

Newsletter of THE GEORGIA SOCIETY
Sons of the American Revolution



The

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Hornet's Nest

The President's Dispatch



President James E. Stallings, Sr.

My Compatriots,

As I write this dispatch I have been serving as your president for seventy-seven days and I tip my hat to my predecessors, as I am now aware of the awesome responsibility this position entails. I certainly appreciate the opportunity to be the chief representative of this fine organization and am really beginning to experience first hand the contribution many of our members have made toward the success this Society enjoys.

I used the word "many" in the previous sentence, but, when you consider we presently have 1554 members, in reality, we only have a few members, as I perceive, who are the driving and motivating forces behind our success, and those in a minority of our thirty-one chapters.

I have been privileged to make an "Official" visit to eight chapters thus far in my term, to install new officers and / or present one of my several programs. Those chapters were Coweta Falls, Button

Gwinnett, Ocmulgee, Athens, Atlanta, John Milledge and Cherokee. I visited Lyman Hall two days before my election to install their officers and present a program.

I had notified all chapters through the BOM of my desire to visit and offer my assistance in any way beneficial to the chapter and have receive responses and have scheduled the following visits: Altamaha, Capt. John Collins, Rome, Edward Telfair, Dalton, Joseph Habersham, Four Rivers Patriots, Blue Ridge Mountains, Joel Early, Marshes of Glynn, Marquis de Lafayette, Wiregrass, and Washington-Wilkes. One of my goals is to visit each chapter in our society, and I certainly hope to hear from the remaining ten.

What difference does it make? It allows me to meet more of our members and get to know the leadership of the chapters better and find out what is going on as far as participation and interests and in that regard offer assistance if requested by the chapter leadership.

The following paragraph comes from the Georgia Society website at www.georgiasocietysar.org and tells any interested party what we are all about.

I know all chapters will not be able to fulfill all these programs, but, certainly we all can do one or two and make a difference in promoting SAR and honoring the memory of our Patriot ancestors, which is why we joined this organization in the first place.

We conduct scholarship and recognition programs for high school and elementary school students, for ROTC and JROTC cadets, and for Eagle Scouts. Many of our members go into school classrooms, often in Revolutionary War

uniforms or other period dress, and make presentations on the people and events of the Revolution, the Declaration of Independence, the United States Constitution, and other patriotic themes.

We present medals of recognition to our public safety officials, perform volunteer work with Veterans, and conduct Revolutionary War grave dedications. Our Chapters proudly recognize deserving schools, businesses, and organizations with Flag Certificates for their proper and prominent display of the American Flag. Our Society is an active participant in historic battle site observances and other patriotic programs. The award winning Georgia Society Color Guard participates in parades and posts the Colors at civic and historic events. We also support and work closely with the Children of the American Revolution and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

One of my mentor / advisors recently mentioned to me that maybe a real training session in the program areas our society are most involved would be beneficial for the entire organization. I agree and will proceed to resurrect a program that was conducted several years ago by the Georgia Society. I believe we need to help our new leaders in our chapters or reinforce the present Chapter leadership in the pursuit of how to better implement our goals in the aforementioned paragraph. I hope when we do schedule this / these leadership training programs all chapters will commit to attending and participating.

As always, I welcome your comments and / or criticisms in order that I might serve you well.

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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Message from the Georgia Society Secretary

April 3, 2013

Current Membership

As of January 1, 2013, the total membership for the Georgia Society is as follows:

REGULAR:	1,471
JUNIOR:	20
JUNIOR LIFE	3
EMERITUS:	5
LIFE:	37
DUAL (Between States):	18
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TOTAL:	1,554

Delegates to the National Congress:

Any compatriot of the Georgia Society attending the 2013 Congress in Kansas City may serve as a delegate. If you will be attending and wish to serve as a delegate, you might notify me by e-mail or letter by May 15. My e-mail is secretaryga@comcast.net and my address is 63 New Ct. Carrollton, GA 30116.

IRA Forms: 990 and 990-N:

One of these forms must be filed every year by the 15th day of the 5th month after the end of the chapter's fiscal year. For most chapters this is May 15.

Reinstatements:

As the Georgia Society began 2013, we had 179 members dropped from our membership rolls due to non-payment of dues. As of 03 April only 37 have be reinstated and registered at National. The reinstatement process is simple: send their dues payment (\$43) to me along with their National and GA numbers. If their address has changed please include their new address. Please work diligently to restore SAR membership to as many of these as possible.

At the BOM meeting on 13 April representatives of those chapter present were given a list of members who paid their 2013 dues. For those who did not, I wrote DRO in red to indicate a dropped membership. If I have received reinstatement dues for your chapter, the DRO has been crossed through and marked Pd. If your chapter had 100% renewal, no forms were given. If you are responsible for dues collection in your chapter check with you chapter members who attended the BOM and get this from them. Chapters not represented at the BOM will have these mailed to the treasurer.



NEWS

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Roger Lamb

Message From the Georgia Society Chaplain

BREATH

Air surrounds us all. It may be clean and fresh in the country. It may be polluted in the cities. Its life-giving presence is all around us; 21% oxygen, 79% nitrogen. Air is air, but it becomes something different when inhaled and exhaled by a living creature – it becomes breath. It literally changes in both chemical composition and potential.

