

# The Button Gwinnett Dispatch September 2023

# A newsletter of the Button Gwinnett Chapter



# National Society Sons of the American Revolution

Our September 14, 2023 Chapter Meeting was held at the Frontera Mex-Mex Grill in Lawrenceville, GA. We had 18 members and 12 guests in attendance.

We would love to see all members and their guests at a future meeting! We had DAR members from four chapters join us: Philadelphia Winn - Regent Lynn Jacques, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Regent Caitlen Green, Honorary Regent Peggy Freeman, Corresponding Secretary Maryland McCarty, Mary Martin; William Day - Regent Debbie Kyle, Mary Kitchings; Chestatee River - Kris White; Martha Stewart Bulloch Chapter - Mary Hamilton Williams Immediate Past Regent.

# President's Message:

**During our October 12 Chapter Meeting our Nominating Committee will present the 2024 Button Gwinnett Chapter Slate of Officers**. The nominating committee is comprised of Don McCarty, Bill Palmer and Randy Tindall. We will vote for chapter officers during our November 9 chapter meeting. Button Gwinnett Chapter Officers will be installed during our December 14 meeting by Georgia SAR State President Dr. David Ludley.

On Saturday October 21st the Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter is sponsoring the Grave Markings of Patriots Philip Isley and John Bagby at the Fairview Presbyterian Church in Lawrenceville. We are asking members with Revolutionary Uniforms to wear them to the grave marking ceremony. (Please see the program attached later in this newsletter)

For our November 9 meeting – in celebration of Veterans Day, we are asking members with Revolutionary Uniforms to wear them to the November 9<sup>th</sup> chapter meeting as we honor those who have served and are currently serving.

All Chapter Members should have received their annual dues notice from Button Gwinnett Treasurer Gordon Woodard which total \$90.00 for 2024

National & Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution Dues increased for 2024

The National Society SAR annual dues for 2024 is increasing by \$15 to \$50 as approved by the National Society at the 2023 Congress.

The Georgia Society SAR annual dues for 2024 is increasing by \$7 to \$20 as approved by the Georgia Society BOM in 2022.

The Button Gwinnett Chapter SAR Board of Managers has voted to NOT increase annual chapter dues for 2024 – which will remain at \$20. This is where literally 100% of our chapter budget for JROTC, Patriot Grave Markings, Eagle Scout & Knight Essay and additional awards come from.

# Meeting Highlights:

**Supplemental Certificates** to Ralph Galpin - Patriots Joseph Hurd & Gilbert Townsend Vail; Gordon Woodard - Patriot James Gaines Sr. (Not Pictured)

**Streamers Received** - The Battle of Blue Licks & The Gathering at Sycamore Shoals 243rd Anniversary event in Elizabethton, TN.

**NSSAR Life Membership Pins presented -** Tom Jacques, Don & David McCarty, Ray Kyle Gordon Woodard (Not Pictured)

SAR Silver 250th Anniversary Medals presented - Tom Jacques & Ray Kyle Bronze Roger Sherman Medal presented - Don McCarty (Working on Gold 250 Medal) Lydia Darragh Medal presented - Lynn Baxter Jacques















# The September 14<sup>th</sup> Chapter Meeting Program was titled: "Women from History" By Mary Hamilton Williams -

Bio Mary Hamilton Williams - Martha Stewart Bulloch Chapter Immediate Past Regent

Mary Williams is a storyteller with roots in public speaking.

Over 25 years ago, during a weekend storytelling retreat, she realized that she'd rather tell stories than give speeches. She has performed at the Carter Library, the Southern Order of Storytellers Winter Festival, the Magnolia Storytelling Festival, Roswell Holiday Storytelling, Roswell Tellabration, was the "storyteller in residence" for Camp Cheatham Hill in Marietta and has shared stories in schools, churches, and civic organizations as far away as central Florida.

She is a Past President of the Southern Order of Storytellers Board of Directors.

