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**243rd Anniversary
Battle of Kings Mountain**

From the President's Desk

**Ted
Walker**

The Education Challenge

By Ted Walker
SCSSAR President

Happy Holidays to all my Compatriot brothers, their families, the Daughters of the American Revolution, Children of the American Revolution, and all organizations we partner with to accomplish our mission. My family and I wish you good times in your gatherings, and a safe and meaningful holiday season.

Our South Carolina Society has been busy over the last year and accomplished many things. Every chapter has been involved in various community activities, and I am proud of you all.

This winter edition of *The Palmetto Patriot* covers mainly activities in the last quarter of the year, so I will highlight some of the events we held. On Oct. 6 and 7 the Daniel Morgan Chapter of Spartanburg, Grantham Wood, President, and his officers hosted the South Atlantic District meeting, the Battle of Kings Mountain and John Dodd, President General, NSSAR. Grantham was Aide-de-camp for the President General and did a great job taking care of his needs. Both events, the South Atlantic District meeting and Battle of Kings Mountain commemoration, were excellent.

On Oct. 14, the William Bratton Chapter of Rock Hill, Brett Reed, President, and chapter officers hosted a patriot grave marking ceremony in Chester. This event was well attended with about 50 members and guests. Brett was master of ceremonies and did an outstanding job. Also at the grave site, Pete Widell, Color Guard Commander, and Gray Bobo, Historian C.A.R., did a musket salute to honor patriots.

On Oct. 28 the Thomas Taylor Chapter, of Columbia, Chip Griffin, President, and his officers hosted the Ellison family Patriot grave-marking ceremony in Winnsboro. The event was an all-day affair starting with the marking ceremony at the

grave site, a musket salute, lunch, family program tribute in the theater, and a cannon/living history demonstration. In attendance were about 90 members and guests. Chip and his chapter members are to be commended for an outstanding program

On Oct. 21 the SCSSAR Society held its board of governors meeting in Columbia. Many state members were recognized for their outstanding service to our society, and we conducted normal business and were able to vote on and start the new Burch's Mill Chapter in Florence. Congratulations to Buddy Witherspoon, Vice President of Chapter Formation, Thomas Blackmon, Vice President of the Pee Dee Region, and all officers of our new Florence Chapter for their outstanding work.

Nov. 6 the Henry Laurens Chapter of Aiken, Neel Flannagan, President; Robin Verenes, District III, Director/Trenton NSDAR; William Stroud Society, Children of the American Revolution, of Aiken; and American Legion Post 77 sponsored a Veterans Day program for resident veterans at the Anchor Healthcare facility in Aiken. The William Stroud Society children passed out blankets the society had made to thank each veteran for their service. Outstanding job by all!!!

Nov. 10 Ted Walker, State President, SCSSAR; Pete Widell, Color Guard Commander, SCSSAR; John Goodwin, President of the Joseph Kershaw Chapter in Camden; Kelly Widell, Vice President of the South Carolina Society Children of the American Revolution; NSDAR Chapters, reenactors in 1700 period attire, historians, period craftsmen and others, with booths, living history displays, Revolutionary War artifacts, cannons, artillery and much more created an educational learning event in

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COVER PHOTO: At the Kings Mountain Grave of British Col. Patrick Ferguson are (from left) Grantham Wood, President of the host Daniel Morgan Chapter, NSSAR President General John L. Dodd, SC House District 30 Rep. Brian Lawson, and Scott Collins, National Color Guard Commander.

**The deadline for the Spring Edition
of *The Palmetto Patriot* is Feb. 26.**

Oct. 21 Board of Governors



Douglas Doster, Past President, SCSSAR (left), and Ted Walker, President SCSSAR



On Oct. 21 the South Carolina Society Sons of the American Revolution held its board of governors meeting in Columbia. The pictured SCSSAR members received certificates of appreciation / awards and were recognized by Ted Walker, State President, for their outstanding contribution, service and dedication to the SAR.



Grantham Wood, President of the Daniel Morgan Chapter in Spartanburg (left), and Ted Walker, President, SCSSAR



Chip Griffin, President of the Thomas Taylor, Chapter in Columbia (left), and Ted Walker, President, SCSSAR



Job Babb, Chairman of the America 250 Committee, SCSSAR (left), and Ted Walker, President, SCSSAR

President's Letter

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Kershaw, South Carolina. The host for this event was Southern Campaign 1780 Liberty Live. Sheri Davis, and others, planned and coordinated all aspects of the education day. Parents, teachers, educators, home schoolers and more than 2,200 students participated. Ted Walker and Pete Widell dressed in colonial attire manned our SAR booth at the gate entrance.

At 9 a.m. a line of school buses arrived with more than 2,000 children, teachers

and chaperons, and the children immediately came to our living history booth. We gave lots of presentations, demonstrated how to load a musket, discussed militia tactics, children's chores, and life in 1700s. Information was presented on SAR youth programs, the SCSSAR Scholarship, Ben Franklin reading program and more.

I also provided brochures on the SAR Poster contest, Eagle Scout contest, NJROTC programs, History Teacher of the Year and others. Many teachers, parents and educators were interested in the SAR youth contest and indicated they will be in contact with the SAR and our local chap-

ters. This event was outstanding in every way, and I commend Southern Campaign 1780 Liberty Live for all their hard work and job well done.

The above listed events are a sample of our State Society activities. We have many more events scheduled in December. I applaud everyone who is working to tell the story of our forefathers and recommend to all of our members to attend and participate in some of the coming events.

Ted Walker
State President
SCSSAR



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Gary Blanpied, President of the Godfrey Dreher Chapter and Chairman of the Education Committee SCSSAR (left), and Ted Walker, President SCSSAR



Mike Monahan, Low County Vice President, SCSSAR (left), and Ted Walker, President, SCSSAR. [Photo by Jim Closson]



Walter "Buddy" Witherspoon, Vice President of Chapter Formation SCSSAR (left), and Ted Walker, President SCSSAR



Gary Blanpied (left), President of the Godfrey Dreher Chapter and Chairman of the Education Committee SCSSAR, and Ted Walker, President SCSSAR



James Closson, State Registrar SCSSAR (left), and Ted Walker, President SCSSAR.



Pete Widell, Color Guard Commander, SCSSAR (left), and Ted Walker, President SCSSAR.



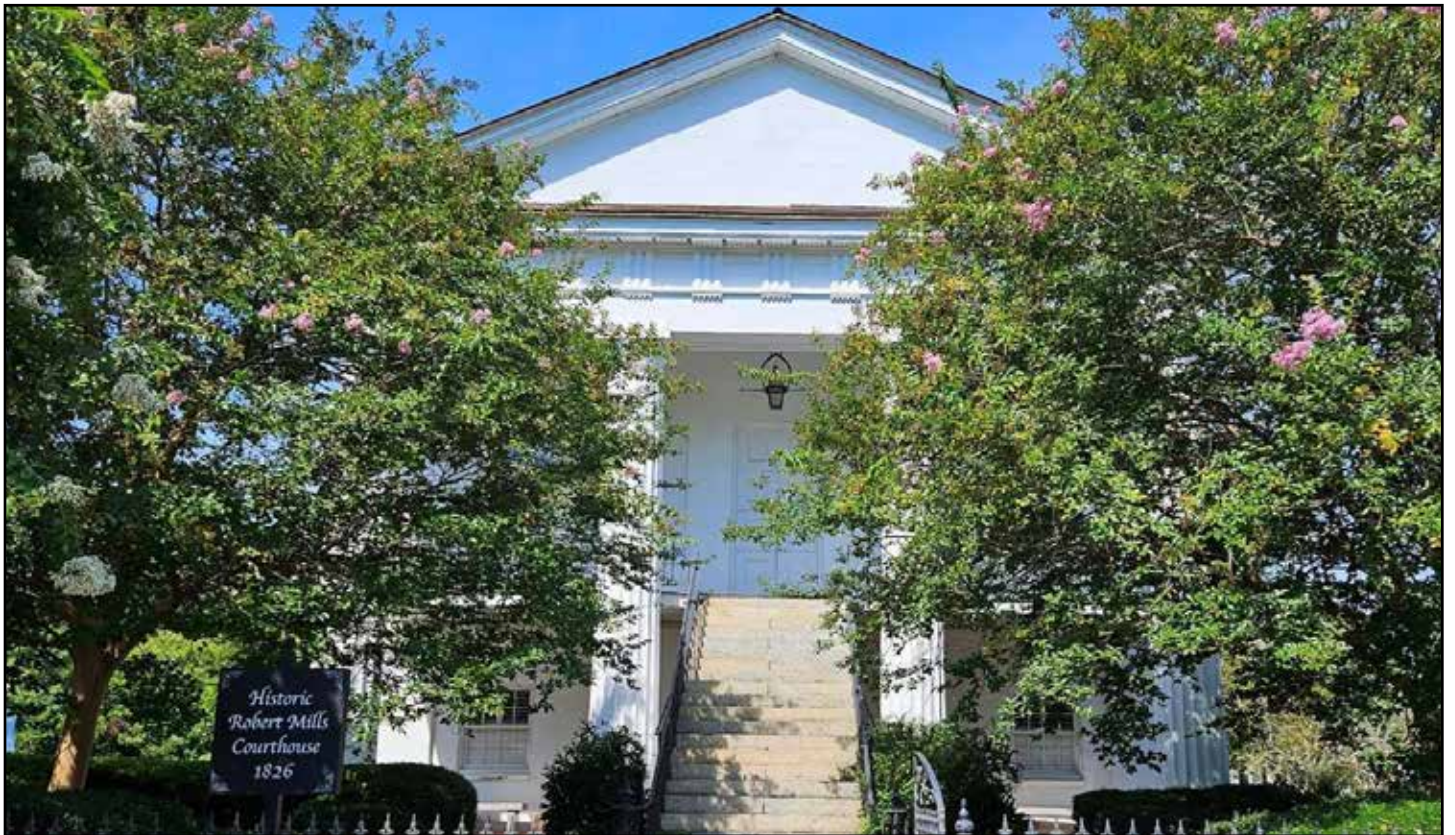
Board of Governors



Ted Walker, President SCSSAR (left), and Rick Morris, Piedmont Region Vice President SCSSAR, assisting in awards ceremony.

