



## The Button Gwinnett Dispatch July 2025

### A Newsletter of the Button Gwinnett Chapter

### National Society Sons of the American Revolution



#### President's Message for July 2025:

As expected, the temperatures and the humidity got higher in July. But, that's just part of Summer and we are used to it, so no problem!

On July 4, 2025, we celebrated the 249th Birthday of the United States of America. Just one more year to go before we celebrate our country's 250th Birthday!

Having endured many major challenges, bumps and bruises through the years, this "Grand Experiment" of a Democratic Republic is alive and well, and much stronger for it. We SAR members are critical in the effort of trying to help teach our younger generations (and sometimes reminding some in the older generations) why and how our country came to exist, and why they should love and cherish it. This is a task we take seriously and very much enjoy performing.

Here are the events in which chapter members participated in July:

Jul 4 4th of July Parade, Dunwoody, GA  
Jul 4 4th of July Parade, Demorest, GA  
Jul 4 4th of July Musket Salute - Braves vs. Orioles Game, Truist Field, Atlanta, GA  
Jul 4 4th of July Celebration, American Village, Montevallo, AL  
Jul 7-8 CAR Southeastern Region Meeting, Orlando, FL  
Jul 12-18 135 th Annual Congress, Mohegan Sun Hotel, Uncasville, CT  
Jul 26 GASSAR BOM Summer Meeting, Barnesville, GA

Please review the August Program and the "Upcoming Events" included in this newsletter for event places, dates, and times. If you have never been to an American Revolutionary War Battlefield before, you will have three opportunities in August to do so.

We will be attending and participating in Commemoration Ceremonies for:

- 1) the Battle of Blue Licks, in Carlisle, KY on August 16th,
- 2) the Battle of Camden, in Camden, SC on August 16th,
- 3) and the Battle of Eutaw Springs, in Eutaw Springs, SC on August 30th.

If you have acquired a continental or militia uniform and want to participate for the first time with the Color Guard in any of these ceremonies, here's your chance! We would be thrilled to see you there and we would happily teach what you need to know and do. A word of caution though, participation in Color Guard events can be habit forming!

There are dozens of events scheduled throughout the remaining months of the year, including Battle Commemorations, Patriot Grave Markings, Liberty Tree Plantings, Veterans Ceremonies and more.

Please join us in remembering and celebrating those who helped create our country and those who have defended it these past 249 years.

***Note September Button Gwinnett Meeting is on Wednesday September 10<sup>th</sup>!***

## *Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter Meeting July 10, 2025*

### Meeting Highlights:

Our July 10, 2025 Chapter Meeting was held at the Frontera Mex-Mex Grill in Lawrenceville, GA., we had 26 members and 22 guests in attendance. Although the number 48 is great - we can go higher!

We had DAR members from Four chapters in attendance: **Philadelphia Winn** - Honorary Regent Lynn Baxter Jacques, Treasurer Rose Horton, members Mary Martin, Anne Lockhart, Clara Stancel and Stacy Whitehead; **Chestatee River** - Kris White; **Suwanee Creek** - Donna Bowlick and Monica Woodard; **William Day** - Honorary Regent Debbie Bush

**Elisha Winn Society C.A.R.** members in attendance Eleanor, Vera and Jude Stancel and Anna Whitehead



Past President Tom Jacques - presented Lynn Jacques, Maryland McCarty and Mary Martin the SAR Patriot Grave Marking Lapel Pin

This pin was created to support the SAR efforts to increase participation and recognition with all of those involved in Patriot grave markings. **To include the SAR, DAR, C.A.R.** and members of the public and organizations that support Patriot grave markings. It is similar in design to the Patriot Grave Marking medal.

*Tom Jacques also presented a pin to Billie Trussell, Honorary Regent of the DAR Sukey Hart Chapter, during the Georgia SAR BOM Meeting*



**Past President Tom Jacques inducted our newest Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter Compatriots - Barry Eugene Whitehead and his sons Ethan Riley Whitehead and James Garrett Whitehead.**

Barry, Ethan and James are descendants of Sergeant Joseph Waterman of Massachusetts who first served in Rhode Island as a Marine on the U.S. Frigate Providence under Captain Abraham Whipple from November 1776 to January 1778. In April 1779 Joseph Waterman enlisted again as a Sergeant in Captain Jacob Haskins' Company in Colonel John Jacobs' Massachusetts Regiment. Patriot Joseph Waterman was born November 12, 1750 at Halifax, Plymouth County, Massachusetts and died March 7, 1839 in Appleton, Knox County, Maine.

Joseph Waterman is also a descendant of Mayflower Passengers Isaac Allerton and Digory Priest.

Through his fifth great grandmother Lois Bartlett - Barry, Ethan and James are also descendants of Falsely Convicted Salem Witch George Jacobs Sr., who was hung on August 19, 1692. His son, George Jr., was also accused but evaded arrest. Jacobs' accusers included his daughter-in-law and granddaughter, Margaret (Daughter of George Jr.).