She began her speaking journey by joining Toastmasters 36 years ago, earning her Distinguished Toastmaster certification in 1992. She served as the District Director for the state of Georgia, 1998-1999, and served on the Toastmasters International Board of Directors, 2000-2002, representing the southeastern United States. While serving Georgia's Toastmasters, she met her husband, Steve, who is also a Past District Director.

Mary is the immediate past Regent of the Martha Stewart Bulloch Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. She serves the Georgia State Society as the NW District Director, the Public Relations and Media Chair and is part of the Georgia State Society Speaker's Staff.

She retired in 2018 after almost 45 years of working in the computer field in everything from programming to social media.







Button Gwinnett Chapter 1st VP Ray Kyle presented The SAR Certificate of Appreciation to Mary Hamilton Williams by the Button Gwinnett Chapter for her outstanding presentation on Women from History".













# Updates from the Button Gwinnett Chapter SAR Registrar, Harold Ford:

# New member applications approved but not inducted yet: (Approved Sep 1, 2023)

- Andrew Edward McConney Patriot John Hancock (VA) ACN#108854, Nat# 227684
- Martin David Bush Patriot Daniel Bentley ACN#108856, NAT# 227686
- William Gray Jacques (Jr Mbr) Patriot Jospeh Read ACN#108859, Nat# 227687

### Supplementals approved & Presented:

- Ralph Galpin-Patriot Joseph Hurd ACN# 106264, Nat# 189912, approved 7/14/23
- Gordon Woodard-Patriot James Gaines Sr. ACN#107117, Nat#171930, 8/25/23
- Ralph Galpin Patriot Gilbert Townsend Vail ACN#98565, Nat#189912, 8/25/23

### New Member applications at National:

None

# New Memorial applications at National:

Ronald Thomas McCarty – Patriot Micheal McCarty (brother of Don McCarty)

### Supplementals at National:

- Don McCarty: Patriot John Cash, Patriot Stephen Cash, Patriot John Davis, Patriot John Ussery, Jr., Patriot John Ussery, Sr., Patriot Isham Fuller
- David McCarty: Patriot John Cash, Patriot Stephen Cash, Patriot John Davis, Patriot John Ussery, Jr., Patriot John Ussery, Sr., Patriot Isham Fuller
- Raymond Kyle 3 @ National Spencer Mottram Ball (John Sledge, Fletcher Sullivan – pended)
- David Sikes 2 @ National William Cone, Simon Smith

### New Member applications at State:

- Bruce Dean Craig
- Alec Ray
- Norman Ernest "Tad" Wood
- Daniel Czarniak
- Hunter Newton Junior Membership and President of Elisha Winn Society C.A.R.
- Nicholas Alan Hamrick Junior Membership and 1st VP of Elisha Winn Society C.A.R.

#### New Memorial Application at State:

None

# New Member Applications in Process:

- Matthew Henson in process
- Mark York in process
- Curtis McGill in process
- Steven Douglas White in process
- Joshua Steven White in process

# Supplementals at State:

None

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None

### Rejoined Button Gwinnett Chapter/Transfer in progress:

 Robert W. Rooker - Lieutenant Colonel (Retired), U.S. Army; Sr. Army Instructor, Discovery High School Army JROTC (In Process of transferring membership from Florida)

# **2023 Committee Assignments**

If you would like to serve on one of these Committees, please contact Tom Jacques or the Committee Chair to participate.

- 2024 Nominating Committee Don McCarty, Bill Palmer & Randy Tindall
- Audit Tom Hopkins, Chairman, Harry Kitchings & Ray Kyle (Completed in January)
- Americanism Ray Kyle
- Veterans Jack Martin (Team Don McCarty)
- C.A.R. Liaison Randy Tindall
- DAR Liaison Tom Jacques
- Traveling Trunk Tom Jacques
- Grave Marking Don McCarty
- Eagle Scout David Patrick
- JROTC Tom Jacques (completed in May)
- Color Guard Bill Palmer
- Publicity Don McCarty
- Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary April 2024 looking for members

