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Next Meeting via ZOOM – January 14th @ 11:30 a.m.

2021 - A New Century of Service for our Chapter as we turn 100!

Members: As this pandemic continues, we pray that you are well and staying safe. The Atlanta Chapter Board of Managers will continue to monitor the situation as we consider our decision on when we can meet in person safely for our regularly scheduled monthly Chapter Meeting.

Remember, if a Zoom meeting is scheduled, all Atlanta Chapter Members will automatically be sent a link to attend prior to the Zoom Program.

Non-members: To attend an Atlanta Chapter Zoom meeting, please send an email request to <u>atlantasarflags@bellsouth.net</u>. You will then be sent a link, password and detailed connection information. This will ensure a secure session.

Upcoming Regular Atlanta Chapter Meetings NEXT CHAPTER MEETING via ZOOM January 14th @ 11:30 a.m.

Atlanta Chapter Compatriot Rt. Rev. David Craig Anderson, Sr. will be our featured speaker for the Chapter meeting in January. His presentation will be "An Anglican Bishop reflects on the American Revolution".

All Chapter announcements and notices are sent via email from chapternews@saratlanta.org. To ensure that your emails are not blocked by your email provider, please take a few minutes to add this address to your trusted senders list even if you have been receiving correspondence. If you are not sure how to do this, simply Google "trusted senders list" for your provider (e.g. Gmail trusted senders list, AT&T trusted senders list, etc.).

We want to be sure we can keep in touch with you.

I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting!



New Atlanta Chapter Members



New Atlanta Chapter SAR Members Korey Matthew Schrodeder, left, and Stephen Douglas Schrodeder II, right, display their SAR Member Certificates with their father Stephen Douglas Schrodeder, center. Their Patriot Ancestor is Michael Crose a Soldier from VA who served with Capt. Ambrose Bohannon. Their Patriot is buried in the Crose-Utterback Cemetery, Little Rock, Bourbon Co. KY.

New SAR Logo Approved



Supplemental Ancestor Certificate Awarded



Compatriot Ken Thomas displays his two new supplemental certificates representing John Parker, on the left, his maternal grandmother's ancestor, and Nicholas Chapman, on the right, his paternal grandfather's ancestor. These are part of his project to have an SAR approved ancestor representing all four grandparents. Since he joined on Joel King, his maternal grandfather's ancestor, he has one more to go in 2021.

Completing Supplemental Ancestor Certificates not only documents your Patriot lineage for future Generations, but can also aid prospective Members in joining the SAR!

Atlanta Chapter Achieves a 93+% Membership Retention Rate

At the time of this newsletter, approximately 170 of our 180+ members have renewed their dues for 2021. After starting 2020 with 162 members, we have achieved a Chapter retention rate of approximately 93% this year. We gained 23 new members, lost 5 compatriots to death. We also had 4 reinstatements, as well as transfers both in and out of the Atlanta Chapter. A "Final" dues notice was sent out on November 15, 2020 and contained all the information necessary to pay dues. This year, the Atlanta Chapter was part of the Georgia Society SAR online dues payment pilot program. Because of this, our Chapter members were also given the opportunity to pay their dues online, of which about 1/3 of our membership chose to use this method of payment. To help ensure that you get all correspondence from the Chapter, please take a moment and add chapternews@saratlanta.org to your trusted senders list.

Heroes of the Hornets' Nest Wreath Ceremony

Friday - February 12th, 2021 - VIRTUAL 1:30 PM - Virtual Ceremony on ZOOM Elijah Clark State Park - 2959 McCormick Highway, Lincolnton, GA 30817

Heroes of the Hornets' Nest Wreath Ceremony

Many of the events that happen as part of the commemoration will be done via video and inserted into the Virtual Zoom event to attempt to make the commemoration as realistic as possible. A virtual wreath ceremony will be part of the ceremony.

You are invited to participate virtually by presenting a wreath or wreaths during the commemoration. After registering you will be sent a link for your presentation closer to the date. The order of presentation is SAR, DAR, CAR and then other organizations. If you are presenting multiple wreaths, you will present all of them at one time.