Photos by Mike Monahan

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



243rd Anniversary Battle of Kings Mountain

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John Dodd, President General, NSSAR, National Officers, State Presidents, NSDAR National Officers, Children of the American Revolution Officers, Society members, guests, and VIPs from around our nation were present for this wonderful commemoration. Grantham also performed duties of Aide-de-camp for President General Dodd and provided care for his needs. Both events, the South Atlantic District meeting and Battle of Kings Mountain, were excellent in every way and brought great credit to the Daniel Morgan Chapter, the South Atlantic District and the South Carolina Society Sons of the American Revolution.

Ted Walker, State President

South Carolina Society Sons of the American Revolution



Michael Henry Monahan, President of the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter, Low Country Vice President, Vice Commander of the SCSSAR Color Guard; and his wife Ann Monahan-DAR; staff the sign-in booth.



Michael Henry Monahan presents the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter wreath. [Photo by Ann Monahan-DAR]

Photos by Ted Walker

Kings Mountain



The 2024 SCSSAR Annual Dues Collection Finish Line

Nov. 30 was our final day for the 2024 SCSSAR Member Dues Collection Project.

Thank you all for supporting the society and our mission!

From Sept. 1 through Dec. 1, a dedicated Chapter and State Society Dues Collection Team has been working to contact every SCSSAR compatriot. That team effort was intended to persuade every compatriot to continue their support of our So-

ciety missions of promoting American patriotism, teaching American history and preserving those ideals within future generations. The financial support, derived from the dues collection process, will propel the Society into a successful and productive 2024.

The 2024 Dues Collection project was conducted as a cooperative project between the State Society and the member chapters. It proved

that communications and intra Society cooperation can be and was successful.

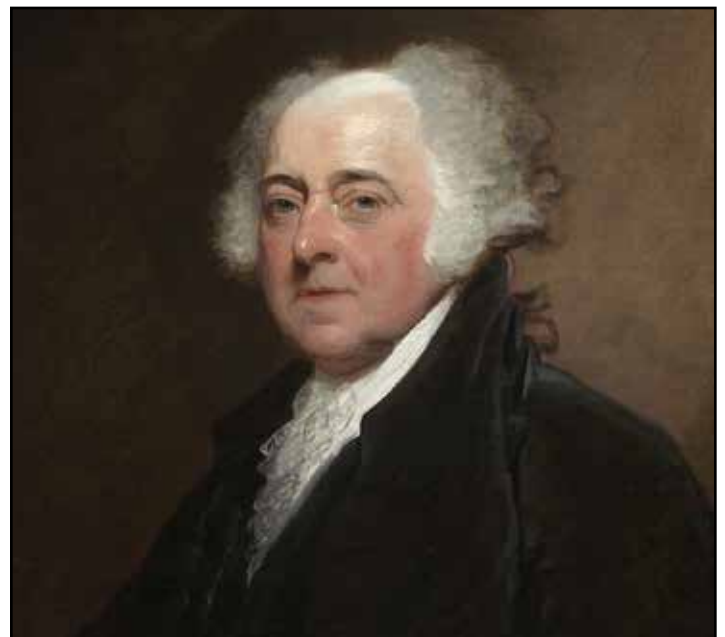
The month of December will be used by the State Treasurer and Secretary in settlement and reconciliation of National and State dues payment funds between each chapter and the State Society. Our end goal is a successful dues reconciliation and annual report to the NSSAR.



State President Ted Walker Prepares to Recruit for the Sons of the American Revolution

*We recognize no Sovereign but God,
and no King but Jesus.*

John Adams



Living History at Camden

KERSHAW — Southern Campaign 1780 Liberty Live hosted a Living History event in Camden Nov. 10-13. In attendance were Ted Walker, State President, SCSSAR; Pete Widell, Color Guard Commander, SCSSAR; John Goodwin, President, Joseph Kershaw Chapter, Camden; Kelly Widell, Vice President, South Carolina Society Children of the American Revolution; NSDAR Chapters; and reenactors in 1700 period attire, historians, period craftsmen and others, with booths, living history displays, Revolutionary War artifacts, cannons, artillery and much more.

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All the miseries and evils which men suffer from vice, crime, ambition, injustice, oppression, slavery and war, proceed from their despising or neglecting the precepts contained in the Bible.

Noah Webster
1758-1843

Father of American
Scholarship and Education



Chapter Capsules

News items from SCSSAR chapters

Godfrey Dreher Chapter

By Gary Blanpied
President Godfrey Dreher Chapter

The Godfrey Dreher Chapter began the meeting season Sept. 11 at Lizard’s Thicket with a crowd of 43 members and guests. We installed officers for the new year, and I enjoyed the few minutes that I had not holding the gavel, which bears so much responsibility.

We performed the new member ceremony and welcomed Harold Crawford into the SAR. We also awarded the new South Carolina members’ medal to Mr. Areheart Sr., who is not usually able to attend our meetings, but his two sons, who serve loyally in our Color Guard, made a special effort for this occasion.

Every chapter should try to get our September speaker, W.C. Smith, who spoke on “Twilight of Revolutionaries: Daguerreotype Images of Elderly Southern Revolutionary War Veterans.” These are extraordinarily rare, but I have found 14 identified examples. My collection will be on display in the Gist Room at the South Carolina Confederate Relic Room and Military History Museum in Columbia until the end of the year. This display is sponsored by a South Carolina 250th Anniversary Grant and the South Carolina National Endowment for the Humanities.



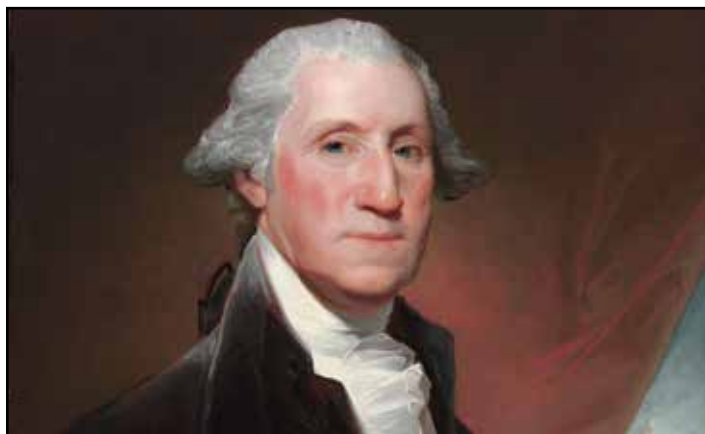
NEW OFFICERS — Wayne and Gary Areheart, Bruce Covey, Bucky Shuler, Mike Gillis, Fritz Gladfelter, Jim Herritage, Nelson McLeod and Gary Blanpied, and Woody Carothers who swore us in.



From left: Mike Gillis, Harold Crawford and Gary Blanpied



W.C. Smith (left) and Gary Blanpied



It is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favors.

George Washington



Mr. Areheart (center) with his sons Wayne and Gary. [Photos by Deborah Blanpied]

Col. Robert Anderson Chapter



David Bennett, Registrar of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter and a Captain in the Civil Air Patrol, awards the SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal to CAP Cadet First Lt. Isabella Sneed of the Greenville Composite Squadron. C/1stLt Sneed serves as the squadron's deputy commander for support, and in 2022 won the CAP General Billy Mitchell Award. The chapter includes the CAP within its JROTC and ROTC awards program.

New Chapter in Florence

The Executive Committee of the SCSSAR approved the motion to be presented to the Board of Governors meeting Oct. 21 for chartering a new chapter in Florence. The name of the new chapter is Burch's Mill, which is a Revolutionary War site in Effingham where Pee Dee Loyalist leader Major Micaiah Ganey signed an agreement with Gen. Francis Marion to lay down arms without further skirmishes. Burch's Mill has about 15 Charter members with five more in application at this writing. Their initial meeting was Oct. 5 in Florence at the Golden Coral on David McLeod Blvd. Their charter will be presented after National has acted on the Board of Governors motion to proceed and they will then become the 22nd chapter in the SCSSAR.

Dr. Buddy Witherspoon
Vice President Chapter Formation

Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter



BEAUFORT — Col. Mark J. Henderson, USMC Reserve (Retired), was presented with the SAR War Service Medal and national certificate Oct. 3 by Col. Harold Mills, USAF (Ret), Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter Chairman of Military Awards, and Jody Henson at the Gazebo facing the Traditions Restaurant on Parris Island, Col. Henderson is a senior civilian official currently serving as the Deputy Chief of Staff, G3, Operations for the U.S. Marine Recruit Depot, Parris Island.

Col. Henderson was awarded the SAR War Service Medal in recognition for his special operations exercise service in 1998 in Bosnia-Herzegovina and in Albania/Montenegro.

Col. Henderson also earned many awards during his 31 years of active and reserve Marine Corps service to include Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (w 1 star), Marine Corps Drill Instructor Ribbon, Armed Forces Service Medal (w 1 star), Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (w 1 star), Humanitarian Service Medal, NATO Medal, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Navy Unit Commendation, Rifle Qualification Badge (Expert-5th Award), and Pistol Qualification Badge (Expert-13th Award). [Photo by Jody Henson]

Only a virtuous people are capable of freedom. As nations become corrupt and vicious, they have more need of masters.

Benjamin Franklin

Godfrey Dreher Chapter Honors Eagle Scout



Warren W. "Woody" Carothers (left), Past President of the Godfrey Dreher Chapter, presents Eagle Scout Turner Keenan Scott with the SAR Eagle Scout Recognition at his Eagle Scout Court of Honor Nov. 19 at the Saxe Gotha Presbyterian Church in Lex-



ington. Eagle Scout Scott is a member of Troop 307, one of the largest troops in the Indian Waters Council. Guest speaker for the event was the Honorable Alan Wilson, Attorney General of South Carolina. [Photo by Richard Brock]

On Sept. 17, 1796, President George Washington delivered his Farewell Address as he did not wish to seek a third term. His once-immense popularity had dwindled and he was tired of being lampooned by the political press.

Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are indispensable supports. In vain would that man claim the tribute of patriotism, who should labor to subvert these great pillars of human happiness, these firmest props of the duties of men and citizens. The mere politician, equally with the pious man, ought to respect and to cherish them. A volume could not trace all their connections with private and public felicity. Let it simply be asked: Where is the security for property, for reputation, for life, if the sense of religious obligation desert the oaths which are the instruments of investigation in courts of justice? And let us with caution indulge the supposition that morality can be maintained without religion. Whatever may be conceded to the influence of refined education on minds of peculiar structure, reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle.

It is substantially true that virtue or morality is a necessary spring of popular government. The rule, indeed, extends with more or less force to every species of free government. Who that is a sincere friend to it can look with indifference upon attempts to shake the foundation of the fabric?

Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter



Compatriot Marion Cain and his sister Amy Cain of the William Carpers Chapter SCDAR discuss their Patriot ancestor Isaac Marion at the Oct. 10 Chapter meeting. [Photos by Dr. Christine Gonzales].



Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter President Thomas Blackmon (left) and Registrar Committee Representative David Abercrombie (right) present Compatriot Marion Cain with the SAR Rosette Insignia during his induction ceremony.



Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter President Thomas Blackmon (left) awards Compatriots Marion Cain (center), U.S.A., and Harold Gonzales (right), U.S.A.F. with the SAR War Service Medal. Not pictured is John Owen, who received the SAR Military Service Medal. [Photo by Dr. Christine Gonzales].



Compatriots Harold Gonzales (left) and Doug Foxworth man the SAR booth at the Sumter County Fair, Oct. 17-22, ready to greet perspective members. [Photos by Amy Vaughn].



Compatriot Harold Gonzales (right) discusses the mission of the SAR with fairgoer Claude Wheeler Jr.

A Constitution of Government once changed from Freedom, can never be restored. Liberty, once lost, is lost forever.

John Adams

Battle of Eutaw Springs Video



Battle of Eutaw Springs Video <https://vimeo.com/874400539>



Former SCSSAR President Doug Doster and his wife Lynn at Mount Rushmore (left) and Grand Teton National Park (right).

SAR Commemorative Henry Rifle

The first SAR Commemorative Henry Rifle is now available for order at your local Bass Pro Shop® or Cabela's®. This is brand new, so the sales' clerk may not know it is available. It is not listed in their catalogue or an existing product list, but if the clerk (or manager) uses the SKU below, they can find it and order you one. I suggest being politely persistent. It is on the Golden Boy platform, if asked. Please join me in securing this important collector piece, which also benefits the SAR Education Center and Museum.

John L. Dodd
President General 2023-2024

SAR 250th Anniversary Henry Rifle Boston Tea Party Edition



In honor of the 250th Anniversary of the Revolution, a special commemorative rifle will be offered annually for the next 10 years, beginning in 2023. Each edition will be offered for approximately one year, depicting a different scene from the American Revolution. A portion of the proceeds from each rifle sold go to support the SAR Education Center and Museum in Louisville, Kentucky.

If you are interested in purchasing the 250th Anniversary Henry Rifle - Boston Tea Party Edition, visit your local Cabela's® or Bass Pro Shops® and provide the sales clerk the SKU number: 3815337.

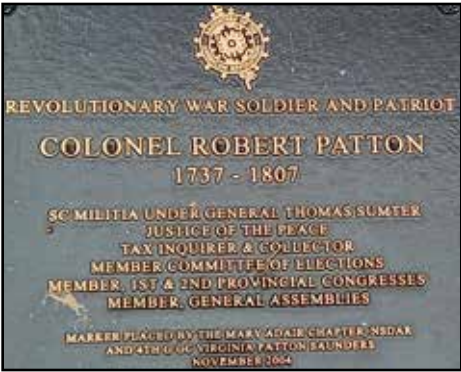
Grave Marking for John Roden/Rawson Sr. and Hugh Whiteside

CHESTER, South Carolina — The William Bratton Chapter SCSSAR conducted a grave-marking ceremony Oct. 14 for John Roden/Rawson Sr. and Hugh Whiteside at Fishing Creek Presbyterian Church, which was founded in 1752.

Brett Reed is Chapter President. Descendants of these patriots came from around the United States to participate and pay respects to their forefathers.

Participants included Ted Walker, State President SCSSAR; his wife Linda; Briley Walker, William Stroud C.A.R. Society; Pete Widell Commander, SCSSAR Color Guard; Kelly Widell, Vice President South Carolina C.A.R.; Judd LeViner, Virginia SAR; and Gray Bobo, National Historian C.A.R.





From left: Gray Bobo, Ted Walker, Judson LeViner and Pete Widell

Grave Marking for John Roden/Rawson Sr. and Hugh Whiteside (Continued)



Ted Walker, SCSSAR President



Briley Walker (left), a member of the William Stroud C.A.R. Society, and Kelly Widell, Vice President of the South Carolina C.A.R.



From left: Pete Widell, Ted Walker, Judson LeViner and Gray Bobo.



Brett Reed, President of the William Bratton Chapter



From left: Pete Widell, Ted Walker, Judson LeViner and Gray Bobo.



Elizabeth Miller, descendant of Captain Hugh Whiteside.



Beverly Rawdon-Karim, descendant of John Roden/Rawdon Sr.

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



SCSSAR Musket Salute



Hugh Whiteside, Revolutionary War Patriot's Gravesite

Col Robert Anderson Chapter

Certificate of Merit



Joe Glavitsch (left), President of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter, is presented the Certificate of Appreciation for his outstanding leadership from Upstate Regional Vice President Eric Barnhill at the monthly meeting of the Robert Anderson Chapter, Nov. 8. [Photo by David Bennett]



At the Nov. 8 meeting, the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter welcomed five new Compatriots out of seven members who have been approved recently. From left: Leonard Anglin, representing his son, Andrew Anglin; Dr. Robert Benedict; John Craig; President Joseph Glavitsch; Philip Andrew; and Bob Young. [Photo by David Bennett]

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Aiken City Council Constitution Week



From left: Pete Widell, Commander, SCSSAR Color Guard, Ted Walker, State President SCSSAR, and Neel Flannagan, President of the Henry Laurens Chapter, receive a proclamation in support of the celebration of the U.S. Constitution from Aiken Mayor Rick Osborn Sept. 11. [Photos by Julia Hardaway]

Ted Walker, State President SCSSAR, with granddaughter Briley Walker, a member of the William Stroud Society, C.A.R. in Aiken.

Aiken County Historical Society



Ted Walker, State President, attended the Aiken County Historical Society's meeting at the Aiken Historical Museum. Rick Wise, a member of the SC Battle Ground Preservation Trust, spoke on the Battle of Camden 1780 and the 14 Revolutionary soldiers found on the battlefield and buried in April. His presentation made the audience understand how it must have felt to be in the midst of the battle. In attendance were about 60 folks from around Aiken County.

Francis Marion Symposium



SAR members at the Francis Marion Symposium XXI in Manning, Oct. 20. From left: Doug Doster, Dave Ramseur, Larry Brown, Mills Ramseur and Ernie Anderson. Missing at time of picture: Keith Gourdin, Mac Whiteford, Luther Wannamaker and James Warren.

Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter



William Hastings Greene (left) is inducted into the SAR at the Sept. 22 quarterly meeting of the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter by Chapter President Michael Henry Monahan, who led the meeting at the Officer's Club, USMC Air Station-Beaufort, SC. [Photo by Vice President Randy Atkins]



Michael and Ann Monahan with the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter wreath at the wreath laying ceremony at Battle Monument Park in Eutaw Springs Sept. 9.



Jody Henson with New Bern Chapter Wreath, North Carolina Society. [Photo by Anita Henson]

Beaufort's Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter was well represented Sept. 8 at Clarks Inn Restaurant in Santee for the SCSSAR dinner and prelude to the 242nd anniversary of the Battle of Eutaw Springs service the following day. Joining President Mike Monahan and wife Ann, were Chaplain Tom Burnett and wife Ginny, Hastings Greene and his wife Nancy and Past Chapter President Jody Henson with his wife Anita. Following the Historic Church of the Epiphany Saturday service, President Monahan presented the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter wreath at the memorial service while Jody Henson presented a wreath in the name of the New Bern Chapter, North Carolina Society, of which he is a dual member.



Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter Chaplain Tom Burnett (left), with John Boyes, Secretary-Treasurer of the Dr. George Mosse Chapter of Hilton Head Island following the church service [Photo by Ginny Burnett]

Cambridge Chapter Partners With Ninety Six to Observe Start of the Revolution in the South

By Ted Morton

The Cambridge Chapter joined forces with the park staff at Ninety Six National Historic Site Nov. 18 to commemorate a significant Revolutionary War land battle, the first to take place in the South. It started 248 years ago and could well be described as the implementation of Gen. Nathanael Greene's proposal to open a new front in the Southern Colonies.

Park Superintendent National Park Service Ranger Josh Manley brought greetings and welcome. Gathering near the site of the Stockade Fort, Cambridge members and visitors listened as Cambridge Chapter Secretary Richard Morris unfolded the history of "The Start of the Revolution in the Upcountry" at Ninety Six.

One needs to be a good student of geography to follow developments of the American Revolution from Bunker Hill to Jamestown. A British outpost in Colonial South Carolina, Ninety Six was where the British Army had constructed its star-shaped fort on the boundary between Cherokee lands and Colonial lands. Ninety Six was the location also for a court house, jail and village. The name "Ninety Six" is often found in the records of other battle activity in the Carolinas because of its court house and jail.



Richard Morris makes presentation at Ninety Six. [Photo by Vance Cooper]

The commemorative ceremony concluded with a musket salute. The Ninety Six Park was open for the day, and with pleasant weather had a steady stream of visitors. Ninety Six National Historic Site is the adopted American Revolutionary

War locus of the Cambridge Chapter of the South Carolina Society.

Cambridge Compatriot Richard Morris serves as a volunteer at Ninety Six conducting tours for Park visitors.

President General John Dodd's Boston Tea Party Resolution

A Resolution

Whereas the Boston Tea Party is a seminal event in the history of the founding of these United States of America, and

Whereas the nature of this event enacted by American Colonists, generally known as the "Sons of Liberty," was in defiance of the tax on tea which was seen unlawful as "taxation without representation," and

Whereas it is with the spirit and mission of the Compatriots of our great organization to join with our patriotic brothers and sisters in a ceremonial act of independence, and

Whereas, thanks to the sacrifices of our patriot ancestors, we have the liberty to join with others in the ceremonial "Destruction of Tea" as a sign of solidarity with those patriot ancestors.

I, John Dodd, President General of the Sons of the American Revolution do Proclaim Saturday, December 16, 2023, the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party, as a time of celebration for every patriotic American, and encourage every patriot to assemble with other patriots and at 8:00 PM Boston time join in unison to "destroy tea" as our Patriot Ancestors did 250 years before, be that by imbibing, sharing, or tossing of tea, as the case may be, and general merrymaking.

Under my seal as President General, I proclaim this on November 27, 2023, in Louisville, Kentucky, Headquarters of the Sons of the American Revolution.

