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**Col. Isaac Hayne**  
South Carolina Martyr  
Executed by British



# From the President's Desk

## Do you show pride for the SAR?

**Wayne  
Cousar**

What does your SAR membership mean to you?

Do you wear the lapel pin or rosette as a source of pride for your Patriot ancestors or as a way to invite others to ask what it is? I had the latter experience one Sunday morning at church. The person who asked knew of the DAR, but knew little of the SAR. Needless to say I was glad to tell him about our organization. That same person has made it possible for the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter to enter one of the schools in Beaufort to promote the Poster Contest for elementary students. That school has had two state winners!!

I had a similar experience at a church homecoming in the small village where I grew up. A gentleman and his wife I had never met sat at the table with us. I knew his family name, but none of his relatives were represented in the community today. In the course of our conversation he said that he was looking for graves of his deceased family members. He also asked about the SAR rosette that

I was wearing. We had a great time talking and I gave him my SAR card.

Some months later he called to ask me if I would come to Fayetteville, North Carolina, and induct him and his brother into the Marquis de Lafayette Chapter. After clearing this with NCSSAR President Gary Green and Chapter President Bob Ervin, I inducted



five members into the SAR that night.

One of the gentlemen being inducted was a member of the Lumbee Indian Tribe of Robeson County, North Carolina. He brought more than 20 Tribe members with him and introduced every one of them. They had all come to see this man inducted into the SAR. The pride of these people for their fellow Tribe member was shown on their faces. It was a joy to behold!!

This experience made me wonder about the pride that we should show when we are asked about the Sons of the American. Does your expression of pride in your Patriot ancestors and the SAR show? Think about it!

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The 128th SCSSAR Annual Meeting is Friday noon, April 21, through Saturday afternoon, April 22, in Beaufort

Come early (Thursday) or stay late (Sunday) and take advantage of the history and sites in and around Beaufort.

Available for you to arrange on your own:

- Horse drawn carriage tours
- The U.S. Marine Corps at Parris Island Museum is a great museum of the history of the entire area
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**The deadline for the Spring Edition  
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# Col. Isaac Hayne

## Colleton Regiment of Militia

### Patriot Grave Marking Service

**By Jody Henson**  
**Past President**  
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JACKSONBORO — The setting was the Hayne Hall Family Cemetery on Veterans Day, Nov. 11, near Jacksonboro, South Carolina.

The Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter performed a Bronze Patriot Grave Marking Service for South Carolina martyr Col. Isaac Hayne. Three South Carolina SAR chapters were represented along with three DAR chapters, the Sons of the Revolution and Colonial Dames XVII Century. Eight wreaths were placed at the grave with more than 40 attendees watching the service, including three descendants of Hayne.

At the beginning of the War of Independence, Isaac Hayne joined the rebellion, and was commissioned a captain of artillery, and at the same time a state senator. In 1780, on the invasion of the state by the British, he served in a cavalry regiment during the final siege of Charleston, and being included in the capitulation of that place, was paroled on condition that he would not serve against the British while they held possession of the city.

When in 1781 the fortunes of the



SC Society President Wayne Cousar presents the story of Col. Isaac Hayne with Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter President Claude Dinkins at right. [Photo by Jody Henson]



President Claude Dinkins of the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter prepares grave of Col. Isaac Hayne for grave-marking service. [Photo by Dan Bell]

British began to decline, he, with all the others who were paroled on the same terms, were required to join the Royal Army or be subjected to close confinement. Hayne would gladly have accepted imprisonment, but his wife and several of his children lay at the point of death from small pox. Hayne went to Charleston, and, being so assured by the deputy British Commandant, Patterson, that he would not be required to bear arms against his former compatriots, took the oath of allegiance.

After the successes of Gen. Nathanael Greene had left the British nothing but Charleston, Hayne was summoned to join the Royal Army immediately. This being in violation of the agreement that had been made, he considered that this released him from all his obligations to the British. He went to the American camp, and was commissioned colonel of a militia company.

Hayne then commanded an American rebel raid that captured Brigadier Gen. Andrew Williamson, an American Loyalist. Col. Nisbet Balfour, the British Commander in Charleston during the 1781 siege,

fearing that Williamson would be hanged as a traitor, sent a column to intercept the raiding party. The interception was successful. A skirmish resulted in the release of Williams and the capture of Hayne after his horse fell and broke a leg.

Hayne, although a prisoner of war, was sentenced to death by hanging by the British, because in the opinion of the British court martial, he had broken his earlier parole not to take up arms against the Crown. On Aug. 4, 1781, his sentence was carried out, and he became a martyr to many South Carolinians as one of the most prominent Americans to be executed by the British during the American War of Independence.

Nov. 11 was a perfect day to honor one of our earliest veterans who gave his full measure for the cause of American liberty. Following the call for posting of colors by compatriot Frank Wood, acting Chaplain Maj. John Simpson (USMC ret.) gave the invocation and SC Society President Wayne Cousar made a presentation of the personal history of Hayne and laid the State Society wreath.

Joining in were President Claude Dinkins of the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter and 10 other chapter members including Ivan Bennett, Presi-

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Color Guard (from left) Charles Bridges, Tom Wilson, Jack Jackson, Frank Wood and Dana Cheney. [Photo by Hazen Culley]



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# Col. Isaac Hayne grave-marking service

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dent of the South Carolina Society Sons of the Revolution, bearing a wreath. Edd Richburg and Ken Stock represented the Maj. Gen. William Moultrie Chapter wreath, while Dave DuBose presented the Hezekiah Maham Chapter wreath, and Tom Wilson presented the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter wreath.

Mrs. Lille "Greg" Layden, fifth great-granddaughter and direct descendant of Hayne, of the Columbia DAR Chapter, and Barbara Wood of Beaufort's Thomas Heyward Jr. DAR Chapter both laid wreaths, while Jo Anne Boone of Walterboro's Col. Joseph Glover DAR Chapter attended. Additionally Anita Henson presented the Dr. Henry Woodward Chapter Colonial Dames XVII Century wreath. In attendance were two other fifth great-granddaughters of Hayne, Susan Sexton and Elizabeth Simpson.

The event was highlighted in the end by Joe Harden of the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter firing his field howitzer several times in honor of Hayne. The gun crew consisted of

color guardsman Charles Bridges, Dana Chaney and Jack Jackson, each appearing in militia or military uniform. The Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter owes deep gratitude to Dan Bell and Eugene Moore of the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism for their assistance and support of this program.



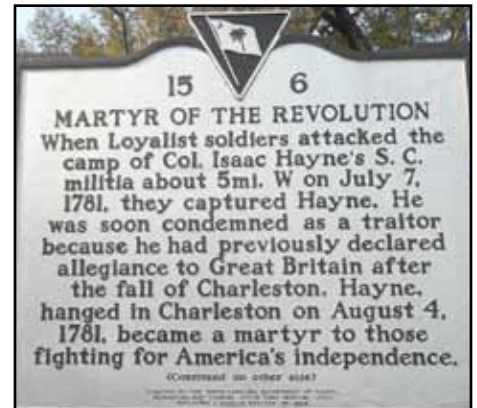
Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter Compatriots Dana Cheney (left) and Jack Jackson (right) with Col. Isaac Hayne descendant Lille "Greg" Layden. [Photo by Ivan Bennett]

## Poster Contest Theme: Col. Isaac Hayne

The theme for the Poster Contest for this year is Col. Isaac Hayne, as established by the Americanism Committee. For more information visit the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter website at [sarbeaufortsc.org/postercontest.html](http://sarbeaufortsc.org/postercontest.html)



Multiple volley cannon salute for Col. Hayne. [Photo by Jody Henson]



[Photos by Anita Henson]



Dan Bell (left) and Eugene Moore of the South Carolina Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department [Photo by Ivan Bennett]

**COVER PHOTO** — Hayne Family Cemetery marker with Col. Isaac Hayne's fifth great-granddaughters (from left) Elizabeth Simpson, Susan Sexton and Greg Layden. [Photo by Jody Henson]

*Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof.*

**Leviticus 25:10**  
**Inscription on the Liberty Bell**

*I can now inform you that the Congress have made Choice of the modest and virtuous, the amiable, generous and brave George Washington Esqr., to be the General of the American Army, and that he is to repair as soon as possible to the Camp before Boston. This Appointment will have a great Effect, in cementing and securing the Union of these Colonies. The Continent is really in earnest in defending the Country.*

**John Adams, letter to his wife Abigail, June 17, 1775**

## Nominating Committee chosen

The Board of Governors chose a Nominating Committee at the Oct. 15 meeting.

Committee members are Carrol Crowther, Doug Doster, Nat Kaminski, Ted Morton, Ken Stock, Bill Vartorella and Dan Woodruff.

# Annual Meeting April 21-22 in Beaufort

**By Carroll Crowther**  
**Past President**

*The information and writings on the Early History of Beaufort are excerpted from [www.beaufort-sc.com](http://www.beaufort-sc.com). These are shared here for all to know about the beautiful town we call home. We cordially invite all to visit our town when here for the 2017 Annual SCSSAR meeting.*

The native Indians were living here seasonally as early as 4000 B.C. Evidences of early settlement remains are in the form of a 3,400 year old Indian shell ring in Hilton Head Island's Sea Pines Forest Preserve.

Our written history began 500 years ago with the discovery of the area by Spanish Captain Pedro de Salaza in 1514. Thus, Beaufort County was the site of the second landing on the North American continent by Europeans, just one year after the first landing by Ponce de Leon at St. Augustine.

