

# Atlanta Tidbits Ledger

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#### Next Meeting via ZOOM – March 11th @ 11:30 a.m.

#### 2021 Begins a New Century of Service to our Community!

**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. Did you know March 4<sup>th</sup> 1918 the Spanish Flu strikes and kills 100 Million?

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 <a href="mailto:BarryNmiller@gmail.com">BarryNmiller@gmail.com</a>. You will then be sent a link, password and detailed connection information. This will ensure a secure session.

#### Did you miss the February meeting? See it on YouTube

Copy the URL and paste in your browser to view the YouTube video:

https://youtu.be/97OjLKMpTZg

#### **Upcoming Regular Atlanta Chapter Meeting**

All Chapter announcements and notices are sent via email from <u>chapternews@saratlanta.org</u>. 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.

We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting!



# **2021 Chapter Officer Directory**

A vote was held at the January Chapter meeting on the Proposed Slate of Atlanta Chapter Officers for 2021-2022.

Chapter officers to serve February 20, 2021, to February 20, 2022, are as follows:

President: Barry Neil Miller First Vice-President: Vacant

**Second Vice-President: Charlie Newcomer** 

Secretary:
Treasurer:
Registrar:
Sergeant-at-Arms:
Chancellor:
Chaplain:
Al Adams
Richard Marsh
David Noble
Bob Campbell
Ed Floyd
John Titus

Historian: Gregory E. Smith

# Service Opportunity Available to Atlanta Chapter Members "First Vice President"

The Chapter Nominating Committee is now actively offering opportunities to members for service to the Atlanta Chapter for 2021 as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. 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, Al Adams or Georgy E. Smith.



# New Atlanta Chapter Member

The Atlanta Chapter Is Proud to Welcome our New Member

New Member Norman Jeffery Grant Patriot Ancestor, state served Walter Hanson, MD

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 and the Battle of Kettle Creek Ceremony

This year many of the events that were part of the commemoration were done in-person in Lincoln County, GA via video and inserted into the Virtual Zoom events to attempt to make the commemorations as realistic as possible. Wreaths were presented by the SAR, DAR, CAR and other organizations. In case you missed these events click on the links below:

The video recording of the Virtual Ceremony of the "Heroes of the Hornets' Nest" held at Elijah Clark State Park is available for viewing on YouTube. Copy the URL and paste in your browser to view the YouTube video: <a href="https://youtu.be/oimKD9-Ret4">https://youtu.be/oimKD9-Ret4</a>.

The video recording of the Virtual Ceremony of the "242nd Anniversary of the Battle of Kettle Creek Commemoration" is available for viewing on YouTube. Copy the URL and paste in your browser to view the YouTube video: <a href="https://youtu.be/oceh-WDDF84">https://youtu.be/oceh-WDDF84</a>.

ATL chapter members were part of the program. Charlie Newcomer was the Event Coordinator for the Heroes of the Hornets' Nest presentation and Edward M. Anderson Jr gave the Invocation & Benediction. Congratulations Charlie and Ed for an outstanding job.



## **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.

Meetings

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
Ist Vice President
2nd Vice President
3nd Vice President
3nd Vice President
3nd Vice President
4nd Vice President
4nd Vice President
4nd Vice President
5nd Vice President
5nd Vice President
5nd Vice President
5nd Vice President
6nd Vice President
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#### 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 Name:	Husband's First Name:		
Address:	Telephone:			
City:	State:	Zip:		
Email Address:				
Related SAR Member:		2		
Type of Relationship (spouse, son,	nephew, etc.): His SAR Chapte	r:		
Date of Lifetime Membership Paymen	t: Lifetime Membership Du	es \$25.00		
Georgia Ladies Auxiliary Pin	\$15.00(check if you would like a pin)			
(Pin pictured above)				
Total Amount Paid:	8			
Check Number:	(Your check is your receipt)			
Mail your completed application an	d check payable to GASSAR – Ladies Auxiliary to: 2020 Ladies Auxiliary President	Deborah Dobbs 3166 Floyd Street, NE Covington, GA 30014		
Received by:		Covingion, GA 30014		

#### **NASSAR 2021 CONGRESS**

## Renton, Washington July 07–July 15, 2021

Hyatt Regency Lake Washington "Hotel Only" Registration is now open.

DO NOT wait to Register.

#### RESERVATION INFORMATION

The group booking link you requested is now ready for use. Simply copy and paste the URL below into your browser to access the exclusive rates available for this group:

https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/SEARL/G-SONS

Hotel: Hyatt Regency Lake Washington 1053 Lake Washington Boulevard North, Renton, WA 98056

**Group Name: National Society Sons of the American Revolution** 

Arrival Date: 10-Jul-2021 (Saturday) Departure Date: 15-Jul-2021 (Thursday)

Room rates are \$205 per night with taxes.