Words are breath. Words are simply air set in motion by a living soul. All of us on earth have virtually the same 21/79 mixture, but Oh!, how the words can differ, and cause different effects, all carried by the same air. Hate or love spoken – same air. Encouragement or discouragement spoken – same air. Compliments or criticism spoken – same air. Can-do or can't-do spoken – same air. The beauty or misery of life spoken – same air. Faith or doubt spoken – same air. Laughter or sighs – same air. Same air, but a different breath.

Air comes to us all with the same potential. We change it, charge it, shape it and make it, then we send it forth - changed. Regardless of what you have been through, no matter what your parents did, no matter what is or isn't in your bank account, no matter how important you think you are, no matter what hurts, YOU have a decision of what to make of the next breath.

God not only breathed the breath of life into man to become a living soul, He also gave us a choice of what to do with every breath. He literally gave you the power to breathe life into people and situations, all with the power of your words. He gave you the power of good or evil, love or hate, life or death, with breath.

Take a deep breath..... then decide.

1 Corinthians 13

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.



Bill Kabel

Message From the Georgia Society VA Voluntary Services Committee

Our patriot ancestors became this nation's first veterans, and ever since then serving those who served our country is a never-ending, albeit rewarding endeavor. In the spirit of honoring our forefathers we can never say enough, or do enough, to repay those who unselfishly gave of themselves for their country.

To handle the huge volume of volunteer donations and services received from caring citizens the VA created a special unit to handle just that. Naturally, its title is, "Voluntary Services." I've been fortunate to

work closely with the Atlanta VA Medical Center's Voluntary Services staff and I know they go the extra mile to make supporting veterans easy.

Let me mention some of the items that are always needed. Of course, the biggest need is for money. Although the Federal Government funds many veterans' needs, there are some things that must be funded through donations – like the electronic BINGO board that is used by VA nursing home and hospital patients alike. Then, there are the material things – like, books, magazines, puzzles, games, personal care items (tooth paste/brushes/floss, deodorant, shaving cream, razors & blades, etc.), and socks. Oh yes, SOCKS!!! Every patient who is admitted to the VA hospital is given a pair of socks (It's easier for patients to amble down the hallway in socks than it is to put on shoes or slippers).

So now that you know what's needed, here's how to make donations to the VA. (And yes, they *are* tax deductible). If your chapter has a Veterans Committee Chairman, you should be able to give any VA donation to him. He will gather all donations from the chapter, complete the proper form required by the VA for all donations, and make a timely submission to the VA of all donated items. Checks should be made out to: "VAVS," and earmarked accordingly if it is for a specific purpose. For any question regarding if an item is acceptable to the VA, call the Atlanta VA Voluntary Services at (404) 728-7728. Because of storage limitations, clothing donations might be limited to certain times of the year. Electronics generally are not accepted.

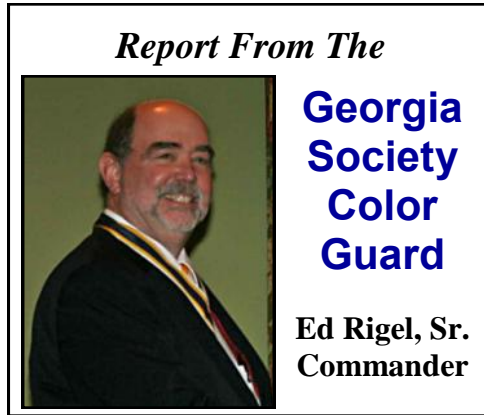
If your chapter has no Veterans Committee Chairman (heaven forbid), donated materials, items and monies can be delivered to, or sent through the mail, to the VAMC nearest you (Atlanta, Dublin or Augusta) at the address shown below:

Atlanta VA Medical Center
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1670 Clairmont Rd.
Decatur, GA 30033

Dublin VA Medical Center
Chief, Voluntary Services
1826 Veterans Blvd.
Dublin, GA 31021

Augusta VA Medical Center
Chief Voluntary Services
1 Freedom Way
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By law, a completed Voluntary Service Donation Form is required for all donations. See your Committee Chairman for one, or email me at: flytier44@comcast.net.




Color Guard Schedule

2013

- 20 Apr – Frederica Days, St. Simons, GA
- 21 Apr - Colonial Worship Service, St. Simons, GA
- 02 May - Pegasus Parade, Kentucky Derby Festival, Louisville, KY
- 04 May - Smith Cotton Grave Marking, Whitesville, Harris County, GA 1130 hrs
- 18 May - Battle of Pensacola Commemoration, Pensacola, FL 0900 hrs
- 18 and 19 May - Field of Honor and Healing Field
- 25 May - Scout Day, Marietta National Cemetery 0800 hrs
- 09 Jun - MOAA Banquet
- 22 Jun - Battle of Ramsour's Mill Commemoration, Lincolnton, NC, 1000 hrs
- 6 to 10 Jul - 123rd NSSAR Annual Congress, Kansas City, MO
- 27 Jul - GASSAR BOM meeting, Branesville, GA 1000 hrs.
- 14 Sep - Vigil at the Tomb of George Washington, Mt. Vernon, VA 0900-2100 hrs
- 21 Sep - GSSDAR Constitution Week Luncheon, location TBD,
- 07 Oct – Kings Mountain
- 09 Oct - Battle of Savannah
- 12 Oct - John Millage Grave Marking, Summerville Cemetery, Augusta, GA 1300 hrs
- 19 Oct - Victory at Yorktown Celebration, 1000 hrs
- 19 Oct - Yorktown Day, Yorktown, VA
- 26 Oct - GASSAR BOM meeting, Barnesville, GA 1000 hrs
- 24 Jan - GASSAR Annual Conference, Duluth, GA