# **Upcoming Meeting dates and presentations:**

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Feb 8	Cathy Hedges: "The American Legion"
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Apr 11 <i>(06)</i>	Tom Jacques: "Traveling Trunk" - Button Gwinnett Chapter 25th Anniversary
May 9	Gene Ray: "Daniel Boone"
<b>J</b> un 13	Mark Anthony: "The Revolution As Told By Its Flags"
Jul 11	Marty Bush: "General Nathanael Greene"
Aug 8	TBD
Sep 12	Terry Manning: "America's First Spy Ring"
Oct 10	Tyler Holman: "Fort Daniel"
Nov 14	Jim Freeman: U.S. Constitution
Dec 12	Installation of 2025 Chapter Officers

# **Upcoming Events**

Oct I	Compatriot Grave Marking for Larry David Guest, Winterville, GA (completed)
Oct 6	South Atlantic District meeting
Oct 7-8	Elisha Winn Fair, Dacula, GA (Button Gwinnett Traveling Trunk in School house)
Oct 7	Battle of King's Mountain (SC)
Oct 8	NSDAR Member Grave marking - Sandra Dunagan Deal
Oct 9	Snellville American Legion Post 232 - 2nd Annual Cpl. Jonathan Ayers Golf
	Tournament at Heritage Golf Links, Tucker, GA
Oct 9	Siege of Savannah – 2023 Battlefield Memorial March

Oct 21	Fort Daniel Frontier Faire 10:00am - 4:00pm		
Oct 21	Patriot Grave Marking at Fairview Presbyterian Church, Lawrenceville, GA 2:00pm		
Oct 28	GASSAR Quarterly BOM meeting - Barnesville, GA		
Nov 4	Patriot Grave Marking Patriot Captain Jacob Higginbotham Elberton, GA		
Nov 10	Presentation of Colors - Military Service Flags @ Winn Holt Elementary School		
Nov 11	Watkinsville, GA at 11:00 AM - Oconee County Veterans Park		
Nov 11	Veterans Day - Snellville (Bill Palmer is working on details) 3:00 pm		
Nov 11	Shriners Color Guard event 5:00pm		
Nov 17	Patriot Grave Marking Colonel John McIntosh - Pine Harbor, GA		
Nov 18	Come and Take It - Fort Morris - Midway, GA		
Dec 2	Battle of Vann's Creek Commemoration - Elberton, GA		
Dec 11	Wreath Across America at State Capitol - NOON Color Guard		
Dec 15	Wreaths Across America - Georgia National Cemetery for Family members only		
Dec 16	Wreaths Across America - Georgia National Cemetery for the general public		
Dec 16	Wreaths Across America - Gwinnett County locations		
Dec 16	Boston, MA - 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party		
Jan 13, 2024	Georgia National Cemetery Wreath clean-up at 9 am.		
Jan 26-27	Georgia Society SAR Annual Meeting - Sonesta Hotel, Duluth, GA		

#### Pledge of Allegiance

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.

#### SAR Pledge

We descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.

#### SAR Recessional

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligation to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men.

### Chapter Officers & BOM - 2023

President -	Tom Jacques
Immediate Past President -	Don McCarty *
First Vice President -	Ray Kyle
Second Vice President -	Jack Martin
Secretary -	Jaryd Green
Treasurer -	Gordon Woodard *
Registrar -	Harold Ford
Chaplain -	Harry L. Kitchings
Genealogist -	Brent Dodson
Sergeant at Arms -	John Zeigler
Historian - * Past President	Bill Palmer *

# **BUTTON GWINNETT** CHAPTER

Georgia Society

# Sons of the American Revolution

"Women from History" by Mary Hamilton Williams



# September 14, 2023

www.ButtonGwinnettSAR.org Frontera Mex-Mex Grill 1430 Five Forks Trickum Rd SW, Lawrenceville, GA 30044