John L. Dodd
President General, 2023-2024

243rd Anniversary Battle of Blackstock's Plantation

This year's excellent commemoration, hosted by the Gen. James Williams Chapter along with C.A.R.'s Col. James Williams Society, and the Battle of Musgrove Mill State Historic Site, took place at the Blackstock's Battlefield on Saturday, Nov. 18, under warm, blue skies.

David Smith, President of the Gen. James Williams Chapter, served as master of ceremonies. State President Ted Walker brought greetings on behalf of the SAR, and Carl Widell, C.A.R. State Treasurer, brought greetings on behalf of the Children of the American Revolution.

Presenting wreaths were Joe Glavitsch, President of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter; Eric Barnhill, President of the Andrew Pickens Chapter; and Pete Widell, State Color Guard Commander.

Carl Widell, President of the William Stroud Society, presented a wreath for the SC C.A.R., and Kathryn Smith represented the Elizabeth Hutchinson Jackson Chapter of DAR. Randy Wells, a descendent of Capt. William Blackstock, traveled from Louisiana to attend the commemoration, and Mrs. Laurel Scott from Virginia, also a Blackstock descendent, provided a wreath.

State Park Ranger and historian Mark Stanford was the key note speaker. After the ceremony Ranger Stanford gave everyone a "seated tour" of the battlefield and history surrounding the battle. Blackstock's battlefield is a state park under the Battle of Musgrove Mill State Historic Site.

On the afternoon of Nov. 20, 1780 around 270 of British Lt. Col. Banastre Tarleton's divided forces were allowed to catch up with nearly 1,000 Patriots under Gen. Thomas Sumter at the farm of Capt. William Blackstock. Sumter, known as "the Fighting Gamecock," was a 46-year-old originally from Virginia. His men were on high ground behind unchinked log buildings and wooden fencing with their backs to the Tyger River.

Tarleton, a 26-year-old from Liverpool, England, attacked and fought his way uphill across open ground. Known as "Bloody Ban" by the Patriots because of his vicious fighting, Tarleton's actions at Buford's Massacre created the Patriot rallying cry of "Tarleton's Quarter" heard the previous month at the Battle of Kings Mountain. Tarleton and his men were undefeated in battle, his confidence was high and his ego large as he attacked Sumter's fortified positions.

Outnumbered and outgunned, Tarleton



From left: Joe Glavitsch, President of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter; David Smith, President of the Gen. James Williams Chapter; State President Ted Walker; Pete Widell, State Color Guard Commander; and Carl Widell, C.A.R. State Treasurer.



Master of ceremonies David Smith, President of the Gen. James Williams Chapter.



State Park Ranger and historian Mark Stanford, key note speaker. [Photos by Ted and Linda Walker]

suffered 92 killed and 100 wounded under the accurate fire of Patriot rifles. Sumter reported three killed and four wounded, and Sumter himself suffered a major gunshot wound and was out of action until the following year.

As the sun set, the battle came to a close

and, upon his return the next morning, Tarleton discovered Sumter's men had disbursed under cover of darkness. Tarleton reported to Gen. Charles Cornwallis that he had emerged victorious at Blackstock. Gen. Sumter made a similar report to his superiors.

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
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BOOK III. THE NATIONAL ERA. CHAPTER I.

Effects of the Revolution Upon Religion. Changes to Which It Necessarily Gave Rise.

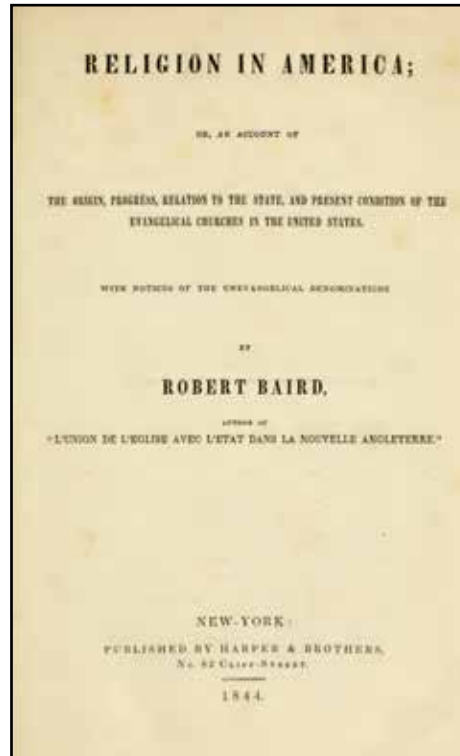
From the Colonial we now proceed to the National period in the history of the United States.

The first twenty-five years of the national existence of the States were fraught with evil to the cause of religion.

First came the war of the Revolution, which literally engrossed all men's minds. The population of the country at its commencement scarcely, if at all, exceeded 3,500,000; and for a people so few and so scattered, divided into thirteen colonies, quite independent, at the outset, of each other, having no national treasury, no central government or power, nothing, in short, to unite them but one common feeling of patriotism, it was a gigantic undertaking.

The war was followed by a long period of prostration. Connexion with England having been dissolved, the colonies had to assume the form of states, their governments had to be reorganized, and a general, or federal government, instituted. The infant nation, now severed from the mother-country, had to begin an existence of its own, at the cost of years of anxiety and agitation.

Dangers threatened it on every side, and scarcely had the General Government been organized, and the states learned to know their places a little in the federal economy, when the French Revolution burst forth like a volcano,



and threatened to sweep the United States into its fiery stream. In the end it led them to declare war against France for their national honour, or, rather, for their national existence. That war was happily brought to an end by Napoleon, on his becoming First Consul, and thus was the infant country allowed to enjoy a little longer repose, as far as depended on foreign nations.

Unfavourable to the promotion of religion as were the whole twenty-five years from 1775 to 1800, the first eight, spent in hostilities with England, were pre-eminently so. The effects of war

on the churches of all communions were extensively and variously disastrous. To say nothing of the distraction of the mind from the subject of salvation, its more palpable influences were seen and felt everywhere.

Young men were called away from the seclusion and protection of the parental roof, and from the vicinity of the oracle of God, to the demoralizing atmosphere of a camp; congregations were sometimes entirely broken up; churches were burned, or converted into barracks or hospitals, by one or other of the belligerent armies, often by both successively; in more than one instance pastors were murdered; the usual ministerial intercourse was interrupted; efforts for the dissemination of the Gospel were, in a great measure, suspended; colleges and other seminaries of learning were closed for want of students and professors; and the public morals in various respects, and in almost all possible ways, deteriorated. Christianity is a religion of peace, and the tempest of war never fails to blast and scatter the leaves of the Tree which was planted for the healing of the nations. (page 102)

Robert Baird, Religion in America: Or, An Account of the Origin, Progress, Relation to the State, and Present Condition of the Evangelical Churches in the United States, Published 1844.

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

American Revolutionary War victory in Siege of Augusta

By Skyler Andrews

Augusta revisited one of its victories in the American Revolution over the weekend.

In observance of Constitution Day, the Augusta chapter of the Georgia State Society Sons of the American Revolution (GASSAR) partnered with the Aiken Chapter of the South Carolina State Society SAR (SCSSAR) to coordinate a reenactment of the Siege of Augusta, Sept. 16, at the Salvation Army Kroc Center.

“Most history books just refer to it as the ‘Siege of Augusta,’ but actually there were two sieges,” said Sonny Pittman, who is vice president of SCSSAR.

On May 22, 1781, Gen. Andrew Pickens and Col. Henry “Light Horse Harry” Lee stormed against British troops and Loyalists occupying Augusta. The Patriots built a 30-foot tower from which they were able to fire cannons on the stronghold of British forces, Fort Cornwallis. Combat ended with an American victory on June 6, 1781. The British lost 52 men, and another 334 were taken prisoner, while 16 Patriots were killed and 35 wounded.

The “first siege” of Augusta, which ended in a draw, was months earlier, in September of 1780, when American Col. Elijah Clarke and Lt. Col. James McCall attacked British forces at McKay’s Trading Post.

The 242nd Anniversary Commemoration of the Second Siege of Augusta comprised of a live depiction of the fight between British and Patriots in Augusta. The reenactment was preceded by a memorial ceremony in the Kroc Center auditorium, in which members of GASSAR, SCSSAR, Daughters of the American Revolution and other local lineage societies gathered for a seminar on the Second Siege by military historian Steven Rausch and the presentation of wreaths.

After the ceremony, participants and onlookers proceeded to the field outside the facility, where munitions were set. Mem-



Revolutionary War reenactors fire cannon during a live depiction of the Second Siege of Augusta outside the Salvation Army Kroc Center. [Photos by Skyler Q. Andrews]

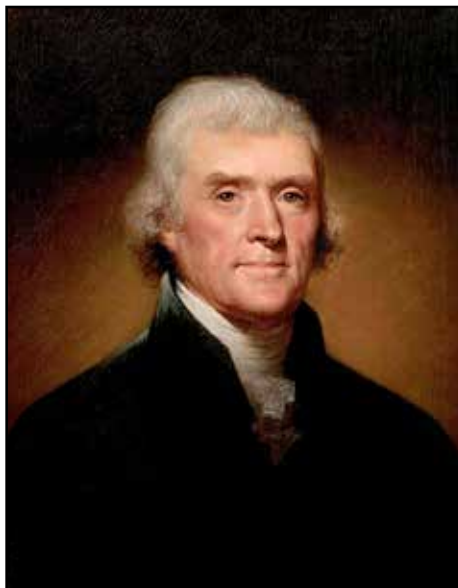
bers of the participating societies, which included the Sylvania-based Brier Creek SAR, built their own canons with specially ordered wheels and iron cast barrels.



Presentation of wreaths



Retrieval of Colors



The press is impotent when it abandons itself to falsehood.

Thomas Jefferson

Ebenezer Heritage Day Festival

By Dess Smith

EBENEZER, Georgia — Fourteen members of the Brier Creek, Wiregrass and Little River Chapters of the Georgia Society and Ted Walker, President of the South Carolina Society, traveled to Ebenezer for the Annual Ebenezer Heritage Day Festival on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 4.

This event is held each year with food, crafts, exhibits and demonstrations. The event is presented by the Georgia Salzburger Society and the Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church in Rincon, Georgia.

Starting at 10 a.m. and on each hour with the last being at 1 p.m., Brier Creek militia (14 members) fired a one-round volley with flintlocks, and the Brier Creek Artillery (five cannons) fired a one-round volley followed by Compatriot Don Bazemore playing taps on his bugle.



