



# George Washington Chapter

## Sons of the American Revolution

### Newsletter

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From Left to Right: Paul Briggs, the Honorable Brian Miller, Jim Rees, the Honorable Dave Walker and Mike Elston. At the May Chapter Meeting the Honorable Miller received the SAR Law Enforcement Award, and Compatriot Rees, was inducted and voted honorary Chapter President.



From left to Right: VP Mike Elston, the Honorable Brian Miller, and Jack Pitzer, Chapter Chair for Law Enforcement and Public Safety Awards.

#### Upcoming Chapter Meetings

##### September 8, 2012

11:30 AM, Belle Haven Country Club, Guest Speaker: Eric Grundset, Daughters of the American Revolution Library Director. President General Steve Leishman and wife Janet will attend the meeting.

4:15 PM, Chapter and PG wreath-laying at Arlington National Cemetery Tomb of the Unknowns (arrive early by 3:30 PM)

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# President's Message



Dear Compatriots,

Welcome back after what has been an eventful summer recess!

For our September 8, 2012 meeting and Arlington wreath-laying events, we are pleased that the National Society's President General, Steve Leishman will participate in both. You will not want to miss being a part of these terrific patriotic

activities! Details and times are in this newsletter.

**A message of concern from the Board of Managers:** One of the challenges not experienced in the past, which we now face, is an excessive number "walk-ins" at our regular monthly chapter luncheon meetings. Walk-ins are attendees who do not make a reservation. We have always planned for 1-3 "walk-ins" who for whatever reason do not RSVP (respond) with the Treasurer to make a reservation. Lately, we have had a problem. There were as many as 10 walk-ins at one of our luncheons this past spring, which is more than the Chapter, and the Belle Haven Country Club staff, can manage. Accordingly, the chapter must take proactive steps. Going forward, the walk-in charge for the luncheons is raised from \$37 to \$40 (\$5 additional instead of the previous \$3). To avoid the charge, you must simply inform Treasurer Scott Wagoner of your planned attendance (and guests if any) no later than the Wednesday prior to the meeting, so he can provide an accurate count to the club management. An email or phone call is fine – you can pay at the door. It doesn't get any more convenient than that. We appreciate your consideration for the importance of maintaining a healthy business relationship with the superlative country club we use as our regular venue. This is not meant as a discouragement -- we do want maximum attendance at every luncheon - - just let Scott know with your timely RSVP. Thank you.

Review since we last met:

**For those who were not at our May 12, 2012 meeting,** you missed a substantive and most

memorable program: **We inducted James C. Rees and voted him an honorary Chapter President** by acclamation. "Jim" Rees is the retiring President and CEO of the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association and George Washington's Mount Vernon. Under his superb leadership and with the millions of dollars he helped raise over the years for the Mount Vernon Education Center, the Grist Mill and the soon to be completed George Washington Presidential Library, Mr. Rees leaves a unique legacy that may never be matched. National Treasurer General Joseph Dooley was responsible for documenting Mr. Rees's patriot ancestor and he led the induction ceremony. We are extremely proud to have Jim Rees as a compatriot and honorary George Washington Chapter President!

**Past Chapter President Emeritus David Walker, former Comptroller General of the U.S. provided a brief update on his activities** with Keeping America Great.Org and the Come Home America Foundation, for which he is Founder and Chief Executive Officer. Dave's efforts continue the focus during this election year on the case for the federal government to live within its means. Dave has been making television appearances on numerous news and talk shows in this regard.

**Our featured guest speaker and SAR Law Enforcement Medal recipient was the Honorable Brian D. Miller, Inspector General for the General Services Administration (GSA).** Chapter Law Enforcement Awards Chair Jack Pitzer orchestrated the award and presentation.

