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Society marks Patriot victory at Musgrove Mill

By Norm Pigeon

Gen. James Williams Chapter president

MUSGROVE MILL STATE HISTORIC SITE — More than 170 celebrants, some wearing period dress, formed under the tree canopy adjacent to the Musgrove reproduction home Aug. 15 to witness a tribute to the Patriot victory of 229 years ago.

After a welcome to the Historic Site by park ranger Brian Robson and an invocation, the combined color guard presented the various flags. The assembled joined in the pledges and the singing of the National Anthem. Representatives of the SAR, DAR and CAR led the celebrants in their creeds.

Samuel C. Powell, South Atlantic vice president general, brought us greetings. Rev. Dr. Ted Morton, SCSSAR senior vice president, reminded all present what these honored patriots accomplished and said we were there to not only honor their sacrifices, but to continue their Revolution.

In a moving tribute, Mark Anthony, SCSSAR secretary, presented the SAR Liberty Medal posthumously to Joseph McCall Goldsmith. Accepting the medal was George Goldsmith, brother of the late Joseph, who died April 3.

Wreaths from the various patriotic organizations were presented and followed by a musket volley by militia reenactors. The ceremony concluded with the SAR recessional and benediction.



POSTHUMOUS AWARD — George Goldsmith (left) accepts Liberty Medal from Mark Anthony, SCSSAR secretary, on behalf of his brother Joseph, who died April 3. [Photos by Bristow Marchant]



MAYORAL PROCLAMATION — Louisville Mayor Jerry Abramson proclaims Aug. 25 "SAR Genealogical Library Day."

Next Meeting of the Board of Governors

The South Carolina Society Board of Governors will conduct its next meeting at 10 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 10, in Columbia. The location will be announced closer to the date and communicated through chapter officers and the state website (www.scssar.org).

National Society President General Ed Butler is scheduled to attend this meeting.

All members of the South Carolina Society are allowed and invited to attend this and every Board of Governors meeting.



NSSAR GREETINGS — Samuel Powell, South Atlantic vice president general, brings NSSAR greetings.

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From the President's Desk

Fellow Compatriots,

This fall brings with it events of Revolutionary War interest too many to list in this letter. I hope you all will be involved in or attend some of these observances. You need only to check our splendid state website and click on calendar to make your plans to be involved. I thank the individual chapters who organize and carry out these ceremonies and celebrations. Our neighboring state societies also have events that we should support.

Over the past few weeks I have enjoyed visiting some of your meetings, and I plan to attend

more. I will make every effort to accept invitations to individual chapter meetings and events. Keep in mind also the many national level SAR programs that also deserve our state society's and our individual support. Our national SAR website offers you information on all these worthy programs. If you don't happen to be comfortable with a computer, then your local library personnel will assist you in printing out any of the above information I have mentioned that is available on the websites.

I must mention our upcoming Colonial Ball at Charleston Place Dec. 19. I believe it will be

one of the grandest ever. I'm making it a family Christmas affair as I will be presenting my daughter. If you have missed the ball in recent years, do not miss this one.

In closing I wish to thank all of you who keep the chapters active and the SAR events and programs ongoing with your time and gifts. Thank you.



Douglas B. Doster

Fraternally,

Douglas B. Doster
President, SCSSAR

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From the Editor Noble gesture by President of South Carolina

GREENVILLE — While I was preparing this issue of *The Palmetto Patriot*, I came across this order that John Rutledge, president of South Carolina, sent to Fort Sullivan's commanding officer, Col. William Moultrie, before the unsuccessful British attack on Charleston, June 28, 1776: "General [Charles] Lee . . . wishes you to evacuate the fort. You will not, without [an] order from me. I would sooner cut off my hand than write one."

After the battle, President Rutledge gave his own dress sword to Sgt. William Jasper, who risked his life to rescue the flag after the flag staff was shot down by British warships and remounted it on a new staff.

The fall issue is now complete, and work begins on the winter edition. *The Palmetto Patriot* is your paper. It is one of the main ways that the SCSSAR keeps in touch. Please send any articles, stories or pictures of your chapter events to me at tom.hanson@SouthCarolinaConservative.com. The deadline for the Winter edition is Nov. 16, but I would appreciate receiving any articles or photos within a week after the event happens so *The Palmetto Patriot* can be a continual work in progress. That way I can have the issue mostly laid out by the deadline and then plug in any last minute items before sending it off to press.



Tom Hanson

SCSSAR Americanism Update

The SC Society has 9,172 Americanism Points, 2,492 President General's Streamer Points, 507 USS Stark Points and a 15.85 score for the President General's Cup with points recorded in 22 categories. As a reminder, 23 categories must have points for consideration for the national President General's Cup contest.

These point totals are based on information supplied to the committee through the National Office, the various chapters or direct observation. If the event is not reported, it cannot be recorded. Please be sure to contact the chairman if you have any questions or need copies of the spreadsheets that are used.

Chapter	Americanism	PG Streamer	Stark	PG Cup
Gen. Daniel Morgan	2,830	385	970	57.41 18
Gen. James Williams	961	140	80	37.97 13
Cambridge	771	180	46	27.97 9
Col. Robert Anderson	602	215	200	19.45 8
Dr. George Mosse	427	180	190	16.41 10
Maj. Gen. William Moultrie	426	135	115	4.96 8
Gen. Andrew Pickens	421	100	31	24.81 9
Gov. Paul Hamilton	401	115	100	11.73 10
Col. William Bratton	313	120	260	24.06 8
Henry Laurens	210	70	0	16.47 7
Gen. Francis Marion	205	140	0	26.54 8
Battle of Eutaw Springs	145	145	5	8.29 7
Col. Thomas Taylor	135	255	0	4.53 7
Col. Joseph Kershaw	135	80	10	15.36 6
Col. Matthew Singleton	115	100	0	7.68 9
Lemuel Benton	36	135	100	3.8 6

The categories reported above include points generated for the USS Stark Service to Veterans Award and the Average Points per Member for the PG Streamer. The final column reports the number of Categories in which each chapter has recorded points.

Mark C. Anthony
Chairman, SCSSAR Americanism Committee

The deadline for the Winter Edition of The Palmetto Patriot is Nov. 16.

SC Society to host President General

Mark C. Anthony
Aide de Camp

As announced at the July Board of Governors meeting, the SC Society will play host to NSSAR President Gen. Ed Butler for a number of events between Oct. 6 and Oct. 10.

Following is a list of events he will attend:

On Oct. 6, at 2 p.m., President Gen. Butler will attend the grave dedication of his ancestor Col. Frederick Hambright in Grover, N.C. It is sponsored by the North Carolina Society and the Hambright family group. Col. Hambright fought and was severely wounded in the thigh at Kings Mountain.

Later on Oct. 6, President Gen. Butler will attend the South Atlantic District meeting at the Super 8 Motel in Gaffney, S.C. This meeting precedes the Kings Mountain Reception hosted by the SC Society for members and guests who are attending the Kings Mountain celebration Oct. 7. A dutch treat dinner will take place after the reception in Gaffney.

On Oct. 7, President Gen. Butler will participate in the Kings Mountain celebration, which begins at 11 a.m. at the Federal Monument, where he will place the NSSAR wreath. Then, he will attend a luncheon sponsored by the Kings Mountain DAR in honor of the members of the Overmountain Victory Trail Association (OVTA).

While the President General is dining with the



Ed Butler
NSSAR President General

OVTA, SAR members will have a dutch treat lunch in Gaffney.

At 4 p.m., Oct. 7, the SC Society will sponsor

a grave dedication for Rev. William McClanahan, an ancestor of President Gen. Butler. Rev. McClanahan is also the ancestor of former President Gen. Larry McClanahan (2001-02), who will also be in attendance. This dedication will take place at Reedy River Baptist Church on U.S. Hwy. 25 in Travelers Rest, S.C.

After the dedication ceremony, Reedy River Baptist Church will host a dinner for the President General and members of the SAR. After this dinner, the SAR will lead the Wednesday night service at the church.

Following these two days of activity, the President General will travel to Georgia to take part in a grave dedication as well as a ceremony **on Oct. 9** that commemorates the Siege of Savannah.

Then, the President General will travel to Charleston. **On Oct. 10,** he will attend the Board of Governors meeting in Columbia. Following the Board of Governors meeting, President Gen. Butler will return to Charleston for a private reception and vacation before heading to Virginia for Yorktown Days.