The seaport of Beaufort is located at the head of one of the largest natural harbors on the Atlantic coast, which explains the early interest of the Spanish and French explorers that followed. When they sailed up the sound in the 1520s, they found a land inhabited by many small tribes of Native Americans, the largest of whom were the Cherokees and the Catawbans.

French explorers visited this area long before the English arrived. In 1562, Captain Jean Ribaut and his Frenchmen entered the sound, which he named Port Royal. They settled near the present town of Port Royal. As they were Huguenots, this was the first Protestant settlement in the United States.

When Ribaut returned to France for reinforcements, the soldiers who were left behind revolted, built themselves a ship and sailed for France the next year. This was the first ship built in America to cross the Atlantic Ocean.

After the French fled, Spaniards from Florida built Fort San Felipe on Parris Island in 1566 and made the new settlement there, known as Santa Elena, the capital of La Florida Province. In 1576, under attack from Native Americans, Santa Elena was



abandoned, but the fort was rebuilt the next year. Archaeologists have positively determined the location to be on the Parris Island golf course.

In 1587, England's Elizabeth I sent Sir Francis Drake to drive the Spanish from La Florida. The Spanish decided to concentrate their forces in St. Augustine, and withdrew from Santa Elena.

South Carolina was again left to the Native Americans. But, English development plans formally began March 24, 1663, when King Charles II granted the Coastal Area to Eight Lord Proprietors. They named their territory Carolina in honor of King Charles I.

Hilton Head Island is named for the English sea captain William Hilton, who was hired by a syndicate of Barbadian planters. He sighted the high bluffs of the island in August 1663, while exploring the Port Royal Sound, and named it for himself, Hilton Head, referring to the headlands visible as they sailed the uncharted waters.

Within a few years, the English had established the first permanent European settlement of South Carolina in 1670 at Albemarle Point, near present-day Charleston, on the Ashley River. The proprietors' first settlers included many Barbadians, and South Carolina came to resemble more closely the plantation economy of the West Indies than did the other mainland colonies.

The Scots arrived in the area in 1686. The first trade was with the Indians for deer skins, a valuable com-

modity back in England, but indigo became the first cash crop. The climate and soil on the Sea Islands were favorable for its growth, and England was a great market for indigo.

Carolina was divided in 1710 into South Carolina and North Carolina. Indian attacks, sponsored by the Spanish, continued to harass the settlers in the area. The Yemassee Indians were particularly fierce. Settlement of Savannah and the colony of Georgia was encouraged so as to set up a buffer from the Indians, in particular the area around Beaufort where indigo was thriving. Indians last significantly threatened the Colony's existence in the Yemassee War of 1715.

Beaufort, the second oldest town in South Carolina, was founded in 1711. Beaufort County and its county seat of Beaufort were named for Henry Somerset, Duke of Beaufort (1684-1714), one of the Lords Proprietors of Carolina.

In 1717, for acts of bravery in quelling the rioting Yemassee Indians, Col. John Barnwell was granted a thousand acres on the northwest corner of Hilton Head Island by the Lord Proprietors. He became the first white settler.

Thomas Hayward Jr., a Beaufort area rice plantation owner, signed the Declaration of Independence.

South Carolina lost more men, and gave more money to the Revolutionary cause than any other colony. More Revolutionary War battles and skirmishes were fought in South Carolina than any other colony.



# Revolutionary War Sailing Ship *South Carolina*

By Dan Woodruff  
SCSSAR Secretary

The ship that came to be known as *South Carolina* in 1780 was a three-masted frigate. She was built for the U.S. Commissioners in France (Silas Deane, Benjamin Franklin and Arthur Lee) using a design by Jacques Boux.

Her keel was laid in early 1777 in a private shipyard in Amsterdam. When finished, she was 170 feet in length, 43 feet at the beam and had a 16 foot six-inch draft. She was launched in February 1778 as the *L'Indien*. She was armed with 28 36- pounder guns and 12 additional 12-pounder guns at the forecastle and quarterdeck (40 guns total). She set sail with 550 officers and men.

John Paul Jones was hoping to assume command of the *L'Indien* in 1778, but before he could arrive, financial difficulties arose and pressure due to the laws of Neutrality forced the commissioners to sell her to the King of France, Louis XVI. She was finally sold to the Chevalier Luxembourg and was immediately chartered by Commodore Alexander Gillon of the South Carolina Navy for one-fourth of her prizes. Gillon changed the name of *L'Indien* to *South Carolina*.

Numerous delays ensued in getting to sea. Due to the heavy draught of the ship and shallow water, it took from July to November 1780 to get to Texel (an island in the province of North Holland) and she spent the winter in a small creek nearby. These delays and the operating expenses caused Gillon, in order to pay off some bills, to sell goods to Col. John Laurens for Congress that he had purchased for use on the *South Carolina*.

*South Carolina* finally put to sea Aug. 1, 1781. They left behind the convoy intended to accompany her. Gillon had on board goods for Congress, and why he didn't proceed directly to Philadelphia to deliver them is a mystery. She sailed the North Sea about a month, then near the English Channel and put into Corunna, Spain, about Oct. 1.

She stopped again at Santa Cruz before sailing toward Charleston, South Carolina. Before reaching the Canary Islands she captured the brig,

*Venus*, loaded with salt fish headed for Lisbon. Commodore Gillon learned that Charleston was being occupied by British forces and headed for Havana, Cuba, instead. She captured five additional Jamaican vessels loaded with rum and sugar along the way and landed at Havana Jan. 12, 1782. The prize was said to have been worth about \$150,000 in contemporary money.

Commodore Gillon, after negotiations with Bernardo de Galvez, joined *South Carolina* with a force of 59 Spanish and American vessels carrying Spanish troops under Gen. Cadrigal sent to capture British-held New Providence in the Bahamas. The fleet, commanded by Gillon, left April 22 and reached its destination



by May 6. The British surrendered to Gen. Cadrigal May 8.

*South Carolina* then sailed north and landed in Philadelphia May 28, 1782. En route she was harassed by the *Virginia*, a British privateer, but arrived undamaged. While at Philadelphia, *South Carolina* was refitted during the summer and fall of 1782, and Gillon was replaced by Captain John Joyner, who was his second in command.

*South Carolina*, along with the brig *Constance*, schooner *Seagrove* and the *Hope*, attempted to leave Philadelphia, through the British blockade Dec. 20, 1782. They ran into three British frigates — 44 gun *HMS Diomed* under Captain Thomas L. Frederick, the 32-gun *HMS Quebec* under Captain Christopher Mason, and the 32-gun *HMS Astraea*

under Captain Matthew Squires.

*South Carolina* ran at the blockade, but the British gave chase for 18 hours and fired on her for two hours before *South Carolina* struck ground in the Delaware River.

Onboard she had about 470 men and officers when captured. Six were killed and eight wounded. No casualties were claimed by the British. The *Hope* and *Constance* were also captured. The *Seagrove* escaped. The *South Carolina*, *Hope* and *Constance* were all taken to New York.

The Chevalier Luxembourg, in accordance with the terms of his contract, demanded of the State of South Carolina the payment of 300,000 livres. Commodore Gillon asserted that Luxembourg had forfeited all right to the money by removing him from command.

Gillon further claimed that Luxembourg had subjected the state to serious losses by sending its Marines on an expedition to the Island of Jersey in the winter of 1780-1781.

Estimates of the loss to the State of South Carolina ranged from \$200,000 to \$500,000. The Lux-

embourg claims remained unsettled until Dec. 21, 1814, when the State of South Carolina made a final payment of \$28,894 to the heirs of the Chevalier.

According to *The Navy of the American Revolution* by Charles Oscar Paullin, the State of South Carolina was still prosecuting its claims against the United States for reimbursement of the expenses contracted on behalf of the South Carolina in 1906.

The British never took *South Carolina* into service due to her "light frame," and that she had "hogged" (swelled or sagged at the middle) due to the weight of her guns. They felt she was not suited for the Royal Navy for these reasons and put her up for sale to privateers as a merchant ship.

She was last recorded sailing to Deal, Kent, in 1783 as part of the

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# King's Mountain ceremony continues despite hurricane

**By Mark C. Anthony**  
National SAR Color Guard  
Vice Commander

Unlike a couple of years ago, the promised rain from Hurricane Matthew arrived at Kings Mountain National Military Park earlier than expected. Only this time, the planned ceremonies still occurred at the battlefield despite some last minute juggling of the planned events.

Due to the rain, many planned speakers and presenters were unable to attend including President General Mike Tomme, Secretary General Larry Guzy and South Atlantic District Vice President General Larry Fehrenbaker. However, the National SAR leadership was well represented by Treasurer General Warren Alter, SAR Foundation President Sam Powell and Former Vice President General Ed Rigel Sr.

The rain's arrival was just before the North Carolina DAR dedicated a marker to honor three black Patriots, two free men of color and one slave, who had been documented to have fought at this pivotal battle.

Family members, the SAR, the DAR and others huddled under four tents that had been hastily erected just below the crest of the mountain and the Centennial Monument. The marker was unveiled after speeches and the recognition of the DAR for pursuing the difficult prospect of



Photo by Greg Greenawalt

having a new monument added to the battlefield site.

Following this ceremony, the attendees moved to a tent located in front of the U.S. monument. This tent could hold about 250 people and had already been planned for without any expectation of the hurricane.

Brigadier Gen. James R. Gorham, USA (Ret) gave an inspirational talk on patriotism and the heroism of the Patriots of the Revolution. Following the speech, approximately 100 wreaths were then presented.

