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**Edd Richburg (left)  
SCSSAR President  
Outgoing President Wayne Cousar**

# From the President's Desk

## President's EDDitorial

**Edd Richburg**

By Edd Richburg

I am not sure there are many things that inspire me more as that of looking at our national flag as it waves in a breeze.

I have had the pleasure recently of participating in SAR commemorations and events where our National Ensign, as well as the flags of South Carolina and the SAR, were on display, the winds were just strong enough, and the unfurled, waving flags commanded notice and instilled respect among attendees.

There were unheard, yet familiar, strains of *The Stars Spangled Banner* echoing while I recalled the story of Francis Scott Key aboard the British ship awaiting the break of dawn to see if our flag was still there — the actual story which it took me many years and membership in SAR to finally learn.

As my spirit was fortified by Old Glory's presence, I recall other men-

tal pictures and events, such as the raising of the flag on Iwo Jima and the quiet, regimented and respectful folding of our flag by a U.S. Marine Corps burial detail honoring the fallen and then presenting it to the family; and the anger felt as the burning of our American flag by protestors and foreign enemies.

I recollect marching with the Thomas Lynch Chapter in Georgetown in this past year's Veterans Day Parade and noticing the homage and attention that individuals — old and young — paid as we went by with the U.S. Flag.

It is our SAR purpose and duty to convey and maintain the allegiance to and dignity of our flag; to honor those who gave the ultimate sacrifice;



Cover photo: Edd Richburg (left) sworn in as SCSSAR President at the Annual Meeting in Beaufort April 22. [Photo by Thomas C. Hanson]

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and to those who continue to serve us in military and other services that maintain our freedom; and to educate and enculturate our youths in the knowledge and values of these concepts, individuals and events. "I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America . . ."

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# SCSSAR Conducts Annual Meeting

## April 21-22 in Beaufort

BEAUFORT — SCSSAR members converged on the Low Country and met for the 128th Anniversary Conference at the Hilton Garden Inn here April 21 and 22.

Edd Richburg was sworn in as president, taking the reins from outgoing President Wayne Cousar during an awards luncheon and officer installation Saturday, April 22.

### Friday business meeting and SAR awards

President Cousar led a business meeting Friday afternoon during which the slate of officers was elected and SAR awards were presented. (See Minutes, pages 22-24).

### Low Country Boil

President Cousar invited Compatriots to a Low Country Boil at Bull Point Plantation that evening hosted by the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter. SCSSAR members were transported by golf carts over a quarter mile causeway over marshlands.

They were treated to shrimp, potatoes and rolls cooked by Jimmy Fitz, and a bar manned by Compatriot Joe Harden. The bartender was Compatriot Joe Harden. The music was provided by Past President Greg Greenawalt. All beverages were donated by members of the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter.

Dr. Larry Rowland of the University of South Carolina Beaufort spoke on the Revolutionary War history of Beaufort.

### Memorial service

Saturday morning began with the annual Memorial Ceremony conducted by Chaplain Lawrence Peebles for the 23 Compatriots who passed away since the previous annual meeting.

### Rumbaugh Oration Contest

Three contestants then took part in the Rumbaugh Oration Contest: Jacob Homan, Tatum Tarte and the winner, Alexandra Jaouiche, all students at Waccamaw High School in Pawleys Island. Alexandra was sponsored by the Thomas Lynch Chapter and will now be the South



SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar (left) presents *Roster of South Carolina Patriots in the American Revolution* to incoming President Edd Richburg. This book is signed by each outgoing president and presented to the new president.



State Color Guard Commander Robert Krause (center) receives SCSSAR flag from outgoing President Wayne Cousar (right) and presents it to new President Edd Richburg.

Carolina contestant at the National Congress in Knoxville in July.

### Community and Youth Awards Luncheon

The Youth Awards Luncheon started at noon. After a buffet lunch, the SC Society awarded medals, certificates and cash awards to winners of the Americanism

Poster Contest, Rumbaugh Oration Contest, Knight Essay Contest and the State Scholarship. The SC Society recognized its Outstanding Educator.

Rev. Ted Morton inducted the new State Officers for 2017-2018, and President Edd Richburg gave his inaugural address.



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# Business Meeting and SAR Awards



SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar (left) presents Distinguished Service Award to State Secretary Dan Woodruff for participation in the Color Guard.



SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar (left) presents Distinguished Service Award to State Secretary Past President Greg Greenawalt for his work on educational videos.



SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar (left) presents Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Rick Corbett, Vice President for Chapter Formation and Development



Distinguished Service Award recipients Ken Stock, Low Country Vice President; Howard Knapp, Midlands Vice President; Ted Morton, Piedmont Vice President; Nat Kaminski, Recording Secretary; and Edd Richburg, Registrar.



**WHITE RIBBON** — Jimmy Bagnell (left) of the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter with Jim Robinson, Americanism Committee chairman. The Chapter also received a President General White Ribbon.



SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar (left) presents Certificate of Appreciation to Ivan Bennett, Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter Secretary. Bennett also received a C.A.R. silver medal with Oak Leaf Cluster.



Registrar and incoming President Edd Richburg.



**AMERICANISM POINTS** — K.B. Keeling (left) of the Dr. George Mosse Chapter with Jim Robinson, Americanism Committee chairman. The Chapter also received a President General Blue ribbon.



SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar (left) presents Liberty Medal to State Secretary Dan Woodruff.

Photos by  
Thomas C. Hanson





SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar (left) presents National Von Steuben Medal to Robert Krause, State Color Guard Commander.



**RED RIBBON** — Ivan Bennett (left), Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter Secretary, with Jim Robinson, Americanism Committee chairman.



Silver Roger Sherman Medal winners (from left) Greg Ohanesian, Robert Krause, Rick Corbett, Ken Stock, Dan Woodruff, Ted Morton and Howard Knapp.



Claude Dinkins (left) of the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter with Jim Robinson, Americanism Committee chairman. The Chapter received a President General White Ribbon.



SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar (left) presents Liberty Medal to Edd Richburg.



**BLUE RIBBON** — Will Flint (left) of the Daniel Morgan Chapter with Jim Robinson, Americanism Committee chairman. The Chapter also received the President's Cup and a President General Red Ribbon.





Meritorious Service Medal winners (from left) Howard Knapp, Midlands Vice President; Rev. Lawrence Peebles, Chaplain; and Ken Stock, Low Country Vice President.



SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar (left) presents State Distinguished Service Medal to Carroll Crowther.

## Low Country Boil



Chef Jimmy Fitz.



From left: SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar (host); Past President Greg Greenawalt and Treasurer Greg Ohanesian.



SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar (host); with Ron Lambe, friend of the SCSSAR.



Compatriots were transported to the Low Country Boil in golf carts.



Bartender Joe Harden



Chaplain Lawrence Peebles (right) and Claude Dinkins of the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter (background).



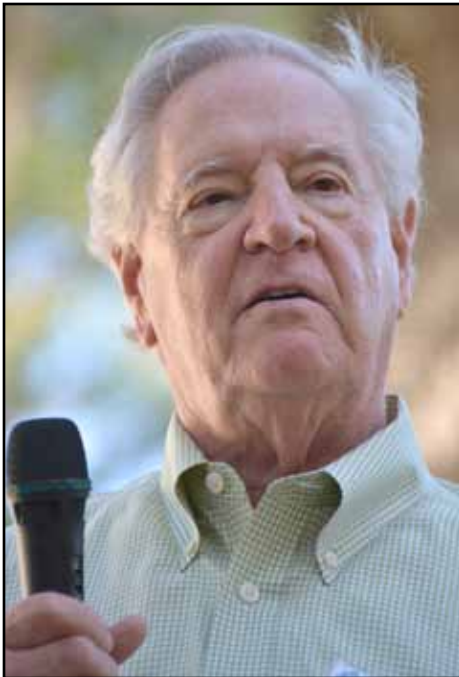
Harbor River



# Low Country Boil



**HOST CHAPTER** — The Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter of Beaufort, host for the 128th Annual Meeting.



Dr. Larry Rowland of the University of South Carolina Beaufort speaks on Revolutionary War history of Beaufort.



**Watch videos of  
the Annual Meeting  
online at  
SCSSAR.org**

*"We must diligently strive to make our young men decent, God-fearing, law-abiding, honor-loving, justice-doing, and also fearless and strong, able to hold their own in the hurly-burly of the world's work, able to strive mightily that the forces of right may be in the end triumphant. And we must be ever vigilant in so telling them."*

**President Teddy Roosevelt (1901-1909)  
SAR Member**



# Memorial Service



State Secretary Dan Woodruff reads names of compatriots who passed away since the previous annual meeting, while Rev. Lawrence Peebles, Chaplain, lights a candle for each of the deceased.



