Newsletter of THE GEORGIA SOCIETY Sons of the American Revolution



The July-September, 2013 Hornet's Nest

The President's Dispatch



President James E. Stallings, Sr.

My Compatriots,

I would like to begin my Dispatch by expressing my thanks to those Compatriots who, in their recruiting efforts, have increased the Georgia Society membership to an all time high. We now have 1700 members and very well may end the year with over 1750 members. Let's try very hard not to lose any members this year. Please begin to think about dues collections starting now rather than wait until towards the end of the year. We all have those individuals who, although, with the best intentions of continuing as members just don't get around to it and wind up being dropped and have to go through the reinstatement process.

Please start to work on developing a list of all who need a little "TLC" and let's strive for 100% in member retention as well as trying to regain some of our past members who just decided not to continue in SAR.

In a few days I will complete three quarters of my term as your president and almost daily I am reminded of the responsibility incumbent upon me to serve vou well.

The month of August began with a continuation of activity for me as visits to

visited the Rome Chapter where I brought Greetings from GASSAR and presented two Greetings from the Society and presented Certificates of Appreciation to the GSSDAR. "Writing the Constitution". On the 8th I GA where I brought Greetings from the Louisville, KY. There I attended a number of Society and presented "The War of 1812 in committee meetings and participated with the Georgia".

On August 20th I visited the John Collins Chapter where I brought Greetings from the Society and presented "Writing the Society Compatriots also attended. Constitution". On the morning of August 24th I brought Greetings from GASSAR and participated with the Elijah Clarke Militia in a musket salute at the unveiling of a historical marker at the Ramoth Baptist Church of Christ near Eatonton, sponsored by the Sandy Springs Chapter NSDAR. That evening I visited the Joel Early Chapter, in Iron City, GA where I brought Greetings from the Society and presented "Uniforms of the American Revolution".

On August 27th at a called meeting of the Executive Committee of GASSAR the committee members discussed the feasibility of a possible donation from GASSAR to the Kettle Creek Battlefield Association.

September 9th found me in Waynesboro, GA visiting the Patrick Carr Rangers Chapter where we enjoyed an old fashioned catfish cookout in a rustic cabin on the bank of Brier Creek, after which I brought Greetings from the Society and presented "Writing the Glynn Chapter in St Simons Island, GA Constitution".

On 17 September I traveled to Young Harris, GA where I visited the Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter bringing Greetings from brought Greetings from the Society and the Society and presenting "Writing the Constitution". That day was the 226th in the dedication of a bronze marker at the anniversary of the signing of that document. On the 19th I attended the Constitution Day program sponsored by the Elijah Clarke NSDAR in Athens, GA where I participated with the GASSAR Color Guard.

On Saturday 21 September I attended the Constitution Week Luncheon sponsored by

chapters were immediate as on August 3rd I Georgia Society DAR where I brought

On September 26-28 I attended the visited the Wiregrass Chapter, in Swainsboro, NSSAR Fall Leadership Conference in combined Color Guard in posting and retrieving the Colors during the ceremonies. I am most pleased that fifteen other Georgia

> October 3rd I traveled to Dalton, GA where I visited the Dalton Chapter, brought Greetings from the Society and presented "The Battle of Kings Mountain".

> On October 5th I was honored to preside during the Chartering of the new Robert Forsyth Chapter in Cumming, GA. It was a great event and through the hard work of a number of individuals the chapter begins with fifty-five charter members, many who were installed that evening by their new president Allen Greenly.

> On October 7, I, along with a number of Georgia Compatriots traveled to Gaffney, SC where we participated in the Battle of Kings Mountain Commemoration, after which many of us continued on to Savannah, GA and participated in the Battle of Savannah Commemoration on the 9th. where we were joined by other Compatriots.

> On October 10 I visited the Marshes of where I brought Greetings from the Society and presented "The War of 1812 in Georgia".

> October 12 I was in Augusta, GA where I participated with the GASSAR Color Guard grave of Patriot John Milledge, former Congressman and Governor of Georgia.

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The center of the fight for Independence in Wilkes County, Georgia, became known as "the hornet's nest" because of the stinging attacks made from there by the Georgia Patriots against the British and Tories.

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George H. Wheeless

Message from the Georgia Society Secretary

Current Membership

As of October 15, 2013, the total membership for the Georgia Society is as follows:

1,603
36
3
5
41
19
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1,707

Dues Collection

All chapters should be well under way in the collection of 2014 Dues. I have already received substantial submittals from 5 chapters. Remember the deadlines: chapter should have all dues by 31 Dec 2013 and I must receive dues from all chapters by 10 Jan 2014. Any questions or problems contact me: <u>secretaryga@comcast.net</u>.

Transfer of Chapter Membership

Instructions for transferring membership from one chapter to another within the Georgia Society is outlined in the Source Book. Form 10.01 Transfer of Chapter Membership is to be completed and sent to the appropriate chapter secretaries and the State Society Secretary. I have gotten many requests in the form of an e-mail or a message left on my phone to transfer a compatriot to another chapter. No other information was provided. National and State Numbers are needed as well a compatriot contact information. This will help chapters keep their Directories up to date and avoid confusion when it comes to dues collection.

Reporting Compatriot Deaths

When reporting the death of a compatriot, use **Form 10.04F Obituary Reporting.** Form should be sent to the State Secretary and Chaplain. Please be sure to provide National and State Numbers as well as the date of death. This greatly helps the State Secretary and Chaplain maintain their records. A copy of the obituary is greatly appreciated.

New Officer Notification

For the remainder of 2013 and into 2014 chapters will be electing and installing new officers. When reporting officer changes use **Form 10.07F.** If your chapter officers do not change, please send the form with NO CHANGES written on it.



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Message From the Georgia *Society* Chaplain

Roger Lamb

The Joy of Failure

Of all the fears which assail us, fear of failure is often the most devastating. There is a poignant parable of the talents in the Gospel of St. Matthew. Chapter 25 of the man who fears failure so much he is unable and unwilling to do his job. He understood what IT'S HERE - - was expected, but he was so fearful of failure he would not try.

Many times I realized how an isolated event applies to life, like when I was helping authorized the NSSAR Veterans Recognition coach a boys' soccer team. There was one boy who was a great ball handler. He could maneuver the ball with grace, feet in perfect awarded a Vietnam Service Medal and a Corps Task Force and the Veterans coordination. He could thread the ball past many moving opponents and place that ball right at a teammate's feet. He could work that ball right to the center of the goal - but he would not shoot. Why not? He could not tell me. For fear of failure? I assured him that he would not be criticized if he missed. He was part of a team, and the team did their best. If the team lost the game, they all lost the game. If the team won, they all won. But he would not shoot. How many of us in life will not take our shot for fear of failure?

This is the story of too many people. They try nothing, and they succeed. Thomas Edison once told someone he failed 421 times on an invention before he got it right on try 422. Edison stated he learned something from each of those failures, so in reality, he had 422 successes

The story may be apocryphal, by therein lays the truth. It suggests attitude makes the difference. The seven last words of many a failed organization are, "We've never tried that before." Fear of failure prevents success. You can try and try again. What you cannot do is permit paralysis to keep you from trying. Success belongs to the brave soul who

is willing to try for the 422nd time.

deaths, the brave but one. "Fear knocked on the door, faith answered, and, behold, there was no one there."

Holy Father, in the course of this busy life, give us times of refreshment and peace; and 1975. grant we may so use our leisure to rebuild our bodies and renew our minds, that our spirits may be opened to the next challenges States Department of Veterans Affairs to of your creation. Amen.



The

VIETNAM WAR VETERANS CORPS

Committee to create the Vietnam War

membership (See "Understanding the SAR

War Veterans survey form, and it is posted on

the NSSAR website, under the "Veterans

Recognition Committee" tab. Compatriots

can complete the survey form on-line, and

with certification by their Chapter President

Don't miss the opportunity for all Georgia

Compatriots to be awarded a handsome

Certificate of Patriotism, signed by PG

Dooley, in recognition of their service to

the form can be electronically submitted.

