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Next Meeting – 12 noon Thursday March 14th

At the Petite Violette Restaurant, 2948 Clairmont Rd, Atlanta, GA 3032

Program speaker: Compatriot Dr. Paul Frederick Boshears “Georgia Revolutionary WAR 1776: The Battle of the Rice Boats, GA Declaration of Independence, Standing Peachtree, 1st Florida Expedition, Sapelo Island and Beard’s Bluff”

Regular meetings are held on the **second Thursday of the month** at 12 noon **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**; A drop-off point at the table next to the registration table is set up to receive your donations.



2024 Chapter Officer Directory

Chapter officers to serve February 17, 2024, to February 20, 2025, are as follows:

President
1st Vice President
2nd Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Registrar
Sergeant-At-Arms
Chancellor
Chaplain
Historian
Information Technology

Dr. David Noble
TBD
Dr. Paul Frederick Boshears
Al Adams
Richard Marsh
Joseph H. Blackmon
Ben Jetter
Gregory Smith
John Titus
Ken Thomas
Richard Marsh

“George Washington’s Birthday Gala”

February 17, 2024, Druid Hills Country Club

Planned and produced by Dot Mears and Jay McLendon

The members thank you for all your hard work to make the meeting a success.



State President Ed Regal Jr. & President Barrett Hanson & wife Loraine



Dot Mears and Compatriot Jay McLendon



Compatriot Joe Chafin & wife Rita , Compatriot Ben Statham & wife Linda

Awards



Compatriot Joseph Blackmon receiving the George Sherman Medal



Compatriot John Titus receiving the Roger Sherman Medal



Compatriot Jay McClendon receiving Roger Sherman medal



President Barret Hanson receiving Past Presidents Medal



President Barrett Hanson receiving president gavel



Installation of Officers by State President Ed Regal Jr.

**Secretary
Registrar
Chaplain
Chancellor**

**Robert "Al" Adams
Joseph Blackmon
John Titus
Gregory Smith**

Program

President Barrett Hanson presented a well-received program about Gen. George Washington



President's Projects for 2024

1. Inform public and place a marker at Standing Peachtree (Atlanta Waterworks), for Revolutionary War Patriot expeditions 1776, 1778, & 1781.
2. Participate in procuring and placing a cenotaph (grave stone) for Col. John Dooly at the Elijah Clarke State park.
3. Help with the celebration of Capt. David Bushnell (inventor of the Rev. War Submarine "Turtle") in Warrenton GA.
4. Help with the celebration of the Battle at Kettle Creek (Feb. 14th, 1779).
5. Help with the celebration of the battle of Brier Creek (March 3, 1779).
6. Join with the STATE 250 Commission in their presentations (Think Color Guard in uniforms).

GASSAR Flag Retirement Ceremony Atlanta Chapter Patriot Graves US Flag Marking



Eugene Wilson, left, heads up a team to place U.S. Flags on Patriot Graves at the Historic Decatur Cemetery in 2019.

Each year Atlanta Chapter Patriot Graves Committee Chairman Eugene Wilson leads a team of Compatriots and their families to place US National Flags on all accessible known Patriot and Compatriot Graves in our area of responsibility within the Metro Atlanta Region in preparation for Fourth of July celebrations. **We form up at the parking lot of Decatur Baptist Church at 9 a.m. then head over to the Historic Decatur Cemetery.**

Thank You to Our Atlanta 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.

Atlanta Fellows



<i>Al Adams</i>	<i>Don Kenagy</i>	<i>Loy Reddick</i>
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<i>Pat Hankins</i>		
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<i>Bill Hays</i>		

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, 2024, please report the details to our Chaplain John Titus.