This week in October is an opportunity for the SC Society to demonstrate true Southern hospitality for the President General and for other national officers. It is requested that every member make a special effort to attend as many of these events as they can — especially the Board of Governors meeting on Oct. 10.

Old book, new review

Commanders at Kings Mountain

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By **J.D. Bailey**

By **Compatriot Jim Livingston**

NEWBERRY COUNTY, South Carolina — I purchased a curious-appearing book at Ninety Six Star Fort Gift shop. I call it curious as it has a bright red cover (hard back) with simple gold print on the front and spine and no dust cover to provide browser information. A table of contents directs readers to the 11 covered commanders.

I am a charter member of the Gen. James Williams Chapter. Having read only a single account of Gen. Williams, *James Williams: An American Patriot in the Carolina Backcountry*, by William T. Graves, I had heightened curiosity.

Graves' book has a substantial amount of end-notes giving credibility to that which he published, whereas Rev. Bailey's book has nothing of the sort and therefore mostly rests as folk tradition, slight measure for accepting it as important history.

The reader is further confounded by the absence of credentials of the author and even the original publishing date. We are given a clue when Bailey speaks of himself: "Accordingly, on the morning of April the 25th, 1898, in company with some friends, we visited the supposed place of Colonel Williams' sepulture" (page 312).

The chapter I read was an easy pleasure using accounts of a number of people, but totally without substantiating evidence. Other publications by the author are dated almost 100 years ago, which places the evidence closer to the time when the events took place. I am sure he keeps it as close to reality and exactness as this inexact science allows.

Digging for evidence of "Old King's Mountain Jim," the author gives a detailed description of the finding: "Armed with ax, pick and shovel, we began the work of excavation on the south side of the tree, but without success. Beginning on the north side,

we soon had reasons to believe that we had struck the grave, and sure enough we had. The skull was perfect from the base to the eye-sockets. All the bones removed were put back at once, except the skull, which was kept out long enough to be photographed, when it, too, was replaced" (page 314).

How much of the tales within the book are reliable history is difficult to surmise. While I greatly honor our Patriots and find romanticized doings of the ages good entertainment, good writing standing alone, unsubstantiated outside the "Good Book" need not be taken as gospel.

229th Kings Mountain Anniversary and Grave-Marking for Col. Frederick Hambright

KINGS MOUNTAIN NATIONAL MILITARY PARK — The Le Marquis de Lafayette Chapter of the North Carolina Society Sons of the American Revolution and the Daniel Morgan Chapter South Carolina Society, Sons of the American Revolution, invite SAR, DAR, CAR and SR societies and chapters to participate in the grave marking of Col. Frederick Hambright, Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 2 p.m. at Kings Mountain, North Carolina, and the 229th anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain, Wednesday, Oct. 7, at 11 a.m. at Kings Mountain National Military Park.

A traditional commemoration program in the park's amphitheater begins at 3 p.m., Oct. 7.

Participants desiring to present a wreath at the grave site must deliver it before 2 p.m. at the grave site. Participants desiring to present a wreath at the U.S. Monument must deliver it to the park's Visitor Center no later than 9 a.m., Oct. 7. Ground transportation will be provided for those needing special care. All compatriots are encouraged to wear period dress (Continental or Militia). Wreaths may be dedicated to a specific organization, individual patriot or compatriot. The grave marking is particularly important as Col Hambright is an ancestor of President Gen. Ed Butler, who will be attending both ceremonies.

Name/Society: _____

Family/Chapter: _____

Laying Wreath: Yes/No Wreath Dedicated to: _____

Presenter: _____ Title: _____

Bringing Unit/Chapter Flag? Yes/No Color Guard? Yes/No

Number of members expected to attend: _____ In Uniform or Colonial Dress _____

Please mail the information to Franklin N. Horton, 3812 Ithica Place, Fayetteville, NC 28311, or it can be e-mailed to BushBar@aol.com.

Changes in National Society fees and dues set for 2010

One of the major pieces of business transacted at the 2009 National Congress in Atlanta was the approval of an increase in the fees and dues charged by the National Society.

The following is a summary of these changes as well as additional revenue sources for the National Society provided by Joe Harris, NSSAR executive director.

Fees

A. Membership Application. Each new member application fee will increase from \$60 to \$80 on applications received after Jan. 1.

B. Membership Family Plan. Family Plan applications received after Jan. 1 will cost \$80 for the first application and \$30 for each additional application in the same family.

Dues

A. National Dues. Effective dues year 2010, regular membership dues increase to \$30. Junior membership dues increase to \$10. The collection of dues runs concurrent with the 2010 increase.

(The collection period for this increase begins now for 2010.)

B. Nov. 1 to Dec. 31, 2009. New member applications received during this period must include \$30 for 2010 dues plus \$60 for the application fee. Junior membership applications received during this period must include \$10 for 2010 dues plus \$30 for the application fee.

Life Membership Program

The Life Membership Program has been reinstated, however, on Nov. 1, the rates for a life membership will increase based on the increase of dues. Currently, the one-time fee for a life membership is \$750 for members 40 and younger, decreasing by \$12.50 per year for each year of age over 40. After Nov. 1, the fee will increase to \$900 for members 40 and younger, decreasing by \$15 for each year of age over 40.

Amazon.com

Soon an arrangement with Amazon.com will be

established. Members will be able to purchase from Amazon.com via a link that will eventually be placed under the Members Services tab of the NSSAR website (www.sar.org). Purchases by members will generate revenue for the SAR.

Combined Federal Campaign

The SAR is a participating charity of the annual Combined Federal Campaign or CFC. Federal employees and members of the military participate in this program each year by designating a charity or charities to receive all or a portion of their annual CFC contribution. If you are a federal employee, active duty military or have friends or family who are, please remember the number 22587 when it comes time to designate who will receive your CFC contribution.

The campaign is about to begin. Half of the proceeds from the campaign will go into the NSSAR general fund. The other half will be equally divided among the state societies that provided data to qualify.

NSSAR Fall Leadership Meeting

LOUISVILLE — The National Society will host its Fall Leadership Meeting at the Brown Hotel in downtown Louisville, Sept. 25 – 26. This includes the meeting of all national committees as well as the meeting of the national trustees. Also featured are two banquets with nationally prominent speakers.

Formerly called the Trustees Meeting, the Fall Leadership Meeting is open to all SAR members. It is a great opportunity to not only meet members from across the nation, but to also see what the specific national committees do. This is also the time and place to really learn about the programs of the NSSAR.

A block of rooms are available at the Hampton Inn at 101 East Jefferson St. (502-585-2200 or 800-HAMPTON — you must identify yourself as an SAR to get the group rate).

If you are interested in attending this meeting and would like to coordinate transportation, please contact Mark Anthony, State Secretary, at mark.c.anthony@suntrust.com.

National Americanism Committee Announces 2009-2010 Poster Theme

Tom Lawrence of Texas, chairman of the National Americanism Committee, announced at the Youth Awards Luncheon conducted July 6 at the National Congress, that the theme of the Elementary School Poster Contest for 2009-2010 is "The Battle of Bunker Hill."

This contest is open to all students in fourth or fifth grade (depending on when the American Revolution is taught in their school). Posters are judged based on the following criteria:

- Does the poster express the annual theme?
- Does the poster show originality by the student?
- Does the poster show evidence of research?
- Does the poster show artistic merit and creativity?
- Does the poster accurately reflect the historical event?
- Is the poster neat and visually pleasing?

The South Carolina Society contest will be judged at the 2010 Annual Meeting in April. Each chapter is encouraged to contact their local schools to promote this contest. Please remember that each chapter is allowed one entry in the state contest.

Palmetto Patriot available on website and by e-mail

Did you know that past issues of *The Palmetto Patriot* are available on the SC Society website? Did you know that you can also receive the Patriot by e-mail?

In an effort to reduce costs associated with the production and mailing of *The Palmetto Patriot*, the Board of Governors approved the issuance of the state newspaper by e-mail at the January meeting.

For those SCSSAR members who wish to receive the Patriot by e-mail, please e-mail Mark Anthony, the state secretary, at mark.c.anthony@suntrust.com and say that you would like to receive the newspaper by e-mail.



Please note that a printed edition will still be produced and mailed to those who do not ask to receive it by e-mail.

The printed edition will not end.

Members who want to continue to receive the hardcopy edition do not need to do anything.