Please contact D. Alan Smith by email with the below information. The deadline is February 7th at 6 p.m. (das1842@icloud.com)

Name:					Email:	
Organization:	SAR	DAR	CAR	(Please circle)	Other:	
Chapter if appropriate:					Position:	

Battle of Kettle Creek

ALL EVENTS NORMALLY SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY WILL BE VIRTUAL

Saturday Morning - February 13th, 2021 - VIRTUAL 10:00 AM - VIRTUAL CEREMONY on ZOOM

Commemoration of the Battle of Kettle Creek

Many of the events that happen as part of the commemoration will be done via video and inserted into the Virtual Zoom event to attempt to make the commemoration as realistic as possible. A virtual wreath ceremony will be part of the ceremony. (The Parade is CANCELLED)

Wreath request forms will be emailed at a later date - This is separate from the Friday wreath registration.

Sunday - February 14th, 2021 - CANCELLED CANCELLED - The Colonial Memorial Service will not be held this year.

When life returns to normal, please consider visiting Elijah Clarke State Park, downtown Washington and War Hill to see where our Patriot Ancestors both lived and fought during the formation of our United States of America.



Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution **Ladies Auxiliary**

Purpose

The Georgia Society SAR Ladies Auxiliary assists the Georgia Society SAR and the National Society SAR to further their goals and objectives of inspiring patriotism and informing others of the contributions of our revolutionary ancestors. Auxiliary members support the 35 Georgia SAR chapters through such activities as helping with meeting preparations, chapter banquets, service projects, grave markings, commemoration events, fundraising, etc.

According to the Bylaws, membership in the Georgia Ladies Auxiliary is open to wives, mothers, daughters, granddaughters, sisters, aunts, nieces, and other women related by marriage or bloodline to members in good standing in the SAR or deceased members who were in good standing.

There is one Auxiliary meeting per year which takes place during the Georgia SAR Annual Meeting in January.

The cost to join the Georgia Ladies Auxiliary is \$25 for a lifetime membership.

Benefits of the Georgia Ladies Auxiliary

- You also become a member of the National Ladies Auxiliary SAR without additional dues.
- You may wear the official Georgia and National Ladies Auxiliary SAR pins (can be purchased for \$15 each).
- Your membership supports important Georgia and National SAR projects.
- There are no required meetings to attend.



2020 Georgia Society Ladies Auxiliary Officers

(home city/associated Georgia SAR chapter)

President
1st Vice President
1st Vice President
2md Vice President
2md

We welcome new members! Use this application to join.

For more information, please contact me at 404-786-9433 or dldobbs@bellsouth.net. Thank you. Deborah Dobbs, Georgia Ladies Auxiliary President 2020

Lifetime Membership & Update (Please print)

Name:		Husband's First Nan	ne:	
Address:		Telephone:		
City:		State:	z	ipı
Email Address:				
Related SAR Member:				
Type of Relationship (spouse, son,	nephew, etc.):_	His SAR	Chapter	
Date of Lifetime Membership Paymen	nt:	Lifetime Members	ship Dues	\$25.00
Georgia Ladies Auxiliary Pin	\$15.00	(check if you would like a	a pin)	
(Pin pictured above)				
Total Amount Paid:	8	_		
Check Number:	(Your check	is your receipt)		
Mail your completed application an	id check payable	to GASSAR – Ladies Auxilia 2020 Ladies Auxiliary Pres		Deborah Dobbs 3166 Floyd Street, NE Covington, GA 30014
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NSSAR 2022 Congress

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Georgia Society SAR 100th Anniversary!

The Georgia Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (GASSAR) has been chosen to host the 2022 National Convention. To raise funds for this responsibility, the GASSAR is making available medals and lapel pins. There are two sets of medals and lapel pins that commemorate the Congress and the 100th anniversary of the Georgia Society. For those of you that are unaware, the original Georgia Society was the **Atlanta Chapter** and therefore the Atlanta Chapter shares this anniversary. Any of these items would make a great addition to your SAR attire. The medals and lapel pins are now available for sale on the GASSAR website www.gasocietysar.org

These are Hot Items! Get yours now before they're gone!