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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CALL TO ORDER 7:00 PM	Tom Jacques	Sep 16	242nd Anniversary of the Siege of Augusta
INVOCATION	Harry Kitchings	Sep 27-30	Georgia State NSDAR Fall Forum Macon, GA
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Ray Kyle	Oct 1	Compatriot Grave marking Larry Guest Winterville, GA
SAR PLEDGE	Don McCarty	Oct 7 - 8	Elisha Winn Fair (Traveling Trunk Presentation)
INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS	Tom Jacques	Oct 8	NSDAR Member Grave marking - Gainesville, GA
			Sandra Dunagan Deal (former Georgia 1st Lady)
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS		Oct 9	Snellville American Legion Post 232 - 2nd Annual Cpl.
	Tom Jacques		Jonathan Avers Golf Tournament Heritage Golf Links
New Member Induction -			Tucker
None		Oct 21	Fort Daniel Frontier Faire 10:00am - 4:00pm
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		Dec 16	Wreaths Across America
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#### PROGRAM INTRODUCTION Ray Kyle "Women from History by Mary Hamilton Williams

#### **Business Section:**

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING TREASURER'S REPORT Gordon Woodard REGISTRAR'S REPORT Harold Ford COMMITTEE REPORTS Committee Chairs UNFINISHED BUSINESS Tom Jacques Tom Jacques NEW BUSINESS SAR RECESSIONAL Jack Martin BENEDICTION Harry Kitchings ADJOURNMENT Tom Jacques

### 2023/2024 Programs & Speakers Schedule:

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We did a Traveling Trunk program at Parsons Elementary School in Suwanee, GA on Friday September 8th, 2023. The presenters were Button Gwinnett President Tom Jacques and 1th VP Ray Kyle along with Bruce Maney. Total in attendance including teachers & extra helpers – 151. We also presented an SAR Flag Certificate to Principal Lenie George. We were invited to Parsons Elementary by Sharon Britt, Ed.S. Media Specialist













The Gathering at Sycamore Shoals 243rd Anniversary event in was held in Elizabethton, TN on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023. It was attended by Button Gwinnett 1<sup>st</sup> VP Ray Kyle who was in Militia Uniform and fired his musket as part of the Color Guard.















On September 11, 2023 - Four members of the Button Gwinnett Chapter were part of the ceremony in Clarkesville, Ga. All four of carried flags under the command of Georgia and National Color Guard Commander K. Scott Collins.

Ray Kyle and Tom Jacques were in Militia uniforms while Don McCarty and Jack Martin were in Continental Uniforms. Ray Kyle and Tom Jacques were also part of a musket salute. Mary Martin of the Philadelphia Winn Chapter also joined us along with Mike Watkins now of the Lyman Hall Chapter and Leslie Watkins of the Chestatee River DAR Chapter was part of the Cannon Crew.











# On September 16<sup>th</sup>, members of the Button Gwinnett Chapter participated in three separate events in Augusta, Georgia.

The First event was a Constitution Week Wreath Laying Ceremony Honoring Colonel William Few, JR (Signer of the U.S. Constitution) at St. Paul's Episcopal Church at 10:00am. President Tom Jacques was in Militia Uniform and presented the Button Gwinnett Chapter Wreath and fired a musket salute with the Georgia and South Carolina Militia. Immediate Past President Don McCarty was in Continental Uniform and carried the Georgia Flag. Additional chapter members in attendance in Continental Uniforms were 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Jack Martin and Ralph Galpin, and Chaplain Harry Kitchings was in Militia Uniform. Philadelphia Winn DAR Chapter Members in attendance were Regent Lynn Baxter Jacques (presented chapter wreath). Corresponding Secretary Maryland McCarty and Mary Martin.



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

> Cordially invite you to attend the 242nd Anniversary Commemoration of the Second Siege of Augusta Saturday, 1:00 PM, September 16, 2023 Salvation Army Kroc Center Auditorium, 1833 Broad Street, Augusta, Georgia



Schedule of Events:

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

 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM. We will host a combined meeting of the Georgia and South Carolina C.A.R. in the Kroc Center Auditorium.