The Committee has developed a Vietnam

Vietnam War Veterans Corps Eligibility).

New President General Joe Dooley

Bill Kabel

America.

The Vietnam War

Message From the Georgia Society VA **Voluntary Services** Committee

For some the war ended long ago; for It has been said a coward dies a thousand others it is not so. The war was a pro-longed struggle that is recorded in federal regulations for the U.S. personnel who fought in that conflict to have begun on the 28th of February 1961 and to have ended on the 7th of May

The Vietnam Era Veterans Issue

Vietnam Era is a term used by the United classify veterans of the Vietnam War. For VA purposes, in accordance with the Code of Federal Regulations Chapter 38 Paragraph 3.2 (f), the Vietnam Era is the period beginning on February 28, 1961 and ending on May 7, 1975, inclusive, in the case of a veteran who served in the Republic of Vietnam during that period.

For those who did not serve in the Republic of Vietnam the term Vietnam Era is defined as the period beginning on August 5, 1964 and ended on May 7, 1975 inclusive. The U.S. Congress, U.S. Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs elected to designate those years as such into two groups to accord special privileges to all persons who served the country's armed forces during that time.

The Vietnam Service Medal

The Vietnam Service Medal is a campaign medal and is retroactive to 1961. It supersedes and replaces the Armed forces Expeditionary Medal, which was issued for Vietnam service prior to 1965. The Veterans Corps. Compatriots who were responsibility of the Vietnam War Veterans Vietnam Campaign Medal may qualify for Recognition Corps Committee is to verify a Compatriot's service to country so as to recommend to the President General that an member is entitled to receive a SAR Certificate of Patriotism and to have his name added to the NSSAR Vietnam Veterans Corps. The verifying instrument in this regard for the Vietnam War Veterans Corps is the Vietnam Service Medal (VSM).

Eligibility for the NSSAR Veterans Corps

Much thought has gone into the structure for qualifying Compatriots for one of its three Veteran Corps-The World War II Veterans Corps, the Korean Service Veterans Corps (KSVC); and/or the Vietnam War Veterans Corps. Veterans Recognition Committee procedures and administrative actions must conform to SAR Policy, especially as it links the awarding of an SAR War Service Medal (WSM) to Campaign Medals. When it comes to forwarding a request for the President General's signature on a Certificate of Patriotism, we must be accurate in the understanding of SAR Policy and confident the Compatriot is an eligible veteran and that he participated in a military campaign that

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merits his acceptance into the World War II Veterans Corps, KSVC, and/or Vietnam War Veterans Corps. To these ends, it's important that parties understand the campaign medals that qualify Compatriots for the issuance of a Certificate of Patriotism.

Qualifying Campaign Medals Sets

For the World War II Veterans Corps: (1) American, (2) European-African Middle Eastern, (3) Asiatic-Pacific.

For the



Korean Service Veterans Corps: (1) Korean Service Medal, (2) Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, (3) Korean Defense Service Medal, (4) United Nations Service Medal, (5) Korean War Service Medal.



For the Vietnam War Veterans Corps: (1) far, will be the following: Vietnam Service Medal, (2) Vietnam Campaign Medal.





NOTE: A stand-alone National Defense 16 November 2013 Compatriots Charles Service Medal is NOT a qualifying medal for the Vietnam War Veterans Corps.

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I would like to encourage our chapters and individual members to consider participating in donations to any of the following worthy SAR causes.

- Georgia Fellows: A \$250 donations will entitle anyone to membership as a Georgia Fellow.
- NSSAR Friends of the Library: \$25 membership
- NSSAR Campaign for Advancing America's Heritage CAAH: Any donation will be matched but a \$250 donation will earn an individual a Lamplighter Award or a chapter a Presidential Flag Streamer. Congratulations to the Coweta Falls Chapter for earning the Presidential Flag Streamer which will be presented at the BOM.
- NSSAR George Washington Endowment Fund: A donation of \$1000 entitles an individual to membership as a George Washington Fellow.
- Donations to USO

The Georgia Society is honored to have four Compatriots to offer for General Offices in NSSAR. Hon. Michael Tomme, NSSAR Registrar General is a candidate for Secretary General, Hon. Col. Robert Towns, NSSAR Historian General is a candidate for the office of Historian General, Hon. Larry Guzy is a candidate for Librarian General and the Hon. Dr Edward Rigel, Sr. is a candidate for Surgeon General.

Next year in July 2014 the National Congress will be held in Greenville, SC. Please consider attending this meeting as a delegate from Georgia to support our candidates.

My schedule for the rest of my term, so

16 October 2013 Executive Committee Meeting 17 October 2013 Four Rivers Patriots Chapter (Installation of Officers) 24 October 2013 Edward Telfair Chapter 26 October 2013 BOM 9 November 2013 Valdosta Chapter 11 November Veterans Day Ceremony and Flag Retirement Ceremony with DAR 12 November 2013 Marquis de Lafayette Chapter

Eason Hall, Sr., and Charles Quillian Hall Grave Marking in Columbus, GA. 19 November 2013 Casimir Pulaski Chapter

23 November 2013 Fort Morris Ceremony at Sunbury, GA 5 December 2013 Samuel Elbert Chapter

7 December 2013 Battle at Vann's Creek Commemoration

10 December 2013 Joseph Habersham Chapter (Candlelight Service)

12 December 2013 William Few Chapter

14 December 2013 Wreaths Across America in Andersonville, GA

14 December 2013 George Walton Chapter

4 January 2014 Color Guard Luncheon 15 January 2014 Executive Committee Meeting

17-18 January 2014 Battle of Cowpens 21 January 2014 Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter (Installation of Officers) 24-25 January 2014 BOM and Annual Conference

Again, it is my honor to serve you all.

James E. Stallings, Sr.



Message From the Georgia *Society* Rumbaugh **Orations** *Committee*

George H. Wheeless

THE 2014 GEORGIA SOCIETY

RUMBAUGH ORATIONS FINALS

WILL BE HELD

APRIL 26, 2014

FOLLOWING THE GEORGIA SOCIETY BOM

IN BARNESVILLE, GA





Color Guard Schedule

2013

- 05 Oct Compatriot Murray McAfee Grave Marking, La Fayette, GA 1100 hrs.
- 05 Oct Robert Forsyth Chapter Charter Banquet, Cumming, GA
- 07 Oct Kings Mountain
- 09 Oct Battle of Savannah
- 12 Oct John Milledge Grave Marking, Summerville Cemetery, Augusta, GA 1300 hrs
- 19 Oct Yorktown Day, Yorktown, VA
- 19 Oct Patriots Job Bowers, David Carter, and Angus McCurry Grave Markings, Hart County, 1000 hrs
- 20 Oct War of 1812 Grave Marking, Banks County, 1430 hrs
- 26 Oct GASSAR BOM meeting, Barnesville, GA 1000 hrs
- 23 Nov Fort Morris-Sunbury Memorial Cemetery, Midway, GA 1000 hrs
- 06 Dec March of the Toys, Ballground, 1830 hrs
- 07 Dec Vann's Creek Commemoration, Elbert County, GA 1100 hrs

2014

- 04 Jan GASSAR Annual Color Guard luncheon, Holiday Inn Roswell, 1130 hrs.
- 18 Jan Cowpens
- 24 Jan GASSAR Annual Conference, Duluth, GA
- 08 Feb Kettle Creek Commemoration Ceremony, Washington, GA
- 09 Feb Heroes of the Hornet's Nest Commemoration, Elijah Clark State Park, Lincolnton, GA
- 28 Feb 01 Mar NSSAR Spring Leadership, Louisville, KY
- 01 Mar Battle of Briar Creek
- 14 Mar Georgia State Society DAR Annual Meeting Opening Banquet, Evergreen Marriott, Stone Mountain, GA
- 15 Mar Battle of Guilford Courthouse, Greensboro, NC

July - September, 2013





Georgia Society Meeting Dates

President James E. Stallings, Sr.



