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242nd Anniversary
Battle of Eutaw Springs

From the President's Desk

**Ted
Walker**

The Education Challenge

**By Ted Walker
SCSSAR President**

Compatriots:

Our South Carolina Society Sons of the American Revolution continues to grow and prosper with 798 members in 21 Chapters throughout our state.

Chapter Presidents, Registrars and Compatriots are working hard to increase our membership and to share the principles of our Founding Fathers in communities around South Carolina. Our Society has grown from 700 members on Dec. 31, 2022 to 798 to date. This increase in our membership was from 60 member reinstatements and the recruitment of 38 new members.

Our society is growing, and our focus is on member recruiting and retention. We will gain new members and increase awareness of our SAR principles by cosponsoring events with nearby chapters, the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR), local community Historical Societies, Genealogical societies, SC County 250 committees, Community veterans' groups, local libraries, and like-minded groups around the state.

After many months of hard work, we were able to reactivate the Joseph Kershaw Chapter in Camden. That was just in time to immerse ourselves in the South Carolina Battleground Preservation Trust Revolutionary War reinterment ceremony of 14 Revolutionary War soldiers in April.

We are also working to form a new SAR Chapter in Florence. The Florence Chapter is well under way and scheduled to be active by the fall. The Thomas Lynch Chapter in Georgetown is in Chapter revitalization status. We are recruiting new members and growing the chapter. If any of our at large members live around the Georgetown area, or close by, please consider this chapter as your primary chapter.

The 133rd NSSAR Congress was held July 13 to 20 in Orlando, Florida. The SCSSAR had a strong representation of delegates from our membership. I appreciate all members who made the trip and contributed to a successful Congress.

Many issues were discussed at Congress, but I will address just a few. National Dues will increase from \$35 to \$50 effective Sept. 1. Also soon, the NSSAR will take responsibility for collecting National, State and Chapter dues. This project is still a work in progress, and there will be more information on the horizon.

The SCSSAR is working on our 2024 dues collection process and will be rolling out the plan soon. Our main objective is to make sure every member is informed, when dues are to be paid, and that they get notification in a timely manner. Dues invoices will be sent out by email and snail mail. Please be on the lookout for yours.

The NSSAR has recognized that State Society and Chapter member recruiting and retention is an issue of concern and has rolled out several training videos for members. I recommend that all SCSSAR members view these four training videos that can be found on the National website NSSAR.org under eLearning. Just sign in and enjoy these wonderful programs.

On July 22, the SCSSAR Board of Governors meeting was held in Columbia. We had 35 members in attendance, and our required quorum was met to conduct business. Many items were discussed. I will address two main issues. The BOG approved a motion that the State Society purchase general liability insurance that covers all State Society members during SCSSAR activities, including the Color Guard Firing Teams.

This action has been accomplished, and

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COVER PHOTO: Color Guard at Historic Church of the Epiphany in Eutawville. From left: Pete Widell, Ed Forte, Chip Griffin, Judson LeViner, Carl Widell and John Boyles. [Photo by Ted Walker]



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July 22 Board of Governors SCSSAR Awards



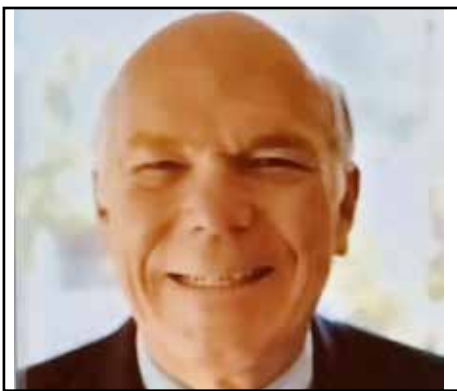
Pete Widell (left) receives Certificate of Appreciation from President Ted Walker.



Thomas Blackmon (left) receives praise for work on 250th Committee from chairman Joe Babb.



Ted Walker
SCSSAR State President



James Wyrosdick, South Atlantic District Vice President General



John Boyles (left) receives Silver Medal of Appreciation for his work on the Patriot Research System from the NSSAR from President Ted Walker.



Joe Babb
Chairman SCSSAR 250th Committee

**Photos by John Cooper
Cambridge Chapter President**

President's Letter

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members of the Society are now covered, so, if you are interested in joining our Color Guard, for more information, please contact our SCSSAR Commander Pete Widell or Vice Commander Mike Monahan by going to our website at SCSSAR.org.

Our annual meeting will be held in Camden April 19-20, 2024. Compatriots Doug Doster and Thomas Blackmon are the ad hoc committee chairs. For more information, please go to SCSSAR.org to contact them.

I am honored to serve as your SCSSAR State President and recognize everyone's contributions and hard work to improve our society. Please contact me if I can assist you in any way.

Respectfully,

Ted Walker
State President
SCSSAR



Thomas Blackmon
Pee Dee Vice President



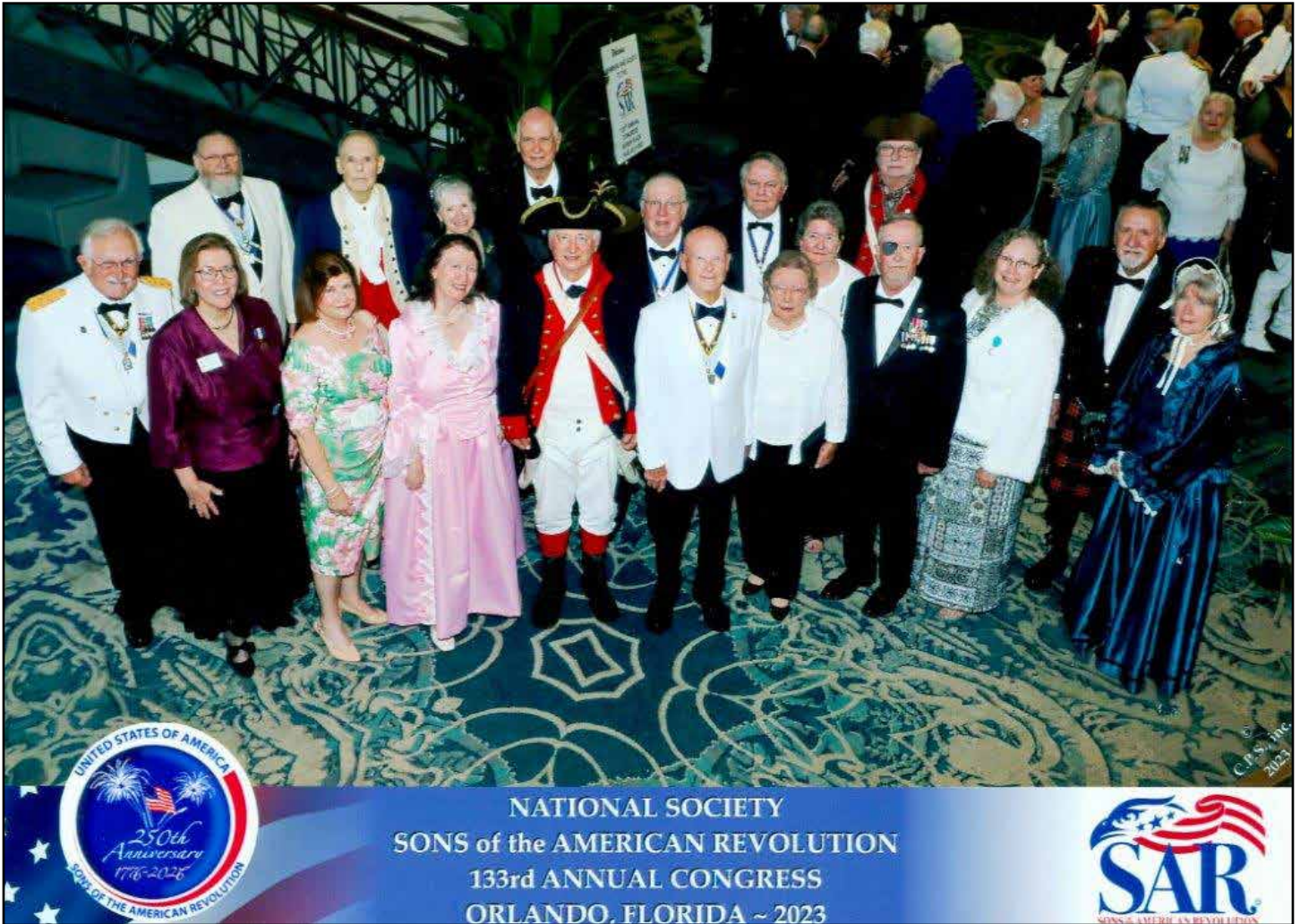
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SCSSAR at 133rd National Congress

July 13 to 20 Orlando, Florida



South Carolina Senate Resolution Honors SCSSAR President Ted Walker

243rd Anniversary Battle of Kings Mountain

The 243rd Anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain will take place Oct. 7. It is a major SCSSAR / National event, which will bring Compatriots from all over the country, and this year our **NSSAR President General John Dodd will be in attendance.** For more information, please call SCSSAR President Ted Walker at 803-599-1654 or send an email to him: twalkerj@bellsouth.net.



THE NATIONAL SOCIETY SAR,
THE DANIEL MORGAN CHAPTER, SC SOCIETY SAR
AND
KINGS MOUNTAIN CHAPTER, NC SOCIETY SAR
INVITE YOU TO ATTEND THE
243TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF KINGS MOUNTAIN