In addition to Ethan, Barry was joined by his wife Stacy, a new Philadelphia Winn DAR member, his daughter Anna (a new Elisha Winn C.A.R. Member), his mother Beverly Hart, a prospective member of the Philadelphia Winn DAR Chapter, and mother-in-law Brenda Finch, who is also a new member of the Philadelphia Winn DAR Chapter. Son James is an active-duty U.S. Marine stationed in Calif. (Pictured Below) All were presented with an SAR 250 lapel pin by Tom Jacques.



As a retired United States Army Ranger – Barry was presented with the SAR War Service Medal by Compatriot and former US Marine Chris Bradfield. Barry received service bars for Iraq, Afghanistan, and SW Asia



### Biography

Barry is a dedicated family man, married for 24 years to his high school sweetheart, Stacy. He retired from the Army in 2021 after two decades of distinguished service. A decorated veteran, Barry served with both the 75th Ranger Regiment (1st and 2nd Ranger Battalions) and the 3rd Special Forces Group, earning him the coveted Tan Beret and Green Beret. His commitment to his country included eight combat deployments. Today, Barry enjoys spending quality time with his family, including his 10-year-old daughter, Anna, and pursues hobbies such as firearms, snow skiing, whitewater kayaking, and serving in his church.

Tom Jacques as the Georgia State SAR-DAR Liaison Chairman presented Stacy Whitehead with the coveted SAR Medal of Appreciation that she earned for recruiting three new members into the Button Gwinnett Chapter; her husband Barry, and sons Ethan and James





The Evening program was "The Frontier" by Button Gwinnett Compatriot Eli Stancel. Comment from Tom Jacques: Eli is an amazing presenter with a depth of knowledge on his program subject that is always educational and leaves you wanting him to go even longer.



Above right - Second VP Marty Bush presented Eli Stancel with a Button Gwinnett SAR Certificate of Appreciation for his Presentation.

### Biography of Eli Stancel

Eli Stancel is a Gwinnett County native with family roots in the area dating from the 1790s. He holds a BA from Piedmont College and an MA from Arkansas State University. His articles have appeared in several journals and papers, and he is the co-author of two books. He is in his 23rd year of employment with Norfolk Southern Railway serving in various operational and support roles. Eli's career has allowed him to live and work in Baltimore, Philadelphia, Hershey, Pittsburgh, Norfolk, and Atlanta. He has delivered lectures and talks on subjects ranging from railroad history to African slave ship technology. He resides on his farm in Bostwick, Georgia with his wife Stephanie and their 4 children, and he serves as the Music leader at Remembrance Community Church.

Eli, Eleanor, Vera and Jude Stancel were all presented with the SAR 250 Lapel Pin by Past President Tom Jacques.



During the business portion of the meeting Mike Watkins, Lyman Hall Chapter President and Dual Button Gwinnett Chapter Past President presented Button Gwinnett Treasurer and Georgia SAR Patriot Grave marking Chairman Don McCarty with a check for \$100 to co-sponsor the Five Patriot Grave Markings to take place in Sugar Hill on November 1, 2025.

### 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.

President -	Ray Kyle
First Vice President -	Jack Martin
Second Vice President -	Marty Bush
Immediate Past President -	Tom Jacques
Secretary -	Jaryd Green
Treasurer -	Don McCarty
Registrar -	Harold Ford
Chaplain -	Harry Kitchings
Genealogist -	David Sikes
Sergeant at Arms -	Don Schmidt
Historian -	Eldon Evans

CALL TO ORDER 7:00 PM	Jack Martin
INVOCATION	Harry Kitchings
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	James Walters
SAR PLEDGE	Tom Jacques
INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS	Jack Martin

#### PRESENTATION OF AWARDS *Jack Martin*

##### New Member Induction:

Barry Eugene Whitehead – Patriot Joseph Waterman  
Ethan Riley Whitehead – Patriot Joseph Waterman

##### Supplementals:

None

##### Medals & Certificates:

Barry Whitehead – SAR War Service Medal  
Stacy Whitehead – SAR Medal of Appreciation

##### Streamers:

None

#### PROGRAM INTRODUCTION *Marty Bush*

*"The Frontier"*  
*by Eli Stancel*

#### Business Section:

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING	Jaryd Green
TREASURER'S REPORT	Don McCarty
REGISTRAR'S REPORT	Harold Ford
COMMITTEE REPORTS	Committee Chairs
UNFINISHED BUSINESS	Jack Martin
NEW BUSINESS	Jack Martin
SAR RECESSIONAL	Marty Bush
BENEDICTION	Harry Kitchings
ADJOURNMENT	Jack Martin

## **BUTTON GWINNETT CHAPTER** Georgia Society

### **Songs of the American Revolution**

***"The Frontier"***  
*by Eli Stancel*



**July 10, 2025**

[www.ButtonGwinnettSAR.org](http://www.ButtonGwinnettSAR.org)