With the conclusion of the service,



Photo by Bill Williamson

the rains abated long enough for everyone to retire from the mountain top.

Every SAR compatriot is encouraged to attend the 2017 ceremony which will take place Saturday, Oct. 7. This ceremony is the only official national historic event co-hosted by chapters in two different state societies — the Daniel Morgan Chapter, South Carolina SAR, and the Kings Mountain Chapter, North Carolina SAR.

## Eulogy of George Washington

*First in war—first in peace—and first in the hearts of his countrymen, he was second to none in the humble and enduring scenes of private life; pious, just, humane, temperate, and sincere; uniform, dignified, and commanding, his example was as edifying to all around him as were the effects of that example lasting.*

*To his equals he was condescending, to his inferiors kind, and to the dear object of his affections exemplarily tender; correct throughout, vice shuddered in his presence, and virtue always felt his fostering hand; the purity of his private character gave effulgence to his public virtues. His last scene comported with the whole tenor of his life—although in extreme pain, not a sigh, not a groan escaped him; and with undisturbed serenity he closed his wellspent life. Such was the man America has lost—such was the man for whom our nation mourns.*

## South Carolina

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British evacuation of New York, carrying 600 German soldiers.

During World War II, a ship's bell with the name *South Carolina*, was discovered in a jute mill on the Ganges River in India. This may suggest that she made it to India.

Of significance, in the form of a legacy, is that warship designers subsequently put greater longitudinal strength into their designs, and ship architect Joshua Humphreys studied her sleek hull and used her lines in the designs of the U.S.S. *Constitution* and U.S.S. *Constellation*. In this form, *South Carolina* lives today.

**Rep. Richard Henry 'Light Horse' Harry Lee**  
Dec. 26, 1799



# Did You Know?

**By Compatriot Greg Ohanesian**  
**Vice Chair**  
**State Old Exchange Building Commission**

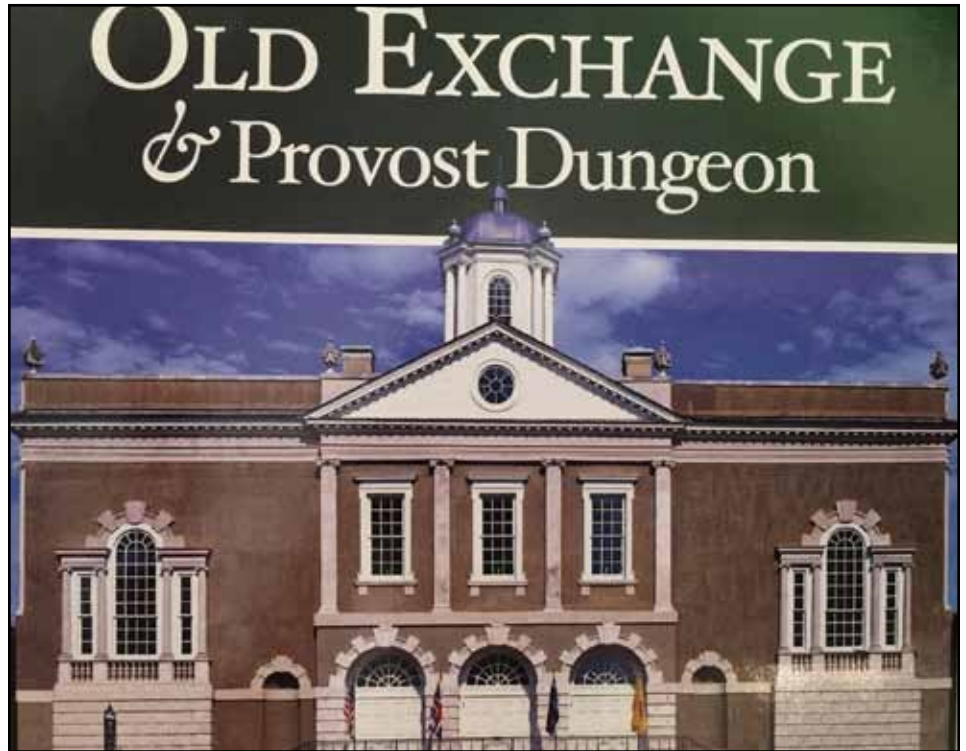
The Old Exchange Building in Charleston is one of South Carolina's true treasures. Begun in 1767 and completed in 1771, the public building is one of only three remaining public buildings where the Declaration of Independence was read in 1776, the other two being Independence Hall in Philadelphia, and Faneuil Hall in Boston.

In 1773, Patriot "first responders" seized British tea and stored it in the Exchange Dungeon. In 1774, South Carolinians elected their delegates to the first Continental Congress in the Great Hall (second floor).

In 1780, Maj. Gen. William Moultrie, anticipating the fall of Charleston, hid 14,200 pounds of gunpowder behind a brick wall he had constructed in the cellar of the Old Exchange Building. When the British evacuated Charleston in December 1782, the gunpowder was still there!

Patriot Col. Isaac Hayne was, in 1781, tried and convicted of treason to the King and imprisoned in the Exchange Building prior to his execution.

In 1788, the South Carolina Legislature ratified the United States



Constitution in the Exchange Building's Great Hall. In fact, the Articles of Confederation were ratified in the Building prior to that.

When President George Washington made his Southern Tour, he came to Charleston in May 1791. During his stay in Charleston, several Balls

were given in his honor in the Great Hall. George Washington "was truly here"!

I invite each of my Compatriots to visit the Old Exchange Building sometime in the next year — maybe on your way to our Annual Meeting in Beaufort!

## Benjamin Franklin's 13 Virtues

**TEMPERANCE.** Eat not to dullness; drink not to elevation.

**SILENCE.** Speak not but what may benefit others or yourself; avoid trifling conversation.

**ORDER.** Let all your things have their places; let each part of your business have its time.

**RESOLUTION.** Resolve to perform what you ought; perform without fail what you resolve.

**FRUGALITY.** Make no expense but to do good to others or yourself; i.e., waste nothing.

**INDUSTRY.** Lose no time; be always employ'd in something useful; cut off all unnecessary actions.

**SINCERITY.** Use no hurtful deceit; think innocently and justly, and, if you speak, speak accordingly.

**JUSTICE.** Wrong none by doing injuries, or omitting the benefits that are your duty.

**MODERATION.** Avoid extremes; forbear resenting injuries so much as you think they deserve.

**CLEANLINESS.** Tolerate no uncleanness in body, cloaths, or habitation.

**TRANQUILLITY.** Be not disturbed at trifles, or at accidents common or unavoidable.

**CHASTITY.** Rarely use venery but for health or offspring, never to dulness, weakness, or the injury of your own or another's peace or reputation.

**HUMILITY.** Imitate Jesus and Socrates.



# Hurricane Matthew

## SCSSAR members aid fellow citizens

By Sanford Graves  
President and Treasurer  
Col. Lemuel Benton Chapter

During Hurricane Matthew in October, many members of the South Carolina Society of the Sons of the American Revolution stepped forward to aid their fellow citizens in preparation for the coming storm and with humanitarian efforts dealing with the aftermath.

Compatriot Michael Smith, a member of the Maj. Gen. William Moultrie Chapter, is a volunteer to the South Carolina State Guard holding the rank of Major in the Judge Advocates Corps.

Compatriot Sanford Cox Graves, who serves as the President of the Col. Lemuel Benton Chapter as well as the Chancellor to the SC State Society, is a volunteer to the South Carolina State Guard and holds the rank of Captain in the Judge Advocates Corps.

Before and during the storm Maj. Smith and Captain Graves assisted in preparing for State Guard missions along the northern coast of South Carolina in communications, evacuation/transportation, security and logistics.

After the hurricane, they assisted the Third Brigade in disaster relief efforts in Horry and Georgetown counties, and particularly with logistical support to FEMA structured Point of Distribution (POD) to give food and water to the citizens and residents suffering from storm damage, loss of power and essential services, and flooding.

The historic South Carolina State Guard is a totally voluntary force organized and trained under the State Military Department structure and serving under the command of the Governor and the Adjutant General.



Captain Sanford Graves (left) and Maj. Charles "Butch" Forgason.

The State Guard is the embodiment of the modern Minutemen who are neighbors helping neighbors.

The State Guard is prepared to respond to support and assist the South Carolina National Guard as well as state and local civil authorities and first responders to provide protection and security to South Carolina citizens and their property.

Members of the State Guard were deployed across the state, and contributed well in excess of 15,000 man hours of volunteer service in the areas affected by Hurricane Matthew, as well as in emergency operations command centers and other remote locations in need. (The actual number of hours has not been determined as of publication.) During the flooding event in October 2015, the State Guard reported contributions of more than 28,000 man hours of volunteer service to the citizens of the State.

The South Carolina State Guard traces its roots back to March 17, 1670, and South Carolina's First Provincial Militia, the men-at-arms who landed at Albemarle Point on the west bank of the Ashley River near Charleston. During the American

Revolution, the Force was divided into the First through Third Brigades by geography with Gen. Francis Marion (Third Brigade), Gen. Thomas Sumter (First Brigade), and Gen. Andrew Pickens (Second Brigade) in command.

Major Smith is a descendant of Phillip Guise of Henderson County, North Carolina, who quickly joined the Pennsylvania Militia when the troops marched smartly near the field of crops in which he was tending. Additional information can be found in the book *The House of Guise* by Henry Dwight Sedgwick, 1938.

