



The Old Waggoner

The Newsletter of the Daniel Morgan Chapter SAR

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Next Meeting: Thursday, 20 October 2016 at 6:00 pm
Location: Wade's Restaurant, 1000 North Pine Street, Spartanburg
Program: The Story of the Daniel Morgan Statue Dedication

From the President

Greetings to the members of the Daniel Morgan Chapter.

To bring you up to date on our activities over the past quarter, Donny Carson and I were at Musgrove Mill. We participated as color guard and a firing musket salute. On Saturday, September 24, our chapter, under organization of Compatriot Carson, celebrated the memory of Revolutionary War Patriot 2nd Lt Daniel Gilbert by marking his grave. There 44 present including 8 chapter members and several descendants who attended.

Upcoming events for the chapter are Festifall this weekend on October 1&2. The chapter will have a table setup to give out information to interested prospects on how to become a member of the SAR. We will need some volunteers to come and help man the table. If you can help please call me at 864-590-6333 and let me know when you can be there. Any and all help will be appreciated.

Don't forget our next meeting on October 20 at 6PM at Wade's. Our speaker will be chapter member Ron Swain. He will be speaking on the unveiling of the Daniel Morgan statue.

John Ingle, See you there.

Upcoming Events:

All event times and dates are subject to change. Please visit the South Carolina SAR or respective state SAR society website for details.

Sept 29-Oct 1	All Day	National SAR Fall Meeting	Louisville, KY
Oct 1-2	All Day	Festifall at Walnut Grove	Roebuck
Oct 6	4:00pm	South Atlantic District Meeting	Spartanburg
Oct 7	10:00am	Anniversary of Kings Mountain	Blacksburg
Oct 15	10:00am	Board of Governors Meeting	Columbia
Oct 20	6:00pm	Daniel Morgan Chapter Meeting	Spartanburg
Nov 11	11:00am	Greenlawn Veterans Day Ceremony	Spartanburg
Nov 12	10:00am	John Harden Grave Marking	Chester
Dec 5	5:00pm	Cowpens Christmas Parade	Cowpens
Dec 6	5:00pm	Gaffney Christmas Parade	Gaffney
Dec 13	5:00pm	Spartanburg Christmas Parade	Spartanburg
Dec TBA	6:00pm	Daniel Morgan Chapter Meeting	Spartanburg
Jan 13	2:30pm	Daniel Morgan Statue Ceremony	Spartanburg
Jan 13	4:30pm	South Atlantic District Meeting	Spartanburg
Jan 13	7:00pm	Cowpens Lecture (USC-Upstate)	Spartanburg
Jan 14	10:00am	Anniversary of Cowpens	Chesnee
Jan 21	10:00am	Board of Governors Meeting	Columbia
Jan 28	10:00am	Anniversary of Cowans Ford	Huntersville, NC



Daniel Morgan Chapter honors 2nd Lt Daniel Gilbert

On Saturday, 24 September a group of nearly fifty individuals gathered near Cooley Springs at the final resting place of Patriot Daniel Gilbert of the Virginia Militia. Patriot Gilbert served at Cowpens, Guilford Courthouse and other battles. Patriot Gilbert later settled in Spartanburg County on a 120 acre land grant signed by Governor William Moultrie.

The story of 2nd Lt Gilbert was brought to the attention of the Daniel Morgan Chapter by DAR member Ailene Humphries of the Hobkirk Hill Chapter in Camden. Ms Humphries also is a direct descendent of Daniel Gilbert.

The grave marking ceremony included the presentation of colors by a color guard (pictured at the bottom left) comprised of members of the family and South Carolina SAR. Wreaths were presented by the Daniel Morgan, Col Robert Anderson and Gen Andrew Pickens chapters from South Carolina, the Sergeant Lawrence Everhart Chapter from Maryland and the Hobkirk Hill and Kate Berry DAR Chapters.

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

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

The chapter continues to plan for additional grave markings in the future and your participation is encouraged in honoring these patriots.

Photo above right: John Ingle (left) presents Ailene Humphries with a Certificate of Appreciation and a copy of the Gilbert Coat of Arms. Photos courtesy of Tom Hanson.

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18 August 2016 - Meeting Summary

The chapter met on 18 August at Wade's Restaurant in Spartanburg. The primary emphasis of the meeting was to discuss goals setting for 2017.

The meeting began with the induction of new members Paul Cashion and Charles Ramsey.

During the business session, the chapter heard reports on the Americanism contest and the recent and upcoming events for the chapter. Chapter Treasurer Charles Augur also reported on the money held by the chapter.