Frontera Mex-Mex Grill

1430 Five Forks Trickum Rd SW, Lawrenceville, GA 30044



#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Jul 12-18	135th Annual Congress, Mohegan Sun Hotel, Uncasville, CT [National]
Jul 26	GASSAR BOM Summer Meeting, Barnesville, GA [GA] @10am
Aug 2	PGM for Stephen Day, The Market at Columbia County Govt. Complex, Evans, GA [GA] @10am
Aug 16	Battle of Blue Licks, Carlisle, KY [National] @10am
Aug 23	New Bern Resolves, New Bern, NC [NC] @9am
Aug 30	Battle of Eutaw Springs, Eutaw Springs, SC [National] @10am
Sep 13	Vigil at Tomb of George Washington, Mt. Vernon, VA [National] @8am
Sep 20	The Gathering at Sycamore Shoals, Elizabethton, TN [National] @10am
Sep 27	5 PGMs for Hezekiah Bussey, Zachariah Spiers/Spires, Isaac Cliatt, Moses Jones & William Norman, St. Paul's Church, Lincolnton, GA [GA] @1pm Oct 2-4
Oct 4-5	NSSAR Fall Leadership, Lexington, KY [National]
Oct 7	Elisha Winn Fair, Dacula, GA [Chapter] (Details TBA)
Oct 9	Battle of Kings Mountain, Blacksburg, SC [National] @9am
Oct 12	Siege of Savannah, Savannah, GA [GA] (Details TBA)
	3 PGMs – Patriots Henry Holland, Solomon Yeomans and Simon Smith, Trinity Church of the Nazarene, Claxton, GA [GA] @1pm

#### **2025 Programs & Speakers Schedule:**

Aug 14	Terry Manning: "10 New Things You Didn't Know about George Washington"
Sep 11	Shep Hammack: "Hyam Salomon, Financier of the American Revolution"
Oct 9	Becky West: "The Real Story of Paul Revere"
Nov 13	Jim Reason: "The War in Georgia"
Dec 11	GASSAR Pres. Bill Floyd: Installation of 2026 Chapter Officers

## **Registrar Status Report (As of July 31, 2025, we have 108 chapter members)**

### **Registrar Report**

#### **Inducted July 10, 2025 Approved June 13, 2025**

- Barry Whitehead - Referral Stacy Whitehead (Philadelphia Winn DAR) Rcd Mar 24, 2025
- Ethan R Whitehead - Referral Stacy Whitehead (Philadelphia Winn DAR) Rcd Mar 24, 2025
- James G Whitehead - Referral Stacy Whitehead (Philadelphia Winn DAR) Rcd Mar 24, 2025

#### **Approved but Not Installed:**

- Zachery Keith Richardson - referral from DAR Fall Forum Linda Richardson Sep 14, 2024 (Sergeant Newton DAR) rcd Dec 6, 2024 **Approved Mar 28, 2025**

#### **New applications at National:**

- Daniel Jerome McCarty - (Don McCarty's brother) **Arrived April 30, 2025**
- Cody Mack Jackson (Tori Vogt Clark - William Day DAR) **Arrived May 5, 2025**
- Kayden Victor Barragan - (Tori Vogt Clark - William Day DAR) **Arrived July 3, 2025**
- Keith William Pangle - (Carol Pangle - Philadelphia Winn DAR) **Arrived July 9, 2025**

#### **Supplementals at National:**

- David Sikes - 2 @ National - Patriots Thomas Blitch & Robert Marlow
- Raymond Anderson - 1 @ National - Patriot Absalom Hooper
- Harold Ford: Patriot Wilhelm/William Volk/Fulk
- Daniel Ford (2) - Patriots Oliver Heavenhill & Valentine Himmelberger
- Ben Kitchings (1) - Patriot John Chastain (Received December 6, 2024)
- Randy and Noah Tindall - Patriot John Tindall (Received Mar 24, 2025)

#### **New Member Applications at State:**

- Craig Wallis Maltbie and two sons Finnegan James Maltbie and Emory Winn Maltbie (Maria Maltbie Karg, Philadelphia Winn DAR Registrar) Out for Signature (4/22/2025)
- J. Jeffrey Williams (Out for Signature)

#### **New Member Applications in Process:**

- Brandon Hembree - referral from Amy Koon May 3, 2024 (Suwanee Creek DAR)
- Gordon Benson - referral from Sheila Crumrine Regent Suwanee Fest Sep 21, 2024 (Suwanee Creek DAR) Button Gwinnett - Bill Wood's cousin
- Bradley Willard - referral from Sheila Crumrine Regent Suwanee Fest Sep 21, 2024 (Suwanee Creek DAR)
- Mike Burke - referral from Sheila Crumrine Regent Suwanee Fest Sep 21, 2024 (Suwanee Creek DAR)
- Michael Miller - referral from Lynn Jacques 2023 Wreaths Across America (Philadelphia Winn DAR)
- Pete Johnson
- Mark Anthony Minor and sons William Caldwell Minor and Luke William Minor (Randi Davis Minor - Philadelphia Winn Regent)

#### **Supplementals at State:**

- None

#### **Supplementals in process :**

- Bill Schultz - Out for Signature

#### **Transfer in Progress:**

- Frank Leslie Bradfield Jr. (Chris Brafield's father) **completed July 7, 2025**

## 2025 Committee Assignments

If you would like to serve on one of these Committees, please contact President Ray Kyle or the Committee Chair.

