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Next Meeting – Thursday September 12

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

September meeting speaker:

Michael Henderson, topic to be announced.

Our Chapter in the Community

Atlanta Chapter Flag Placement..... A Most Memorable Event!

On June 27 and June 28, 2019, the Atlanta Chapter of SAR placed American Flags on all (15) Revolutionary War soldier's graves that are accessible in DeKalb County. Three others were placed in Fulton County, including (1) 1812 grave in Fulton County. Five flags were placed on recent soldiers' graves in the Decatur Cemetery in DeKalb County.

Compatriot Eugene Wilson did an outstanding job planning and organizing the project. The Atlanta Chapter invited members of Elisha Winn Society of C.A.R., Philadelphia Winn Chapter of DAR and Baron DeKalb Chapter of DAR. The response from the young C.A.R. members was spontaneously filled with excitement to be allowed to participate in the placement of flags on Revolutionary War graves. Their organizing leader, Mrs. Emily Tindall, has requested that C.A.R. members be included in any future Atlanta Chapter Patriotic Events and Ceremonies whenever appropriate and possible. This event was a tremendous learning experience for the young C.A.R. members.

Eugene graciously offered his special thanks to Georgia Power at Klondike Road Training Center and DeKalb Pole Bridge Water Treatment Plant for their cooperation in accessing Revolutionary War soldiers' graves on their properties.

This was a memorable event, a learning experience and a time for recognition of local area men who fought in the American Revolution.

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 Dooly's home death and burial location.



Atlanta Chapter SAR, DAR Liaison Jim Freeman attended the grave marking of a distinguished Philadelphia Winn DAR Chapter, charter member Ruth Wages Strickland, on June 1st in Lawrenceville. The Strickland family has supported the children of Tamasee DAR School for over 30 years, through their contribution of time, resources and service.



Atlanta Chapter 2nd Vice President Charlie Newcomer recently attended an SAR Patriot Grave Marking in Augusta, representing the chapter in the placing of the wreath on the grave site. Compatriot Newcomer is commended for his contribution and participation in this commemoration.

"The Wiregrass, Brier Creek and Col William Few Chapters of the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution held the dedication of Sons of the American Revolution Patriot Grave Markers, Commemorating the service and sacrifice of Georgia Revolutionary War Officers'. These two Officers were: Major James Carter and Major William Skinner III. The ceremony was held at the Bugg Family Cemetery, Pendleton King Park, 1600 Troupe Street in Augusta, GA. The event was held at 11 am, Saturday, May 11, 2019 and was attended by over 100 people. The Georgia Society Award Winning Color Guard presented and retired the Colors. Both Patriots had a biography read by a descendant and afterward a dedication was held for the Grave Markers. Wreaths were presented by over 30 organizations and then a 3-round volley was fired by 16 militia with their flintlock rifles and also Commander Steve Burke fired a 3-round volley with his 6-pounder Naval Cannon. During taps, Mourn Muskets was observed."

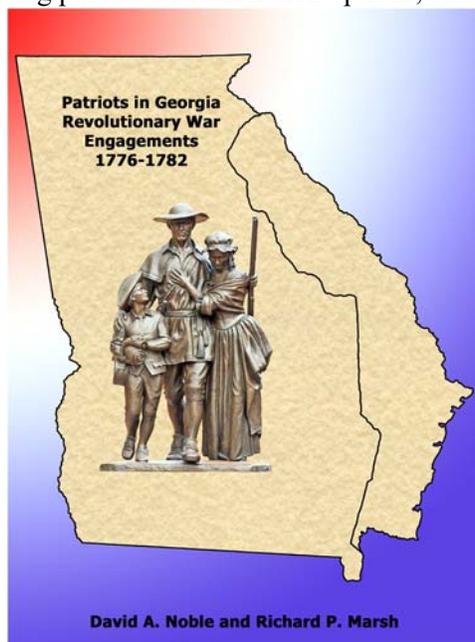
Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1776-1782

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
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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)



The following members have a birthday this month:

Garland Conley	1	Terry Manning	26
Thomas Gurley	4	Neal Baker	27
William Hays, Jr.	9	John McAliley, III	28
James Panter	10	Alton Jones	29
Harry Templeman, Jr.	13	Robert Adams	30
Liam Gurley	13	Ben Statham, Jr.	31
Michael Chapman	18	Wm. Smith, IV	31
Richard Whitner	25		

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.

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.