GA Society Executive Committee Meetings - 2013

10:00 AM Saint Peter Claver Catholic Church Social Hall 131 Ward Street Macon, GA 31204 April 3rd July 17th October 16th January 15th

GA Society Board of Managers Meetings - 2013 10:00AM

Garden Patch Restaurant 100 Southland Drive, Barnesville, GA 30204-1573 April 13th July 27th October 26th

GA Society Annual Conference - 2014

January 24-25, 2014 Sonesta Gwinnett Place 1775 Pleasant Hill Rd. Duluth, GA 30096

2013 New Members

Georgia Society New Members From July 17, 2013 to October 15, 2013

	Registered	New Member	<u>Patriot</u> <u>Spo</u>	nsor
Atlanta	30 Jul 2013 30 Jul 2013 30 Jul 2013 30 Jul 2013 30 Jul 2013 05 Aug 2013 08 Aug 2013 11 Sep 2013 11 Sep 2013 11 Sep 2013 16 Sep 2013 16 Sep 2013	Frank Raiford Hudson James Norris Freeman James Michael Freeman Edward Christian Rogge, Jr. Burton Wheeler Martin, Jr. Benjamin Robert Dukes Alton Ray Jones Alton Richard Jones William Patrick Jones Cameron Loren Paul Moore Wayland David Moore II	John Raiford John Green John Green Joseph Jones John Stewart James Brewer Samuel Holliman Samuel Holliman Burt Moore Burt Moore	David Andrews Noble David Andrews Noble David Andrews Noble David Andrews Noble David Andrews Noble Robert Allen Adams David Andrews Noble David Andrews Noble David Andrews Noble David Andrews Noble David Andrews Noble David Andrews Noble
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Button Gwinnett	20 Jul 2013	Johnanan David Hyatt	James Gilmore	Harold Douglas Ford
	05 Aug 2013	Eric Thomas Pheysey Russell	Isaac DeNyse	Harold Douglas Ford
	05 Aug 2013	Richard James Russell	Isaac DeNyse	Harold Douglas Ford
	05 Aug 2013	Richard Eugene Russell	Isaac DeNyse	Harold Douglas Ford
	13 Aug 2013	Phillip Sidney Howard	Burroughs Higginbotha	n Milus Bruce Maney
	23 Sep 2013	John Earl Cunningham, Jr.	Fredrick Nantz	Milus Bruce Maney
Cherokee	30 Jul 2013	Edward Allen Dewey	Jacob Hagar	James Charles Lance
	30 Jul 2013	Bobby Warren Bradford	Samuel McGaughey	James Charles Lance
Coweta Falls	08 Aug 2013	Aaron James Polk	James Bridges	Charles Key Koone
Edward Telfair	16 Sep 2013	Reed Lawrence Engle	Jacob Engle	Roger William Coursey
	23 Sep 2013	William Stephen Thomas	Lewis Nobles	Roger William Coursey
Captain John Collins	30 Jul 2013	William Ralph Forrester, Jr.	William Brimer	Larry Thomas Guzy
	15 Aug 2013	Freddie Lloyd Blackwell	Robert Higginbotham	Robert Vale Blackwell
	11 Sep 2013	Charles Dillard Hunt, Jr.	Michael Steffey	Larry Thomas Guzy
	23 Sep 2013	Frank Wilmonte Johnson III	John Johnson	Larry Thomas Guzy
	30 Sep 2013	Charles Reed Hutto	Peter Barnes	Larry Thomas Guzy
	30 Sep 2013	Jacob Gardner Hutto	Peter Barnes	Larry Thomas Guzy
John Milledge	16 Sep 2013	Lawrence Robert Kenyon	Burwell Moring	William Glenn Neely III
	16 Sep 2013	Roger William Beckham	Moses Penn	William Glenn Neely III
Joseph Habersham	09 Sep 2013	James Lawrence Raper	Stephen Poe	William Hughes Raper
	30 Sep 2013	Stacey Lee Wade	John Corn	William Hughes Raper

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	05 Aug 2013 13 Aug 2013	Kenneth Marvin Rearden Delton Moraine Summers	Christopher Denman Edward Hopkins	Edward Paul Rigel, Sr. Hall Alexander Martin
	20 Aug 2013	Michael Joy Riemann	John Knight	Edward Paul Rigel, Sr.
	28 Aug 2013	Paul Barry Straus	William Parham	Hall Alexander Martin
	18 Sep 2013	Norman Porter Evans	Thomas Hartley	Edward Paul Rigel, Sr.
	30 Sep 2013	Colvin Waymon Ingram	John Ingram	Edward Paul Rigel, Sr.
Marquis de Lafayett	e			
I V	18 Sep 2013	Matthew John Swab	Johannes Schwab	David George Jessell
Marshes of Glynn				
	28 Aug 2013	Nathaniel James Cuvelier	Henry Eads	Robert Hudson Lear
	28 Aug 2013	Steven Dennis Ford	Benjamin Castor	Robert Hudson Lear
	11 Sep 2013	Edward Cameron Whittle	William Gainer	Robert Hudson Lear
Piedmont				
	08 Aug 2013	Frederick Miller Reese, Jr.	William Brockett	Eugenius Sheppard Hammack
	08 Aug 2013	Russell Frederick Redding, Jr.	Samuel Newcome	Eugenius Sheppard Hammack
	27 Aug 2013	Thomas George Souders	Richard Bridges	Eugenius Sheppard Hammack
Robert Forsyth				
·	30 Jul 2013	Donald Austin Hairston, Sr.	Joseph Morgan	William Allen Greenly
	30 Jul 2013	Jack William Roland Flikeid	John Mintum	William Allen Greenly
	30 Jul 2013	John Eric Flikeid	John Mintum	William Allen Greenly
	30 Jul 3013	Roland Jarrell, Jr.	Nathan Arendall	William Allen Greenly
	30 Jul 2013	Frank Edward Clark	Benjamin James	Robert Alvyn Sapp
	30 Jul 2013	John Henry Adair, Jr.	John Alderman	William Allen Greenly
	05 Aug 2013	John David Brothers	Cornelius Brothers	William Allen Greenly
	05 Aug 2013	George Edward Brothers	Cornelius Brothers	William Allen Greenly
	08 Aug 2013	James Alan Yoho	Casper Larrick	William Allen Greenly
	12 Aug 2013	Milo Clark Hampson	Zackquill Morgan	William Allen Greenly
	12 Aug 2013	Matthew Donald Hampson	Zackquill Morgan	William Allen Greenly
	12 Aug 2013	Merrick Nelson Theobald, Jr.	Duncan MacMullin	William Allen Greenly
	12 Aug 2013	Merrick Nelson Theobald, Sr.	Duncan MacMullin	William Allen Greenly
	15 Aug 2013	Christopher Michael Russo	Charles Word	William Allen Greenly William Allen Greenly
	22 Aug 2013 22 Aug 2013	Jerold Bradley Sanders James Harold Henderson	Edward Sharp Robert Henderson	William Allen Greenly William Allen Greenly
	22 Aug 2013 22 Aug 2013	Jerry Philip Henderson	Robert Henderson	William Allen Greenly
	22 Aug 2013	Jonathan Scott Henderson	Robert Henderson	William Allen Greenly
	22 Aug 2013	Stephen Andrew Henderson	Robert Henderson	William Allen Greenly
	22 Aug 2013	Justin Carl Jackson, Jr.	William Cotton	William Allen Greenly
	22 Aug 2013	Justin Carl Jackson, III	William Cotton	William Allen Greenly
	22 Aug 2013	Christopher William Johnson	Griffith Johnson	William Allen Greenly
	22 Aug 2013	David Ben Johnson	Griffith Johnson	William Allen Greenly
	27 Aug 2013	Charles Haywood Meagher	Henry Weidner	William Allen Greenly
	27 Aug 2013	Glenn Alan Trembley	Andrew Creveling	William Allen Greenly
	27 Aug 2013	Logan Wilson Trembley	Andrew Creveling	William Allen Greenly
	27 Aug 2013	Connor John Trembley	Andrew Creveling	William Allen Greenly
	30 Sep 2013	Scott David Eastin	Achilles Eastin	William Allen Greenly
	30 Sep 2013	William Travis Eastin	Achilles Eastin	William Allen Greenly
Rome				
	23 Sep 2013	Rickie Lamar Holsomback	Arthur Fuller	Robert Smith Evans