- Audit - Jack Martin, Chairman, Harry Kitchings & Don Schmidt (Complete 2025)
- Americanism - Ray Kyle (as of July 3, 2025 - Americanism 9,905; PG Streamer 3270)
- Veterans - Jack Martin (Team Don McCarty) (As of July 3, 2025 10,802)
- C.A.R. Liaison - Randy Tindall
- DAR Liaison - Tom Jacques (Also Georgia State SAR DAR Liaison)
- Traveling Trunk - Tom Jacques (Team Ray Kyle, Jack Martin, Marty Bush, Bruce Maney)
- Grave Marking - Bruce Maney (Team Eldon Evans & Don McCarty)
- Eagle Scout - David Patrick
- JROTC - Marty Bush
- Color Guard - Tom Jacques
- Publicity - Open
- Newsletter - Tom Jacques
- Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter Anniversary Meeting - April 5, 2025 - Tom Jacques (Complete)
- Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter Anniversary Meeting - April 4, 2026 - TBD
- Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter Nominating Committee - Tom Jacques



## Upcoming Meeting dates and presentations:

### 2025

Aug 14	Terry Manning: "10 New Things You Didn't Know About George Washington"
<u>Sep 10</u>	Shep Hammack: "Hyam Salomon, Financier of the American Revolution"
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## Completed 2025 Events

Jan 4	Liberty Tree Dedication 10:00 AM - Woodstock, GA (Joseph L. Vancura, Jr.)
Jan 11	Grave Marking - Patriot Stephen Day Grovetown, GA (Rescheduled)
Jan 17	National (SC) - Battle of Cowpens
Jan 17	Wreath Laying Ceremony Honoring General Daniel Morgan
Jan 25	244th Commemoration of the Battle of Cowan's Ford - Huntersville, NC,
Jan 31 - Feb 1	<b>Georgia Society SAR State Conference</b>
Feb 7	Heroes of the Hornets' Nest
Feb 7	Kettle Creek Battlefield Association - Annual Dinner
Feb 8	Commemoration of the Battle of Kettle Creek events in Washington, GA
Feb 15	Commemoration of the Crossing of the Dan - South Boston, VA
Feb 22	George Washington Birthday (Gainesville, GA - with Lyman Hall Chapter)
Feb 22	Commemoration of the Battle of Moore's Creek - Currie, NC
Feb 27-Mar 1	National Society SAR - Spring Leadership - Louisville, KY
Mar 7-9	Georgia C.A.R. State Conference - Roswell, GA at Double Tree Hotel
Mar 8	Commemoration of the Battle of Brier Creek
Mar 15	National (NC) - Commemoration of the Battle of Guilford Courthouse



Mar 20-22 127th Georgia Society DAR State Conference, Augusta Marriott (Augusta, GA).  
*SAR Recruiting Table for three days, SAR Color Guard Friday Evening*

Mar 21-30 General Lafayette Tour in Georgia (See pamphlet at the end of this newsletter)

Mar 21 - Savannah - Arrives at Dock on River Street (Friday)

Mar 22 - Savannah - Arrives at Johnson Square (Saturday)

Mar 23 - Augusta - Arrives at Savannah River (Sunday)

Mar 24 - Hamburg, SC (AM) Warrenton, GA (PM) (Monday)

Mar 25 - Sparta, GA (Tuesday)

Mar 26 - Milledgeville, GA (Wednesday)

Mar 27 - Gray, GA (Jones County) (Thursday)

Mar 28 - Macon, GA (Cherry Blossom Festival) (Friday)

Mar 29 - Roberta, Macon, National Infantry Museum (Saturday)

Mar 30 - Fort Moore, Fort Mitchell (Sunday)

Apr 12 National (NC) - 249th Anniversary of the Adoption of the Halifax Resolves

Apr 19 National (MA) - 250th Anniversary of the Battle of Lexington

Apr 19 National (GA) - Frederica Naval Action

Apr 26 Georgia Society SAR BOM Barnesville, GA

Apr 27 Midway - 5 patriot grave marking + Church Service **Color Guard 8 Volleys**

May 9 National (FL) - Galvez Day - Battle of Pensacola **(Friday)**

May 24 National (SC) - Battle of the Waxhaws (Buford's Massacre)

