



# Atlanta Tidbits Ledger

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### Next Meeting via ZOOM – April 15<sup>th</sup> @ 11:30 a.m.

**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. **The next planned in person meeting will be 9 Sep 2021.**

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 visit the webpage below:

<https://www.saratlanta.org/contact-us/>

You will then be sent a link, password, and detailed connection information. This will ensure a secure session.

### Did you miss the March meeting? See it on YouTube.

Our speaker was Leslie Strickland Watkins who discussed “SAR Women More than Camp Followers”

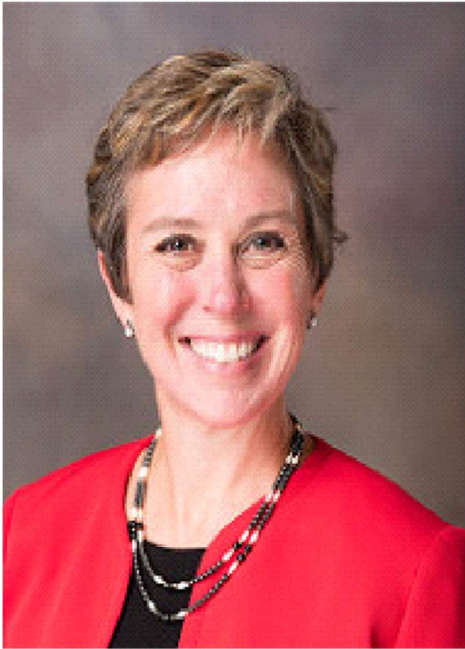
Copy the URL and paste in your browser to view the YouTube video:

[https://youtu.be/xua\\_2NGhfzl](https://youtu.be/xua_2NGhfzl)

## **Our April 15 meeting Speaker**

**Dr. Sonya L. Finley**

### **"Great Power Competition: Chinese Public Diplomacy"**



Dr. Sonya Finley is a professor of strategy at the National War College and adjunct assistant professor for the Georgetown University Security Studies Program. She has taught at the graduate and undergraduate levels, including the Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy at the National Defense University, Washington DC and the Department of Social Sciences at the United States Military Academy at West Point. Sonya served for over 26 years in the U.S. Army and retired as a colonel. As a strategist, she served as a strategic adviser, planner, and speechwriter for senior uniformed leaders in the Republic of Korea, Iraq, and Washington D.C., as well as the Office of the Secretary of Defense for Policy (Plans). She is a former East-West Center fellow and former term member of the Council on Foreign Relations. She holds a BA from Emory University, an MPA from Cornell University, and a PhD from Virginia Tech.

Her research focuses on the fields of strategy, international communications / public diplomacy / strategic communication.

## **Friends of the Library**

**YouTube link to the excellent presentation by Allen Finley of the Piedmont Chapter on the NSSAR Library and Friends of the Library.**

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

<https://youtu.be/977OUCsOsVQ>

The year 2021 marks the 100-year anniversary of the Atlanta Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution. One hundred years serving the Atlanta Community promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and promoting education to our future generations.

## *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        | Ruben 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          | 2021        | Barry N. Miller                     |

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



## 2021 Chapter Officer Directory

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

|                               |                          |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>President:</b>             | <b>Barry Neil Miller</b> |
| <b>First Vice-President:</b>  | <b>Vacant</b>            |
| <b>Second Vice-President:</b> | <b>Charlie Newcomer</b>  |
| <b>Secretary:</b>             | <b>Al Adams</b>          |
| <b>Treasurer:</b>             | <b>Richard Marsh</b>     |
| <b>Registrar:</b>             | <b>David Noble</b>       |
| <b>Sergeant-at-Arms:</b>      | <b>Bob Campbell</b>      |
| <b>Chancellor:</b>            | <b>Ed Floyd</b>          |
| <b>Chaplain:</b>              | <b>John Titus</b>        |
| <b>Historian:</b>             | <b>Gregory E. Smith</b>  |

Contact any Chapter officer by clicking on this link: <https://www.saratlanta.org/contact-us/>

## 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 2021/2022 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.



