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Next Meeting – Thursday September 12th

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

NEXT MEETING....THURSDAY....SEPTEMBER 12TH

The Atlanta Chapter welcomes U.S. Navy Lieutenant Commander (Retired), Michael Henderson as our September 12th guest speaker. He has received multiple awards as an author, researcher and genealogist. His book, "Got Proof! My Genealogical Journey Through The Use of Documentation" has several awards and will be available for purchase.

Michael has the distinction of becoming the first African American in the state of Georgia to be inducted into the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution.

He is a member of the Button Gwinnett Chapter.

His topic: Got Proof! A Complex Journey Discovering An Ancestral Connection To Colonial Louisiana Slavery And American Independence.

Petite Violette Restaurant is the meeting site...time 12:00 noon....Thursday, September 12th. You are invited to hear this outstanding speaker, enjoy fellowship with your fellow Compatriots and have a great lunch!

SeptemberThe Transition Month Between Summer & Winter

Fellow Atlanta Chapter Compatriots:

Most Georgians welcome the coming of September, the passing of "Dog Days" of August, cooler temperatures and the blessed coloration of turning leaves.

To Atlanta Chapter SAR members September means it is a time of renewal, seeking and accepting new challenges....getting back to work!

It all begins on **Thursday September 12th at 12:00 noon**, when we gather in fellowship at **Petite Violette Restaurant**. Just as our patriot ancestors gathered to exchange ideas, discuss current events and discuss nation building...we too, come together, enjoy an excellent meal and converse with one another. If you have been missing meetings, please consider this month's meeting as your renewal time and join us.

September 2019 has several special days that have been set aside for times of remembrance. We have honored working men and women with the observance of *Labor Day*. September 11th is *Patriot's Day*; on September 17th we observe *Constitution Day*; the next day, September 18th is the *Birthday of the U.S. Air Force...* on the 20th, a day set aside for remembering and recognizing *America's POW/MIAs*.

As *Sons of the American Revolution*, we have accepted the responsibility of maintaining and promoting patriotism. Meeting and joining in this unified goal is an excellent way to work together in a common cause. We are free because our patriot ancestors set the example for us to follow....freedom, whatever the cost.

I look forward to seeing you on Thursday, September 12th!

Jim Freeman

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 <u>not a comprehensive</u> list of the locations without books.



Our Chapter in the Community

Terry Manning, David Noble, John Titus and Bill Goodman continue to reprsent 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 reseraching Col. John Dooly's home death and burial location.



2019 Chapter Officer Directory

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

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

Pat Hankins

Al Adams **Bill Armstrong Stuart Brady** Sam Chafin

Philip Clinkscales III

Henry Cobb John Coning **Ed Conlev Phil Curtis** Jim Freeman Peggy Freeman Bill Goodman Gene Grasser **Tom Gurley James Hankins**

Joseph Hankins

Ann Hays Bill Havs Don Kenagy Charles Lord **Katherine Lord Bruce Maney Charlie Maney Ginny Manning Terry Manning Richard Marsh** Ted McMullan **Lowrey McNeel**

Charlie Newcomer

David Noble James Noble Ray Patton Joyce Patton Lov 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.

Joe Meyer

Alice Noble

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)





The following members have a birthday this month:

7th
8th
9th
13th
14th
14th
20^{th}
23^{th}
28^{h}
$30^{\rm h}$

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 Uturn 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.