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	Registered	<u>New Member</u>	<u>Patriot</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Samuel Elbert	12 Aug 2013 12 Aug 2013 12 Aug 2013 12 Aug 2013	James Stuart Lyle, Jr Jeffrey Thomas Lyle Barry Glenn Ray James Emerson Ray	Thomas Fortson Thomas Fortson John Cunningham John Cunningham	James Stuart Lyle, Sr. James Stuart Lyle, Sr. Larry Norman Richardson Larry Norman Richardson
Valdosta	19 Jul 2013	John Ashton McRae	John Grammar	John Henry McRae
Washington—Wilke	es 11 Sep 2013	John Alfred Owen	Stephen Richmond	Thomas Milne Owen
William Few	08 Aug 2013 30 Sep 2013	James Marcel Britt Albert Lewis Tankersley, Jr.	Frederick Grady Edward Carter	William Howard Colbert William Joseph Tankersley

Total 87



Way to go chapters!

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In Memory of Our Fathers, Our Brothers, Our Sons **Our Compatriots** 2013



Georgia Society Deceased Members January 1, 2013 to October 6, 2013

<u>Compatriot</u>	<u>Nat'l No.</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	DECEASED
Charles Milton Bratton	180286	Samuel Elbert	05 Jan 2013
William Webb Harrington, Sr.	161746	Coweta Falls	08 Jan 2013
Charles Lewis Bausch	139473	Coweta Falls	14 Jan 2013
John Winthrop Crim	136761	Coweta Falls	26 Jan 2013
Richard Gladstone Neal, Jr.	137334	Athens	01 Feb 2013
John Robert Jones	156173	Capt. John Collins	02 Feb 2013
Jack Ray Bozeman*	130027	Samuel Elbert	09 Feb 2013
Herbert Brown Braselton, Sr.*	140796	Lyman Hall	15 Feb 2013
Marcus Odian Denard	177336	Washington—Wilkes	26 Feb 2013
Charles Franklin Hyder	163481	Button Gwinnett	02 Mar 2013
Richard Russell Simpson, Sr.	140031	Coweta Falls	08 Mar 2013
Thomas Porter McIntosh, Sr.	152246	Button Gwinnett	21 Mar 2013
Jack Monroe Averett, Sr.	163166	Coweta Falls	05 Apr 2013
Leon Jack Swertfeger, Jr.	158295	Atlanta	05 Apr 2013
Francis Walbridge Bonner	73754	Coweta Falls	05 May 2013
Fred Darwin Womack	170412	Wiregrass	25 May 2013
George Deane Allen	174165	LaGrange	26 May 2013
Edmond Earl Dowlen, Jr.	157706	Atlanta	24 Jul 2013
Joseph Jordan Tankersley	186756	William Few	05 Aug 2013
Charles William Hatcher	162442	Valdosta	05 Aug 2013
Donald Booton Frederick, Jr.	120155	Dalton	15 Aug 2013
James Lafayette Clark	154605	Dalton	28 Aug 2013
James David Hardaway	171103	William Few	29 Aug 2013
Gordon Burns Smith	165801	Edward Telfair	30 Aug 2013
Robert Lee Aston	160184	Samuel Elbert	01 Sep 2013
Joe Delbert Gilbert	172889	Coweta Falls	01 Sep 2013
Denver David Gray	127504	Atlanta	07 Sep 2013
Phillip Webb Potts	131423	Atlanta	21 Sep 2013
John Thomas Patterson	154703	Coweta Falls	25 Sep 2013
Harrell Case Fountain	76573	Casmir Pulaski	06 Oct 2013
Please check this list of deceased members.			
If any are missing, please contact George	Gone b	ut not	*
Wheeless.	form	ttop	* - Past State President

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Atlanta

On Thursday, October 10, the Atlanta Chapter SAR unveiled to its members its new "Georgia's Sacred Soils" exhibit to be displayed in the near future at the Atlanta History Center, Georgia Archives, and other metro-area locations. The display includes soil samples (and one water sample!) taken from 28 engagements in Georgia during the Revolutionary War at which patriots were either killed, wounded, or captured. The samples are keyed to a map of the colony and brief descriptions of the sites and numbers killed and wounded. Pamphlets provide a summary of the site information. Chapter Chaplain Harold Brooks blessed the display and Reverend John McAliley, a retired Navy Chaplain, consecrated the soils in a very moving ceremony.



Area chapters interested in co-hosting the display at suitable venues are encouraged to contact us to schedule a display (preferably mixture of the 28 soils that may be

ceremoniously sprinkled at a Patriot's grave, courtroom over the induction of 35 new likely including a battle at which they served citizens on September 3. Chapter members our new nation.

hand behind the project with wife Alice Fox attended a meeting of the Columbus assisting in research, Color Guard member Consolidated Government Council that same Jim Hankins assisting in the soil retrieval and evening to receive the Mayor's Proclamation signage, Eagle Scout Chairman Richard of Constitution Week. Marsh contributing woodworking skills, President Terry Manning editing the pamphlet text. and Mae Belle McAliley designing the pamphlet. It has truly been a chapter initiative!

The Atlanta Chapter recognized Lynette Rosinger of the Fort Peachtree Chapter with the SAR Medal of Appreciation in September for her outstanding liaison this last year in coordinating SAR participation in a joint July 4th parade float that won first place for best characters, a field trip to commemorate the grave of Patriot William Few in Augusta, and Constitution Week displays and activities that included a skit to the SAR chapter on the trials and tribulations related to creating the Constitution. The meeting was also highlighted by a presentation by Ruth Reddick of the Cherokee Chapter NSDAR on fascinating behind the scenes activities at the convention in 1787. The Atlanta Chapter is also creating a "Sacred Soils of Georgia" exhibit planned for display at the Atlanta History Center and at the Georgia Archives highlighting 28 military engagements in Georgia during the war with soil samples collected from each site.

Lynette Rosinger

Coweta Falls

Members of Coweta Falls Chapter engaged several activities throughout the summer months. On July 4th, Chapter Color Guard members Bill Hay, Dan McMichael and Roy Collier, along with the Hamilton Guards unit, participated in demonstrations and ceremonies at the National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center. Bill Hav also had the Traveling Trunk on display. Chapter 30 days or longer). Also available for grave Compatriot Hon. Clay Land, Judge of the dedications from the Atlanta Chapter are a Federal District Court, presided in his

David Fox and Bill Hay attended and Registrar David Noble was the guiding distributed US Constitution Booklets. David



Three Coweta Falls Chapter, SAR, Color Guard members & members of 1st Hamilton Legion: Bryan Becker, Dan McMichael, Dan Hutchinson, Bill Hay, Lynn Lynwood, Roy Collier, Mark Brown & Foy Pippin

At our regular meeting on September 12, Chapter Charter member Edward Warner Neal received his 35-year membership certificate and pin. As an architect, Ed Neal has been involved in major historic preservation projects locally and throughout the state.



