



# Atlanta Tidbits Ledger

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**Notice: The January meeting has been rescheduled**  
**Next Meeting Thursday January 19<sup>th</sup> @ 12:00PM**

**At the Petite Violette Restaurant, 2948 Clairmont Rd, Atlanta, GA 30329**

**Program speakers: David Wellons - “God’s Hand On America”**

Regular meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month except in February when we meet on the Saturday closest to George Washington’s Birthday, and in July and August when we do not schedule a regular meeting. Remember those soda can tabs, Labels for Education, and Box Tops for Education for donation to the Children of the American Revolution; magazines and toiletries for veterans at the VA Hospital; paperback books for the USO;

**Non-members:** You're welcome to attend our monthly meetings scheduled the 2nd Thursday of the month with the above mentioned exceptions. The cost of the lunch is \$30.00 per person.



## December Speaker William S. Goodman



Atlanta Chapter member William S. Goodman addressed the luncheon with his presentation: “That Damned Presbyterian War: How the Irish and Scots-Irish Won the American Revolution”.

Piquing the chapter's interest with such a provocative title, Compatriot Goodman proceeded to outline the impact that the Irish and Scots Irish had on the War of Independence. The hyphenated term "Scots-Irish" is an American creation, generally unknown in Scotland and Ireland. In American usage, it refers to those people of Scottish descent who, having lived for a time in the north of Ireland (Ulster), migrated in significant numbers to the American colonies during the half century before the Revolutionary War.

They were predominant among the Presbyterians in the colonies. Goodman noted, a Hessian captain wrote in 1778, "*Call this war by whatever name you may, only call it not an American rebellion; it is nothing more or less than a Scotch Irish Presbyterian rebellion.*" It was King George, Goodman reminded us, who was reported to have characterized the Revolution as "*a Presbyterian war,*" one started by "*those damn Presbyterians.*"

Because the thirteen original American colonies were English, with an English-controlled government and a population predominantly from England, our history books have tended to make us see colonial history as the product of transplanted Englishmen. To Compatriot Goodman's core position, when the Revolutionary War came, the Scots-Irish were among the most wholehearted supporters of the American cause in each of the thirteen colonies. And indeed, the Revolutionary War might not have been won without their fighting men.



Compatriots Marvin Jetter and William S. Goodman (Speaker) prior to the presentation.



## Wreaths Across America



Atlanta Chapter Compatriot Gregory Smith with wife Liz Smith (DAR) presented a wreath at the Marietta National Cemetery on 17 December 2022.



More than 70% of veterans buried at Marietta National Cemetery don't have a wreath for the holiday season.



Currently, less than 30% of the tombstones will have wreaths on them.



There are more than 19,000 headstones at the Marietta National Cemetery, and 3,000 of them mark the graves of unknown soldiers.



# Donating VA Canteen Coupon Books



Atlanta Chapter Compatriot John Titus presents to two members of the Voluntary Services Office with the 200 Canteen Coupon Books on 12/16/22.

# Messages of Encouragement for Henry Cobb

*Our Compatriot and friend, Henry Cobb, a former President of our Atlanta Chapter, has been going through some serious medical challenges for the last several months spending time in both the hospital and a rehab facility. His wife, Ann, believes cards and notes would lift his spirits and aid his recovery. Please send them to Henry Cobb, 1690 Harts Run, Chamblee, GA 30341. Ann will deliver them to Henry.*

*With thanks, John Titus, Chaplain*





# Upcoming Patriotic Events

## “Revolutionary Days”

### Celebrating the 244th Anniversary of The Battle of Kettle Creek Kettle Creek Battlefield Memorial

#### Ceremony

Saturday, February 11, 2023 at 2:30pm

War Hill Road

Washington, Wilkes County, Georgia

All Societies and Chapters of the C.A.R., DAR, SAR, other hereditary Societies and patriotic or historical organizations are invited to attend. Descendants and the public are especially welcome.