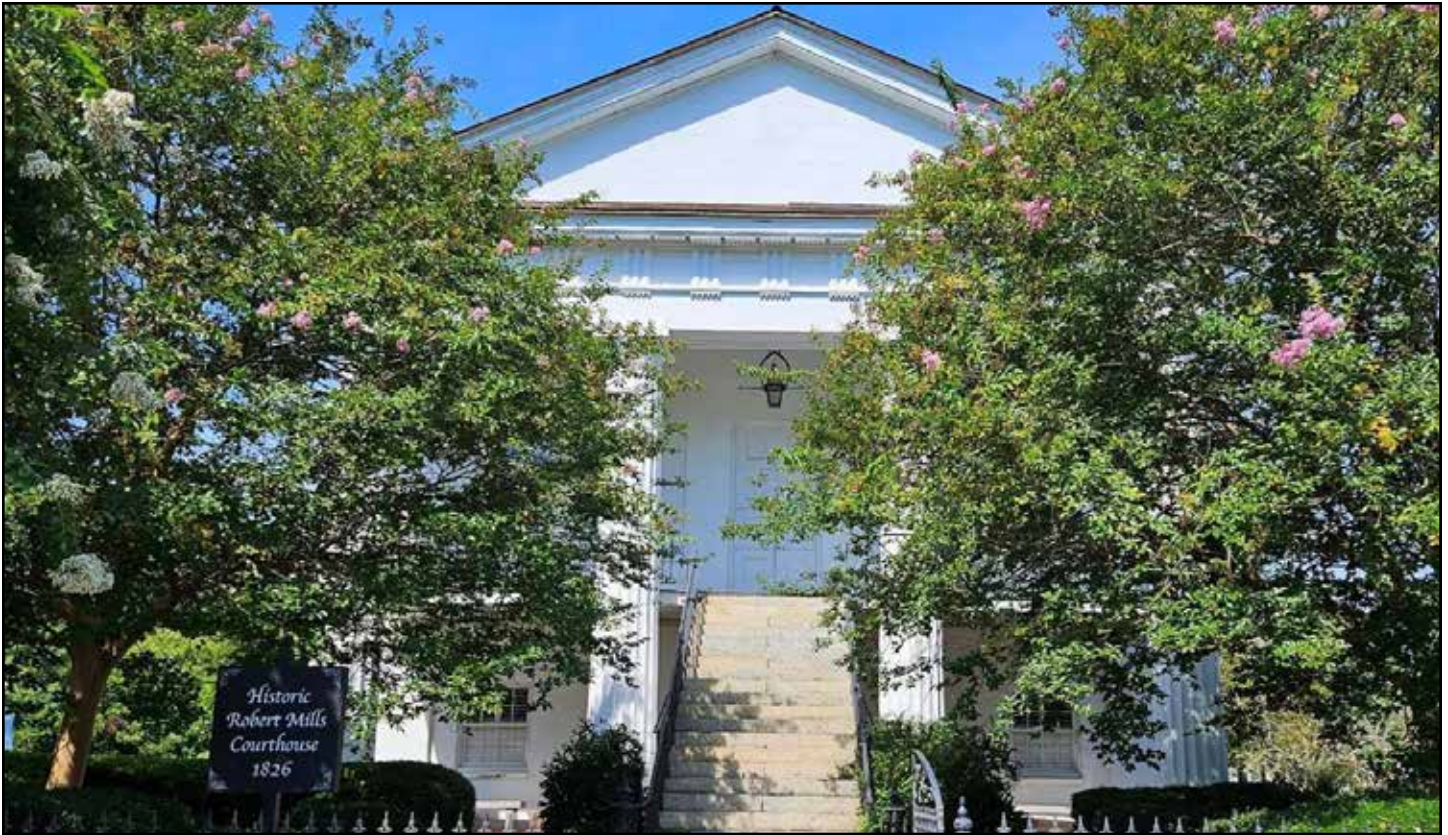
Saturday, October 7, 2023 at 11:00 am
Kings Mountain National Military Park
Blacksburg, SC

SAR, DAR, C.A.R. and other patriotic and lineage societies & chapters are invited to participate in a formal wreath laying ceremony at the United States' Monument. Participants presenting a wreath must deliver it to the park's Visitor Center no later than 9:45 am on October 7th for labeling and transportation to the monument. Transportation will be provided for those needing assistance to the monument.

Please email all wreath registrations to Grantham Wood at wm.granthamwood@yahoo.com no later than Saturday, September 30th for the registration to be included in the Scroll of Honor which will be presented on-screen at the Kings Mountain Visitor's Center during the day. The email should include the name of the organization and the presenter's name with their title.

The Sleep Inn at 834 Windslow Ave, Gaffney, SC 29341 is the official hotel for the Kings Mountain anniversary. Reservations can be made directly by calling the hotel at 864-487-5337. Additional hotels are available in Gaffney, SC, Gastonia, NC or Kings Mountain, NC.

SCSSAR annual meeting April 19 - 20, 2024 Robert Mills Courthouse, Camden, South Carolina



SCSSAR Annual Dues

The SCSSAR Executive Committee initiated the 2024 Dues Collection process Sept. 1.

The schedule for implementation is:

Sept. 1 — SCSSAR distributed production Dues Collection Worksheet and Procedure Guide to State Presidents or assigned Chapter Officers.

Sept. 3 — SCSSAR distributed dues collection to Henry Laurens Chapter as test run. Upon confirmation of receipt and content of email by President Ted Walker and Senior Vice President Sonny Pittman, the SCSSAR continued with production and distribution of other Chapter dues emails.

Sept. 3 — SCSSAR completed first dues collection email production and distribution. Chapter Presidents or assigned

Chapter Officers were notified that production had begun and when it was completed.

Sept. 5 — Progress report to Executive Committee.

Sept. 8 — SCSSAR produced and distributed non-email member dues collection snail mail.

To come

TBD — SCSSAR produces and distributes second email distribution.

TBD — SCSSAR produces and distributes mass snail mail dues collection.

TBD — State Chapters initiate direct member contact/solicitation program.

TBD — Dues Collection Project closes.

TBD — Chapters forward settlement checks.

TBD — State Treasurer completes rec-

onciliation and forwarding of report and check to SAR.

From a member perspective, you will receive either an email or snail mail (paper) dues solicitation depending on your receipt capabilities. The dues collection process is a check to envelope return payment system. Your payment will be mail returned to your membership chapter based on the return address on your membership dues letter. Your Chapter assigned Officer will enter your dues payment into a chapter Excel spreadsheet. The spreadsheet completes all accounting functions, with the exception of the Chapter creating a single settlement check at the end of the process.

Please make your dues payment as soon as possible and don't become an inactive member.

Burch's Mill Chapter to Be Launched in Florence

A petition was made Sept. 5 to the SCSSAR Executive Committee to launch a new chapter in Florence with the name, the Burch's Mill Chapter:

The officer slate voted upon is: Calvin Staudt Jr. — President; Julius Duke — Vice President; Donald Hayes — Secretary; Richard Gensel — Treasurer; David Abercrombie — Registrar; and Thomas Smith — Chaplain.

The proposed chapter will meet quarterly, with the first gathering on Thursday, Oct. 5, at a location to be announced, beginning at 6 p.m. The first meeting of their Executive Committee will be Sept. 11 at 3:30 p.m. at Central Methodist Church in Florence.

Florence County and its immediate surroundings have been home to Patriots and Compatriots alike, and now the SCSSAR is supporting the development of a Florence Chapter.

In addition to the recruitment of new members from the area, this effort focused on ensuring these current and future Compatriots can participate in SAR activities, such as meetings and commemorations, without excessive commutes to surrounding chapters.

Vice President of Chapter Formation Walter Witherpoon and Pee Dee Regional Vice President Thomas Blackmon have hosted two meetings with perspective members, now numbering more than 20, to both lay a foundation for the chapter and develop a vision for how the mission of the SAR will be carried out.

During the second meeting, Aug. 24, SCSSAR

President Ted Walker and Senior Vice President Sonny Pittman were present in Florence to deliver remarks and reiterate the support from our senior leadership. President Walker presented a wreath, created by his wife, Linda, which will be used in future commemorations. Senior Vice President Pittman also presented the flags of the United States and South Carolina, certified as having flown over the State Capitol in Columbia, along with the SAR flag.

A meeting took place Sept. 5 at the Florence County Library to discuss the chapter name, officer nominations and the details for future meetings. These were the final necessities for the charter petition that was advanced to the SCSSAR Executive Committee and the greater Board of Governors for consideration.

If you or someone you know resides in the Florence area and would like to become a member of the SAR or the proposed Florence Chapter, please contact SCSSAR Registrar Jim Closson, Vice Walter Witherpoon, or Pee Dee Regional Vice President Thomas Blackmon. (See SCSSAR.org for contact information.)

Burch's Mill: On June 8, 1782, Brig. Gen. Francis Marion and Pee Dee Loyalist leader, Maj. Micaiah Ganey, signed a treaty in which the Loyalists agreed to lay down their arms, return civilian property where possible, and serve in the Patriot Militia for six months. The agreement signaled the end of partisan warfare in the Pee Dee region.

Battle of Camden Commemoration



Ted Walker
SCSSAR President



Multiple States in Mixed Color Guard with Scott Collins, National Commander

Joint program sponsored by
Historic Camden
Col. Joseph Kershaw Chapter SAR
Hobkirk Hill Chapter DAR
Joseph Kershaw Chapter DAR

Participation by other organizations
Southern Campaign 1780
Long Gone SC
SC Liberty Live

Color Guard — Raised Betsy Ross Flag that was used during Camden 14 Event on one of the coffins

18 Wreaths

About 70 people in attendance



John Goodwin
President Joseph Kershaw Chapter

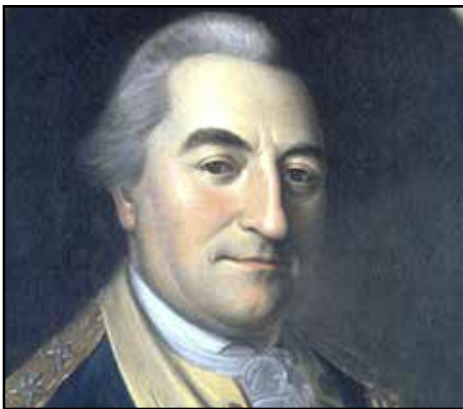


Monument to Baron DeKalb
Mortally wounded
at the Battle of Camden

Photos by Collyn Gossard



Sherry Davis, Education Director for South Carolina Liberty Live, talks to John Goodwin President of the Joseph Ker-shaw Chapter.



Baron de Kalb (1721 - 1780)



Tom Oblak and the Southern Campaign 1780 Cannon Team



Rick Wise, SC Battleground Preservation Trust, speaks to assembled guests

de Kalb: ‘Fighting for the Rights of Man’

Upon seeing a wounded Baron de Kalb, Gen. Charles Cornwallis told him, “I am sorry, sir, to see you, not sorry that you are vanquished, but sorry to see you so badly wounded.” It is reported that Cornwallis supervised the dressing of Kalb’s wounds by his own surgeons in Camden. As he lay dying, de Kalb was reported to have said to a British officer, “I thank you sir for your generous sympathy, but I die the death I always prayed for: the death of a soldier fighting for the rights of man.” He died three days later and was buried in Camden.

Upon visiting de Kalb’s grave several years after his death, George Washington is reported to have said: “So, there lies the brave de Kalb. The generous stranger, who came from a distant land to fight our battles and to water with his blood the tree of liberty. Would to God he had lived to share its fruits!” Wikipedia.



Joe Babb Receives SCSSAR's First America 250 Gold Medal



David Smith (left), National Trustee of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (NSSAR), presents Joe Babb, Chairman of the America 250 committee of the SCSSAR, the first gold medal in South Carolina at the Board of Governors meeting July 22. Babb said other members are on their way to gold and any compatriot can participate for a bronze, silver or gold medal. Go to the NSSAR website (www.sar.org), click on America 250 and begin to record your activity for the America 250 movement. [Photo by Rick Morris]



SCSSAR America 250 Chairman Joe Babb pays tribute to his 5x grandparents, Joseph and Mary McCool Babb, for their service in the Revolutionary War. A tribute marker was placed in the Babb-Kellett cemetery in old Babb Town, Laurens County. "Lest we forget their service and that of all Revolutionary patriots that fought for our LIBERTY."

