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Next Meeting – Thursday September 12th @ Noon
At the Petite Violette Restaurant, 2948 Clairmont Rd, Atlanta, GA 30329

Program speaker: Compatriot Kenneth H. Thomas Jr.
“Battles of Kettle Creek & Brier Creek”

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

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

Dr. Paul Boshears to be installed as Atlanta Chapter President

During our June Luncheon Atlanta Chapter President Dr. David Nobel unexpectedly resigned from the National Society Sons of the American Revolution, leaving a vacancy in the Atlanta Chapter leadership’s top slot. Atlanta Chapter 2nd Vice President Dr. Paul Boshears has committed to lead our Chapter as President and will be installed as such during the September Luncheon at Petite Violette.

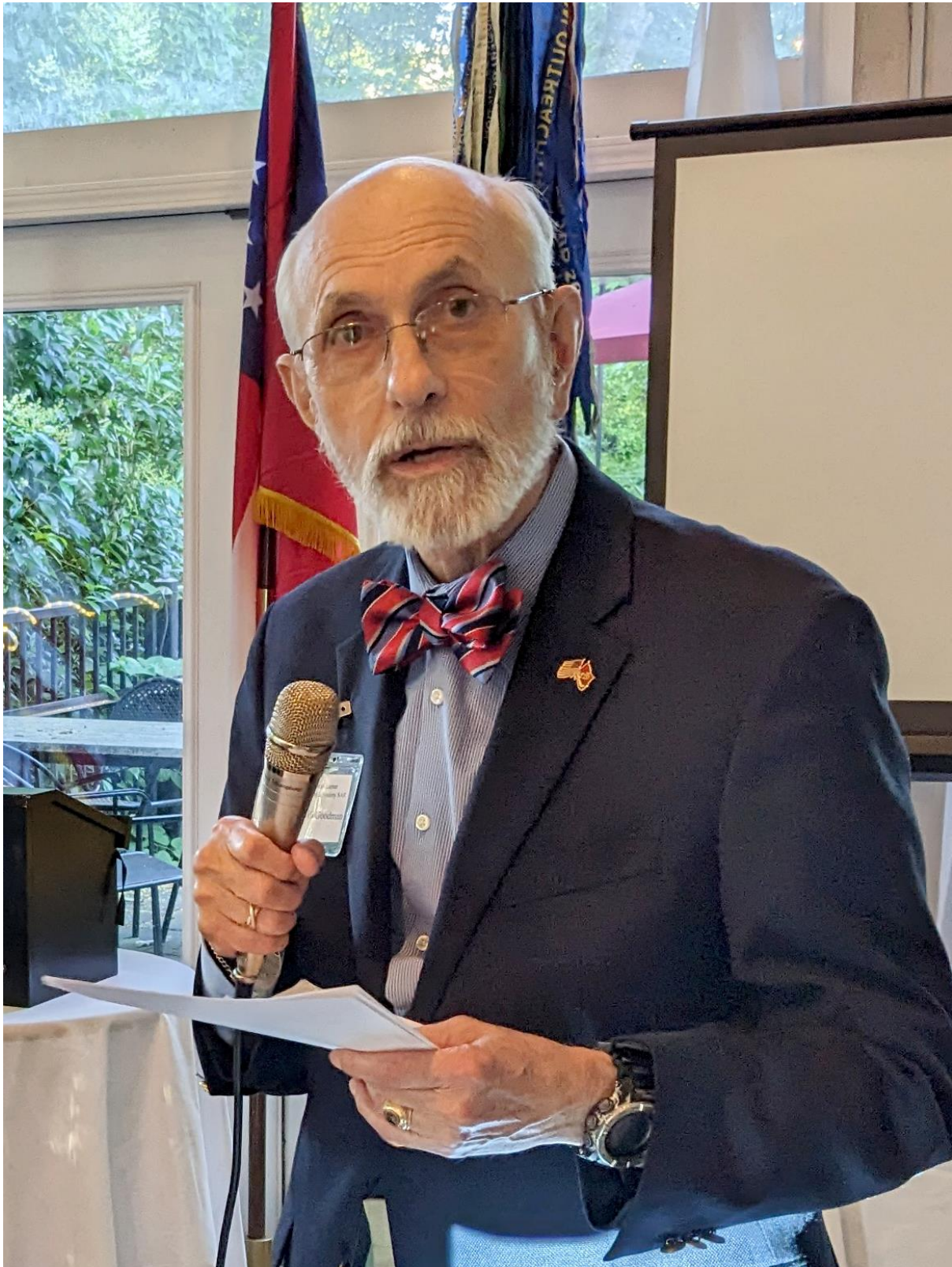
We look forward to Paul’s stewardship of our Chapter into 2025!

Photo: Dr. Paul Boshears, far left, is flanked by Dr. David Nobel, rear during a May meeting.



**Great Speakers Enhance Atlanta Chapter Meetings
Presenting Excellent, In-Depth Program Topics and Discussions**

The 1778 Battle of Savannah, Georgia



Compatriot Dr. William Goodman presenting a program on the 1778 Battle of Savannah, Georgia

Our Chapter in the Community

Atlanta Chapter Patriot Graves receive new US Flags



Compatriot Al Adams places a new US Flag on the Grave of Patriot John Hays at the Historic Decatur Cemetery

Each year during the last week in June, in preparation for Fourth of July celebrations, the Atlanta Chapter Sons of the American Revolution Graves Committee places new US National Flags on all accessible known Patriot Graves in our area of responsibility within the Metro Atlanta Region.