May 24 Flag Placement with American Legion (Details to follow)

May 24 Georgia National Cemetery Canton, GA - **Color Guard Musket Salute 9:00am**

May 24 Snellville Veterans Memorial - **Color Guard Musket Salute 4:30pm**

May 26 Memorial Day at Oconee Veterans Park Memorial **(Monday)**

Jun 9 NSDAR - Chestatee River Chapter - America 250 Marker Dedication **(CG -Monday)**

Jun 14 Flag Day VFW Post 5255 Lawrenceville, GA (10:00 AM) **Color Guard & Militia**

Jun 14 National (NC) - Battle of Ramsour's Mill

Jun 17 *250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill (Tuesday) no events scheduled*

Jun 25-29 134<sup>th</sup> NSDAR Continental Congress

Jun 28 (FL) Commemoration of the Battle of Alligator Creek Bridge

Jun 29 Patriotic Concert - First United Methodist - Gainesville, GA - 4:00 PM **CG**

Jul 4 Braselton 4th of July Parade, Braselton, GA [National] (Details TBA)

Jul 4 Braves vs. Orioles Game, Truist Field [National] @7:15pm (Details TBA) **Militia**

Jul 4 4th of July Celebration, American Village, Montevallo, AL [National] @5:30pm

Jul 12-18 135th Annual Congress, Mohegan Sun Hotel, Uncasville, CT [National]

Jul 26 GASSAR BOM Summer Meeting, Barnesville, GA [GA] @10am **(Color Guard)**

## Upcoming Events

### 2025 Events

Aug 2 PGM for Stephen Day, Stephen Day Family Cemetery, Grovetown, GA @10am

Aug 16 Battle of Blue Licks, Carlisle, KY [National] @10am

Aug 21-23 GSSDAR Fall Forum Atlanta Airport Marriott - **SAR Recruiting Table**  
**Friday Aug 22 - Color Guard Presenting Colors**

Aug 30 Battle of Eutaw Springs, Eutaw Springs, SC [National] @10am  
 Sep 6 Patriot Grave Marking – Fort Benning, GA - 10:00 AM Patriot John O’Quin  
 Sep 11 **9/11 Ceremonies - TBD**  
 Sep 13 Siege of Augusta - (Color Guard)  
 Sep 13 Vigil at Tomb of George Washington, Mt. Vernon, VA [National] @8am  
 Sep 17 Constitution Day – events to be determined  
 Sep 20 The Gathering at Sycamore Shoals, Elizabethton, TN [National] @10am  
 Sep 27 **5 PGMs** for Hezekiah Bussey, Zachariah Spiers/Spires, Isaac Cliatt, Moses Jones & William Norman, St. Paul’s Church, Lincolnton, GA [GA] @1pm (Color Guard)  
 Oct 2-4 National Society SAR – Fall Leadership The Galt House – Louisville, KY  
 Oct 4 Elisha Winn House Fair **Traveling Trunk** & Elisha Winn Society C.A.R. Meeting  
 Oct 5 Elisha Winn House Fair **Traveling Trunk**  
 Oct 7 Kings Mountain (Color Guard)  
 Oct 12 **3 PGMs** – Patriots Henry Holland, Solomon Yeomans and Simon Smith, Trinity Church of the Nazarene, Claxton, GA [GA] (Details TBA) (Color Guard)  
 Oct 16 Liberty Tree Dedication – The Carter Center – 2:30 PM  
 Oct 16 Liberty Tree Dedication Ceremony – Monroe, Ga – 6:00 PM  
 Oct 17 25th Anniversary of the Captain John Collins Chapter 6:00 PM  
 Oct 18 Fort Daniel Frontier Fair  
 Oct 19 National (VA) – Yorktown Days  
 Oct 25 **GASSAR BOM Fall Meeting, Barnesville, GA [GA] @10am (Color Guard)**  
**Nov 1** **5 PGMs** - Patriots Thomas Cox, Joseph Curbow, Lewis Dishon, Stephen Harris and Jesse Herring, Sugar Hill Historic Cemetery, Sugar Hill, GA [GA] @11AM  
 Nov 8 **4 Patriot Grave Marker Dedication** – Elberton, GA – 10:00 AM  
 Nov 11 **Veterans Day Ceremonies - TBD**  
 Nov 19-21 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the First Siege of Ninety-Six, SC  
 Nov 22 **Fort Morris** “Come and Take It”, Midway, GA [National] (Details TBA) **CG**  
 Dec 8 Wreaths Across America at the State Capitol - (Color Guard)  
 Dec 13 **Wreaths Across America** – East Shadowlawn Memorial Gardens, Lawrenceville, GA [National] (Details TBA) Philadelphia Winn DAR Chapter (Color Guard)  
 Dec 13 Wreaths Across America – Gwinnett Memorial Park, Lawrenceville, GA[National] (Details TBA) Philadelphia Winn DAR Chapter (Color Guard)  
 Dec 13 Wreaths Across America – Duluth Church Cemetery, Duluth, GA [National] (Details TBA)  
 Dec 13 Wreaths Across America – Georgia National Cemetery, Canton, GA [National] (Details TBA)  
 Fall ?? PGM for Edward Williams, Chechero Baptist Church Cemetery, Clayton, GA [GA] (Details TBA)