Centennial Lapel Pin



Congress Lapel Pin



Centennial Medal Set



Congress Medal Set

Veterans Respect Activities

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 we 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, 2020, please report the details to our Chaplain John Titus (678-995-0874 / mojotitus@bellsouth.net)

More on VA Donations



Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution

Dear Compatriots,

Veterans Committee members continue to receive inquiries about the new VA COVID-19 Needs List and Donation Form. The Atlanta VA Voluntary Service provided some guidance that would apply for VA Voluntary Service offices at all three of Georgia's VA Medical Centers.

With the exception Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) not new in the box, donation of any items on the VA needs list would be welcomed. Home made PPE simply cannot be used in a clinical setting. Gift cards for groceries, transportation, office supplies, personal care items and lodging would be used almost immediately, and many Compatriots have rewards points that could be converted into gift cards.

The new donation form and needs list are a step in the right direction in an era of social distancing. Most items on their needs list can be mailed to the VA Medical Center Voluntary Service office nearest the donor, saving long drives and complicated screening and check in procedures. Moreover, it assures that veterans in the donor's region are the people who benefit from the donation. Voluntary Service addresses are:

- Atlanta VA Medical System Voluntary Service; 1670 Clairmont Rd.; Decatur, GA 30033
- -- Carl Vinson VA Medical Center Voluntary Service; 1826 Veterans Blvd.; Dublin, GA 31021
- Charlie Norwood VA Medical Center Voluntary Service; 1 Freedom Way; Augusta, GA 30904

Cash donations can be sent via the VA's pay.gov link provided on the Donation Form. The link enables donors to make a direct deposit from their checking account or donate using a credit or debit card. Donors are offered choices as to how their donation is to be used — a great feature of this well thought out program.

Please include a completed copy of the Donation Form with your gift to a VA Voluntary Service, so the gift can be reported to the VA National Headquarters. Also, be sure to retain a copy for your Chapter's donations records and a copy for yourself. These, and other donations or services to veterans are creditable for USS Stark Memorial Award points and Americanism points, which are recorded in your Chapter President's quarterly report to the GASSAR BOM.

Please let me know if you have comments or questions. In the meantime thank you for your generosity — and please remember to stay safe out there.

Patriotically yours, Gary J. Hoyt GASSAR Veterans Chairman gary.hoyt.sar@gmail.com (678) 880-6280

VA COVID-19 Donation Form

In response to COVID-19, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has identified the emerging needs of Veterans, families and our first responders in VA facilities. The most critical of those are identified below. If you or your organization is in a position to assist, please contact us at VHACO10B2Astaff@va.gov.

Donor	lame
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Check	he areas below where you are able to offer support:
	rafts & Games (Leisure activities for Veterans)
	on-Perishable Food & Snacks (Food pantries/ Community Living Centers/Domiciliaries)
	hildren's Games/Books/Toys (VA's Emergency Childcare Centers)
	ber/Lyft Gift Cards (Non-elective appointments where transportation is unavailable, i.e. dialysis)
	rocery Store Gift Cards (Homeless/Indigent Veterans)
	ip Phones with Minute Cards (Homeless Veteran Clinical Checks)
	onetary Donations - Click <u>HERE</u> to Donate Online through pay.gov
	ersonal Protective Equipment (PPE) - Gloves, Gowns, Masks *Donated PPE must arrive in new, unopened/unused condition.
	ther - Please Specify
Quan	ty: Estimated Value:
	ENOTE:



For more information visit www.volunteer.va.gov or scan this code:





2020 Chapter Officer Directory

Chapter officers to serve February 22, 2020, to February 20, 2021, are as follows:

Chapter Officers 2020-2021

President Gregory Smith

1st Vice President Barry Miller

2nd Vice President Charlie Newcomer

Secretary
Al Adams
Treasurer
Registrar
David Noble
Sergeant-At-Arms
Chancellor
Chaplain
Historian
Charlie Newcom
Al Adams
Richard Marsh
David Noble
Bob Campbell
Ed Floyd
John Titus
Henry Cobb