The online edition is being made available to those members who would prefer to receive it in this manner full of color pictures and at least two or three days before the mailed edition would arrive at their mailing address.

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

Benjamin Franklin

Roll Call of the Departed

Robert I. Phillips, a member of the Col. Thomas Taylor Chapter, died May 18.

James S. Hobson, a member of the Gen. Andrew Pickens Chapter, died May 24.

William T. Crouch, a member of the Henry Laurens Chapter, died July 28.

SAR Application Process or Just How Do We Get New Members?

By Mark Anthony, SCSSAR Secretary
and John T. Smith, SCSSAR Registrar

So you are an SAR member and someone has approached you about joining the organization. After you have determined that they are in fact eligible for membership and have provided documentation of their lineage, just what do you do?

The application process is time-consuming enough when the application has no issues. This article provides some hints so as not to add to the eight to 12 week period it takes for an application to be approved.

The application itself

- Two copies of the application should be submitted to the State Registrar. One application must be on SAR Watermarked Archival Paper. The second copy can be submitted on normal legal size paper.

- Both copies need to have all signatures — five for new applicants (applicant, sponsor, co-sponsor, state registrar and state secretary), and three for supplementals (applicant, state registrar and state secretary).

- Both copies must be typed or prepared using a computer application program that is available on the national website.

- In listing the lineage — more is better. If event documentation provides proof where an event occurred, list the city, county and state where the event occurred (as much as the documentation supports). For example, if using census records, the state of birth is listed in every census since 1850. This should always be cited on the application.

Documentation

- It is preferred but not required that each new application package contain all the related documentation and not rely on using previously approved applications.

- Supplemental applications more commonly use previously approved applications, thus there is no preference with respect to the documentation of a supplemental application.

- Recognizing that previously approved applications are used whenever they can be, the following items must be recognized:

- If an SAR application is used, the general rule is that it must have been approved on or after 1988. While older applications can be used, they are scrutinized more closely, since applications before 1988 contain the most errors and flags from both the SAR and DAR.

- If a DAR application is used, it must have been approved on or after 1988. There are no exceptions to this. Older DAR applications can be cited and included, but any genealogical data must be re-documented using current source materials (this does not preclude providing copies of the documentation cited in the older DAR application).

- If a DAR application approved after 1988 is used, every genealogical fact that is cited on the DAR application must have a check mark by the fact. For example, if the citation is for "Joe Blow American" born 4 July 1876 in Columbia, Richland, SC; married 4 July 1900 in Aiken, Aiken, SC; and died 4 July 1976 in Spartanburg, Spartanburg, SC, each of these items must have a check mark. There have been numerous instances of the DAR making only a single check mark for this generation. While this single check mark is acceptable to the DAR, it is not ac-

ceptable to the SAR. If a single check mark is present, the entire genealogy will need to be re-documented.

- Documents sent to prove the lineage should be copies. Original documents of such things as birth certificates, death certificates and marriage certificates or licenses are not necessary for an application submission.

Submission of the package to the state registrar

- Both copies of the signed application are mailed to the state registrar along with one (and only one) copy of all the supporting documentation.

- Include a check made payable to the SCSSAR in the appropriate amount. This should include all required application fees and dues (national, state and chapter).

- Once the state registrar approves the application, he mails it to the state secretary for final processing and mailing to the national office.

From the State to the National Office

- The state secretary prepares the required transmittal form and pulls out the legal paper copy of the application for filing.

- The state secretary prepares a single check from the State Society for all monies owed to the National Society.

- A mailing to the National Office is prepared and mailed. The state secretary then prepares a letter to the state treasurer along with a copy of the transmittal form detailing all the applications mailed. These items, along with the checks, are then mailed to the state treasurer.

- About a week after the mailing to the National Office, the applications can be viewed on the Application Status Report published biweekly by the National Society on its website (www.sar.org).

Now that the application is approved, what happens next?

- The state secretary receives the new member package(s) from the National Office. Membership certificates are pulled from the packages and mailed to the state president for his signature.

- Once the signed certificates are returned, the state secretary prepares a welcome letter and a membership card for each new member.

- The letter and membership card are then placed in the new member package and mailed to the new member. An electronic copy of the welcome letter is e-mailed to the president and secretary of the specific chapter.

- The state secretary prepares a letter to the state treasurer authorizing the remittance of the respective chapter dues to the chapter. If no chapter dues were collected, then the chapter officers are informed of their responsibility to collect said chapter dues.

General observations

- Please be aware that just because the application has been mailed to the state registrar, this does not mean that it is automatically going to be forwarded to the state secretary and thus the National Office. The registrar and secretary are expected to review the application — the registrar for genealogical proofs, the secretary for completeness of the package.

- Please be aware that the mail at the state post office box is not checked daily, nor are application packages prepared daily for mailing. Sometimes packages are held so that the state society does not overpay for postage or use up secretarial supplies. Packages are prepared at least weekly for mailing to the National Office.

- If an application is pended for any reason, the National Office notifies the state registrar and secretary of the reason. The state registrar will then either try to resolve the issue himself or refer it to the state genealogist or to the applicant for resolution. Once a resolution is obtained, the state registrar remits the new documentation to the National Office directly.

- Once the National Office receives the new documentation, it is matched with the original package and then placed in that current day's work. In other words, the application approval is put to the back of the line, thus causing another eight to 12 week waiting period for the applicant. This shows why it is so important to understand the application process and not create problems by not fully completing the application or using documentation that is unacceptable.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either the state Registrar or state Secretary.

Seventh Annual Francis Marion / Swamp Fox Symposium "Explore Gen. Francis Marion and the Southern Campaign"

MANNING, South Carolina — Immerse yourself in Francis Marion's world and the Southern Campaign of the American Revolution Oct. 16 and 17 at the F.E. DuBose Campus of Central Carolina Technical College, I-95, Exit 122, one half mile east on U.S. 521 in Manning.

Approximate times are Friday, Oct. 16, 2 p.m. to 9 p.m., and Saturday, Oct. 17, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Agenda: Christine Swager: Francis Marion: Stranger Than Fiction
Wright Turbeville: John Laurens: The Real Revolutionary;
George Summers: Marion's Bridges Campaign Escalating Tactics
Tom Powers: Francis Marion and His Commanders
Will Graves: Revolutionary War Pension Applications and Research
Karen MacNutt: Gen. & Mrs. Marion, Families in the Revolutionary Era
Dave Neilan: The Crisis of Command in the Southern Department and Marion Correspondence
Dave Sherrill: Benjamin Franklin's historical presentation: Politics of War
Joe Stukes: Major John James, who rode with Marion and tour to the Black River

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Mail check and registration to Swamp Fox Murals Trail Society, P.O. Box 667, Manning, SC 29102.
Contact Carole & George Summers 803-478-2645 or cell 919-730-3533
www.francismarionsymposium.com

Sept. 26: Close of Early Registration. Oct. 9: Close of Registration.

Fees include all lectures on Friday and Saturday, Friday evening reception, Saturday snacks, lunch and dinner theater. Price \$95 (\$165/couple) by Oct. 9. Early Bird Fee (before Sept. 26) \$85/person (\$155/couple). Make check payable to Francis Marion Symposium (non-refundable after Oct. 9). Mail to Francis Marion Symposium, C. Hester, P.O. Box 667, Manning, S.C. 29102

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Charleston host to Colonial Ball with debutante presentation

By Greg Ohanesian
SCSSAR Treasurer

CHARLESTON — The SCSSAR's 19th Colonial Ball with debutante presentation will take place Dec. 19 at the Charleston Place Hotel at 205 Meeting St. A reception honoring debutantes will take place the evening before.

After the debutante presentation, a formal dinner will be served with wine, followed by dancing to music provided by the Swingtime Orchestra. Citadel cadets will again take part in the debutante presentation. Dress is white tie, black tie and tartan optional. Participants are required to wear white tie, tartan optional.

Arrangements have been made with the Charleston Place Hotel for Colonial Ball participants and guests. Well-appointed rooms with two double beds are available at \$159 a night for Friday, Dec. 18, and Saturday, Dec. 19. This rate applies if res-

ervations are made by Dec. 4. Please let the hotel know you are with the SAR Colonial Ball. Reservations may be made by calling (800) 831-3490 or by e-mail at grouppres@charlestonplace.com

The Colonial Ball, a formal affair, has in recent years presented debutantes from New York to Florida. The debutantes will wear long white gowns (with at least half-inch-wide straps—no strapless gowns) and long white gloves (either cotton or kid). All other women will wear evening attire of any color other than white.