One-round volley



Brier Creek Militia



Brier Creek Artillery



Ted Walker
SCSSAR President



GASSAR Compatriot Wilder Smith funeral in Swainsboro, Georgia



Wilder Smith, our friend and brother in arms, was laid to rest with his loving family and friends present Sept. 23. The Brier Creek Artillery and Militia “Skunk Brigade” performed our duties as the Honor Guard. The Honor Guard from Fort Stewart commented that we looked “very professional.” Also attending were 25 to 30 other SAR members not in uniform and DAR ladies, Past GASSAR President Charlie Newcomer and his wife Claire, SCSSAR State President Ted Walker (Honor Guard), three Georgia Regional Vice Presidents: Bill Tankersley, Dess Smith and Dan McMichael, and the Brier Creek Revolutionary War Battlefield Association, Inc. President Stephen Hammond. The following members participated in the Honor Guard: Ted Walker, Cameron Quick, Walker Quick, Alton O’Neal McCloud, Ruskin Powell, John Joyner, Don Bazemore, Paw Lee Herron, Steven Earl Burke, Bernard Martin, Benjamin Martin, Bill Carmichael, Jerry Lawson, Alton Reynolds, Dess D. Smith III, Gary and Teresa Mason, William Woodard, Thomas Miller, Al Smith, Dan McMichael and Allen Mincey. *Lee Herron.*

Living History Event March 13, 2024 South Aiken High School

To: SAR, NSDAR, C.A.R., Society members, Re-enactors, Skunk Brigade members, Historical Societies, Historical Presenters and Educators

Subject: Living History Event: March 13, 2024

Place: South Aiken High School
232 East Pine Log Road, Aiken, SC 29803

Time: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Request: Revolutionary War period Living History presenters to participate
Re-enactors/Militia/Color Guard Members, participants for South Aiken High School Students Living History Event to be held at South Aiken High School, Aiken South Carolina.

From: Ted Walker, State President, SCSSAR

The South Carolina Society SAR and the Henry Laurens Chapter in Aiken, South Carolina, want to sponsor a living history event at South Aiken High School that would also include elementary, middle and high school students. This would be a historical Living History event with period dress militia, muskets and cannons along with the "Traveling Trunks" and presenters of 1700s life. The focus would be a historical teaching event with hands-on learning. We also will offer hands-on learning about 18th Century life in Georgia and South Carolina. We are asking for your help in finding groups who would like to participate in this wonderful teaching opportunity. We will be allowed to perform demonstrations of all kinds so just let us know your requirements. Tent flies, camp fires, black smiths, woodworks, skins, pelts, artifacts — anything that demonstrates the period life — will be allowed we just need to work out the details. I look forward to hearing from you, and any suggestions that will help us make this a successful event for the South Aiken High School students. Please complete the form below if you wish to register and participate in our event. If you have any questions, please call me at (803) 599-1654 or email twalkerj@bellsouth.net

Respectfully,
Ted Walker, State President (803) 599-1654
South Carolina Society Sons of the American Revolution

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Phone number: _____

Email: _____

Booth/presentation / What is your presentation and do you have special requirements?

Will you be in period Dress? _____

Please complete the above information as soon as possible and send it back to twalkerj@bellsouth.net or if you have questions or need anything please call Ted Walker at 803 599-1654

Thomas Taylor Chapter Grave Markings

WINNSBORO — The Thomas Taylor Chapter, led by President Chip Griffin, marked the graves of Patriots Major Henry Moore, Captain Robert and Elizabeth Ellison, and Samuel Weldon, Saturday, Oct. 28. The daylong American Revolution celebration took place in rural Fairfield County in a 300-year-old family cemetery, and a memorial service was held in the afternoon.

The events, including a luncheon, were coordinated by Pelham Lyles, Director of the Fairfield County Museum. Members of the Patriots' families and volunteers from several organizations sponsored and conducted the activities of the day. *Submitted by Woody Carothers, SCSSAR Historian.*



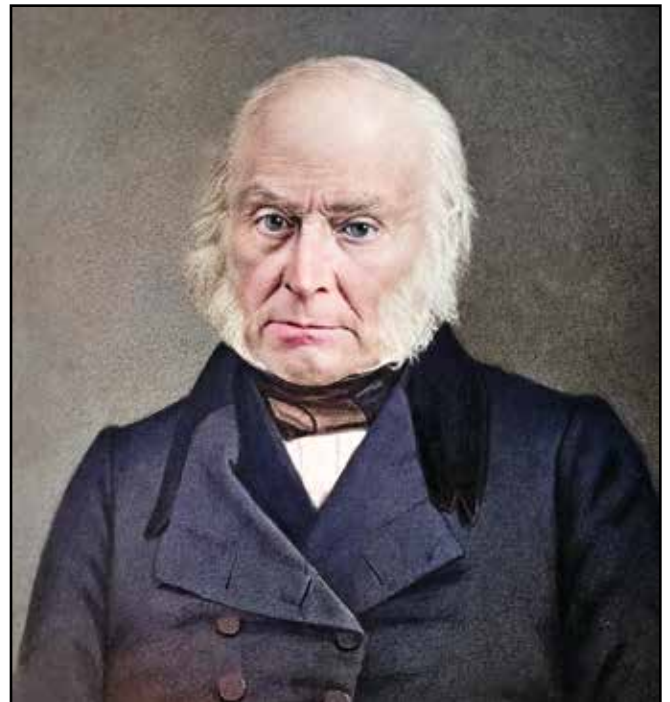
Pictured at the grave marking are (from left): Woody Carothers, State Historian; Pelham Lyles, Director of the Fairfield County Museum; Patriot Family member Mark Ellison, who is also a member of the Patrick Henry Chapter of Austin, Texas; Richard Crozier, State Chaplain; Ted Walker, SCSSAR President; Chip Griffin, President of the Thomas Taylor Chapter; Pete Widell, State Recording Secretary; and Bill Wilson, State Secretary. Also present were John "Bucky" Haas, Midlands Regional Vice President; and Gordon McCay, State Treasurer. [Photo by C. Griffin]



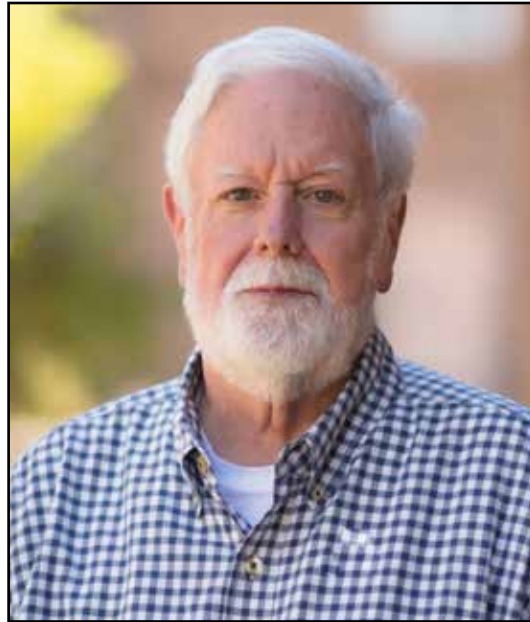
From left: Chip Griffin, President of the Thomas Taylor Chapter; Bucky Haas, Midlands Vice President; and State President Ted Walker. [Photo by Linda Walker]

The highest glory of the American Revolution was this: it connected in one indissoluble bond the principles of civil government with the principles of Christianity.

John Quincy Adams



John Quincy Adams
Colorized



Doug Bostick, 1953-2023

Douglas “Doug” William Bostick, 70, of Charleston, South Carolina, husband of Karen Finkelnburg Bostick, died Tuesday, Oct. 24. His funeral service was conducted Saturday, Oct. 28, 2023 at Old St. Andrew’s Parish Church. Burial followed the service in the church graveyard.

Doug was born on August 29, 1953, at Camp Roberts in San Miguel, California. He was the son of Virginia Mae Taylor Bostick and the late Trusdell Lanewood Bostick, Jr.

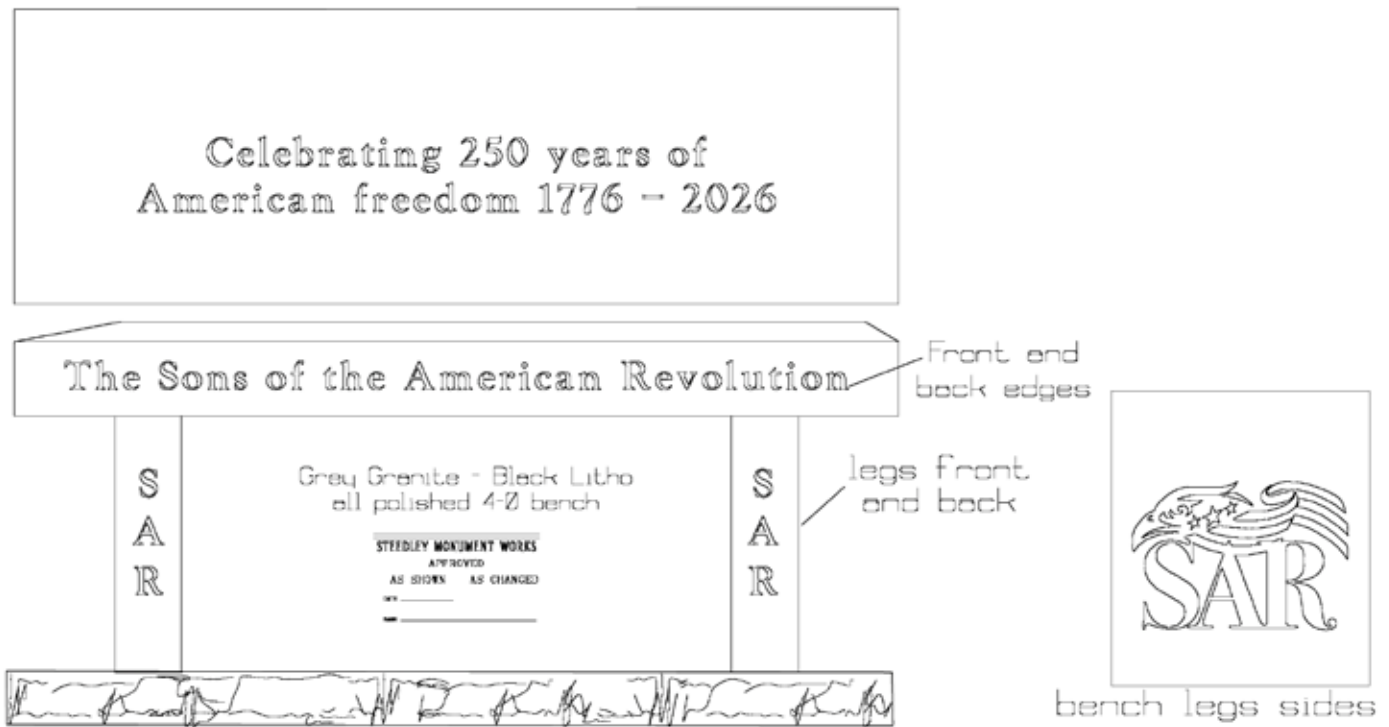
Doug was an eighth generation South Carolinian with his South Carolina ancestors dating back to Colonial America. He was a graduate of the College of Charleston and earned his master’s degree from the University of South Carolina. He was a member of the Kappa Alpha Order and served as the Province Commander for South Carolina and was inducted into the South Carolina Province Court of Honor. He was also honored to be a member of the Washington Light Infantry and the Palmetto Guard. Doug was pleased to serve as Chairman of the Lee Bicentennial Commission of Charleston, the Commemoration of the 150th Anniversary of the Firing on Fort Sumter, and the First Shot Committee. He was a vestry member of Old St. Andrew’s Parish Church.