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### GEORGIA SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION WEEK

- WHEREAS:** The Sons of the American Revolution was conceived as a fraternal and civic society composed of lineal descendants of individuals who wintered at Valley Forge, signed the Declaration of Independence, fought during the American Revolution, served in the Continental Congress, or supported the cause of American Independence; and
- WHEREAS:** Sixteen presidents have been proud members of the Sons of the American Revolution; and
- WHEREAS:** The Sons of the American Revolution is devoted to preserving the memory of the individuals who, by their services and sacrifices during the American Revolutionary War, achieved independence for the United States; and
- WHEREAS:** Members of the Sons of the American Revolution inspire citizens to revere the principles that their forefathers incorporated into our nation's government and encourage the development of historical research about the American Revolutionary War; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Society has over 2,000 members, organized in thirty-five chapters throughout the state; and
- WHEREAS:** On March 15, 2021, the Georgia Society, Sons of the American Revolution will celebrate their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim March 14-20, 2021 as GEORGIA SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.



*B. P. Kemp*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Manson Kilpatrick*

CHIEF OF STAFF



# New Atlanta Chapter Members

The Atlanta Chapter Is Proud to Welcome our New Members for 2021

New Member

Patriot Ancestor, state served.

**Norman Jeffrey Grant**

**Walter Hanson, MD**



**Norman Jeffrey Grant**

**Christopher Robert Green  
John Watson Godwin  
Michael Winford Southern**

**Robert Dunwoody, PA  
Amos Stewart, SC  
Gipson Southern, GA**

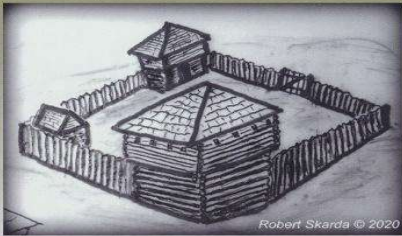
# Battle of Brier Creek Ceremony

GASSAR Brier Creek and Wiregrass Chapters along with the Governor David Emanuel - Adam Brinson Chapter of the NSDAR held the 242nd Anniversary Celebration of the Battle at Brier Creek on the battlefield, Saturday, March 6, 2021. The Master of Ceremonies for this event was Compatriot Tommy Christopher. The invocation was given by Brier Creek President Wayne Howard followed by the playing of "Amazing Grace" and "Flowers of the Forest" by bag piper Dave Crampton of the Edward Telfair Chapter of the GASSAR. Commander Scott Collins of the Flintlock and Cannon detail ordered a 3-round volley alternating Flintlocks and then Cannon firing. Flintlocks used were the 50 Cal. Pennsylvania/Kentucky Rifles and the Brown Bess 75 cal. Muskets. Cannons used were the 6-pounder Mortar and the 6-pounder Naval Cannon. After the volley, the bugler, CW4 Larry Hyatt played "Last Post" and then "Taps". Last Post is a 17th Century bugle call played as a final farewell, symbolizing the fact that the duty of the dead soldier(s) is over, and they can rest in peace. Last post was used until Taps was introduced in 1862. During this celebration, and while Last Post was played a militia soldier, Compatriot Allen Mincey, from the Brier Creek Chapter slowly walked away from the celebration into the woods. After Taps were played Color Guard Commander Bill Palmer gave the command to "Retire the Colors". At this time President Wayne Howard said the benediction." Dess Smith III, Event Chair.



Charlie Newcomer presenting a wreath on behalf of the ATL Chapter.

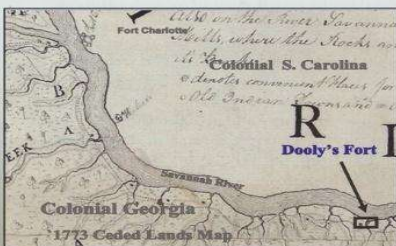
Recently the Atlanta Chapter has joined in archaeological investigations (Including cadaver dogs and ground penetrating Radar) at the Kettle Creek Revolutionary Battle site to improve the understanding of the battle. We also participated in the archaeological work in finding Col. John Dooly's Fort at the Elijah Clarke State Park. The chapter participates in many of the Georgia Society functions. We are looking forward to many new activities in the next one hundred years.



Robert Skarda © 2020

### Dooly's Fort

Col. John Dooly's Fort ruins were recently discovered in the Elijah Clarke State Park using Ground Penetrating Radar & Magnetometer. The fort site is under archaeological study and when completed the fort will be replicated in the park. Over 100 similar forts were built in Georgia to defend frontier families from the Indians and Loyalists. All the log forts have been destroyed by man or Nature. If the homesteads were attacked, the forts would have been a refuge for wives & children while the men folk were off to fight.