The second event was the Georgia and South Carolina Children of the American Revolution meeting from 9:00 am to Noon at the Kroc Center attended by Button Gwinnett Chapter members Randy Tindall (Sr. President Elisha Winn Society) and Noah Tindall in Militia Uniform. Philadelphia Winn DAR Chapter Member in attendance was Emily Six Tindall (Sr. President Georgia C.A.R.).

3. 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM. The Augusta Chapter, NSDAR and the local SAR chapters will host a luncheon consisting of BBQ sandwiches, potato salad, and tea provided by Larry Sconyers BBQ in the Kroc Center Lunchroom. There will be cake for dessert. You must sign up for the luncheon in advance and the cost is \$16.00 per person.

4. 1:00 PM – 1:45 PM. We will conduct the commemoration ceremony in the comfortable 300-seat Kroc Center Auditorium. The ceremony will consist of bringing greetings, a battle seminar by Historian Steven Rauch and wreath presentations.

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

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

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

Sonny and Sue Pittman, Event Coordinators 2202 Holly Haven Court, Augusta, GA 30907-3779

(706) 860-1050; sonnypittman@comcast.net and shpittman@comcast.net











# The third event was the 242<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of the Second Siege of Augusta.

The joint Georgia and South Carolina Color Guard was Commanded by Bill Palmer. President Tom Jacques was in Militia Uniform and presented the Button Gwinnett Chapter Wreath and was part of the mourn musket tribute with the Georgia and South Carolina Militia. Members in Continental Uniform were Bill Palmer commander, Noah Tindall bugler, Don McCarty carried the American Flag, Ralph Galpin carried the Betsy Ross Flag, additional flag bearers were Jack Martin and Harry Kitchings in Militia Uniform. Randy Tindall was present in civilian dress taking photos. Philadelphia Winn DAR Chapter Members in attendance were Regent Lynn Baxter Jacques (presented chapter wreath). Corresponding Secretary Maryland McCarty, Mary Martin, and Emily Six Tindall (Sr. President Georgia C.A.R.).



















Tom Jacques participated in the reenactment of the 242nd Anniversary of the Second Siege of Augusta in Militia Uniform firing musket as part of the Patriot forces along with Noah Tindall who carried the Battle Flag for the Patriot forces.











Members of the Button Gwinnett Chapter SAR presented colors at the Philadelphia Winn DAR Chapter September 17th meeting. Georgia Society, SAR Metro Region Vice President Shep commanded the Color Guard which consisted of President Tom Jacques (Militia) along with Immediate Past President Don McCarty and 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Jack Martin (both in Continental Uniforms). Shep was there to bring greetings and to present the SAR Medal of Appreciation to Sue Ford (wife of Button Gwinnett Registrar Harold Ford).

Button Gwinnett Compatriot Terry Manning was the meeting's guest speaker on the U.S. Constitution dressed and performing as Patriot Benjamin Franklin. Terry was presented a certificate of Appreciation by PW 1<sup>st</sup> Regent Randi Davis Minor.

During the meeting Button Gwinnett President Tom Jacques was presented the DAR Hannah White Arnett Bronze Medal by Philadelphia Winn Regent Lynn Baxter Jacques.

Note: This is the First Event we have attended that included both the SAR and DAR America 250 Flags!















We did a Traveling Trunk program at Winn Holt Elementary School in Lawrenceville, GA on Friday September 22, 2023. The presenter was Button Gwinnett President Tom Jacques who was in Militia Uniform. Total in attendance including teachers & extra helpers – 165. We also presented an SAR Flag Certificate to Principal Mrs. Lisa Glausier. We were invited to Winn Holt by Kristine White, who is a member of the Chestatee River DAR Chapter.





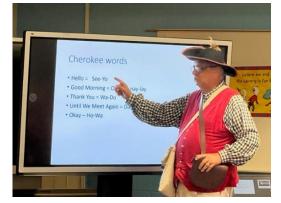


















# C.A.R. Activities as reported by Committee Chair Randy Tindall

The Elisha Winn Society celebrated Constitution Week with the Georgia and South Carolina Children of the American Revolution holding a meeting at 9:00 am to Noon at the Kroc Center attended by Button Gwinnett Chapter members Randy Tindall (Sr. President Elisha Winn Society) and Noah Tindall in Militia Uniform. Philadelphia Winn DAR Chapter Member in attendance was Emily Six Tindall (Sr. President Georgia Society C.A.R.).