Captain Graves is a descendant of William Lewis of Horry County, who enlisted in the Second South Carolina Regiment Nov. 4, 1775 and served in the Revolutionary War under Lt. Col. Francis Marion. Additional information can be found in the book *William Lewis of Horry County, South Carolina* by Mary Lewis Stevenson, 1960.

Additional information on the militia troops that became the South Carolina State Guard can be found in *The History of South Carolina under the Proprietary Government, 1670-1719*, by Edward McCrady, 1897.



FEMA Point of Distribution in Georgetown County at Brown's Ferry Elementary School. [Photo by Sanford Graves]



# Daniel Morgan Chapter honors 2nd Lt. Daniel Gilbert



Musket Volley



John D. Hoyle (right), Vice President of the Daniel Morgan Chapter, leads Pledge of Allegiance.

**By Mark Anthony  
Chapter Secretary**

A group of nearly 50 individuals gathered Sept. 24 near Cooley Springs at the final resting place of Patriot Daniel Gilbert of the Virginia Militia. Patriot Gilbert served at battles as varied as Cowpens, Gilford Courthouse and others during his service. After the Revolution, 2nd Lt. Gilbert settled in Spartanburg County on a 120 acre land grant signed by Gov. William Moultrie.

The story of 2nd Lt. Gilbert was brought to the attention of the Daniel Morgan Chapter by DAR member Aliene Humphries, a direct descendant of Daniel Gilbert, of the Hobkirk Hill Chapter in Camden. For her

efforts to honor her patriot ancestor, the Daniel Morgan Chapter presented Ms. Humphries with a Certificate of Appreciation and a copy of the Gilbert Coat of Arms prepared by Chapter President John Ingle.

The grave-marking ceremony began with the presentation of colors by a color guard composed of members of the family and South Carolina SAR under the command of State Color Guard Commander Bob Krause. Wreaths were presented by the Daniel Morgan, Col. Robert Anderson and Gen. Andrew Pickens chapters from South Carolina, the Sergeant Lawrence Everhart Chapter of the Maryland SAR and the Hobkirk Hill

and Kate Berry DAR Chapters.

The highlight of the ceremony was the talk presented by Ms. Humphries detailing the life of Daniel Gilbert and how it inspired her love of history. Following the recitation, the SAR marker was unveiled and dedicated. The ceremony concluded with the folding of a Betsy Ross flag that was presented to the family, followed by the playing of *Amazing Graze* by bagpiper Art Davis.

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Descendants of Daniel Gilbert



Chapter President John Ingle presents a Certificate of Appreciation and the Gilbert Coat of Arms to Aliene Shields Humphries. [Photo by Sheila Ingle]



Bagpiper Art Davis

**You can watch a video of the grave-marking at  
<https://vimeo.com/184147983>**



### Mayflower Compact

*In the name of God, Amen. We, whose names are underwritten, the loyal subjects of our dread Sovereign Lord King James, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, defender of the Faith, etc.*

*Having undertaken, for the Glory of God, and advancements of the Christian faith and honor of our King and Country, a voyage to plant the first colony in the Northern parts of Virginia, do by these presents, solemnly and mutually, in the presence of God, and one another, covenant and combine ourselves together into a civil body politic; for our better ordering, and preservation and furtherance of the ends aforesaid; and by virtue hereof to enact, constitute, and frame, such just and equal laws, ordinances, acts, constitutions, and offices, from time to time, as shall be thought most meet and convenient for the general good of the colony; unto which we promise all due submission and obedience.*

*In witness whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names at Cape Cod the 11th of November, in the year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord King James, of England, France, and Ireland, the eighteenth, and of Scotland the fifty-fourth, 1620.*

## Still Looking for Patriot Graves

The Patriot Graves Committee requests members provide photographs, GPS coordinates and location data of any Revolutionary War Patriot graves in their communities.

Please send this information to co-chairman Carroll Crowther at [crowthercarroll@gmail.com](mailto:crowthercarroll@gmail.com).

# Grave-marking for 2nd Lt. Daniel Gilbert

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The ceremony concluded with a musket volley and the playing of *Taps*. Following the conclusion the attendees enjoyed light snacks and peach ice cream from nearby Strawberry Hills.



**WREATH LAYING** — William Kivett, president of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter.



**SCSSAR COLOR GUARD** — From left: Bob Krause, J.D. Norris, Tim Lord, Donny Carson, John Ingle and Hal Johnson. [Photo by Sheila Ingle]



**FLAG PRESENTATION** — Bob Krause presents a Betsy Ross flag to Aliene Shields Humphries, a descendant of Daniel Gilbert.



**PRAYER** — Chaplain David Johnson (right) delivers prayer. From left: Chapter Secretary Mark Anthony and Chapter Vice President John Hoyle. [Photos by Thomas C. Hanson, unless noted]

# Business card ads approved for Palmetto Patriot

The Board of Governors approved business card sized ads for *The Palmetto Patriot* at its Oct. 15 meeting.

The cost for the ads is \$25 for each issue or \$100 for a year. Please send a check made payable to South Carolina SAR to SCSSAR Treasurer Greg Ohanesian, P.O. Box 1373, Bennettsville, SC 29512-1373.

Please send your business card (or the information you would like included in a business card size ad) to Tom.Hanson@HansonCommunications.org or to Hanson Communications, 2004 Old Parker Road, Greenville, SC 29609.

## SC Society President portrays Lt. Benjamin Wilkins



BEAUFORT — SC Society President Wayne Cousar (left) portrayed Lt. Benjamin Wilkins at the annual Parish Church of Saint Helena Bazaar Nov. 5. Lt. Wilkins, of the Charles Towne Artillery, died in Beaufort Feb. 4, 1779, following the Battle of Port Royal Island, also known locally as the Battle of Grays Hill, and was buried in the Parish Church of Saint Helena cemetery.

Numerous well-known parish members are buried on the church grounds, and tours of the 314 year old cemetery were part of the day's events. President Cousar and fellow Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter members Dr. Tom Burnett, Paul Griffin and Dr. Bill Sammons also participated in the event.

President Cousar holds a placard with a poem about Wilkins titled *An Artillery Man* that was published Feb. 11, 1779, by an unknown friend in Charles Towne following his death at age 35. [Photo by Nancy Chesnutt]

### An Artillery Man

"Behold, in Honour's sacred Bed  
Brave Wilkins drew his latest Breath;  
See him among th' illustrious dead,  
Fall'n by the rigid Hand of Death!

"While he the levell'd Tube did aim  
Against his Country's raging Foe;

The fatal Ball, like Light'ning came,  
And struck, alas! the deadly Blow.

"Full well he knew the dext'rous Art,  
With skillful Hand, and watchful eye,  
To point the Tube, or wield the Dart,  
And force his stubborn Foe to fly.

"No less in Social Life he shown,

A Friend to every milder Art;  
Religion claimed him for her own,  
And Justice swayed his honest Heart.

"Alas! that an untimely Blow  
Should snatch him from his weeping Friends,

Sure every Breast with Grief must glow,  
Sure ev'ry Heart Compassion lends.

"His widow'd Spouse with heart-felt Sighs,  
And helpless Babes, his Loss bewail:  
While sympathetic Tears Arise  
In all who hear the mournful Tale.

"Not unaveng'd our Hero fell.  
Full dear his precious Blood was brought:  
Beaufort's ensanguined Plains can tell,  
How well his brave Associates fought



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*Photo courtesy of the U.S. Navy. Officers & Crew of the USS Cowpens travelled from San Diego, CA to lay a wreath at the U.S. Monument during the annual commemorative ceremony.*

## THE NATIONAL SAR THE SOUTH CAROLINA SAR & THE DANIAL MORGAN CHAPTER SAR

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The Courtyard by Marriott located at 110 Mobile Dr, Spartanburg, SC (864-585-2400) will serve as the host hotel for Cowpens participants. A block of rooms has been reserved at a price of \$101.00 plus tax. This rate includes breakfast on Saturday morning. The group name for the room block is "SAR". Reservations can be made at the following link (please copy & paste the link in your web browser):

[http://www.marriott.com/meeting-event-hotels/group-corporate-travel/groupCorp.mi?resLinkData=SAR%20Room%20Block%20Jan%202013-16%2C%202017%5ESPACH%60SARSARA%7CSARSARB%60101.00%60USD%60false%604%601/13/17%601/16/17%6012/23/16&app=resvlink&stop\\_mobi=yes](http://www.marriott.com/meeting-event-hotels/group-corporate-travel/groupCorp.mi?resLinkData=SAR%20Room%20Block%20Jan%202013-16%2C%202017%5ESPACH%60SARSARA%7CSARSARB%60101.00%60USD%60false%604%601/13/17%601/16/17%6012/23/16&app=resvlink&stop_mobi=yes)

**The reservation deadline is 23 December 2016.**

Rooms may be made available after the deadline based on availability.

Those wishing to present a wreath at the battlefield on Saturday, 14 January should send the following information to John Hoyle at the following contact points:

Address: 18 Shannon Ridge Ct, Greenville, SC 29615  
Phone: 864-263-3644 Email: [jdhoyle@rocketmail.com](mailto:jdhoyle@rocketmail.com)

**Wreath registration deadline is 7 January 2017.**

Organization/Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Presenter: \_\_\_\_\_

Color Guard: YES NO

Attending:

Daniel Morgan Statue Ceremony: YES NO

Dr Bobby Moss Lecture: YES NO

Cowpens Battlefield Ceremony: YES NO

Dutch Treat Lunch @ Fatz Cafe: YES NO

Cowpens National Battlefield Address:  
4001 Chesnee Hwy, Gaffney, SC 29341

### Schedule of Events (times subject to change):

*Friday, 13 January*

TBA Order of Founders of North America Meeting - Courtyard by Marriott

2:30 pm General Daniel Morgan Statue Ceremony - Morgan Square (corner of Main Street & Church Street, Spartanburg).