Old Stone Church



George Dunkleberg (left), retiring board member of Old Stone Church in Clemson, is presented with a Certificate of Appreciation and flag that flew over Old Stone Church Cemetery from new board member Eric Barnhill, President of the Gen. Andrew Pickens Chapter and Upstate Vice President. Aug. 17. [Photo by Curtis Arnold]

Godfrey Dreher Chapter Honors Eagle Scout Robert Austin Harrelson Jr.



EAGLE SCOUT COURT OF HONOR CEREMONY — From left: Warren W. "Woody" Carothers, Past President of the Godfrey Dreher Chapter, Eagle Scout Robert Austin Harrelson Jr., and his father, Scoutmaster Robert A. Harrelson Sr. at Robert's Eagle Scout Court of Honor Ceremony Sunday, July 30, at the Ashland United Methodist Church of Columbia. Robert was awarded the Sons of the American Revolution Certificate of Recognition. He earned his Eagle advancement at Troop 425, Scouting BSA, sponsored by the Zion Lutheran Church of West Columbia. [Photo by Bill Smith]

War Service Medal



The SAR War Service Medal is presented to Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter member Shane A. Broome (left) by Chapter Awards Committee Chairman Harold Mills Jr.

Make yourselves sheep and the wolves will eat you.

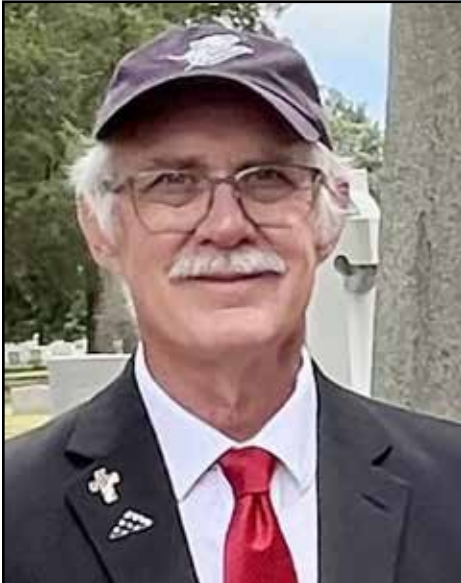
Benjamin Franklin

SCSSAR Education Committee

SCSSAR President Ted Walker appointed Dr. Gary Blanpied, who is President of the Godfrey Dreher Chapter, as Committee Chairman of the Education Committee.

The committee has set a goal of increasing the number of students and teachers who participate in the chapter, state and national contests and scholarships.

We have developed a spreadsheet that



Dr. Gary Blanpied

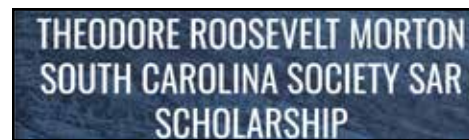
has active links to the contest information and contact information. A copy was mailed to all the chapter presidents and to all the emails of the state's members, and more than 90 percent were delivered. Anyone who would like a copy can email Gary Blanpied (garyblanpied@gmail.com).

From Dr. Gary Blanpied

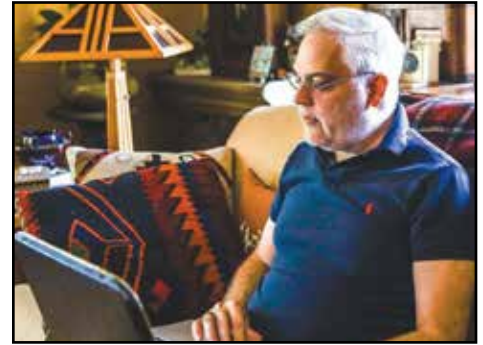
While I was attending the Camden

burials I met Dr. Charles F. Vaughan of the Thomas Taylor Chapter. He said he taught Social Studies at AC Flora High School in Columbia and could never attend the daytime meeting of his chapter, so I invited him to come to our next evening meeting, which he did.

Later, President Walker appointed him to the Education Committee as contact for the Theodore Roosevelt Morton South Carolina Society SAR Scholarship. He did a great service to everyone by converting the paper application to electronic form using Google Forms. The link to the information and forms is <https://sites.google.com/view/scsar-scholarship>.



Nelson McLeod



Dr. Charles Vaughan

Charles was featured in an article and photos by Perry McLeod in the *Columbia Star*, May 18, 2020 about teaching students online during Covid.

<https://www.thecolumbiastar.com/articles/teachers-appreciating-teachers/>

Also Nelson McLeod (nelson@mcleodsc.com) of the Godfrey Dreher Chapter has agreed to be the contact person for the Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest, the Sergeant Moses Adams Middle School Brochure Contest, and the Benjamin Franklin Reading Program.

Other members who have agreed to be a contact person for different programs are Doug Doster (dosterdouglas@gmail.com): The George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Contest and the Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award.

Charles McKinney (cmckinneysr@yahoo.com): the Joseph Rumbaugh Historical Patriotic Oration Contest.

Matthew Breen (matthewbreen1990@gmail.com): Outstanding ROTC Cadet.

Coby Alexander (wca4@charter.net): Eagle Scout Recognition Program, the Arthur M. and Berdena King Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest, and Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award.

“Men who look upon themselves born to reign, and others to obey, soon grow insolent; selected from the rest of mankind their minds are early poisoned by importance; and the world they act in differs so materially from the world at large, that they have but little opportunity of knowing its true interest, and when they succeed to the government are frequently the most ignorant and unfit of any throughout the dominions.”

Thomas Paine, 1776

Rare, Never-Before-Displayed Revolutionary War Flag Now on View at the Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia

Flag is Featured as Part of a New Display that Sheds Light on the Lesser-Known Role of the Southern States in the Revolutionary War.

After being hidden away for more than two centuries, a rare 18th century flag is now on public display for the first time since the Revolutionary War at the Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia. The blue silk flag served as the regimental emblem of South Carolina's 2nd Spartan Regiment, marking its position on the battlefield.

The newly discovered flag is one of fewer than half a dozen surviving Revolutionary War flags from the South. It is now on view as part of a new display that explores the important, yet lesser-known role that soldiers from the Southern states played in securing American Independence.

"It is an incredible honor to be able to share this remarkable national treasure with the public for the first time," said Dr. R. Scott Stephenson, President and CEO of the Museum, adding "there is nothing quite like standing in the presence of an object that witnessed our nation's desperate struggles for liberty and independence. As we celebrate Independence Day, objects like this can and should inspire us to reflect on what the American Revolution's promises of liberty, equality and self-governance mean for all of us today."

The 2nd Spartan Regiment was led by Pennsylvania-born Col. Thomas Brandon (1741-1802). His family reverently preserved the regimental flag in a small wooden chest that was inscribed with the names of each descendant who inherited it until the mid-20th century. The chest is also on view at the Museum alongside the flag, both of which are on loan from Nick Manganiello and Francine Carrick.

The new display includes:

- A gilt brass gorget made during the Revolutionary War as a symbol of rank for a South Carolina officer. The gorget is on loan from Nick Manganiello and Francine Carrick.

- A Congressional sword, ca. 1786,



which was one of 15 swords commissioned by Congress as trophies for American war heroes after the Revolutionary War. This sword was awarded to Gen. Andrew Pickens of South Carolina for his bravery in leading the militia at the Battle of Cowpens Jan. 17, 1781. The sword is on loan from Nick Manganiello and Francine Carrick.

- A gold medal, made by the Philadelphia Mint circa 1839 to replace the original, which was awarded by Congress to Daniel Morgan in 1789 for his service at the Battle of Cowpens, but was stolen from a Pittsburgh bank. The medal is on loan from Brian and Barbara Hendelson.

- A copper button, made in England between 1775 and 1783, that adorned the coat of an officer of the 17th Light Dragoons,

one of the British units that fought at Cowpens. The button is on loan from The New-York Historical Society.

- Two brass cartridge box badges, made in Great Britain between 1775 and 1783, one worn by a member of the 71st Regiment of Foot, and one worn by a member of the 7th Regiment of Foot. They are on loan from Nick Manganiello and Francine Carrick.

- A brass cross belt plate, made in Great Britain between 1775 and 1783, that once decorated the shoulder belt of a soldier from the 4th Battalion, Royal Artillery. It is on loan from Nick Manganiello and Francine Carrick.

The 2nd Spartan Regiment of militia was created by South Carolina's Revo-

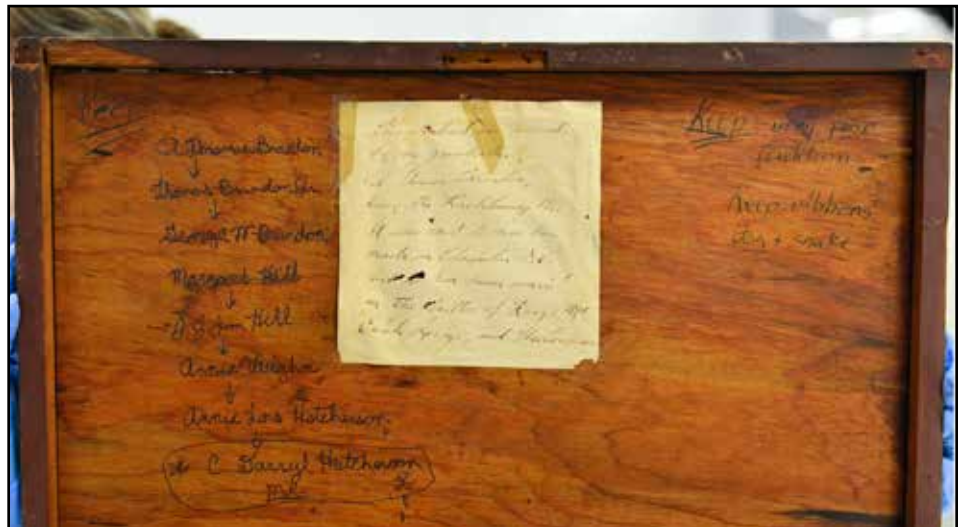


lutionary government in 1778 in order to increase protection for its population, as violence between Loyalist and Revolutionary forces increasingly targeted non-combatants and civilians.

The Regiment served in dozens of battles across the state from 1779 until the end of the war in 1783. Individual companies, battalions or individual members of the regiment were present at Stono Ferry, Hanging Rock, Musgrove Mill, Kings Mountain, Ninety Six, Eutaw Springs and dozens of other engagements. Also known as the “Fair Forest Regiment,” its men experienced the brutality of a civil war among neighbors. Historians have identified several free men of African descent who served in the regiment alongside their European-descended comrades in arms.

Following the Revolutionary War, the regiment’s distinguished service inspired citizens to name the new South Carolina town of Spartanburg in its honor.

The new display will be on view through 2024 and is located in the Museum’s core gallery dedicated to the “War in the South,” which explores the military and social dynamics of the Southern war, particularly at the Battle of Cowpens — a pivotal American victory and decisive turning point in the Southern campaign. The display of the 2nd Spartan Regiment Flag has been supported by a grant from the Francis and Beverly DuBose Foundation of Atlanta, Georgia.



The regimental flag was preserved in a small wooden chest that was inscribed with the names of each descendant who inherited it until the mid-20th century. It is on loan from Nick Manganiello and Francine Carrick.

