

THE
BUTTON GWINNETT
DISPATCH



April 2019

Button Gwinnett Chapter
Sons of the American Revolution



Our next meeting is Thursday,

May 9th 2019

Northwood Country Club

3157 Club Drive

Lawrenceville, GA 30044

April's Speaker

Carter Wood

Carter presented an interesting program "Patriots in Petticoats: Agent 355". Carter referred to Brian Kilmeade's book "*George Washington's Secret Six*" (2013) about the Culper Spy Ring organized under Major Benjamin Tallmadge.



Photo by Bennie Koon

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After the presentation, Mike Watkins presented Carter Wood with a Certificate of Appreciation.

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April Meeting Highlights

Secretary's Report: Last month's minutes were emailed to BGSAR members and a copy was placed on each table for review. Motion to accept was made by Bill Palmer, seconded by Harry Kitchings and approved by the members.

Treasurer's Reconciliation: A monthly financial reconciliation was placed on all the tables and presented by Gordon Woodard showing a current funds available balance of \$4,478.91. A motion to accept the report was made by Eldon Evans, seconded by Bruce Maney and approved by members.



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Veterans Committee:

Bennie Koon announced the USS Stark Award points are currently 726. Bennie also announced that the Snellville American Legion Post will place flags on veterans' graves for Memorial Day at the Historic Snellville Cemetery and at the Eternal Hills Cemetery in Snellville. Volunteers are welcome. The activities at Snellville Historical Cemetery will be on Friday May 24 at 10 AM and Eternal Hills Cemetery in Snellville on Saturday May 25 at 10 AM. Volunteers participating in the Eternal Hills program can enjoy free breakfast at Chick-Fil-A on 78 in Snellville between 7:30 AM and 9:00 AM.

Unfinished Business:

- The Board of Managers is continuing work on proposed revisions to the Chapter constitution and by-laws.
- Mel Buck reminded attendees that there are several Chapter committees positions open for volunteers.



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New Business:

-Bill Palmer announced that medals are in production for the 2021 NSSAR Centennial Anniversary and also for the 2022 National Congress (to be held in Savannah). Images of the medals were displayed. The cost of the medals will be \$35 per each set.



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Americanism Committee:

Bruce Maney reported currently 2,240 Americanism points and 1,345 points for the President Generals Streamer. Recent activities include: (1) Bill Palmer gave a school program to 49 students and John Goodwin gave a program to 36 attendees, (2) numerous activities in support of DAR and CAR such as Guilford Courthouse, DAR State Conference, Gwinnett County Commission recognition of volunteers, Brier Creek and Thomas Creek, DAR members at our Chapter meeting and our SAR members attending DAR meetings, (3) presentation of JROTC medal at Norcross High School and (4) Chapter members attending special observances and ceremonies, some in uniform and presenting wreaths.

If you have made any donation to the NSSAR Foundation, Library, Museum, etc. please let Bruce Maney know as we receive an Americanism point for each dollar donated.



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Color Guard:

Color Guard Commander Bill Palmer reported recent events include Guilford Courthouse, Thomas Creek and DAR State Convention. Upcoming events include Lyman Hall Statue Dedication, Frederica Patriots Days, State BOM, Patriot Grave Markings in Midway and presentation of Colors at American Legion Post 66 with the National Commander in attendance. Commander Palmer also announced that the Georgia Color Guard and Militia have been invited to participate in the pre-game ceremonies at the Atlanta Braves game on July 4th.

Chapter Library: Mike Watkins has the library available and is also accepting donations to the library.

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Photos by Bennie Koon





April Meeting Highlights-Applications

Registrar's Report: Harold Ford provided the current Registrars Report.

New applications approved since March Chapter meeting:

David McCarty - ACN #85128 – National # 211189 – Patriot Jones Fuller
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Supplementals approved since January meeting: None

New applications at National:

Raymond Kyle ACN #86080

New applications at State:

Dale Bishop

New applications turned in since March meeting: None

Supplementals:

Bruce Maney - 1 @ National ACN #86382

Eli Stancel - 1 @ National ACN #86328

John Goodwin - 1 @ State

John Green - 3 @ State

Ken Keown - 1 @ State

Harold Ford - 1 @ National

April Updates

Americanism Points: 2,240

President General's Streamer Points:
1,345

USS Stark Award points: 726



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Monthly Info and Tips

May is Archaeology Month in Georgia and there are a variety of free and low cost events around the state. The below link can give you some ideas for a fun weekend of digging in the dirt.

<http://thesga.org/2019/04/2019-archaeology-month-events/>



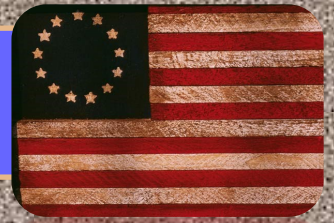


Monthly Quiz

What local landmark is described in this 1818 newspaper article?

At a distance it appears to the naked eye in the shape and color of a sugar loaf. On the north it is, though not perpendicular, not to be ascended; and I believe would measure at least 860 feet perpendicular from a rivulet that rises on its north west, and running directly along its foot. It may from appearance be ascended to its summit on the east and west; and perhaps with difficulty in some places on the south west; but we chose to ascend on the west, believing it to be the most practicable. I think it may be fairly estimated at half a mile upon an average from its foot to its summit. When you arrive within about 200 yards of its highest elevation, your passage up is obstructed by the remains of an ancient looking fortification, extending around the horizontal portion of this gigantic rock, at its summit, which is composed of rocks heaped one upon another, so as to afford protection to its inhabitants.

Upcoming Events



Jun 9 – Ramsour’s Mill, Lincolnton, NC

Jun 13 - Button Gwinnett Chapter Meeting

Jun 15 – Flag Day, Snellville Masonic Lodge

Jun 29 – Collins Hill Library Independence Day program

Jun 30 – Patriotic Concert Gainesville First United Methodist Church

Jul 3 – Independence Day program, Hall County Courthouse

Jul 4 – Atlanta Braves Pre-game Show, SunTrust Park

Newsletter Info

If you have any photos, stories, or other items please send them in for inclusion in the monthly newsletter.

We would love more info and stories to share.



Please use the appropriate link on the Committees page to send corrections or information.