Rev. Ted Morton Jr. (left), Piedmont Vice President, and Rev. Lawrence Peebles, Chaplain.



Chaplain Lawrence Peebles blesses compatriots and delivers benediction.



From left: Chaplain Rev. Lawrence Peebles, SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar and K.B. Keeling of the Dr. George Mosse Chapter.



Bill Williamson (left), Secretary of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter, and Bill Kivett, Chapter President.

# Rumbaugh Oration Contest



Contestants (from left) Alexandra Jaouiche, Tatum Tarte and Jacob Homan, all students at Waccamaw High School in Pawleys Island.



From left: Nat Kaminski, chairman of the Rumbaugh Oration Contest; winner Alexandra Jaouiche; Bill Sturgess of the Thomas Lynch Chapter; and Rick Corbett. Alexandra was sponsored by the Thomas Lynch Chapter. [Photo by Dan Woodruff]

*On May 20, 1777, the Treaty of Dewitt's Corner ended the Cherokee War of 1776-1777. The Cherokee lost nearly all of their land in South Carolina, most of present day Anderson, Greenville, Oconee and Pickens counties. South Car-*

*olinians required the apprehension of any British agents operating among the Cherokee and anyone who advocated breaking the treaty. For the remainder of the American Revolution, the Cherokee would not be a factor.*



# Youth Awards Luncheon



SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar gives medal to Rumbaugh Oration Contest winner Alexandra Jaouiche.



**RUMBAUGH ORATION** — From left: SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar, Rumbaugh Oration Contest winner Alexandra Jaouiche and Rick Corbett.



**SCHOLARSHIP WINNER** — From left: SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar, SCSSAR Scholarship winner Will Flint and Rick Corbett.



Olivia Boshaw, President of the Hilton Head Island C.A.R. Society, leads the Pledge of Allegiance.



**LUNCHEON BUFFET** — From left: Ted Morton, Cathy Flint Orner and Suzie Clement.



**DR. S. PERRY DAVIS SAR AWARD** — From left: Will Flint, K.B. Keeling of the Dr. George Mosse Chapter, and Olivia Boshaw, President of the Hilton Head Island C.A.R. Society.

# Awards and Officers Induction



Rev. Ted Morton (background) inducts SCSSAR officers for the 2017-2018 year.



SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar presents Daughters of Liberty Medal to Sherilyn Woodruff.



SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar presents Daughters of Liberty Medal to Dianne Culbertson, South Carolina DAR Regent.



SCSSAR President Wayne Cousar presents Lydia Darragh Medal to his wife, Gladys.



Anne Heyward, direct descendant of Thomas Heyward Jr., signer of the Declaration of Independence.



President Edd Richburg delivers his inaugural address.



SCSSAR Secretary Dan Woodruff and his wife Sherilyn.



## Carroll L. Crowther Receives Patriot Medal



Past President Carroll Crowther (right) receives Patriot Medal from Ted Morton.

The Patriot Medal is awarded only by a state society. It is the highest award given for service at the state or chapter level. This medal is presented only to individuals and may be received only once. It represents long, faithful and outstanding service at the state and/or chapter level. The certificate reads "the highest award for exceptional service to the Society."

Carroll L. Crowther has served the Sons of the American Revolution as President of the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter, and subsequently as Registrar for the Chapter. Carroll next served the Society as SCSSAR Senior Vice President, and then as President of the State Society. After service as State Society President, Carroll served a term as the State Registrar. He currently serves as Genealogist for the State Society and is on the State Society Executive Committee.

Carroll and his brother Pat (Gen. Andrew Pickens Chapter), envisioned and started the State Society's Patriot Grave database. This database, available on the SCSSAR website, contains information on more than 1,250 Patriots buried in the State of SC. They continue to maintain and add to the grave database.

Carroll has identified and proven service for 38 Patriot ancestors and proudly wears the 38 stars on his past-president's neck ribbon.

Carroll additionally holds membership in the Sons of Confederate Veterans, South Carolina Society of Colonial Wars, The Huguenot Society of South Carolina, The Saint David Society, and has been appointed to The Order of St. John by Her Majesty, Elizabeth II. He also is a board member of the South Carolina Battleground Preservation Trust. Carroll and his wife Nancy worship at the Parish Church of St. Helena (Anglican) in Beaufort.

*The infatuated sovereign of Britain, forgetful that kings were the servants, not the proprietors, and ought to be the fathers, not the incendiaries of their people. . . .*

*The many blessings flowing from this glorious revolution . . . distinguished by so many marks of the Divine favor and interposition . . . and I may say miraculous, that when future ages shall read its history they will be tempted to consider a great part of it as fabulous.*

**John Jay  
Chief Justice  
State of New York  
Sept. 8, 1777,  
To Ulster County Grand Jury**

*Blest with victory and peace, may the heav'n-rescued land*

*Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation!*

**From the fourth stanza of our National Anthem**



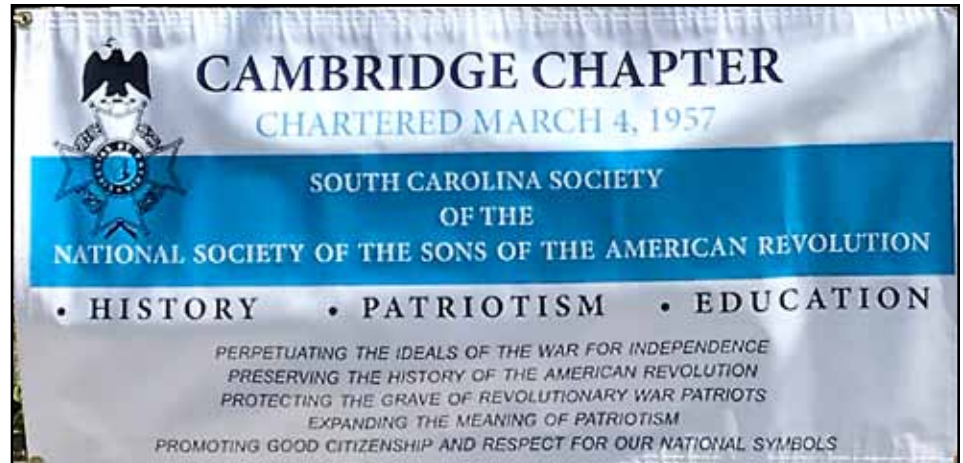
**BRONZE ROTC MEDAL** — Thomas Blackmon (left) of the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter in Sumter presents a Bronze ROTC Medal to Cadet Justin McKnight of Manning High School AFJROTC April 27. This award is given annually to a JROTC cadet who has attained the highest degree of merit with respect to leadership abilities and accomplishments, military bearing and overall academic excellence. [Photo by Frank Brown]

# Ninety Six Crossroads Weekend History and the Role of Preservation

By Ted R. Morton Jr.  
Cambridge Chapter Chaplain

**NINETY SIX NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE** — The warm sun, a canopy of blue sky and a gentle breeze made a perfect outdoor classroom for those attending the 2017 edition of "Ninety Six Crossroads," the annual weekend of exhibits, displays, encampments and reenactments at Ninety Six National Historic Site. The event began Friday, March 31, and ended Sunday, April 2.

Revolutionary War events, which took place at the British star-shaped fort in 1775 (Battle) and 1781 (Siege) are commemorated in a wreath ceremony sponsored by the Cambridge Chapter. More than 70 people gathered for the ceremony. Chapter Vice President Eric K. Williams, a retired National Park Service Ranger, opened the ceremony at 1:30 Saturday afternoon when a procession of participants arrived at the Private



Cambridge Chapter Banner at the Private James Birmingham Monument.

James Birmingham Monument.

Ranger Williams introduced Ranger John Slaughter, NPS Superintendent for the Southern Campaign of the American Revolution Parks, who brought greetings and a word of appreciation to all attending

for the role they play in helping NPS preserve and promote appreciation of the nation's historic sites and traditions.

Ranger Slaughter, a member of the SAR, has responsibility for Kings Mountain National Military Park, Cowpens National Battlefield, the Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail, as well as the Ninety Six National Historic Site.

The invocation was given by Cambridge Chapter Chaplain Ted R. Morton Jr., followed by a Ritual of Pledges to the American Flag, the South Carolina Flag, the SAR pledge and The American's Creed led by Past Chapter President Brabham Dukes.