Brochure Research ~ David A. Noble  
Design ~ Robert Skarda

### Stirring up a Hornet's Nest of History at Elijah Clarke State Park.

Learn about  
Newly discovered ruins of Col. John Dooly's Fort.

A Revolutionary War era furnished settler cabin replica & farmstead of Lt. Col. Elijah Clarke.

Living history displays, tours & demonstrations.

The lives of these two Revolutionary War heroes.

Clarks Hill Lakeshore holds the graves of Patriot Gen. Elijah Clarke and his wife Hannah Harrington Clarke. The graves of Col. John Dooly, his wife Diana, sons Jack and Thomas will soon be placed nearby.



Hannah Harrington Clarke Nature Trail honors her courageous and steady Patriot service despite the loss of home and possessions burnt by pillaging Indians. While caring for her wounded husband and eight children, she defended the homestead against Loyalist & Indian attacks. She was an educated, tough, frontier woman who lived to the age of ninety.



Come Visit the Annual Celebration:  
"The Heroes of the Hornet's Nest"

Elijah Clarke State Park  
Lincoln County, GA  
GPS: N33.856 W -81.466

[Lincolncountyhistoricalsocietyga.org](http://Lincolncountyhistoricalsocietyga.org)

## Elijah Clarke State Park

Role in the Revolutionary War

### Heroes of the Hornet's Nest

Col. John Dooly  
Lt. Col. Elijah Clarke



"Dog trot" Log Cabin Replica

Col. John Dooly's Fort was in the park.

Lt. Col. Elijah Clarke lived nearby.

Both lived in log cabins similar to the Park replica.

### Col. John Dooly

was born in Virginia 1740. He moved in 1771 to the South Carolina backcountry as a surveyor and merchant. In 1773 he occupied "Lee's Old Place" in Wilkes County, GA (deeded to Mr. Lee in 1759) on the Savannah River with his wife Diana, sons Jack, John M., Thomas and daughter Susannah. This fertile Savannah River flood plain was known as "Little Egypt" for large amounts of corn production. Times were rough and dangerous for all early settlers requiring the building of a log fort. He was appointed a Captain in the Georgia Continental Army and fought at the battle of the Rice Boats (Mar. 1776) & defended Savannah. In 1777 he resigned his Continental Army commission due to arresting Indians returning from a peace conference at Fort Galphin, SC. With the Wilkes County Militia he fought in the battles near Newsom's Ponds and Fulson's Fort (Aug. 1778). After the fall of Savannah in January of 1779, Col. John Dooly was made Commander of the only Georgia Militia Regiment stationed in Wilkes County. This authorized force consisted of 250 men on horseback. Lt. Col. Elijah Clarke was second in command in the unit. The Militia was responsible for manning the local forts and defending area settlers against all attacks by the Indians and British Loyalists. His militia fought at Carr's Fort (Feb. 1779), Kettle Creek (Feb. 1779), Rocky Comfort Creek (Mar. 1779) and Savannah II (Oct. 1779). In June of 1780 the British controlled all of Georgia.

Col. Dooly surrendered 400 men for parole (release) to William Manson at Washington, GA to save their lives. In August of 1780, Loyalist soldiers attacked and burned Col. Dooly's Fort killing him. In 1780, under court orders, Col. Elijah Clarke evicted Dooly's widow from her home because Mr. Lee had won a court case for repossession of his property. She moved to Uncle George Dooly's adjacent land and built a home for her family near Dooly Springs. (See sign in the Park) Col. Dooly, wife Diana and sons John/Jack and Thomas were buried near the Fort. The graves were moved when Lake Clark Hill was impounded.