Bill Hay discussing items from the Traveling Trunk

At the same meeting Bob Galer received his 25-year membership pin.

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Edward Warner Neal Receives 35 year SAR Membership Pin &Certificate from President Hugh Rodgers



Robert Fulton Galer receives 25 Year Recognition Certificate & Pin from Pres. Rodgers

Joel Early

On August 24, Georgia Society President James E. Stallings, Jr. and his wife Remona, were guests of the Joel Early chapter in Southwest Georgia. President Stallings presented a program on "Uniforms Worn in the American Revolution". He also inducted our 32nd member, Mr. Harold Richard Williams, who is a descendant of Patriot Zoath Spooner. President Stallings presented Homer and Sheila Spooner of Cottonwood, AL. good citizenship pins and certificates for their patriotism The Spooners have built crosses and stenciled names of 170 soldiers and have placed them alongside the road in Cottonwood during veterans holidays.





L to R - Tim Spooner, Sheila Spooner, President James E. Stallings, Sr.

Marshes of Glynn

"Come & Take It!" Celebration at Fort Morris on Saturday, Nov. 23

Fort Morris was where 235 years ago Colonel John McIntosh made his defiant reply, "Come and Take It!" to a British demand for surrender. Fort Morris, Georgia's ONLY Revolutionary Historic Site with extensive earthworks, stands as a testament to the will and fortitude the Patriots exhibited during the American Revolution.

The Georgia Society SAR Historic Sites & Celebrations Committee and the Marshes of Glynn SAR Chapter invite you to participate in the "Come & Take It!" Celebration on Saturday, November 23, 2013, at the Fort Morris Historic Site in Liberty County, near Midway, Georgia.

Starting in 2006, Children, Daughters and Sons of the American Revolution have supported Fort Morris personnel in the annual Celebration. James Stallings, Georgia Society SAR President, will serve as Master of Ceremonies for the Memorial Ceremony at 10:00am. Georgia Society and Florida Society SAR Color Guards and the Colonel Elijah Clarke Militia will be joined by Revolutionary War re-enactors from the Second Company Georgia Artillery, Sunbury Militia and the British 33rd Regiment of Foot. They will honor the memory of Liberty County Patriots with a Presentation of Colors, Musket Salute, Cannon Salute and Taps, following the Wreath Presentations by representatives of CAR, DAR, SAR and other heritage organizations.

This year, SAR Compatriots will demonstrate "Life in Revolutionary Georgia" featuring the SAR Revolutionary War tent, along with many historical clothing, cooking and writing items. In addition, musket and cannon drills, skirmishes and more are part of the celebration which lasts until 4:00pm, and brings many visitors to Midway, Sunbury and Fort Morris Historic Site.



2012 Color Guard



2012 Musket Salute



Come and Take It flag

A hospitality get-together at the Richmond Hill Holiday Inn Express, sponsored by the Marshes of Glynn SAR Chapter, is scheduled for 5:00pm Friday evening, November 22, prior to dinner at nearby Steamers Seafood Restaurant. After the Memorial Ceremony on Saturday morning, lunch will be available at the Sunbury Crab Company on the Medway River where the Georgia Navy Galleys were based during the Revolutionary War.

We recommend that you visit the nearby historic Midway Church, Museum and Colonial Cemetery. Midway was the home to numerous Revolutionary War personalities, including Dr. Lyman Hall, Button Gwinnett and Governor Nathan Brownson. Several Historical Markers are erected in front of the Midway Church and twenty-one Revolutionary War soldiers are buried in the Colonial Cemetery at Midway.

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Midway Church and Cemetery

Fort Morris is currently open only on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each week. According to Jimmy Boatright, President of Marshes of Glynn SAR Chapter, "Your attendance at the Come and Take It! Celebration is critical to help insure the Fort Morris Historic Site remains open -- a priceless piece of Georgia's Revolutionary War Trail." For more information, contact Jimmy at 912-617-3699 or by email at jimmy boatright@yahoo.com. was a large industrial complex in 1864 and it supplied cloth for uniforms of Confederate Soldiers and other textiles. Mr. Hitt, who is a

Piedmont

At the July chapter meeting, the guest speaker was Mr. Hubert Nix. Mr. Nix, is a collector of arrowheads and Indian artifacts. He began collecting arrowheads and Indian artifacts when he was ten years old. A large number of items in his collection were obtained when Lake Altoona was built. He used some of the arrowheads in an artistic way to form the heads of animals, Indians and birds. He brought a selection of these framed items for display at the meeting and they are shown in the photos below.



The chapter's August speaker was Mr. Michael Hitt, author and historian for the Roswell Preservation Commission. Mr. Hitt came dressed in the uniform of a Union Officer and he discussed the events surrounding the Roswell Manufacturing Company during the civil war. This company Indian head made from arrow heads



supplied cloth for uniforms of Confederate Soldiers and other textiles. Mr. Hitt, who is a policeman by training, remarked that he always searched for truth in his job and, therefore, he spent ten years in compiling the historical facts of the people who worked in this mill. When Roswell was occupied by Union forces in 1864, General Sherman ordered that anyone associated with this mill was to be arrested for treason. The men, women and children associated with Roswell Manufacturing were rounded up and arrested. They were placed in wagons and transported to Marietta where they were temporarily confined at the Marietta Military Academy which was under the control of Union forces. The men were separated from the women and children and all were subsequently relocated by box cars to Louisville, Kentucky where they were confined by the Union Army for the duration of the war. Some died of disease and a few families were reunited at the end of the war and some of those returned to Roswell.

On September 16, 2013 Compatriots Paul Prescott, George Thurmond and Gerald Breed visited Fellowship Christian School in Roswell to present the SAR Traveling Trunk to students in Mr. Jonathan Fickley's eighth grade U.S. History classes. The day began when Gerald and Paul met with Mrs. Kathy Teston, Head of School, Mr. Tony Tacquard, Middle School Principal and Mr. Fickley. Compatriot Breed and Prescott presented a copy of Heroes of Kettle Creek for use in the school's Media Center. Below are photos of the visit provided by Mrs. Melinda Williamson, Communications Fellowship Christian School.





Paul Prescott and George Thurmond with students at Fellowship Christian School

Robert Forsyth

The Robert Forsyth Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution held its charter banquet on October 5, 2013 at The Reid Barn in Cumming. Over 100 members, guests and dignitaries attended the banquet. The dignitaries included H. Ford Gravitt, Mayor of Cumming and R. J. (Pete) Amos, Chairman of the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners.

Also in attendance were three national officers: Lindsey Cook Brock, Secretary General; J. Michael Tomme, Registrar General; and Col. Robert F. Towns, Historian General. Six Georgia Society state officers: James E. Stallings, Sr., President; Roger Coursey, Senior Vice President; Robert A. Sapp, Registrar; Roger Lamb, Chaplain; Milus Bruce Maney, Central Region Vice President; and Don Ray Thomas, Northeast Regional Vice President, were in attendance, as well as seven past presidents of the Georgia Society.

The evening began with the dignitaries being piped in by bagpiper John Mortison of the Piedmont Chapter followed by the posting of the colors by members of the Georgia Society Color Guard.



L to R - John Mortison, Paul Prescott, Ed Rigel, Jr., Tom Owen, Larry Guzy, Bruce Maney and Ed Rigel, Sr.

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Chartering Ceremony for the Robert Forsyth recruiting 18 new members. Chapter conducted by James E. Stallings, Sr., President of the Georgia Society and J. H. Ford Gravitt the Sons of the American Michael Tomme, Registrar General. During Revolution Bronze Good Citizenship Medal the Chartering Ceremony, Allen Greenly was for his 44 years of public service. inducted as the first president of the new chapter. After his induction, President Stallings presented President Greenly with the Sons of the American Revolution Meritorious Service Medal for his work on behalf of the Georgia Society.

