

The Button Gwinnett Dispatch March 2024

A newsletter of the Button Gwinnett Chapter



National Society Sons of the American Revolution

Our March 14, 2024 Chapter Meeting was held at the Frontera Mex-Mex Grill in Lawrenceville, GA. We had 24 members and 15 guests in attendance.

We would love to see all members and their guests at a future meeting! We had DAR members from 3 chapters join us: Philadelphia Winn - Regent Lynn Baxter Jacques, Corresponding Secretary Maryland McCarty and Members Mary Martin, Mary Kitchings & Rose Horton.

Chestatee River - Kris White: Suwannee Creek - Donna Bowlick

President's Message:

We currently have 120 Members and guests registered for the Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter 25th Anniversary Celebration being held on Saturday April 6, 2024 at the American Legion Post 232, 3163 Main St W, Snellville, GA.

Our Georgia SAR State President Ed Rigel Jr. will be bringing greetings and induct several new members recently approved by The National Society Sons of the American Revolution. We will be presenting numerous awards to SAR, DAR and C.A.R. members including SAR War Service Medals and SAR Military Service Medals to qualified Button Gwinnett Chapter Compatriots.

Our event will be catered by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 232 – and we can seat up to 300. Lunch will be pork or chicken BBQ, assorted salads, baked beans, green beans, chips, beverages, and assorted desserts. The cost will be \$25 for adults and \$15 for children 12 and younger. This is an excellent opportunity to support our veterans in the American Legion.

<u>The SAR Color Guard will Present Colors at 11:45am</u> – lunch will be served at noon with the meeting and awards beginning at 1:00pm. Weather permitting we will be firing musket salutes.

If you have a Continental or Militia Uniform, we ask that you wear it for this meeting.

We would love to have as many Charter Members, Past Officers, SAR, DAR & C.A.R. members as possible join us for this celebration.

Please contact me with any questions <u>ThomasLJacques@gmail.com</u> Cell 770-363-8704.





Meeting Highlights:



Streamers Received: Heroes of Hornet's Nest Streamer 2024 Battle of Kettle Creek Streamer 2024 Battle of Brier Creek Streamer 2024

First VP Ray Kyle - Introduced Emil Decker for his presentation on the "Marquis de Lafayette" Bio Emil Decker

Compatriot Emil (AMY'-L) Decker is a retired Industrial Arts / Technology teacher with 32 years of service.

He served in the US Army for 8 years and was deployed to Saudi Arabia with a Chemical Decontamination Unit during the First Gulf War.

Joining the SAR, his primary ancestor is William Decker, a militiaman from Mecklenburg, Virginia. He has supplementals he should pursue, if he can get his act in gear. He is the main contact for the Robert Forsyth Chapter's Traveling Trunk, the Editor of their "The Marshal" newsletter, as well as the editor of the State Society's Hornet's Nest. He is a member of the Georgia Society's Color Guard and Elijah Clarke Militia.

He also edits the Georgia Garden Railroad Society's Newsletter, trains being among his other hobby pursuits. His interests are extremely varied, which keeps him from focusing on any one to the exclusion of the others.

His wife of over 41 years, Linda, is his friend, love, and almost constant companion and confidant. They attend Northlake Baptist Church, where they operate the audio – visual equipment at each service.

Emil was presented with an SAR Certificate of Appreciation by Button Gwinnett Chapter 1* VP Ray Kyle.







We believe we have the best configuration for our meeting room with the removal of the dividing wall which was completed in December - greatly expanding our meeting area. We collected voluntary donations for the Elisha Winn Society again in March. Thank you for your Contributions!

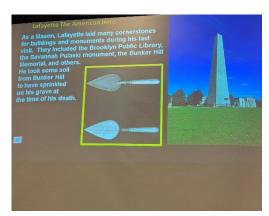












Updates from the Button Gwinnett Chapter SAR Registrar, Harold Ford:

New member applications approved but not inducted yet: (as of March 31, 2024)

- 1. Nicholas Alan Hamrick 228746- John HUBBS SC Pvt Dec 22, 2023 Elisha Winn 1st VP
- 2. Daniel Czarniak 229082 Jeremiah FRAZER NY Pvt Feb 2, 2024
- 3. Hunter Newton 229085 Joshua WADE VA Pvt Feb 2, 2024 Elisha Winn Pres
- 4. Alec Benjamin Ray 229279 Joseph Harvey VA Pvt Feb 23, 2024
- 5. Norman Ernest "Tad" Wood 229281 Matthew SINGLETON SC Capt Feb 23, 2024
- 6. Bruce Dean Craig 229328 Jacob BAILEY/BAYLEY Sr VT Brig Gen Mar 1, 2024
- 7. Steven Douglas White 229331 John White MA SGT Mar 1, 2024
- 8. Joshua Steven White 229332 John White MA SGT Mar 1, 2024
- 9. Reggie Vallotton 229577– David Moses Vallotton GA PS Mar 29, 2024
- 10. Mark York 229579 William Garrard SC Pvt Mar 29, 2024