General Miller released a report in October 2010 documenting wasteful spending of \$823,000 by the GSA's Public Building Services conference. The report found that GSA spending on the conference was excessive, wasteful; and in some cases impermissible; GSA failed to follow contracting regulations in many of the procurements associated with the conference and wasted taxpayer dollars; GSA incurred excessive and impermissible costs for food; and GSA incurred impermissible and questionable miscellaneous expenses, including mementos for attendees, purchases of clothing for GSA employees, and tuxedo rentals. As a result of the extensive wrongdoing uncovered by Miller's investigation, the GSA Administrator resigned. Other key employees who were involved in the planning and approval of the GSA Las Vegas conference also resigned or were fired. In addition four congressional committees have held hearings on the GSA conference matters (See article in the Federal

Criminal Investigators Association third Quarter Newsletter – the Washington Director is past Chapter President Don Baldwin).

General Miller's talk provided the George Washington Chapter with a history of Inspectors General (IGs) in American government, going back to historical antecedents of Frederick the Great of Prussia, the American Revolution and the subsequent Napoleonic era. The Continental Army's first IG was Major General Fredrick De Steuben, a penniless but titled Prussian Officer who volunteered for service with the Americans. He developed and implemented the Army's first drill manual and trained the Continentals at Valley Forge, PA, which honed them for the challenge that lay ahead at the Battle of Monmouth and beyond. But while our military has had a continuous tradition of Inspectors General, prior to the Inspector General Act of 1978 there were only one or two such offices in the federal government. Today under statute, all federal Departments and Agencies have Inspectors General, and there are a total of 73 of them government-wide, according to Miller. The impetus for the 1978 Act was ironically a previous wasteful spending scandal at the GSA. Today's federal Inspectors General report dually to their respective Agency Head and to Congress, which, Miller said, is akin to "straddling barbed wire." IGs are protected to the extent that for an Agency Head to recommend their removal they must submit requests in writing to the President of the United States and to both houses of Congress.

**National Memorial Day Parade:** On May 28th the Chapter organized the National Color Guard, the Fifes and Drums of William III and compatriot participants in the eighth annual National Memorial Day Parade. The parade took place on the established route on Constitution Avenue in Washington, DC. VA Society President Dr. Henry "Phil" Williams led the doffing of the hats at the reviewing stand and numerous other key locations along the one mile route. This year's parade was one of the best turnouts ever by the SAR, and we should all plan to take part in the future. This has become another signature event with our chapter as executive agent.

**Pohick Church CAR Wreath-laying June 16, 2012:** Vice President Mike Elston helped

orchestrate this event on behalf of his daughter Emily, President of the Light Horse Harry Lee Chapter, Children of the Revolution. The chapter was well represented — in addition to Mike, Bob Carr, Dwight Whitney, Jack Shawn and Joe Dooley were all there. VA Society President Phil Williams provided excellent remarks. I unfortunately did not attend, and sent Ms. Elston a letter of regret and a \$50 contribution to the Light Horse Harry Lee Chapter Chapter.

**The 2012 SAR Annual Conference on the American Revolution was June 22-24, 2012, with the theme "Thomas Jefferson's Lives: Biography as a Construction of History."** This was the third annual conference. Gina and I have represented the chapter in all of them. This year was a tour de force that included three Pulitzer Prize winning authors as well as other luminary scholars and authors. It featured two days' worth of presentations and discussion covering biographical research and analysis on the ever-interesting Mr. Jefferson.

**Fourth of July Wreath-laying at Mount Vernon:** This year's 51st annual George Washington Chapter Independence Day event at Mount Vernon was exceptional in many ways. Organized by Chapter Vice President Mike Elston, we had a stronger than ever turnout, and we were led across the Bowling Green by two Continental dragoons on horseback to the salutes of the First Virginia Regiment. Once at the Tomb Grove, Chapter Chaplain Dr. Don Reynolds led the invocation, and Ms. Emily Elston, President of the Light Horse Harry Lee Chapter of the Children of the American Revolution led the Pledge to the flag. I yielded most of the speaker time to Joshua Underwood, our State Society oration winner. Josh made his six-minute presentation on the "Gift of the Revolution", a commendable and informative civics lesson on the rule of law, the separation of powers and the role of individual responsibility in a nation of free people. Wreath Bearers at the tomb ceremony were VA Society President Dr. Phil Williams and compatriot Jack Shawn, LTC USAR (ret).