Escorts, presenters and others having a part in the program will be attired in white tie (black shoes, black pants and tailcoat, white vest, white shirt with wing collar, white tie and gloves), or white tie tartan (black shoes, white vest, white shirt with wing collar, white tie and gloves). Other men will wear white tie, or tuxedo black tie or tartan.

For more information call Greg Ohanesian at (843) 479-7193.

The Long Way Home

By Jim Livingston

NEWBERRY COUNTY, S.C. — Many in the Southeast are descended from those who made homes where their ancestors settled decades before the American Revolution. In some cases entire church congregations settled in what is now known as the Dutch Fork Community.

Discovery of a Revolutionary War Captain Livingston was an easy matter, but only recently with DNA do we have a connection to the Scottish Livingstons. Rev. John Livingston (1603-1672) was banished to Holland in the 17th century. Of his sons who settled in this country, one signed our Declaration of Independence and another the U.S. Constitution.

One of the males carrying the German name Liebenstein remained in Holland until it appears his was a much later migration to the Dutch Fork Community. I had recently learned of my father's adoption, and only later did I come to know that blood line from one who fought for our independence provided qualification for membership. Therefore I turned to my mother's ancestors.

A number of DAR members have been certified using Captain Jacob Fulmer or one of his sons. Still, with no idea how to search and having no known blood connection to an established SAR/DAR, I gratefully accepted the help of Rev. and Mrs. Ted Morton of the Cambridge Chapter.

There was an absence of required proof for a single generation, so subsequently we turned to the Taylor and Dominick ancestors, directly connected to my mother on her matriarchal side. In remarkably short time, the Mortons discovered the compilation of Henry Dominick's descendants by Boyd Bedenbaugh in the Newberry Library. I was listed in that book, with photos of my mother and her siblings, and most importantly copies of legal proofs of direct blood relationship using such as estate sales, a pension claim and wills all contained within the superb compilation.

The Bedenbaugh compilation mentions the cemetery for Patriot Henry Dominick being in Newberry County. Using Google I simply clicked on Henry Dominick Cemetery and in a flash a website containing a lengthy story "Taylor Triangle Reunion" came before me. There I found a photo of the cemetery, a description of how to get to it, with a map, and a photo of Boyd giving a talk within the cemetery to a large group outside the surrounding chain link fence.

Even now, as fresh as the day I first saw my ancestors' resting place, my heart is filled with joy, love and great respect for this man whose blood flows in my humbled and grateful heart. Those of you who have made this connection understand and treasure this kin to the building of our nation. It establishes that extraordinary and humbling thankful joy, not for what we have done but rather that which at great sacrifice and need was by no means left undone.

To those who have yet to connect, I cannot urge your doing so in stronger terms.

"Those who expect to reap the blessings of freedom must undergo the fatigue of supporting it."

Patrick Henry

Calendar of Events

Sept. 5, 10 a.m.	228th Anniversary of Eutaw Springs Battle of Eutaw Springs Chapter	Eutawville, S.C.
Sept. 12, 10 a.m.	Pioneer Days	Gray Court, S.C.
Sept. 20, 2 p.m.	Gen. Andrew Pickens Birthday Sponsored by Gen. Andrew Pickens Chapter	Clemson, S.C.
Sept. 25-26	NSSAR Fall Leadership Meeting	Louisville, Ky.
Oct. 3	Dacey Langston Gravesite Rededication Sponsored by Col. Robert Anderson Chapter	Tigerville, S.C.
Oct. 6 2 p.m.	Frederick Hambricht Grave Dedication Sponsored by NC Society SAR	Grover, N.C.
4 p.m.	South Atlantic District Meeting Super 8 Motel	Gaffney, S.C.
5 p.m.	Kings Mountain Reception Sponsored by South Carolina Society SAR	Gaffney, S.C.
Oct. 7 11 a.m.	229th Anniversary Battle of Kings Mountain Sponsored by NC and SC Societies SAR	Blacksburg, S.C.
4 p.m.	William McClanahan Grave Dedication Sponsored by SC Society SAR	Travelers Rest, S.C.
7 p.m.	SAR Memorial Service Sponsored by SC Society SAR	Travelers Rest, S.C.
Oct. 10 10 a.m.	SCSSAR Board of Governors Meeting	Columbia, S.C.
Oct. 24 8 a.m.	Carolinas Challenge for Wounded Warrior Sponsored by Gen. Daniel Morgan Chapter	Spartanburg, S.C.
Dec. 5 10 a.m.	Anniversary of Battle of Great Canebrake Sponsored by Col. Robert Anderson Chapter	Simpsonville, S.C.
3 p.m.	Hite Family Gravesite Dedication Sponsored by Gen. Daniel Morgan Chapter	Greer, S.C.
Dec. 19 7 p.m.	SC Society Colonial Ball	Charleston, S.C.

Details for these events can be found on the SCSSAR web site (www.scssar.org) and other state society websites under the Calendar tab.

Focus On

The Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter

By James Moscoe Johnson
Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter Historian

SUMTER, S.C. — The Col. Matthew Singleton chapter received its charter Feb. 9, 1980, and is preparing to celebrate its 30th anniversary.

Matthew Singleton (1730-1787) came to Virginia from England in 1745, and he moved his family to South Carolina in 1752. By 1773 he owned more than 5,700 acres of land.

During the Revolutionary War, he rose to the rank of colonel, serving under the command of Gen. Francis Marion. For his service during the war, he was granted 4,000 additional acres of land in what is now the Wedgefield area of Sumter County. Today, not far from the Wedgefield community, one can still visit his family cemetery.

Edward V. Atkinson was the first president of the chapter. Other presidents were Edgar Dallery, Clement Reed, Steve Lenoir, Archie Legrand, Dr. Perry Davis, Dr. Muriel Hanna, Michael Johnson and now J.T. Myers. The late Dr. Davis was also state president in 2000 and 2001 and served as National Surgeon General in the National Society Sons of the American Revolution in 2001. The chapter's current membership is 32.

The Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter has been involved in a variety of activities throughout the years to promote and preserve historical sites and honor those past and present who work to ensure the freedoms upon which our country is founded. The chapter recognizes outstanding JROTC cadets,

promotes scholarship opportunities, has sponsored state conventions and recognizes and maintains historical sites.

The major chapter project over the years has been the restoration of the Singleton cemetery near Wedgefield, S.C.

The property, owned by the Sumter County Historical Commission, had been vandalized and many tombstones broken. The tombstones have been repaired, a stone wall rebuilt and a metal fence constructed around the 2.18 acre cemetery.

The chapter also provides manpower to help maintain the appearance of the property by clearing debris and maintaining the grounds.

The Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter commemorates annually the Battle of Fort Watson. The fort was built on an Indian mound, and is located at the Santee National Wildlife Refuge. The fort overlooked the Santee River and was considered a strategic communications post for the British.

On April 23, 1781, the fort was taken by Gen.



FORT WATSON CEREMONY — Members of the Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter commemorate in April the capture of Fort Watson by Gen. Francis Marion. From left: Michael B. Johnson, James Moscoe Johnson, Frank Brown, Bentley G. Fisburne, J.T. Myers, Edgar L. Dallery, Geary Serpas and William H. Johnson.

Francis Marion after an eight day siege, with victory secured after the construction of a shooting tower.

In recognition of this victory, the chapter erected a monument on the site along with the original crypt lid from Francis Marion's tomb. The Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter, in conjunction with the Santee National Wildlife Refuge, members of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and various community groups, honor the patriots who fought in the Battle of Fort Watson with a commemorative presentation and wreath-laying ceremony.

The Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter is proud of its various accomplishments throughout its tenure. With continued growth, enthusiasm and effort, the chapter should continue to grow and promote the ideas of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Charter Members Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter

Edward Vandiver Atkinson
James Frierson Atkinson
Joseph Alexander Ayers
Peter Thomas Ayers
Robert Alan Ayers
William Ervin Brunson III
Edgard Laird Dallery

Robert Thomas Dennis
John Brawner Duffie
Paul Fancois Ducom Sr.
Wilson Ashby McElveen III
Hugh McFaddin McLaurin III
Robert Mellette Moore Jr.
Clement Hepburn Reed

Colclough E. Sanders
James Richardson Sanders
John Whitworth Shaw III
Dr. Lawrence R. Sutherland
John Bailey Tindal Jr.