Participants will place a carnation on the base of the statue.

4:00 pm South Atlantic District SAR Quarterly Meeting - Courtyard by Marriott

5:15 pm Cowpens Reception - Courtyard by Marriott

7:00 pm Dr Bobby Gilmer Boss Cowpens Lecture Series - Barnett Room, Spartanburg County Library. NEW LOCATION: 151 S Church St, Spartanburg. No Fee.

*Saturday, 14 January*

9:30 am Wreath registration deadline - National Battlefield

10:00 am Wreath Laying Ceremony - U.S. Monument, Visitors Center, National Battlefield

10:45 am March to Washington Light Infantry Monument with National SAR Wreath Laying

12:00 pm Dutch Treat Lunch - Fatz Cafe, 245 Peachoid Rd, Gaffney

*Sunday, 15 January*

TBA SAR/DAR Genealogy Seminar - National Battlefield

*The SAR will have an information booth set up at the battlefield on both Saturday and Sunday.*

The 2017 Dr Bobby Gilmer Moss Cowpens Lecture Series is presented in partnership with the Spartanburg County Public Library and the National Park Service.

The 2017 lecture will feature Period Music by John Thomas Fowler and Andy Brooks and a Chautauqua presentation by Ken Johnston. Mr Johnston will portray Colonel Banastre Tarleton.

The presentation is free and open to the public.

*Government has no right to absolute, arbitrary power over the lives and fortunes of the people; nor can mortals assume a prerogative . . . reserved for the exercise of the Deity alone.*

**Samuel Adams  
The Rights of Colonists, 1772**

# Chapter Capsules

## News items from SCSSAR chapters



**NEW OFFICERS** — SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar (right) swears in (from left) John Marker, President; David E. Jordan, Secretary-Treasurer; Thomas Pool, Vice President; and Mike Appleby, Chaplain.



**NEW MEMBERS** — Chapter President John Marker (left) and SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar (right) with new members (from left) Mark Mann, Greg Silgar, Jerry Knight, Greg Beckwith and Larry Wilson.

## SCSSAR President inducts officers at first meeting of the Maj. Robert Crawford Chapter

**INDIAN LAND** — The first meeting of the Maj. Robert Crawford Chapter took place in Indian Land Sept. 21 with about 45 attendees and guests.

The following organizations had representatives present:

**DAR** — Chapter Regent Mira Smith and three other DAR members. (Elizabeth Hutchinson Jackson Chapter)

**American Legion Post 250** — William Chick (Post Adjutant).

**VFW Post 12136** — James Taylor (Post Commander).

**VFW Auxiliary Post 12136** — Suzanne Taylor (Chapter President).

**Friends of the Buford Massacre Battlefield** — Ken Obriot (President).

The chapter had its second monthly meeting Oct. 22, which included a luncheon.

**SAR Programs initiated:** History Teacher, Middle School Brochure contest, JROTC recognition.

**Partners in Patriotism** is ongoing with local Veteran organizations. *John Marker.*

## Pioneer Day in Gray Court



Pioneer Day Parade in Gray Court Sept. 10 including SCSSAR Color Guard represented by Bob Krause, Dan Woodruff and Donny Carson] [Photos by Bill Williamson]



Pioneer Day Tent

### The Palmetto Patriot wants to hear from you

The South Carolina Society has chapters conducting many interesting activities, and we would like to share these with the rest of our South Carolina compatriots. Please send your Chapter Capsule summaries to [Tom.Hanson@HansonCommunications.org](mailto:Tom.Hanson@HansonCommunications.org).



# Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter



**GUEST SPEAKER** — Frank Brown (left), president of the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter, presents a Certificate of Appreciation Oct. 11 to guest speaker David Lucas after his talk on his ancestors Jonathan Lucas I and Jonathan Lucas II. These Patriots who invented the rice mill, and prospered in Charleston, controlled the rice industry in the Carolina low country during the late 1700s. [Photo by Glenn Givens]



**NEW MEMBER** — John Owen (center), is welcomed into the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter at the Oct. 11 meeting by President Frank Brown (left) and Registrar John Summerford. [Photo by Glenn Givens]

*From this day will be dated the liberty of the world.*

**Rev. Jonas Clark  
Battle of Lexington  
April 19, 1775**



Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter members (from left) John Owen, Sam Lenoir, John Summerford, Robert Spain and Frank Brown walked in the Sumter Veterans Day Parade Nov. 11 and carried their chapter banner. [Photo by Denise Owen]



Frank Brown (right) presents a Flag Certificate to the Saint Anne Saint Jude Catholic School flag detail Nov. 7 in recognition of their dedicated service and exemplary respect for the American Flag. These eighth grade students, trained by teacher Dan Spivey, raise the flag each morning before school begins and faithfully lower it at the end of each day. Saint Anne Saint Jude is commended for continuing this patriotic tradition. Sadly, most schools raise the flag when the school year begins, and it flies until lowered at the end of the school year. This deprives students from learning our flag's history and how to respect it. [Photo by Denise Spivey]

## Col. Robert Anderson Chapter



**COL. ROBERT ANDERSON CHAPTER** — Jacob Daniel Williamson (left), is inducted into the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter June 16 by (from left) William D. Kivett, Chapter President, Monte A. Hart, Chapter Registrar, and Bill Williamson, Chapter Secretary. Jacob's Patriot ancestor is Reuben Weed Sr. [Photo by Karen Williamson]



# Chapter marks Andrew Pickens' 277th birthday



**Mrs. Marion Whitehurst**  
Registrar  
and Honorary Regent,  
Andrew Pickens  
Chapter, NSDAR

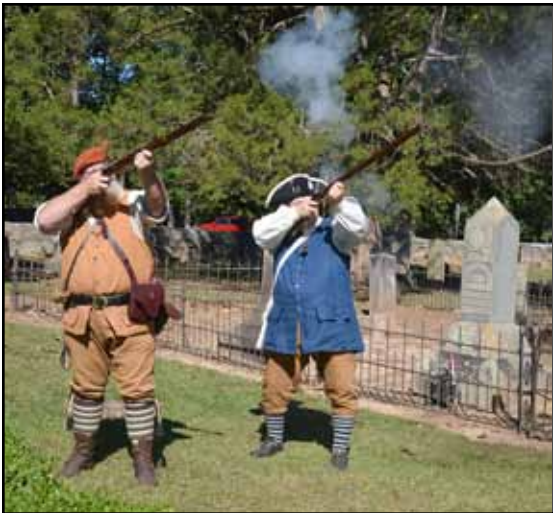
On Sunday afternoon, Oct. 9, the Gen. Andrew Pickens Chapter celebrated the 277th birthday of Gen. Andrew Pickens with a memorial service at the Old Stone Church in Pendleton.

Co-sponsors were the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Pickens County Historical Society. The service was officiated by J.D. Norris, President of the Gen. Andrew Pickens Chapter and Past Historian of the SCSSAR, and Mrs. Marion Whitehurst, Registrar and Honorary Regent, Andrew Pickens Chapter, NSDAR. Dr. J.R. Andrew Jr., Professor of History, Clemson University and author of a new biography on the life of Gen. Andrew Pickens, spoke about Gen. Pickens.

After the program, the service reconvened in the church cemetery where numerous dedicatory wreaths were presented and a musket salute was fired by Donny Carson, SCSSAR Historian and Past President of the Daniel Morgan Chapter, and J.D. Norris.



**J.D. Norris**  
President  
Andrew Pickens  
Chapter  
Past Historian SCSSAR



**Donny Carson (left) and J.D. Norris**  
fire volley  
at conclusion of memorial service



**Dr. J.R. Andrew Jr.**  
Professor of History  
Clemson University



**Donny Carson presents**  
Daniel Morgan Chapter  
wreath



**Pickens family graves [Photos by Thomas C. Hanson]**



**Old Stone Church built in 1802**



## Obituary

# John Lefferts Ramsey SCSSAR President 2012-2013

CHARLESTON — The earthly travels and adventures of John Lefferts Ramsey are complete, but he surely wanders in another realm, one which the prophet says cannot be corrupted by man! For the trumpet sounds, John has been summoned and is truly now at peace.

John died Oct. 3. He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Johanne Dunbar-Forbes Ramsey, daughter Ashley Lupo (David), three grandchildren, Ethan, Chase and Reese, of Marco Island, and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Sarah Lefferts Ramsey of Leesburg, Virginia, and Reginald P. Ramsey of Cleveland, Tennessee, his brother, Edmond R. Ramsey, of Miami, Florida, and his son, Andrew Lefferts Ramsey of Charleston.

John was born in Miami, Florida, a descendant of Dutch, English and Scot pioneer families from the 17th and 18th centuries of New Amsterdam and the James River. His love of nature and travel was born in his childhood adventures in the Florida Keys, the Everglades and in summer trips around the United States with his family.

John was a graduate of Coral Gables High School (1963). He attended The Citadel in Charleston, before receiving an appointment to West Point. A boxing injury led him to the University of Miami (1967), where he met his wife Johanne. His education continued at the University of Neuchatel, Switzerland, and Georgetown University (M.A. 1968).