## 2026 Events

Feb 6-7      **Georgia Society Annual Meeting – Hilton Atlanta Northeast – Color Guard**  
5993 Peachtree Industrial Blvd, Peachtree Corners, GA 300092

Feb 13      Heroes of Hornets’ Nest – Elisha Clark State Park **Color Guard**

Feb 13      Kettle Creek Battlefield Dinner **Color Guard**

Feb 14      Battle of Kettle Creek – Washington, Georgia **Color Guard**

Feb 27-28   Georgia C.A.R. State Conference Great Wolf Lodge, Lagrange, Georgia

Mar 5-7      National Society SAR – Spring Leadership - The Galt Hotel – Louisville, KY

Mar 19-22   Georgia DAR State Conference Stone Mountain, Georgia **Color Guard**



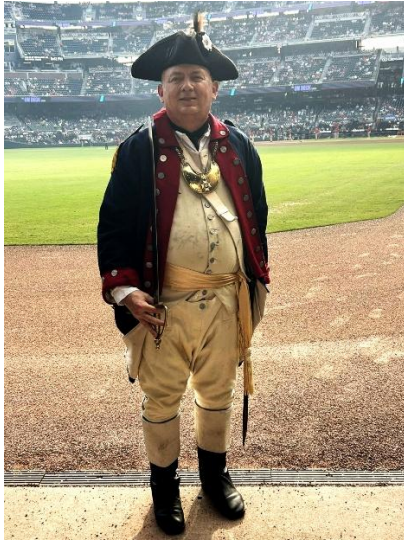
**July 4, 2025 – Braves vs. Orioles Game, Truist Field**

Members of Georgia SAR Color Guard led by National Color Guard Commander participated in a musket salute honoring the founding of our nation.

This was Scott Collins last ceremony in Georgia as National Color Guard Commander. Button Gwinnett Members participating were Tom Jacques, David Sikes and Gordon Woodard.









**On Friday, July 4, 2025** - Button Gwinnett Chapter President Ray Kyle dressed in Militia attire joined with twelve members of the Alabama SAR Color Guard to present the Colors at the opening of a 4th of July Celebration program, which was held at the "American Village" in Montevallo, AL.

Later in the evening, the Color Guard presented the flag of each Military Service Branch, accompanied by the playing of each Branch's song, and concluding with recognition and thanks to all veterans, past and present, for their service and sacrifice on behalf of the United States of America. Nicely done and moving program, with long and loud applause and cheering.





## Noah Tindall at the NSSAR 135th Annual Congress – Uncasville, CT July 12 – July 18

Georgia C.A.R. State President Noah Tindall who is also a Junior Member of the Button Gwinnett attended the **NSSAR 135th Annual Congress** along with his parents Randy Tindall (Button Gwinnett member & Georgia C.A.R. Senior President) and Emily Tindall (Philadelphia Winn 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Regent, Georgia DAR/SAR/SR Relations Chair & Immediate Past Senior President Georgia C.A.R.)

Below are a few of the photos of Noah, Randy, and Emily from the Congress along with a few notable SAR State and National Leaders.

PG Michael J. Elston



PG Darryl S. Addington



PG J. Michael Tomme, Sr.



GA Pres William Floyd







**Governor Jonathan Trumbull - Granite 250 Memorial Bench Dedication July 17, 2025**  
 The 250th Bench is made of Georgia granite.







Introducing the 2025-2026 Georgia C.A.R. State Project



# HUZZAH!

to our Patriots



As **America's 250th** birthday approaches, patriotism and curiosity about our country's history is on the rise. Now is the perfect time to educate the public about the history of some of the Georgia patriots and places that were pivotal during the formation of our country. The goal of this Administration's State Project is to raise \$12,500 to provide funding for interpretive signs and historical reproductions for Revolutionary War-era historical sights around Georgia.

One of the ways you can help educate the public is through a donation for one - or more - of the State Project pins. They make great gifts! The pins are available for a minimum \$20 donation (\$25 w/ shipping), or you can demonstrate your support for the project by becoming a State Project Patron (and receive a pin!) for a minimum donation of \$50. Click this [link](#) for more info.