About the Museum of the American Revolution

The Museum of the American Revolution uncovers and shares compelling stories about the diverse people and complex events that sparked America’s ongoing experiment in liberty, equality and self-government.

Through the Museum’s unmatched collection, immersive galleries, powerful theater experiences, and interactive elements, visitors gain a deeper appreciation for how this nation came to be and feel inspired

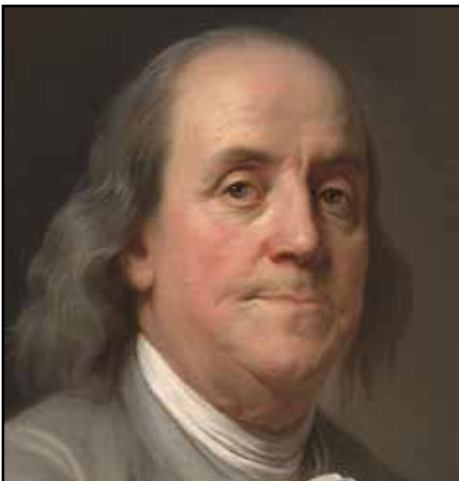
to consider their role in ensuring that the promise of the American Revolution endures.

Located just steps away from Independence Hall, the Museum serves as a portal to the region’s many Revolutionary sites, sparking interest, providing context and encouraging exploration.

The Museum, which opened April 19, 2017, is a private, non-profit and non-partisan organization. For more information, visit www.AmRevMuseum.org or call 877.740.1776.

Our Col. Robert Anderson Chapter marked the grave of Col. John Thomas, the original commander of the Spartan Regiment — elements of which fought at the Battle of the Great Cane Brake. The first was so successful and popular among the citizenry that a second regiment was organized.

Joe Glavitsch, President



“Without Freedom of Thought, there can be no such Thing as Wisdom; and no such Thing as publick Liberty, without Freedom of Speech.”

**Benjamin Franklin
Writing as Silence Dogood, No. 8
At age 16**

**Printed in The New-England Courant, July 9, 1722
<https://founders.archives.gov/documents/Franklin/01-01-02-0015>**

Battle of Musgrove Mill: 243rd Anniversary

By David Smith
Past President
SCSSAR

Early on Saturday morning, Aug. 19, 1780, around 200 mounted Patriots arrived at the Enoree River near Musgrove Mill on what is now the Laurens and Spartanburg County line.

These Patriot forces were Georgians under Col. Elijah Clarke, Over Mountain Men from Tennessee under Col. Isaac Shelby, and South Carolinians commanded by Col. James Williams. The ensuing conflict against a Tory garrison of more than 500 men saw heavy losses among the Loyalists, and few casualties in the Patriot ranks. This was a Patriot win.

Three days before this battle, Patriot Gen. Horatio Gates had been totally defeated by Gen. Charles Cornwallis in Camden, and just the day before, British Lt. Col. Banastre Tarleton defeated Patriot Thomas Sumter at Fishing Creek. The British were unstoppable, or so they thought. This battle at Musgrove Mill was the turning point in bolstering the confidence of the Patriot Militia. From here, the militia rallied and Patriots saw victories at Kings Mountain, Blackstock's Farm and Cowpens in South Carolina.

The Gen. James Williams Chapter and the Col. James Williams Society, SC C.A.R. joined with the Battle of Musgrove Mill State Historic Site to host the 243rd anniversary commemoration of this Patriot victory. On Saturday, Aug. 19, more than 55 people gathered to pay their respects at an event where Joseph Smith, President of the Col. James Williams Society C.A.R., was master of ceremonies.

Greetings and remarks were given by Ted Walker, President SC SAR; Dianne Culbertson, Honorary State Regent SC DAR; and Kelley Widell, First Vice President SC C.A.R. Five SC SAR chapters came forward to render honors along with the NC SAR Old North State Chapter represented by Compatriot Mike Miller. Four SC DAR chapters, and two SC C.A.R. Societies also rendered honors to our Patriot heroes.

Historian Mark Stanford, Interpretive Ranger for the Battle of Musgrove Mill State Historic Site, spoke on the sparsity of this battle's primary source data and from where often quoted facts and figures come. He described never before noted information he recently found while doing original research, which has since been published.

Ranger Stanford had earlier conducted



From left: Pete Widell, Dan Woodruff, Richard Morris and State President Ted Walker.



From left: Pete Widell, Carl Widell, Sonny Pittman and State President Ted Walker. [Photos by John Boyles]



Historian Mark Stanford, Interpretive Ranger for the Battle of Musgrove Mill State Historic Site.

a 7 a.m. tour of the area, which culminated with the participants on the battlefield hearing of the battle's conclusion at the same time of morning when the fight occurred. After the commemoration Stanford gave a 45 minute lecture at the Visitors Center that covered events leading to the battle and the battle itself.



Historian Mark Stanford (left), Interpretive Ranger for the Battle of Musgrove Mill State Historic Site, and Joseph Smith, President of the Col. James Williams Society C.A.R.

The commemoration concluded with a three volley musket salute by the SC SAR Color Guard with Ted Walker (Henry Laurens Chapter), Rick Morris (Cambridge Chapter), Pete Widell (Henry Laurens Chapter), and Dan Woodruff (Col. Robert Anderson Chapter).

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Chapter Capsules

News items from SCSSAR chapters

SCSSAR Knight Essay Award Winner

La Deja Williams of Columbia, S.C., was presented the George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Contest Award Monday, May 15, having won both the Col. Thomas Taylor Chapter (CTTC) and State Society competitions. The awards included presentation certificates and a combined \$800 scholarship contribution.

Ms. Williams, a rising senior at Richland Northeast High School in Columbia, is an honor student with a weighted GPA of 4.964 on a 4.0 scale, ranking fifth out of 286 students in her class. She is a member of the National Honor Society and Junior House, and President-elect of her senior class. Discovering the Knight Essay Contest through her school's GEARUP College Readiness Program, she conceived, researched and composed an essay highlighting Benjamin Franklin's cartoon of a segmented snake bearing the names of colonies and the legend "Join or Die" and its effect as a propaganda tool in support of Revolutionary ideals. Forwarded by the Col. Thomas Taylor Chapter, the essay was chosen by the State Society's selection committee, chaired by Past State President Doug Doster, and forwarded as the SC submission to National Society competition.

After high school, Ms. Williams plans to attend Spelman College en route to a career as a cinematographer and independent filmmaker.



From left: Bill Jones (CTTC committee chairman), La Deja Williams, Calvin Griffin (CTTC chapter president), and Mark Sims (Principal, Richland Northeast High School).

We have no government armed with power capable of contending with human passions unbridled by morality and religion. Our constitution was made for a moral and religious people.... It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.

John Quincy Adams

Francis Marion Swamp Fox Symposium

You are invited to "Explore Revolutionary War Southern Campaign, Times of Francis Marion, 1732-1795," Friday and Saturday, Oct 20-21.

The Symposium begins at 2:15 p.m. at FE DuBose Campus of Central Carolina Technical College, US 521, Manning (half mile east of I-95, exit 122).

Past presentations from 2003 to 2022 are on YouTube: Discover Francis Marion & Francis Marion Symposium.

Register on-line for the 21st Francis Marion Symposium, www.francismarionsymposium.com.

Agenda: "Times of Francis Marion, 1732-1795"

Al Truesdale: "Francis Marion, The Huguenots, and the Spirit of Capitalism."

Kim Stacy: "Tactics Win battles. Logistics Win Wars."

Dave Neilan: "Conflicts in Command" Bernard Beekman, antagonist of Marion.

We will plan our DAR and SAR group photo, Friday evening.

Jack Parker's *Guide to the Revolutionary War in South Carolina, 4th Edition*, 2022 will be available for purchase.

Peggy Pickett and her new book *Rebecca Brewton Motte: American Patriot and Successful Rice Planter* will be available, as well as Steve Smith's *Leading Like the Swamp Fox* and Erick Nason's *The Old Grey Wolf and The Fox*.

Carole Summers
gcsommers@ftc-i.net

803-478-2645, cell: 803-460-9626

Please send digital photographs as attachments and not embedded into a Word document.

America 250 Lecture Series

By Joe Glavitsch
President
Col. Robert Anderson Chapter

To celebrate the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution, the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter has initiated an America 250 Lecture Series.

We are working with historian, lecturer and battlefield preservationist Durant Ashmore. The first lecture was given June 18 to an audience of 55 people. Members of the SAR, DAR, SR and others interested in the Revolutionary War in South Carolina were in attendance.

This first lecture set the stage for the series and described life in South Carolina before the start of hostilities. Durant talked about how the British established important trade with the Cherokees, the clash of two very different cultures, and the travails of



Durant Ashmore [Photos by Chapter Registrar David Bennett]



Col. Robert Anderson Chapter members with historian Durant Ashmore (center) and Chapter President Joe Glavitsch (behind Durant and to the left). From left: Leonard Anglin, Jimmy Lonadier, David Bennett, Joe Glavitsch, Durant Ashmore, Glenn Farrow, Greg Hase and George Lyda [Photo by DAR Regent Loretta Mulle]

pioneers claiming and establishing homes and farms.

Durant's next lecture, Aug. 17, was about the start of hostilities and the Snow



Durant Ashmore Aug. 17 lecture. [Photos by Chapter Registrar David Bennett]

Campaign. Lectures will be given every other month, and we plan on scheduling them through 2024. More can be found on the SCSSAR website (SCSSAR.org) with a link to the Col. Robert Anderson webpage.



Chapter President Joe Glavitsch at Aug. 17 lecture.

Watch Aug. 17 video at <https://vimeo.com/855225594>

Man in the Arena

"It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat."

Theodore Roosevelt
President of the United States 1901-1909
SAR Member



The Five Medals in the Public Service and Heroism Series

By **Sonny Pittman**
SCSSAR Senior Vice President

I realize we spend most of our SAR time honoring our Patriot ancestors — the men who won America.

But I believe they would like us to honor our present-day heroes as well.

An easy way for your chapter to do that is by ordering one of the Public Service and Heroism (PS&H) medals and commendations from the SAR merchandise department and presenting the award in a chapter ceremony (with the news media present).

The five medals in the PS&H series recognize and honor citizens in our public service sectors of Law Enforcement, Fire Safety and Emergency Medical Services for their contributions to our communities and specific heroic acts. States, chapters and commendation recipients are recognized in a booklet published and distributed at the National Congress each July.

The fillable on-line Public Service & Heroism Report Form may be found on the NSSAR website under Committees, Public Service & Heroism.

<https://www.sar.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Public-Service-Heroism-Award-Reporting-Form.pdf>

Criteria for the Awarding of PS&H Medals

The Law Enforcement Commendation and Medal is presented to those who have served with distinction and devotion in the field of law enforcement. The medal is intended to recognize exceptional service or accomplishment in the field of law enforcement. Eligibility is not limited to peace officers but extends to the entire range of persons who make and enforce the law. This includes peace officers, attorneys, judges, prosecutors and legislators who have performed an exceptional act or service beyond that normally expected. The recipients are usually recommended by their superiors or peers for their accomplishments. The award may be presented posthumously.