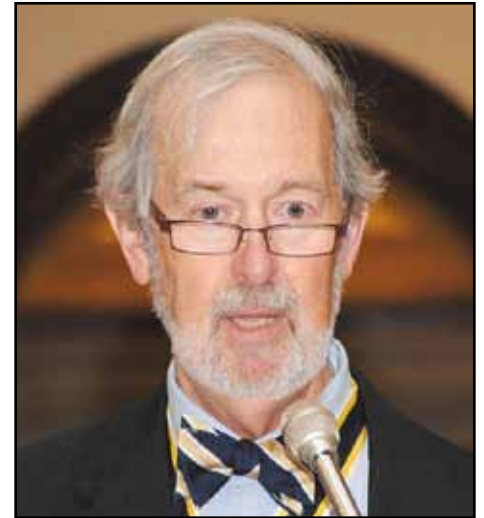
In 1969, John began working for the newly formed Postal Service, where he served in management positions at the national, regional, district and sectional center levels, retiring after 32 years while serving as postmaster of Summerville, South Carolina, in 2001.

John's most important impact was in his love for his family and in his love of learning, both of which he nourished through his vast travels, wildlife adventures and service opportunities on five continents with his wife, children and grandchildren. John was a voracious learner and

spoke several languages.

John, a true believer in Service Above Self, was active in Rotary International, serving as President of the Rotary Club of Summerville and Rotary International District Governor for District 7770. He and his wife gave of their time, including giving polio vaccinations in rural India and support for orphanages in South Africa.

In celebration of his heritage, John was a member of the Maj. Gen. William Moultrie Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution in Charleston, where he served in a number of leadership positions, including President for several years, and was selected to serve as State President.



John Lefferts Ramsey



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# SCSSAR welcomes new members

**By Dan Woodruff**  
SCSSAR Secretary  
and National Trustee

The South Carolina Society welcomes the following new members.

**Dr. George Mosse Chapter**  
**Richard Allen Herrin**, Patriot

ancestor John Young.

**Godfrey Dreher Chapter**  
**Frederick Ketley Morrison Jr.**,  
Patriot ancestor John Hipp.

**Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter**  
**Michael Henry Monahan**, Patriot  
ancestor Plikar Dedric Siler.

**Henry Laurens Chapter**  
**Daryl Edward McPherson**, Patriot  
ancestor Ignatius Greenwell.

**Matthew Singleton Chapter**  
**John Robert Owen**, Patriot  
ancestor Peter Guerrant.

*Among the natural rights of Colonists are: First, a right to life; Secondly, to liberty; Thirdly, to property; together with the right to defend them....*

*The supreme power cannot justly take from any man any part of his property without his consent."*

**Samuel Adams, The Rights of Colonists, 1772**

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## Roll Call of the Departed

The following members of the SCSSAR have passed away since the production of the previous edition of *The Palmetto Patriot*.

**Cambridge Chapter**

William Robert Logan Jr.  
John Cothran Wofford

**Col. Robert Anderson Chapter**

Joe Marshall Barron

**Col. Lemuel Benton Chapter**

Elvin Drew Tirrell

**Col. Thomas Taylor Chapter**

James Louis Young

**Maj. Gen. William Moultrie Chapter**

John Lefferts Ramsey

**At Large**

**Rev. Homer Leroy Stewart**

**NSSAR Chaplain General 2003-2005.**

Rev. Dr. Homer Leroy Stewart, 88, of Six Mile, passed away peacefully on Thursday, Oct. 27, at AnMed Health.

Born in Six Mile, he was a son of the late Homer F. and Rosa Lusk Stewart. Rev. Stewart was a member of Six Mile Baptist Church, and was a United States Navy SeaBees Veteran of the Korean War Era.

Rev. Stewart pastored numerous churches in South Carolina, North Carolina and New York. His proudest achievements were being a pastor, a former Mayor of Six Mile, a Navy SeaBee, and Chaplain General, of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution.

Surviving are his wife, Joyce B. Stewart of the home; two sons, Mike and Greg Stewart, both of Six Mile; a sister, Fran Blanton of Florida; five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Helen Morgan.



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*Amongst other strange things said of me, I hear it is said by the deists that I am one of the number; and indeed, that some good people think I am no Christian.*

*This thought gives me much more pain than the appellation of Tory; because I think religion of infinitely higher importance than politics; and I find much cause to reproach myself that I have lived so long, and have given no decided and public proofs of my being a Christian.*

*But, indeed, my dear child, this is a character which I prize far above all this world has, or can boast.*

**Patrick Henry**  
**Letter to his**  
**daughter**  
**Aug. 20, 1796**

# Oct. 15 Board of Governors Minutes

By **Nat Kaminski**  
SCSSAR Recording Secretary

Following are the draft minutes of the Oct. 15 Board of Governors Meeting.

1. Call to Order by **President Wayne Cousar** at 10:05 a.m. President Cousar thanked those in attendance for making the meeting despite the impediments created by Hurricane Matthew, which struck South Carolina Oct. 8.

2. Invocation by **Piedmont Vice President Ted Morton**.

3. Colors were posted prior to start of meeting.

4. Pledge to the U.S. Flag and Salute to the S.C. Flag led by Compatriot **Claude Dinkins**.

5. Roll Call by Recording Secretary and quorum declared in accordance with Const., Art. V, Sec. 4.

a. Thirteen of 17 Officers present; eight of 21 Chapters represented.

6. Review of Published Report Packages. Report Packages of Officers, Chapters and Committees accepted as submitted unless changes/additions/comments noted below:

## a. Chapter Reports:

i. **Battle of Eutaw Springs** — Compatriot **Doug Doster** reported that the commemoration of the 235th anniversary of the Battle of Eutaw Springs Sept. 3 was the most successful ever held, with 150 people in attendance, 23 wreaths presented, 16 DAR Chapters represented, 20 CAR members present, and excellent speakers. This commemoration will be placed on the national SAR and DAR calendars as an annual event.

ii. **Daniel Morgan** — Compatriot **Mark Anthony** reported that despite rain resulting from the hurricane, the commemoration of the Battle of Kings Mountain was successful

with more than 100 wreaths presented, a new marker dedicated on the battlefield to three men of color who participated at the battle, and the National Society represented by Treasurer General Warren Alter

## b. Committee Reports:

i. **Medals and Awards** — Compatriot **Bill Vartorella** reported

a. Motion to approve minutes made by Treasurer **Greg Ohanesian** and seconded. Minutes approved by unanimous vote.

8. Old Business — None

9. New Business

a. Compatriot **Howard Knapp**, Midlands Vice President, requested that Chapters remember to invite their Regional Vice Presidents to their meetings during the year.

b. President Cousar called for the election of three compatriots to the Nominating Committee. The President appoints the other four members of the Committee.

i. Compatriot Woodruff nominated Compatriot **Bill Vartorella**, and

Compatriot **Edd Richburg** nominated Compatriot **Ken Stock**.

A point of inquiry was made by Compatriot Ohanesian whether the President had determined his four appointees. President Cousar said he would make his appointments immediately after this election.

Compatriot Corbett then nominated Compatriot **Nat Kaminski**. Compatriot Morton moved the nominations be closed and an election by acclamation. The motion was seconded, and carried unanimously. Compatriot Anthony made a point of inquiry as to the regions represented. President Cousar stated the regions represented by these three members of the Nominating Committee were Low Country, Pee Dee and Midlands.

ii. President Cousar announced his appointments to the Nominating Committee: Compatriots **Ted Morton, Carrol Crowther, Dan Woodruff, and Doug Doster**. Each agreed to serve. President Cousar noted these nominations ensured that each region was represented on the Committee.



State Secretary Dan Woodruff (left) addresses the Board of Governors meeting as President Wayne Cousar chairs the meeting. [Photos by Thomas C. Hanson]

that the Executive Committee voted that a compatriot who attended the National Congress in Greenville, South Carolina, for all or part of the event should receive a medal issued through the State, and this is available for distribution. The chapters are encouraged to distribute these to those who qualify.

ii. **Rumbaugh Oration** — Compatriot **Rick Corbett** reported that it is expected that there will be a Rumbaugh Oration Contest at the Annual Meeting.

7. Approval of Minutes from the June 18, 2016 Board of Governors Meeting.



Rev. Ted Morton Jr. (standing, right) speaks about a message about the certainty of death given by Dr. Peter Marshall, at the United States Naval Academy, Sunday morning, Dec. 7, 1941. Neither he, nor anyone in the service, were yet aware that Japan was attacking Pearl Harbor. Rev. Morton then delivered the invocation.



c. Compatriot Woodruff was recognized to discuss some topics that came up at the National SAR Fall Leadership Conference in Louisville.

i. One of the main topics concerned the Youth Protection Plan. The SAR is going to utilize the same youth protection training program developed by the Boy Scouts of America and available on its website. To access, go to the BSA website and look for the "Youth Protection Program" link. [Also, see page 23 of this issue.]

An SAR member only needs to take the first course since the other two are repetitive. However, anyone can take all three if they prefer. The important thing is to communicate the completion of the course to Compatriot Randy Potts [rpotts@seascout.org]. The purpose of this is to make sure that all our members who interact with other groups, especially those involving youths, use appropriate precautions, such as always having another adult present when meeting with youths.

This course gives all the appropriate protocols to protect the SCSSAR, as well as the Compatriots dealing with youth programs, and the on-line program only takes a half-hour to complete. After completion, a certificate can be downloaded and printed, and then sent to Compatriot Potts. All compatriots who have any interaction with youth programs should take this course.

ii. Another topic discussed was the National SAR website. Woodruff noted that ongoing improvements are being made by a consultant who is volunteering his time and expertise. Those using the data base should continue to use the old data base at archive.sar.org since this data base has not been imported to the new website.

