

# Atlanta Tidbits Ledger

## Atlanta Chapter Sons of the American Revolution

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No meetings scheduled for July & August

Our next in person Meeting

Sept 9<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.

## 2022 Dues Payments Kick Off

It's time once again to think about renewing your SAR dues. This year the deadline for payment of dues has been moved up to October 1, 2021. Again, this year, GASSAR is making online dues payments available and the system is set to go live on July 1, 2021. The process is quite simple and requires that you register prior to paying your dues. If you registered last year, you are all set and will not need to register again. You will be receiving a dues notice with additional information in early July.

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## 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/>

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## Invitation to the GASSAR Summer BOM Meeting 24 July 2021

Compatriots,

On **Saturday 24 July at 10 AM** our Georgia Society will hold the **Summer Board of Managers meeting** IN-PERSON at the Garden Patch Restaurant located at 100 Southland Drive, Barnesville, GA.

While this is an in-person meeting, I have made arrangements with the restaurant owner to be able to have access to their WiFi network in order to be able to also **broadcast this meeting on Zoom** for the benefit of those compatriots who may be unable to attend in person.

**If you plan to watch this meeting on Zoom, here the steps that you need to take:**

1. Send an email message to [RickReese68@att.net](mailto:RickReese68@att.net) to let me know you will be attending online.
2. Include in your email response the following information:
  - a. Your Chapter name, email address, and cell phone number.
  - b. If you are a Chapter President, GASSAR State officer, or GASSAR Committee Chairman; please indicate your title and Chapter for voting purposes.
  - c. If you are a Chapter President who will not be attending but will have one of your Chapter members attend in your place, let me know that individual's name, email address, and cell number.
3. **On 23 July 2021** you will receive an invitation containing a link to allow you connect to the BOM Zoom meeting.

4. You will receive instructions to allow you to connect to the BOM meeting by computer or smart phone for both video and audio.
5. You may also connect by landline, if it is your only available option, but that would be by audio only.

Feel free to send this announcement to any Chapter members who may not be on the BOM or Color Guard email distribution.

Patriotically yours,

Rick Reese, Jr.  
Education Committee Chairman  
Electronic Communications Committee Chairman  
Past President, Piedmont Chapter  
Georgia Society SAR  
Cell: 847-778-9235  
[RickReese68@att.net](mailto:RickReese68@att.net)

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## Did you miss the ATL chapter meeting on 10 June 2021?

YouTube link to the recording of the Atlanta Chapter meeting is available for viewing by clicking on the link below:

[https://youtu.be/5Comoyu\\_dk0](https://youtu.be/5Comoyu_dk0)

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## New Atlanta Chapter Members

**The Atlanta Chapter Is Proud to Welcome our New Members**

**New Member**

**Patriot Ancestor, state served**

James Justin Adams

David Alderman, NC

Charles Edward Adams

David Alderman, NC

Robert Walker Adams

David Alderman, NC

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## ATL members receive Supplemental Ancestor Certificates

Michael Edward Hutchins, Patriot Peter Montague, PVT VA.  
Connor Michael Hutchins, Patriot Peter Montague, PVT VA.



Michael (Mike) Hutchins (L) and Connor Hutchins (R) with their Supplemental Ancestor Certificates for their Patriot Ancestor Peter Montague. Peter Montague was born in 1732 in Spotsylvania County Virginia, took up residence in Orange County, and served as a Private in the Virginia Continental Line during the Revolution. A descendant of an early Jamestown settler, Peter Montague roots run deep in Virginia. He died in 1820 in Orange County at quite a considerable age.