Doug was the author of 26 books, and his knowledge of history was enhanced by a gift for storytelling. During his work as the executive director of Save the Light, Inc., he led the negotia-

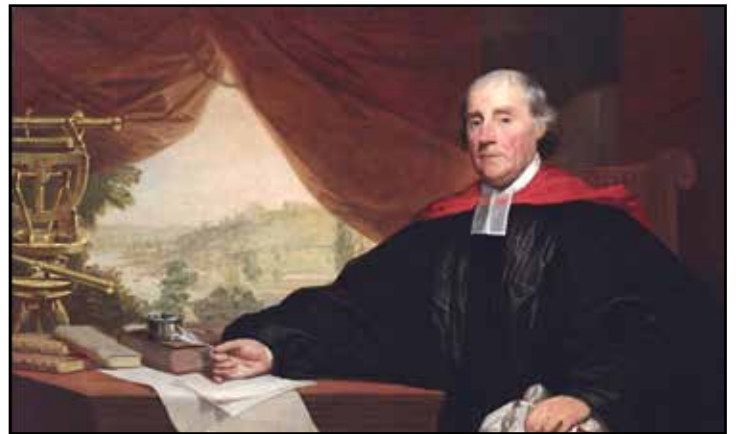
tions between Save the Light and the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources, thus securing the preservation of the Morris Island Lighthouse. He was proud to be the executive director and CEO of the South Carolina Battleground Preservation Trust, a land trust that preserves battlefields in the Palmetto State. Throughout his work as CEO with the Trust, he successfully grew the preservation of battlefields from 14 to 72 sites, which created his vision of The Liberty Trail. He also spearheaded the Camden Burials on April 20-22, 2023.

In Doug’s work with historic preservation, he received the Book of Golden Deeds award for his decades of service as a preservation leader and humanitarian. He was particularly passionate about the protection of Fort Johnson on James Island, first working with the South Carolina Legislature to acquire a parcel from the Sisters of Charity of Our Lady of Mercy. More recently, Doug led the Battleground Trust purchase of another Fort Johnson parcel, which closed the day before his passing.

As a statutory partner in South Carolina’s American Revolution 250th Commission, he led the South Carolina Battleground Preservation Trust to help implement historic research and heritage tourism infrastructure so that these 13 years of the 250th have an indelible and lasting impact on the students, citizenry, counties and economy of our State for the next 100 years and for generations to come after us.



Above is the proof drawing of our first America 250 Bench slated to be erected in Camden. It will be completed, delivered and erected in time for a dedication ceremony to be held during our April 2024 Annual Meeting. My thanks to all who contributed your financial support so we can put up what I hope will be one of five such benches — one in each of our regions. If 35 Compatriots in each region were to donate \$50 each we could order four more benches and have them in place by our Nation's 250th Birthday. *Sonny Pittman, State Senior Vice President.*



William Smith by artist Gilbert Stuart

For my part, I have long been possessed with a strong and even enthusiastic persuasion that Heaven has great and gracious purposes towards this continent, which no human power or human device shall be able finally to frustrate.... This country will be free—nay, for ages to come, a chosen seat of freedom, arts, and heavenly knowledge; which are now either drooping or dead in most countries of the Old World. William Smith, D.D., Provost of the College at Philadelphia, June 23, 1775.

Ted Walker's Nov. 16 Speech to South Aiken High School Veterans Day Program

Each Nov. 11, we gather to recognize the bravest of our citizens: the many people who have served in the military from the Revolutionary War to present day. There are over 40 million who served. Some examples of wars include the Revolutionary War, War of 1812, Civil War, World War 1, World War 2, Korean War, Vietnam, Desert Shield/Desert Storm, Global War on Terror, and many others not listed.

Veterans Day honors all past military members who have served our country, regardless of the war or conflict or whether they survived or perished.

There are approximately 18.2 million veterans living today.

You may be wondering why I am wearing the funny looking hat and old fashion coat at a Veterans Day ceremony. Well!!! Our Country fought a war for independence from England from April 19, 1775 until the British sailed out of Charleston in late 1782. My great-great grandfather and many other (Patriots) put their lives, fortunes, families and everything that was dear to them in harm's way to fight a war of independence for freedom from a tyrannical King to establish and create what we know today as America.

Many of you may not know that of the 13 original colonies in the New World, South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia and Virginia were significant in the winning of the Revolutionary War. South Carolina alone had more than 200 skirmishes and battles. Examples include the Battle of Camden, Battle of Kings Mountain, Cowpens, Charleston, Musgrove Mill, Blackstock, Huck's Defeat, Battle of Eutaw Springs, Buford's Massacre, Battle of Ninety-Six and many more.

Generals and leaders like Thomas Sumter the Gamecock, Nathanael Greene, Francis Marion the Swamp Fox, Daniel Morgan, were all from South Carolina. Their superior leadership and tactical skills were instrumental in turning the tide of the war away from the largest military power in the world, England, that resulted in defeat-

ing General Cornwallis and led to his surrender at Yorktown, eventually ending the war.

A little-known fact is that South Carolina had one third of the casualty losses during the war.

To help us understand the personal commitment, dedication and sacrifice of those who chose to volunteer for military service I found a short soldier's creed that follows:

I am an American Soldier.

I am a member of a team

I serve the people of the United States and live the military values.

I will never accept defeat.

I will never quit.

I will never leave a fallen comrade.

I am disciplined, physically and mentally tough, trained and proficient in my warrior tasks and drills.

I always maintain my arms, my equipment and myself.

I am an expert, and I am a professional.

I stand ready to deploy, engage and destroy the enemies of the United States of America in close combat.

I am the Guardian of freedom, and the American way of life.

I am an American military patriot.

My father, Ted Walker Sr., from Graniteville, South Carolina served in the US Navy as a Corpsmen in World War 2. His duty stations were aboard US Navy ships and deployments with US Marines engaging enemies in islands of the Pacific Ocean.

As a boy I never understood why my father did not work and acted a little crazy and would talk about the war and thought the enemy was still after him. Even though money was short, my mother took great care of us and did the best she could with what she had.

Years later I joined the US Air Force, serving 26 years, retiring, and eventually became my father's fiduciary. I then realized my dad had Post Traumatic Shock Syndrome PTSD, caused by his service in World War 2.

My father passed away, and at his funeral an old friend of his came to me, Mr. Tracy Bledsoe, and said: "During

World War 2, I was in the Pacific on a battle troop landing craft. We were trying to take the island. Bullets were flying, and we were all scared to death. Suddenly the craft door opens. We all charge the beach and hit the dirt. Out of the corner of my eye I see your father helping a wounded Marine. I could not believe it was him.

"Your dad and I were half way around the world. Two boys from Graniteville, South Carolina. Neither of us were aware that the other was in the same area of the war, but we were fighting on the same dirt."

I was very moved, and after this story I started tracking my dad's movements when he was in the Pacific. I found that he was a Corpsmen attached to the US Marines. My dad was in effect the only medical help available in the heat of the battle. The Marines were island hopping and fought in some of the bloodiest battles fought in the Pacific during World War 2. I am sure that my dad saw so much carnage and death that he could not deal with it and checked out of reality. Today they call this post traumatic shock syndrome. My dad's life was not taken during the war, but he never functioned as a normal person when he returned home.

The mission of the military from the 1700s to the present day has continually evolved with changes in technology and weapons of war. In the 1700s Navy war ships depended on the wind to sail. Seamen lived in the hull of the ship in cramped unhealthy conditions. Food was limited and sometimes nonexistent, and many sailors were lost at sea.

Wounded sailors had limited medical care, and cures or treatments did more harm than good. Life expectancy was short — 40 years old was considered old. Most men of the sea would leave home and be gone for years — if they ever returned. Life was uncertain and very hazardous for the sailor / soldier.

I served in the United States Air



Ted Walker, SCSSAR State President (left), and Col. Claude Davis, USMC. Ret. Senior Military Instructor.



Photos by Col. Claude Davis and Linda Walker



Principal Samuel Fuller (left) and Ted Walker, SCSSAR State President.

Veterans Day Program

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Force from September 1970 to October 1996. The Vietnam War was going on, and at that time the United States had a draft system, which meant every eligible male had to enlist in the military or be drafted into service. I decided to join the United States Air Force. My job was Aircraft Maintenance. I worked mainly on fighter aircraft. My assignments varied, and I moved many times over my 26-year career span.

On many occasions I was stationed overseas or deployed to remote locations for months at a time without my family. There were times I was not home for my children's birth, birthdays, Christmas or holidays. Our mission was to protect America, and that always came first. That's what was expected of me and my brothers and sisters in service.

My wife and the wives or spouses

of my comrades picked up the slack in service to their country and covered for me and my compatriots filling in at Scout meetings, school functions and serving as both parents when I / we could not be there. I will say the modern military provided quality care for me and my family, but those lost times away from home, not seeing my children grow up, will never be recovered.

When I retired from the USAF, I became an advocate for my military brothers and sisters. I believe most Americans do not know how the challenges of combat, war, multiple deployments, and the loss of brothers and sisters in combat, impact our military members. Wounded warriors, disabled veterans and those with PTSD, in some cases have lost their will to live. In fact, 22 veterans a day are committing suicide, and many others struggle to make the transition back to civilian lifestyle. We have a large population of homeless

veterans who need our help today.