Supplementals applications approved but not presented yet: (as of March 31, 2024):

- Don McCarty: Patriot John Cash, Patriot Stephen Cash, Patriot John Davis
- David McCarty: Patriot John Cash, Patriot Stephen Cash, Patriot John Davis

New Member applications at National:

Sam Jaeger - Feb 5, 2024 Stanley Edward Quinn – Feb 7, 2024 Gary Bowlick – Mar 1, 2024

New Memorial applications at National:

None

Supplementals at National:

- Don McCarty: Patriot John Ussery, Jr., Patriot John Ussery, Sr., Patriot Isham Fuller
- David McCarty: Patriot John Ussery, Jr., Patriot John Ussery, Sr., Patriot Isham Fuller
- Raymond Kyle 2 @ National John Sledge & Fletcher Sullivan (pended)

New Member applications at State:

- 1. James Reason signed Feb 11, 2024 mailed to Gary Smith Feb 21, 2024
- Parker Reason signed Feb 11, 2024 mailed to Gary Smith Feb 21, 2024

New Memorial Application at State:

None

New Member Applications in Process:

None

Supplementals at State:

None

Supplementals in process:

None

Transfer into Button Gwinnett Chapter:

None

Reinstatement in process:

- Timothy Fredricks Approved NSSAR Feb 26, 2024
- Bennie Koon Approved NSSAR Mar 25, 2024
- Jeffery Harrison Larner Reinstatement in process Notified Mar 29, 2024
- Adam Hoke Webb Reinstatement in process notified at Feb 8, 2024 chapter meeting

2024 Committee Assignments

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

- Audit Ray Kyle, Chairman, Harry Kitchings & Jack Martin (Completed Jan 18, 2024)
- 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 (Team Eldon Evans & Bruce Maney)
- Eagle Scout David Patrick
- JROTC Marty Bush
- Color Guard Bill Palmer
- Publicity Don McCarty
- Newsletter Tom Jacques
- Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter 25th Anniversary April 6, 2024 Tom Jacques

Upcoming Meeting dates and presentations:

2024

Apr 06	Button Gwinnett Chapter 25th Anniversary
May 9	Gene Ray: "Daniel Boone"
Jun 13	Mark Anthony: "The Revolution as Told By Its Flags" Ray Kyle Installed as President
Jul 11	Marty Bush: "General Nathanael Greene"
Aug 8	Eli Stancel - "The Frontier"
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

Completed Events

Feb 29 -M ar 2	National SAR Spring Leadership Meeting, Louisville, Ky
Mar 2	Battle of Brier Creek
Mar 3	President Andrew Jackson's Hermatage 250th Marker
Mar 11	Alcova Elementary School in Dacula - Traveling Trunk Program
Mar 21-23	Georgia DAR State Conference - Atlanta Marriott Northwest at Galleria
Mar 24	DAR Patriot Grave Marking John Glover
M ar 29	Vietnam Veterans Ceremony - Johns Creek

Upcoming Events

Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter 25th Anniversary Lunch meeting
14th Annual Fort Yargo Market Fair
Hunter Newton - Eagle Scout Court of Honor,
Lyman Hall 300th Birthday - Gainesville, GA noon
Patriot Grave Marking - Dickerson Lumpkin, Jr. Talbotton, GA
National (GA) - Frederica Naval Action St Simons
Georgia Society SAR Board of Managers, Barnesville, GA
Church Service & Five Patriot Grave Markings - Midway, GA
National (FL) - Battle of Pensacola Commemoration
Patriot Grave Marking - Silas Mercer, Wilkes Co., GA
National (SC) - Buford's Massacre Commemoration
Need details on Flag Placement at Cemeteries
Oconee County Veterans Memorial (Monday)
GJAC Memorial Day Ceremony Lawrenceville, GA
Flag Retirement Ceremony (Robert Forsythe & Piedmont)
Flag Day - VFW Post 5255 - Lawrenceville, GA - 10:00am
National (NC) - Battle of Ramsour's Mill
133 rd DAR Continental Congress, Washington, DC
(FL) Battle of Alligator Creek Bridge

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 - 2024

Tom Jacques Immediate Past President -Don McCarty * First Vice President -Ray Kyle Second Vice President -Jack Martin Secretary -Jaryd Green Treasurer -Don McCarty * Registrar -Harold Ford Harry L. Kitchings Chaplain -Genealogist -Bruce Maney * Sergeant at Arms -Don Schmidt Bill Palmer Historian -Past President