The main discussion for the members present was on various areas for planning. These areas included establishing a budget, planning for additional grave markings, planning for the Kings Mountain and Cowpens anniversaries, membership recruitment and retention, developing a membership directory, establishing a newsletter and a potential dues increase to fund the increased activity.

The immediate steps taken were the approval of a dues increase to \$20.00 for 2017. This increase is intended to fund the costs associated with grave markings and the medals and awards for the SAR Youth Programs.

Primarily, the chapter is pursuing the possibility of awarding cash awards for the winners in the SAR Youth Contests. It is hoped that by providing cash awards will help attract participants along with increased efforts by the chapter to reach out to local schools and youth groups.

Patriot Biography: Jordan Holcombe (SC)

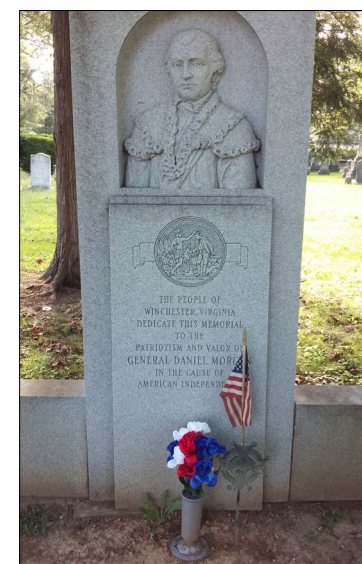
Member: Donny Carson

William and Lucy Littleberry Holcombe had 6 children of which the oldest son Jordan Holcombe did service during the war. Jordan was born on 9 Nov 1762 in Bute County, NC. The family moved to Spartanburg District, SC when Jordan was 15 years old around 1777. He volunteered for service on 8 Oct 1780. He served under Captain John Lawson in the regiment of Colonel Thomas. His duty was to chase Tories out of the District. He served with Captain Lawson until he was killed by Tories in April 1781.

Jordan then served under Jeremiah Dixon in Roebuck's command. During the time he was involved in the Battle of Mudlick Creek at Fort Williams in the Newberry District. Col Roebuck was badly wounded during the battle which led to his death shortly after the war.

Jordan's company joined General Andrew Pickens at Ninety Six, SC. He served 4 months in the militia during this time. When Jordan returned home, he joined a company of Rangers under the command of Captain Culbertson for the protection of Upper South Carolina. He served 3 months as a Ranger ending his service in November 1781. While he was away from home, his mother Lucy Holcombe provided aid to the Patriot cause by giving a horse and grain to the local militia.

In all, Jordan served 3 tours of duty for the Patriot cause. He served in the militia and as a Ranger for which he claimed a pension. In 1785 he got a grant on the north side of Lawson's Fork of the Little Pacolet River. In 1789 he received land on the Middle Tyger River in the Greenville District. In 1832 Jordan moved to Hall County, Georgia to live with his daughter Messina Holcombe Brown. Jordan died July 3, 1846 and is buried at Alta Vista Cemetery in Gainesville, GA.



Photos by Mark Anthony of the gravesite of General Daniel Morgan at Mount Hebron Cemetery in Winchester, VA.

The inscription on the grave stone (right) reads: Major General Daniel Morgan departed this life on July the 6th 1802 in the 67th Year of his age. Patriotism and Valor were the prominent Features of his Character and the honorable Services he rendered to his Country during the Revolutionary War crowned him with Glory and will remain in the Hearts of his Countrymen a perpetual Monument to his Memory



Volunteers needed at Festifall

This weekend the Daniel Morgan Chapter will have an information booth at Festifall at Walnut Grove in Roebuck. This booth will allow the chapter to provide information about the SAR to the general public and possibly attract new members.

The festival is sponsored by the Spartanburg County Historical Association in cooperation with the National Park Service. Festifall is the kick off event in Spartanburg County for the celebration of the Anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain.

Events at Walnut Grove begin at 10:00 am on both October 1st & 2nd. Events conclude at 9:00 pm and 4:00 pm respectively.

Events include book signings, living history, suttlers and reenactments.

If you are able to volunteer on either day, please contact Chapter President at 864-590-6333.

Revolutionary War Trivia

Instead of suffering public disgrace for surrendering at Yorktown, Charles, Earl Cornwallis was instead named Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland and is credited with facilitating the union of Ireland and England in 1802. Following that he was named Governor General of India where he consolidated British rule. He died in India in 1805 and is buried in India.

By comparison, Banestre Tarleton entered into a political career most noted by his continued support of slavery as an economic growth strategy for Great Britain just at the time Parliament was moving to abolish slavery. Eventually promoted to Major General, Tarleton was passed over in favor of the Duke of Wellington to lead British troops in the ultimate defeat of Napoleon.