Pictured below Noah Tindall Founding President of the Elisha Winn Society, Junior Member of the Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter, and member of the Georgia SAR Color Guard who carried the Patriot Battle Flag assisted in capturing the British Flag during the reenactment of the 242nd Anniversary of the Second Siege of Augusta



Upcoming Elisha Winn Society events.

- October 7<sup>th</sup> Elisha Winn Fair
- October 21<sup>st</sup> Fort Daniel Frontier Faire
- November 18th Fort Morris "Come & Take It" Commemoration
- December 16th Wreaths Across America
- February 10th Battle of Kettle Creek
- February 23-24 Georgia State Conference at Berry College DAR School

# Georgia DAR Fall Forum - Macon Georgia September 28-30, 2023

Six Members of the Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter assisted in the setup for this event or participated in staffing the recruiting tables for the Sons of the American Revolution and Children of the American Revolution. Button Gwinnett Secretary Jaryd Green transported merchandise and assisted in the setup of the DAR Juniors Table on Thursday. Tom Jacques participated in the SAR recruiting table Thursday - Saturday. Don McCarty and Jack Martin participated in the SAR recruiting table Friday. Randy and Noah Tindall participated in the C.A.R. recruiting table on Saturday.

Friday evening the DAR Recognized Spence Davis and The Vietnam Veterans of America. Saturday evening the DAR Constitutional Celebration Speaker was former Georgia Governor Nathan Deal. The DAR Chorus also sang the Armed Forces Medley and asked veterans to stand and be recognized as their branch Hymn was sung.

Saturday Evening, Georgia State Chair for DAR SAR/S.R. Relations Committee, Lynn Baxter Jacques presented certificates of appreciation to Georgia State Color Guard Commander Scott Collins and Ocmulgee SAR Chapter members John Trussell (also GASSAR VP Central Region) and Chuck Garnett.

Lynn also presented Georgia State DAR Regent Betty Brown Harrah with a 3<sup>rd</sup> place award certificate and check from the National Society Sons of the American Revolution. This award was initially presented during SAR National Congress in Orlando and represents the number of DAR members submitting referrals in what would result in approved SAR new member applications.



































# 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Wreaths Across America Ceremony



Proudly Sponsored by

Philadelphia Winn Chapter
Daughters of the American Revolution

# Saturday, December 16, 2023, at 12:00 Noon

at

East Shadowlawn Memorial Gardens 87 Scenic Highway, Lawrenceville, GA

Please reach out to your friends and family members to sponsor wreaths as we **REMEMBER** our U.S. fallen veterans, **HONOR** those who serve, and **TEACH** our children the value of freedom.







To sponsor a wreath, pay online with a credit card at <a href="www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/ga0265p">www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/ga0265p</a> or <a href="www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/ga0265p">wse the QR CODE in the bottom right corner of this flyer.</a> The cost to sponsor 1 wreath is \$17.00 each. The most popular option is to sponsor 5 wreaths for \$85.00 total. To pay by check and have your order placed for you, make a check payable to **Philadelphia Winn Chapter NSDAR** and send it to Treasurer Kathy Schmidt, 886 Marbrook Drive, Lawrenceville, GA 30044.

For questions or additional information, contact Philadelphia Winn Chapter DAR, Wreaths Across America Committee Co-Chairs:

Regent Lynn Jacques at 678-332-9852, <u>LynnJacques55@gmail.com</u>
First Vice Regent Randi Minor at 770-882-8108, <u>RandiMD@gmail.com</u>



While we have Veterans Day in the fall and Memorial Day in the spring, our servicemen and women sacrifice their time and safety every single day of the year, to preserve our freedoms. And in many homes across the U.S., every day there is an empty seat for one who is serving, or one who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. That is why our mission to Remember, Honor and Teach lasts all year long, far beyond the single day in December when we coordinate wreath-laying ceremonies. All throughout the year, Wreaths Across America works in a number of ways to show our veterans and their families that we will not forget!