	<p><i>Georgia Society Meeting Dates</i></p>
	<p>President James E. Stallings, Sr.</p>



GA Society Executive Committee Meetings - 2013

10:00 AM

**Powers Ferry United Methodist Church
245 Powers Ferry Road, Marietta
(Corner of Marietta 120 Loop and Powers Ferry Road**

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

10:00 AM

**January 24-25, 2014
Marriott Hotel
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2012 New Members

Georgia Society New Members From January 1, 2013 to April 3, 2013

	<u>Registered</u>	<u>New Member</u>	<u>Patriot</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Athens	25 Feb 2013	Daniel Foster Chamberlin	William Fears	
Atlanta	17 Jan 2013	Joseph Andrew Hankins	Richard Hankins	JamesArthur Hankins
	17 Jan 2013	James Graham Hankins	Richard Hankins	JamesArthur Hankins
	12 Feb 2013	Donnie DeWayne Hand	Samuel Hand	David Andrews Noble
	12 Feb 2013	William Woodbury Ranck	Valentine Ranck	David Andrews Noble
	25 Feb 2013	Joseph Roettger Harrell	Levi Harrell	Robert Alvyn Sapp
	25 Feb 2013	James Robert Harrell	Levi Harrell	Robert Alvyn Sapp
	25 Feb 2013	Jimmy Elwyn Harrell	Levi Harrell	Robert Alvyn Sapp
	25 Feb 2013	Todd Eric Coning	John Jaggers	Terry Edward Pyatt Manning
	27 Feb 2013	William Howard Gurley	Isham Gurley	Thomas Brook Gurley
	27 Feb 2013	Price William Dickerson	Henry Key	David Andrews Noble
	27 Feb 2013	Charles Redwine Dickerson, Jr.	Henry Key	David Andrews Noble
	27 Feb 2013	Justin Weyman Smith	William Suttles	David Andrews Noble
	25 Mar 2013	Tomlinson Johnson Brooks, Sr.	Robert Brooks	David Andrews Noble
	25 Mar 2013	Michael Eugene Pou	William Dunaway	David Andrews Noble
	25 Mar 2013	David Wayland Moore	Burt Moore	David Andrews Noble
	28 Mar 2013	Arthur Ernest Haynes	Abel Tanner	David Andrews Noble
	28 Mar 2013	Adam Wesley Dormuth	Jacob Fudge	David Andrews Noble
Blue Ridge Mountains	27 Feb 2013	John William Thurman, III	Jacob Duncan	Milus Bruce Maney
Button Gwinnett	17 Jan 2013	Bruce Edgar Hyer	Leonard Hyer	Newton Walker Chewning
	17 Jan 2013	Calvin Ellsworth Hyer	Leonard Hyer	Newton Walker Chewning
	21 Jan 2013	Richard William Maltbie	Jonathan Maltbie	Milus Bruce Maney
	27 Feb 2013	Robert McLean Anderson	Bejamin LeMaster	Harold Douglas Ford
	21 Mar 2013	Harold Douglas Tiller	John Tiller	Harold Douglas Ford
Cherokee	27 Feb 2013	Eric Millard Sanders	Ephraim Blood	James Edward Trayler
Coweta Falls	04 Feb 2013	Roy Kyle Collier, Jr.	James Hamilton	Joseph Daniel McMichael
	05 Mar 2013	Danny Nelson Ginter	Jesse Calvert	Robert Aydelotte Fleck, Jr.
Edward Telfair	29 Jan 2013	Joshua Larry O'Brien	Seth Bates Roger	Warren Coursey
	04 Feb 2013	James Fred White	William Mann	Roger Warren Coursey
	21 Mar 2013	Alexander Marshall Humes	Thomas Ward	Roger Warren Coursey
Joe Early	27 Feb 2013	James Gordon Golden, Jr.	James Alexander	David Neal Spooner
John Collins	21 Mar 2013	Jackson Alexander Cheatham	William McGuire	Larry Thomas Guzy
	21 Mar 2013	Jackson Alexander Chetham, Jr.	William McGuire	Larry Thomas Guzy
	01 Apr 2013	Russell Alan Roberts	James Adams	Larry Thomas Guzy
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Jos. Habersham	25 Mar 2013 25 Mar 2013	Bryan Michael Pulliam Bryan Michael Pulliam, Jr.	John Stonecypher John Stonecypher	William Hughes Raper William Hughes Raper
Lyman Hall	28 Mar 2013 28 Mar 2013	John Louis Spear, Sr. Winslow Hamilton Verdery, Jr.	William Lambert Isaac McClendon	Edward Paul Rigel, Sr. Edward Paul Rigel, Sr.
Piedmont	15 Jan 2013 15 Jan 2013 15 Jan 2013 15 Jan 2013	Timothy Kevin Dunn Erik Johnson Dunn Robert Michael Dunn Kevin Francis Dunn	Isaac Dunn Isaac Dunn Isaac Dunn Isaac Dunn	Robert Alwyn Sapp Robert Alwyn Sapp Robert Alwyn Sapp Robert Alwyn Sapp
Rome	25 Feb 2013	Joseph Minor Boyd	Beal Baker	Harry Mills Treadaway, Jr.
Sons of Liberty	25 Feb 2013 27 Feb 2013	Thomas Wayne Postell Kevin Daniel Nichols	Francis Postell Johnson Strong	Kendall Edward Abbott Kendall Edward Abbot
Washington-Wilkes	25 Mar 2013	Michael Clay Jenkins	Abraham Denton	Thomas Milan Owen
William Few	25 Mar 2013 25 Mar 2013	William Joseph Tankersley Joseph Jordan Tankersley	John Tankersley John Tankersley	WilliamHoward Colbert WilliamHoward Colbert