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

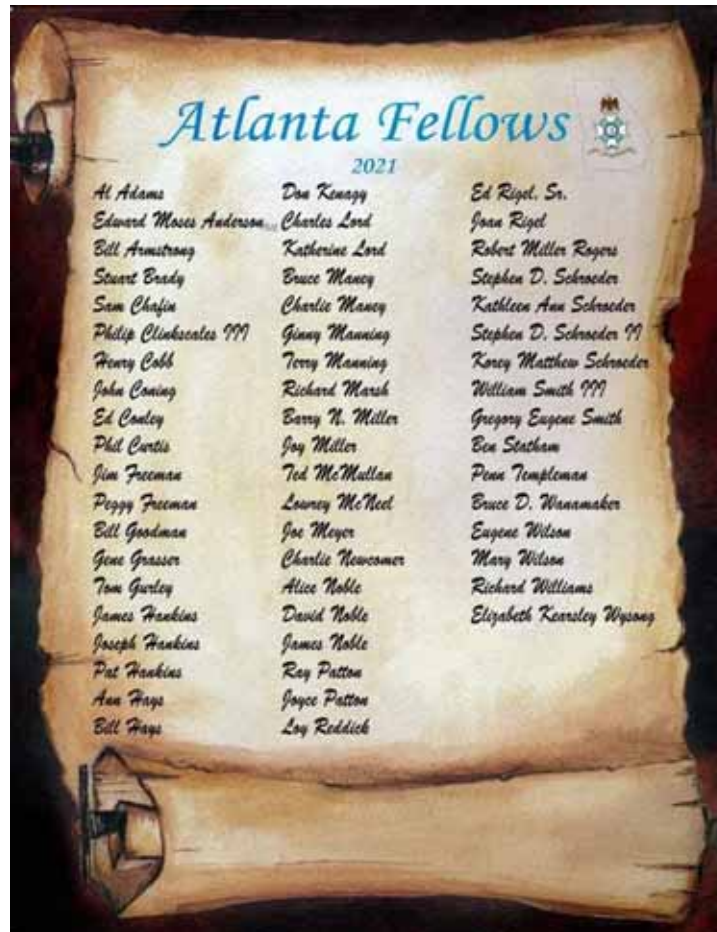
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# ATL chapter Fellows

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 Atlanta Fellows



# Veterans Respect

**Chairman: John Titus**



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.

**Special Notice**

**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).**

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## **GASSAR Rumbaugh Oration Finalist goes to National**

President Jessel and Fellow Compatriots,

It is a great honor to announce that the GASSAR Orator, Samiksha Gaherwar from the Robert Forsyth Chapter, is one of the top six finalist at the national level. She was one of six chosen from a slate of twenty. She will travel to Renton, Washington to compete live with five other finalists at National Congress on July 12. Congratulations Samiksha and we wish you the best of luck at National!

In Patriotic Service,

Chuck Garnett

Rumbaugh Oration Contest Chairman

**[Click on the link below to view the winning video.](#)**

First Place, Robert Forsyth Chapter <https://youtu.be/UUW3PP5o8fg>

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# Georgia Ladies Auxiliary SAR

National Ladies Auxiliary, Sons of the American Revolution



NLASAR

[Welcome to our website!](#)

[Membership Application](#)

## **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.

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[Charter Tea Program](#)

[Charter Tea Report](#)

[Charter Tea Photos](#)

## **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.

[Event Photos](#)

## **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)*



President Brenda Jessel (Newnan)  
1st Vice President Jane Durden (Swainsboro)  
2nd Vice President Deborah Dobbs (Covington)  
Secretary Malone Moore (Columbus)  
Treasurer Linda Reese (Roswell)  
Chaplain Nancy Burdick (Hartwell)  
Parliamentarian Leslie Watkins (Gainesville) - appointed

We welcome new members! Use this [application](#) to join.

For more information, please contact me at [darismycupoftea@gmail.com](mailto:darismycupoftea@gmail.com). Thank you.

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## Color Guard Schedule 2021

10-15 July – National SAR Congress, Renton, Washington:  
24 July – State Board of Managers  
17 Sept – Constitution Day, St. Paul’s Church, Augusta, Ga. 10am:  
18 Sept – Siege of Augusta, Kroc Center, Augusta, Ga. 11am:  
26 Sept – Patriot Grave Marking, Michael Box, 3pm, Banks Cty:  
**18** Sept – Washington Vigil, Mount Vernon:  
03 Oct – Patriot Grave Marking, John Eades, 3pm, Oglethorpe Cty:  
07 Oct – Kings Mountain  
09 Oct – Siege of Savannah  
23 Oct – Board of Managers  
06 Nov – Snellville Veterans Day  
11 Nov – Watkinsville Veterans Day  
No date – Fort Morris  
04 Dec – Battle of Vann’s Creek, Richard B. Russell State Park,  
Wreaths Across America

## 2022

28-29 Jan – State Conference  
13 Mar – Hermitage, Tenn

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## Patriot Chest/Trunk Program

### Reimbursement Process:

The Patriot Chest Program is an interactive presentation, intended to compliment Elementary and Middle School lesson plans on the Revolutionary War and Colonial Period of American History.

