



# Atlanta Tidbits Ledger

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## Next Meeting – Saturday February 22nd

Regular meetings are held on the **second Thursday of the month** **except in February** when we meet on the Saturday closest to George 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.

*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.

## Upcoming Regular Atlanta Chapter Meeting

Usually held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

**NEXT MEETING....Saturday....February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

### **George Washington Birthday Celebration Annual Meeting and Luncheon**

**Capital City Country Club**  
53 W. Brookhaven Drive, NE  
Atlanta, GA 30319

(See Invitation below)

**The Board of Managers of the Atlanta Chapter  
Sons of the American Revolution  
Cordially invites you and your guest(s) to attend our**

**George Washington Birthday Celebration  
Annual Meeting and Luncheon**



11:00 a.m. Saturday, February 22, 2020

Capital City Country Club  
53 W. Brookhaven Drive, NE  
Atlanta, GA 30319

[Directions Click Here](#)

**Join us in celebrating a successful year of activity in 2019 and looking forward in 2020 to honoring our patriot ancestors and family heritage, promoting patriotism, recognizing veterans, and encouraging education on the people, places and events of the Revolutionary War.**

**The event will highlight the Atlanta member and chapter awards received at the annual meeting of the Georgia Society SAR in January 2020, induction of new members, recognition of 2019 officers and chairmen, and installation of chapter officers for 2020**

**Advanced reservations and payment are required and must be postmarked no later than February 14th**

[Registration form can be found by clicking here and printing](#)

**Please note that there is no regularly scheduled meeting at the Petite Violette held in February (the second Thursday) and that the start time of this special meeting is one hour earlier at 11:00 a.m.**

## Atlanta Chapter SAR 2020 Dues are now Past Due!

Please don't risk losing your 2020 membership to the SAR.

**If not received by the deadline, you will be dropped from the SAR rolls and must complete the reinstatement process to regain your 2020 membership.**

If you have not received your dues notice or cannot locate it, please contact our Treasurer, Richard Marsh at [rpmarsh1@att.net](mailto:rpmarsh1@att.net) or 770-492-1072.

Additionally, your dues notice provides the opportunity to: donate \$200 to the Chapter to become an Atlanta Fellow (provides funds for special projects sponsored by the Chapter); contribute \$25 or more to become a Friend of the Library (supports the SAR Library in Louisville, KY); or contribute any amount for the purchase of coupon books to be used by Veterans at the VA hospital in the hospital canteen.

Please consider contributing your support to any of these great causes.

## Research Highlighted the January Chapter Meeting!



**Bruce Maney shows Kathryn Anderson a map of his current research before the Program**



**Great Speakers Enhance Atlanta Chapter Meetings...  
Presenting Excellent, In-Depth Program Topics and Discussions**



Dr. David Noble discussed his research and findings on Col. John Dooley's Fort







John Titus discusses the Atlanta Chapter Veterans Respect Program to Members



Al Adams and Henry Cobb conduct 2020 Officer Elections



## January Door Prize Winners



Paul Anderson and Vic Verdi display their Prizes



Kathryn Anderson and Dr. David Noble are winners too!

## New Member Inducted into the Atlanta Chapter SAR



Connor Hutchins is welcomed by Dr. David Noble after being inducted into the Atlanta Chapter SAR

## New Atlanta Fellow



Charlie Newcomer presents Barry Miller with the Atlanta Fellow Certificate & Lapel Pin



# 2020 Officers to be installed on February 22<sup>nd</sup>

The following members have been voted upon for Officer Positions for 2020.  
The election was held during the January 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

President  
1st Vice President  
2nd Vice President  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Registrar  
Chancellor  
Sergeant at Arms  
Chaplain  
Historian

Gregory Smith  
Barry Miller  
Charlie Newcomer  
Al Adams  
Richard Marsh  
David Noble  
Ed Floyd  
Bob Campbell  
John Titus  
Henry Cobb

## 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 2019 they presented many 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.

## JROTC Program



JROTC Vice Chair Ed Anderson, left, and JROTC Chairman Barrett Hanson, right, officially take over the Atlanta Chapter JROTC Program as they meet with Atlanta Public Schools Director of Army Instruction Col. Prentiss Baker USA Ret., center, at APS JROTC Headquarters at Alonzo A. Crim High School in Atlanta.



**The Atlanta Chapter is always looking for Volunteers for our Chapter JROTC Program.**

During March through May each year, JROTC Units sponsored by our SAR Chapter in Fulton County, the Atlanta Public School System and the DeKalb County Public School System conduct their Annual JROTC Awards Ceremonies. We are responsible for 27 JROTC Units. At these Ceremonies, Atlanta Chapter SAR members present SAR JROTC Bronze Medals to deserving Cadets at their local high schools. No speech is required by our SAR Members & it is as easy & simple as showing up and shaking the Cadet's hand when told to!