**"Picnic of Patriots"** Following the wreath laying, about 50 compatriots, friends and families converged on the Briggs' patio for the "Picnic of Patriots," with barbeque, salads, desserts, cocktails and refreshments. Many thanks to Gina Briggs,



Barbara Johnson for the heavy lifting of organizing and preparation, and to GW Chapter ladies Suzanne Reynolds, Julia Carr and Reba Hawn who contributed to the spread (Mike Elston and Floyd Ryan helped with the mint juleps). It was a perfect day, and by all accounts good times were had by all!

**National Conference in Phoenix July 2012:** Chapter Vice President Mike Elston and immediate past Chapter President Bob Carr attended as chapter delegates.

Looking Ahead:

**September 8, 2012** is our first chapter meeting following the summer recess, followed by a 4:15 PM wreath-laying at Arlington National Cemetery. As we return to regular monthly meetings we later present honors at the Tomb of the Unknowns.

**September 14-15, 2012:** VA Society Semi-Annual Meeting, Holiday Inn University Area & Conference Center 1901 Emmet Street, Charlottesville, VA 22901

**September 15, 2012:** National Society celebration of the signing of the U.S. Constitution - Philadelphia, PA.

**October 13, 2012:** Regular Chapter Meeting at the Belle Haven Country Club

**December 9, 2012:** Wreaths Across America wreath laying at National Cemeteries (Floyd Ryan is making a proposal for GW Chapter participation)

**Next year, January 26, 2013** at 6:30 PM, Belle Haven Country Club, mark your calendars for the Gold Good Citizenship Medal event.

Check out other entries in this newsletter and on our web site at [gwsar.org](http://gwsar.org) for updates and more details of upcoming events you can be part of. We are seeking volunteers to lead the Boy Scout recognition program and the Law Enforcement Awards program.

We'll see you Saturday, September 8, 2012 at 11:30 AM for our social gathering and a 12 PM meeting.

Respectfully,

Paul

F. Paul Briggs, Col. USMC Ret.  
Chapter President 2012

## September Guest Speaker, Eric Grundset

Our September guest speaker is Eric G. Grundset, the Library Director for the Daughters of the American Revolution in Washington, D.C. He has held his current position since 1983. He is also the co-author of the DAR's successful 2004 publication American Genealogical Research at the DAR, Washington, D.C. and editor of their 2008 book Forgotten Patriots: African Americans and American Indians in the Revolutionary War. In 2010, the DAR published a new set of books titled America's Women in the Revolutionary Era, 1760-1790, with Grundset as the primary author. Grundset is currently working on a new series of books on researching ancestors during the American Revolution. The first volume is on New York State.

Grundset was a councilor for the National Genealogical Society (1990-1996), First Vice President (1996-1998), and Vice President (1999-2000). He is also a former president of the Virginia Genealogical Society and is a fourteenth-generation native-born Virginian on his mother's side.

Grundset lectures on many genealogical topics and has prepared numerous articles of historical record transcriptions. His latest books are the National Genealogical Society publication Research in Virginia (2007) and the self-published Land in the County of Albemarle: Albemarle County, Virginia Surveyors' Plat Books 1744-1852 and Guide to the Contents of Virginia Genealogical Periodicals through 1999.

He has been a resident of Fairfax County since 1953 and is a graduate of Oakton High School. He holds a B. A. in History from James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Virginia, and a Master's in Library Science from The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.

The Awards Committee of the Virginia Society of the Sons of the American Revolution has approved the George Washington Chapter's nomination of Grundset for the SAR Silver Good Citizenship Award. The chapter will present Grundset with that award at its September meeting.

## **In Remembrance,** **Compatriot John Seesholtz**

*Editor's Note: Compatriot John Richard Seesholtz passed away earlier this year in June. Following is a summary of his achievements.*



Rear Admiral John R. Seesholtz is a 1956 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy with a 1968 Ph.D. in Oceanography from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was qualified in both submarines

and surface ships, worked extensively in research and development efforts, and spent a tour as an airborne test director.