Welcome new SCSSAR members

Through Aug. 12 the following members have been welcomed into the SCSSAR.

Cambridge Chapter: **Peter W. Joslin**, patriot ancestor Israel Angell.

William F. Mauldin Jr., patriot ancestor George Galphin.

Kenneth W. Poston, patriot ancestor Jesse Musselwhite.

Col. Lemuel Benton Chapter: **Matthew M. Breen**, patriot ancestor John Mitchell.

Thomas S. Heyward III, patriot ancestor Thomas Heyward Jr.

Charles T. Terry, patriot ancestor Alexander Hamilton.

Col. Matthew Singleton Chapter: **John L. Furse**, patriot ancestor Thaddeus Hoyt.

William C. Furse Jr., patriot ancestor Thaddeus Hoyt.

Col. Thomas Taylor Chapter: **Daniel C. Gregory Jr.**, patriot ancestor Joseph Hoitt Sr.

Eugene R. Kibler, patriot ancestor Richard Gough.

Thomas R. Kibler, patriot ancestor Richard Gough.

John F. McCabe, patriot ancestor Thomas Taylor.

Joseph M. McCabe, patriot ancestor Thomas Taylor.

Myron E. Retske, patriot ancestor Jacob Minor.

Asbury H. Williams Jr., patriot ancestor Arnold N. Harvey.

Col. William Bratton Chapter: **Eugene A. Greenawalt**, patriot ancestor Abraham Greenawalt.

Stephen B. Ubaney, patriot ancestor William W. Fox.

Norman R. Watkins Jr., patriot ancestor Jacob Cooper.

Gen. Daniel Morgan Chapter: **Clyde R. Mitchell III**, patriot ancestor John Blalock.

Gen. James Williams Chapter: **Lawrence M. Peebles**, patriot ancestor Robert McCottry.

Jack O. Sullivan Sr., patriot ancestor Charles Sullivan.

Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter: **Kent L. Wold**, patriot ancestor Joel Wooton.

Christopher L. Young, patriot ancestor Benjamin Durkee.

Maj. Gen. William Moultrie Chapter: **Wayne L. Helmly**, patriot ancestor Jonathon Seckinger.

Charles C. Jernigan, patriot ancestor Stephen Blount.

Chase G. Platz, patriot ancestor Geoge Edgington Jr.

Michael E. Platz, patriot ancestor Geoge Edgington Jr.

At Large: **Leonard H. Buff Jr.**, patriot ancestor George Michael Drafts.

Michael S. Bunting, patriot ancestor John Handley.

Gregory A. Kassing, patriot ancestor John Cave.

Buford S. Mabry Jr., patriot ancestor Elisha Porter.

Patrick A. McCabe, patriot ancestor Thomas Taylor.

Christopher M. Rauch, patriot ancestor Lawrence Corley.

Robert W. Rauch, patriot ancestor Lawrence Corley.

David Paul Retske, patriot ancestor Jacob Minor.

James E.B. Watkins, patriot ancestor Jacob Cooper.

John K. Watkins, patriot ancestor Jacob Cooper.

"The tree of liberty, from time to time, must be replenished with the blood of patriots." — Thomas Jefferson

My Patriot

How I Buried My Patriot Twice ~ Zachariah Callaway, 1749 - 1816 ~

By Edward Patrick Stapleton
Col. Lemuel Benton Chapter

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. — As I started tracing my family roots I stumbled across a historian in Beckley, West Virginia, named Pauline Haga. When I told Ms. Haga who my ancestors were, she got excited. She is such an authority on southern West Virginia families that she immediately established a link between Revolutionary War veteran Zachariah Callaway and me.

Over a period of about a year, I painstakingly gathered my evidence linking nine generations between Zachariah Callaway and myself. I finally was able to apply to the Sons of the American Revolution and was accepted March 25, 2008.

I have become close friends with Pauline and her husband Les. Without Pauline it would have been impossible to join the SAR, and I could never repay the kindness she has shown me. Pauline knew that Zachariah Callaway lived in Peterstown, West Virginia, which is about 50 miles south of Beckley, West Virginia. She also knew that Zachariah was buried in the Callaway Cemetery on his farm in a place called Trigger Run. Pauline had a good idea where it was, but had never been there.

Pauline encouraged me to petition the U.S. Government to provide Zachariah Callaway a proper tombstone to honor his service to this country. I located the owner of the farm and asked him if it would be all right with him if I worked on getting Zachariah Callaway a tombstone. The farm owner said he would help me any way he could even though none of the people buried in the small Callaway Cemetery on his farm are related to him. He understood that those people were my ancestors, and he did not want to encumber me in any way.

The process of filing a request with the Veterans Administration for a veteran's tombstone was not as difficult as I had expected. I provided all the documentation, and it was approved within a few weeks. The new tombstone was delivered to my home in Myrtle Beach, and plans were made to take it Peterstown, West Virginia.

I was a little disappointed when the tombstone arrived with a large chip in it and a crack. I contacted the Veterans Administration and they offered to send a replacement stone. I figured that they were being generous by providing Zachariah Callaway a new stone, so I told them that we would keep the damaged stone.

I consulted with Richard Johnson, president of the Col. Lemuel Benton Chapter, and he urged me to contact the SAR chapter closest to Peterstown and invite them to be present when Zachari-

ah Callaway's new tombstone was dedicated. Compatriot Johnson also urged me to have a formal ceremony including a preacher to say a few words. I contacted James E. Johnson, president of the Greenbrier Valley SAR in Lewisburg, West Virginia, who was thrilled to be a part of the dedication.

On June 15, my wife Sherry, my son Edward Markham Stapleton, my daughter Jacklyn Michelle Stapleton, my stepson Jade and I drove from Myrtle Beach to Peterstown. We met Beckley historian Pauline Haga and her husband Les at the farm where Zachariah Callaway is buried. We also met Compatriot James E. Johnson, who also brought Richard Brockway, who is the National Librarian General for the SAR. Also present was retired Pastor Jim Jenkins of the Narrows Methodist Church.

At 10 a.m. we met at the farm and found the Callaway Cemetery to be extremely old, neglected and unkempt. There was no fence around it, and cows had been allowed to seek shade from the trees that cover the cemetery.

I had already assumed that the original tombstone of Zachariah Callaway was long gone (or never existed), and we would simply

have to pick a spot in the Callaway Cemetery to place the new stone. Through years of experience, Pauline Haga had a theory that the oldest burials are generally closest to the entrance of the cemetery. Since Zachariah Callaway was buried 193 years ago, logically his stone should be placed somewhere near the entrance.

We all started discussing where the stone should be placed, when Richard Brockway noticed an old tombstone face down in the mud. He began brushing off years of dirt and mud from the stone, and soon the name Zachariah Callaway started becoming clearer and clearer.

As we rinsed more mud away the follow inscription was clear: "IN MEMORY - ZECHARIAH CALLAWAY - DIED OCT ?? 1816 - AGED 67 YEARS." This information is indisputable genealogical evi-



Zechariah Callaway
1749-1816



Richard Brockway, Edward Stapleton and Richard Johnson

dence, but it now posed a serious problem. The birth year on the stone that the Veterans Administration provided was wrong by seven years. Every stitch of information provided through research including the DAR, SAR and multiple other sources put Zachariah Callaway's birth year at 1756 and his death year at 1816. If the tombstone created at the time of his death was to be considered accurate, his actual birth year was 1749.

Since all the people were already gathered there was no reason to postpone the dedication, so the new (and inaccurate) tombstone was placed in the ground next to the 193-year-old stone. Preacher Jenkins, Compatriot Johnson and Compatriot Brockway all got up and gave emotional dissertations about the hardships that Zachariah Callaway and his family faced and the sacrifices that he gave to ensure the freedoms that we have today.

After the dedication, Pauline Haga, Compatriot Johnson, Compatriot Brockway and myself talked about what to do about the inaccurate date on the new tombstone. We all agreed that the stone could not stay there knowing that there was incorrect information on it.

When I returned to Myrtle Beach, I contacted the Veterans Administration for a replacement stone and requested that the birth year be changed to 1749. The replacement tombstone arrived in about two weeks, undamaged and with the corrected birth year on it.

On July 18, the replacement tombstone was taken back to Peterstown, this time with a much smaller gathering. My son, Edward Markham Stapleton, and I drove up and met Pauline and Les Haga again. In addition, Rob Callaway and Mike Callaway (both direct descendants of Zachariah Callaway) also met us there. The damaged and incorrect stone was pulled up and the replacement was installed in its place.