Proposed Slate of Chapter Officers 2021-2022

President Barry Miller

1st Vice President TBD

2nd Vice President Charlie Newcomer

Secretary
Al Adams
Treasurer
Registrar
David Noble
Sergeant-At-Arms
Chancellor
Chaplain
Historian
Challet Rewool
Richard Marsh
David Noble
Bob Campbell
Ed Floyd
Chaplain
John Titus
Gregory Smith

A vote will be held via Zoom at the January Chapter meeting on the Proposed Slate of Atlanta Chapter Officers for 2021-2022

Service Opportunities 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.

Approved Supplemental Ancestor Certificates

The Atlanta Chapter has had 3 members receive 4 Supplemental Patriot Ancestor Certificates in 2020:

Member	Patriot Ancestor
Kenneth Harrison Thomas Jr.	John Parker of NC
Kenneth Harrison Thomas Jr.	Nicholas Chapman of NC
George Kearsley Wysong III	Captain Zachariah Forrest of MD
Kendall Jerome Zeliff Jr.	Daniel Zeluff of NJ

Completing Supplemental Ancestor Certificates not only documents your Patriot lineage for future Generations, but can also aid prospective Members in joining the SAR! Please continue your efforts to find additional ancestors who served the Patriot cause since this work is integral to the NSSAR Mission of identifying all Patriots who served in the American Revolution. These Patriot lines may allow others to link to proven records of their Ancestors, making their job easier and finding their cousin, you!

Thank You 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 James Noble Ann Hays **Edward Moses Anderson** Bill Hays **Ray Patton Don Kenagy Joyce Patton** Bill Armstrong Charles Lord Loy Reddick Stuart Brady Sam Chafin Katherine Lord Ed Rigel Sr. Philip Clinkscales III **Bruce Maney** Joan Rigel Henry Cobb Charlie Maney **Robert Miller Rogers** Stephen D. Schroeder John Coning **Ginny Manning Ed Conlev** Kathleen Ann Schroeder Terry Manning **Phil Curtis** Richard Marsh William Smith III Barry N. Miller **Gregory Eugene Smith** Jim Freeman Joy Miller Peggy Freeman Ben Statham Bill Goodman Ted McMullan Penn Templeman Gene Grasser Lowrey McNeel Bruce D. Wanamaker Tom Gurley Joe Meyer **Eugene Wilson** James Hankins Charlie Newcomer Mary Wilson Joseph Hankins Alice Noble Richard Williams Pat Hankins David Noble Elizabeth Kearsley Wysong

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 Edward Moses Anderson & Joy Miller. We thank all of our Atlanta Fellows for their support and encourage others to join their ranks!



New Members in 2020

The Atlanta Chapter Is Proud to Welcome 23 New Members in 2020 with more than 25 more SAR Applications in the works!

New Member

John Henry Adams David Craig Anderson Sr. Paul Leon Anderson Perry Dwight Benson III Richard Kenneth Brown Jeffrey Lucio Cimbalo Matthew Scott Eads Nathan Frank Eads Rory Eli Flint Robert Curtis Hill Gary Mattox Johnson **Taylor Mattox Johnson** James Chadwick Ulmer Jones John Robert Lyons Michael David Mallary Melvin Rhodes Korey Matthew Schrodeder Stephen Douglas Schrodeder II Adam Brandon Warren Kevin Ryan Warren Camden Joseph Young Walter Ross Young II Walter Ross Young III

Patriot Ancestor

Daniel Ridley of MA John Robinson of NC Walter Hanson of MD Abraham Bergey of PA John Howard of SC Richard Crowder of VA James Pittman of GA & VA James Pittman of GA & VA Peter Borders of NC Jacob Rudy of VA Thomas Fortson of VA Thomas Fortson of VA James Williams of SC Samuel Gilmore of MA Calvin Mallory of CT Walter Hanson of MD Michael Crose of VA Michael Crose of VA Juan Vives of LA Juan Vives of LA John Young of VA John Young of VA John Young of VA

Compatriots lost in 2020 Remembered

The Atlanta Chapter has lost 5 Compatriots in 2020. Please keep their families in your prayers!