### Lt. Col. Elijah Clarke

was a tough frontiersman, feared Indian fighter, land speculator and a true Revolutionary War hero. He was born in North Carolina in 1740, raised in South Carolina. He married Hannah Harrington and moved to the Ceded lands of Georgia in 1773 as an impoverished and illiterate man. His proven fighting prowess led to election as Captain in the Wilkes County Militia protecting the frontier from Cherokee and Creek Indians. He fought in the fierce battles of Fort Loggy (Jul. 1776), Clark's Station (Sept. 1776), Alligator Creek, FL (Jun. 1778, shot in thigh), Carr's Fort (Feb. 1779), Kettle Creek (Feb. 1779 led the charge), Rocky Comfort Creek (Mar. 1779), 1<sup>st</sup> Siege of Augusta (Sept. 1780) and 2<sup>nd</sup> Siege of Augusta (May 1781). In 1779-80, he was involved in the killing of many Loyalist settlers in Georgia which the British termed "stirring up a hornet's nest."

Col. Clarke also engaged in battles in South Carolina at Wofford's Iron Works, Cedar Springs, Musgrove's Mill, Long Cane (wounded), Beattie's Mill, Fish Dam Ford and Blackstock. During his 1780, the British burned his home to the ground. Col. Clarke, a fearless fighter, was wounded in four battles. At the Battle of Musgrove's Mill, Col. Isaac Shelby reported, "ceasing in the midst of battle to look with astonishment and admiration at Clarke fighting." After the British abandoned Savannah in July of 1782, Col. Clarke fought and won his last battle this time in the Indian Territory, against longtime adversary Loyalist Lt. Col. Thomas Waters in Oct. 1782. This victory brought an end to the Cherokee War and cleared the way for settlers to populate more of Georgia at the end of the Revolutionary War. After the war, Gen. Clarke was involved in the failed start of an independent country inside Georgia, "The Trans-Oconee Republic." He boldly joined the French Army as Major General with a \$10,000 salary to invade Spanish Florida. He was part of the Yazoo Land Fraud, With his wife, Hannah Harrington Clarke, he retired to "Woodburn" at Grayhall in Lincoln County, Georgia. The plantation, once owned by Loyalist Thomas Waters, was awarded to Clarke by the grateful State of Georgia. Nearby Clarke County is named to honor the Revolutionary War Patriot. At his death on Dec. 15, 1779, though impoverished, Gen. Elijah Clarke was still revered as a Georgia hero.





# 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.

**Membership**

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.

**Dues**

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)*

- |                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| <b>President</b>          | <b>Deborah Dobbs</b> (Covington/George Walton Chapter) – 2nd from left                          |
| <b>1st Vice President</b> | <b>Brenda Jessel</b> (Newnan/Marquis de Lafayette Chapter) – 3rd from left                      |
| <b>2nd Vice President</b> | <b>Malone Moore</b> (Columbus/Coweta Falls Chapter) – center                                    |
| <b>Secretary</b>          | <b>Marguerite Cagle</b> (Marietta/Captain John Collins Chapter) – far right                     |
| <b>Treasurer</b>          | <b>Linda Reese</b> (Roswell/Piedmont Chapter) – 2nd from right                                  |
| <b>Chaplain</b>           | <b>Nancy Burdick</b> (Hartwell/Athens Chapter) – Linda Reed substituting – 3rd from right       |
| <b>Parliamentarian</b>    | <b>Leslie Watkins</b> (Gainesville/Buttontown Gwinnett/Atlanta Chapters) appointed not pictured |

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Related SAR Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Relationship (spouse, son, nephew, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_ His SAR Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Lifetime Membership Payment: \_\_\_\_\_ Lifetime Membership Dues \$25.00

Georgia Ladies Auxiliary Pin \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_ (check if you would like a pin)

*(Pin pictured above)*

Total Amount Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_ *(Your check is your receipt)*

Mail your completed application and check payable to GASSAR – Ladies Auxiliary to:  
2020 Ladies Auxiliary President

**Deborah Dobbs**  
3166 Floyd Street, NE  
Covington, GA 30014

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

# 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](http://www.gasocietysar.org)

These are **Hot Items!** Get yours now before they are gone!



Centennial Lapel Pin



Congress Lapel Pin



Centennial Medal Set



Congress Medal Set

# Veterans Respect



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.

A major project undertaken as a chapter in 2019 was to collect money at our luncheons to purchase VA Canteen Coupon Books. In 2019 at luncheons and through "add on" donations to dues we were able to collect \$1030. In 2020 that fell to \$650 due to our being unable to meet for luncheons. Until we can again meet in person we invite you to support this project by sending a quarterly check in any amount to our Treasurer Richard Marsh, 2849 Country Squire Lane, Decatur, GA 30033. Make checks payable to Atlanta Chapter SAR and note it being for VA Canteen Coupon books. THANKS!