SAR Outreach Education will be serving as the source for State Societies and their chapters to obtain a Patriot Chest DVD and receive reimbursement up to \$375 for identified contents purchased to develop their own Patriot Chest. The contents include period clothing, toys, household, hunting and military items. The average cost of a complete Patriot Chest is about \$500. Reimbursements will be made according to the following guidelines.

One \$375.00 reimbursement for each Chest costing more than \$500.00.

Maximum of two Patriot Chests per State Society.

Maximum of \$750 for the life of the program per State Society.

Reimbursements will be at 75% of total receipts up to \$500.

Only identified items pertaining to the presentation of the Patriot Chest Program will be reimbursed. No exceptions.

Reimbursement requests must include itemized list of objects that reflect the submitted receipts will qualify to be reimbursed.

Receipts and itemized list must accompany the submitted request for reimbursement.

Please mark all submitted material "Patriot Chest Reimbursement."

Send all documented receipts at one time for one payment.

All reimbursements will be made payable to the State Society.

State Societies needs to provide current mailing address of the Treasurer or designated State Society officer who will be receiving the reimbursement.

Reimbursement requests should be sent to:

SAR

Attn: Finance Director Mary Butts 809 W. Main St.

Louisville, KY 40202-2619

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## 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>

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 and \$200 from the GASSAR.

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

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## GASSAR Patriot Package Raffle Drawing Results

The Patriot Package Raffle in support of the 2022 Congress in Savannah was held 18 June.  
300 tickets were sold.

See the results click on the YouTube link below:

<https://youtu.be/H-gZStnxloo>

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## Next GASSAR Raffle

Compatriots,

Time to begin our **next** 2022 Congress fund raising Raffle.

For Raffle:

A handcrafted replica Early Virginia Rifle easily identified by its wide flat butt plate. This style rifle might have been carried by east coast militia members. The rifled barrel is 42" 50 Caliber. The lock is Silver made with single set trigger. Both barrel and lock are browned.

The stock is made of beautiful Grade 3+ Curled/Curley/Tiger Maple.

All the furniture is cast and polished brass including a nice looking Patch Box.

Throw-ins include a handcrafted Patch Knife with Antler Handle and 4 spare flints.



The raffle is on line at <https://gasocietysar.org/product/early-virginia-rifle-auction/> Tickets will also be sold at 2021 Congress in Washington.

Only 400 tickets will be sold. Rifle Raffle tickets are \$20. Drawing will occur after all tickets sold.

(Not for public knowledge: I would just as soon deliver to a GA Compatriot. But I'm biased)

Ed Rigel Sr.

Commemorative Medal Sales

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You are probably aware that the GA Society is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year.

To that end, the Society commissioned the striking of a Commemorative Medal set consisting of a Chest Medal and a Mini Medal. The Medal Set went on sale about two years ago and has been very popular. These are the last of the limited edition medals, No more will be struck.

There are only 3 of these Commemorative Sets left for sale.

Ordering info can be found at <https://gasocietysar.org/> Click on the medal in the far right column to view the medals as well as ordering.

Ed Rigel Sr., Commemorative Medal Sales

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## 131st NASSAR 2021 CONGRESS

Renton, Washington July 09–July 16, 2021

Click on this link for more info.

<https://www.washingtonsar.org/>

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# 132nd NASSAR 2022 Congress needs Volunteers

## Savannah, GA July 08- July15, 2022

The Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution is pleased to host the 132nd National SAR Congress in Savannah, Georgia in July 2022.

Numerous volunteers will be needed to handle all the various jobs that go along with hosting a National Sons of the American Revolution Congress.

As a volunteer you will receive an official Volunteer Shirt and be invited a Volunteer reception in Savannah on Saturday, July 9, 2022. You are also able to attend meetings as a non-voting compatriot. Please take advantage of having a National SAR Congress in our state in 2022.

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Volunteers are being asked to utilize an electronic signup system. The system we are using is Signup Genius and the specify link for the 132nd National Congress in Savannah is as follows:

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<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094CAAA92DABFD0-national>

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You might have already indicated a willingness to serve as a volunteer (Day Captains, Bus Captains, Credentials, Registration etc.) but we request that you use the link and enter your signup information in the electronic signup in order to sign up for a specific shift or shifts.