If our nation is ever taken over, it will be taken over from within.

James Madison

The Fire Safety Commendation and Medal is presented to an individual for accomplishments and/or outstanding contributions in an area of fire safety and service. The award is not limited to firefighters. It may be presented to recognize a variety of fire safety and services that have evolved into a highly technical and skilled profession with constant study, development and involvement by numerous dedicated citizens with a single goal, which is protecting human life and property by preventing injuries or casualties due to fire and chemicals. The medal may be presented posthumously.

The Emergency Medical Services Commendation and Medal is presented to an individual for accomplishments and/or outstanding contributions in the field of emergency medical services. The award is intended for paramedics, certified Emergency Medical Technicians and others in the emergency medical field who have performed an act or service beyond which is normally expected. The medal may be presented posthumously.

A Heroism Commendation and Medal recognizes outstanding bravery and self-sacrifice in the face of imminent danger — i.e., acts which involve great personal courage and risk to the recipient. It is intended primarily for acts by civilians, not in uniform, but does not exclude police, firemen, EMS and SAR members. It is not intended to recognize acts that would have been covered in the performance of one's

normal duty, nor by medals for valor by the armed forces. Animals are not eligible for recognition. The medal may also be presented posthumously.

The SAR Life Saving Medal is presented to those individuals who have acted to save a human life without necessarily placing their own life or themselves in imminent danger. The medal is intended primarily for acts by civilians not in uniform, however, police officers, fire fighters, emergency medical personal, lifeguards and SAR Compatriots are not excluded from receiving this award. The medal is not intended to recognize acts that would otherwise qualify for military or another organization's valor and, in all cases, the fact that the actions of the rescuer saved the life of the victim must be validated by EMS or medical personnel.

More detailed information on specific awards may be found in the NSSAR Handbook, Vol. 5, along with the description of the qualifying service.

Web Site Information

National Society SAR Web Site: <http://www.sar.org>

Rest your mouse on the "Members" tab and then choose "Committees," then scroll down to "Public Service & Heroism."

<https://www.sar.org/committees/public-service-and-heroism-committee/>

Estill High School conducts its final commencement

Estill High School, Estill, South Carolina, held its final commencement, graduating the Class of 2023 on June 8.

A surprise presentation was the award of the Sons of the American Revolution Bronze Good Citizenship Medal and certificate to Lt. Col. Adrian Scott, U.S. Army (Ret) and Sergeant First Class Willie Jones, U.S. Army (Ret) for their many contributions to their cadets, the school and the Estill Community.

The photo shows the awards by Col. Harold Mills, USAF (Ret), the Military Awards Chairman of the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter of Beaufort, SC.

The Army JROTC unit at Estill is being deactivated. Next school year Estill will be merged into Hampton County High School, and the present Estill building will become a grade school. Lt. Col. Scott and



From left: Lt. Col. Adrian Scott, U.S. Army (Ret), Col. Harold Mills, USAF (Ret), Military Awards Chairman of the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter, and Sergeant First Class Willie Jones, U.S. Army (Ret) .

SFC Jones will be missed as they are not only dedicated patriots, but also are superb examples of national service and success for the rural Estill students.

Colonial Ball 2023

Your Society's next Colonial Ball will be held Dec. 16, 2023. A prospective debutante must be 17 years of age by the time of the Ball (there is no upper age limit at this time). It is not too early to talk to your daughters, granddaughters and nieces about your Society's wonderful opportu-

nity for the distinguished young ladies in your family.

The recognition they will receive at your Society's Colonial Ball will be something they, as well as yourself, will always remember. The elegant affair will be held in Charleston during the holiday season —

while the City is bedecked with Christmas decorations — a great thing to behold.

Greg Ohanesian, Chair
843-479-7193
P.O. Box 1373
Bennettsville, SC 29512

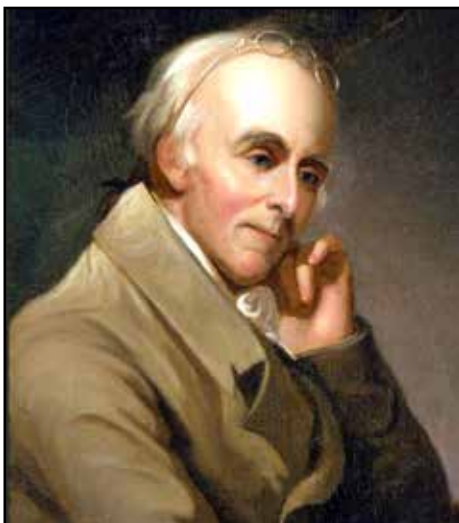
Stony Point, New York, July 15 and 16, 1779

After carefully gathering actionable intelligence on the British outpost, Washington ordered a raid to assault Stony Point and remove the threat which the British fortification posed to American defenses. Rather than deploy his entire army, which could have played into a British counterattack, Washington unleashed more than 1,000 men from his light infantry, a corps "composed of the best, most hardy and active marksman." The volunteer force was unencumbered by baggage and heavy artillery and earned renown for their daring, alertness, and efficiency. In order to accomplish this mission, the American officers sought volunteers for the forlorn hope and a hundred-man advance guard. The advance guard would be the first troops to enter the fort after the forlorn hope chopped through the walls, and they would bear the brunt of the enemy's defensive efforts. Many Marylanders answered the call, including free African American George Dias. Although history books don't often mention their contributions, as much as 10 percent of the Maryland troops in the American Revolution were African Americans.

Before the group had set out around noon, General "Mad Anthony" Wayne had ordered, "Should there be any soldier so lost to every feeling of honor, as to attempt to retreat one single foot or skulk in the face of danger, the officer next to him is immediately to put him to death." The same fate would befall any man who spoke or discharged his musket. The officers carried spontoons—long, menacing, razor-sharp iron pikes on the end of wooden poles—which would be used without hesitation to fulfill General Wayne's order should the need arise. And the need did arise—an officer ran through at least one man who tried to flee.

Washington's Immortals, by Patrick K. O'Donnell.

My Patriot ancestor, Private John Hanson of Virginia, fought at Stony Point.



"My arguments in favor of the use of the Bible as a school-book are founded, first, in the constitution of the human mind. The memory is the first faculty which opens in the minds of children. Of how much consequence, then, must it be to impress it with the great truths of Christianity before it is pre-occupied with less interesting subjects!"

**Benjamin Rush
Physician
Signer of Declaration of Independence**

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):

Parent's Full Name, Address & 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 & Unit of Revolutionary Ancestor (only one needed):

Full Name and relationship of Gentlemen who will present Debutante:

Full Name of Escort and Address:

Name, address, telephone no. 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.

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

Increase participation in SAR education contests

We would like to increase the participation in our education contests. Most history courses cover the Founding Fathers and the American Revolution in the first quarter of the year. Counselors and teachers went back to school the second week in July. If each chapter would choose one school or more and call or go by to get at least one email contact you can send them information. See page 23 for links to the different programs and due dates and suggested email language for the three levels of education, Elementary, Middle and High School. You can put a good subject and introduction to yourself or your chapter and then copy and paste what you find in the attachment.

Our programs fit under the Gifted and Talented instruction, which is mandated in our state.

Also Dr. Charles Vaughan has converted the Theodore Roosevelt Morton South Carolina Society SAR Scholarship from paper to electronic form. Since there has not been an award this year, we would like to get good applicants this fall for the 2023 award and this spring for 2024.

Thanks for your participation.

Dr. Gary Blanpied
Chairman of the SCSSAR Education Committee
Math Teacher
Irmo High School

Theodore ‘Ted’ Kinard

Theodore “Ted” Kinard, 87, of Walterboro, a retired Air Force Lieutenant Colonel and Compatriot of the Major General William Moultrie Chapter, passed away May 27. The family was seeking someone to represent the SAR at his funeral service, possibly wearing a uniform or colonial garb. Compatriot Dana Cheney of the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter and resident of Walterboro, gladly stepped forward to assist the family in their time of need. Cheney, a US Navy veteran and avid reenactor, was part of the Veterans Honor Guard and additionally manned the Bethel United Methodist Church door, greeting and assisting all the attendees prior to the start of the service. *Mike Monahan*



“Our contest is not only whether we ourselves shall be free, but whether there shall be left to mankind an asylum on earth for civil and religious liberty.”

Samuel Adams
Speech to the Second Continental Congress
Aug. 1, 1776.



Dana Cheney [Photo by Bonita Cheney]

How strangely will the Tools of a Tyrant pervert the plain Meaning of Words!

Samuel Adams, 1776

Increase participation in SAR education contests

Example of email for Elementary School Counselor or American History teacher

The Sons of the American Revolution sponsors a contest, for students in elementary school, that is consistent with the mandated curriculum for Gifted and Talented Students. **The Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest** is for students in grades 3-5. The link to the contest is

<https://www.sar.org/americanism-elementary-school-poster-contest-2/>

The deadline for submitting to our chapter _____ is Nov. 15, 2023.

We also have an award for outstanding teachers. The Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award link is here

<https://www.sar.org/dr-tom-betty-lawrence-american-history-teacher-award/>

The award is open to all teachers at the elementary, middle school or high school levels at a recognized public, private or parochial institution. While the preliminary rounds of the award program begin at the local chapter level, teachers may eventually advance to the state and national levels.

Example of email for Middle School Counselor or American History teacher

The Sons of the American Revolution sponsors a contest, for students in middle school, that is consistent with the mandated curriculum for Gifted and Talented Students. **The Sergeant Moses Adams Middle School Brochure Contest link is**

<https://www.sar.org/sgt-moses-adams-memorial-middle-school-brochure-contest/>

The deadline for submitting to our chapter _____ is Nov. 15, 2023.

We also have an award for outstanding teachers. The Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award link is here

<https://www.sar.org/dr-tom-betty-lawrence-american-history-teacher-award/>

The award is open to all teachers at the elementary, middle school or high school levels at a recognized public, private or parochial institution. While the preliminary rounds of the award program begin at the local chapter level, teachers may eventually advance to the state and national levels.

Example of email for High School Counselor or American History or Government teacher

The Sons of the American Revolution sponsors a contest for students in high school that is consistent with the mandated curriculum for Gifted and Talented Students. The link to **The George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Contest** is <https://www.sar.org/george-s-stella-m-knight-essay-contest/>

The deadline for submitting to our chapter _____ is Dec. 1, 2023.