Thus closes one chapter in my genealogy. However, if one thing can be learned from history: when one door closes another often opens.



Members of the Stapleton Family

Chapter Capsules

News items from SCSSAR chapters



EVENTS COMMITTEE — The Robert Anderson Chapter formed an Events Committee to coordinate work with outside organizations. Pictured at the chapter's Aug. 22 meeting are (from left) Victor Compton, Robert Krause and Will Ouvre. Absent that day was committee member Charles Porter. [Photo by Michael Barnes]



PARTNER IN PATRIOTISM AWARD — The Robert Anderson chapter in Greenville received the "Partner in Patriotism" award for their outstanding work with veterans organizations in South Carolina. President Robert Krause (right) receives the award from David Johnson at the July 25 chapter meeting. [Photo by Michael Barnes]



HEYWARD GRAVE — SCSSAR members from left: Dr. Gorman "Hamp" L.D. Burnett; David H. Witt; Rev. Dr. Robert E.H. Peeples, chaplain; Clayton K. Rhodes, president; Atlee C. Compher, secretary; John W. Dixon; Robert P. Smith, registrar; J. Keels Smith and Richard H. Ellis. Not pictured but present: Terry J. Block, vice president and G. Horace Berry. [Photo by Mary Ann Compher]

SAR members attend memorial service for Declaration signer Thomas Heyward

RIDGELAND, S.C. — Twenty SAR members from the Paul Hamilton and George Mosse SCSSAR chapters attended a July 4 memorial service at the tomb of Thomas Heyward Jr., one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence from Britain for the sovereign state of South Carolina.

The 23rd pilgrimage to the Thomas Heyward Jr. grave was co-sponsored by the Dr. George Mosse Chapter SAR, Hilton Head Island; and the Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter SAR, Beaufort.

Also in attendance were officers from the Captain William Hilton Chapter NSDAR, Hilton Head Island; and the Thomas Heyward Jr. Chapter NSDAR, Beaufort.

Deputy Neil Baxley of the Beaufort County Sheriff's Department, spoke on "The Union Lives, the Day of Unity Has Come." Also in atten-

dance was Joe D'Agnese, who is doing a film on the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

The Hilton Head Island High School Naval Junior ROTC presented the colors. About 60 people attended.



Nancy Crowther, Regent, Thomas Heyward Jr. Chapter NSDAR, and Compatriot Carroll Crowther, President, Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter SCSSAR.

SC Society salutes longtime members

By Mark Anthony

The following members have reached major membership anniversaries. The anniversaries are cumulative since the beginning of 2009 through Sept. 30. Those members having anniversaries in the last quarter of 2009 will be recognized in the next issue of *The Palmetto Patriot*.

These anniversaries are from the date the membership application was approved and are not necessarily reflective of the number of years that dues have been paid. For purposes of consideration for certain medals as well as emeritus status, dues payments are the determining factor.

50 years

Julian H. Foster, Robert H. Lockwood, Col. Samuel S. Wood.

45 years

Rev. James L. MacLeod, G. William Paddock, Rev. James Parker.

40 years

Olin D. Burgdorf, Col. Charles E. Davis Jr., Frank F.

Limehouse Jr., Robert A. Riehle Jr., Eugene R. Walter.

35 years

William G. Irick Jr.

30 years

William T. Allgood, Baxter L. Crawford III, Edgar L. Dallery, Dr. Alexander G. Donald, Harold W. Funderburk Jr., Ronald J. Horton, Elder H. Jones Sr.

25 years

Edward L. Benton, Dr. James R. Carroll, James C. Freeman Jr., Lt. Col. Eugene S. Gregg Jr., Rev. Dr. Robert E.H. Peeples, Ernest D. Rayburn, Arthur J. Shepard III, J. William Summers, Phillip C. Sutton.

20 years

James C. Antisdell, Reddick A. Bowman Jr., Matthew D. Clark, David F. Ford II, Dr. Robert B. Glenn, Thomas O. Sanders III, Donald F. Thomas, Peter H. Thompson, James S. Trowbridge.

15 years

Stephen B. Adams, Heard K. Baumeister, Andrew W.

Chandler, John H. Culler, Lt. Col. Harvey M. Dick, Carl A. Ellsworth, Command Sergeant Major Art G. Keene, Edward P. King, Robert O. King, Herbert D. Kleine, William A. Martin, William C. Moore Jr., A. Daniel Patten Jr., William C. Prewitt.

10 years

Michael J. Bumgardner, Terry J. Block, Talley F. Culclasure, Dr. Max A. Culp, John R. Graham, Irving H. Krakehl, Richard V. Lee Jr., Benjamin M. Paulling, Dr. N. Selby Richardson III, Ralph S. Sprinkle, Dr. Ronald S. Tyson, Rev. Dr. John C. Vaughn, Paul M. Weiland.

Five years

Matthew A. Abee, Robert P. Austin II, Alan B. Chaput, Atlee Compher II, LeRoy P. Creech, George T. Deschamps Jr., L. Brabham Dukes Jr., Alvin R. Eaton Jr., Bentley G. Fishburne Jr., Gordon Kiddoo, J.T. Myers Jr., Charles S. Porter III, William W. Rainey Sr., Edward J. Reynolds Sr., Wayne D. Roberts, Hudson C. Rogers, A. Pierce Stockman Jr., A. Pierce Stockman III, James D. Trout Jr.

Center for Advancing American Heritage needs your support

By Mark Anthony SCSSAR Secretary

The SCSSAR continues to support the Center for Advancing American Heritage as detailed below.

	July 28, 2008	Sept. 30, 2008	Dec. 31, 2008	March 31, 2009	June 30, 2009
Society Membership	605	605	605	667	667
Total Donors	78	78	83	97	97
Participation Rate	12.9%	12.9%	13.7%	14.5%	14.5%
Total Amount Donated	\$10,200	\$11,200	\$11,960	\$12,672	\$12,697
Donation per Member	\$16.86	\$18.51	\$19.77	\$19.00	\$19.04

At the 2008 National Congress, three benchmarks were established for the Capital Campaign:

1) Each state society will have at least 20 percent of its membership become donors to the Center for Advancing American Heritage.

2) Each state society will meet an average gift of \$250 per member within the state society.

3) 100 percent of the recognized SAR societies will meet these benchmarks by Dec. 31, 2013.

To help meet these benchmarks, all previous gifts and donors who contributed before 2008 will count toward the goals. Obviously, the SC Society has a long way to go to meet these benchmarks.

The participation rate benchmark is the easiest one to meet. Based on current membership levels, 134 members must be donors, which equates to an additional 37 donors.

For the individual donation to be credited properly, the individual donor needs to complete the form found on the CAAH website (www.sarfoundation.org/thecenter.htm) and return it with the donation to the national headquarters. Any donation sent through the State Society will be credited to the state society and not increase the number of individual donors.

The minimum donation needed for an individual to receive credit is \$10.

If you do decide to donate, please keep the \$250 per member benchmark in mind — though any amount is welcomed and will help drive up the participation rate.

Please note that a \$250 donation can be spread over a five year period with an annual pledge of \$50 per year. Also, for proper credit to be given with respect to the established benchmarks, all donations need to be sent directly to The SAR Foundation along with the completed donor form that can be found on the National Society website under the Foundation tab, which is located on the top right of the page.

The following lists the 97 SCSSAR compatriots who have already donated to the Center for Advancing American Heritage. Thank you for your support that has brought the Sons of the American Revolution to this exciting moment in time.

\$1,000 plus

Mark C. Anthony
Paul L. Grier
Abner P. Stockman Jr.
William B. Ten Eyck

George B. Hartness
John P. Jennings
Francis W. Lachicotte IV
Frank O. Meade
B. Scott McConnell

Henry L. DuRant
Julian H. Foster
Gen. James Williams Chapter,
SCSSAR**
Rev. George B. Goldsmith Jr.
Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapter,
SCSSAR**

Greenville Chapter, NSCAR**
William B. Helene
George B. Hodgkiss Jr.
Hugh C. Horry
Elder H. Jones Sr.