How you can help William Day Chapter NSDAR sponsor wreaths:

Option 1: You can order online through the link to William Day NSDAR page:

#### https://wreathsacrossamerica.org/GA0372

Option 2: Cash or checks (made payable to WAA) and we will mail for you and provide you with a receipt. Wreaths are \$17 each.

Our cemetery is **Duluth Church Cemetery** in Duluth, Georgia. Please join us on December 16, 2023 at noon!

2023 Wreaths Across America Families with loved one interred are invited to place one wreath on that gravesite Friday, December 15, 2023 between 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

# 2023 Wreaths Across America Public wreath laying

The 2023 Ceremony will be held Saturday, December 16, 2023 at 9:00 am

Due to the overwhelming response in 2022, and the traffic gridlock, many families were not afforded the opportunity to honor their loved one by placing a wreath. Accordingly, for 2023, the event will be conducted over a two-day period. Families with family members interred at Georgia National Cemetery are invited to place one wreath at their family members gravesite on Friday, December 15, 2023 starting at 9:00 am until to 12:00 pm. The 2023 Wreaths Across America Ceremony will take place at the Assembly Area at the Cemetery. The program will commence promptly at 9:00 am Saturday December 16, 2023. Public Wreath Laying will take place immediately following the ceremony. The Georgia National Cemetery Staff and the Advisory Council are working on measures to reduce if not eliminate the traffic issues encountered in 2022.

For more information you can follow us on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/GaNational
Or our webpage: ganationalcemetery.org
https://www.atbsa.org/national-cemetery-programs.html



Email from Gary Hoyt September 24, 2023

Good afternoon gentlemen:

Now is a good time for Compatriots and Chapters to begin their planning for Wreaths Across America observances. This year's slogan is "Serve and Succeed," and Wreaths Across America Day is December 16, 2023.

The GASSAR is again enrolled in the Three for Two Program -- order two wreaths and a free third wreath will be added to your shipment. The GASSAR discount code is GA0057. Wreath orders must be placed by November 30 to guarantee delivery prior to December 16.

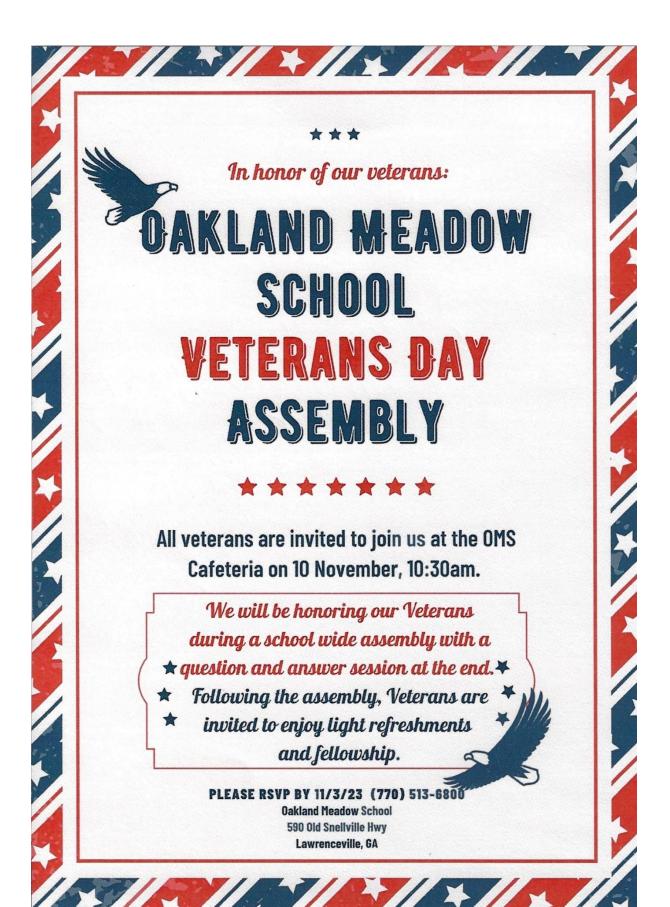
To place orders – or view a comprehensive list of Georgia cemeteries served by Wreaths Across America – please use this link: https://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org. If you need additional information or customer service support please phone: 1-877-385-9504.