## Pin Symbolism

- Poppy – icon by Georgia's Moina Michael, the "Poppy Lady"
- Petals - hearts for our love for God, home, and country
- Filaments - fireworks, cannon balls, bombs bursting in air, and Crosses for the faith of our Founding Fathers
- Star in the middle to honor our Patriots and Gold Star families across the U.S. and for...
- C.A.R./DAR/SAR/S.R. – an ALL STAR TEAM!
- Last but certainly not least – HUZZAH! to our Patriots



Thank you for your support! ~Noah





Noah Tindall, State President, and LTC(R) Randall E. Tindall, Senior State President, request the honor of your presence at the Sixty-Seventh Annual State Conference of the Georgia State Society, Children of the American Revolution to celebrate HUZDAH! to our Patriots, February 27- March 1, 2026, at the Great Wolf Lodge, LaGrange, GA.  
Hotel link will be available in October 2025.

Registration will open in December 2025.

Great Wolf Lodge  
150 Tom Hall Pkwy  
Lagrange, GA 30240



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## Calendar of Events

Bolded event titles are actual events for us to participate in. Italic titles are America250! events for us to recognize and commemorate!

### 2025

**July**

- **26 - Society Pool Party & State C.A.R. Summer Workshop Planning**

**August**

- **9 - Georgia State C.A.R. Summer Workshop:** Gwinnett Environmental and Heritage Center, Buford, GA
- **20-23 - Georgia DAR Fall Forum:** Join our State President to greet DAR members at the C.A.R. table.

**September**

- **7 - Get the Scoop on DAR (& C.A.R.) - Ice Cream Social w/ PW DAR**
- **13 - Siege of Augusta:** Kroc Center, Augusta, GA
- **14 - Virtual Elisha Winn Society Meeting, Google Meet**

**October**

- **4 - Georgia State C.A.R. Fall Meeting:** Elisha Winn Fair, Dacula, GA; Society Meeting
- *13 - 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the U.S. Navy*
- **18 - Fort Daniel Frontier Faire:** Society Meeting

**November**

- *19-21 - 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the First Siege of Ninety Six, SC*
- **22 - Fort Morris 'Come and Take It!' Commemoration:** Midway, GA

**December**

- **7 - Philadelphia Winn DAR Program and Society Meeting, L'ville, GA**
- *9 - 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Great Bridge, VA*
- **13 - Wreaths Across America:** East Shadowlawn Memorial Gardens, L'ville, GA

### 2026

**January**

- **10 - Virtual Elisha Winn Society Meeting, Google Meet**
- *10 - 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Thomas Paine publishing Common Sense*

**February**

- **14 - Battle of Kettle Creek Commemoration:** Washington, GA
- *27 - 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge, NC*
- **27-28 - Georgia State C.A.R. State Conference:** Great Wolf Lodge, LaGrange, GA

**March**

- *17 - 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The British Evacuate Boston*
- **19-22 - GSSDAR State Conference:** Stone Mountain, GA

**April**

- *12 - 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Halifax Resolves*
- **17-19 - National Convention:** Washington, DC

# Please join us!

**Button Gwinnett Chapter Meeting**

**Thursday, August 14, 2025**

**Presentation by Compatriot Terry Manning**

**“10 New Things You Didn’t Know About George Washington”**

**Dinner – Social Hour 6:00PM – 7:00PM**

**The meeting portion will begin at 7:00 PM.**

**Frontera Mex-Mex Grill**

**1430 Five Forks Trickum Road**

**Lawrenceville, GA 30044**

**678-376-7680**

**26<sup>th</sup> Chapter Anniversary 1999 - 2025**



### Do you Qualify for the National Society Sons of the American Revolution War Service or Military Service Medals?

As part of the Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration to be held on April 6, 2024 we would like to recognize our Chapter Compatriots who served in any branch of the U.S. Military by presenting you with either the National Society Sons of the American Revolution War Service Medal or Military Service Medal if you have not previously received either of them from our Chapter.

Compatriots Bill Palmer and Bruce Maney have agreed to be Co-Chairs of the Veterans Medal Committee.

In accordance with the NSSAR Official Handbook, Volume V: Individual Medals, Awards and Certificates, updated January 1, 2024, pages 17 and 18, shown below, Proof of Military Service (DD-214 form) must be presented by the member to the Chapter Secretary, who will determine the Chapter Member's eligibility for the War Service Medal or Military Service Medal.



#### SAR Medals and Their Order of Precedence (1-50)

1. SAR Badge
2. Minuteman Medal
3. Gold Good Citizenship Medal
4. War Service Medal
4. Military Service Medal
5. Heroism Medal
6. National Society Medal of Distinguished Service



#### NSSAR Handbook V: War Service Medal - Proof of Service:

Proof of service, in the form of a copy of the member's discharge (or other U.S. or Allied Government proof in the case of a member in active service), must be presented to the NSSAR Veterans Recognition Committee, State Society Secretary or Chapter secretary (depending on presenting authority) before the medal can be purchased and/or worn.

Such proof must show that the Compatriot:

1. served, or is serving, honorably in: a. the armed forces of the United States, b. the military forces of a country allied with the United States, or c. a United Nations Peace Keeping Force; and
2. served against a common enemy in a war or action recognized by a branch of the Armed Forces of the United States; and Effective: January 1, 2024 - 18
3. received a campaign medal, combat ribbon or badge as shown on the DD-214 form (or equivalent).