Total: 49**Way to Go Chapters!**



In Memory of

Our Fathers, Our Brothers, Our Sons

Our Compatriots

2013



Georgia Society Deceased Members January 1, 2013 to April 5, 2013

<u>Compatriot</u>	<u>Nat'l No.</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>DECEASED</u>
Charles Milton Bratton	180286	Samuel Elbert	05 Jan 2013
William Webb Harrington, Sr.	161746	Coweta Falls	08 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



Gone but not forgotten



NEWS

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Americanism Poster Contest

The Americanism Poster Contest had only 8 Chapters with entries and over 2,000 students from 35 schools throughout the state. Since I made digital photographs of all of the 1,200 posters done by the 20 schools in the Joseph Habersham Chapter's area I notice some which would have qualified for Art Linkletter's old program...

A student named Beth had an Indian arrow going through a heart and underneath "I Love S. S; One had their classmates sign since Hancock, Hall, Gwinnett and others were not available; one chastised Thomas Jefferson for using the word "subjects" instead of "citizens"; a couple even glued real \$2 bills to their poster. Best of all however was the one who titled their poster 'the Sons of the American Revolution'.

With a little effort we can and should have more chapters and students participating.

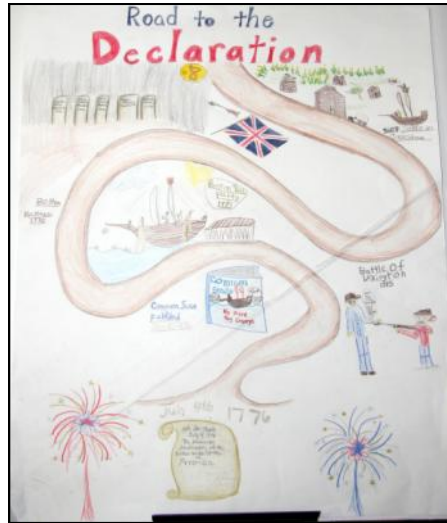
The winners for 2012-2013 are:

1st Place - Sophie Raby, Rabun County Elementary School, Joseph Habersham Chapter.



Left to Right - Ted Smith, Sophie Raby and Kent Woerner, Rabun County Elementary Principal

2nd Place - Tom Goobee, Mt. Bethel Elementary School - Piedmont Chapter



2nd Place Poster by Tom Goobee

3rd Place Winner - Anna Kate Stubbs, The King Academy Elementary School - Cherokee Chapter

4th Place Winner - Alexander Eller - McGarty Elementary School - Sons of Liberty Chapter

5th Place Winner - Lesley Salas - Blue Ridge Elementary School - Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter



Left to Right - William Raper, Joseph Habersham Chapter; Walt Woliver, Piedmont Chapter; Roger Lamb, Cherokee Chapter; Tony Toth, Sons of Liberty Chapter; and Jacob Craig, Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter

Rumbaugh Oration Contest

The Georgia Society Rumbaugh Orations Final was held in Barnesville, Georgia following the April 13th BOM meeting. There were two contestants in this year's final competition: Jefferson DeMott representing the Ocmulgee Chapter and Dayton Hare representing the Lyman Hall Chapter.

First Place went to Jefferson DeMott. Jefferson was awarded the State Rumbaugh Orations Medal and presented a check for \$500. Dayton Hare, the Runner-Up, was presented a check for \$200. Both young men gave excellent orations.

Jefferson DeMott will move on the Kansas City where he will compete in the National Rumbaugh Orations at our National Congress.



Left to Right - Dayton Hare, George Wheelless III, James Stallings, Sr. and Jefferson DeMott

Kit Braselton, Sr.