Eric Williams introduced keynote speaker, E.S. "Chip" Tinsley IV, president of the Greenwood County Historical Society. Tinsley, an educator, spoke on "Historic Preservation: Sharing, Engaging, Promoting ... for Our Future."

Noting that everyone has a role to play in historic preservation and sharing lessons learned from our national history, he cited the Ninety



Drummer and piper lead procession.







Thomas Weidner, Upstate Region Vice President SC Society Sons of the Revolution.



Speaker Chip Tinsley tells of the role historic preservation plays in teaching our national history.

Six National Historic Site as a good example of positive results in historic preservation.

Representatives of patriotic heritage societies from across South Carolina participated in the wreath ceremony. NPS Rangers began the ceremony giving honors at the Birmingham Monument, followed by

**Photos by Edd and Kathryn Richburg**

### 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).

the SCSSAR, represented by State Registrar Edd Richburg of Charleston. Thomas Weidner, Vice President of the Upstate Region, presented for SC Society Sons of the Revolution, which like the SAR, promotes Revolutionary history and ideals.

Kathryn Smith, President-elect of the SC Society Children of the American Revolution, represented members of the C.A.R.

The Martha Bratton Society C.A.R. was represented by Society President Gabe Bobo, followed by Joseph Smith, President of the General James Williams Society C.A.R.

Three Chapters of the SC State Society NSDAR presented wreaths: the Elizabeth Hutchinson Jackson Chapter (Mrs. Gina Bobo), Mount Ariel Chapter (Mrs. Joetta Schick) and Star Fort Chapter (Mrs. Henrietta Morton).

As Mrs. Schick presented her wreath, Eric Williams reminded the audience that it was her father, the late Bruce Ezell of Ninety Six, who led the effort to save the Star Fort site and place it under Federal protection as a National Historic Site.

SAR Chapters concluded the ceremony: Col. Robert Anderson (Past President Robert H. Krause), Col. Philemon Waters Chapter (Vice President Larry Killian) and Gen. James Williams Chapter (Chapter Historian Captain David Smith, USN Ret.). Vice President Eric Williams presented the honors for the Cambridge Chapter, which is host for the annual wreath ceremony. Ninety Six is the adopted historic site for Cambridge Chapter.

Following acknowledgments and words of appreciation from Williams, Chapter Secretary Tommy O'Dell led the SAR Recessional. A musket volley by re-enactors concluded the ceremony.

*"Let us with caution indulge the supposition that morality can be maintained without religion. . . . Reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle."*

**George Washington  
Farewell Address, 1796**



SAR State Registrar Edd Richburg presents the State Society wreath for State President Wayne Cousar, and for the Maj. Gen. William Moultrie Chapter (Charleston) of which he is president.



Cambridge Vice President Eric Williams, master of ceremonies.



NPS Superintendent John Slaughter (an SAR member) welcomes those attending the wreath ceremony.



## The Colonial Ball is Coming!

The SCSSAR's 2017 Colonial Ball with debutante presentation will be held on the evening of Saturday, Dec. 16, in the Gold Ballroom of the Francis Marion Hotel on Meeting Street, Charleston. A reception dinner in honor of the debutantes will be held on Friday evening, Dec. 15, at the Carolina Yacht Club on East Bay Street, Charleston.

For a debutante to be presented, she must be 17 years of age by the date of the Ball and prove lineage to a Patriot in the American Revolution. The debutante presentation fee is \$900 if received by Aug. 31. The debutante application fee is \$50, and the debutante presentation fee is \$850 (total of \$900).

The Colonial Ball is a formal affair. The debutantes are required to wear white ball gowns with straps (at least on half inch), while all other women may wear a ball gown of



any color other than white. Presenters and escorts are required to wear a white tie and tails, while all other men must wear either white tie, tuxedo or black tie.

The SCSSAR's Colonial Ball began in 1976 in Columbia, and is renowned

for its grand debutante presentation. We hope you and your family will join us for a truly memorable occasion. Questions contact Greg Ohanesian by telephone at 843-479-7193 or by mail at P.O. Box 1373, Bennettsville, SC 29512.

## 236th Anniversary of the Battle of Fort Watson

The Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter hosted a 236th anniversary commemoration of the Battle of Fort Watson at the battle site on the Santee National Wildlife Refuge April 29.

Speaker Glenn Givens gave an informative talk about this important Revolutionary War battle. Fort Watson was the first South Carolina British fort taken by Patriots, Gen. Francis Marion and Col. "Light Horse Harry Lee," using Mayham's

tower on April 23, 1781.

SCSSAR President Edd Richburg brought greetings from Charleston and presented the Major Gen. William Moultrie SCSSAR Chapter wreath. Wreaths were also presented by the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter and the Elizabeth Peyre Richard-

son Manning SCDAR Chapter.

Col. George Summers represented the Swamp Fox Murals Trail Society. Revolutionary War reenactor Frank Holloway fired a salute from his black powder mortar to the brave men who fought and died for our independence from Great Britain.



SCSSAR members and guests. [Photos by Kathryn Richburg]

Right photo: Frank Brown, President of the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter, presents the chapter wreath.





## APPLICATION FOR COLONIAL BALL PRESENTATION

Full Name of Debutante:

Name Called:

Address:

Debutante C.A.R. or D.A.R. Number(s) and Chapter (if applicable):

Parents Full Name, Address &amp; Telephone Number:

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Parents S.A.R./D.A.R. Number(s) and Chapter(s):

Grandparents Full Name and Address:

Grandparents S.A.R./D.A.R. Number(s) and Chapter(s), if applicable):

Birth Date of Debutante: \_\_\_\_\_

Schools attended or presently attending:

Present Grade Level:

Name &amp; Unit of Revolutionary Ancestor (only one needed):

Full Name and Relationship of Gentleman who will present Debutante:

Full Name Escort and Address:

Name, address, telephone number of person submitting this information:

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Please submit non-refundable \$50.00 application fee along with a recent snapshot to: Greg Ohanesian, Colonial Ball Chairman, PO Box 1373, Bennettsville, SC 29512-1373. Please make check payable to "SCSSAR-Colonial Ball".

I certify that the information above is true except as to the names of Presenter and Escort, which may change.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Debutante, Parent, Grandparent, or  
Responsible Adult Submitting this  
Information on behalf of Debutante

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*One man with courage makes a majority.*

**Andrew Jackson**  
**President 1829-1837**  
**Born March 15, 1767**  
**Waxhaws, South Carolina**

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*On May 30, 1774, the members of the Virginia House of Burgesses met at the home of Speaker of the House, Peyton Randolph, the older cousin of Thomas Jefferson.*

*They had recently been dismissed and sent home by Virginia's Royal Governor Lord Dunmore.*

*Why?*

*Robert Carter Nicholas had introduced Thomas Jefferson's resolution calling for a Day of Fasting and Prayer, which passed unanimously, to be observed in Virginia the same day Britain's navy would blockade Boston's harbor as punishment for the Boston Tea Party.*

*At Peyton Randolph's home, the decision was made to invite delegates from all of Virginia's counties to a Convention.*

*Citizens of Fairfax County met in Alexandria's court house July 18, 1774, where they approved George Mason's Fairfax Resolves identifying American rights and resolving to defend them. **From the American Minute by William Federer***

**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.



# National Flag Day, June 14

June 14 is National Flag Day, a day when Americans celebrate the meaning of their nation's flag, honor the traditions associated with its care, and educate those around them to its significance. The Flag of the United States is to be honored and carries with it both history and traditions. There are three Flag Acts, which are laws that sought to define the design of the flag of the United States.

## Flag Act of 1777

On June 14, 1777, in order to establish an Official flag for the new nation, the Second Continental Congress passed the first Flag Act: "Resolved, That the flag of the United States be made of thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new Constellation."