Nathan Kaminski Jr
Joseph F. Kirby
Herbert D. Kleine
W. Thomas Logan
Earl W. McCrackin

Rev. Dr. Robert E.H. Peebles
Dallas L. Phelps
William C. Prewitt
Dr. Benjamin F. Sheftall

Ernest J. Sifford Jr.
The Honorable Carl J. Smith
Jasper K. Smith
Robert P. Smith

John R. Stillwagon Jr.
Wendell H. Tiller Sr.
Dean V Traxler
James D. Trout Jr.

Max B. Trout
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Ronald E. Waldhour
Lt. Jg. Richard G. Watson Jr.
Dr. Ralph Welton
Howard H. Whitehurst
Dr. Ward C. Worthington Jr.

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\$500 - \$999

Ladson A. Barnes Jr.
Eldon D. Bullington
J. Michael Farr

Earl W. McCrackin
Robert C. McQuillan Sr.
William L. Perry
Nancy S. Pitts**
John L. Ramsey
Brig. Gen. Francis D. Rogers Jr.
Gilbert A. Smith
Rev. H. Leroy Stewart
David C. Waters
David H. Witt

\$1 - \$99

Joe M. Alexander
William T. Allgood
Richard G. Augur
O. Heyward Bellamy Jr.
Edward L. Benton
Jay D. Bilyeu
Thomas W. Broadway
Dr. Gorman L.D. Burnett
John T. Caskey
Andrew W. Chandler
Col. Chester F. Cotter
William H. Culley
Dr. Max A Culp
Charles E. Davis Jr.
Dr. Fletcher C. Derrick Jr.
Douglas B. Doster

\$499 - \$250

Capt. C. Dean Cullison
Ernest Leon Hatchell Jr.
Capt. Dean J. Hewitt Jr.
Edward P. King
Ted Morton Jr.
Greg Ohanesian
South Carolina Society SAR**
Evelyn P. Tollison**

\$100 - \$249

James C. Antisdel
Major Gassway H. Berry
Warren W. Carothers
Dr. James R. Carroll
Furman F. Cole
Dr. Samuel P. Davis Sr.
Lt. Col. Harvey M. Dick
George W. Dudley Jr.
Harold R. Gault Sr.
James H. Gressett Jr.

Dacey Langston, teen Patriot, to be honored

TRAVELER'S REST —The rededication of the Langston-Springfield family gravesite is set for Saturday, Oct. 3, at 11 a.m. All SAR, DAR, CAR and SR Chapters, and other patriotic and historical societies are invited to participate.

This rededication will honor the memory of Lodiicia "Daring Dacey" Langston Springfield, who served as a spy and patriot during the American Revolution. She is best known for warning the settlement of Little Eden, S.C., of a raid by the "Bloody Scouts," after walking through the night and crossing a swollen river at age 15 to warn her brother and others located there.

Later in the Revolution, she prevented these same Bloody Scouts from killing her father by positioning herself between him and the barrel of a pistol. Her bravery so impressed one of the Bloody Scouts that he stopped the raid.

After the Revolution, Dacey married Thomas Springfield and was the mother of 22 children.

Under the guidance of Compatriot Johnnie Beasley of the Col. Robert Anderson Chapter, about 30 people from around the Upstate have worked numerous Saturdays to clear overgrowth, cut down trees and place new fencing and infrastructure in this graveyard. Beasley, a descendant of Dacey Langston, has generated interest and donations for the project from other descendants across America.

Members of the SAR, DAR, CAR, SR and other patriotic and historical organizations are invited to participate in a wreath-laying ceremony as part of the rededication ceremony. To ensure that your

group is recognized in the program, please furnish the following information no later than Sept. 26 to Mark C. Anthony, 12 Misty Oaks Drive, Greer, SC 29651. E-mail: manthony.psy90@gtalumni.org

Name of Chapter / Society / Organization: _____

Wreath Presentation: Yes ___ No ___

Presenter: _____

Title: _____

Color Guard Participant: Yes ___ No ___

Number of Members Expected to Attend: _____

The Langston-Springfield gravesite is at 213 Bridwell Way, Travelers Rest, SC 29690. Take U.S. Hwy. 25 north from Greenville past the Furman University campus. Turn right onto Hawkins Road and follow it for about 0.7 miles. Bear left onto Bridwell Way, and follow Bridwell Way until you come to the horse ranch. Turn into the driveway and follow it to the house. The gravesite is up the hill to the left of the house

Summary of business conducted at July Board of Governors meeting

COLUMBIA — The Board of Governors of the South Carolina Society met at the North Main Branch of the Richland County Library in Columbia, Saturday, July 17. The meeting was called to order at 10:12 a.m. by President Douglas Doster.

The reports package that was prepared before the meeting contained reports from 13 of 16 chapters, all 16 committees, and 16 of 19 officers.

During the chapter reports, various chapters announced their next meetings and their most recent event.

During the committee reports, the following main items were discussed among other items:

- **Mark Anthony, 2014 Congress chairman**, reported that the final selection by the national committee will be at the Fall Leadership Meeting. Members interested in working on this committee need to volunteer.

- The **Color Guard Committee** announced and displayed the Second South Carolina Continental Regiment flag that it had acquired since April.

- **Carroll Crowther, Historic Sites and Patriots Grave co-chairman**, announced a new effort to document patriot graves in South Carolina.

During the officers reports, the following items were discussed:

- **Redding I. "Rick" Corbett III**, past National Trustee, reported on the approval of an additional amount related to the maximum approved cost for construction of the library portion of the Center for Advancing America's Heritage.

- **Redding I. "Rick" Corbett III**, vice president of Chapter Formation & Development, reported on the progress for chartering new chapters. The most advanced group is located in Lexington County. He also referenced a population analysis conducted by the State Secretary that has provided insight into additional areas for expansion. Resulting discussion focused on concerns of expansion near existing chapters.

Reports were heard on the following events:

- Cowpens reception

- Kettle Creek ceremony in Washington, Georgia

- Bethel Church Dedication and Flint Hill Cemetery ceremony

- Guilford Courthouse in Greensboro, North Carolina

- Pegasus Parade in Louisville, Kentucky (part of the Kentucky Derby)

- Buford's Massacre commemoration

- Memorial Day activities of the various chapters

- Thomas Heyward Pilgrimage

- National Congress with awards distributed to members and chapters

No old business was considered.

The following items of new business were considered:

- A motion was passed to change the amount of dues charged for each State Life Member to the Life Endowment Fund. This was done to prolong the life of the fund, which would have exhausted its funds in 2018 if no action was taken.

- A discussion was conducted on the possible location of the 2010 Annual State Meeting as well as the schedule for the meeting. A location was not decided upon, but candidates representing those possible locations are asked to contact the state president.

- A discussion was conducted on the applica-

tion process. The state secretary was directed to write an article for *The Palmetto Patriot* (see article page 5).

- The George Washington Endowment Fund of the National Society was discussed by **William Allgood** and donation material passed out.

- **Mark Anthony** discussed donations to the Center for Advancing America's Heritage and distributed pledge forms.

- **Redding I. "Rick" Corbett III** introduced the idea of having a state officer position with the purpose of promoting the various youth programs of the State Society. This officer would serve as the main contact point for information when inquiries are made from other entities. He would also provide materials to each chapter. This idea was tabled after direction to the state secretary to send a copy of the youth brochure to each chapter.

- **President Doug Doster** mentioned the possibility of having a statewide officer training program for chapter officers. This could be one meeting in Columbia, or a series of meetings in each region.

Direction to conduct a concurrent event with the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) in 2010 was approved.

Announcements were made concerning upcoming events and other items of interest.

The meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Youth programs: contacts and deadlines

With the beginning of the new school year, it is a good time to remind members of the deadlines and contact points for the various youth programs sponsored by the SC Society. Summary information is available on the state website (www.scssar.org) with links to the national web site for each contest.

A brochure is available on the SC Society website that can be printed and distributed to local schools. This brochure includes a summary of each program listed below as well as website addresses where teachers and administrators can go for additional information.

History Teacher of the Year: The guidelines for this program can be found on the national website since the SC Society uses the same judging criteria and forms. The contact person is the State Education Chairman.

Deadlines: Dec. 11 — nominations due to local chapters.

Jan. 2 — chapter winners due to Education Committee.

Feb. 5 — state winner due to National Americanism Committee.

Eagle Scout Scholarship: Information can be found on the national website. The contact person is Chairman Doug Doster.

Deadlines: Dec. 31 — packages for state contest due.

Feb. 14 — state winner due to national committee.