We also have an award for outstanding teachers. The Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award link is here

<https://www.sar.org/dr-tom-betty-lawrence-american-history-teacher-award/>

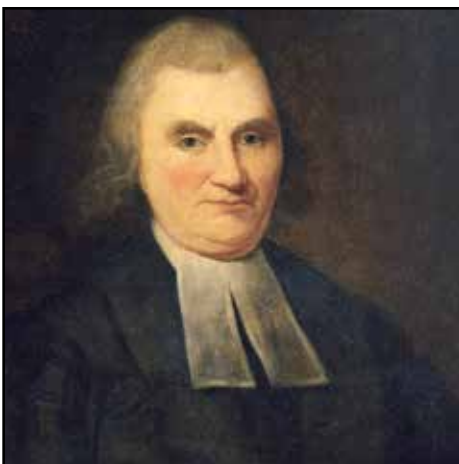
The award is open to all teachers at the elementary, middle school or high school levels at a recognized public, private or parochial institution. While the preliminary rounds of the award program begin at the local chapter level, teachers may eventually advance to the state and national levels.

We also have a scholarship of \$1,500 for high school seniors. The link to the Theodore Roosevelt Morton South Carolina Society SAR Scholarship is

<https://sites.google.com/view/scsar-scholarship>.

The deadline for 2023 is Nov. 1, 2023 and for 2024 is Feb. 15, 2024.

John Witherspoon: ‘To hesitate at this moment...’



John Witherspoon
President, Princeton University

And it is a fact of history that though the genius of a great statesman penned the Declaration of Independence, it was the convincing eloquence of a minister of the gospel that compelled the members of the Continental Congress to affix to it their signature. That minister, a member of the Congress, was the Rev. Dr. Witherspoon, President of Princeton College. The Congress hesitated. The destiny of a nation was suspended upon one hour of agonizing suspense. The historic document lay unrolled upon the table. At that critical moment the venerable President of Princeton arose, and with great emotion uttered these words:

To hesitate at this moment is to consent to our own slavery. That notable instrument upon your table, which insures immortality to its author, should be subscribed this very morning by every pen in this house. He that will not respond to its accent and strain every nerve to carry into effect its provisions is unworthy the name of freeman. Whatever I have of property, of reputation, is staked on the issue of this contest; and although these gray hairs must soon descend into the sepulcher, I would infinitely rather that they descend hither by the hand of an executioner than desert at this crisis the sacred cause of my country.

Saturday, November 18, 2023

8:30 AM - Registration Opens

9:00-9:05 AM - Welcome

9:05-9:45 AM - **Cherokees in the Revolutionary Era: Diplomacy, Conflict, and Peace:** Alice Taylor-Corbett

9:45-10:30 AM - **Bioarchaeology of the Camden Battlefield Burials:** Dr. Madeline Atwell, Dr. Bill Stevens, Richland County Coroners Office

10:30-10:45 AM - **Refreshment Break and visit with exhibitors**

10:45-11:30 AM - **Covered with Flame and Smoke: The Battle of Kings Mountain:** William Caldwell, Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail, NPS

11:30-11:45 AM - **SC 250th Commission Update:** Molly Fortune, Executive Director

11:45-Noon - **Battleground Trust Update:** Doug Bostick, Executive Director

Noon-1:00 PM - LUNCH

1:00-1:30 PM - **Freemasonry During the American Revolution: Separating Myth from Reality:** Steven Knapp, Director, The Newberry Museum

1:30-2:00 PM - **The South Carolina Royalists: A Provincial Regiment in the Southern Campaign:** Jim Piecuch

2:00-2:15 PM - **BREAK**

2:15-3:00 PM - **Duel of the Fates: The Battle of Blackstock's Plantation November 20th, 1780:** Mike Burgess

3:00-3:30 PM - **The South Carolina Navy in the Revolution:** Joe Long, SC Confederate Relic Room and Military Museum

3:30-3:45 PM - **Cannons on the Battlefield During the Revolutionary War in SC, their Use and Employment:** Tom Oblak, SCBPT

3:45 PM - **Cannon Firing Demonstration** (grassy area behind building): 4th SC Regiment, Artillery

Seminars will be held in the auditorium.

2023 Registration Form

\$50 Early Bird Registration (before July 31)

\$75 August 1 - November 1

\$100 November 2 - November 18

\$25 Student/Teacher (copy of current school ID required)

Not a SC Archives and History Foundation member? Join now at the annual rate for individuals of \$35.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

To register online, please visit:

<https://form.jotform.com/221584850183963>

I would like to charge \$ _____ to my credit card

Visa Mastercard Discover Amex

Card # _____

Expiration date _____ Security Code _____

I have enclosed a check (# _____) for \$ _____

Make check payable to SC Archives and History Foundation

Mail completed form and payment to:

SCAHF

American Revolution Symposium

8301 Parklane Road

Columbia, SC 29223

For additional information call 803-896-0339

or email DFoster@scdah.sc.gov

All cancellations must be made in writing (by email or to the address above). Cancellations requests received before November 1 will be refunded, less a \$15 administrative fee. Cancellations on November 1 or later will not be refunded.

Cambridge Chapter Awards Flag Certificates



Brian T. Caller (left), Facility Manager for Caterpillar, Inc.'s Large Power Systems plant at Hodges, receives the SAR Flag Certificate from Cambridge Chapter Secretary Rick Morris.



Julie Guan, Jeweler (left), and Henry Heron (right), owner of Tidwell Jewelers of Greenwood, accept an SAR Flag Certificate presented to the firm by George Coleman (center), Treasurer of the Cambridge Chapter. The Cambridge Chapter presents a Flag Certificate for proper display at residences, business firms and industries in the Chapter Service Area (Abbeville, Greenwood and McCormick Counties). [Photos by Sam Davis]



Mrs. Shirley Lowe receives an SAR Flag Certificate from Cambridge Chapter Treasurer George Coleman, presented for display of the American Flag at her residence.

State Poster Contest Winner



Leila Bissell, the SAR State Society's first place winner for the 2023 Poster Contest, received a \$300 check from the SCSSAR. Leila's poster was based on her Compatriot, Daniel Bissell. Pictured from left: Sergeant Troy Krapf, Beaufort County Deputy Sheriff

(Americanism Chairman); Major Justin Bissell, USMC Air Station - Beaufort; Michael Henry Monahan, President of the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter, Lowcountry Regional Vice President, and Vice Commander, Color Guard SCSSAR. [Photo by Ashley Bissell].

When you're 20 you care what everyone thinks, when you're 40 you stop caring what everyone thinks, when you're 60 you realize no one was ever thinking about you in the first place. You have enemies? Good. That means you've stood up for something, sometime in your life.

**British Prime Minister
Winston Churchill
SAR Member
Through His American Mother
Lady Randolph Spencer-
Churchill**

The Henry Laurens Chapter, Aiken, South Carolina Society and the Colonel William Few Chapter, Augusta, Georgia Society

Cordially invite you to attend the 242nd Anniversary Commemoration
of the **Second Siege of Augusta**
Saturday, 1 p.m., Sept. 16
Salvation Army Kroc Center Auditorium, 1833 Broad Street, Augusta, Georgia

Schedule of Events:

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. — Our Combined SAR Color Guards will support the Augusta Chapter, NSDAR in conducting Constitution Day activities at St. Paul's Church, 605 Reynolds Street.

9:30 a.m. - Noon — We will host a combined meeting of the Georgia and South Carolina C.A.R. in the Kroc Center Auditorium.

Noon - 1 p.m. — The Augusta Chapter NSDAR and the local SAR chapters will host a luncheon consisting of barbecue sandwiches, potato salad and tea provided by Larry Sconyers Bar-B-Que in the Kroc Center Lunchroom. Cake for dessert. You must sign up for the luncheon in advance, and the cost is \$16 per person.

1 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. — We will conduct the commemoration ceremony in the comfortable 300-seat Kroc Center Auditorium. The ceremony will consist of bringing greetings, a battle seminar by Historian Steven Rauch and wreath presentations.

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

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

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

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

242nd Anniversary of the Second Siege of Augusta
Attendance and Wreath Registration

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

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number _____

Email Address: _____

Society Name: _____

Chapter Name: _____

Name of Presenter: _____

Title (if desired): _____

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

Will Participate in the Color Guard: _____

Will Participate in the 12 p.m. lunch at \$16 per person. _____

Checks for lunch should be sent to Sue Pittman, 2202 Holly Haven Court, Augusta, GA 30907.

Number of Attendees for lunch: _____ x \$16 = _____ total

This year we are asking that adults please make a \$5 donation to help us defray expenses of conducting this commemoration event (auditorium and lunchroom rental and cost of the black powder for the musket and cannon firers that cost nearly \$1,000).

Last Year's Commemoration



Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter

By Thomas Blackmon
Chapter President
Pee Dee Vice President

The Col. Matthew Singleton held its quarterly meeting July 25, during which the recognition of service and the rewarding of participation were the highlights of the evening.

The Chapter was proud to host Hunter, Wilhelm and Ranger Grooves along with their grandparents Brian and Mary Grooves. These young men diligently undertook a variety of the Sons of the American Revolution Youth Program contests for which their efforts were rewarded by the South Carolina Society and the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter.

Hunter Groves received the Second Place Award and a check for \$200 for his SCSSAR Americanism Poster Contest entry, with Benjamin Franklin as his topic of choice. Wilhelm Grooves received First Place for the Sgt. Moses Adams Brochure Contest for the SCSSAR along with a check for \$500, having chosen the U.S. Constitution. Hunter, Wilhelm and Ranger Grooves also were participants in the Benjamin Franklin Reading Program, where each selected a series of books pertaining to the American Revolution and provided a summary to our Education Committee Chairman. For their dedication to the study of American history, each was awarded a Certificate of Achievement and a check for \$25.

As President of the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter, I congratulate our contest winners and extend my thanks to their mother and teacher Megan Grooves and grandparents for fostering a sense of wonder as to the founding of our country and appreciation for the origins of their freedom and liberty.

Our chapter was also proud to honor DAR Liaison and daughter of SCSSAR Genealogist John Summerford, Amy Vaughn, with the Sons of the American Revolution Medal of Appreciation for her assistance with six applicants, now members of the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter. Mrs. Vaughn has promoted a joint recruitment effort via the Sumter County Fair for the last two years and has encouraged genealogical research and the securing of needed information for our perspective members. We are extremely grateful for her efforts.

The Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter has also been working to honor the service of our Compatriots to the defense of the United States through the NSSAR Veterans Recognition Corps. Compatri-



SCSSAR Youth Program Contest Winners Hunter, Wilhelm and Ranger Grooves receive their awards from Chapter President Thomas Blackmon, alongside grandparents Brian and Mary Grooves. [Photo by Amy Vaughn]

ots James Bagnal, John Duffie and Paul Harvin were honored for their military service as new members of the Veterans Recognition Corps and are awarded the SAR Military Medal.

Compatriot William Hartley was honored as a member of the World War II and Korean War Veterans Corps and awarded the War Service Medal with World War II and Korean War Campaign bars. Compatriot John Loney was honored as a Korean War Veterans Corps member and awarded the War Service Medal with Korean Campaign Bar.

Compatriots James Ingram and Ralph Sandifer were honored as Vietnam Veterans Corps and awarded the War Service Medal with Vietnam Campaign Bar. Compatriot William Gamble was honored as a member of the South West Asia, Kosovo and Special Operation Veterans Corps and awarded the War Service Medal with South West Asia and Kosovo Campaign Bars.

