

#### **George Washington Chapter**

#### Sons of the American Revolution

#### Newsletter





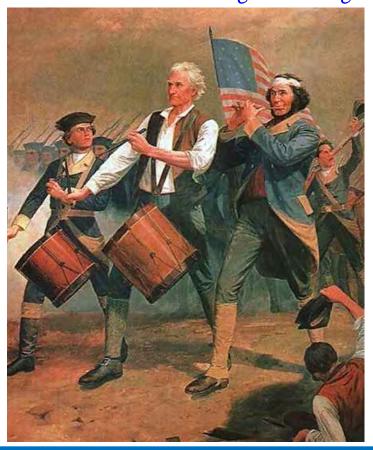
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#### Circular to the States, January 31, 1782

". . . altho' we cannot, by the best concerted plans, absolutely command success, altho', the race is not always to the swift, or the Battle to the strong, yet without presumptuously waiting for Miracles to be wrought in our favour, it is our indispensible Duty, with the deepest gratitude to Heaven for the past, and humble confidence in its smiles on our future operations, to make use of all the Means in our power for our defence and security." Gen. George Washington



#### **President's Corner**



Compatriots:

Greetings to all from my dining room table, where I have been spending most of my time – on my computer, of course – for the last three and-a-half weeks (and likely for

some time yet to come).

I know that we are all looking forward with great anticipation to the combination of circumstances that will enable us to return to our traditional schedule of face-to-face meetings. In the interim, however, we are working diligently to maintain some level of interaction with our fellow Chapter members. This issue of the newsletter is one such mechanism, and I thank all of those who have contributed to this issue.

As you might imagine, our fellow lineage societies and other similar organizations are facing the same challenges. Many meetings, large and small, have been cancelled - but not all. Our fellow Compatriot Mike Elston, for example, who just finished up a two-year tenure as the Senior State President of the Virginia Society, Children of the American Revolution, set a wonderful example by hosting the V.S.C.A.R.'s Annual State Conference as a live-streamed video event on Facebook in late March. Members of the George Washington Chapter's Board of Managers have also successfully met using a different video platform, and we are now in the process of scheduling a virtual meeting of the entire Board. One of the topics high on our agenda for that meeting will be to discuss the best approach to holding some type of virtual meeting in May if we are still unable to congregate at Belle Haven.

Plus, there are still many activities that each of us can do individually at home to support and further the programs of the Chapter and of the SAR in general. In particular, please take a look at the article

in this issue that highlights one such program that recognizes and honors our Patriot ancestors and give your consideration to contributing to this effort during the coming weeks.

As you will see elsewhere in this issue, many April events have already been cancelled. Longer-term, preparations for the SAR's Annual Congress in Richmond in early July are proceeding (expect registration to open in mid-May), and we are optimistic that we will be back on track well before then. We are still looking for volunteers; please see Page 11 and contact Ernie Coggins if you are interested.

In the meantime, our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your families. Please do not to hesitate to contact me or one of our other Chapter officers if you need assistance, and we will do our best to respond. Also, if there are messages or suggestions you wish to convey to membership, please forward those to our Chapter Secretary, Rand Pixa, and we will try get those sent out in an email blast.

As always, thank you for your membership and fellowship

Best wishes, and be safe!

Thank you,
Jay Henn
President of The
George Washington Chapter

"... it is our duty to make the best of our misfortunes, and not to suffer passion to interfere with our interest and the public good."—

Gen. Washington



#### A Possibility: A Virtual Chapter Meeting

Alas, no one can tell how long the coronavirus will present a threat to public health or constrain our Chapter's ability to conduct one of our outstanding live meetings. If an in-person meeting becomes inadvisable, however, thanks to available technology that does not mean we cannot meet.

Our Chapter leadership has begun to evaluate the online Zoom® platform, which is being used by other private and civic organizations and the public schools to keep their programs on track. After having made a quick download and installation of Zoom, a few of your officers gathered online Monday evening on March 23rd to test the platform; the test was a complete success, leaving open only the question of how best to accommodate members who won't be able to connect by computer or smartphone.

The next step will be to test the Zoom platform for a Board of Managers meeting, typically attended by ten or twelve members. If that works well, we'll be ready for a discussion about expanding the approach to a full-scale Chapter meeting. In anticipation of going in that direction, we have already conducted a trial run with one of our prospective speakers, who expressed willingness to make his presentation, including slides, from his home in Florida. Zoom allows for live questions, so we could even have a good back-and-forth discussion as part of the program.

Nothing can fully replace the warm fellowship we enjoy in one of our regular Chapter meetings, but being able to conduct a virtual meeting when we cannot meet in person may be far better than not meeting at all. Your views on the topic of virtual meetings as a back-up will help guide us going forward. If you would like to comment, please send an e-mail to either Chapter President Jay Henn or Secretary Rand Pixa.

Best regards,
Rand Pixa, Secrettary
The George Washington Chapter





On Monday, March 2, 2020, John Blair presented on behalf of VASSAR, the Fire Safety Award to Technician I Michael Baker of the Prince William County Department of Fire and Rescue Services, who was unable to attend the ceremony in Richmond.