**Please let our JROTC Program Chairman know if you would like to help. It is an opportunity that is rewarding for all involved & positively promotes our Chapter in the Community!**

## **VA Canteen Coupon Books Project a Success**



John Titus at the Atlanta VA Medical Center

At the beginning of 2019, our Chapter decided to take on a new veterans respect project. It decided to raise money to purchase VA Canteen Coupon books to be given to the Voluntary Service Office at the VA Medical Center, Decatur, for distribution to needy veterans. The coupons can be used in the VAMC's cafeteria, coffee shop, or canteen. Over the course of the year, a total of **\$1,030** was raised which purchased 206 coupon books, each with a value of \$5. **The last of the books were delivered on December 12, 2019.** An example of their use was related by Wayne Bartley, Voluntary Service Specialist, who told Compatriot John Titus that on the day following our October delivery of 40 books, a homeless woman veteran with two children sought help. Our donated coupon books were used to provide the family with a meal before linking them with other services. **Thanks to all of our members for your generosity.**

# Georgia Society SAR Annual Conference 2020



William B. Dobbs, II is installed as the Georgia Society SAR President by NSSAR President General John T. Manning, left, with the aid of GSSAR Past President Scott Collins, right.



Atlanta Chapter Vice President elect Barry Miller is front and center as he accepts our Chapter's awards during the Saturday program



# SAR Silver Good Citizenship Medal Awarded



Atlanta Chapter NSDAR member Dee Camerio, left, receives the SAR Silver Good Citizenship Medal from Georgia Society Awards Chairman Wayne Brown, right, at the GSSAR Awards Banquet on Friday Night.



Barry Miller, Dee Camerio and Jim Freeman pose for a photo before the Friday Night GSSAR Awards Banquet



Jim Freeman was all smiles for the Friday Night GSSAR Awards Banquet as seen with Gregory Smith

## Service Opportunities are always Available to Atlanta Chapter Members

The Chapter Nominating Committee is now actively offering opportunities to members for service in 2021 leadership roles. The term of service is one year and will allow you to gain knowledge and grow regarding the organization in which you now serve. Share your willingness for your name to be placed in nomination with one of the committee members: Henry Cobb, Terry Manning or Al Adams. They will assist you in finding a position or committee on which you may serve.



## 2019 Chapter Officer Directory

Chapter officers to serve February 24, 2019, to February 23, 2020, are as follows:

<b>President</b>	Gregory Smith	<a href="mailto:atlantasarflags@bellsouth.net">atlantasarflags@bellsouth.net</a>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice President</b>	Vacant	
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President</b>	Charlie Newcomer	<a href="mailto:canewcomer@att.net">canewcomer@att.net</a>
<b>Secretary</b>	Al Adams	<a href="mailto:moveradams@aol.com">moveradams@aol.com</a>
<b>Treasurer</b>	Richard Marsh	<a href="mailto:rmarsh1@att.net">rmarsh1@att.net</a>
<b>Registrar</b>	David Noble	<a href="mailto:danoble10@att.net">danoble10@att.net</a>
<b>Sergeant-At-Arms</b>	Bob Campbell	<a href="mailto:gingerbob@bellsouth.net">gingerbob@bellsouth.net</a>
<b>Chancellor</b>	Ed Floyd	<a href="mailto:floyd7@bellsouth.net">floyd7@bellsouth.net</a>
<b>Chaplain</b>	John Titus	<a href="mailto:mojotitus@bellsouth.net">mojotitus@bellsouth.net</a>
<b>Historian</b>	Henry Cobb	<a href="mailto:whc2gt@yahoo.com">whc2gt@yahoo.com</a>



# New Members in 2019

## The Atlanta Chapter added 16 New Members

Edward Moses Anderson  
Connor Michael Hutchins  
Lewis Adams Gordon  
William Bryan Johnson  
Preston Lawrence Polun

Harry Greene Balance  
Michael Edward Hutchins  
Barrett Hanson  
Barry Neil Miller  
John Parham Rabun Jr.  
Howard Clinton Sweet

Julius Wayne Dudley  
David Allan Gordon  
Gavin Charles Johnson  
Timothy Charles Newmyer  
Benjamin Joseph Remsa

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The Atlanta Chapter has lost a Compatriot in 2020. Please keep Bill's family in your prayers!

**William Patrick Smith III**

**NSSAR # 185256**

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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 Clinkscales 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**  
**Barry N. Miller**  
**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 D. Schroeder**  
**Kathleen Ann Schroeder**  
**William Smith III**  
**Ben Statham**  
**Penn Templeman**  
**Bruce D. 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 Atlanta Fellow is Barry N. Miller. We thank all of our Atlanta Fellows for their support and encourage others to join their ranks!**

# Upcoming Atlanta Chapter Events

## Elijah Clarke and Heroes of the Hornets' Nest Remembrance Day





# Elijah Clarke and Heroes of the Hornets' Nest Remembrance Day



Friday, February 7, 2020  
10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