In order to get shirt sizes, we needed to make the Shirt Size question a mandatory answer. Please enter your shirt size for each slot you sign up for but unfortunately you will only receive ONE shirt for the size indicated.

If you have problems with the electronic system, please do not hesitate to reach out and we can enter the information into the system for you.

Thank you from the Congress Planning Committee for 2022  
Allen Greenly and Michael Tomme, Co-Chairs

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## 2021 Flag Placements



Each year, in preparation for Fourth of July celebrations, ATL Chapter Compatriot Eugene Wilson places new US National Flags on all accessible known Patriot and Compatriot Graves in our area of responsibility within the Metro Atlanta Region.

This year Eugene and his wife Mary placed flags at 5 graves and later were joined with Barry Miller, Gregory Smith, Ed and Diane Guest and their 3 grandchild who placed flags at 21 graves in 8 cemeteries. 17 of these graves were patriots of the American Revolution, 1 grave of the War of 1812, graves of Atlanta SAR members and 4 others. This year 3 Revolutionary War graves were not accessible.



ATL Chapter VP Charlie Newcomer participating at the Oconee Veterans Park Annual Memorial Day Service as a member of the Georgia Color Guard.







ATL Chapter member Douglas Newcomer visits the Statue of Nathanael Green at the Upcountry History Museum in Greenville, SC.

The \$200,000 bronze statue of American Revolutionary war General Nathanael Greene, Greenville's namesake crucial in the victory over the British was originally installed in front of the old Greenville News Building in 2006 when Doug's father ATL Chapter VP Charlie Newcomer helped dedicate this Statue as a member of the Georgia Color Guard.

The statue was removed from the News Building in 2017 and placed in storage when the building was being demolished to make room a new hotel, apartments, condos and retail space. In 2020, the statue was reinstalled at the Upcountry History Museum.



ATL Chapter Past President Gregory E. Smith and Current President Barry N. Miller presenting wreaths at in-person Grave Marking of Samuel McMillian, Winder, GA

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## 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.

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## ATL Chapter Membership Anniversaries

### 10 years:

John Paul Catchings 01 Jun 2011

### 25 Years:

John Edward McMullan 26 Jul 1996



### The following have a birthday in July.

Garland E. Conley Jr 1  
Philip W. Catalano Jr 3  
Thomas Gurley 4  
William Hays Jr 9  
Harry P. Templeman Jr 13  
Liam A. Gurley 13  
Edward M. Anderson Sr 18  
Michael L. Chapman 18  
Richard S. Whitner 25  
Terry E. Manning 26  
Neal A. Baker 27  
John R. McAliley III 28  
Alton R. Jones 29  
Robert A. Adams 30  
Ben G. Statham Jr 31  
William P. Smith IV 31

## Invitation to Join the South Atlantic District Email Distribution List

Compatriots,

The South Atlantic District has created an email list to be used for announcements and notifications. It is our hope that this will facilitate easier communication between our Societies to keep everyone informed of news and events.

To join the group, send an email to [edr...@gmail.com](mailto:edr...@gmail.com) with the following:

Name  
Email  
Chapter and State Society  
Office, if any

Much like SAR-Officer, this email list is used for announcements or notifications of an official nature of the Sons of the American Revolution. It is not to be used for advertisements, discussions of a political nature, or topics not related to the SAR and its mission.

Thanks,  
Ed Rigel, Jr.  
[edr...@gmail.com](mailto:edr...@gmail.com)  
Secretary, South Atlantic District

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#### **Events in July:**

GASSAR Board of Managers Meeting Barnesville, GA 24 Jul.

131st NASSAR 2021 CONGRESS, Renton, WA 9-15 Jul.

#### **Save the date:**

239th Anniversary of the Battle of Blue Licks, KY 21 Aug 2021.

240th Anniversary of the Siege of Augusta Commemoration, **Moved again to 18 Sep 2021.**

Annual George Washington Tomb Vigil, Mt. Vernon, VA 18 Sep 2021.

SAR Hermitage Park Bench dedication, Nashville, TN 13 Mar 2022.

*All-Chapter announcements and notices are sent via email from [chapternews@saratlanta.org](mailto: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.**