I hope these stories make you think of how much we, the American people, owe those 40 million patriots, and the 18.2 million veterans still living who sacrificed to protect freedom and the American way of life. I encourage you to thank them for their service. Thank their families to include their children. I would also ask you to consider becoming an advocate for veterans. Learn how you can help with their struggles to rejoin our communities, and ways to honor their service.

Remember: What is a veteran? I am the Guardian of freedom and the American way of life, and an American Military patriot.

Ted Walker, SMSgt, USAF, Ret
State President, South Carolina
Sons of the American Revolution

Veterans Day at Anchor Healthcare in Aiken

AIKEN — On Nov. 6, the William Stroud Society, Aiken, South Carolina, Children of the American Revolution; Trenton Chapter, NSDAR; Henry Laurens Chapter, Aiken, SCSSAR; and American Legion Post 77, Graniteville, partnered for a Veterans Day ceremony at Anchor Healthcare Center in Aiken.

Ted Walker, SCSSAR President, was the master of ceremonies and guest speaker. Greetings were given by Robin Verenes, Director, District III, NSDAR; Neel Flanagan, President of the Henry Laurens Chapter; Thomas Llewellyn, Chaplain, American Legion Post 77 in Graniteville, to all veterans in attendance to honor their service to the United States.

Several children from the William Stroud Society presented throw blankets they had made in the past year to each veteran in attendance. They also helped served veterans and guests light refreshments.



Photos by Linda Walker



Veterans Day at Bridgestone Tire Plant

GRANITEVILLE — Ted Walker, SCSSAR President, his wife Linda and Neel Flannagan, President of the Henry Laurens Chapter in Aiken participated in the Bridgestone Off Road Tire Plant Veterans Day Ceremony, Nov. 8 in Graniteville.

The ceremony was organized by Jake Torries a U.S. Air Force veteran and engineer at the Bridgestone plant. The program honored all veterans who served America from the beginning of our country to the present day. Area high school NJROTC cadets, American Legion Honor Guard teams and many veterans organizations participated in the ceremonies.

The program was conducted in front of the plant, and when it ended, plant employees went inside the hallway entrance and lined up on each side of the walls. Veterans and guests in attendance were then invited to enter the building, and as we walked in plant employees clapped and thanked us for our service, an honor-felt experience. We were escorted to the plant banquet hall and given a wonderful lunch.

Bridgestone corporation, their employees and all who contributed to this event are to be commended for honoring America's heroes. It was truly an honor to experience this wonderful program.



Ted Walker SCSSAR President



North Augusta High School NJROTC Color Guard



From left: Barry Jones, Colonel, USA, Ret.; Dwight Bradham, Major, USA, Ret.; and Dennis DuPuis, W-5, USA, Ret.



Back row from left: Linda Walker and Ed Knight, Past Commander Aiken County Veterans Council. Front row left: Jeannie Quattlebaum, 1Lt. USA Vietnam Nurse.



Guest speaker Maj. Gen. Van McCarty, South Carolina's adjutant general, during Bridgestone's annual salute to veterans, whose background includes service in Iraq and Afghanistan.



Ted Walker (left), President, SCSSAR / Senior Master Sergeant, USAF, Retired; and Ed Knight, Past President Aiken County Veterans Council and Veteran US Coast Guard



Photos by Ted and Linda Walker



Left photo: Veterans and guests at luncheon provided by Bridgestone Tire Plant.

SCSSAR Welcomes New Members

The SCSSAR welcomes the following new members.

Philip Lynn Andrew, Patriot ancestor John Martin Mickley.

Andrew David Anglin, Patriot ancestor William Jones.

Robert Creighton Benedict, Patriot ancestor Joshua Benedict.

John Price Booth, Patriot ancestor Samuel Nichols.

James Matthew Brewer, Patriot ancestor John Hough.

Logan Alexander Brewer, Patriot ancestor John Hough.

Jonathan Michael Cheek, Patriot ancestor David Bengel.

John David Craig, Patriot ancestor George Thompson.

Jimmy Byrnes Crook, Patriot ancestor Joseph Koger.

Thomas Blakely Dallas, Patriot ancestor William Blakeslee.

Todd DeLoach, Patriot ancestor Hardy DeLoach Sr.

William Hasting Greene Jr., Patriot ancestor John Lewis.

Milton Wheeler Harden, Patriot ancestor Joseph Harley.

Andrew Wilkes Jones, Patriot ancestor David Hopkins.

Louis Miles Montgomery, Patriot ancestor James Montgomery.

Thomas Edward Perry, Patriot ancestor Teter Nave.

Gordon Duane Sproul, Patriot ancestor Ezekiel Foster.

Bo Pierson Suthon, Patriot ancestor James Wilson.

Ian Earl Suthon, Patriot ancestor Gideon Wilson.

John Constantine Verenes, Patriot ancestor Benjamin Mays.

William Gene Verenes, Patriot ancestor Benjamin Mays.

Christian Blake Ward, Patriot ancestor Drura Pilkington.

Donald Richard White, Patriot ancestor William White.

Robert Eugene Young, Patriot ancestor Isaac Wiseman.

Roll Call of the Departed

Robert Krause, a lifetime SAR member, and a past President of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter, passed away Dec. 4 after a lengthy illness. Bob served in the State Color Guard and enjoyed wearing Colonial attire and firing black powder rifles.

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

Christianity and the Nation

The one man whose coming to America was more to be deplored than any other was Thomas Paine. His political writings gave him fame and influence, but his coarse and vulgar skepticism made him in the end the shunned and despised of all American decency. Though regretting the occasion for any reference to such moral and political vileness, as a study in personal irreligion and an object-lesson to the young who may be tempted to toy with the faiths of the soul, I here introduce a graphic description of his last days by an excellent historian.

That horrible old age and despised memory are the bitter harvest of his own skeptical sowing. [John Bach] McMaster [1852-1932], in his History of

the People of the United States, thus describes Tom Paine: We doubt whether any name in our Revolutionary history, not excepting that of Benedict Arnold, is quite so odious as the name of Thomas Paine. Arnold was a traitor; Paine was an infidel. . . . Since the day when the Age of Reason came forth from the press the number of infidels has increased much more rapidly than before that book was written.

The truth is, he was one of the most remarkable men of his time. It would be a difficult matter to find anywhere another such compound of baseness and nobleness, of goodness and badness, of greatness and littleness, of so powerful a mind left unbalanced and led astray by the worst of animal passions. . . . Of

all humankind he is the filthiest and nastiest, and his disgusting habits grew upon him with his years. In his old age, when the frugal gifts of two states which remembered his good work had placed him beyond immediate want, he became a sight to behold. It was rare that he was sober; it was still rarer that he washed himself, and he suffered his nails to grow till, in the language of one who knew him well, they resembled the claws of birds. What gratitude was he did not know.

Christianity and the American Commonwealth, The Influence of Christianity in Making This Nation, by Methodist Bishop Charles B. Gal- loway, 1899, pages 121-123.

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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**BOG Draft Minutes
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.

Calendar of Events

Dec. 5 – SCSSAR executive Zoom meeting, 7 p.m.

Dec. 6 – Dinner meeting Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter, 5 p.m., Officers Club, MC Station Beaufort.

Dec. 16 – 250th Anniversary Boston Tea Party

Dec. 16 – Wreaths Across America Memorial National Event.

Dec. 17 – Victory Day, Charleston, Ken Scarlett, President 864 363-6188

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.

Feb. 10, 2024 Saturday – Battle of Kettle Creek, Washington, Georgia, National NSSAR event

Feb. 10, Saturday – Revolutionary Days, Washington, Georgia.

Feb. 27 – Gen. Francis Marion Commemoration, Col. Hezekiah Maham Chapter.

March 2, Saturday – Battle of Brier Creek, GASSAR Screven County, Georgia.

March 9 – Dr. George Mosse Chapter, SCSSAR, Thomas Heyward, Jr., Declaration of Independence Signer, Gravesite Pilgrimage

March 13, Living History Event South Aiken High School, Aiken, South Carolina, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

March 21-23 SC NSDAR Conference.

March 29 – Vietnam Vet Day, Aiken South Carolina

April 6 Live Stock parade – Sylvania, Georgia.

April 2024, Siege of Fort Watson – Matthew Singleton Chapter.

April 19-20 2024 – SCSSAR Annual Membership Meeting, Robert Mills Court House Ball Room, Camden, South Carolina.

April 20, Saturday – The Frederica Naval Action Saint Simons, Georgia.

April 19-20 – SCSSAR Annual Membership Meeting, Robert Mills Court House Ball Room, Camden, South Carolina.

May 3-4 – Pinetree festival, Swainsboro Georgia.

On all events for more information please call Ted Walker 803 599-1654.

Living History in Moncks Corner

MONCK'S CORNER — Ted Walker, President SCSSAR; Ray Herndon, President, Hezekiah Maham Chapter; and Doug Doster, Past President, SCSSAR / Vice President Battle of Eutaw Springs Chapter, along with NSDAR Chapters, Southern Campaign 1780 Liberty Live, Historical Societies and 1700 period presenters participated in a Living History event Sept. 30 in Moncks Corner. The event was sponsored by the Berkeley County Museum.

Our presentation and focus were on recruiting new members, and educating the public about the battles that took place in the Southern Campaign. This event gave us that opportunity as about 2,000 folks were in attendance and were interested in Revolutionary War history. Our SCSSAR State Recruiting booth generated 20 new prospects for our society, from which I believe six to eight will result in new member applications. Ray Herndon and Doug Doster had excellent displays with lots of public interest. Well done to all who participated in this excellent event.



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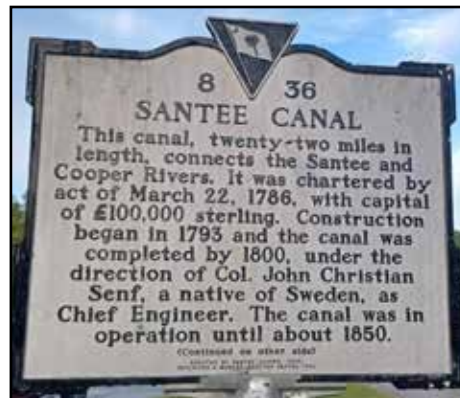
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Raymond Herndon, President of the Col. Hezekiah Maham Chapter, talks about the SAR mission.