Lyman Hall Chapter lost one of its most dedicated members with the passing of Kit Braselton in February. Kit had been a member of the SAR for almost 20 years. He served as Chapter President from 1995-1997 and as State President from 1998-1999. He then served as National Trustee and Alternate National Trustee the two years following. While State President, he initiated his Pet Project, "Personal Recruiting". Recognizing the importance of growth for the continued success of the Society, the project was designed to encourage each member to bring more members into the Society. Members were given a red, white or blue ribbon for recruiting one, two or five new members respectively.

Kit said that before becoming a member of the SAR, he really had few friends. He had spent his life working hard and the time for developing friendships just was not there. It was through the SAR that he developed friendships that carried through the rest of his life. It was hard to tell when he was happiest, while attending church or with his fellow Compatriots at a Chapter meeting. While his health kept him from attending Chapter meetings most recently, he still was able to accept visitors at his home. Joan and Ed Rigel, Sr., Hall Martin, Sr., Roscoe McMillan, and George Thurmond would visit as able. Kit would say that our visits, "Made his day!" And one could not get away without him proclaiming, while wearing that Braselton grin, "Love Ya!!" He was a special friend who will be missed.

NEWS

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Atlanta

With only one change in our officers and committee chairmen in 2013, the Atlanta Chapter plans to continue its growth in membership and community outreach this year. Our goal is to soon reach 200 members. We have scheduled a lineage workshop for May 4 with the Philadelphia Winn Chapter NSDAR, a July 4th parade float with the Fort Peachtree Chapter NSDAR, and a Victory at Yorktown celebration with the Atlanta Chapter NSDAR October 19th. Our monthly newsletter regularly communicates the chapter's activity with the membership and our new website is proving to be a source of new members and publicity.

New members have doubled the size of our chapter color guard, revitalized our Eagle Scout program, and provided us new avenues of networking within the community. Liaison with the Allen Howard Society C.A.R. and 10 area DAR chapters has made us competitive in several new SAR contest areas and generated much more publicity than previously obtained. Expanded membership is developing from new applicants as well as transfers from other chapters and state societies, referrals from DAR, and with dual membership from other area chapters.

The chapter is also indebted to the charter members of the Atlanta Fellows program whose donations in 2012 and 2013 have allowed us to expand our programming in many areas; allowed us to support the Friends of the Library, Kettle Creek Battlefield Association, and Center for Advancing America's Heritage; as well as enhance our awards program to members and the community.

The chapter seeks this year to provide more activities during evening and weekend periods for those unable to regularly attend Thursday luncheons. Co-sponsoring events with DAR is one means of achieving this goal as well as special observances such as our Washington's Birthday celebration on Saturday, February 23rd, at which 80 persons attended and a repeat of our Independence from Britain celebration on Tuesday, July 9th, this year.

Captain John Collins

TWO YOUNG HEROES

Elementary school children are typically excited about the upcoming weekend on Friday afternoons and most of all, no school. However, the boys and girls of the 3rd and 4th grades at Sedalia Park Elementary School gathered on the Friday afternoon of March 29th as members of the Captain John Collins Chapter honored two of their classmates for saving the life of a neighbor's eleven week old baby.

Rocky Hurt, age 9, and his friend Ethan Wilson, age 10, were playing football in the neighborhood on the afternoon of March 8th when their neighbor, Suzanna Rohn, ran outside screaming for help. Her eleven week old baby had stopped breathing and she had already tried reviving the child, but without success. As Rocky Hurt's grandmother called 911, the boys went over to try and help and began watching Ms. Rohn perform CPR on her baby. From life saving techniques learned in school, the boys quickly realized that she was incorrectly performing CPR and began instructing her how to correctly perform CPR on the baby and after a short time, the baby began breathing and crying.

The bravery and calmness in a life and death situation exhibited by these two boys are the same type of characteristics exhibited by our Patriot Ancestors and that is why Rocky Hurt and Ethan Wilson were awarded the Medal for Heroism.



Left to Right - Brian Black, Rocky Hurt, Earl Cagle, Ethan Watson, Wayne Brown, and Terry Gibbs

Casimir Pulaski

The Casimir Pulaski Chapter held its annual awards luncheon on February 23. The highlight of the award ceremonies was the presentation of the SAR Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Dr. John Ferling. Dr. John Ferling, Professor Emeritus, of the University of West Georgia was presented the Silver Good Citizenship Medal for his outstanding patriotic service as an educator and historian. Dr. Ferling's teaching career

spanned 39 years; having taught at Morehead State University, West Chester State University, and the University of West Georgia. He is the author of 11 books that focus on the American Revolution, our Founding Fathers, and the early years of the United States. For the outstanding service in educating citizens in the classroom and through the books he has published, Dr. Ferling was presented this award.



Left to Right - Dr. John Ferling and George Wheelless

On April 9 the *Casimir Pulaski Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution Scholarship* was presented to Lacey Head. Miss Head is an undergraduate history student whose emphasis is early American history and women's studies. This endowed scholarship of \$1,200 is given each year to an undergraduate or graduate student at the University of West Georgia in Carrollton.



Left to Right - George Wheelless, Lacey Head, Mike Campbell and Dr. Bob Claxton

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Coweta Falls

Members of the Chapter participated in the annual Kettle Creek commemoration in an active way: Bill Hay portrayed Loyalist Col. Boyd while Dan McMichael and Roy Collier put on the Patriot Militia uniforms.