The membership application system is still compatible with the old PDF format, but everyone is being encouraged to utilize the new on-line application system so the information on the forms does not have to be re-keyed at the National level.

Although there is a learning curve involved, the on-line system allows for better interchange of information between the state and chapter officials, which makes for better efficiency. Another technology improvement at the National level is the "Patriot Module," which is still being



Murray White (right), President of the Col. William Bratton Chapter, receives Partners in Patriotism award on behalf of the Chapter from State President Wayne Cousar.

designed. This will take all the Patriot graves information, biographical data and genealogy and allow direct updating of the national data base in the field from a smart phone. When this is in operation in the future, this national data base information will automatically link into the membership applications when they are being filled out on-line.

iii. A third topic was the requirements for membership in the SAR. The first membership requirement is that the person is a citizen of "good repute" in the community; the second is providing sufficient genealogical proof from youth back to a Patriot ancestor; and the third is that an applicant does not advocate the overthrow of the U.S. government.

The first requirement, that the



Mark Anthony (right) receives Certificates of Appreciation for serving as chairman of the Americanism Committee and chairman of the Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee from State President Wayne Cousar.

person is a citizen of "good repute," is not well defined, and National SAR committees are currently reviewing this. Some new language is being considered that may be added to the membership application to obtain more information about the background of the applicant.

National has recommended that state societies take the screening process one step further by checking available state databases that show convictions for felonies and sex predator offenses.

Woodruff said that National is recommending that each state establish a procedure to review information that might derive from this background check. If an applicant's name comes up on a criminal record database, the State Secretary or State Registrar will refer this to the State Chancellor for his recommendation.

It may be necessary for an ad-hoc committee to review the circumstances surrounding a criminal record to determine if the applicant is still qualified and "in good repute" even if listed on a background check database.

If the State Society approves an application after reviewing the background of the potential member, the National SAR will accept it.

It's up to each state to review an applicant's qualification that

relates to "good repute." Each chapter should take a look at any applicant and make an assessment about the person's qualifications. Nothing says that a chapter must process an application. Following legal advice in cases of this nature is never a bad idea. Woodruff says no applicant's name in this state has appeared on a criminal background check so it has not been a problem for the Society.

iv. Compatriot Woodruff also said President General **Mike Tomme** wants each state to develop its own mentor program. Some guidelines

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John W. Ingle, President of the Daniel Morgan Chapter, with Partners in Patriotism award.

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have been developed. Each chapter is asked to establish a mentor program so that each new member is assigned to a compatriot who is knowledgeable about the chapter and the state organization. The mentor should follow the new member for five years since the pattern has been that new members often drop out after about three years. This mentor program is designed to get these new members involved, active and fulfilling a purpose so they stay in the chapter and the Society.

d. President Cousar followed up these comments by noting that the Maj. Gen. William Moultrie Chapter already has a successful mentor program in place. Other successful chapters have used a list of potential members to promote chapter growth, as well as a chapter website.

e. President Cousar recognized and welcomed Compatriot **Tom Hanson**, the Editor of *The Palmetto Patriot*. Compatriot **Carroll Crowther** was recognized and commended Compatriot Hanson for the quality of the first digital issue of *The Palmetto Patriot*.

Crowther noted that the Executive Committee had determined that the cost of having a professional editor was offset by the savings on using a digital rather than printed format. Compatriot Crowther further noted that the President of the Society had paid for this first edition from his own funds since this expenditure had not been approved previously by the Board of Governors.

Compatriot Crowther made a motion that the Society repay the President for his out-of-pocket expense for this latest edition of *The Palmetto Patriot*. This was seconded by Compatriot Woodruff. During discussion, the question was asked how much was the expense, and President Crowther responded that it was \$500. The motion then carried unanimously.

Compatriot Crowther made a second motion that the Board of Governors approve the Executive Committee's decision to fund the payment of the professional editor. This was seconded by Compatriot **Rick Corbett**. During discussion, Treasurer Ohanesian commented that the Society was

preparing to pay for a service it was previously receiving gratis.

Compatriot Anthony made a parliamentary inquiry whether the expenditure by the President was a customary, ordinary expense made while carrying out the duties of the office. President Cousar responded that it was a necessary one. The question was called and a vote taken. The motion carried by a majority vote, with one "no" vote and one abstention.

Compatriot Crowther made a third motion that the Board of Governors consider selling small, business card size ads in *The Palmetto Patriot* at a price to be determined. Treasurer Ohanesian seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Compatriot Ohanesian was recognized and pointed out that *The Palmetto Patriot* took second place at the national level, and commendations should go to Compatriot Anthony, the previous editor, for that accomplishment. The state that won first place was Florida, which spends \$30,000 a year on their "newsletter," which is actually a glossy-page magazine printed twice a year.

Ohanesian said the fact that our smaller newsprint paper came that close to finishing in first place at the national level is outstanding.

Compatriot Vartorella requested this be in the form of a motion for the record. Compatriot Ohanesian then made a motion that **Mark Anthony** be commended for his gratis efforts on behalf of the Society that produced a second-place finish for *The Palmetto Patriot* at the national level in 2016. This motion was seconded by Compatriot Morton and passed unanimously. President Cousar congratulated Compatriot Anthony for his work on the *The Palmetto Patriot*.

f. President Cousar handed out awards made at the July 2016 National Congress held in Boston, Massachusetts.

i. Compatriot Anthony — Certificate of Appreciation in recognition for outstanding personal service as Chairman of the SAR Americanism Committee.

ii. Compatriot Anthony — Certificate of Appreciation in recognition for outstanding personal service as Chairman of the SAR Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee.

iii. Daniel Morgan Chapter — Partners in Patriotism certificate.

iv. Col William Bratton Chapter —

Partners in Patriotism certificate.

v. Doctor George Mosse Chapter — Partners in Patriotism certificate.

vi. SC Society — Partners in Patriotism Certificate.

vii. SC Society — Graham Smallwood Jr. Award to a State Society of 500 or more members for best news publication with more than 10 pages.

viii. Doctor George Mosse Chapter — SAR Center for Advancing American Heritage.

ix. SC Society — SAR Youth Award streamer.

x. SC Society — Compatriot Anthony mentioned that the Society was recognized as the top State Society in the SAR Americanism Contest for Chapters with membership of 500 to 999 members.

g. President Cousar announced that the American Patriot Isaac Hayne is the subject of the SCSSAR poster contest this year. Compatriot **Claude Dinkins** noted that there will be a Patriot's Marker dedication near Walterboro Nov. 11 for Isaac Hayne.

h. President Cousar reminded everyone that the Annual Meeting will be in Beaufort.

i. Compatriot **Keith Gourdin** noted that the 14th Annual Francis Marion Symposium will be in Manning Oct. 21 and 22 and extended an invitation to the BOG to attend

j. Compatriot **Nat Kaminski** noted that the Southern Campaigns of the American Revolution was sponsoring a tour Oct. 28 to 30 focusing on Francis Marion that will be headquartered in Georgetown.

k. Secretary Woodruff announced that dues notices will be going out to the SCSSAR in the first week in November. He reviewed and confirmed the dues amount for each Chapter for 2017.

l. Compatriot Anthony asked if the Board of Governors wanted to consider initiating dues for at-large members since the Board has incurred an additional expense for publication of *The Palmetto Patriot*. This is the second largest body of our membership. These dues would help cover some of the Society's expenses connected with printing *The Palmetto Patriot*. Anthony recommended considering dues of \$5 for at-large members.

Discussion then ensued about the cost of printing *The Palmetto Patriot*, which had prompted the suggestion for dues for at-large members



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and whether the subscription price covers the actual cost of printing. Based on that discussion, Compatriot Ohanesian made a motion that subscriptions for the printed copies going forward would be \$40 a year. The Society will honor the lower subscription price for members who signed up for the lower price earlier this year. The motion was seconded by Compatriot Morton. The motion carried unanimously. President Cousar recommended that each Chapter print out copies of the electronic version for members who do not have e-mail addresses.

m. Compatriot Corbett noted that some Life Members of the Society do not realize they are still responsible for Chapter dues. He suggested that this should be emphasized in the future so that some of the Life Members who are at-large will pay the Chapter dues and can then be shown as members of their respective Chapters.

Treasurer Ohanesian said that all Society member get dues notices, including Life Members, and the Chapter dues are reflected on that notice. Secretary Woodruff said that even at-large Life Members receive dues notices since there are SAR funds that these members may want to donate to. The Life Members receive written notice if they are moved out of a Chapter because of failure to pay Chapter dues. Chapter officers also receive notice about members who have not paid chapter dues.

10. SAR Recessional led by Compatriot **Bill Rowe**.

11. Adjournment at 11:40 a.m.

ATTENDANCE:

OFFICERS: President Wayne Cousar, Senior Vice President Bill Vartorella, Secretary Dan Woodruff, Treasurer Greg Ohanesian, Low Country Vice President Ken Stock, Midlands Vice President Howard Knapp, Piedmont Vice President Ted Morton, Pee Dee Vice President Greg Ohanesian, Vice President for Chapter Renewal Doug Doster, Vice President for Chapter Formation Dr. Rick Corbett, Registrar Edd Richburg, Genealogist John Ingle, Recording Secretary Nat Kaminski.