The Chartering Ceremony was followed by the Induction Ceremony of 23 new members into the National Society Sons of the American Revolution conducted by chapter President Greenly, J. Michael Tomme and Robert A. Sapp. The new members included two brothers, and seven sets of fathers and sons. Member's wives President Allen Greenly presenting Mayor of pinned the Sons of the American Revolution rosette on their husband's and sons' lapels as Good Citizenship Medal part of the ceremony.

Subsequently the installation of officers was led by James E. Stallings, Sr. with assistance from J. Michael Tomme.



L to R - Matthew T. Patton, Editor; Timothy Bassett, Genealogist; Roland Jarrell, Historian; Daniel P. Miles, Sr., Sergeant-at-Arms; Charles H. Meagher, Chancellor; Christopher Russo, Registrar; John E. Flikeid, Chaplain; William Walker, Treasurer; Edward P. Rigel, Jr., Secretary, Thomas R. Davis, Vice President; and Allen Greenly, President

President Greenly then made a few remarks. He stated that in March, the chapter had 11 members to help form the Robert Forsyth Chapter. Membership has grown steadily. Now the chapter is being chartered with 55 members, and there are seven more potential members.

President Greenly presented Joyce Mortison, a member of the Chestatee River Chapter, and Melissa Danielsson, a member of the Martha Stewart Bulloch Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Medals of Appreciation for their work helping with the new members of the Robert Forsyth Chapter. Joyce Mortison was

responsible for recruiting four new members, marking ceremony for Revolutionary War After dinner, the program began with the and Melissa Danielsson was responsible for

President Greenly then presented Mayor



Cumming, GA H. Ford Gravitt the Bronze

The evening concluded with the Retiring of the Colors by the Georgia Society Color Guard followed by the Charter Chapter Flag Presentation Ceremony, President Stallings presented the new chapter with a set of flags including the American Flag, State of Georgia Flag and the Sons of the American Revolution Flag.

William Few

The Col. William Few Chapter met Monday evening September 23rd at the Garlic Clove Restaurant for our 2013 3rd Quarter meeting. With 27 members and guests in attendance, we welcomed Russell K. Brown, Chapter Parliamentarian/Judge Advocate, as our program presenter. Dr. Brown presented a program on the life of Archibald Butt, who was a Major in the United States Army and military aide to Presidents Theodore Roosevelt and William Howard Taft, 1908-1912. Major Butt boarded the doomed RMS Titanic in April 1912, and is remembered for aid and comfort to fellow passengers while the ship sank. A close friend of Butt, President Taft gave the eulogy at his memorial service. The "Archibald Butt Memorial Bridge", which crosses the Augusta Canal at 15th Street in Augusta, is named in his honor. Butt's life story was previously profiled in the Winter 2012 issue of The SAR Magazine.

Chapter business was conducted, with special emphasis on the upcoming grave marking of Gov. John Milledge. With the supporting cooperation of the College Hill, Augusta, and Nancy Hart (Milledgeville) chapters of the DAR, we are planning a grave

patriot and former Georgia statesman and governor, John Milledge at his gravesite in Augusta's Summerville Cemetery on the 12th of October. This event is expected to have statewide implications and will be attended by many SAR/DAR chapter organizations and members, as well as community leaders and organizations from throughout the state. The ceremony will take place graveside on the 12th at 1pm, with a reception to follow at Meadow Garden. All are welcome to attend.



Dr. Russel K. Brown

Recognition of Supplemental Certificates was made to three Chapter members. Richard Noegel and William Tankersley were on hand to receive their certificates this evening. We were also pleased to have several potential new members in attendance this evening.



Richard Noegel presenting to William Tankerslev



Bill Colbert Presenting to Richard Noegel.

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Wiregrass

"The Wiregrass Chapter", Georgia Society, Sons of the American Revolution held its awarded to SAR members who have rendered monthly meeting Thursday night, August 8, faithful service to their chapter, state society, 2013 at the Emanuel Medical Center or to the National Society over multiple Cafeteria at 6:00. We had 25 members and years. This medal is awarded for significant guests present for the meeting. After our service which lacks the requirements for the evening meal, Wiregrass Chapter President Meritorious Service Medal. Suggested Henry Wilder Smith, Jr., introduced our minimum Eligibility Guidelines: Served as an guests, conducted a short business meeting active Officer for a minimum of two (2) and then introduced our program for the years, or Served as an active Committee evening, the Georgia Society, Sons of the Chairman for a minimum of three (3) years, American Revolution President James E. or Served as an active Committee Member Stallings, Sr. President Stallings mentioned a for a period of four (4) years. Officers, few of his goals for the Georgia Society and Committee Chairmen, and Committee then conducted a very interesting program on Members must have actively served. Only "The War of 1812 in Georgia". One of the active service should be taken into account items of interest that came out in the for awarding this medal. questions time was that even though Emanuel County was formed in December, 1812, they SAR member may receive the Roger formed a company of soldiers to fight with Sherman Medal more than once via the the Georgia militia. On November 6, 1817, Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster for an additional William Rabun was elected Governor of two (2) years or more of outstanding active Georgia and formed 5 Divisions of the service to the National Society, State Society Georgia Militia which was made up of 10 or Chapter after the presentation of the Brigades. The first Division was commanded by MG John Floyd and his 2nd Brigade was commanded by BG William Byrd. The 2nd Brigade was made up of Bulloch, Tattnall, Screven, Emanuel, Montgomery, Burke and Jefferson counties. Each county formed a company of Militia. The Georgia Society of the SAR has 31 Chapters that are comprised of over 1,600 members. Three areas of interest of the society are that we promote patriotism, conduct patriotic activities and in every event preserve the ideals of freedom.



L to R - Steve Burk, VP, Georgia Society President James E. Stallings, Sr., and Henry Wilder Smith, Jr., President



New Medal

The Roger Sherman Medal may be

Unlike the Meritorious Service Medal, an compatriot's first Roger Sherman Medal. The service is counted cumulatively rather than consecutively, and may not be added concurrently for multiple offices, committee chairmanships, or committee membership.

The medal for Chapter use is bronze in color and bears on the obverse a portrait of Roger Sherman within the inscription "Roger Sherman Medal". The medal for State Society use is antique silver in color. The medal for the National Society use is gold in color. The reverse of the medal is inscribed "In Appreciation for Service to the SAR". It is suspended from a chest ribbon and is accompanied by a certificate, which should be engrossed and presented with the medal. The medal is available in miniature.

Commemoration of the Siege of Savannah

The Siege of Savannah or the Second Battle of Savannah was an encounter of the American Revolutionary War in 1779. The year before, the city of Savannah, GA, had been captured by a British expeditionary corps under Lieutenant Colonel Archibald Campbell. The 1779 siege itself from September 16 to October 18, 1779 consisted of a joint Franco-American attempt to retake Savannah. On October 9th a major assault against the British siege works failed. Each year, on October 9th, the GA Society SAR joins the Coastal Heritage Society in the Commemoration of the assault on the British fortifications that took place in 1779. Among

the many killed in that battle were Patriot General Casimir Pulaski and Patriot Hero Sergeant William Jasper. The GA Society Color Guard led a contingent of GA SAR members and members of other local lineage organizations in an early morning parade that loosely followed the course of the French and American Patriots who assaulted the British held Spring Hill Redoubt. Compatriots participating this year were Jimmy Boatright, Roger Coursey, James Lynch, Bruce Maney, Charlie Newcomer, Tom Owen, Paul Prescott, Bill Ramsaur, Ed Rigel, Sr., James Stallings, Don Thomas, Sr., and Larry Whitfield. We were honored to be joined this vear by NSSAR President General Joseph Dooley, VASSAR, who is a Dual Member of the GA Society.