## Elijah Clark State Park

2959 McCormick Highway  
East of Downtown Lincolnton, GA. 30817  
(706) 359 - 3458  
GaStateParks.org

### Come when you can.

10:00 a.m. **Living history at restored cabin and Elijah Clark Museum-**  
Colonial lifestyle demonstrations - period music –  
musket and cannon firings - traveling trunk display- book signings

12:00 p.m. **Free chili luncheon and dessert buffet**

1:30 p.m. **Heroes of the Hornets' Nest Wreath Ceremony**

Featured speaker this year is noted author, genealogist, and amateur archeologist Dr. David Noble with updated information on the newly discovered Revolutionary War fort, located on what is now Elijah Clark Park land, and commanded by Kettle Creek hero and original Wilkes County Militia Commander Colonel John Dooly. A wreath ceremony at Elijah Clarke's grave follows, and regional color guard and militia units will combine to bring pomp and circumstance to the occasion. Wreath request forms will be sent at a later date.

Indoor facilities are available in the event of inclement weather.

Park entry fees will be waived for attendees and special discounts will be offered for 2-night cabin rentals at the park. Elijah Clark Park is an easy half hour drive to Washington, GA and Kettle Creek Battlefield for the other weekend Revolutionary War Days activities.

*The Captain John Collins, Piedmont,  
and Button Gwinnett Chapters,  
Sons of the American Revolution*

**Request the honor of your presence at the dedication  
of graves commemorating the service of Revolutionary War Soldiers**

*John Clark, John Hames  
and George Bradford*

**Saturday, April 4, 2020  
11:00 A.M.**

*Marietta National Cemetery  
500 Washington Avenue, Marietta, Georgia 30060*

*Please call 770-579-2748 or email [ecagle1@bellsouth.net](mailto:ecagle1@bellsouth.net)  
by April 1, 2020 if you would like to present a wreath*



*Directions:*

*33o 57' 5" N  
84o 32' 27" W*

*Please bring a chair*



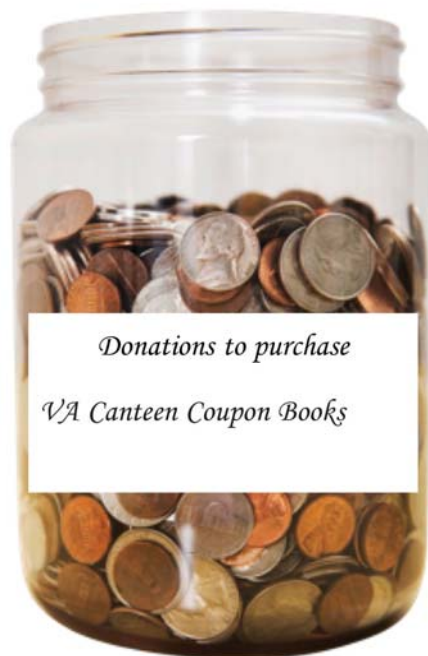
# Veterans Respect Activities

Our chapter began a new project in early 2019 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](mailto:mojotitus@bellsouth.net))**





The following members have a birthday this month:

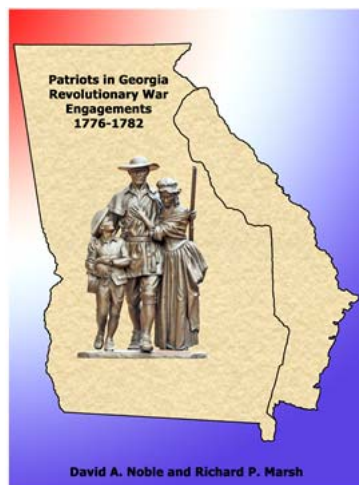
Bill Ranck	1st
David Gibson	4th
Thomas Montgomery	6 <sup>th</sup>
Arthur Hammond	6th
Jack Walz	10th
Newton Quantz, III	15th
Phillip McLaughlin	20th
Johnny Black, II	23rd
Marion Lamar	25th

**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.**

## **Patriots in Georgia Revolutionary War Engagements 1776-1782**

**If you have been thinking about purchasing one of these books, 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 printed, the chapter has distributed almost all of the books. **There are less than 20 books remaining.**







Compatriots, thank you for your contribution and support remembering and honoring our military veterans on Wreaths across America Day. The Atlanta Chapter generated photo coverage now seen in the Georgia Society SAR Newsletter, The Hornet's Nest, as well as a Gwinnett newspaper. Remember your participation matters!

The Atlanta Chapter SAR participated in two Wreaths across America events in Metro Atlanta. The first was at the East Shadowlawn Memorial Gardens in Lawrenceville on Saturday December 14<sup>th</sup>. Bill Palmer, Bruce Maney, Terry Manning and Gregory Smith attended. Bill, Bruce and Terry also participated as part of the Georgia Society Color Guard, which was a National SAR Event. The second was supported by Dr. David Noble and Eugene Wilson at the Resthaven Cemetery in Alpharetta, providing a color guard for the event.



Bruce Maney and Terry Manning help Scouts place Wreaths at East Shadowlawn Memorial Gardens in Lawrenceville