Dying Loyalist, Col. Boyd--portrayed by Bill Hay--receives aid from fellow soldier. Victorious patriot militiamen Mike Tomme (as John Dooly) and Jay Guest stand at far left.

On the actual anniversary of the Battle of Kettle Creek, Feb.14, Georgia Society President James Stallings installed our chapter officers. President Rodgers presented Eagle Scout Recognition Certificates to three Eagles on Feb. 17 at an Honor Court held at St. Paul United Methodist Church in Columbus. Pres. Rodgers presented new Eagle Scouts Recognition Certificates at Eagle Court of Honor.



Left to Right - Ryan Jones, Joseph McDaniel, Pres. Rodgers & Charlie Oliver.

A Revolutionary War veteran's grave got a serious clean-up on a cold Saturday morning at a long-abandoned cemetery in Harris County. Rev. Smith Cotton (1767-1856) was a noted Methodist preacher in his day. This patriot's grave will get an SAR marking at a ceremony scheduled for May 4, 2013. Georgia Society members are invited; contact our Graves Chairman, Bob Galer at zebrabob@knology.net for details.



Left to Right - Carl Jackson, Pres. Rodgers , Justin Jackson (Carl and Justin Jackson are descendants of Smith Cotton) Dan McMichael, Chuck Hall, C.A.R. Member, Taylor Hay and Bill Hay.

Members of the Coweta Falls Color Guard presented the Colors in a ceremony at the Columbus Consolidated Government Center in recognition of Medal of Honor recipients.



Left to Right - Dan McMichael, Bill Hay, Chuck Hall and John McCutcheon

During the first quarter our Education Outreach and Traveling Trunk group has made presentations to over 400 students in regional elementary schools.

Joel Early

In January, the Joel Early chapter inducted new officers.



Left to Right - Larry Grant, Wilson Roberts, Jr., Pres. - Kenneth Spooner, V. Pres., Neal Spooner, Sec/Treas. - Tom Peters, Registrar - Clayton Penhallegon, Chaplain.

Our program was performed by the Sons of the Confederacy, Lt. Lovett Allen Tully Camp #2071 from Colquitt, Georgia.



Left to Right - Lynwood Sheffield, Scott Lawson, Nicholas Henley and Caleb Henley (Unit Commander)

In February, the chapter performed a skit on General Marquis de Lafayette. He fought in the battle of Brandywine where he was wounded in battle. He was saved by Otey Prosser. Otey Prosser is the patriot ancestor of one of our members, Ronne Balkcom.



Left to Right - Fletcher Dunaway, Larry Kinsolving, Brenda Spooner, Kenney Dunaway, Gaga Spooner, Kenneth Spooner, Chuck Wilkerson, Lex Bramlett, and Ronnie Balkcom

Lyman Hall



In the 1990's Lyman Hall Chapter members, local businesses and business leaders raised \$40,000 for the purchase of a bust and monument to commemorate First President George Washington. Contributors names are engraved on the front and sides of the monument.

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It was a damp and bitter February 22nd when substantial numbers of the Georgia Society Color Guard joined Lyman Hall Chapter, the Col. William Candler Chapter DAR, and community dignitaries and members for the annual Commemoration of Washington's Birthday. Despite the weather, the turnout was very good. GA Society Northeast Regional VP Don Thomas brought Greetings from the State President and GASSDAR 1st Vice Regent Bea Fischer brought greetings from the State Regent. Lyman Hall President Rigel spoke on President Washington's historic Farewell Address noting how several of Washington's concerns regarding the new government in the 1790's were still pertinent with regard to our government today. After the mercifully brief ceremony, most of those present retreated to Luna's "Tavern" for a warming beverage and sustenance.



Lyman Hall President Ed Rigel, Sr. presents a program on Washington's Farewell Address.

In the Spring of 2006, Lyman Hall Chapter JROTC Committee Chairman Roscoe McMillan presented an Outstanding JROTC Cadet Medal to Riverside Military Academy Cadet Brandon Mullican. On February 22nd, 2013, Brandon was on the staff at Luna's Restaurant. Brandon, learning that the SAR was coming to the restaurant for supper following the Washington Ceremony, asked to be able to wait on the assemblage as he had very fond memories of the JROTC Medal presentation. Brandon spent a few minutes updating those present on what he had been doing in the interval after 2006 and thanking the Lyman Hall Chapter once again for honoring him in 2006 before providing excellent service during the meal.



Members of the Award Winning Georgia Society Color Guard prepare to present the Colors at the George Washington Birthday Commemoration.



Georgia Society compatriots and guests gathered at Luna's "Tavern" after the ceremony.



Riverside Military JROTC Cadet Brandon Mullican presented the Outstanding JROTC Cadet Medal from Lyman Hall Compatriot Roscoe McMillan in 2006.



Lyman Hall Chaplain Carter Wood delivers the Invocation.



Left to Right - GASSCAR Senior Registrar Vanessa Watkins; Leslie Watkins, Wm. Day Chapter NSDAR; GASSDAR 1st Vice Regent Bea Fischer



2013 reunion of Brandon Mullican and Compatriot McMillan at Luna's restaurant.