President General Joseph Dooley



The Color Guard gathered before dawn for the Commemorative Parade. Joining Color Guard Commander Edward P. Rigel, Sr. and State President James E. Stallings, Sr. in the front row was NSSAR President General Joseph Dooley.

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The local fife and drum served to help keep the procession in step. (A very tough assignment)



Stops were made along the route to Spring Hill Redoubt as a local historian dramatically reviewed the course of the battle.

Following the Commemoration of the Battle of Savannah, State Color Guard Commander Ed Rigel, Sr. led a group of eighteen that included NSSAR President General Joe Dooley, GA Society Color Guardsmen, and spouses, most who are members of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The GA Society subsidized the cost of the two-hour trolley tour. Commander Rigel narrated a journey through and around the many squares of Savannah's Historic District with the trolley making stops as allowed. While the filming of a movie regarding Sponge Bob Square Pants (of all things!) interfered with the intended route, the trolley was able to maneuver to enough squares to fulfill the intent of the tour.

The city of Savannah was founded in 1733 by General James Oglethorpe. Although cherished by many today for their aesthetic beauty, the first squares were originally intended to provide colonists space for military exercises.

The original plan resembles the layout of temporary staff, and held it while under contemporary military camps, which fire until a new staff could be installed. were likely quite familiar to General At the Siege of Savannah, he received Oglethorpe.

for Robert Johnson, colonial Governor of presented to his regiment. His hold, South Carolina and a friend of General however, never relaxed, and he bore the James Oglethorpe, Georgia's founding colors to a place of safety before he died. Trustee. Johnson Square was the first of Madison Square features vintage cannon Savannah's squares and remains the from the Savannah Armory. These now largest of the 24. Buried in Johnson mark the starting points of the first Square is Revolutionary War General highways in Georgia, the Ogeechee Road and hero of the Southern Campaign, leading to Darien and the Augusta Road Nathanael Greene. The cornerstone of leading to Augusta. The square also the monument to Green was laid by the includes a monument marking the center Marquis de La Fayette in 1825.



L to R - President General Joseph Dooley, President James E. Stallings, Sr., Sr. VP Roger Coursey, Tom Owen, Larry Whitfield, Charlie Newcomer, James Lynch, Bill Ramsaur, Ed Rigel, Don Thomas, Sr., and Jimmy Boatright at Johnson Square and the Nathaniel Green Monument



Madison Square and the Jasper Monument

Also visited was Madison Square named for our fourth President James Madison. Sometimes referred to as Jasper Square, Madison Square holds the monument dedicated to Sgt. William Jasper whose first brush with notoriety was at the defense of Fort Sullivan outside of Charleston, SC, in 1776 when he recovered the shot away flagstaff of the South Carolina flag during the Battle of Sullivan's Island, raised it on a

his death wound while fastening to the First stop, Johnson Square, named parapet the standard which had been of the British resistance during the Siege.



L to R - President General Joseph Dooley, President James E. Stallings, Sr., Sr. VP Roger Coursey, Tom Owen, Bruce Maney, James Lynch, Charlie Newcomer, Ed Rigel, Sr., Don Thomas, Sr., and Jimmy Boatright at Monterey Square and the Pulaski Monument.

The contingent also made a stop at Monterev Square which commemorates the Battle of Monterey (1846) in which American forces under General Zachary Taylor captured the city of Monterey during the Mexican-American War. In the center of the square is a monument honoring General Casimir Pulaski one of only five Generals who died in battle during the Revolution. While leading a daring charge against British forces during the 1779 Battle of Savannah he was gravely wounded, and died shortly thereafter. The cornerstone for the Pulaski monument was also laid by Marquis de LaFayettte in 1825, but in Chippewa Square. The cornerstone was moved and the monument to Pulaski erected in 1853. Monterey Square is the site of Mercer House, built by Hugh Mercer. The house, and the square itself, were featured prominently in John Berendt's 1994 true crime novel Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil. The square has been used as a setting for several motion pictures, including the 1997 film version of Berendt's novel

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President General Dooley studies the inscription on a monument - the contingent attracted quite a group of curious (to say the least) onlookers



Commander Rigel in a "Group Photo" - that is, he has a group of cameras suspended from both wrists.

Due to restrictions related to trollev stops, several other squares were visited and driven around while Commander Rigel narrated the significance of each. Ellis Square was named after Henry Ellis, second Royal Governor of the Georgia colony. It was also known as Marketplace Square, as from the 1730s through the 1950s it served as a center of Prior to Union General commerce. Sherman's arrival in December 1864 it was also the site of a slave market.

Wright Square, the second square established in Savannah and originally

named Percival Square for Lord Percival, generally regarded as the man who gave the colony of Georgia its name (a tribute to Great Britain's King George II). It was renamed in 1763 to honor James Wright, the third, last, and perhaps most notable of Georgia's royal governors. The square is the burial site of Tomochichi, a leader of the Creek nation of Native Americans. Tomochichi was a trusted friend of James Oglethorpe and assisted him in the founding of his colony.

Telfair Square, originally named St. James Square, was renamed in 1883 to honor the Telfair family. It is the only square honoring a family rather than an individual. The Telfairs included former Governor Edward Telfair, Congressman Thomas Telfair (Edward Telfair's son), and Mary Telfair benefactor of Savannah's Telfair Museum of Art.

The Sponge Bob filming allowed for 2012 is 31,656. just a brief glimpse of Reynolds Square named for Capt. John Reynolds, presented at 2014 Congress - Increase the fee governor of Georgia in the mid-1750s. Reynolds was in fact an unpopular governor and it is said that the celebration held upon his arrival in the colony was rivaled only by that held upon his departure. The square contains a bronze statue honoring John Wesley, founder of Methodism. Wesley spent most of his life in England but undertook a mission to Savannah (1735–1738), during which time he founded the first Sunday school in America.

The trolley then found its way back to the Savannah Visitor Center and History Museum and site of Battlefield Memorial Park and the Spring Hill Redoubt.



Spring Hill Redoubt - site of the bloody October 9, 1799 assault by Georgians, South Carolinians, and French as they sought to recapture Savannah from the British.





National Trustee Report on the Fall Leadership/Trustee Meeting 27-28 September 2013

Fifteen members of the Georgia Society attended the NSSAR Fall Leadership meeting. Each was asked to submit to me the salient activity of the Committee meetings they attended that I might distribute to the Society. Eight members responded, though two of those just listed the Committee meetings they attended. Seven chose not to respond. And so it goes.

Meeting: From the Trustees NSSAR membership as of 24 September

Supplemental Applications: To be to \$80 effective with the last date of that Congress.

States are encouraged to ratify the amendment to Bylaw #23 passed at 2013 Congress. (To be addressed at GA Society October BOM; a technical issue to bring NSSAR Bylaws into compliance with State of Kentucky statutes).

TX Society will host the 2018 Congress. The first group of the Vietnam Veterans Corps were presented their Certificates of Patriotism. From the Georgia Society, Bill Kabel and Tom Owen were present to receive their Certificates. Jay Guest and Bob Wylie will receive theirs at a later date. Two members of the Georgia Society were presented Certificates of Appreciation from President General Joe Dooley for their assistance with the NSSAR display at the Boy Scout National Jamboree - Bill Coffeen from the Capt. John Collins Chapter, and Carter J Wood from the Lyman Hall Chapter.

Coweta Falls and Lyman Hall Chapters were recognized for their contributions to the Center for Advancing America's Heritage. The Handbook Committee stood to inform the Society of proposed changes to the NSSAR Handbook. The Handbook will be expanded from 3 to 7 volumes. Volume 1 will remain the same covering the NSSAR Constitution and Bylaws. The other 6 volumes will contain what was in the old Volumes 2 and 3, but made to be more user friendly.