This year, the Graves Committee visited 8 Metro Atlanta Cemeteries containing 16 Patriot Graves and one Veteran of the War of 1812.

We additionally placed 4 flags on Atlanta Chapter Compatriot graves located in the Historic Decatur Cemetery and one flag on the grave of Ann Parks Kirkpatrick, daughter of Revolutionary War Soldier Hugh Park.

Upcoming Events



**BUTTON GWINNETT CHAPTER SAR,
BLUE RIDGE MOUNTAINS CHAPTER SAR,
ROBERT FORSYTH CHAPTER SAR
REQUEST THE HONOR OF YOUR PRESENCE AT
A GRAVE MARKING CEREMONY FOR**

**Patriot Enoch Benson
Patriot Isaac Horton**

November 2, 2024, Saturday at 11:00 A.M.

**City of Sugar Hill Historic Cemetery
5039 West Broad Street, Sugar Hill, GA 30518**

Cemetery GPS 34.10715, -84.03799

Attendees Are Suggested to Bring Chairs

Wreath Presenters

By October 19, 2024, please contact Don McCarty (404) 218-6624 or email donald_mccarty@bellsouth.net, if your Chapter/Organization would like to present a wreath. Provide your presenter's name, organization, and position title.

Even More Upcoming Events



**The Henry Laurens Chapter, Aiken, South Carolina Society
and the
Colonel William Few Chapter, Augusta, Georgia Society
Sons of the American Revolution**

**Cordially invite you to attend the
244th Anniversary Commemoration
of the First Siege of Augusta
Saturday, 1:00 PM, September 28, 2024
Salvation Army Kroc Center Auditorium,
1833 Broad Street, Augusta, Georgia**



Schedule of Events:

1. 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM. We will host a combined meeting of the Georgia and South Carolina C.A.R. in the Kroc Center Auditorium.
2. 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM. The local SAR chapters with assistance from the Augusta Chapter, NSDAR, will host a luncheon consisting of BBQ sandwiches, potato salad, and tea provided by Larry Sconyers BBQ in the Kroc Center Lunchroom. There will also be dessert. You must sign up for the luncheon in advance and the cost is \$16.00 per person.
3. 1:00 PM – 1:45 PM. We will conduct the commemoration ceremony in the comfortable 300-seat Kroc Center Auditorium. The ceremony will consist of bringing greetings, a battle seminar by Historian Steven Rauch and wreath presentations.

1. Following the indoor ceremony, we will go out to the battlefield behind the Kroc Center to watch a mock battle reenactment demonstration to be conducted by our militia and artillery sections firing black powder muskets and six black powder cannons.

SAR, DAR, C.A.R. and other patriotic and lineage societies and chapters are invited to participate in a formal wreath laying ceremony as part of the program. Participants presenting a wreath need to fill out the following form and return it to me. Please check in with Sue at the registration table by 12:30 PM. Continental, Militia or period attire is encouraged.

To ensure your organization's recognition in the program, please complete and return the registration form provided to Sonny Pittman, Event Coordinator, at: sonnypittman@comcast.net

Sonny and Sue Pittman, Event Coordinators
2202 Holly Haven Court, Augusta, GA 30907-3779
(706) 860-1050; sonnypittman@comcast.net

**244th Anniversary of the First Siege of Augusta
Attendance and Wreath Registration**

Registration forms should be returned to Sonny Pittman at sonnypittman@comcast.net

Your Contact Information (will be held in strict confidence):

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number & Email Address: _____

Society Name: _____

Chapter Name: _____

Name of Presenter: _____

Title (if desired): _____

Will be in Uniform/Militia or Colonial Attire: Yes _____ No _____

Will Participate in the Color Guard: _____

Will Participate in the 12:00 PM lunch @ \$16 dollars per person. Yes _____ No _____

Please mail check to the above address to arrive by September 12th to meet order deadline.

Number of Attendees for lunch: _____ x \$16.00 = _____ total



2024 Chapter Officer Directory

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

President	Dr. Paul Boshears
1st Vice President	vacant
2nd Vice President	vacant
Secretary	Al Adams
Treasurer	Richard Marsh
Registrar	Joseph H. Blackmon
Sergeant-At-Arms	Ben Jetter
Chancellor	Gregory Smith
Chaplain	John Titus
Historian	Ken Thomas Jr.
Information Technology	Richard 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.

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Paul Leon Anderson
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Sam Chafin
Philip Clinkscales III
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John Coning
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Tom Gurley
James Hankins
Joseph Hankins
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Ann Hays

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Many thanks go to our Atlanta Fellows whose donations help support our extended outreach programs. Thanks go to our existing Atlanta Fellows who have made additional donations, including donations made by or on behalf of spouses of members of our chapter. Donations toward chapter-sponsored events such as Wreaths across America also credit toward the Atlanta Fellow program. We are also grateful for several members who have started making incremental donations toward becoming Atlanta Fellows. We thank all our Atlanta Fellows for their support and encourage others to join their ranks.

Veterans Respect Activities

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

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

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

We are aware that many of our Atlanta Chapter members have been involved in such activities, but we do not know the extent. We would like to gather information on such efforts. If you have been involved in any such activities since January 1, 2024, please report the details to our Chaplain John Titus.