Thirty-five SAR, DAR and guests enjoyed a delicious supper.

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Marshes of Glynn

Five intrepid members of Marshes of Glynn saddled up on a sunny morning of April 8th and headed south to Jacksonville, FL to educate the members of the 5th grade class at Jacksonville Country Day School. The reason for driving this far was to honor a request by Brent Taylor's granddaughter that King George and other Revolutionary figures come and talk to her class. The focus of this request was five well known figures: Jimmy Boatright (Patrick Henry), Johnny Turrentine (Paul Revere), Steve Ford (John Adams), Bill Ramsaur (George Washington), and Brent Taylor as King George III.

Graciously supporting the patriots were 55 students, 4 teachers 2 inquisitive interlopers, 1 very interested mother, and five members of the Jacksonville SAR Chapter. An hour later, after presentations and exhaustive student questions, our heroes were joined at lunch by the most cordial Jacksonville SAR members where we discussed our forthcoming Frederica Days Weekend ceremonies.



Front row from left Compatriot Sheldon Ickes, SAR War Service Medal, Mrs. Gail East, SAR Medal of Appreciation, Bibb County Sheriff (retired) Jerry Modena, Law Enforcement Commendation Medal, Dr. Christopher Stokes, Past President of Ocmulgee Chapter, event speaker, Bronze Good Citizenship Medal (Oak Leaf), Compatriot Robert Sanders, SAR Military Service Medal.

Back row from left Officer Kenneth Hester MPD Officer of the Year, Law Enforcement Commendation Medal, Sgt. Jason Batchelor MPD, Law Enforcement Commendation Medal, Ocmulgee Chapter and Georgia Society President James Stallings, Sr., Officer Michael Wilson MPD, Law Enforcement Commendation Medal, and Investigator Carlos Stokes MPD, Law Enforcement Commendation Medal.



GASSAR President James Stallings, Sr. addressing the new citizens.

On 21 March 2013 Ocmulgee Chapter Compatriots James E. Stallings, Sr and Robert P. Cruthirds attended the Awards Ceremony for Rutland High School in Macon, GA where they presented the SAR Bronze JROTC Medal to Cadet Jordan Edwards and the Outstanding Good Citizenship Pin to Firmon McDuffie .They also presented a Flag Certificate to the Rutland High School Marine Corps JROTC Color Guard.



Left to Right - Brent Taylor, Jimmy Boatright, Steve Ford, Johnny Turrentine, Bill Ramsaur

On 20 March 2013 the Ocmulgee Chapter Color Guard consisting of Compatriots James E. Stallings, Sr., W. Charles Hampton, and Robert P. Cruthirds, presented the Colors during a Citizenship Naturalization Ceremony held at the Federal Courthouse in Macon, GA. At the invitation of U.S. District Judge, the Honorable Marc T. Treadwell, Ocmulgee Chapter and Georgia Society President James E. Stallings, Sr. brought Greetings from the Sons of the American Revolution and made a few welcoming remarks to the forty-six new United States Citizens there assembled.



Left to Right - Cadet Jordan Edwards, Cadet Ashley Jackson, Cadet Vontarius Halton, Cadet Jamal Mitchell, Cadet Jacob Sutter and Cadet Tytiana Lockett (center with certificate).

Ocmulgee

The Ocmulgee Chapter Sons of the American Revolution held their Annual Washington Birthday Dinner on 16 February 2013 where Law Enforcement Commendation Medals were presented to five Macon / Bibb County officials. In addition, a SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal, SAR War Service and Military Service Medals as well as a SAR Medal of Appreciation were presented.



On 4 April 2013 Ocmulgee Chapter held its Rumbaugh Oration Contest. The winner, Jefferson R. Demott (center), is shown with Ocmulgee Chapter and Georgia Society President James E. Stallings, Sr. and Ocmulgee Chapter Rumbaugh Oration Chairman Daniel Topolewski.



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10:00 am
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Restaurant
Barnesville, GA**



Piedmont

On February 16th, the Piedmont Chapter awarded 9-year old Grant Newton the Heroism award. Grant and his father Shane Newton were walking in a remote wooded area near Lake Arrowhead last November when Shane was bitten by a rattlesnake. The snake bite did strike a vein. They backed away from the snake and began making phone calls to anyone that could help them. They finally got in touch with 911 who dispatched help to the vicinity. Shane began having trouble breathing and talking. Grant took the phone and began working with the 911 operator and his father. As help approached, Grant got their attention by jumping, yelling and waving his orange cap. These actions saved his father's life.



Left to Right - Paul Prescott, Bill Kable, Jared Ogden, Grant Newton, Shane Newton, Jack Ferguson, Shep Hammack, and Allen Greenly

On February 16th, the Piedmont Chapter held it's annual meeting and the following officers were sworn in by Ed Rigel, Sr.; Walt Woliver, President; Bill Lusk, Vice President; Bobby D. Shaw, Secretary; Shep Hammack, Treasurer; Allen R. Finley, Chaplain; Tom Chrisman, Registrar; Eric E. Thorstenberg, Chancellor; Thomas R. Davis, Sargeant-at-Arms; Robert L. Walker, Historian; and Gerald B. Breed, Editor.