If you want to register on the telephone, please call the following number 800-233-1234

**Event Registration** begins May 15, 2021

# **NSSAR 2022 Congress**

# 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 100<sup>th</sup> 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, 2021, please report the details to our Veterans Respect Chairman John Titus

## **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 <a href="https://www.vhac.gov">VHACO10B2Astaff@va.gov</a>.

Donor Name					
Address					
Phone Number					
Email					
Check the areas below wh	ere you are able to offer support:				
Crafts & Games (Leisu	re activities for Veterans)				
Non-Perishable Food & Snacks (Food pantries/ Community Living Centers/Domiciliaries)					
Children's Games/Books/Toys (VA's Emergency Childcare Centers)					
Uber/Lyft Gift Cards (Non-elective appointments where transportation is unavailable, i.e. dialysis)					
Grocery Store Gift Cards (Homeless/Indigent Veterans)					
Flip Phones with Minute Cards (Homeless Veteran Clinical Checks)					
Monetary Donations	- Click <u>HERE</u> to Donate Online through pay.gov				
Personal Protective I	quipment (PPE) - Gloves, Gowns, Masks  *Donated PPE must arrive in new, unopened/unused condition.				
Other - Please Specif	у				
Quantity:	Estimated Value:				
MC Demonts	For more information visit				

www.volunteer.va.gov or scan this code:

## **Short notice event:**



# 242<sup>nd</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF BRIER CREEK

# 242<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Battle of Brier Creek March 5-6, 2021

Brier Creek Battlefield, Screven County, GA

## Friday, March 5, 2021

WE WILL HAVE 2 PRESENTATIONS 10:00 AM & 1:00 PM AT THE BATTLEFIELD WITH THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE FOR EACH PERIOD.

**STATION #1:** Dr. John Derden will share ideas for upcoming tours & present an overview of the history of the battlefield & the direction to be taken to ensure a maximum acquisition of the findings on the site & its preservation

STATION #2: Steve Burke will share his lifetime collection of Revolutionary period artifacts, weapons, clothes, etc.

**STATION #3:** Don and Pat Thomas' "Traveling Trunk" will be on display. The Thomas' will explain the uses of the many items included.

STATIONS #4: Tommy Christopher will demonstrate cooking on black iron at the tent encampment and Allen Mincey will have his display of his Revolutionary items

- Brier Creek Militia under the command of Steve Burke will fire a 3-round volley using our 50 Cal. Flintlock rifles.
- Artillery Commander Steve Burke will fire a 3-round volley using his 6-pounder Naval cannon.

#### BRIER CREEK CHAPTER and WIREGRASS CHAPTER

Georgia Sons of the American Revolution

Invite you to attend the

#### 242<sup>nd</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF BRIER CREEK

## Saturday, March 6

at 11:00 A.M.

#### **Brier Creek Battlefield and Memorial Site**

Brannens Bridge Road (on right, 100 yds north of Brier Creek landing/bridge)

Screven County, Georgia Coordinates: N 32° 48.328° W81° 28.294°

SAR, DAR, C.A.R., other patriotic and lineage societies, chapters and the general public are welcome. Continental, militia or period attire is encouraged.

#### **DIRECTIONS**

- FROM STATESBORO: Take U.S. HWY 301 North to Sylvania where GA HWY 21 crosses. From this point, drive north on U.S. HWY 301 for 5.0 miles and turn right on GA HWY 24 East. Drive 5.1 miles to Brannans Bridge Road (white building on left) and turn Left. Drive 4.7 miles to Brannans Bridge and across bridge, 100 yards to GATE on right. There will be a sign at the GATE that says Ceremony.
- FROM DOWNTOWN SYLVANIA: From the downtown circle, take East Ogeechee Street/Brannans Bridge Road and drive 5.9 miles to the stop sign. Continue driving straight for another 4.7 miles to Brannans Bridge and across bridge, 100 yards to Gate on right. There will be a sign at the GATE that says Ceremony.
- FROM NEWINGTON: Take GA HWY 24 West until you get to the Brannans Bridge Road (white building on the right, approximately 17 miles) and then turn right. Drive for 4.7 miles to Brannans Bridge and across bridge, 100 yards to GATE on right. There will be a sign at the GATE that says Ceremony.

• FROM AUGUSTA: Drive to Waynesboro on U.S. HWY 25 South. Continue through Waynesboro and turn left onto GA HWY 24 East. Continue on HWY 24 until you reach U.S. HWY 301. Turn right (South) for less than a mile and then turn left onto GA HWY 24 East. Drive 5.1 miles to Brannans Bridge Road (white building on left) and turn Left. Drive 4.7 miles to Brannans Bridge and across bridge, 100 yards to GATE on right. There will be a sign at the GATE that says Ceremony.

