

The Minuteman

Coweta Falls Chapter Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution

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President's Dispatch

Compatriots,

28 March 2019

It is my pleasure to serve you as President for 2019, and I humbly thank you for nominating and electing me. I will do my best to represent you and the Chapter during this year. I know that I can rely on our past Presidents should there be things that I am unfamiliar with regarding the operation of the Chapter and I will entertain their advice.

I would like to thank Dan McMichael as he has been a mentor to me for the past two years. He has represented this Chapter through reenactments, color guard, speaking engagements, and various other events that promote our mission. More than this, I can call him on him anytime with any issue.

My first Chapter First Quarter report was submitted, and I received a "Fine job" comment from George Thurmond. I had help from Dan with the input.

We judged eleven posters and selected the first and second-place winners. First place went to Alexis McRae, a 10-year-old from North Columbus Elementary. Second place winner is Reagan Evans, a 9-year-old from Brit David Magnet Academy. There were eleven schools who had students enter the contest. I presented the Traveling Trunk to 19 of the 32 elementary schools in Muscogee County. I am continuing to present the Traveling Trunk to schools at the National Infantry Museum.

Harlan Price, Eagle Scout chairman, has at least three prospects to which he will present the SAR Eagle Scout certificate and patch.

Roger Buterbaugh, our Secretary, will present the ROTC award on April 11 at Columbus State University.

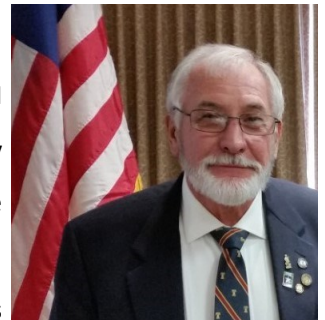
The State BOM is on 27 April at 0900 at the Garden Patch Restaurant, 100 Southland Drive in Barnesville, Georgia. All members are invited to attend. I will be presenting our first-place poster. Our Chapter BOM will be held the following week with the place and time to be announced. Again, all members are invited to attend.

March was the first time we made an RSVP for lunch and it worked great. Please continue to call in your reservations as this will save the chapter money.

I encourage our members to feel free to discuss with me any issue or advice that will help improve our Chapter.

Sincerely,

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Our Chapter meets the 2nd Thursday of each month

@ THE HILTON GARDEN INN

1500 Bradley Lake Blvd, Columbus, Georgia in Brookstone Centre.

The \$16.00 buffet luncheon begins at 11:30 AM and includes salad, vegetables, two meats, bread, and dessert.

Our meeting begins at 12:15 PM and features a Guest Speaker.

Visitors are welcome! Please call (706) 223-0726 by the Sunday before the meeting day to reserve a spot. Calling guarantees you a meal. Non-callers are not guaranteed a meal.

(Note: If you do not plan on eating, do not call.)

DATES FOR THE NEXT THREE MEETINGS ARE:

April 11th, May 9th, and June 13th

Daniel Morgan Wreath Ceremony

Dan McMichael, Robert Moore, Roy Collier, and Shannon Baxter attended the Daniel Morgan Wreath Ceremony and Color Guard on the square in Spartanburg, SC. The ceremony was sponsored by the National Society of the SAR, The South Carolina State SAR, and The Daniel Morgan Chapter of the SAR. It commemorated the 238th Anniversary of the Battle of Cowpens.



Daniel Morgan Wreath Ceremony

Dan McMichael , Roy Collier and Robert Moore attended Cowpens Observance at the Gaffney Historical Museum , Gaffney SC.



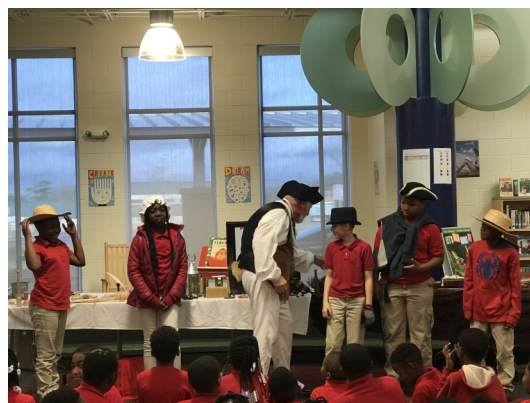
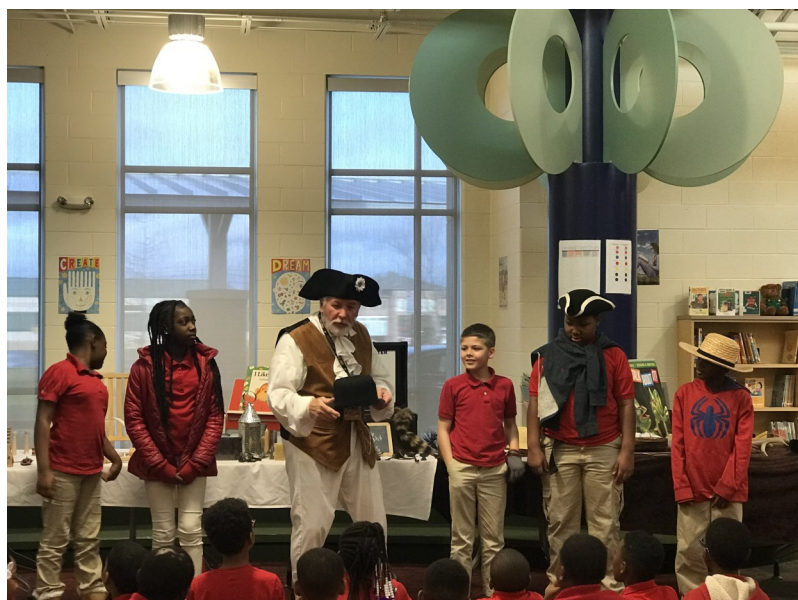
Meeting on January 10th, 2019