ATTENDANCE: CHAPTERS: Cambridge: Tommy O'Dell; Colonel Hezekiah Maham; Keith Gourdin,

Jimmy Lesesne; Col. Robert Anderson: Bill Kivett, Bill Williamson, Tom Hanson; Daniel Morgan: Mark Anthony, Charles Augur; Gov. Paul Hamilton: Claude Dinkins; Maj. Gen. William Moultrie: James Heritage; Col. Matthew Singleton: Bill

Rowe; Thomas Lynch: Bill Sturgeon.

Chapters without separate member representation: Battle of Eutaw Springs; Col. Joseph Kershaw; Col. Thomas Taylor; Gen. Frances Marion

Next Board of Governors Meeting: Saturday, Jan. 21, 2017.

## Youth Protection Training for SCSSAR Members

The Sons of the American Revolution has implemented a program to safeguard members having contact with youths or interacting with the public to obtain Youth Protection Training. Our Society, in partnership with and approval by the Boy Scouts of America (BSA), has selected the BSA's online Youth Protection Training (YPT) to assist us in this endeavor to protect our members and our Society.

The program is available to all SAR members for no cost other than the time to participate in the online training program and to take the quiz at the end of the program. The SAR places the greatest importance on creating the most secure environment possible for our youths. To maintain such an environment, the SAR is following the standards established and developed by the BSA including numerous procedural and leadership selection policies, and provides parents and leaders with resources.

If you are asking yourself if you are required to participate in this program, I'd suggest you take it and help understand the challenges facing our youths as well as how to be better equipped yourself if faced with any of the challenges presented in the training program.

The entire program takes between 30 and 45 minutes to complete and can be paused and returned to at any time until the test is complete.

Please don't forget to forward me a copy of your completed certificate so I can record it with the State and the National Society offices of the SAR.

You can access this program at <https://my.scouting.org/>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me any time.

Randy L. Potts  
State Eagle Scout Committee Chairman  
Eagle Scout Class of 1985  
[rpotts@seascout.org](mailto:rpotts@seascout.org)

*The man to whom the country is most indebted for the great measure of independence is Mr. John Adams.... I call him the Atlas of American independence.*

*He it was who sustained the debate, and by forces of his reasoning demonstrated not only the justice, but the expediency of the measure.*

**Richard Stockton**  
**New Jersey delegate**  
**Second Continental Congress**  
**1776**

FOR SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY  
SAR USE ONLY:

DATE RECEIVED

NATIONAL LIFE NUMBER

STATE NUMBER

## APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT IN THE SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY SAR LIFE MEMBERSHIP PLAN

I, \_\_\_\_\_, age \_\_\_\_\_ years, a currently active member of the \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter, National Number \_\_\_\_\_, State Society Number \_\_\_\_\_, hereby apply for enrollment in the SCSSAR Life Membership Plan My check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, based on the chart below and made payable to "Treasurer, SCSSAR," is attached. ***I acknowledge that I am responsible for maintaining my annual Chapter dues, which are not included in the National Life Membership Plan or the SCSSAR Life Membership Plan.***

Name of Applicant (type or print)

Date of Birth

Street Address

City, State, and Zip Code

Signature of Applicant

Date Signed

**We hereby acknowledge receipt of the foregoing Compatriot's application for enrollment in the SCSSAR Life Membership Program and approve same.**

Signature of SCSSAR Secretary

Date Signed

### SCSSAR LIFE MEMBERSHIP DUES

In accordance with a motion made and passed by the SCSSAR Board of Governors in January 2014, the following rates for SCSSAR Life Membership were established per the following chart. **In order to apply, the applicant must be a currently active member, and his application for NSSAR National Life Membership must already be approved or be submitted to the State Society for forwarding to NSSAR Headquarters.**

Age = \$ Cost	Age = \$ Cost	Age = \$ Cost	Age = \$ Cost	Age = \$ Cost	Age = \$ Cost
0- 40 = 500	41 = 490	51 = 390	61 = 290	71 = 190	81 = 90
	42 = 480	52 = 380	62 = 280	72 = 180	82 = 80
	43 = 470	53 = 370	63 = 270	73 = 170	83 = 70
	44 = 460	54 = 360	64 = 260	74 = 160	84 = 60
	45 = 450	55 = 350	65 = 250	75 = 110	85 = 50
	46 = 440	56 = 340	66 = 240	76 = 140	86 = 40
	47 = 430	57 = 330	67 = 230	77 = 130	87 = 30
	48 = 420	58 = 320	68 = 220	78 = 120	88 = 20
	49 = 410	59 = 310	69 = 210	79 = 110	89 = 10
	50 = 400	60 = 300	70 = 200	80 = 100	90+ = 0

FOR SCSSAR USE ONLY:

Enrollment  
Approved:

Signature of SCSSAR Secretary

Date Signed



## APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT IN THE NSSAR NATIONAL LIFE MEMBERSHIP PLAN

National Headquarters – 809 West Main Street – Louisville, KY 40202

**For Headquarters use only:**

Date Received:

Name of Applicant:		National Number:	Life Member Number:
Address:		Date of Birth:	
City:	State:	Zip Code:	
Telephone:	Email:		

I, , age  years, a currently active member of the  Society, State Society Number , hereby apply for enrollment in the NSSAR National Life Membership Plan. My check in the amount of \$ , based upon the chart below and made payable to the “Treasurer General, NSSAR,” is attached. ***I acknowledge that I am responsible for maintaining my annual State Society and Chapter dues, which are not included in the National Life Membership Plan.***

Signature of Applicant:

Date of Signature:

**We hereby acknowledge receipt of the foregoing Compatriot's application for enrollment in the NSSAR National Life Membership Program and approve same.**

Signature of  
State Secretary:

State Society:

Date of Signature:

### NSSAR National Life Membership Dues

In accordance with a motion made and passed by the 124<sup>th</sup> Congress in July 2014, the following rates for the National Life Membership Program were established per the following chart. **In order to apply, the applicant must be a currently active member, and this application must be submitted to his (primary) State Society for forwarding to the NSSAR Headquarters.**

Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost
1 = \$1,040	16 = \$965	31 = \$870	46 = \$730	61 = \$540	76 = \$325	91 = \$160
2 = \$1,035	17 = \$960	32 = \$860	47 = \$720	62 = \$530	77 = \$315	92 = \$150
3 = \$1,030	18 = \$955	33 = \$855	48 = \$705	63 = \$515	78 = \$300	93 = \$140
4 = \$1,025	19 = \$950	34 = \$845	49 = \$700	64 = \$500	79 = \$290	94 = \$135
5 = \$1,020	20 = \$945	35 = \$835	50 = \$685	65 = \$485	80 = \$275	95 = \$125
6 = \$1,015	21 = \$940	36 = \$830	51 = \$670	66 = \$470	81 = \$265	96 = \$120
7 = \$1,010	22 = \$935	37 = \$820	52 = \$660	67 = \$460	82 = \$250	97 = \$90
8 = \$1,005	23 = \$925	38 = \$810	53 = \$650	68 = \$440	83 = \$240	98 = \$60
9 = \$1,000	24 = \$920	39 = \$800	54 = \$635	69 = \$425	84 = \$225	99 = \$30
10 = \$995	25 = \$915	40 = \$790	55 = \$625	70 = \$415	85 = \$215	100 + = \$0
11 = \$990	26 = \$905	41 = \$780	56 = \$610	71 = \$400	86 = \$205	
12 = \$985	27 = \$900	42 = \$770	57 = \$595	72 = \$385	87 = \$195	
13 = \$980	28 = \$895	43 = \$760	58 = \$585	73 = \$370	88 = \$185	
14 = \$975	29 = \$885	44 = \$750	59 = \$570	74 = \$353	89 = \$175	
15 = \$970	30 = \$875	45 = \$740	60 = \$550	75 = \$345	90 = \$165	

**For Headquarters  
use only:**

Signature of  
NSSAR Registrar:

Date of Signature:

## Col. Robert Anderson Chapter

# 241st anniversary Battle of Great Cane Brake



Glenn Farrow speaks on the Battle of the Great Cane Brake Dec. 21, 1775.

SIMPSONVILLE — Members of the South Carolina Societies of the SAR and DAR met Dec. 3 at Historic Hopkins Farm to commemorate the 241st anniversary of the Battle of the Great Cane Brake. The annual event is sponsored by the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter.

Chapter President Bill Kivett began with welcome remarks and an introduction about the battle. The SAR Color Guard posted the colors. Pledges were led by Jacob Williamson, Monte Hart II and Monte A. Hart. Chapter Historian Glenn Farrow provided a detailed history about the battle, which was part of what would become known as the Snow Campaign. Several SAR and DAR chapters presented wreaths.

Activities at this event allowed several area middle school students along with their parents and teachers to view and interact with Colonial themed booths. Sherilyn Woodruff was set up as The Traveling Lady, where students could see items used by women in their day-to-day activities. Another booth was the Militia Camp led by Chapter members Bob Krause and Dan Woodruff. Here attendees could view different types of weapons and personal equipment soldiers used during the Revolutionary War. Doyle Harper was set up with his traveling blacksmith shop. *William Williamson.*



John Hoyle (left), new President of the Daniel Morgan Chapter, and Bill Kivett, President of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter.



Bill Williamson (right), Chapter secretary, with son Jacob before the event.



Dan Woodruff, State Secretary, presents wreath.



Monte A. Hart leads SAR pledge.



Monte A. Hart II leads pledge to South Carolina flag.



Tom Weidner, Sons of the Revolution (left) and Bill Kivett, President of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter.



Musket volley by Dan Woodruff (left) and Robert Krause.

Photos by Thomas C. Hanson

You can watch a video of the Cane Break commemoration at <https://vimeo.com/194191738>