Joseph Rumbaugh Oration Contest: Information can be found on the national website. Please note that this contest is run on a regional basis. The regional vice presidents are responsible for conducting the preliminary contest for the chapters. The winners from the five regions will then compete on the state level. The contact people are Redding I. "Rick" Corbett III and Mark Anthony, co-chairmen.

Deadlines: Feb. 14 — regional winners sent to state.

June 1 — state winner due to national committee.

George and Stella Knight Essay Contest: Information can be found on the national website. The contact person is Chairman Glenn Ohanesian.

Deadlines: Feb. 14 — chapter winners due to state chairman.

March 31 — state winner due to national committee.

JROTC Cadet of the Year: Information can be found on the national website. The contact person is Chairman Norm Pigeon.

Deadlines: March 1 — nomination packages due to state chairman.

May 1 — state winner due to national committee.

Elementary School Poster Contest: Information can be found on the national website. The theme for 2009-2010 is "The Battle of Bunker Hill." Each chapter is allowed one entry in the state contest. The contact person is Chairman Mark Anthony.

Deadlines: March 31 — notification of chapter winner is due to state chairman.

June 1 — notification of state winner is due to national committee.

SC Society Scholarship: This is a state level scholarship only. There is no national equivalent. All information and forms can be found on the state website. The contact point is Chairman Redding I. "Rick" Corbett III.

Deadline: Feb. 28 — all nomination packages are due to the state chairman.

SAR Applications

Please mail all new member and supplemental applications to

Compatriot John T. Smith
SCSSAR State Registrar
598 Sloan Rd.
Lyman, SC 29365

If you need to contact Compatriot Smith, he can be reached by phone at 864-877-9909 or by e-mail at smith702142@bellsouth.net.

Help Us Locate Color Guard Equipment

The SCSSAR is looking for color guard equipment including a couple of rifles (muskets), a drum, a fife and some other items that have been given out and need to be accounted for.

If you are in possession of any such equipment please contact Ronald J. Horton, past state president by e-mail at screvron@aol.com or President Doug Doster at dosterdb@hotmail.com.

"We need to get this division of SCSSAR up and running again," President Doster said.

National Congress recognizes SCSSAR chapters, members

By Mark Anthony
SCSSAR Secretary

ATLANTA — The SC Society was well represented at the 119th National Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution, which took place July 4 to 8 at the Renaissance Hotel in Marietta, a suburb of Atlanta.

Representing the SC Society were outgoing National Trustee Redding I. "Rick" Corbett III, incoming National Trustee Paul Grier, State President Doug Doster, Senior Vice President Ted Morton, State Secretary Mark Anthony, Past State President William Allgood, and Richard Johnson, president of the Col. Lemuel Benton Chapter.

The Congress began July 4 with a tour of historical sites around Atlanta. After the tours, the Georgia Society extended the red carpet at the Host Society Reception with light hors d'oeuvres and a bell ringing ceremony in honor of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.



Compatriot Bill Allgood, Henry Laurens Chapter, participates in the Minuteman Ceremony at the 2009 National Congress.

After the bell ringing, members of the Georgia Society and other guests read the Declaration to the assembled members. Dinner was then hosted by members of the Georgia Society at area restaurants.

Sunday, July 5, saw a number of committee meetings in the morning. In the afternoon the assembled SARs were bused to Marietta

First Baptist Church for the annual Memorial Service. This service honored the more than 300 SAR members who had died since the 2008 Congress in Sacramento.

In the evening, the attendees were entertained with the finals of the Joseph Rumbaugh Oration Contest. Six high school students spoke on a variety of patriotic themes.

On Monday, the General Session of the Congress began with various reports from the national officers. Lunch saw the presentation of the national youth program awards to the various winners. Nearly 525 SARs and guests were present.

In the evening, the newest Minutemen were



SC SOCIETY DELEGATION — Front row (from left): Doug Doster, Theresa Johnson, Donna Allgood, Jane Grier, Ted Morton. Back row: Redding I. "Rick" Corbett III, Richard Johnson, Bill Allgood, Paul Grier, Mark Anthony.

introduced at the annual awards and recognition ceremony. After these men were honored, awards to individuals and state societies were made.

The SC Society received the following awards:

Liberty Medal — for each compatriot who has been the first line sponsor of 10 new members

Eldon Bullington — member at large

Braham Dukes — Cambridge Chapter

Joe Goldsmith — Gen. James Williams Chapter (posthumously)

Lonnie Mixson — Maj. Gen. William Moultrie Chapter

John T. Smith — Oak Leaf Cluster for additional 10 members — Gen. Daniel Morgan Chapter

Bronze Samuel Adams Congress Appreciation Medal — in recognition of exemplary volunteer service at a National Congress

Mark C. Anthony — Gen. Daniel Morgan Chapter (dual member in Georgia Society)

Partners in Patriotism Certificate — in recognition of chapters that fostered cooperative programs of common interest with the American Legion in support of veterans:

Col. Robert Anderson Chapter

Dr. George Mosse Chapter

Gen. Andrew Pickens Chapter

Gen. Daniel Morgan Chapter

Gen. James Williams Chapter

CAR Activity Award & Streamer — in recognition of the state society that has documented their work with the CAR over the past year.

Admiral William R. Furlong Memorial Award & Streamer — in recognition of the state society that has presented at least one Flag Certificate and had at least 50 percent of its chapters make a least one Flag Certificate presentation in the past year.

Officer's Streamer Award — in recognition of the state society whose president and national trustee have attended both preceding trustees meetings and the last annual Congress

Tuesday, July 7, saw additional meetings and the keynote banquet of the Congress. The main item of business on Tuesday was the election of the new national officers. A runoff election for the position of National Treasurer General was conducted on Wednesday morning.

The final session of the Congress on Wednesday morning saw the new business related to the increase in fees and dues (see article page 4). The afternoon was taken up with additional tours of the Atlanta area. The Congress concluded on Wednesday evening with the installation banquet for the new slate of national officers.

The 2010 National Congress will be held at the Renaissance Hotel in Cleveland, Ohio, during the final week of June.



State Secretary Mark Anthony (left) participates in the reading of the Declaration of Independence with President Gen. David Appleby.



NEWEST FLAG — Mark C. Anthony (left) and Ralph Welton display replica of the Second South Carolina Continental Regiment flag, the newest in its inventory [Photo by Bob Yankle, NCSSAR]

State Society Color Guard debuts new regiment flag

COLUMBIA — The Color Guard of the SC Society officially debuted the newest flag in its inventory at the Board of Governors meeting July 17. It had previously been carried by the Color Guard during the Armed Forces Day parade in Greenville May 16.

This flag is a replica of the Second South Carolina Continental Regiment flag sewn by "the lady of major Bernard Elliott" (*Memoirs of the American Revolution*, William Moultrie, Vol. 1, page 182) and presented to William Moultrie, July 1, 1776, after the successful defense of Charleston.

The flag was described as follows by Edward W. Richardson in his book *Standards and Colors of the American Revolution* (pages 132 and 133).

(It) is of blue silk — now netted and quite dark — and measures 57 (hoist) by 54 (fly) inches. The central circular device which is embroidered on both sides, (it) is almost the same as the Seal of South Carolina of 1776. The objects in the device include a green-topped palmetto tree trunk, topped by a red liberty cap; a criss-crossed pair of staff-mounted flags, one of which is a faded blue, the other yellow (originally red); a horizontal log (the shattered British oak); a white drum with a blue crescent device; a trumpet and various weapons (machete, sword, halberd, axe); a decorated quiver with twelve feathered arrows (the South Carolina palmetto forms thirteenth state); a green grass base with flowers; a circular gold lettered motto 'VITA POTIOR LIBERTAS' and year '1775.' All of these are enclosed within a green leafed wreath, bowtied with a red ribbon."

While the original flag was first lost to the British at the Siege of Savannah, Oct. 9, 1779, it was returned to the State of South Carolina by Major Gen. A.E.W. Williams in 1970 during the celebration of the state's tricentennial. This is the only instance in which a captured flag has been returned by the British Army. This original flag is now on display at the State Museum in Columbia.

The motto *Vita Potior Libertas* is translated as "Liberty rather than life."

2009 SCSSAR Membership Statistics

Membership as of Jan. 1	667
New Members	58
Reinstated Members	21
Deaths	(7)
Transfers Out:	(1)
Membership as of Aug. 31	738
Growth for 2009	10.64 percent

Dues notices for 2010 will be mailed beginning the last week of October. Please remit these payments well before the Dec. 31 deadline.