Submit request to participate in the Wreath Presentation no later than January 31, 2023, to assure listing in the Ceremony Program

Organization:

Name of Presenter:

Office or Title of Presenter:

Email Address:

Phone:

Due to rocky soil conditions and winds we do NOT use wreath stands at War Hill.

Mail to: Ed Rigel, Jr., 1608 Indian Way, Cumming, GA 30040

or

Email: [edrigel@gmail.com](mailto:edrigel@gmail.com)

# Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution Annual Conference

## January 27 - 28, 2023 Registration Form Sonesta Gwinnett Place

1775 Pleasant Hill Road, Duluth, Georgia 30096  
Reservation by Phone: 770-923-1775 or 800-766-3782  
Rooms: \$110 plus taxes (Rate guaranteed through January 5, 2023)

Please complete this registration form by December 31, 2022 with check payable to "GASSAR" and mail to

Planning Committee Chairman Wayne L. Brown, 2062 Double Creek Drive, Powder Springs, GA 30127

One Registration Fee Required PER registration form: (Pay \$12.00 before Dec. 31th) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(If you register after Dec 31, 2022, pay \$20.00 and do NOT pay the above \$12) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Schedule of Events - Friday, Jan 27th:

12:00-5:30 pm Registration

2:00-3:30 pm Program: "The Memphis Belle & Enola Gay" X \$5.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2:00-4:00 pm Training Session: Registrar Workshop with Bob Sapp X \$10.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

3:00-5:30 pm Hospitality Suite

6:00 pm Reception (Cash Bar)

7:00 pm Member Awards Banquet (Members & Guests) X \$60.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Black Tie, Business Suit, Uniform or Kilts)

### Schedule of Events – Saturday, Jan. 28th:

8:00 - 8:20 am Late Registration

8:30 am Memorial Service (Members & Guests)

9:15 am Winter Board of Managers Meeting (Members)

9:15-10:00 am Ladies' Program Speakers (Athens Room):

10:15-11:00 am Ladies Auxiliary Annual Meeting (Athens Room)

10:45 am Annual Meeting: GA Society Election of Officers (ALL Registered Members Vote!)

11:45 am Chapter and Youth Awards Luncheon & Installation of 2022 Officers

(Members and guests) (Business Suit, Uniform or Kilts) X \$50.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Remitted = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Registration Information

Name to Appear on Name Tag (Member):

Name of Chapter:

E-mail:

Current State Title(s):

Current Chapter Title(s):

Name To Appear on Name Tag (Guest):

Name To Appear on Name Tag (Guest):

## **Elijah Clarke Park Ceremony; “Heroes of the Hornets’ Nest ”**

**Our Atlanta Chapter has always been one of the primary sponsors in both planning and making a generous contribution to cover the cost of the ceremony. The Lincoln Co. Historical Society has agreed to cook the Chili again this year.**

**THE TIME WE START DISPLAYS AND CANNON FIRING IS 10:00AM ON FEB. 10TH. WE THEN BRAKE AND HAVE A FREE CHILI LUNCH UP THE HILL IN A BUILDING AT NOON. DR NOBLE WILL THEN GIVE A PRESENTATION FOLLOWED BY THE WREATH CEREMONY AT THE GRAVE SITE AT 1:30.**



# Slate of Officers 2023 Chapter Officer Directory

Chapter officers to serve February 19, 2022, to February 20, 2023, are as follows:

<b>President</b>	Barrett Hanson
<b>1 st Vice President</b>	<b>open</b>
<b>2 nd Vice President</b>	Charlie Newcomer
<b>Secretary</b>	Al Adams
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>open</b>
<b>Registrar</b>	Joseph H. Blackmon
<b>Sergeant-At-Arms</b>	Marvin Jetter
<b>Chancellor</b>	Ed Floyd
<b>Chaplain</b>	John Titus
<b>Historian</b>	Jay McLenden
<b>Information Technology</b>	Richard Marsh