Many thanks for your support for Wreaths Across America, a program that seems to get bigger and better every year.

In patriotic service,

Gary J. Hoyt Veterans Committee Chairman Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution





# **NSSAR Life Membership Pins:**

Tom Jacques, Don & David McCarty, Ray Kyle, Gordon Woodard The Life Membership Pin is available to those members who are currently Life Members of the SAR. It is to be worn on the lapel.



### **Medals and Certificates to Present:**

# SAR Silver 250th Anniversary Medals Tom Jacques & Ray Kyle (Requires 25 Bronze & 60 Silver)

Silver Semiquincentennial (250th Anniversary) Recognition Medal – The medal is designed to encourage and recognize those compatriots, chapters, and societies to participate in local, state, national, and international events that publicly educate, recognize, honor, and celebrate the heroes of the American Revolution. Participation involves the planning and execution of these events, as well as attendance. The medal covers the celebration of any event's 250th anniversary where said event related directly to acts of resistance to British attempts to coerce



the residents in America: from the first Parliamentary Acts protested after the conclusion of the French and Indian Wars, through the armed struggle of the American War for Independence, to the ratification of the Treaty of Paris by the Continental Congress. This therefore will cover any public celebrations in the Period from 2014 to 2033.

# Bronze Roger Sherman Medal - Don McCarty working on the Gold 250 Medal (235 points required)

The Bronze Roger Sherman Medal may be awarded to a compatriot in recognition of, and in appreciation of, outstanding services rendered to a Chapter. The medal is presented to a compatriot for significant service which lacks the requirements for the Meritorious Service Medal. It should be awarded in place of the Bronze and Silver Good Citizenship Medals, which cannot be awarded for service to the SAR. The recipient must have served



as an active officer for a minimum of two years, as an active committee chairman for three years, or as an active member of a committee for four years.

# Lydia Darragh Medal - Lynn Baxter Jacques

The Lydia Darragh Medal may be awarded by the incumbent President General, Vice President General, State Society President or Chapter President to the lady who has provided significant service to him during his term. The medal will recognize the assistance of the ladies who work behind the scenes supporting SAR programs, but whose service does not meet the requirements for the Martha Washington Medal. It may only be presented once per year at the discretion of the President General, a Vice President General, a State Society President, or a Chapter President.



# SAR Medal of Appreciation - Sue Ford

The SAR Medal of Appreciation may be presented to a member of the DAR in good standing in recognition of and in appreciation for outstanding services rendered to the SAR. The award may recognize assistance in forming new SAR chapters, obtaining a specific number of new SAR members, or otherwise significantly aiding the SAR programs.



# DAR Hannah White Arnett Bronze Medal - Thomas Leo Jacques

The Hannah White Arnett Medal is one of DAR's newest recognitions. It may be awarded to a member in good standing of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) or Sons of the Revolution (S.R.) for unselfish devotion, tireless efforts, and assistance to the DAR; and who has dedicated his time, energy, talents, and/or resources to the organization in support and furtherance of the DAR mission of historic preservation, education and patriotism.



The bronze medal is awarded at the chapter level. State Societies award the silver medal, and the gold medal is awarded by the National Society.

# Please join us!

Button Gwinnett Chapter Meeting Thursday, October 12, 2023 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM for dinner/socializing

The meeting portion will begin at 7:00 PM. Presentation by Leslie Strickland Watkins: "What Is and Who Are the NSDAR?"

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Please let us know if you would like to be part of the planning committee