CALL TO ORDER 7:00 PM Tom Jacques Harry Kitchings INVOCATION PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Ray Kyle SAR PLEDGE Don McCarty INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS Tom Jacques

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

<u>Inductions</u>
To Be Performed by President Rigel at 25th Anniversary April 6

Supplemental Certificates

Chapter Awards Presentation

Heroes of Hornet's Nest Streamer 2024 Battle of Kettle Creek Streamer 2024 Battle of Brier Creek Streamer 2024

PROGRAM INTRODUCTION Ray Kyle

"Marquis de Lafayette" By Emil Decker

Business Section:

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

BUTTON GWINNETT CHAPTER

Georgia Society

Sons of the American Repolution

"Marquis de Lafayette" By Emil Decker



March 14, 2024

www.ButtonGwinnettSAR.org Frontera Mex-Mex Grill

1430 Five Forks Trickum Rd SW, Lawrenceville, GA 30044



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mar 15	National (NC) - Battle of Guilford Courthouse - 10:00 AM
Mar 16	National (FL) - Last Naval Battle Merritt Island
Mar 21-23	GA DAR State Conference - Atlanta Marriott NW Galleria
Mar 23	National (FL) - Battle of Thomas Creek
Mar 24	NSDAR Grave Marking - See President Jacques
Apr 6	25th Anniversary of the Button Gwinnett Chapter
Apr 7	14th Annual Fort Yargo Market Fair
Apr 13	Patriot Marking - Dickerson Lumpkin, Jr. Talbotton, GA
Apr 19	Frederica Naval Action Reception
Apr 20	National (GA) – Frederica Naval Action St Simons
Apr 27	Georgia Society SAR Board of Managers, Barnesville, GA
Apr 28	Five Patriot Grave Markings - Midway, GA
May 4	Pine Tree Festival Parade – Swainsboro, GA
May 10	National (FL) – Battle of Pensacola Commemoration
May 11	Patriot Grave Marking - Silas Mercer, Wilkes Co., GA
May 25	National (SC) – Buford's Massacre Commemoration
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Feb 29 – Mar 3 NASSAR Leadership Meeting – Louisville, KY

- Feb 29 Reception & Dinner with David & Brenda Jessell (Past GASSAR President) Tom & Lynn Jacques, Don & Maryland McCarty
- Mar 1 Dinner Opening Ceremony Color Guard led by Commander Scott Collins GASSAR President Ed Rigel Jr – Continental Carried Georgia Flag Tom Jacques Militia – Carried Massachusetts Flag in Color Guard Don McCarty Continental – Carried Maryland Flag in Color Guard
- Mar 2 Dinner Closing Ceremony Tom Jacques Militia – Retired Maryland Flag in Color Guard















Mar 2 - Battle of Brier Creek

Eldon Evans (Militia) - part of the musket salute.

Bill Palmer (Continental) - commanded the Color Guard and Militia.

Ray Kyle (Militia) - Color Guard, presented the chapter wreath and part of the musket salute. Jack Martin (Continental) - part of the Color Guard.

Mary Martin presented the Philadelphia Winn DAR Chapter Wreath















Mar 3 - President Andrew Jackson's Hermatage 250th Marker

Color Guard Led by Commander Scott Collins GASSAR President Ed Rigel Jr. Continental carried Georgia Flag Tom Jacques Militia – fired musket Ralph Galpin Continental – carried flag

Bill Edelen in Continental – carried flag while Janet Photographed



















Mar 13 - Living History Day teaches students about American Revolutionary War David Sikes had a great day at the South Aiken High School Revolutionary War Education Day.

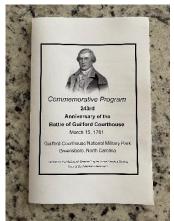






Mar 15 - National (NC) - Battle of Guilford Courthouse

Ray Kyle – Militia Uniform







Mar 16 - Family history fair - at the church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Flowery Branch Tom Jacques in Militia Uniform at SAR Recruiting Table with Button Gwinnett Compatriot







Mar 21 - Mar 23 Georgia State Society NSDAR - State Conference (Cobb County)

Tom Jacques Militia – Thursday, Friday & Saturday – SAR Recruiting Table Row1 Photos L-R State Regent Betty Harrah State First Vice Regent Helen Powell, Lynn Jacques, Debbie Kyle

Row2 photos – Jane Henderson Bronner, Lynn Jacques & Mary Lou Goehring, Lynn Jacques, Kitty Watters, Lydia McGill, Joyce Goodbread, Deann Tucher

















Dinner March 22 – Tom Jacques, Jaryd Green, Harry Kitchings (Tux, Tux, Suit)

