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Please Note: Special Meeting Time for June Meeting, see below

Next Meeting – 6:00 PM, June 13, 2024

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

Program speaker: Compatriot Dr. William Goodman: The Battle of Savannah Georgia December 1778.

Regular meetings are held on the **second Thursday of the month** at 12 noon **except in February** when we meet on the Saturday closest to George Washington's Birthday, and in July and August when we do not schedule a regular meeting.

Remember those soda can tabs, Labels for Education, and Box Tops for Education for donation to the Children of the American Revolution; magazines and toiletries for veterans at the VA Hospital; paperback books for the USO; A drop-off point at the table next to the registration table is set up to receive your donations.

May 9, 12:00 PM Agenda

Call to Order: President David Noble

Presentation of Colors

SAR Pledge Compatriot Joseph Blackmon

Pledge of Allegiance Compatriot William Goodman

Program



Dr. David Noble: Georgia Revolutionary War 1778, The Southern Campaign, Third Florida Expedition, The battles at Fort Howe, Spencer's Hill, Bull Town Swamp, Midway Church, Savannah.

Committee Reports:

Veterans Committee: John Titus

Membership: Joseph Blackmon

President's remarks: Since the Covid pandemic, member attendance at monthly meeting has been in the teens. We have decided to have the June meeting an evening (6 PM, \$30) meeting to allow working members to attend. If this helps you please email me at fishingnoble@gmail.com. Why did we become members? Now is the time to answer that question, attend meetings, support our missions and become engaged in our activities.

Meeting Adjourned

President's Projects for 2024

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

GASSAR Flag Retirement Ceremony Atlanta Chapter Patriot Graves US Flag Marking



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

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



2024 Chapter Officer Directory

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

President Dr. David Noble

1st Vice President TB

2nd Vice President Dr. Paul Frederick Boshears

SecretaryAl AdamsTreasurerRichard MarshRegistrarJoseph H. Blackmon

Sergeant-At-ArmsBen JetterChancellorGregory SmithChaplainJohn TitusHistorianKen ThomasInformation TechnologyRichard Marsh

Thank You to Our Atlanta Fellows

The Atlanta Fellows are members, Spouses, businesses, and other organizations that support unbudgeted projects of the Atlanta Chapter with a \$200 donation. Such donations have supported our Sacred Soils Displays, Bushnell Monument dedication, VA Hospital Portico Project, and Flag Receptacle Program.

Veterans Respect Activities

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

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

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

We are aware that many of our Atlanta Chapter members have been involved in such activities, but we do not know the extent. We would like to gather information on such efforts. If you have been involved in any such activities since January 1, 2022, please report the details to our Chaplain John Titus.