RADM Seesholtz served as Oceanographer of the Navy in the office of the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) with duties that included being the Naval Deputy to the Administrator of the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration. Prior to his work as Oceanographer, RADM Seesholtz was the Director, Command and Control Development Division in the office of the CNO; served with the CNO's Long-Range Planning Group in Washington; and was a member of the Corporate Boards of the Office of Naval Research and Office of Naval Technology.

During his career, RADM Seesholtz served as Executive Officer of the submarines USS Tigrone and USS Dolphin, and subsequently as Commanding Officer of the USS Dolphin. The USS Dolphin is the world's deepest diving submarine. During his tour as Commanding Officer, deep sonar operations were undertaken which for the first time demonstrated the complete path of convergence zone sound propagation under unique oceanic conditions. RADM Seesholtz also commanded the repair ship USS AJAX.

Other tours included staff duty as aide and flag lieutenant, shipboard support of Antarctic

operations, and two early submarine tours including missile officer on the Polaris submarine, program manager at Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Washington D.C., and two years as special projects officer and Test Director for the Director of the Anti-Submarine Warfare Programs in the Office of the CNO. RADM Seesholtz directed programs in underseas acoustics, ocean processes, Arctic, and air defense missile research and development in these latter positions.

Service schools attended include a Technical Russian Course at the Defense Language Institute, Monterey CA; The Senior Officer's Material Readiness Course, Idaho Falls; and the General and Flag Officers Capstone Course, National Defense University, Washington D.C.

Following retirement in 1988, RADM Seesholtz worked as a senior scientist at Johns Hopkins University providing support to DARPA on maintenance programs.

He also worked with the National Defense Center of Excellence for Research in Ocean Science (CEROS) in Hawaii where he was an original board member and advisor.

A native of Reading PA, RADM Seesholtz was married to the former Marylee Gehris of Bernville PA. They have two children. Their son Dan retired from the U.S. Navy in 2007 and is currently working at the University of Oklahoma; and their daughter Amy resides in Alexandria, VA.



Emily Elston leads the Pledge of Allegiance at the July 4th wreath laying ceremony at Mount Vernon

## **George Washington Chapter** **Represented at National Congress**

Bob Carr and I had the privilege of serving as two of Virginia's eighteen delegates to the 122nd National Congress in Phoenix. I am pleased to report that Joe Dooley, a dual member of our chapter, was elected Secretary General for 2012-13, which puts him in line for President General for 2013-14. I believe this will be the George Washington Chapter's first PG, so let's make sure he feels welcome and stays on our rolls! Another dual member of our chapter, Mike Tomme of the Georgia Society, was elected Registrar General. It will be nice to have two general officers among our membership!

Among other things that occurred at the Congress, a compatriot from North Carolina stood up with his wife and gave \$1.5 million to the S.A.R. toward completing the Center for Advancing America's Heritage. The gift was a challenge gift, and immediately various members started going to the microphone to make pledges to meet the challenge. With some prodding from Bob, I went to the microphone and pledged \$500 on behalf of the George Washington Chapter. Lest you think I have lost my mind, I had already decided to give \$250 in memory of Lou Beach, and Bob agreed to kick in \$100, which he will send to Scott as a charitable contribution to the chapter when he returns from Alaska. So, only \$150 of the amount was not covered when I made the pledge. For the past few years we have collected enough to make a \$500 donation to the CAAH, and it looks good on our chapter annual report; thus I did not feel like I was going too far out on a limb!

I am now asking you to help cover the other \$150, either through individual donations to the chapter or by authorizing a \$150 gift from the chapter's funds, whichever you prefer. Many thanks for your consideration.