William Patrick Smith III	NSSAR # 185256	23 JAN 2020
Philip Kerry Curtis	NSSAR # 137579	9 JUL 2020
James Franklin Panter	NSSAR # 134646	16 JUL 2020
Victor Gay Verdi	NSSAR # 199917	20 DEC 2020
Brian Sperry Brown Jr.	NSSAR # 158394	27 DEC 2020

2021 Georgia Society SAR Conference

The Conference will be on ZOOM and is scheduled for Saturday, January 30th. The program will be distributed a week prior. There will be no registration fee for the upcoming Georgia Society Conference & everyone is invited to attend. An email will be sent out to all Atlanta Chapter Members with the program & link.

Atlanta Chapter SAR Presidents The First 100 Years

1921 & 1922	Allan Waters	1983	Harry M. Stanley Jr.
1923 - 1930	William M. Francis	1984	John W. Collins
1931 & 1932	Dr. Jasper I. Beeson	1985	Andrew S. Davis
1933*	Dr. George T. Brown	1986	PG Robert Vance Jr.
1934 & 1935	Dr. George T. Brown	1987	Fredrick C. Felt
1936	None	1988	Pembroke Williams
1937	Dr. Asa G. DeLoach	1989	R. McBride Pryor Jr.
1938	Reuben A. Garland	1990	Kenneth Howell
1939	Dr. Asa G. DeLoach	1991	Dyre Eubanks
1940 & 1941	John D. Humphries	1992	Walter W. Turrentine
1942 & 1943	Augustas M. Roan	1993	Dr. T. Fisher Craft
1944 - 1949	McWhorter Milner	1994	Jack W. Newton
1950	Arthur W. Falkinburg	1995	Robert Landram
1951 - 1953	Dudley Clark Fort	1996	William C. McCullough
1954 & 1955	William P. Robinson	1997	Dr. G. Revis Butler Jr.
1956	Dudley Clark Fort	1998	Alvis M. Weatherly
1957 & 1958	William B. Shartzer	1999	John B. White Jr.
1959	Noah Langdale	2000	Allan J. Koman
1960	Vivian L. Bray	2001 & 2002	Edgar C. Long
1961	Hugh G. Head Jr.	2003	James F. Panter
1962	T.C. Lithicum	2004	Phillip W. Potts
1963	David H. Ansley	2005	Philip K. Curtis
1964	Hugh H. Howell Jr.	2006	George Holden Jr.
1965 & 1966	John R. Strothers Jr.	2007	Albert Henley Sturgess
1967	Wallace I. Gates	2008	Edward T. Floyd
1968	Joseph H. Brown	2009	William G. Hays
1969 & 1970	T. Carlton Carter	2010	R. Carlisle Young
1971	John F. Turner	2011	Wood M. Hughes
1972 & 1973	George W. Torbert	2012-2015	Terry E. Manning
1974	Benjamin E. Holland	2016	Robert Al Adams
1975 & 1976	PG James R. Westlake	2017 & 2018	William Henry Cobb II
1977 & 1978	George E. McNally	2019	Jim Freeman (term incomplete)
1979	John H. Pitts III	2019	Gregory Eugene Smith (partial term)
1980 & 1981	Coney B. Padgett	2020	Gregory Eugene Smith
1982	John W. Loud		

 $^{^{\}ast}$ Starting in 1933 Atlanta was listed as a separate chapter of the Georgia Society in NSSAR records.



The following members have a birthday this month:

Matthew Eads	1^{st}
Preston Polun	1^{st}
Loy Reddick	$3^{\rm rd}$
Matthews Pierson	4 th
David Collings	7^{th}
Ronald Redner	8^{th}
Richard Brown	8^{th}
James Cook	13^{th}
Jonathan McDonald	19^{th}
David Allee	24^{th}
Leroy Lamar III	30^{th}