Compatriot Frank Martin was honored as a member of the Special Operations Veterans Corps and is awarded the War Service Medal. Compatriots Marion Cain and Harold Gonzales will be recognized as part of the South West Asia Veterans Corps and awarded the SAR War Service Medal with South West Asia Campaign Bar at our October meeting. These men are direct descendants of those who sacrificed their time, talent and lives to ensure



Compatriots of the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter receive the SCSSAR Membership Insignia. [Photo by Amy Vaughn]

the founding of a new country as the United States. These same men followed in that same tradition to take up the mantle of its defense for which we are forever indebted.

Finally, Chapter President Thomas Blackmon was honored to personally issue the first SCSSAR Membership Insignia since the society's inception in 1889 to Col. Matthew Singleton Compatriots. We ask that all our Compatriots wear them with pride.



Sumter's Home Chapter DAR member Amy Vaughn is awarded the SAR Medal of Appreciation. [Photo by John Summerford]

Our country may be likened to a new house. We lack many things, but we possess the most precious of all — liberty!

James Monroe

Commemoration of Brigadier General Thomas Sumter

By Thomas Blackmon
Chapter President
Pee Dee Vice President

The Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter was co-sponsor and co-host for a Commemoration of General Thomas Sumter Aug. 13.

The event was the result of a partnership between the SAR, the Sumter's Home Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Sumter County Americanism 250th Committee.

For our inaugural ceremony, we were honored to have four direct descendants



Tomb of Brigadier General Thomas Sumter at Thomas Sumter Memorial Park, Sumter South Carolina.

of Gen. Sumter, including Col. Matthew Singleton Compatriot John Loney, who is the great-grandson of Thomas Sumter. He was joined by his great niece Tiffany Bucci, Thomas Tisdale and Elizabeth Rhoades. We were proud to host State President Ted Walker, who also served as our Color Guardsmen; Doug Doster, Past SCSSAR President; and SCSSAR Genealogist John Summerford along with the officers and men of the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter.

The Daughters of the America Revolution were represented by members of the Hobkirk Hill Chapter of Camden, South Carolina, and Sumter's Home Chapter. Furthermore, the Sumter Shaw Partnership initiative was on full display as the Shaw Air Force Base and 20th Fighter Wing Commander, Colonel Kristoffer R. Smith and his wife Mrs. Gayle Smith were in atten-



Sounding of Taps by 20th Fighter Wing Honor Guard, Shaw Air Force Base.



Wreaths presented by the family of Thomas Sumter, SCSSAR State Ted President Walker, Sumter's Home Chapter, DAR Regent Gullledge and Vice Regent Roof, and Thomas Blackmon, Pee Dee Regional Vice President and Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter President.

dance beside a detail from the 20th Fighter Wing Honor Guard.

Rev. Michael Broadway, a member of the Sumter County Americanism 250th Committee, presented remarks on the life and legacy of Brig. Gen. Thomas Sumter outfitted in the regimental uniform of a general officer. As a member of the Education Subcommittee, Rev. Broadway is part of a larger effort to bring history alive in area schools, so that students will have a better understanding of the American Revolution and the individual stories of those who participated in the conflict.

As a tribute to Gen. Sumter, Penny Steed



SCSSAR President Ted Walker with America 250 wreath. [Photo by Amy Vaughn]



Rev. Michael Bowman portrays Gen. Thomas Sumter. [Photos by Christine Gonzales]

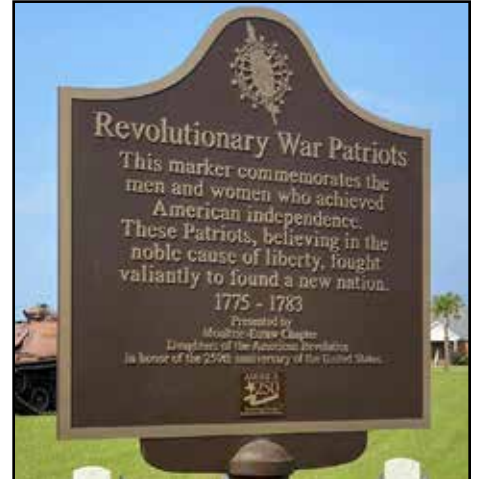
of Sumter's Home Chapter and the Sumter Americanism 250th Committee conducted our wreath laying ceremony. Honors were rendered by SCSSAR State President Ted Walker, descendants of Thomas Sumter, Sumter's Home Chapter Vice Regent Diana Smith, and Pee Dee Region Vice President and Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter President Thomas Blackmon. The ceremony concluded with a moment of silence, followed by the sounding of Taps, courtesy of the 20th Fighter Wing Honor Guard.

The Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter would like to express our thanks to DAR Vice Regent Roof and Regent Beverly Gullledge and the Sumter Americanism 250th Committee for their partnership in making this a successful event.



Descendants of Thomas Sumter and guests.

SCDAR Dedicates America 250! Marker at Barnwell Veterans Park



The South Carolina Daughters of the American Revolution dedicated its seventh America 250! Marker at the Barnwell Veterans Park in Barnwell July 4. Julia Wannamaker, Moultrie-Eutaw Chapter Regent, and chapter members coordinated the event. SCSSAR President Ted Walker led the SCSSAR Color Guard. In addition, 21 Revolutionary War commemorative markers and 13 War of 1812 markers were moved to the Barnwell Veterans Park and encircle the America 250! Marker to honor Barnwell County Revolutionary War Veterans. The markers were dedicated by the Gen. John Barnwell Chapter (since disbanded) in November 1933 at the former Winton County Courthouse (now Barnwell County) site. *Bonnie Glasgow Moffat, SCDAR State Regent.*



From left: Ted Walker President, SCSSAR; Pete Widell, Commander, Color Guard SCSSAR, Doug Doster, Past President, SCSSAR; Neel Flannagan, President Henry Laurens Chapter SCSSAR; John Verenes, William Stroud Society C.A.R.; and Will Verenes, William Stroud Society C.A.R. Couple in front: Steve and Julia Wannamaker, Moultrie-Eutaw Chapter Regent

Bishop Charles Betts Galloway, 1898

A nation ashamed of its
ancestry will be despised by
its posterity.

Thomas Taylor Chapter Second Quarter Meeting

COLUMBIA — The Col. Thomas Taylor Chapter held its second quarter meeting Thursday, June 29, at Columbia’s Palmetto Club with 36 members and guests in attendance.

Chapter President Chip Griffin introduced State President Ted Walker, who presented greetings to the membership, extolling the joys of active participation in service activities available throughout the state.

After routine chapter business, the Chapter inducted five new members: Douglas Fabel (Capt. John Slaughter, 5th Reg. NC Continental Line), Russell Jeter (Capt. Swanson Lundsford, Lee’s Legion), William Logan (Thomas Logan, McAfee’s Company, SC Militia), Brian Tolar (James

Crawford, Edisto Island Company, Voluntary Militia), and T. Lowndes Pope (Maj. Gen. Thomas Pinckney, SC Governor, Minister to Britain, and US Congressman).

Chapter Registrar (and newly elected Midlands Vice President) Bucky Haas presented certificates to the new members, and President Walker pinned them with SAR rosettes.

Historian Dean Hunt capped off the meeting with a comprehensive and entertaining account of the 1781 Massacre at Clouds Creek led by “Bloody Bill” Cunningham in today’s Saluda County. The Col. Thomas Taylor Chapter presently includes 77 Compatriots living through the Midlands Region.



Chapter President Chip Griffin



From left: Chapter President Chip Griffin, Dean Hunt, Certificate of Appreciation, and Ted Walker, SCSSAR State President.



Life Member Rick Corbett (left), and State Chaplain Richard Crozier.



Historian Dean Hunt

A competent leader can get efficient service from poor troops, while on the contrary an incapable leader can demoralize the best of troops.

Gen. John J. Pershing
SAR Member



From left: Chapter President Chip Griffin, State President Ted Walker, Midlands Vice President Bucky Haas, new members Russell Jeter, Brian Tolar, T. Lowndes Pope, Bill Logan, and Douglas Fabel. [Photos by Candy Griffin]

Aug. 19, 1782: Battle of Blue Licks — one of the last major engagements of the war, almost 10 months after the surrender of British Gen. Charles Cornwallis at Yorktown. About 50 Loyalists along with 300 indigenous warriors ambushed and routed 182 Kentucky militiamen, who were partially led by Daniel Boone, killing 72. It was the last victory for the Loyalists and natives during the frontier war.

SCSSAR Welcomes New Members

The SCSSAR welcomes the following new members.

Leonard Andrew Anglin, Col. Robert Anderson Chapter.

James Harold Crawford, Godfrey Dreher Chapter.

Jackson Lowry McNeese, Col. William Bratton Chapter.

Thomas E. Lynch, Dr. George Mosse Chapter.

Robert Walter Meriam, Maj. Gen William Moultrie Chapter.

Jimmy Dale Lonadier, South Carolina Society SAR.

Jared Stamps Mayhew, South Carolina Society SAR

Leon Clark Sell, South Carolina Society SAR

John E. Meeker, Dr. George Mosse Chapter.

John Theron Thorne Jr., Col. Thomas Taylor Chapter.

David Lynn Twigg, Henry Laurens Chapter.

James Lafayette Zeigler, Col. Thomas Taylor Chapter.

John David Craig, Col. Robert Anderson Chapter.

Robert Eugene Young, Col. Robert Anderson Chapter.

Christian Blake Ward, Col. Thomas Taylor Chapter.

William Hastings Greene Jr., Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter.

Gordon Duane Sproul, Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter.

Roll Call of the Departed

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

Donald Gary Jones, Godfrey Dreher Chapter, June 8.

Joel Walter Satterthwaite, Col. Robert Anderson Chapter, June 9.

Max Burton Trout, Daniel Morgan Chapter.

John Jenkins LaRoche, Maj. Gen. William Moultrie Chapter.

Ernest Randolph Shives III, Col. Thomas Taylor Chapter, July 4.

David Donald Berns, Col. William Bratton.

William Edward Eutsler Jr., Gen. Francis Marion Chapter.

Please send digital photographs as attachments and not embedded into a Word document.

Aug. 27, 1776

“If a good bleeding can bring those Bible-faced Yankees to their senses, the fever of independency should soon abate,” British officer at the Battle of Long Island.

How to submit items to *The Palmetto Patriot*

The Palmetto Patriot welcomes articles and photos from compatriots in the South Carolina Society.

Here are some pointers.

Keep articles as short as possible while still telling the story. Send articles in Microsoft Word format to Tom.Hanson@HansonCommunications.org

Send digital photographs as attachments and not embedded into the Word document.

Make sure your images are high resolution, at least 200 DPI, and that no time or date stamps appear in the images.

Limit the number of photographs to those you would like most to appear in the publication.

In group shots, have participants drop their hands to their sides to avoid fig leaf poses.

When taking photos at meetings, get as close to the speaker as possible, and avoid shooting the backs of audience heads.