Bronze bars are available indicating service in WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Southwest Asia, Kosovo, Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Global War on Terrorism.

Subsequent Presentation Authorized: A Compatriot may receive additional Bronze Service Bars or Oak Leaf Clusters for subsequent qualifying war service.

*Note: The National Defense Service Medal is not considered a campaign medal for purposes of qualifying for the War Service Medal.*

#### NSSAR Handbook V: Military Service Medal - Proof of Service:

Proof of service, in the form of a copy of the member's discharge (or other U.S. or Allied Government proof in the case of a member in active service), must be provided to the NSSAR Veterans Recognition Committee, State Society Secretary or Chapter Secretary (depending on presenting authority) before the medal can be purchased and/or worn.

Such proof Effective: January 1, 2024 - 19 - must show that the Compatriot:

1. served, or is serving, honorably in the armed forces of the United States,
2. the military forces of a country allied with the United States, or
3. a United Nations Peace Keeping Force.

Subsequent Presentation NOT Authorized: A Compatriot may receive this medal only once. Oak leaf clusters or other ribbon attachments are not authorized.

*For additional information, contact President Tom Jacques at [ThomasLjacques@gmail.com](mailto:ThomasLjacques@gmail.com).*



## Special Notice for DAR & C.A.R. Members

We learned from Georgia SAR Immediate Past President and SAR 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Chair Ed Rigel Jr. that the SAR 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Medals may also be earned by non-SAR members!

By attending events where the Georgia SAR Color Guard participates with the SAR 250 Flag or even an SAR Chapter meeting with the SAR 250 Flag you earn 3 points for each event. Patriot Grave Markings, Kettle Creek, Fort Morris, SAR State or National Conference or BOM Meetings. To be eligible for the SAR Bronze 250th Medal – you only need to earn 25 points (Basically 9 events  $3 \times 9 = 27$ ). To be eligible for the SAR Silver 250th Medal – you need to earn an additional 60 points (Basically 20 more events  $3 \times 20 = 60$ ). To be eligible for the SAR Gold 250th Medal – you need to earn an additional 150 points (Basically 20 more events  $3 \times 50 = 150$ ). A few exceptions to the 3 point rule – if you are Chair or Co-Chair of an event you would earn an additional 20 points for that event involving the Color Guard. If you are part of the Planning Committee (Non Leadership) for an event you would earn an additional 10 points for that event involving the Color Guard. Example: Co-Chair of Philadelphia Winn DAR Wreaths Across America will earn 20 points. Example: Planning committee for DAR Conference or Fall Forum 10 points for each day SAR Color Guard participates with recruiting table (3 days per conference  $\times 10 = 30$  points plus 3 points per day for participating = 9 points extra). It pays to be part of the planning!

The link to the SAR 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Medals Form is listed below.

<https://www.sar.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/250<sup>th</sup>-Anniversary-Form.pdf>

For additional Details please contact [ThomasLJacques@Gmail.com](mailto:ThomasLJacques@Gmail.com)

**Georgia SAR – DAR Liaison Chairman 2025**



*250th Anniversary of the American  
Revolution Recognition Program  
National Society, Sons of the American Revolution*



The recognition program is designed to encourage and recognize those compatriots, chapters and societies that participate in local, state, national and international events which publically educate, and recognize, honor, and celebrate the events and heroes of the period surrounding 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. Form may be submitted to cover multiple years and following the first submission be submitted in multiple years, only covering activities since the previous submission. Scorekeeping is the responsibility of each compatriot and awarding authority. You will receive an email authorizing the purchase from merchandising. The guidelines and points are describe below:

PLEASE SUBMIT TO: [250AnniversaryRecognition@sar.org](mailto:250AnniversaryRecognition@sar.org).

➤ **Awards are based on activity and the awarding of points for each type of activity:**

- Directing, chairing or co-chairing an event or sub-committee for the duration of the event. (20 points)
- Participation in the planning, financing, promotion or conduct of an event other than directing, chairing, or co-chairing an event. Those that do direct, chair or co-chair an event and also serve as a regular member of a committee or sub-committee in a non-leadership role, may also earn points. (10 points)
- Attending an Event (3 points)
- Attending an event in Colonial Attire (5 points)

➤ **SAR Members may be awarded the Medals for achieving the following levels:**

- Bronze Medal: 25 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district or national society.
- Silver Medal: Compatriots who earn 60 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district or national society.
- Gold Medal: Compatriots who earn 150 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district or national society.

➤ **Non-SAR members may also be awarded these medals:**

- The chapter may present bronze awards to its Partners in Patriotism, and may recommend its Partners to the state or national society for higher recognition.
- The state and district may present silver awards to its Partners in Patriotism, and may recommend its Partners to the national society for higher recognition.
- The district or national society may present gold awards to its Partners in Patriotism.