From January through March, the Piedmont Chapter Speakers Bureau and Education Outreach have given presentations at 11 Elementary Schools to over 1,200 children and to seven adult groups with over 165 in the audiences.

Sons of Liberty

The Sons of Liberty Chapter last year had over 100 poster entries from several 4th grade classes in the elementary schools in the area. The winner, Mary Shaw, was judged,

awarded and her poster was submitted for State competition. This is nothing unusual and we continued as normal.



Left to Right - Patti Moss (GASSAR Teacher of the Year), Mary Shaw and Wayne Ellis

Now, for the rest of the story... Last month for a class assignment each student in the fifth grade of McGarity Elementary was asked to write a story on the "best day of their life". All of the students submitted their reports and the one that stood out was Mary Shaw. Her paper was written on "The Courthouse" - if you remember, last year's poster theme was "Guilford Courthouse". The report she submitted was about the day she won the poster contest. She's very articulate with her words and definitely made us (the Sons of Liberty Chapter) proud when her teacher contacted us about the report.

This year the chapter is hoping to improve upon the number of posters by at least 50%. It is interesting that due to the financial cut backs imposed upon the schools, the teachers stated that they could not purchase the poster boards as they did last year. So, the chapter has purchased 200 posters to give to the classes who wish to participate to keep this educational opportunity to continue.

NEWS

An Update to the bill on Access to Cemetery Sites on Private Land

In the last Hornet's Nest, House Bill 133 concerning access to cemetery sites on Private Land was reported on.

During the October 2012 BOM meeting, the Georgia Society BOM endorsed supporting an effort in the legislature to amend the codes to allow descendants access to gravesites on private property. We were

particularly concerned with descendants access to graves of Patriots. Representative Tommy Benton, a Lyman Hall Chapter Compatriot, introduced legislation, HB 133, to that effect.

Tommy's original bill went to the House Committee on Judiciary that ruled favorably on a substitute. I noted three significant changes from the original bill:

1. Added that access would be limited to not more than twice each calendar year.
2. Changed the wording in regards to the liability of the landowner. The lawyers would have to weigh in on this, but I think it says the same thing.
3. Changed the penalty to the landowner who did not allow access from a misdemeanor to contempt.

At the end of the legislative session the term "House withdrawn, Recommitted" was used. Think that means it will be brought up again next year.

The old and new versions are available for viewing at <http://www.legis.ga.gov/legislation/en-US/display/20132014/HB/133>

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To Join the Corps

*** The Georgia Korean Service Veterans Corps ***

At the 2012 Fall Leadership Conference, President General Leishman announced the creation of the Veterans Recognition Committee (VRC) for the purpose of establishing a means to recognize SAR Korean War veterans. His decision was in concert with United States Senate Resolution 602 that followed just two months later which recognizes the 60th anniversary of the Korean War and designates 2012-2013 as the "Year of the Korean War Veteran."

The VRC recently completed the establishment of the NSSAR Korean Service Veterans Corps to provide recognition to SAR veterans who served in Korea, either during the Korean War and/or in the defense of Korea. The recognition is a handsome Certificate of Patriotism that is personally signed by PG Leishman. **It is the goal of NSSAR and the Georgia Society that all eligible members for the Korean Service Veterans Corps be identified and honored with a Certificate of Patriotism.**

If you served in Korea, either during the Korean War and/or in the defense of Korea, you can qualify for the Corps and a Certificate of Patriotism for your service as a member of the United States Armed Forces will be signed by the NSSAR President General and sent to your chapter, through the Georgia Society Secretary. At an appropriate chapter or state meeting, the Certificate of Patriotism will be presented to you.

If you were awarded any of the five medals shown below, a NSSAR Korean Service Veterans Corps Survey form needs to be completed for your entry into the Corps. The Survey form, submission requirements and instructions can be found at (<http://sar.org/node/1771>), under "Veterans Recognition Committee." If you have any questions regarding the Georgia Korean Service Veterans Corps, or for making a submission, please contact Bill Kabel (flytier44@comcast.com), or phone (770) 565-1902. Or, you can send a copy of your DD 214 form to him at:

4305 Sprucebough Dr.
Marietta, GA 30062

and he'll review your qualifications and make your submission. *Since chapters have been asked to review their Compatriots for potential membership and submit a report, please inform your Chapter President or Veterans Committee Chairman of your status.*

Key Campaign Medals Associated with Korean Service.

Campaign medals associated with the Korean War and the Defense of Korea include: (1) Korean Service Medal – eligibility dates 25 June 1950 – 27 July 1953, (2) Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, (3) Korean Defense Service Medal – eligibility 28 July 1954 – to a future date to be determined by the Secretary of Defense, (4) United Nations Service Medal for Korea, and (5) Republic of Korea War Service Medal. As an official Department of Defense exception to policy, service members may be entitled to both the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal and the KDSM for participation in operations in Korea during the same time frame from 1 Oct 1966 to 30 Jun 1974.



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