From Eric Barnhill, Gen. Andrew Pickens Chapter: Fill the frame with the subject, unless you are trying to capture a large area (monument, battlefield). Better to get head shots than feet shots. Choose your background carefully. Often it just takes a minute to look around and find a more appropriate background. Watch your lighting. Better to have subjects face the lights (sun for outdoor shots) and be careful of indoor lights, your camera may set the exposure for lights if they are in the shots. Articles are always more interesting when pictures accompany them. Take lots of digital pictures and choose the ones that best capture the subject. Check your spelling, spell check sometimes makes words you don't want.

Please meet the deadlines that are mentioned in each issue of *The Palmetto Patriot*.

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on SCSSAR Website**

We will be uploading all of the draft (non-approved) minutes to the members-only area of the website.

Before each Board of Governors meeting, the draft minutes will be available to download and read. Once they are approved at a BOG meeting, they will be available for publication in *The Palmetto Patriot* as an official historical document of the SCSSAR.

Once a government is committed to the principle of silencing the voice of opposition, it has only one way to go, and that is down the path of increasingly repressive measures, until it becomes a source of terror to all its citizens and creates a country where everyone lives in fear.

**President Harry S. Truman
SAR Member**

Calendar of Events

Sept. 16 — Constitution Week celebration, Augusta, Georgia, Saint Paul's Church, NSDAR, 9:30 a.m.

Sept. 16 — Siege of Augusta, Augusta, Georgia, SCSSAR and GASSAR Joint event, 2 p.m.

Sept. 17 — Constitution Day program, with Bell Ringing Ceremony, Sunday, Sept. 17 (Constitution Day) at the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection, 700 Main St., South, in Greenwood, beginning at 2:30 p.m. Program sponsors: Mount Ariel Chapter, SC Society DAR (Hodges); Star Fort Chapter, SC Society DAR (Greenwood); and the Issaqueenna Chapter, SC Society DAR, now being organized as a new Chapter in District III, SC Society DAR.

Sept. 30 — Colonial Days Booth, 950 Stony Landing, Monks Corner, for more information call 843 899-5101.

Oct. 6 — South Atlantic District Meeting, Spartanburg, Time TBD

Oct. 7 — Battle of Kings Mountain, NSSAR / SCSSAR National Event, Daniel Morgan Chapter.

Oct. 14 — Grave Marking William Bratton Chapter. More information to come.

Oct. 21 — Board of Governors. Shannon United Methodist Church, Columbia, arrive 11:30 a.m.

Nov. 10-12 — Battle of Camden reenactment, Camden,

Nov. 11 — Veterans Day celebrations / National Event.

Nov. 18 — Columbia Archives SCSSAR Recruiting Booth

Nov. 18 — Battle of Blackstock's Plantation, James Williams Chapter, commemoration of the Battle at Blackstock's plantation, 10 a.m. More details to follow.

Dec. 2 — Battle of Great Cane Brake. Col. Anderson Chapter, Hopkins Farm, Simpsonville.

Dec. 5 — SCSSAR Executive Committee Zoom meeting, 7 p.m.

Dec. 8 — Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter Dinner meeting, Beaufort.

Dec. 16 — 250th Anniversary Boston Tea Party

Dec. 16 — Wreaths Across America Memorial National Event.

Jan. 13, 2024 — Daniel Morgan Commemoration, Downtown Spartanburg, Saturday.

Jan. 17 Wednesday — Battle of Cowpens, National event / SCSSAR Daniel Morgan Chapter.

Jan. 27 — Board of Governors. Shannon United Methodist Church, Columbia, arrive 11:30 a.m.

Feb. 9 Friday — Heroes of the Hornets' Nest, GASSAR at Elijah State Park.

Cambridge Summer Social

The Cambridge Chapter had its annual Summer Social Aug. 8 with 61 in attendance, 21 Chapter members, three prospective members, three SAR Chapters, six DAR Chapters, and spouses, friends and guests.

Special guests included our SCSSAR President Ted Walker and his wife, Linda; Dianne Culbertson, Past Vice President General National Society DAR, SC DAR; Robin Verenes, District III Regent, and her husband, Deno; and Julia Barnes, President of Colonial Dames 17th Century-Jacob Van der Ver Chapter, and her husband, Compatriot Michael Barnes.

Guest speaker was Dr. Franklin Rausch, History Professor, Landers University, who spoke on Loyalist Col. David Fanning, and his arrests and escapes during the Revolution.



Photos by John Cooper
Cambridge Chapter
President.



Guest speaker Dr. Franklin Rausch, History Professor, Landers University



Julia Barnes and her husband, Compatriot Michael Barnes.

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**Rev. Benjamin F. Morris’ 1864 book
The Christian Life and Character of the Civil Institutions of the United States.**

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**President Calvin Coolidge
SAR Member**

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 Chairman Ralph Welton at edwlsur@clemsun.edu

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT IN THE NSSAR NATIONAL LIFE MEMBERSHIP PLAN

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

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Name of Applicant:	National Number:	Life Member Number:
Address:		Date of Birth:
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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 133rd Congress in July 2023, 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.**

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2 = \$1,516	17 = \$1,406	32 = \$1,250	47 = \$1,027	62 = \$739	77 = \$413	92 = \$154
3 = \$1,510	18 = \$1,397	33 = \$1,238	48 = \$1,010	63 = \$718	78 = \$392	93 = \$144
4 = \$1,504	19 = \$1,388	34 = \$1,225	49 = \$992	64 = \$697	79 = \$371	94 = \$134
5 = \$1,497	20 = \$1,379	35 = \$1,212	50 = \$974	65 = \$676	80 = \$351	95 = \$126
6 = \$1,491	21 = \$1,369	36 = \$1,198	51 = \$955	66 = \$655	81 = \$331	96 = \$119
7 = \$1,484	22 = \$1,360	37 = \$1,184	52 = \$936	67 = \$634	82 = \$311	97 = \$112
8 = \$1,477	23 = \$1,350	38 = \$1,170	53 = \$917	68 = \$612	83 = \$292	98 = \$106
9 = \$1,470	24 = \$1,340	39 = \$1,156	54 = \$898	69 = \$590	84 = \$274	99 = \$100
10 = \$1,463	25 = \$1,330	40 = \$1,141	55 = \$879	70 = \$568	85 = \$256	100 + = \$95
11 = \$1,455	26 = \$1,319	41 = \$1,126	56 = \$859	71 = \$546	86 = \$239	
12 = \$1,448	27 = \$1,308	42 = \$1,110	57 = \$839	72 = \$523	87 = \$223	
13 = \$1,440	28 = \$1,297	43 = \$1,095	58 = \$819	73 = \$501	88 = \$207	
14 = \$1,431	29 = \$1,286	44 = \$1,078	59 = \$800	74 = \$478	89 = \$192	
15 = \$1,423	30 = \$1,274	45 = \$1,062	60 = \$779	75 = \$457	90 = \$179	

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Battle of Eutaw Springs Commemoration

**By Doug Doster
Vice President
Battle of Eutaw Springs Chapter**

The Battle of Eutaw Springs 242nd Anniversary Commemoration was held Friday and Saturday, Sept. 8 and 9. This year's Commemoration was one of the best ever thanks to good participation from SAR, DAR and C.A.R. representatives.

David Reuwer's narrated tour Friday afternoon of specific sites of the battle was well attended and most informative.

Forty-three attended the dinner-pro-

gram Friday night at Clark's Inn and Restaurant in Santee. Our speaker, LTC David Preston, Ph.D., delivered a presentation on the Coming of the American Revolution.

The Patriotic Program at the Historic Church of the Epiphany Saturday morning was also well attended by SAR, DAR and C.A.R. members. Michael Burgess gave a presentation on the challenges of teaching American Revolution History in today's schools.

The rain held off, and we had a fine Wreath Ceremony at the Battle Monument Park. We presented 25 streamers to those

chapters and societies in attendance. The S.C. Battleground Preservation Trust Cannon Team and the Washington Light Infantry Color Guard made the event all the more memorable.

A group traveled to Gen. Francis Marion's tomb that afternoon where flags and wreaths were displayed. Some in attendance told stories about the "Swamp Fox."

Support from the Eutawville community continues to grow in the commemoration of this pivotal battle in the American Revolution.

This is a Nationally Recognized SAR event.

Dinner Program at Clark's Inn, Santee



The Daughters of the American Revolution enjoy supporting the efforts of the SAR. From left: Jo Wyrosdick, Treasurer; Alice Caskey, SCSDAR Vice Regent and member of the William Capers Chapter in Columbia; and Julia Wannamaker, Regent, and members of the Moultrie-Eutaw chapter in Orangeburg.



From left: Doug Doster, Chapter Historian and Event Chairman, Chapter President Jim Wyrosdick, guest speaker LTC David L. Preston, Ph.D., and SCSSAR President Ted Walker. Dr. Preston, Distinguished Professor of History at the Citadel, spoke on "Echoes of War: Origins of the Revolutionary War"

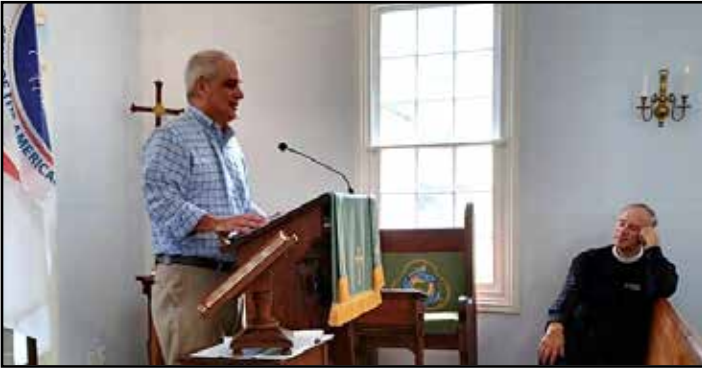


Julia Wannamaker, DAR Moultrie-Eutaw Chapter Regent and SCSSAR President Ted Walker.

Historic Church of the Epiphany, Eutawville



Historic Church of the Epiphany, Eutawville



From left: Chapter President Jim Wyrosdick, Doug Doster, Chapter Historian and Event Chairman, SCSSAR President Ted Walker guest speaker Michael Burgess.



Cynthia Lee of Summerville, South Carolina.



Doug Doster, Chapter Vice President and Event Chairman



Color Guard prepares to enter church.



Historic Church of the Epiphany, Eutawville



From left: Chapter President Doug Doster, Chapter Vice President; SCSSAR President Ted Walker; guest speaker Michael Burgess.; and Chapter President Jim Wyrosdick,

Francis Marion Tomb



Doug Doster (second from left), Rick Morris, Piedmont Regional Vice President (second from right), and John Boyles (right) with members of the Washington Light Infantry.



Eutaw Springs Battlesite



S.C. Battleground Preservation Trust Cannon Team



Washington Light Infantry

Photos by Jud Yaski and Ted Walker



Gen. Julian Burns and the S.C. Battleground Preservation Trust Cannon Team.



Judson LeViner (left) and SCSSAR President Ted Walker.