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 March 1, 2021, please report the details to our Veterans Respect Committee Chairman John Titus, [mojotitus@bellsouth.net](mailto:mojotitus@bellsouth.net).

VA



U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs  
Atlanta VA Health Care System

## COVID-19 VACCINE REQUEST:

**Veterans, if you received your COVID-19 vaccine outside the VA, please send a copy of your vaccination card through My HealtheVet or provide a copy of your card to your Primary Care Provider.**



**SECURE  
MESSAGING**

# 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.

If you have comments or questions. In the meantime thank you for your generosity 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](mailto:VHACO10B2Astaff@va.gov).

Donor Name

Address

Phone Number

Email

**Check the areas below where you are able to offer support:**

- Crafts & Games** *(Leisure 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 [HERE](#) to Donate Online through pay.gov**

- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) - Gloves, Gowns, Masks** *\* Donated PPE must arrive in new, unopened/unused condition.*
- Other - Please Specify**

Quantity:

Estimated Value:

**VA**



U.S. Department  
of Veterans Affairs

For more information visit  
[www.volunteer.va.gov](http://www.volunteer.va.gov) or scan this code:



2021 Vietnam War Veterans celebrating 50th year anniversary

They arrive together every spring, like the daffodils  
and magnolia blossoms. Passover and Easter.  
Celebrate!

## Events in April:

The Sunbury Chapter NSDAR in Winder, GA, invites you to attend two grave marking dedications on Saturday, 17 April 2021. At 1:00pm, Patriot David Smith & his wife Rebecca Lindley Smith, the 5th great grandparents of the Little River Chapter Secretary, Sergeant at Arms, and Chancellor, Gary Smith. 3:00pm Patriot William Pentecost and his wife Delilah Wood. Please take a mask and a chair. If you can attend, please present a wreath on behalf of the Atlanta Chapter. Presenters, please contact [SunburyDAR@gmail.com](mailto:SunburyDAR@gmail.com) by Monday April 12<sup>th</sup>.

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The Frederica Patriots Day Virtual Ceremony will be performed on ZOOM starting at 1:00pm on Saturday, April 17.

Featuring:

Georgia Society SAR Color Guard Continental Soldiers with Flags and Militia with Muskets and Cannon Salutes; Pledge and National Anthem by GA Society Children of the American Revolution; Patriotic Musical Performances; Descriptions of the first battle of American Revolution in 1775 and the Naval victory in 1778; Greetings from officers of C.A.R., DAR, and SAR.

Virtual Wreath Presentations:

Instructions on how to submit your photo with a wreath are included in the Registration link below – We will combine the photos into a video presentation - there will be no live wreath presentations. To complete your registration, copy this link and FILL OUT IN

GOOGLE FORMS:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfOS0WEMTq9oW9mKCASIEDodI2f4u3dFEDjU4jI0QgeLdjQbQ/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>

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Patriots' Day 19 Apr 2021. The commemoration of the Battle of Lexington and the Battle of Concord the first battles fought in the American Revolutionary War.

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Georgia Society SAR Spring BOM meeting 24 April 2021, 10:00am – 12:00pm.



## 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 published by Emil Decker, Compatriot, Robert Forsyth Chapter, Georgia Society:

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

Now is an excellent time to outfit yourself while there is the opportunity to reduce the cost to \$100 by taking advantage of a \$100 stipend from the ATL chapter.