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the new Handbooks in order that review and certificate at the state annual meeting to the forms will be online to be used by high feedback might be accepted from the chapters who participated. The committee schools and colleges to give the information membership before being made official. also approved the idea of NSSAR on the cadet to receive the Bronze and Silver Feedback should be made by 01 December recognizing states that have 100 percent Medals. 2013 on the new Handbooks that were to be chapter participation and districts that have Veterans -- Stark Award points may be posted online by 01 Oct (but as of the date of 100 this writing are not yet available). Genealogy -- Grandparents will no longer be graves in association with the Wreaths Across brought up by the Legal Advisory Membership; parents must be aware of the allowed 1 point for each wreath sponsored in Committee. Basically, the NSSAR Bylaws application. state that a Society may be formed in any Historic Sites, Celebrations, and (maximum of 200 points). foreign country by fifteen or more Reenactments – The Committee roster Veterans Recognition – Several of the Canada, Mexico, to name a few, that do not have fifteen residents. The Legal Advisory Committee recommended that those Societies that do not meet the requirements of the Bylaws be given a certain length of time to comply or be disbanded. (Bottom line those Societies who do not meet the requirements of the Bylaws still field a Trustee who carries the same vote as a Society that does.) The matter was postponed until the Spring Leadership meeting. PG Dooley asserted his leadership ability by Medical - The Committee will bring to the keeping the discussion pertinent.

Reports from Committees:

Americanism -- Couple of changes to the Americanism & President General's Contest will be posted on line and ready for use for end of the year contest. New Middle School Brochure Contest information is online. Chaplain - Plans for the Memorial Service consider using multi-passenger golf cart-type to be held in conjunction with the 2014 vehicles, equipped with water to follow the Congress were extensive. Concerns were crowd to pick up any that need assistance expressed for the safety of those participants in the procession from the hotel to the church Membership - Issues with Operation Reach, site and will be Color Guard - GA Compatriot Paul Prescott the NSSAR to identify potential SAR was presented the Von Steuben Medal. The members were discussed. Vigil at Mount Vernon for George and potential with the concept, there are issues Martha Washington has been designated a still to be addressed. National Color Guard event. "Let Freedom Merchandise -- A new medal, 125th Ring - National Bell Ringing Ceremony" was Anniversary of the Sons of the American designated a National Color Guard event. Revolution, has been approved and is Nominations for Color Guardsman of the available to Members who are active in 2014. Year are Council of State Presidents - GA Minuteman -- Minuteman Award Class of Compatriot Roger W. Coursey will serve on 2014 applications are to be received by the the NSSAR Nominating Committee. Executive Director, NSSAR (not the Eagle - Presentation on the NSSAR presence Committee Chairman) before 01 Jan 2014, at the Boy Scout National Jamboree was signed by the applicant and 2013-14 state presented. GA Compatriot Carter J Wood society President. was approved for the Burt Boy Scout Public Safety - The committee proposed that Volunteer Flag - Voted to ask Merchandise to make the from the committee and that each medal "The American Flag" booklet and the "Your awarded should go through the committee. Flag, My Flag, Our Flag" brochure available Committee also promoted the use of in bulk. The committee also explored ways Certificates when a Law Enforcement, Fire

percent The only really contentious issue was able to sign applications for Junior America (200 maximum points). Chapters

Compatriots who are residents thereof. There contains 58 members and will be reviewed to Armed Forces Services have denied the are several Societies, Germany, Switzerland, reduce the size. The Commemoration of the NSSAR the use of their logos on the Military Crossing of the Dan and the Commemoration or War Service certificates; new certificates of the Battle of Fort San Carlos were will not contain those logos. The SAR will approved as a National Historic Sites, hold firm on its requirement for verifiable Celebration and Reenactments event. documentation for awarding its medals or Medals & Awards -- The Wounded Warrior awards, i.e. the DD 214 form. Coin is ready for purchase. A special Medal honoring Commodore John Barry, born in Wexford, Ireland and whose birthplace will be visited during PG Dooley's SAR Irish Adventure Trip to Ireland will be given to SAR participants making the trip. Congress Planning Committee and the 2014 Congress Host Committee concerns for the safety of the Color Guard during the Water for Memorial Service activities. consumption and a cool location for the Guard to wait once they have arrived at the service location will be strongly encouraged. It was also suggested the Committees and/or give out water.

addressed. a collaboration between Ancestry.com and While there is

due 31 Dec 2013. Shipments will begin Jan 6, 2014.

A w a r d . the Heroism Medal be given more attention

to increase participation in the Admiral Safety, or EMT Medal was not justified. The Exec Comm delayed the publishing of Furlong Award including presenting a ROTC/JROTC/Service Academy -- New

> participation. earned for the laying of wreaths on Veterans' the Wreaths Across America program



With the funds raised during this initial fund drive, the KCBA intends to purchase acreage adjacent to the existing battlefield. The purchase of this acreage will allow the KCBA to start the application process for grants that will used for the construction of a parking lot, restroom facilities, informational kiosk, and trails with historical signage. This will greatly improve the educational aspect of the battlefield for visitors.

This is one of the most pristine battlefields in America today. It looks very much like it did 200 years ago, and that's valuable." Georgia is in the top 10 states for heritage and cultural tourism and these travelers spend more money and stay longer and travel more often than most.

Now that the Kettle Creek Battlefield Master Plan has been accepted by the Wilkes County Board of Commissioners, KCBA is working on plans for the exact location and design of roads, trails, buildings, and other features which were beyond the scope of the master plan. The association will also be working with the University of Georgia's Carl Vinson Institute on the next steps to take. "The KCBA is working with the Carl Vinson Institute to develop an 18-24 month strategic implementation plan.

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Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution Annual Conference

January 24-25, 2014

Registration Form

Sonesta Gwinnett Place

1775 Pleasant Hill Road, Duluth, Georgia 30096

(At Exit 104 Pleasant Hill Road on I-85 in Gwinnett County)

Reservations: Phone 1-855-463-3095 or https://gc.synxis.com/rez.aspx?

Hotel=58939&Chain=5157&arrive=1/22/2014&depart=1/26/2014&adult=1&child=0&group=0122SONSAR

Rooms: \$82 plus taxes (Rate guaranteed through January 1, 2014)

Please mail this registration form by <u>December 31, 2013</u> with check payable to "Georgia Society SAR" to President James Stallings, 230 Calloway Drive, Macon, GA 31204

Education Committee Flea Market Open Early Friday Afternoon and Early Saturday Morning

Schedule of Events - Friday, Jan 24:

2:00 5:30 pm	Registration
3:30 5:30 pm	Hospitality Suite
4:00 pm	Registrar Training Seminar – Check if you plan to attend the Seminar
6:00 pm	Reception (Cash Bar)
7:00 pm	Member Awards Banquet (Members, Wives, and Guests) x \$45 =
_	(Black Tie, Business Suit, Uniform)

Schedule of Events - Saturday, Jan 25:

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7:30 – 8:20 am	Hospitality Suite
8:00 – 8:20 am	Late Registration
8:30 am	Memorial Service (Members, Wives, and Guests)
9:15 am	Winter Board of Managers Meeting (Members)
9:15 10:00 am	Ladies' Program
10:15 11:00 am	Ladies Auxiliary Annual Meeting
10:45 am	GA Society Annual Meeting and Election of Officers (Members – Everyone votes!)
11:45 am	Chapter and Youth Awards Luncheon & Installation of 2014 Officers
	(Members, Wives, and Guests) (Business Attire or Uniform) x \$30 =

Late Fee \$20 (Registration postmarked after December 31, 2013)

Total Remitted Friday Banquet, Saturday Banquet (+/- Late Fee)

Registration Information

Name To Appear on Name Tag (Member):		
E-mail:		
Name of Chapter:		
State Title(s):		
Chapter Title(s):		
Name To Appear on Name Tag (Wife):		
Name To Appear on Name Tag (Guest):		
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