President Dan McMichael introduced guest speaker, Danny Ginter. Danny shared with the chapter the presentation he gives in area elementary schools with "The Traveling Trunk". Chuck Hall reported on the CAR and upcoming events. Hugh Rodgers reported that a new membership application is in process.



The Traveling Trunk

On February 12th, 2019 (after a few starts and stops with the date!), Danny Ginter and The Traveling Trunk went to Dorothy I. Height Elementary School in Columbus. Danny spoke to fourth graders about the American Revolution. Though this important part of history had already been studied, he reinforced what the students had learned. He was assisted by a teacher during a demonstration of how teeth were pulled in the Revolutionary War era.



Meeting on February 14th, 2019

President Dan McMichael called the meeting to order. The opening prayer was delivered by Compatriots Bill Pruitt, Bill Hay the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Chuck Hall reported on the CAR and upcoming events. Hugh Rodgers reported that a new membership application is working.

New officers for 2019—2020 were installed. The installation of officers was done by David Jessel (Marquis de Lafayette GASSAR).



Officers and Board of Managers: 2019

Meeting on February 14th, 2019

The Passing of the Gavel!

Right: Coweta Falls SAR's newest president, Dan Ginter, with David Jessel at the induction ceremony.



Above: Coweta Falls SAR's newest president, Dan Ginter, with outgoing president, Dan McMichael and David Jessel at the induction ceremony.. Thank you for a job well done, Dan!

The Newest Member

On February 12th, 2019, Dan McMichael, in one of his final acts as out-going president, welcomed Dr. Frank Malcolm Doyle as a the newest member of the Coweta Falls Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. Welcome, Dr. Doyle . We look forward to you joining us for fun, fellowship, and patriotism.

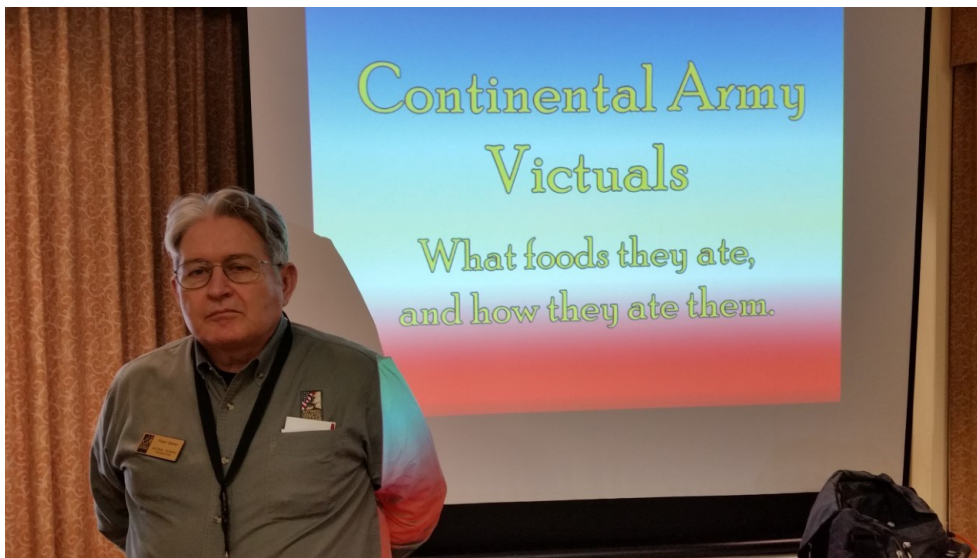


Meeting on March 14th, 2019

President Dan McMichael called the meeting to order. The opening prayer was delivered by Compatriots Bill Pruitt. Bill Hay presented the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Neil Gillis is a one of the first faces everyone sees when arriving at a meeting. He makes certain everyone is signed in and, more importantly, they have paid for their lunch! Past President Dan McMichael recognized him for his great service. Neil also holds the distinction of being the first one to arrive at each meeting. It seems no one has ever arrived before him! Thank you, Neil!

Peter Sauer from the National Infantry Foundation Education Department provided a presentation on Revolutionary War victuals. ship cookies, and other fine foods of the era!



Peter Sauer presenting a program of Revolutionary War era food and drink.