## Flag Act of 1794

The Flag Act of 1794 was signed into law by President George Washington on Jan. 13, 1794. It changed the design of the flag to accommodate the admission into the Union of the states Vermont and Kentucky. It provided for fifteen stripes as well as fifteen stars. This would be the only official flag of the United States not to have thirteen stripes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress Assembled, That from and after the first day of May, Anno Domini, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, the flag of the United States, be fifteen stripes alternate red and white. That the Union be fifteen stars, white in a blue field.*

## Flag Act of 1818

The Flag Act of 1818 was enacted by Congress on April 4, 1818. It provided for the modern rule of having thirteen stripes to represent the original thirteen colonies and having the number of stars match the number of states. It also provided that subsequent changes in the number of stars be made on July 4, Independence Day.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That from and after the fourth day of July next, the flag of the United States be thirteen horizontal stripes, alternate red and white: that the union be twenty stars, white in a blue field.*

*And be it further enacted, That on the admission of every new state into the Union, one star be added to the union of the flag, and that such ad-*

*ditional shall take effect of the fourth day of July then next succeeding such admission.*

On May 30, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson called for the nation-wide observance of Flag Day. In 1949, President Harry S. Truman signed Congress' decree, making June 14 of each year National Flag Day. In 1966, Congress requested that the president issue annually a proclamation designating the week in which June 14 occurs as National Flag Week.

Flag Day is a time when Americans reflect on the foundation of the nation's freedom. The flag of the United States represents freedom and has been an enduring symbol of the country's ideals since its early days. Americans also remember their loyalty to the nation, reaffirm their beliefs in liberty and justice, and observe the nation's unity.

So, remember to raise your United States flag high on June 14, and pay tribute to the symbol which means so much to all of us—our nation's flag.

**Yours in Patriotism,  
J. Michael Tomme Sr.**

**President General 2016-2017  
National Society Sons of the  
American Revolution**

From the SAR website

## President Calvin Coolidge

Following the death of President Harding, Vice President Calvin Coolidge was sworn in by his father, a justice of the peace, in Plymouth Notch, Vermont. He was the sixth vice president to become the chief executive on the death of a president.

Coolidge was born July 4, 1872, in Plymouth, Vermont. He was later elected to a full term as U.S. president. Although named John Calvin Coolidge, Coolidge dropped his first name, preferring to use his middle name.

**Coolidge graduated with honors from Amherst College in 1895. During his senior year, he wrote an essay on "The Principles Fought for in the American Revolution" and was awarded a gold medal by the SAR.**

Coolidge joined the SAR in 1921 while serving as vice president. His



Revolutionary ancestor was John Coolidge, who, at the age of 19, answered the call in April 1775 and joined the Massachusetts Militia as a private. He fought at the Battle of Bunker Hill and was discharged in 1778.

The 39th annual SAR Congress was held in Washington, D.C. Many of the delegates and their spouses marched from the Mayflower Hotel to the White House to be received by Compatriot and President Coolidge. The president briefly spoke to the group and greeted many of the attendees personally.

After his presidency, Coolidge served as chairman of the Railroad Commission, an honorary president of the Foundation of the Blind, a director of New York Life Insurance Company, and a trustee of Amherst College.

President Coolidge died unexpectedly of a heart attack at his home in Northampton, Massachusetts, on Jan. 5, 1933, at the age of 60. He is buried in Notch Cemetery in Plymouth Notch, Vermont.

# Col. Robert Anderson chapter conducts Grave-Marking for Moses Hendricks

**By Bill Williamson**  
**Secretary**  
**Col. Robert Anderson Chapter**

**PUMPKINTOWN** — About 35 people braved a light spring drizzle to attend a grave-marking ceremony May 13 for Moses Hendricks in the Oolenoy community of northern Pickens County.

Compatriot Paul Walden from Alexandria, Virginia, a descendant

of this American Revolution Patriot, contacted the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter last November to ask for their assistance in installing an official SAR emblem and planning a ceremony.

Moses Hendricks (1757-1837) was born in Halifax, Virginia, and is thought to have been a descendant of Dutch colonists who first settled in New York in the middle of the 17th century. In December 1776 he joined

with the 3rd Regiment of the SC Militia for a short term and later served again in 1781.

Of the many different activities in which the SAR is involved, the opportunity to honor a Patriot ancestor is one of the most meaningful experiences a chapter member can have.



Descendants (from left) Darrell Anthony, Joe Glavitsch (Col. Rob. Anderson Chapter wreath presenter) and J.D. Norris, President of the Gen. Andrew Pickens Chapter.



Descendants of Moses Hendricks (from left) Darrell Anthony, Paul Walden, J.D. Norris and Ann M. Poulos [Photos by Thomas C. Hanson]



SCSSAR President Edd Richburg (right) with Bill Kivett, President of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter.



Wyatt Howell (left) and Mason Howell representing Troop 925 Boy Scouts of America in event Color Guard



Chapter Chaplain John Satterwaite delivers benediction.

**Watch videos of the Moses Hendricks Grave-Marking  
 online at**

**<https://vimeo.com/217331066>**





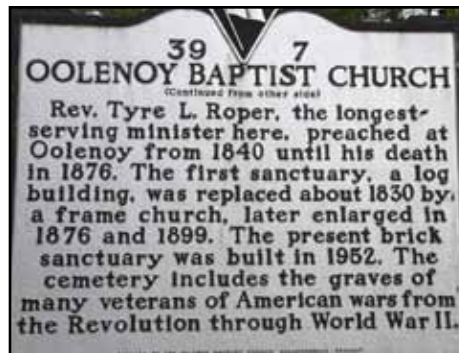
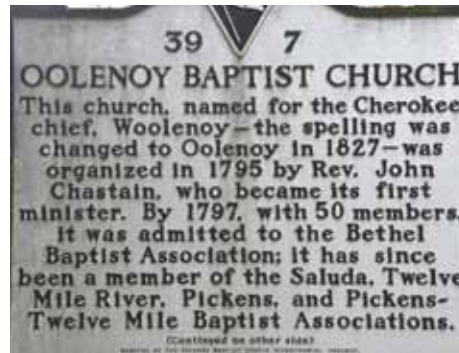
From left: Karen and Jacob Williamson and Nell Kivett — Event Registrars.



Greg Hase, Boy Scouts of America Chair, Col. Robert Anderson Chapter.



Rev. Billy Looper, pastor of the Oolenoy Baptist Church, welcomes guests and delivers invocation.



Bill Williamson, Secretary of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter, plays taps.



From left: J.D. Norris, Robert Krause and Dan Woodruff fire volley.



Paul Walden with cenotaph of Moses Hendricks and SAR grave marker.

## Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter Quarterly Meeting April 11

The Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter continues to grow. We inducted two new members at our last meeting, have four members approved by the NSSAR who are awaiting induction, and are working with three more to get their records approved for membership.

Several of our new members are getting involved. Thomas Blackmon now runs our JROTC Awards Program and has made five certificate presentations to cadets in the area high school programs that we support. Martin Poffenberger has taken



President Frank Brown (left) congratulates Dr. Tom Barnette following his induction into the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter. Looking on are Tom's wife, Ruth, and Registrar John Summerford.



President Frank Brown (left) congratulates Robert Burriss following his induction into the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter. Looking on is Robert's wife, Lynda. [Photos by Glenn Givens]



Re-enactor Frank Holloway gives presentation on the different kinds of flintlock weapons.

over our Flag Program and will soon present his first flag certificate to someone who patriotically flies the American flag.

MSgt. Jason Harlan, who is on active duty at Shaw Air Force Base, is coordinating with Shaw so that we can man a recruiting table at the Base Exchange. Hopefully this will



SCSSAR President Edd Richburg (right) and re-enactor Frank Holloway fire a mortar salute to the brave men who fought at the Battle of Fort Watson. The commemoration of the 236th anniversary of this historic battle was hosted by the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter April 29. See article, page 14. [Photo by John Summerford]

result in more new, young members.

The Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter hosted the commemoration of the 236th anniversary of the Battle of Fort Watson, April 29. President George Washington (our own compatriot Glenn Givens) spoke on the battle. SCSSAR President Edd Richburg brought greetings. Edd and re-enactor Frank Holloway fired a mortar salute to the brave men who fought and died during this historic battle.

It has been a busy Spring. We hope to continue our forward progress. *Frank Brown.*

*Democracy is two wolves and a lamb voting on what to have for lunch. Liberty is a well-armed lamb contesting the vote!*

**Benjamin Franklin**

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# SAR 1776 Campaign: Advancing America's Heritage

**Please help us finish construction of our visionary Outreach Education Center, Museum Exhibits and National Headquarters.**

The SAR 1776 Campaign recognizes donations in the amount of

\$1,776 and fractions or multiples thereof.

Based on the cost of museum exhibits of the type we are building at about \$600 per square foot, a donation of \$1,776 will build about three square feet. Donation recognitions

start at \$25 for our car or refrigerator magnet.

The Sons of the American Revolution Society has a story to tell, and your continued support will allow us to champion our rich heritage for all to hear and see.