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Tom Perry
Secretary
Col. Robert Anderson Chapter

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@clmson.edu

Thomas Jefferson Bond, Jr. Memorial Photographic Award

This award was created and funded by Wilma ‘Sunni’ M. Bond as a memorial to Thomas J. Bond, Jr. (1936-1997). The annual award shall recognize and reward the compatriot whose photographic entry is selected as the most representative of patriotism. The money given to NSSAR by Mrs. Bond is to be invested in such a manner as to yield at least \$1,000 annually in earnings, said earnings up to \$1,000 to be presented to the winner. If the earnings in any year are less than \$1,000, the award shall be given in increments of \$100 (i.e., \$900). Any excess earnings shall be added to the principal. An SAR certificate, appropriately embossed, shall accompany the award. Incidental administrative expenses, i.e., the cost of the certificate, may be deducted from earnings prior to any excess reverting to principal. Should the name of this award ever be changed by NSSAR, the original \$20,000 donation shall revert to the Bond Memorial Trust as of the date of any such name change.

Entries are to be no greater than 8½” x 11” in size, unmatted and unframed, and may be in color or black-and-white. Only one entry per compatriot will be accepted. Entries are to be sent to NSSAR Headquarters for judging during the Spring Leadership Meeting. All photos to be considered must be received by the Executive Director no later than February 15 of each calendar year.

Judges shall be the SAR Magazine Editor, Historian General and the Chairman (Chairmen) of the Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee(s). If the latter is unavailable or if that committee is ever absorbed by some other entity, the other two shall select the individual(s) to serve as the third judge with preference being given to the chair of a committee devoted to patriotism. Judges will reach their decision in whatever manner they deem appropriate, so long as only one picture is selected as the winner. Announcement of the winner and presentation of the check and certificate will occur at Recognition Night during the Annual Congress each year. The SAR Magazine Editor is requested to run a reproduction of the winning photo each year in the issue of the SAR Magazine in which Congress events are reported.

All entries become the property of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution and will not be returned. The award was first presented in 1998.

From Rick Morris, Piedmont Vice President: Mrs. Sunni Bond is a member of a local DAR Chapter and very supportive of our Cambridge Chapter. Thomas Bond was Registrar General, and at the time of his death, preparing to run for Secretary General. The award was first announced at the 1997 NSSAR Congress, just a few months after Tom’s untimely death. Sunni Bond had the privilege several times of presenting the check and certificate in person.

Please encourage any photographers in your SAR chapter to enter this award contest. The award is given annually at the National Congress. **Sunni Bond (Mrs. Thomas J. Bond Jr.), Registrar, Star Fort Chapter NSDAR, Greenwood, South Carolina.**

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 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.**

Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost	Age = \$Cost
1 = \$1,521	16 = \$1,414	31 = \$1,262	46 = \$1,045	61 = \$759	76 = \$435	91 = \$166
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	

For Headquarters use only:	Signature of NSSAR Registrar:	Date of Signature:
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For South Carolina Society
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_____ / _____ / _____
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

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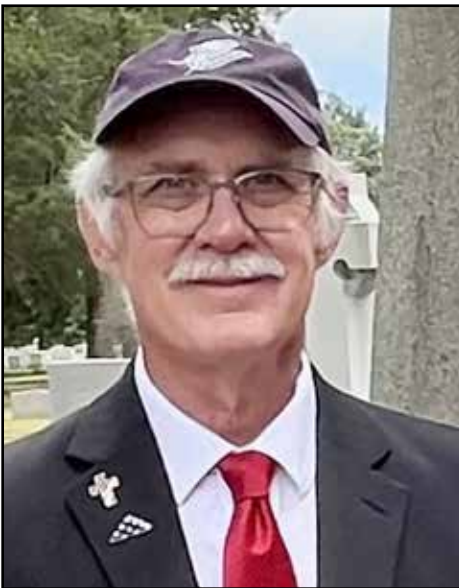
Enrollment Approved: _____
Signature of SCSSAR Secretary Date Signed

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

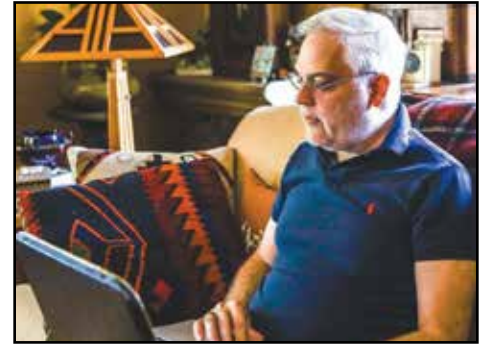
burials I met Dr. Charles F. Vaughan of the Thomas Taylor Chapter. He said he taught Social Studies at AC Flora High School in Columbia and could never attend the daytime meeting of his chapter, so I invited him to come to our next evening meeting, which he did.

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>.

**THEODORE ROOSEVELT MORTON
SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY SAR
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.

PROCLAMATION

2023 Wreaths Across America

WHEREAS, Wreaths Across America coordinates wreath-laying ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at more than 3,400 additional locations in all 50 states, at sea and abroad; and,

WHEREAS, the mission of Wreaths Across America is to remember the fallen, honor those who serve and teach our children the value of freedom; and

WHEREAS, Wreaths Across America has chosen “SERVE AND SUCCEED” as its

2023 theme to encourage everyone to become involved in their own communities to serve and succeed in their own ways; and,

WHEREAS, one of the patriotic, historical, and education purposes of the Sons of the American Revolution is “to perpetuate the memory of those individuals who, by their services or sacrifices during the war of the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American people;” and,

WHEREAS, the Sons of the American Revolution seeks to foster cooperative arrangements with patriotic organizations such as Wreaths Across America in pursuit of our common goals to honor, respect, and support veterans, and to inspire our communities to “a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers;” and,

WHEREAS, Saturday, December 16, 2023, which also is the 250th anniversary of the Boston Tea Party, has been designated by Wreaths Across America as the date for these wreath laying ceremonies to occur;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John L. Dodd, President General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, encourage all Compatriots to join with the more than two million volunteers and supporters of Wreaths Across America and other patriotic, community, and veteran’s organizations, on Saturday, December 16, 2023 to participate in wreath-laying ceremonies and activities and find individual ways to SERVE AND SUCCEED in your own communities.

Dorchester County celebrates 250th anniversary of Charleston Tea Party Dec. 1



Ernie Quick (left) and Ted Walker
SCSSAR President



John Boyes (left), Secretary of the Dr. George Mosse Chapter, and Mike Monahan, President of the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter.



Ted Walker, SCSSAR President (center), explains musket reloading procedures to C.A.R. members.



Cathy Handzo, Ernie Quick, Cynthia Putman and Susan Lee tell the story of Susannah Smith Elliott, who took care of the Patriot troops at Ashley River.



Melanie Franks uses a globe to tell about the British ship London leaving London to come to Charleston with 257 chests of tea.



Joan Naugle (left) and Jane Huff assist with Colonial hat making.



Cathy Handzo (left) and Cynthia Putman await the arrival of 336 homeschoolers.



Watch ABC News Channel 4 video: <https://abcnews4.com/news/local/dorchester-county-celebrates-250th-anniversary-of-the-lesser-known-charleston-tea-party#>

248th Anniversary Battle of Great Cane Brake



Students from St. Joseph's School.



Jamie Swingle (left), Social Studies teacher at St. Joseph School, receives Certificate of Appreciation from Joseph Glavitsch, President of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter.



From left: SCSSAR President Ted Walker, Ted Morton, Glenn Farrow and Joseph Glavitsch, President of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter.



Judson LeViner (left) and Philip Andrew



Raymond Kyle (left) and Philip Andrew, Sergeant at Arms, passes out streamers.



Pete Widell, C.A.R. President

248th Anniversary Battle of Great Cane Brake



Ted Walker, SCSSAR President



Durant Ashmore, Keynote Speaker



Glenn Farrow (left) and Dan Lubinski



Joe Babb, America's 250th Chairman



Carl Widell, Treasurer William Stroud Chapter C.A.R.



Musket Volley



From left: Eric Barnhill, Upstate Vice President; Ted Walker, SCSSAR President; and Joseph Glavitsch, President of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter.



Joseph Glavitsch, President of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter. [Photo by Ted Walker]

248th Anniversary Battle of Great Cane Brake

Col. Robert Anderson Chapter

SIMPSONVILLE — The Col. Robert Anderson Chapter on Saturday Dec. 2, commemorated the 248th anniversary of the Battle of Cane Brake at Hopkins Farm in Simpsonville. This was the only battle of the Revolutionary War fought in Greenville County.

The actual date of the battle was Dec. 22, 1775 and marked the start of the Snow Campaign. Loyalist forces under Patrick Cunningham had commandeered shot and powder that the Council of Safety had sent to the Cherokees. A Patriot militia under Col. William Thomson, after a 25 mile night march, virtually surrounded the Loyalists camped in a brake of cane along the Reedy River, recapturing the shot and powder and taking prisoners.

The battle field is part of Hopkins Farm in Simpsonville. The farm has been passed down through eight generations, and the current owner is Mrs. Carol Hopkins. For many years the Hopkins family has kindly and graciously welcomed the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter and has worked with us to make these commemorations a success.

The SC Independent Rangers presented with musket salutes to open and close the commemoration. Chapter Historian Glenn Farrow gave an account of the Cane Brake battle. Lecturer and battlefield preservationist Durant Ashmore gave the keynote address. His topic this year concerned what happened to the 70 Loyalists who escaped Col. Thomson's militia.

Among the 93 guests present were 22 students from St. Joseph's Catholic School. Their teacher, Jamie Swingle was awarded an SAR Certificate of appreciation for his third year of support and attendance.

The Chapter also presented a check



From left: SCSSAR President Ted Walker, Judson LeViner and Raymond Kyle.



From left: Raymond Kyle; Dan Woodruff; Piedmont Vice President Rick Morris; and Glenn Farrow, Chapter Historian.

to him for \$100 accompanied by the loud cheers of his students.

The Chapter was honored to have State

SCSSAR President Ted Walker deliver greetings. Three past SCSSAR Presidents attended: David Smith, Ted Morton and Dan Woodruff. District Vice Presidents Eric Barnhill and Rick Morris were present.

We welcomed State Recording Secretary and current Children of the American Revolution State President, Pete Widell. Compatriots from Georgia, Virginia and North Carolina SAR Chapters attended. The Sons of the Revolution was represented by Tom Weidner as well as DAR members and regents from the area and a member from the Frederick, Maryland, DAR Chapter. *Chapter President Joe Glavitsch.*



Watch video at <https://vimeo.com/890644223>

Photos by David Bennett