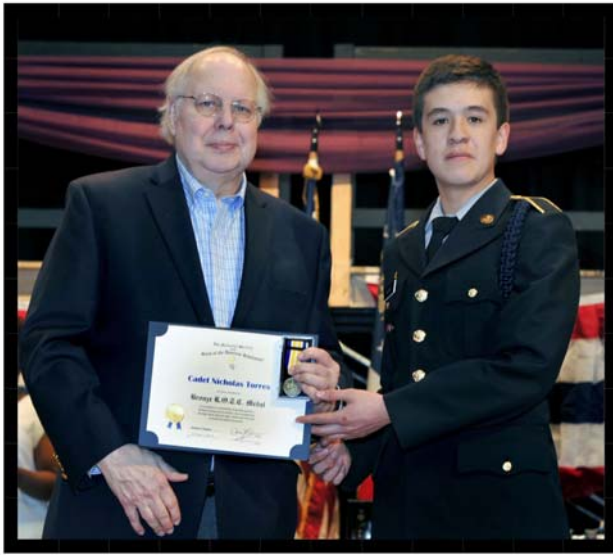
D'Angella Archibald and Elijah Smith, Coretta Scott King High School & B.E.S.T. Academy. With ATL SAR member Mark Bell.



David Thompson, Carver High School with ATL SAR member Rev. McAilley III



Dorian A. Head, Booker T. Washington High School with ATL SAR member Barrett Hanson



Nicholas Torres, Chamblee High School with ATL SAR member Henry Cobb



JaMarcus Dillard, Banneker High School with ATL SAR member Barry Miller



Joshua D. Coleman, Tucker High School with Coach Lamar.



Akasha Avaloy, Benjamin Mays High School, with ATL SAR member ViC Verdi.



Joshua Vet, Druid Hills High School with ATL SAR member, John Titus



Atlanta Chapter, National Society Sons of the American Revolution member Barrett Hanson, center, presents a Certificate of Commendation to Booker T. Washington JROTC Color Guard Commander Cadet Britzy Ramirez, left, and Senior Army Instructor Major Randy Floyd, right, Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at the Historic Booker T. Washington High School in Atlanta Georgia. This Certificate of Commendation is in Recognition of Exemplary Patriotism in the display of the flag of the United States of America.

Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1776-1782

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

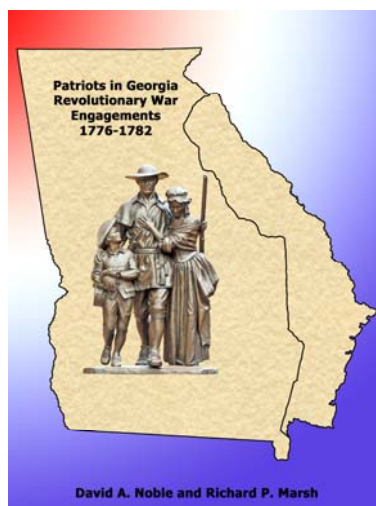
If you have been thinking about purchasing a book now is the time.

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.





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
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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
Peggy 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 (47th) Atlanta Fellow is Peggy Freeman.

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](tel:678-995-0874)/mojotitus@bellsouth.net)

2019 Spring Quarterly Board of Management Meeting

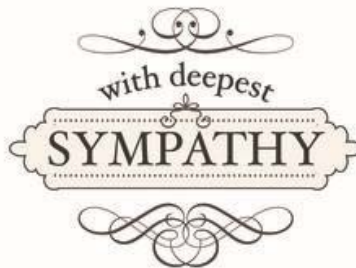
The Spring BOM meeting was held on Saturday, April 27, at the Garden Patch Restaurant in Barnesville, Georgia. Atlanta Chapter officers attending were: Jim Freeman, David Noble, Richard Marsh and Charlie Newcomer. The Summer Quarter meeting is scheduled for July 27, also to be held in Barnesville.



The following members have a birthday this month:

Benjamin Wesley Polston	1
Thomas William Davis	3
Philip Spencer King	6
Roderick Thompson White	7
George Bardin Hooks	9
Edward Christian Rogge, Jr	13
Albert Henley Sturgess, Jr.	17
William Vaughn Jennings	20
John Benjamin White	23
Victor Gay Verdi	31

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.



Member Death

We are saddened to report the April 16, 2019 passing of Atlanta Chapter Member Gary R. Smith. The Chapter has provided an SAR Insignia For Grave Marking.

Upcoming State and National SAR Events

2019

GRAVE MARKING

*The Brier Creek, Col William Few
And Wiregrass Chapters
Georgia Society, Sons of the American Revolution*

**Request the honor of your presence
At the dedication of SAR Patriot Grave Markers
Commemorating the service and sacrifice of
Georgia Revolutionary War Officers'**

***Major James Carter
Major William Skinner III***

Saturday, May 11, 2019 11 AM

***Bugg Family Cemetery
Pendleton King Park
1600 Troupe Street
Augusta, Georgia***

***Please R.S.V.P. by May 10, 2019
If you plan to lay a wreath
Sonny Pittman 706-860-1050
sonnypittman@comcast.net***

PLEASE BRING YOUR FOLDING CHAIRS



Members Mark Your Calendars For June 27 & 28

The Atlanta Chapter will be placing flags on all Revolutionary War graves in DeKalb and Fulton counties Thursday June 27 and Friday June 28. Members will meet in the Decatur First Baptist Church parking lot at 8:30 AM both days. The flags will be placed in DeKalb and Fulton counties on Thursday and Decatur Cemetery and Tucker on Friday. Atlanta Chapter Member Eugene Wilson is leading this event and is providing the placement flags. Atlanta Chapter SAR has invited Baron DeKalb DAR Chapter, Philadelphia Winn DAR Chapter and Elisha Winn CAR Society to join in placing the flags. Each organization has accepted and will participate. Eugene Wilson is to be commended for an outstanding job.

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.