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



Emil Decker

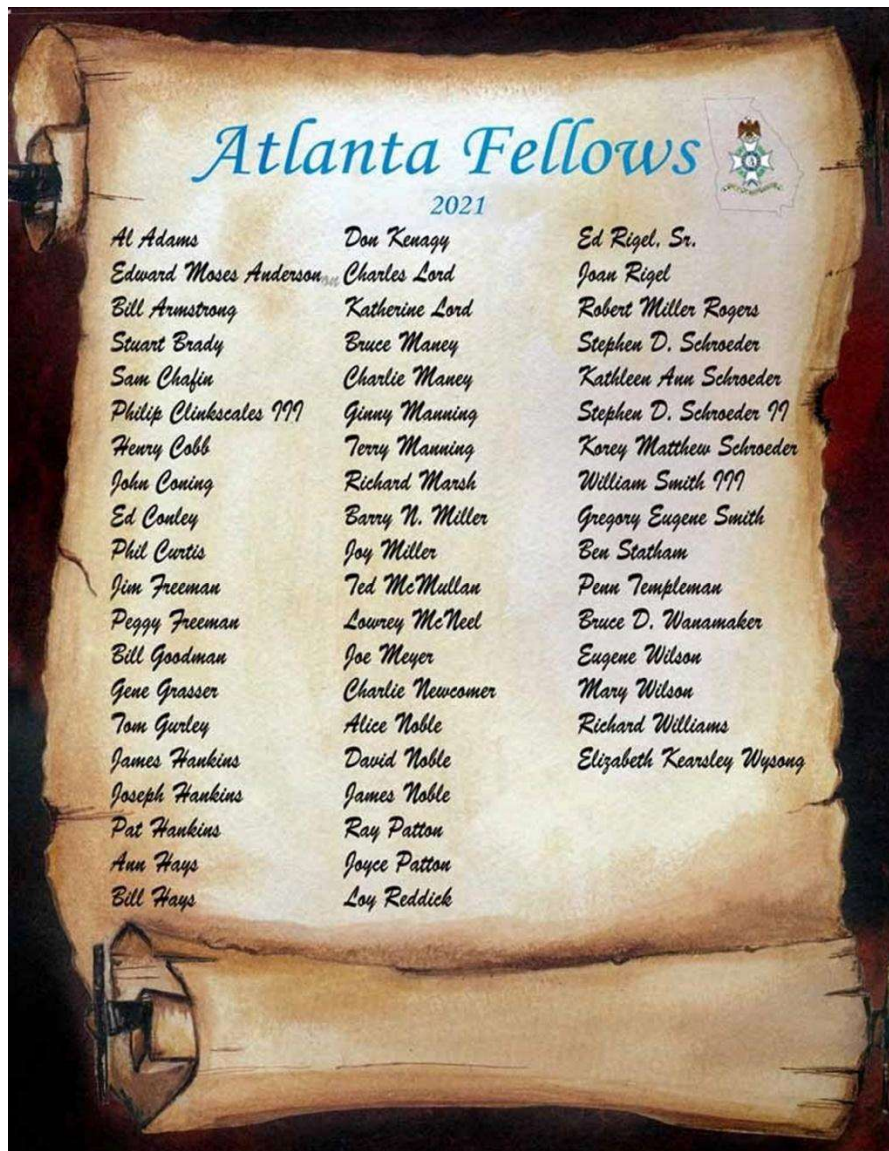
# ATL chapter Fellows

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.

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. We are also grateful for several members who have started making incremental donations toward becoming Atlanta Fellows. The following list may not include some recent donations.

We thank all our Atlanta Fellows for their support and encourage others to join their ranks!

## 2021 New Atlanta Fellows





**The following members have a birthday in April:**

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| <b>Nathan Eads,</b>        | <b>1</b>  | <b>Thomas Jefferson</b>      | <b>13</b> |
| <b>Richard Marsh,</b>      | <b>1</b>  | <b>Daniel Meacham,</b>       | <b>16</b> |
| <b>William Gurley, Sr.</b> | <b>2</b>  | <b>Theodore Gordon,</b>      | <b>16</b> |
| <b>David Noble,</b>        | <b>3</b>  | <b>Charlie Newcomer, III</b> | <b>18</b> |
| <b>Timothy Newmyer,</b>    | <b>4</b>  | <b>Roger Sherman</b>         | <b>19</b> |
| <b>Robert Schmidt,</b>     | <b>12</b> | <b>Barrett Hanson,</b>       | <b>21</b> |
| <b>Charles Griffin,</b>    | <b>13</b> | <b>Gregory Smith,</b>        | <b>29</b> |

**Celebrating a special anniversary of 60 years membership in  
the National Society Sons of the American Revolution  
Atlanta Chapter member**

**Kendall J. Zelif**

# 2021/2022 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 and the National SAR website.

Save the date:

240<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Siege of Augusta, **Moved to 12 Jun 2021.**

SAR Hermitage Park Bench dedication 13 Mar 2022 in TN.

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