The National Congress was a great experience. It was a lot of fun to meet compatriots from all over the country. Folks are friendly, and all of them have led interesting lives. Bob Whitehead and I were awarded the

Liberty Medal for recruiting new members, and Bob Carr got the second oak leaf cluster for his Liberty Medal. For the second year in a row, the Virginia entry in the Knight Essay Contest won the national contest -- this is the first repeat since 1995 when the contest was reinstated. The winner, Katie Lavender, is from the Lexington, Virginia area. This is, indirectly, a great achievement for the GW Chapter. Lou Beach served as the VASSAR Knight Essay contest for many years and asked me to succeed him in 2010, and two of the three judges for the state competition are GW Chapter members (Scott Wagoner and Ernie Coggins). Unfortunately, our orations contest winner (who many of you heard on July 4 at Mt. Vernon) made it to the final round but did not place in the top three.

If you would like to know more about the 2012 congress, please ask Bob or me. I would encourage you to consider attending next year's congress in Kansas City (July 6-10, 2013) or the 2014 congress in Greenville, South Carolina (July 19-23, 2014). I met guys from Missouri and SC who are involved in the planning, and it sounds like they will both be a good time.

Mike Elston  
Vice President

*The George Washington Chapter was chartered in its present form on April 2, 1954. With over 200 members, it is Virginia's largest SAR chapter. Meetings are held at 11:30a.m. on the second Saturday of each month (June, July & August excepted) at the Belle Haven Country Club, 6023 Fort Hunt Road, Alexandria, Virginia.*

*Present officers are:*

*President: Paul Briggs 703-768-6910  
Vice President: Mike Elston 703-680-0866  
Secretary: Dwight Whitney 540-349-2375  
Treasurer: Scott Wagoner 571-239-3221  
Registrar: Jim Mobley 202-465-6680*

*This monthly newsletter is edited by Derek Loveland, who depends heavily on inputs from chapter officers and committee chairmen. Inputs from others are always welcome. Please send your inputs and comments to*

*derek.loveland@gmail.com or call 703-373-3087*

## **New Members**

### **Andrew Hale**



Compatriot Andrew M. Hale was born and raised in Miami, FL. In 1984, Andy received a B.S. in Aerospace Engineering from the United States Naval Academy. He later took on and received an MBA from University of Massachusetts - Amherst in 2008.

Andy is currently a Program Manager for Naval Reactors where he oversees operation of four prototype naval nuclear reactors and the training of all Navy nuclear operators. He has been with the Department of Energy and a member of the Senior Executive Service for three years. Andy retired as a Captain from the U. S. Navy in 2010 after 26 years, highlighted by service on six nuclear powered submarines. He served as Commanding Officer on three of these vessels, the USS SANTA FE (SSN 763), the USS SAN FRANCISCO (SSN 711), and the USS OHIO (SSGN 726), where he completed the first operational deployment of that ship following conversion to an SSGN.

He is married to Helen, who is originally from Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. They have a 31 yr. old son Christopher, 24 yr. old daughter Andrea, 21 yr. old daughter Katie, and 13 yr. old daughter Julia. They are eagerly awaiting the arrival of their first grandchild later this July.

Compatriot Andy Hale's membership in the Sons of the American Revolution is based on his bloodline descent from Patriot Ezekiel Hale, Jr. During the Revolution Ezekiel Hale served as one of the reinforcements for the Continental Army from Springfield MA from July 10, 1780 until January 10, 1781.

### **Registrar's Report**

The following is taken from an email from Larry P. Cornwell, SAR Genealogist General, regarding the submission of additional documentation on an already-approved application:

So future researchers have access to more complete information in the Headquarters' files, compatriots are encouraged to send additional documentation to the Genealogy Staff after their applications have been approved.

There are two files: (1) the patriot folder which contains lineage and service documentation; and, (2) the application file which contains the application itself.

When submitting additional documentation, it's important that the compatriot identify each document with the patriot's name and additional identifying data to distinguish his patriot from other patriots of the same name. He should also state his own full name, membership number and ACN (processing number marked on the front of the application), and mark the documentation as "Additional Information." For a change to the patriot's service record, there must be proof submitted that this additional documentation actually applies to this particular patriot, and not another patriot with the same name. The Genealogy Staff will annotate approved applications with "Additional Information on File." The compatriot should include his e-mail address or phone number if he wants confirmation that the documentation was put into the patriot's file, and/or his application was annotated.