Commander Scott Collins led the Color Guard, GASCAR President Joy Frederick brought Greetings Past GASSAR David Jessel brought greetings on behalf of the SAR and was presented the Silver Hannah White Arnett Medal by GSSDAR Regent Betty Harrah & DAR/SAR/S.R. Relations Committee Lynn Jacques

Georgia Society Sons of the Revolution President Charles Williams Brought Greetings Caitlen Green was selected as GSSDAR Outstanding Junior for 2024



















Lunch March 23 – Tom Jacques & Prospect Jim Reason (Militia, Suit)

Jim Reason Received the GSSDAR Outstanding Teacher of American History Award (Jim's SAR Application is currently at National







Dinner March 23 – Tom Jacques, Jaryd Green, Michael Henderson, Randy & Noah Tindall Saturday was awards night for Georgia with NSDAR President General Pamela Rouse Wright Our guest speaker for the evening was General Gilbert du Motier - The Marquis de Lafayette















Receiving DAR Leadership Education certificates and cords – from L-R Amy Koon (Daughter of Bennie Koon), Debbie Kyle (Wife of Ray Kyle), Jane Henderson Brunner (Sister of Michael Henderson), Lynn Baxter Jacques (Wife of Tom Jacques) and Debbie Bush (Wife of Marty Bush)











Mar 24 – DAR Patriot Grave Marking John Glover – Patriot Ancestor of NSDAR President General Pamela Rouse Wright

Color Guard and Militia Commanded by Kenneth Scott Collins

Militia Musket Salute & Mourn Muskets – Button Gwinnett: Tom Jacques, Ray Kyle, Eldon Evans, David Sikes; Captain John Collins: Bill Edelen

Continental Color Guard – Button Gwinnett: Ralph Galpin; John Trussell, Chuck Garnett, Noah Tindall Civilians: Button Gwinnett: Randy Tindall & Jaryd Green; Past GASSAR President David Jessell DAR: Philadelphia Winn – Regent Lynn Jacques, 2nd Vice Regent Caitlen Green, Emily Tindall

























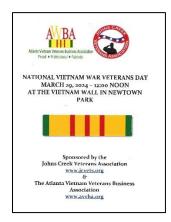






Mar 29 – Vietnam Veterans Ceremony – Johns Creek

Button Gwinnett: Tom Jacques, Jack Martin, Karl Fitch – Civilian clothing DAR: Philadelphia Winn - Mary Martin, Chestatee River – Kris White























The Elisha Winn Society and the Georgia Children were in force at the Georgia State Society NSDAR - State Conference (Cobb County) Mar 22 - Mar 23

Georgia C.A.R. President Joy Frederick (Sister of Button Gwinnett Member Timothy Frederick) was onsite Friday and Saturday along with C.A.R. Sr President Emily Tindall to man the C.A.R. recruiting table adjacent to the Georgia SAR recruiting table. Joy brought greetings at the Friday evening banquet. On Saturday she was joined by Randy and Noah Tindall along with several additional C.A.R. members.























The C.A.R. National Conference is coming April 17 - 19, 2024

The Button Gwinnett Chapter will be donating \$500 to the Elisha Winn Society at our 25th Anniversary Meeting.



Please join us!

Saturday, April 6, 2024
11:30am – 1:00 PM for lunch

The meeting portion will begin at 1:00 PM.

Celebrating the Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter 25th Anniversary

Please wear your Continental or Militia Uniform Bring your Musket if you have one!

American Legion Post 232 3163 Main Street West, Snellville, GA 30078







25th Anniversary Button Gwinnett Chapter



Join us on Saturday, April 6, 2024 at 11:30 AM

American Legion Post 232 3163 Main Street West, Snellville, Georgia

We are celebrating 25 years with the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution!

Please join us for a casual attire lunch meeting, catered by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 232 at their location in Snellville. Lunch will include pork and chicken BBQ, assorted salads, baked beans, green beans, chips, beverages, and assorted desserts.

\$25 for each adult - \$15 for each child 12 and under

We welcome our Charter Members, Past Officers, Members from SAR, DAR and C.A.R. chapters and societies, and patriotic and lineage organizations.

Button Gwinnett and GASSAR Color Guard will present colors at 11:45 AM.

Lunch will be served at 12:00 Noon.

Meeting and Awards Program will begin at 1:00 PM.

Registration/Pay	ment Deadline is March 15th	Make checks payable to:	
		American Legion Auxiliary	
NAME/TITLE:		Unit 232	
CHAPTER:		Mail checks to:	
# ADULTS:	x \$25 =	 Tom Jacques, 1442 Bromley Dr, 	
# CHILDREN:	x \$15 =	Snellville, GA 30078	

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 25th 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, <u>Proof of Military Service (DD-214 form)</u> 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
- 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.

<u>Subsequent Presentation Authorized:</u> 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 compaign 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:

- 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 ThomasLiacques@gmail.com.