## Donation Recognition Levels (Please Circle Category Desired):

\$25 Car / Refrigerator Magnet

\$148 Silver Sons of Liberty Pin

\$296 Gold Sons of Liberty Pin

\$592 Delegate Lapel Pin (one square foot)

\$1,184 Drafter Lapel Pin (two square feet)

\$1,776 Signer Lapel Pin (three square feet)

## Wall-Mounted Quills (will recognize donations at the levels of):

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\$8,880 Silver Quill

\$17,760 Gold Quill

Streamers will be awarded for: \$592 from Chapters and \$1,184 from State Societies

Total Donation Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

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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*.

### Dr. George Mosse Chapter

Larry Thomas Burke, Feb. 20.

### At Large

Lucius Clifton Sloan, March 10.

### Cambridge Chapter

Emmett Irwin Davis, May 17.

### Matthew Singleton Chapter

J. Moscoe Johnson, May 18.

*The jaws of power are always open to devour, and her arm is always stretched out, if possible, to destroy the freedom of thinking, speaking, and writing.*

### John Adams

*Under the auspices and direction of Divine Providence, your forefathers removed to the wilds and wilderness of America.*

*By their industry they made it a fruitful, and by their virtue a happy country.*

*And we should still have enjoyed the blessings of peace and plenty, if we had not forgotten the source from which these blessings flowed.*

**John Jay  
First Chief Justice  
of the Supreme Court**

# April 21-22 Board of Governors Minutes

By Nat Kaminski

## SCSSAR Recording Secretary

1. Call to Order by President Wayne Cousar at 1:15 p.m.

2. Invocation by Chaplain Lawrence Peebles.

3. Presentation of Colors by South Carolina SAR Color Guard.

4. Opening Ritual and Pledges.

5. Roll Call by Recording Secretary and quorum declared with 12 of 16 Officers present and 11 of 19 Chapters represented.

6. Approval of Minutes from Jan. 21 Board of Governors Meeting after motion made and seconded.

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

### a. Committee Reports:

**i. Colonial Ball** — Compatriot Greg Ohanesian reported that he had received only one debutante application fully paid. More applications are needed. The minimum age for debutante applicants is 17 by the date of the Ball. The Ball will be at the Frances Marion Hotel in Charleston in the Gold Ball Room.

**8. President Cousar presented his Outgoing Address** to membership, thanking the membership for coming to Beaufort for this meeting; and extending his thanks for allowing him to serve as the Society President. He remarked that the best part of the SAR organization was the opportunity presented to meet a good group of people who had provided him great support. The Society has navigated around some "potholes" during the year, but it has emerged as a more vibrant Society than when the year began.

He recognized Tom Hanson, the editor of *The Palmetto Patriot*, and noted that some members are not reading the Society's publication in its digital format because they may not know how to access it. President Cousar encouraged the Chapters to remind their members how to access the publication in its digital format on the website or pay to have the printed version mailed to them. It is a very worthwhile publication that covers SAR Society events state-wide utilizing excellent photography.

Compatriot Ken Stock was recog-

nized, extending thanks to President Cousar for doing an outstanding job as President this year, and stating that it was a pleasure to have worked with him.

### 9. Old Business

a. Past President Greg Greenawalt was recognized, pointing out that he had distributed a flyer describing the **eight educational videos that had been produced on the Southern Campaign of the American Revolution**. The Society provided \$8,000 in financial support for this work, and the Society's name and logo is prominently displayed. The videos were produced by SC ETV in conjunction with the National Park Service.

All the videos can be viewed by going to the link <https://www.knowitall.org/series/southern-campaign>. The videos, which resulted from a four-year collaborative project, are very high quality thanks to SC ETV and have been approved by the SC Department of Education as a teaching resource in all S.C. schools for use in 39,000 classrooms.

Compatriot Greenawalt thanked the State Society for supporting this effort. These videos will be available through the National SAR website as a teaching resource nation-wide. President Cousar thanked Compatriot Greenawalt for spearheading this effort, which could be one of the most important things this Society has done promoting the Society's efforts to teach our children the true history of our nation.

### 10. New Business

a. **Compatriot Edd Richburg was recognized and made a motion that the SC Society make payment of \$250 to support the Palmetto Society of Charleston in its continued Carolina Day observances** and purposes and to continue the presence of the SC Society as a member of the Board of Directors of the Palmetto Society.

This would be an annual payment by the State Society in conjunction with a similar payment by the Maj. Gen. William Moultrie Chapter. Three organizations are permanent members of the Palmetto Society — the DAR, the SAR and the Society of the Cincinnati — and pay this allotment. The date for the Carolina Day event in Charleston is June 28, 2017.

The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

b. Compatriot Bill Kivett was recognized to encourage the members to attend the marking of a Patriot grave on May 13, 2017 in Pickens County. More information about this grave marking will be provided through the State Secretary.

c. **Compatriot Greg Ohanesian was recognized to announce that the annual Commemoration of Buford's Massacre will be held on May 27 at 10:30 a.m.** and invitations will be mailed out. This is an event listed on the National SAR Calendar.

**Compatriot Ted Morton pointed out that the Battlefield Trust is now promoting the preservation of Revolutionary War battlegrounds** and are undertaking to assist in preserving more of the battleground at the Buford's Massacre site. **Compatriot Tom Mikell also pointed out that the Trust is assisting in Beaufort in preserving the Battle of Port Royal Island site.**

d. Compatriot Dr. Rick Corbett was recognized and made a motion that the Bylaws Committee be instructed to **produce a document that is a merger of the Society Bylaws and Constitution** for review by the Board of Governors and, if acceptable, presented at an Annual Meeting for adoption. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

e. Compatriot Carroll Crowther made a motion to reserve up to **\$450 for contingency purposes** to be used as necessary by the Society. The motion was seconded. A question was raised about the amount of the contingency. President Crowther explained that this amount was necessary to proceed with an ongoing situation involving the Society. The motion passed unanimously.

f. Report of the Nominating Committee Presenting the **Slate of Nominees for Officers of the Society** was announced by President Cousar as follows:

- State President — Compatriot Edd Richburg
- Senior Vice President — Compatriot Howard Knapp
- State Secretary — Compatriot Dan Woodruff
- State Treasurer — Compatriot

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Greg Ohanesian

- Chapter Formation VP — Compatriot Rick Corbett

- Chapter Renewal VP — Compatriot Wayne Cousar

- Low Country VP — Compatriot Ken Stock

- Midlands VP — Compatriot James L. Wyrosdick

- Pee Dee VP — Compatriot Greg Ohanesian

- Piedmont VP — Compatriot David Smith

- Upstate VP — Compatriot Robert Krause

- State Registrar — Compatriot K. Bailey Keeling

- Recording Secretary — Compatriot Nat Kaminski

- State Genealogist — Compatriot Carroll Crowther

- State Historian — Compatriot Donnie Carson

- State Chaplain — Compatriot John Ingle

- State Chancellor — Compatriot Brian Caskey

After motion made and seconded, and there being no further nominations from the floor, the slate of nominees for state officers was accepted by acclamation.

The Society nominations for the National Officer positions were:

National Trustee — Rick Corbett  
Alternate Trustee — Dan Woodruff

The question was called and passed by unanimous vote.

## **g. Annual SAR Awards**

i. National Certificates of Participation presented to SCSSAR:

Supporting and submitting a candidate in the Arthur M. King Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest 2015-16

Supporting and submitting a candidate in the George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Contest 2015-16

Supporting and submitting a candidate in the Americanism Poster Contest 2015-16

ii. Allene Wilson Groves Award presented to SCSSAR

State Society which presents evidence of best implementing SAR resolutions and principals 2015-16

iii. Liberty Medal — outstanding service in recruitment of new members  
Bailey Keeling, Edd Richburg, John T. Smith, Dan Woodruff

iv. Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award

Warren Carothers, Randy Potts

v. Americanism Program

Matthew Singleton Chapter (white ribbon)

George Mosse Chapter (white ribbon)

Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter (red ribbon)

Daniel Morgan Chapter (blue ribbon)

Matthew Singleton Chapter (President General's streamer)

Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter (President General's streamer)

Daniel Morgan Chapter (President General's streamer)

Dr. George Mosse (President General's streamer)

Daniel Morgan Chapter (President's Cup Award)

vi. National Von Steuben Award — sustained service as Color Guardsman to the NSSAR

Bob Krause

vii. Certificates of Distinguished Service to the SCSSAR

Frank Brown, Doug Doster, Nat Kaminski, Howard Knapp, Ted Morton, Ken Stock, Edd Richburg

viii. Certificate of Distinguished Service to the SCSSAR through participation in the Color Guard

Dan Woodruff

ix. Certificate of Distinguished Service to the SCSSAR by helping

create Educational Videos

Greg Greenawalt, John Slaughter

x. C.A.R. Bronze Medal to SCSSAR members serving as Senior Leaders at the Chapter level

David Smith, Brian Burnette

xi. C.A.R. Silver Medal to SCSSAR members serving as Senior Leaders at the State level

David Smith, Dan Woodruff, Doug Doster, Thomas Burnette, Brian Burnette, Stuart Burnette, Ivan Bennett, John Ingle

xii. Silver Good Citizenship Medal  
Rick Corbett

xiii. Roger Sherman Medal

Rick Corbett, Doug Doster, John Ingle, Howard Knapp, Bob Krause, John Marker, Ted Morton, Greg Ohanesian, Bill Prewitt, Ken Stock, Dan Woodruff

xiv. Meritorious Service Medal

John Ingle, Howard Knapp, Lawrence Peebles, Ken Stock

xv. State Distinguished Service Medal

Carroll Crowther

2:15 p.m. Annual Meeting Re-cessed until April 22, 2017 at 9 a.m.