Neil Gillis being recognized for his many years of service checking members in at the meetings.



SAR Library

The Coweta Falls Chapter is proud to again be a supporter of the SAR Genealogical Research Library. The library maintains an ever-growing collection of genealogical and historical materials for research by SAR members and the general public. It acquires and preserve records of the American Revolution, along with fostering and encouraging historical research on that era. The library reinforces the SAR Center's educational, patriotic, and historical outreach initiatives. The collection contains over 55,000 items, including family histories, local, county and state records and genealogy materials. There is access to the online databases of Ancestry, Heritage Quest, Fold3, and the New England Historical and Genealogical Society. Free use is provided to Friends of the SAR Library, SAR members and spouses, the Daughters of the American Revolution, Children of the American Revolution, and Sons of the Revolution.



Friends of the SAR Library Membership

Thank you for your contribution to the Friends of the SAR Library Program!

As a member of the Friends of the Library you will have access to:

- * A collection of over 55,000 items, including family histories, records of state, counties, and cities that composed the original 13 colonies, Revolutionary War-period history books, biographies, federal censuses, Revolutionary War pension applications, muster rolls, and much more.*
- * Various favorite online resources such as the following when you visit the Library:*
 - * Ancestry.com - all available Federal Census records can be found here, plus countless other types of records.*
 - * Fold3.com - contains millions of scanned records from the National Archives, particularly military records.*
 - * Heritage Quest Online - Digitized books, Revolutionary War pensions and a variety of other information.*
 - * American Ancestors - Access to over 450 additional data sources complimenting above.*
 - * The SAR Patriot and Graves Registry project, which includes information on Patriots our members have used to join the NSSAR and also information on the possible burial location of other Patriots.*

We continue to receive new materials from our members, and those who have an interest in preserving the history of the people and events of the Revolutionary War Period.

Your membership in the Friends of the Library Program helps to make the SAR Genealogical Research Library become one of the destination points on Museum Row located on West Main Street in Louisville, Kentucky. Your membership will assist the SAR Library to stay up-to-date on new histories and also family history books, manuscripts, and online services, all of which will expand the research experience when visiting the SAR Library.

Thank You!

Cowpens Commemoration

Representing Coweta Falls at the ceremony commemorating Cowpens are Dan McMichael, Robert Moore, and Roy Collier.

January 19th thru 20th marked commemorations for the 238th anniversary of the Battle of Cowpens. The ceremony was held indoors at the Gaffney, SC, History Museum due to inclement weather and the park being closed due to the government shut-down. Representing Coweta Falls were Robert Moore, Shannon Baxter, Roy Collier, and Dan McMichael.



Congratulations are in order to Compatriot Robert Moore for becoming a Fellow. He is pictured with Ed Rigel, Jr.



Frontier Days:

Dan McMichael, Harry Floyd, and Bernie Talley performing Firing Demonstration at American Frontier Days.



Kettle Creek at War Hill

The Battle of Kettle Creek (February 14, 1779) is commemorated by the Sons of the American Revolution in Washington (GA) at Revolutionary Days. Kettle Creek is a great part of Georgia's Revolutionary War history. In Wilkes County, GA, the battle turned the tide of victories in the British Southern Campaign of the American Revolution, leading to the Patriot victory at Yorktown!



Pictured L—R: Past President GSSAR Donald Burdick, Dan McMichael, Caleb Kinard (Grandson of Dan McMichael), and Bill Palmer State Color Guard Commander.



Caleb Kinard (Grandson of Dan McMichael) drumming and leading the parade at the Kettle Creek Commemoration.

Coweta Falls Past President Dan McMichael presents the Chapter Wreath at Kettle Creek. (Left and Center). At the far right is Robert Moore in Kettle Creek Parade



Caleb Kinard

Caleb Kinard, grandson of Compatriot and Past President Dan McMichael, was presented with GSSAR Color Guard Cockade. It was presented his cockade by GSSAR Color Guard Commander Bill Palmer. The Cockade was awarded to Caleb for participating and playing his drum in his first National Society SAR Event. This picture was made atop War Hill in front of the Kettle Creek Monument on February 9th, 2019. Caleb drummed at all events on Friday on Saturday at the Kettle Creek Celebration. His paperwork has been submitted for membership in CF SAR.

The cockade was denoted rank in the Revolutionary Army, along with sashes, gorgets, and epaulettes. Privates did not have sashes or epaulettes. Epaulettes denoted rank through color and placement on a specific shoulder. General Washington, during the Revolutionary War, wrote "As the Continental Army has unfortunately no uniforms, and consequently many inconveniences must arise from not being able to distinguish the commissioned officers from the privates, it is desired that some badge of distinction be immediately provided; for instance that the field officers may have red or pink colored cockades in their hats, the captains yellow or buff, and the subalterns green."

Congratulations, Caleb!



JROTC Medal

Past President Dan McMichael presents the JROTC Medal for Meritorious Achievement (awarded by the SAR) to Cadet Cody Knight. Congratulations, Cody.