When you turn into the gate, it's straight back 1 mile to site

# 242<sup>nd</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE BATTLE AT BRIER CREEK SCREVEN COUNTY, GEORGIA

#### **MARCH 5-6, 2021**

#### **LOCATIONS TO STAY**

- SYLVANIA INN-SYLVANIA
  404 West Ogeechee Street
  Sylvania, GA
  912-564-2490
  912-564-9212
  sylvaniainn@gmail.com
- KINCHEY PLACE BED & BREAKFAST-SYLVANIA
   309 Singleton Ave
   Sylvania, GA
   912-425-2169
   info@kinchlevplace.com
- EDENFIELD HOUSE INN-SWAINSBORO (Exceptional)

426 West Church Street

Swainsboro, GA

**478-237-3007** 

**202-330-2046** 

**Edenfieldhouse.com** 

• HOLIDAY INN-STATESBORO

455 Commerce Drive

Statesboro, GA

866-538-9334

• HAMPTON INN-WAYNESBORO

235 Peachtree Street

Waynesboro, GA

866-925-7881



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 X 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 L 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	2021	Barry N. Miller
STATE OF THE PARTY			

\* Starting in 1933 Atlanta was listed as a separate chapter of the Georgia Society in NSSAR records.

# Atlanta Fellows



2021

Al Adams

Edward Moses Anderson, Charles Lord

Bill Armstrong

Stuart Brady

Sam Chafin

Philip Clinkscales 199

Henry Cobb

John Coning

Ed Conley

Phil Curtis

Jim Freeman

Peggy Freeman

Bill Goodman

Gene Grasser

70m Gurley

James Hankins

Joseph Hankins

Pat Hankins

Ann Hays

Bill Hays

Don Kenagy

Katherine Lord

Bruce Maney

Charlie Maney

Ginny Manning

Terry Manning

Richard Marsh

Barry N. Miller

Joy Miller

7ed McMullan

Lowrey McNeel

Toe Meyer

Charlie Newcomer

Alice Noble

David Noble

James Noble

Ray Patton

Joyce Patton

Loy Reddick

Ed Rigel, Sr.

Joan Rigel

Robert Miller Rogers

Stephen D. Schroeder

Kathleen Ann Schroeder

Stephen D. Schroeder 99

Korey Matthew Schroeder

William Smith 199

Gregory Eugene Smith

Ben Statham

Penn Templeman

Bruce D. Wanamaker

Eugene Wilson

Mary Wilson

Richard Williams

Elizabeth Kearsley Wysong

# **Color Guard Uniforms for Sale**

A Quartermaster's purchasing guide to outfitting yourself as a Member of the Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard.

See this webpage for the latest Continental and Militia uniforms for sale publish by Emil Decker, Compatriot, Robert Forsyth Chapter, Georgia Society:

http://robertforsythsar.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/The-Well-Dressed-Guardsman-2021.pdf

Contact the ATL chapter Color Guard Commander for more details: Terry Manning



**Emil Decker** 



# The following members have a birthday in March:

4	Stephen Schroeder, Sr.	20	<b>George Stoughton</b>
6	Gen Casamir Pulaski	22	Mark Bell
9	William Cobb, II	24	James Toney
10	Charles Moran, Jr.	25	<b>Edward Floyd</b>
10	Baxter Bedell	25	<b>Melvin Rhodes</b>
10	Wm. Campbell	25	<b>Gregory Miller</b>
13	Milus Maney	26	Robert Hill
13	Timothy Murphy	27	Perry Benson, III
<b>15</b>	John Henry, Jr.	28	<b>Brian McKinney</b>
16	Ford Pierson	28	James Jones
16	James Madison	29	William Skinner
<b>17</b>	Stephen Allgood	31	<b>Edgar Wilson</b>
<b>17</b>	Paul Anderson		



# Irish participation in the American Revolution

The following documented facts are examples of Irish participation in the American Revolution.

- At the Battle of Lexington (April 19, 1775), 174 Irish were present.
- At the Battle of Bunker Hill (June 17, 1775), 698 Irish were present.
- A prominent American, Joseph Galloway, also an English Tory told the English House of Commons, on October 27, 1779, that one-half of Washington's Continental Army was Irish.
- On April 2, 1784, Luke Gardiner, afterward Lord Mountjoy, told the English Parliament, "America was lost by Irish emigrants … I am assured from the best authority, the major part of the American Army was composed of Irish and that the Irish language was as commonly spoken in the American ranks as English, I am also informed it was their valor that determined the contest"
- Many Irish, banished by England, fought with Lafayette. At the Siege of Savannah,
   637 Irish were killed. (Source: Ancient order of Hibernians, aohflorida.org)

# 2021 Atlanta Chapter Cash Contests are Available

Applications are now available for the 2021/22 Atlanta Chapter Cash Contest Awards.

Arthur M. and Berdena King Eagle Scout Contest \$\$
Outstanding JROTC Cadet (Enhanced) (Essay) contest
The George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Program \$\$
The Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest \$\$
Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award \$\$

If you have a child, grandchild or know of someone who might benefit from these contests, contact them and get them involved no matter where they reside.

Full details, forms, instruction, deadlines and eligibility requirements for each contest are on the Atlanta Chapter website ant he National SAR website.

#### Save the date:

240<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Siege of Augusta 29 May 2021.

SAR Hermitage Park Bench dedication 13 Mar 2022 in TN.

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