6 — 9 p.m. — SCSSAR Dinner: Low Country Boil (Informal)

Bull Point Plantation

Keynote Speaker

Dr. Larry Rowland — "Revolutionary War History of Beaufort, S.C."

April 22 — 9 a.m. — **Memorial**

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## Calendar of Events

June 10	Battle of Ramsours Mill	Lincolnton, N.C.
June 28	Carolina Day	Charleston
June 28- July 2	126th DAR Continental Congress	Washington, D.C.
July 7 July 12	127th SAR Annual Congress	Knoxville, Tennessee
Sept. 3	Treaty of Paris	
Sept. 6	Marquis de Lafayette Birthday	
Sept. 9	236th Anniversary Battle of Eutaw Springs	Eutawville, S.C. Blacksburg, S.C.
Oct. 7	234th Anniversary Kings Mountain	

**For more information visit the SCSSAR website at [scssar.org](http://scssar.org)**

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and Worship Service conducted by Chaplain Lawrence Peebles:

Roll of Members having passed in the previous year with Chapter

**Donald Ray Allen**

Col. Robert Anderson

**Thomas Kenneth Armington**

Col. Robert Anderson

**Joe Marshall Barron**

Col. Robert Anderson

**Frank O. Bartell Jr.**

at large

**Eldon Dibble Bullington**

at large

**Larry Thomas Burke**

Dr. George Mosse

**William Russell Campbell Sr.**

Thomas Lynch

**Hopkins Gardner**

Col. Lemuel Benton

**Thomas Ronald Garrett Sr.**

Gov. Paul Hamilton

**Mac Richard Harley**

Maj. Gen. William Moultrie

**Ernest Raymond Jenkins Jr.**

at large

**Joseph Fuller Kirby**

at large

**William Robert Logan**

Cambridge

**James Parker**

at large

**Norman B. Pigeon**

Gen. James Williams

**John Lefferts Ramsey**

Maj. Gen. William Moultrie

**Lucius Clifton Sloan**

at large

**Frank Maryland Stanley**

Maj. Gen. William Moultrie

**Homer Leroy Stewart**

at large

**Elvin Drew Tirrell**

Col. Lemuel Benton

**William Ulmer Weeks Jr.**

Battle of Eutaw Springs

**John Cothran Wofford**

Cambridge

**James Louis Young**

Col. Thomas Taylor

1. 10 a.m. — **The SCSSAR Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest** was conducted according to the SAR Contest Rules

**Alexandra L. Jaouiche** — First Place (sponsored by the Thomas Lynch Chapter)

**Jacob S. Homan** — Runner-up (sponsored by the Lemuel Benton Chapter)

**Tatum K. Tarte** — Runner-up (sponsored by the Maj. Gen. William Moultrie Chapter)

2. Noon — **Youth Awards Luncheon**

Pledges

Invocation by Chaplain Lawrence Peebles

Recognition of Special Guests:

**SC Society DAR State Regent Dianne Culbertson** was recognized to bring greetings

**Anne Heyward** — direct descendant of Thomas Heyward Jr., Signer of Declaration of Independence

**Claude Dinkins** — President, **Paul Hamilton Chapter** — host of the 128th Anniversary **SCSSAR Conference**

**Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest Winner**

**Jubilee Mayo** (sponsored by the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter)

**Sgt. Moses Adams Memorial Middle School Brochure Contest Winner**

**Abigail Carson** (sponsored by the Maj. Robert Crawford Chapter)

**S.C.S.C.A.R. Dr. S. Perry Davis SAR Award** — **Dr. George Mosse Chapter**

**Eagle Scout of the Year** — **Tony Daniels** (sponsored by the Col. William Bratton Chapter)

**JROTC Cadet of the Year** — Ma-

**zor Patel** (sponsored by Battle of Eutaw Springs Chapter)

**SCSSAR Scholarship** — **Will Flint**

**South Carolina Educator of the Year Award** — **Dr. Davis Preston**

**SAR Daughters of Liberty Medal** — **Sherilyn Woodruff, Dianne Culbertson**

**Lydia Darragh Medal** — **Gladys Cousar**

**SCSSAR Patriot Medal** — **Carroll Crowther**

**Induction of 2017-18 SCSSAR duly elected Officers by Past President Dr. Ted Morton**

**Passing of the Gavel** by Wayne Cousar and **presentation of Dr. Moss's book, and concurrent resolution of the S.C. Senate**, to incoming President Edd Richburg

**Presentation of Past President's Pin** by President Edd Richburg to Wayne Cousar

**Inaugural Speech by President Edd Richburg**

**Closing Ceremonies**

Retirement of the Colors — Color Guard

SAR Recessional — President Richburg

Benediction — Lawrence Peebles  
2:30 p.m. — Adjournment of the Annual Meeting — President Richburg.

## IN CONGRESS, July 4, 1776.

### The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America,

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.



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, 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 = 150	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:
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**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:
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## 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:
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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.

**Col. Hezekiah Maham Chapter**  
**Craig Anthony Nessel**, Patriot ancestor Alden Williamson.

**Col. Joseph Kershaw Chapter**  
**Burch Hough Funderburk**, Patriot ancestor John McKnitt Alexander.

**Slade Horton Funderburk**, Patriot ancestor John McKnitt Alexander.

**Col. Robert Anderson Chapter**  
**John Calvin Alexander Jr.**, Patriot ancestor Aaron Wright.

**Joseph Richard Glavitsch**, Patriot ancestor Leonard Krauss.

**Leonard Allan Poe Sr.**, Patriot ancestor Samuel Poe.

**Kenneth Mark Robbins**, Patriot ancestor Caleb Blood.

**Col. William Bratton Chapter**  
**Woodrow William Culp Jr.**, Patriot ancestor Ezra Alexander.

**William Donald Jenison**, Patriot ancestor John Clacker Jr.

**Daniel Morgan Chapter**  
**George Phillip Latta Sr.**, Patriot ancestor Abraham/Abram Kilburn.

**Dr. George Mosse Chapter**  
**Michael Moore Hellman**, Patriot ancestor Moses Hutton.

**John David Woodward**, Patriot ancestor William Hughes.

**Gen. Andrew Pickens Chapter**  
**Douglas William Carson**, Patriot ancestor David Carson.

**Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter**  
**Timothy Shevlin Key**, Patriot ancestor Avery Waightstill.