# Thank You to Our Atlanta Fellows

## Atlanta Fellows

<i>Al Adams</i>	<i>Don Kenagy</i>	<i>Loy Reddick</i>
<i>Edward Moses Anderson</i>	<i>Charles Lord</i>	<i>Ed Rigel, Sr.</i>
<i>Bill Armstrong</i>	<i>Katherine Lord</i>	<i>Jean Rigel</i>
<i>Stuart Brady</i>	<i>Bruce Maney</i>	<i>Robert Miller Rogers</i>
<i>Richard K. Brown</i>	<i>Charlie Maney</i>	<i>Stephen D. Schroeder</i>
<i>Sam Chafin</i>	<i>Ginny Manning</i>	<i>Kathleen Ann Schroeder</i>
<i>Philip Clinkscales 999</i>	<i>Terry Manning</i>	<i>Stephen D. Schroeder 99</i>
<i>Henry Cobb</i>	<i>Richard Marsh</i>	<i>Korey Matthew Schroeder</i>
<i>John Coning</i>	<i>Barry N. Miller</i>	<i>Delbert Smith Jr.</i>
<i>Ed Conley</i>	<i>Joy Miller</i>	<i>William Smith 999</i>
<i>Phil Curtis</i>	<i>Ted McMullan</i>	<i>Gregory Eugene Smith</i>
<i>Jim Freeman</i>	<i>Lowrey McMeel</i>	<i>Ben Statham</i>
<i>Peggy Freeman</i>	<i>Theodore Mullin</i>	<i>Penn Templeman</i>
<i>Bill Goodman</i>	<i>Joe Meyer</i>	<i>John Titus</i>
<i>Gene Grasser</i>	<i>Charlie Newcomer</i>	<i>Bruce D. Wanamaker</i>
<i>Tom Gurley</i>	<i>Alice Noble</i>	<i>Eugene Wilson</i>
<i>James Hankins</i>	<i>David Noble</i>	<i>Mary Wilson</i>
<i>Joseph Hankins</i>	<i>James Noble</i>	<i>Richard Dean Williams</i>
<i>Pat Hankins</i>	<i>Ray Patten</i>	<i>Elizabeth Kearsley Wysong</i>
<i>Ann Hays</i>	<i>Joyce Patten</i>	<i>George Kearsley Wysong 999</i>
<i>Bill Hays</i>		



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. 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. Donations toward chapter-sponsored events such as Wreaths across America also credit toward the Atlanta Fellow program. We are also grateful for several members who have started making incremental donations toward becoming Atlanta Fellows. We thank all our Atlanta Fellows for their support and encourage others to join their ranks.

## Veterans Respect Activities

Our chapter began a project in early 2019 to purchase VA Canteen Coupon Books which patients can use in the canteen, coffee shop or cafeteria at the VAH, Decatur. These books will be distributed by the VA Volunteer Service at the hospital. **At each meeting there will be a jar marked "\$ for VA Canteen Coupon Books" to accept donations. Please look for it and contribute a dollar (or more).**

The role of the Veterans Respect Committee is to pursue opportunities to honor and recognize current service members and veterans of past service. A wide range of activities fall under this charge. Some examples are:

- hours served in the VA Hospital (VAH) Volunteer Service,
- visiting a veteran in a VAH, nursing home or private home,
- donating personal care items to a VAH or nursing home serving veterans,
- donating publications to a VAH,
- organizing an outing for one or more veterans,
- participating in a veteran's funeral as a participant, pallbearer, or attendee,
- attendance at Revolutionary War Veteran's Grave Marking,
- participating in placing flags or wreaths on veteran's graves.

**We are aware that many of our Atlanta Chapter members have been involved in such activities, but 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, 2022, please report the details to our Chaplain John Titus.**

**Please note:**

**Our February meeting will be held on Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**Speaker: Carter J. Wood – "The Hidden Meaning of Common Nursery Rhymes"**