If clear, concise documentation is presented that proves and corrects data on the application, the Staff will make the correction on the application and cite the document on the back of the approved application. If the Staff rules that the documentation is insufficient to make an addition or change to the file, there is no established appeal process, but it will be explained to the donor the reason for the rejection.

Since the last Registrar's Report fourteen New Member Applications and thirteen Supplemental Applications were approved by NSSAR. Eleven New Member Applications and twenty-one Supplemental Applications have been submitted to VASSAR.

There is one application at VSSAR awaiting review, eighteen applications at NSSAR awaiting review, and sixteen new members awaiting induction. Below is a summary of the applications that were submitted and approved since the last Registrar's Report. The applications are listed in the approximate order in which they were submitted or approved.

### **New Member Applications Approved**

<u>Compatriot</u>	<u>Ancestor</u>
Zane Nelson Weinberger	Benjamin Brooks
Christopher Dixon Sorrells	Zachariah Johnston
Charles Gallagher Flinn	William Flynn
Hamilton Knox Thames	Samuel Knox
James Christopher Hubbard	Isaac Ball, Jr.
Thomas Morgan Buckner	Bernard Buckner
Christopher Gerald Kales	Benjamin Talcott, Sr.
Thomas Allen Hurley	William Norcross
Phillip DeForrest Stracener, Jr.	Stephen Heard
John Ralph Brigden	Edward Gisby
James Robert Mobley	Thomas Mobley
James Douglas Bowling	John Forbes
James Douglas Bowling, Jr.	John Forbes
Jack Hutchins White	William Logan

### **Supplemental Applications Approved**

<u>Compatriot</u>	<u>Ancestor</u>
James Michael Mobley	William Burns
James Michael Mobley	William McCain
James Michael Mobley	Robert Grier
James Michael Mobley	Robert Martin
James Michael Mobley	Thomas Mobley
John Phillip Felt	Eliphalet Seely
Paul Ashley Walden	Thomas Cromwell
Robert August Whitehead	John Fowlkes
Michael James Elston	John Beale
Robert Frederick Carr	Joseph DeJarnatt, Sr.
Robert Frederick Carr	Nathan Anderson
Robert Frederick Carr	John George, Sr.
Robert Frederick Carr	William Wilson

### **New Member Applications Submitted**

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Ancestor</u>
Thomas Morgan Buckner	Bernard Buckner
Phillip DeForrest Stracener, Jr.	Stephen Heard
Douglas Bering McPherson	Richard Pile
John Ralph Brigden	Edward Gisby
Christopher Gerald Kales	Benjamin Talcott, Sr.

James Douglas Bowling	John Forbes
James Douglas Bowling, Jr.	John Forbes
Thomas Allen Hurley	William Norcross
Jack Hutchins White	William Logan
James Robert Mobley	Thomas Mobley
James Thomas Callender	Philip Callender

### **Supplemental Applications Submitted**

<u>Compatriot</u>	<u>Ancestor</u>
Robert Frederick Carr	Joseph DeJarnatt, Sr.
Robert Frederick Carr	Nathan Anderson
Robert Frederick Carr	John George, Sr.
Robert Frederick Carr	William Wilson
James Michael Mobley	Mary Sandidge Gholston
James Michael Mobley	Samuel Long
James Michael Mobley	John Spencer
James Michael Mobley	Joel Chandler
Benjamin Barton Rudisill	Ann Moss
Benjamin Barton Rudisill	John Peck
Benjamin Barton Rudisill	Joseph Kyle
Benjamin Barton Rudisill	Lewis Hickie
James Michael Mobley	William Moffatt
James Michael Mobley	Hugh Harris
James Michael Mobley	Robert Hendry
James Michael Mobley	Hugh McCain
James Michael Mobley	William Chapman
Michael James Elston	James Clark
Michael James Elston	William Clark
Robert August Whitehead	Henry Fowlkes
Robert August Whitehead	William Jennings, Sr.