**Laurence Field Peck**, Patriot ancestor Ward Peck.

**Daryll James Samples**, Patriot ancestor Francis Bowery.

**Major Robert Crawford Chapter**  
**Gabe Alexander Bobo**, Patriot ancestor Frederick Gray.

**Gray Wilder Bobo**, Patriot ancestor Frederick Gray.

**James Tillman Bobo**, Patriot ancestor Frederick Gray.

**Phillip Mason Lewis Jr.**, Patriot ancestor Ruel Lewis.

**Matthew Singleton Chapter**  
**Lowell Thomas Barnett**, Patriot ancestor William Crane.

**Robert Lee Burress**, Patriot ancestor Benjamin Culp/Kolb.

**Jason Ryan Harlan**, Patriot ancestor Aaron Harlan.

**Connor James Moore**, Patriot ancestor Daniel Hurlbutt.

**Steven Edwin Moore**, Patriot ancestor Daniel Hurlbutt.

**Major Gen. William Moultrie Chapter**

**Jonathan Noel Kiser**, Patriot ancestor Mark Bird.

**Gordon Wescott Maier**, Patriot ancestor James Cole.

**Steven Grant Waldrop**, Patriot ancestor John Lewis Gervais.

**Thomas Lynch Chapter**  
**Nathan Richard Kaminski**, Patriot ancestor Daniel Gomez.

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**Six weeks after the Battles of Lexington and Concord, Harvard President Samuel Langdon spoke to the Massachusetts Provincial Congress, May 31, 1775.**

*They . . . attempted, by a sudden march of a body of troops in the night, to seize and destroy one of our magazines, formed by the people merely for their own security. . . .*

*The fire began first on the side of the king's troops. . . .*

*But for what? Because they have made a noble stand for their natural and constitutional rights, in opposition to the machinations of wicked men . . . aiming to enslave and ruin the whole nation. . . .*

*We must keep our eyes fixed on the supreme government of the ETERNAL KING, as directing all events, setting up or pulling down the kings of the earth at His pleasure. . . .*

*That for the sins of a people God may suffer the best government to be corrupted, or entirely dissolved; and that nothing but a general reformation can give ground to hope that the public happiness will be restored.*

**Samuel Langdon**  
**Harvard President (1774-1780)**

# Chapter Capsules

## News items from SCSSAR chapters

### William Moultrie Chapter conducts annual George Washington birthday celebration

The Major Gen. William Moultrie Chapter conducted its annual George Washington Birthday celebration Feb. 11. *Scott Buchanan, Chapter Vice President.*



Moultrie Chapter Vice President Scott Buchanan (left) being awarded Distinguished Service Award by Moultrie Chapter President Edd Richburg [Photos by Genie Grace Buchanan]



Dr. Kyle Sinisi, event speaker (left), with Edd Richburg.

*The Constitution is not an instrument for the government to restrain the people, it is an instrument for the people to restrain the government — lest it come to dominate our lives and interests.*

**Patrick Henry**



Former Moultrie Chapter presidents: Bill Prewitt (left) and Lawrence Mixson III.

### Thomas Lynch Chapter



**BRONZE ROTC MEDAL** — Bill Sturgeon (left), President of the Thomas Lynch Chapter, presents an SAR ROTC Bronze Medal May 10 to Cadet First Lt. Cornell Williams at Carvers Bay High School. [Photo by Vernon Parker]

*Standing in this presence, mindful of the solemnity of this occasion, feeling the emotions which no one may know until he senses the great weight of responsibility for himself, I must utter my belief in the divine inspiration of the founding fathers. Surely there must have been God's intent in the making of this new-world Republic.*

**President Warren Harding  
SAR Member  
Inaugural Address  
March 4, 1921**

### 236th Anniversary Battle of Eutaw Springs

The Battle of Eutaw Springs Chapter will host the 236th commemoration of that battle Saturday, Sept. 9.

A dinner and program will take place the Friday night before (Sept. 8), in Santee, with a presentation on the battle by Charles Baxley. He and Doug Bostick, Executive Director of the S.C. Battleground Preservation Trust, have completed a new study on the battlefield area, and Charles will present this information to us. Details are being finalized.

I am pledging \$5 to the S.C.S.C.A.R. for every C.A.R. participant (including senior officers) in the Saturday, Sept. 9, activities. An optional luncheon for the ladies will take place that day at Camellia Manor in Holly Hill (\$20 to \$25, still in planning stage). Sweatmans BBQ also has a room reserved for us that day.

**Douglas Doster  
Vice President and Secretary  
Battle of Eutaw Springs Chapter  
Past State President (2009)**



# Bylaws additions

The Bylaws Committee of the South Carolina Society Sons of the American Revolution has approved two items for the new bylaws to be published at a later time. We offer them for the consideration and comment of society members. Please make your written comments to

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on or before July 1, 2017. All comments will be shared with the entire committee (appointed by State President Compatriot Edd Richburg) which consists of

Compatriot Nathan Kaminski  
Compatriot Howard Knapp  
Compatriot Robert Krause  
Compatriot Ted Morton, Jr  
Compatriot Redding I. Corbett III,  
Chairman

Item 1 Definition of in good standing:

"Member" or "member in good standing," includes any person who has fulfilled the requirements for membership in SCSSAR and who neither has voluntarily withdrawn from membership nor has been expelled or suspended from membership after appropriate proceedings consistent with lawful provisions of the Bylaws of SCSSAR or any other state or international Society of the NSSAR. B (Principal author: Compatriot Nat Kaminski)

Item 2

Bylaw # - Membership Discipline

## § 1. Complaint.

Any member of the South Carolina Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (SCSSAR) may lodge a formal complaint against another member of the SCSSAR for alleged conduct prejudicial to the best interests of the SCSSAR. The complaining member will file the written complaint, which will include specifics of the conduct alleged, with the President of the SCSSAR. If the President is the party against whom the complaint is lodged, the current sitting Senior Vice President of the SCSSAR will receive the complaint and will serve in the President's capacity for

all of the following provisions in this section.

Upon receipt of the complaint, the President will form an *ad hoc* Adjudication Committee whose membership will be appointed at his discretion. He will also appoint a Committee Chairman from the Committee membership. This Chairman will serve as the presiding officer at Committee meetings and will be the point of contact between all third parties and the Committee. The Committee will be comprised of five members of the Board of Governors, none of whom may be a member of the same chapter to which the accused member belongs. The President of the SCSSAR will serve as an ex-officio and non-voting member of the committee.

All matters and communications of the Committee are privileged and no notes or recordings of its proceedings will be allowed or published, with the exception of the final determination of the Committee as produced in written form and submitted by the Chairman to the President.

The Committee will first consider whether the conduct alleged in the complaint, if true, would constitute conduct prejudicial to the best interests of the SCSSAR. Conduct that is prejudicial to the best interests of the SCSSAR shall be interpreted by the Committee as behavior by a member(s) of the SCSSAR that is detrimental, damaging, injurious, harmful, disadvantageous, hurtful, or otherwise has a negative impact on the reputation of another member(s) or the SCSSAR as a whole.

If the Committee determines that the alleged conduct would not be prejudicial, it will take no further action and the matter will be closed. The Chairman will then notify the President of the SCSSAR and the member who filed the complaint of the Committee's decision and that no further action will be taken on the matter.

If the Committee determines that the alleged conduct, if true, would be prejudicial to the best interests of the SCSSAR, it will set a date for a hear-

ing not less than three (3) nor more than six (6) calendar weeks after such determination. The Chairman will send a copy of the complaint to the accused member by a method that will assure delivery, together with a notice of the hearing. The notice will advise the accused member that he may appear at the hearing and present witnesses in his defense.

## § 2. Committee Hearing.

The committee shall meet in a location within the state decided upon by a majority of the committee. At the hearing, the complaining member(s) will be heard first and then the accused member(s) may present evidence, including witness testimony, regarding the conduct in question. The witnesses offered will only be allowed to speak on the matters, facts, and issues in the complaint and evidence

-other information (e.g. the subject member's character or past contributions to the SCSSAR) will not be heard.

Neither the accused member nor the member who filed the complaint are required to attend the hearing in order for the hearing to proceed and the Committee to take action.

Once all testimony is heard by all parties present and all evidence has been introduced to the Committee, the Committee will temporarily adjourn the hearing to go into an Executive Session. All non-Committee parties will leave the room or area in which the Committee is holding the Executive Session. During the Executive Session the Committee will deliberate and determine whether the alleged misconduct is prejudicial to the best interests of the SCSSAR and, if so, the corresponding sanction.

Should the Committee find that the alleged misconduct is prejudicial to the best interests of the SCSSAR, it may, by a majority vote of those Committee members present, issue any punishment ranging from a written reprimand to be mailed to the subject member and read out loud to the membership at the next Board of Governor's meeting, up to

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(but not exceeding) suspending the subject member from all privileges of the SCSSAR for not more than five (5) years from the date of the hearing. The committee's decision on this sanction is effective immediately without ratification by the Board of Governors. Any sanction imposed will be announced by the Chairman of the Committee, or his designee, at the next scheduled Board of Governor's meeting and will be included in the meeting's minutes.

If the Committee considers such a reprimand or suspension to be an insufficient sanction, it may, in addition to the Committee's imposed sanction, recommend to the Board of Governors that the subject member be expelled, permanently, from the SCSSAR. In such case, the suspension does not restrict the suspended member's right to appear at the next Board of Governor's meeting during an executive session in which Committee's recommendation is considered.

