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Please find below the Georgia SAR 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report to the South Atlantic District.

### **Membership:**

Number of Georgia SAR Members -- 1 Jan 2017 ----- 1,671

New Member since 1 Jan 2017 -----	66
Reinstatements-Transfers since 1 Jan 2017 ----	19
Total Additions since 1 Jan 2017 -----	85
Deceased since 1 Jan 2017 -----	08
Transfers out since 1 Jan 2017 -----	00
Total Losses since 1 Jan 2017 -----	08

Active Membership as of 01 April 2017

*Reported to National Society SAR* ----- 1,749

Plus Dual Members ----- 27

Active Membership as of 01 April 2017 **1,776**

### **Color Guard Events:**

The Georgia SAR Color Guard has participated in 7 National events, and 11 State events during the 1st quarter of 2017. The breakdown is as follows:

#### January

13 - Daniel Morgan Ceremony  
14 - Cowpens (National)  
27 - GASSAR Annual Conference (National)  
28 - Cowen's Ford (National)

#### February

10 - Elijah Clarke Remembrance  
10 - War Hill Skirmish  
10 - Kettle Creek Battlefield Association Banquet  
11 - Kettle Creek Parade  
11 - Battle of Kettle Creek Commemoration (National)  
12 - Colonial Worship Service  
22 - Washington's Birthday  
25 - Moore's Creek Bridge N.C. (National)

#### March

2-4 NSSAR Spring Leadership (National)  
10 - GSSDAR Annual Meeting  
11 - Commemoration Battle of Brier Creek  
18 - Guilford Courthouse (National)  
25 - Compatriot David Dukes Grave Marking  
27 - Col. William Few Chapter 40th Anniversary

To date, 16 National events, and 37 State Events are on the 2017 Color Guard Schedule.

## **Education Outreach:**

Presentations by the Georgia SAR to elementary school students, middle school students and adults are continuing to enhance the education of the American Revolution and Colonial life to those in attendance. The State is working on PG Tomme's initiative and will be working with the chapters to advance these programs.

The following Education Outreach Awards were presented during the Georgia SAR Annual Conference on January 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **Best Chapter Education Outreach Award**

*Contest Description:* This award goes to the chapter with best overall youth & adult education outreach program in a calendar year.

Winner: Piedmont Chapter

### **Chapter Education Outreach Streamer Award**

*Contest Description:* This certificate and streamer is presented at the Georgia SAR Annual Conference to any chapter that has sponsored education outreach programs to a total of 1,000 or more students and/or adults during the calendar year. The following Chapters received this award.

Casimir Pulaski Chapter -- 70 presentation to 4009 students and adults.

Piedmont Chapter -- 49 programs to 3044 students and adults

Button Gwinnett Chapter -- 21 programs to 3023 students and adults

Col. William Few Chapter -- 89 programs to 2244 students and adults

Joseph Habersham Chapter -- 20 programs to 1843 students and adults

Lyman Hall Chapter -- 19 programs to 1373 students and adults

Coweta Falls Chapter -- 42 programs to 3009 students and adults

### **Dr. Lyman Hall Most Improved Education Outreach**

*Contest Description:* This award goes to the chapter that has shown the most improvement in their Education Outreach program during the current year compared to the previous year. The award is given at the state level.

Winner: Col. William Few Chapter

2016 = 89 programs to 2244 attendees

2015 = 22 programs to 470 attendees

### **John Dooly Education Outreach Award**

*Contest Description:* This award goes to a Georgia SAR member who has significantly contributed their time and efforts in an outstanding manner to our youth and adult education outreach program. The period of activity for consideration is not limited to a specific time frame but must cover at least a 1-year period.

Winner: Compatriot Don Ray Thomas, Sr. - of the Col. William Few Chapter

### **Nancy Hart Education Outreach Award**

*Contest Description:* This award goes to a female who has significantly contributed their time and efforts in an outstanding manner to youth and adult education outreach programs. The award is given at the state level. The period of activity for consideration is not limited to a specific time frame but must cover at least a 1-year period

Winner: Patricia Thomas - Regent of the Stephen Heard Chapter DAR

## **Georgia SAR 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Donations:**

- \$125 to "Shoes for School" project.
- \$200 to sponsor Georgia Society C.A.R.
- \$250 to the Georgia Society DAR for State Regent's Project.
- \$250 to Georgia Society DAR for Meadow Garden Project.
- \$1,000 to NSSAR for Council of Youth.

## **Registrar's Report:**

Status of applications received during 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2017:

Applications received for review were 71 of which all but two have been reviewed. As of 3 April 2017, 57 applications were sent to NSSAR and 18 applications were pended by the Registrar. One of which was returned to applicant. None of the 2017 applications have been reviewed by NSSAR.

The first quarter 2017 statistics are as follows:

- 97.2 % applications reviewed
- 80 % applications sent to NSSAR
- 25 % applications pended by State Registrar

Two contributing factors result in the long processing time at NSSAR. The Genealogist General has noted that the staff has been reduced over the past year by effectively one person. The genealogical staff has indicated that the quality of application packages also contribute to the long processing time. The quality deals with source documentation and application package content. Some examples are half page source documents and multiple source data dealing with the same event. Further communication dealing with these issues will be forthcoming from the State Registrar to all state society members.

## **First Quarter Special Events and State Initiatives:**

- January 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> - Georgia SAR held its Annual Conference in Duluth, GA.
- February 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> - Georgia SAR's signature event, the 238<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Kettle Creek.
- March 10<sup>th</sup> – The Georgia State Society DAR Conference held at the Evergreen Marriott Conference Center in Stone Mountain Park.
- March 11<sup>th</sup> - The 238<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Brier Creek which was the 2<sup>nd</sup> year as a Georgia SAR event.
- March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> - Spring Leadership in Louisville, KY.
- March 27<sup>th</sup> - The 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Col. William Few Chapter in Augusta.
- The Executive Committee meeting was held on April 12<sup>th</sup> in preparation for the Spring BOM meeting and a proposal was approved to re-align the Georgia SAR Regions and increase the number of regions by two. With this increase, Georgia SAR will have ten regions and ten Regional Vice-Presidents.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne L. Brown, President  
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