Jim Mobley  
Registrar



## Long Range Events List

### 2012

**Sept 8** - Chapter Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Belle Haven Country Club, Alexandria, VA

**Sept 8** - Wreath Laying Ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery, 4:15 p.m. ##

**Sept 14-15** - State Semi-annual meeting Charlottesville, VA @@

**Sept 17** - Constitution Day – 225th Anniversary @@

**Oct 13** - Chapter Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Belle Haven Country Club, Alexandria, VA

**Oct 19** - Battle of Yorktown in Yorktown, VA @@

**Nov 10** - Chapter Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Belle Haven Country Club, Alexandria, VA

**Nov 11** - Mount Vernon wreath laying at George Washington's Tomb with Kate Waller Barrett Chapter, DAR ##

**Oct 5-7** - Point Pleasant Battle Days at Tu-Endie-Wei State Park in Fort Randolph, WV @@

**Oct** - Battle of Kings Mountain in Blacksburg, SC @@

**Dec 1** - Battle of Great Bridge Wreath Ceremony and Reenactments @@

**Dec 8** - Chapter Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Belle Haven Country Club, Alexandria, VA. Our guest speaker will be Henry P. "Phil" Williams III, President of the Virginia Society, SAR.

### 2013

**Jan 26** - Gold Good Citizenship Medal Gala \*\*

**Feb 9** - Chapter Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Belle Haven Country Club, Alexandria, VA

**Feb 19** - Battle of Cowpens in Chesnee, SC @@

**Feb** - State Meeting in Richmond, VA @@

**Feb** - Crossing of the Dan in South Boston, VA @@

**March 9** - Chapter Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Belle Haven Country Club, Alexandria, VA

**March** - James Madison's Birthday in Montpelier, VA @@

**March** - Battle of Guilford Courthouse in Greensboro, NC @@

**April 13** - Chapter Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Belle Haven Country Club, Alexandria, VA. Our guest speaker will be the President-General of the SAR (who will be elected at the July 2012 National Congress).

**April 13** - Wreath Laying Ceremony with the SAR President General at Arlington National Cemetery, 4:15 p.m. \*\*

**May 11** - Chapter Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Belle Haven Country Club, Alexandria, VA

**July 4** - Mount Vernon wreath laying, 9:30 a.m. step off ##

**July** - 2013 National Congress in Kansas City, MO

**Sept 14** - Chapter Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Belle Haven Country Club, Alexandria, VA

**Oct 12** - Chapter Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Belle Haven Country Club, Alexandria, VA

**Nov 9** - Chapter Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Belle Haven Country Club, Alexandria, VA

**Nov 11** - Mount Vernon wreath laying at George Washington's Tomb with Kate Waller Barrett Chapter, DAR ##

**Dec 14** - Chapter Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at the Belle Haven Country Club, Alexandria, VA

### 2014

**January** - GMGC Gala

Legend

\*\* Chapter sponsored state or national event

## Chapter event where other chapters may participate

@@ Non-Chapter event of significance that GW members should consider attending

**September 8, 2012**  
**Lunch Meeting Reservation Form**

Please make your reservation by e-mail to **swagoner@X4-LLC.com**. This is the preferred way to make a reservation. The lunch cost is \$35.00 per person. Check in and social time begin at 11:30 a.m. The meeting will be called to order at 12:00 noon. **Walk-ins will be accommodated if possible, but note that to cover the Club's charge for serving those without a timely reservation a walk-in price of \$40.00 is required.**

For call in reservations, you can call Scott at **571 239-3221**.

For e-mail and phone reservations, please include the following:

Compatriot Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

For mail-in reservations, please include the following information:

Compatriot Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

A check for \_\_\_\_ persons in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ payable to G.W. Chapter SAR is enclosed.

Mail this reservation form with your check to:

Scott Wagoner, Treasurer

G.W. Chapter SAR

P.O. Box 75

Occoquan, VA 22125

It is important to provide the first and last name of all guests.

It is also important to provide advance notice of attendance to be sure you get a seat.

Valet parking is available.

Thank you.