After the Committee has reached a decision, the Executive Session will end and the parties will be allowed back into the meeting room/area. The Chairman will notify the accused of the Committee's decision and will also notify the subject member(s) that they may address the membership in Executive Session at the next Board of Governors meeting.

Following the meeting, the Chairman will put the Committee's findings in written form, deliver it to the President, and distribute copies to the Committee members. If either or both the complaining member(s) or the accused member(s) were not present at the hearing, the Chairman will notify in writing the absent member(s) of the action that the Committee has taken.

Suspension from the SCSSAR will be defined as a period of time, as determined by the Adjudication Committee, in which the subject member is banned from attending any SCSSAR state or chapter meetings or events and all privileges of membership in the SCSSAR are revoked.

After the Chairman of the Committee has notified the President of the sanction imposed, the President, in turn, will notify the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (NSSAR) that the subject member is no longer a member in good standing with the SCSSAR for the period of time determined by the Committee.

## § 3. Expulsion.

Expulsion of a member from the SCSSAR may be accomplished only by the voting members of the Board of Governors in a Board of Governors meeting following the hearing of the Adjudication Committee and upon that Committee's recommendation as provided for in ? 2 of this bylaw. Such proceedings may occur at a regularly scheduled or specially called Board of Governors meeting and only in Executive Session.

The subject member may appear on his own behalf, though the presentation of new evidence is not permitted. The President will read the charges, the Committee's findings, and the Committee's recommendation. The President will then invite the subject member, if present, to speak on his own behalf. After the subject member speaks, the subject member will leave the meeting room immediately.

After the subject member leaves, the membership may pose inquiries to the Committee Chairman, but the inquiries must be in the form of a question and must concern the complaint and the material within the four corners of the complaint document. As the proceedings of the Committee and the Committee's deliberations regarding the sanction/proposed expulsion are privileged, they may not be discussed. The Chairman may defer a question to any member of the Committee at his discretion. Each member present in the Executive Session of the Board of Governors will have two minutes to pose a question to the Chairman but they will not be allowed to address the membership as a whole nor speak on behalf of the subject member. The two minute allotment will start from the moment the member is recognized by the President and the time

allotted includes both the question posed and the response given.

The President will then move the proceedings to a vote on the matter at hand. Members present at the meeting will vote on the proposed expulsion by secret ballot. As they are members of the Board of Governors, the members of the Committee are also entitled to vote. Two members of the Board of Governors, selected at the discretion of the President, will collect the ballots and tally the votes. The vote to expel must be a majority of the votes cast. If the members vote not to expel, the Adjudication Committee's suspension will stand. No alternative sanction will be proposed, deliberated, or considered by the membership.

Once the vote is cast, the President will review the tally. The subject member will be allowed to re-enter the meeting and then the President will announce the vote.

If the membership votes not to expel, the date of the sanction imposed by the Committee at the Committee hearing will stand as the starting date of the suspension.

Regardless of the membership vote, the subject member will then leave the room - either because the suspension sanction by the Committee is in effect or because the subject member has just been expelled from the SCSSAR.

Expulsion of a member shall include forfeiture of all dues paid or held in trust for payment (e.g. state Life Membership); these funds shall be returned to the general funds of the SCSSAR.

## § 4. Violation of Suspension.

Should any suspended member violate the terms of suspension, the current sitting President must be informed, in writing, of the violations. The President will then notify the subject member of the claims in the reports of violation.

Should the President find through his own investigation that the reports of violations are truthful, the Presi-



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dent, at his discretion, may then restart the term of suspension of the subject member as previously adjudicated by the Committee.

The President will send a written letter to the subject member notifying him of his decision. The new term of suspension will run from the date of the letter through the same term length as the original suspension. The President's decision in this matter is final.

### § 5. Readmission.

If the subject member was suspended but not expelled by the SCSSAR, they may re-apply for admission to the SCSSAR after the term of their suspension has expired. The same application procedures will apply to them as they would any new member. However, extra scrutiny will be placed on their behavior during their suspension - specifically to the question as to if they have violated the terms of their suspension from the SCSSAR. All reports of the subject member's violation of the terms of his suspension will be filed with and actions taken by the President under § 4.

If there has been no report of a violation of the subject member's suspension, the Secretary of the S.C. Society will accept and review the subject member's application for re-admission to the SCSSAR. Should the application's components be in good order and the dues for the current fiscal year be paid, the subject member will be readmitted as a member in good standing with the SCSSAR, the NSSAR will be notified, and the subject member's privileges will be fully restored.

Should a compatriot who has paid Life Membership dues prior to his suspension, his Life Membership status is restored at the conclusion of his suspension.

Should a compatriot be expelled under the provisions of this section, they will not be readmitted to the SCSSAR.

### § 6. Effectiveness and Impact of this Section.

Any members of the SCSSAR that were suspended before the adoption of this bylaw and are currently still

on suspension, are subject to sections four (4) and five (5) of this bylaw.

All language, matters, rules, proceedings, or regulations in this bylaw supersede any language, matters, rules, proceedings, or regulations, that would otherwise be provided for in Robert's Rules of Order, current edition.

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## 237th Anniversary Buford's Massacre



Greg and Barbara Ohanesian



Ken Obriot, President, Friends of the Buford's Massacre Battleground



SCSSAR President Edd Richburg



Dr. Sam Powell  
President, SAR Foundation



Kathryn Smith (left), President S.C.S.C.A.R. and Christine Burnette, Senior State President.



Rev. Ted Morton Jr.



# 237th Anniversary Buford's Massacre

The Gen. Francis Marion Chapter commemorated the 237th anniversary of Buford's Massacre (Battle of the Waxhaws) May 27, at the Battle site near Buford's Crossroads about nine miles east of Lancaster, South Carolina.

Chapter President and State Society Treasurer, Greg Ohanesian, organized the event, served as master of ceremonies, and recognized speakers. The event is sponsored by the National Society Sons of the American Revolution. Many guests wore period dress, including Continental and Militia attire.

## The 1780 Battle

American Col. Abraham Buford commanded 300 to 350 men, composed of a Virginia regiment of infantry and a company of artillery. They were en route to defend Charleston; however, when they learned that Charleston had fallen, they attempted to return to Hillsborough, North Carolina.

British Col. Banastre Tarleton and his mainly Loyalist troops overtook them, and while Col. Buford attempted to surrender, Tarleton's troops, in less than 15 minutes, killed 113 of Buford's soldiers and wounded 150. Fifty-three escaped.

"Tarleton's Quarter" became a rallying battle cry for Southern Patriots and led to Patriot victories at the battles of Cowpens and Kings Mountain, South Carolina, and Yorktown, Virginia, effectively ending the American Revolution.



Greg Ohanesian, President of the Gen. Francis Marion Chapter, greets Dianne Culbertson, SCDAR Regent. [Photos by Thomas C. Hanson]

## Speakers

President Ohanesian led the Pledge of Allegiance, the Color Guard posted colors, and Rev. Ted Morton Jr. delivered the invocation.

SCSSAR President Edd Richburg spoke of the forgotten history of the American Revolution in South Carolina.

Dr. Sam Powell, President of the SAR foundation, the fund-raising arm of the SAR, brought greetings from the National Society and President Gen. Michael Tomme, and recounted the history of the battle.

**You can watch videos of the Buford's Massacre commemoration on the SCSSAR website at SCSSAR.org.**

Michael Elston, President of the Virginia Society, paid tribute to the sacred place where so many Virginians fought and died. He later spread Virginia soil on the mass grave at the site.

Dianne Culbertson, SCDAR Regent, expressed thanks for those who fought and died here, and in all the wars since the Revolution.

## Greetings

Kathryn Smith, President of the S.C.C.A.R., brought greetings from the C.A.R.

Ken Obriot, President of the Friends of the Buford's Massacre Battleground, spoke of improvements



Michael Elston, President of the Virginia Society, spreads Virginia soil on the mass grave.

made to the battle site that bring glory and honor to the men who fought and died here. He later led an unveiling of a bronze plaque with the names of 215 men who fought there. Research continues to identify the other valiant patriots.

After about 38 people presented wreaths, and a Musket Salute, Compatriot Scott Bryant played Taps, and State Chaplain John Ingle delivered the benediction.

Compatriots and guests then enjoyed snacks prepared by the Friends of the Battleground and by Dr. Barbara Ohanesian.

Compatriot Greg Ohanesian has organized this public commemoration for the last 12 years and noted that this year's event drew more than 155 members of the public hailing from many states, and included descendants of those buried at the site.



Children of the American Revolution