Left to right--John Blair, Technician I Michael Baker and Chief Timothy L. Keen.

#### **Electronic Payments Committee**

We have formed a Working Committee to identify and propose options to members for making future electronic payments applicable to monthly luncheon fees, annual membership dues and periodic donations to our chapter activities.

There are many advantages available with e-payments: no need to prepare or mail checks; use of your personal computer, laptop or mobile device to complete the payment; and confirmation that the transaction was safe and secure to your account and our chapter bank account. Many of you are likely already using e-payments for on-line shopping and tax payments.

Many vendors offer different service options and the work of the committee is to narrow our search to the best payment option for our members.

This Spring, we hope to present a full discussion of e-payment options to our Board of Managers. Upon approval, we plan to implement this payment option during the summer. Whatever option is approved, be assured, members will still retain the option to make payments in cash or checks, if they choose.

Richard Rankin, Treasurer
The George Washington Chapter







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The George Washington Chapter was chartered in its present form on April 2, 1954. With over 240 members, it is Virginia's largest SAR chapter. Meetings are held at 11:30 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month (June, July & August excepted) at the Belle Haven Country Club, 6023 Fort Hunt Road, Alexandria, Virginia.

*Immediate Past President:*Dave Thomas: 703-583-8791

Ride Share: Members in need of a ride to a chapter meeting or a chapter sponsored event may contact the Amenities Committee Chairman, Don Reynolds, at (703) 765-4947.

This newsletter is edited by **Pete Farley**. Inputs from chapter officers, committee chairmen, and fellow compatriots are always needed. Please send your inputs and comments to **nyyno7@cox.net** or call 703-585-3163.

#### **GWSAR Projects – HELP NEEDED**Recognizing and Honoring our Patriot Ancestors

One of the tenets of the SAR is to cherish, honor and preserve the memory of those Patriots that served during the American Revolution in order that their descendants could be endowed with those inalienable rights that we now enjoy. NSSAR is currently using the Patriot Research System (PRS)—<a href="https://sarpatriots.sar.org/">https://sarpatriots.sar.org/</a> – as the "system of record" for all SAR Patriot and Graves data.

The George Washington Chapter needs your assistance as we set out to research, identify and honor all our Revolutionary War Patriots, with a specific focus on those buried in Fairfax, Arlington and Alexandria Counties. As a member of our Chapter, you are asked to consider getting involved with one of the following three projects (or all of them if you are so inclined).

The first Project is the identification, documentation and registration of Patriot graves. Our starting point will be the VASSAR publication "Genealogical Burial and Service Data for Revolutionary War Patriots Buried in Virginia." This project involves updating PRS Patriot records based on data contained in the book. This is a relatively easy "find and replace" type of effort for the book's 4500+ Patriot records that will vastly improve the overall scope and quality of Patriot information in the PRS.

The second Project focuses on review and

update of PRS data for those Patriots buried in Fairfax, Arlington and Alexandria Counties. This effort involves using a PRS generated list as the basis for researching local burials, surveying local cemeteries, and collecting cemetery and gravestone information that will then be used to update the PRS. There are numerous local Patriots that are not currently represented in the PRS database and this project looks to address that discrepancy.

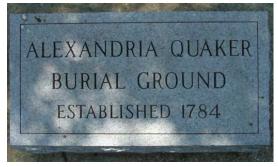
The third Project focuses volunteering to validate PRS data related to our Virginia Patriots. It starts with ensuring all Virginia Compatriot records in the PRS are linked to their Patriot. Once that has been completed, it will then involve updating Patriot records based on approved applications, the DAR Patriot database and Find-a-Grave. The final step is entering each Compatriot's lineage data, thus creating searchable data that will facilitate others making connections to existing Patriots.

All of these projects are noble efforts and you are being offered the opportunity to pick one that interests you, thus becoming part of the GWSAR team that will be "making it happen." Your participation in any of these will be highly rewarding and will be a part of an overall NSSAR effort to ensure the memory and ideals of the Revolution are kept alive.

Please contact Jamie Callender, jamiecallender55@gmail.com, if you are interested in learning more about any / all of these great opportunities.



#### Patriots of the American Revoluton and War of 1812 Interred at the Site of the Kate Waller Barrett Library (717 Queen Street, Alexandria, VA)



The Quaker Burial Ground was established in 1784 when Thomas West conveyed the site to the Society of Friends. Membership in the Alexandria Quaker Meeting House declined through the early part of the 19th Century. In 1860, a brick wall was built around the burial ground. It later was used as a playground in the early 1900s. In 1937, Dr. Robert South Barrett donated money to construct a public library on the site in memory of his mother, Kate Waller Barrett. Kate Waller Barrett was the State Regent of the Virginia Daughters of the American Revolution at the time of her death in 1925, and was a well-known philanthropist and social activist in the early 20th Century. She also is the great grandmother of one of our chapter compatriots. The Society of Friends gave the library a 99-year ground lease for the site with the assurance that none of the graves would be disturbed.

By 1992, only nine gravestones were visible. Beginning in 1992, the city conducted an archeological study of the site as part of their plan to replace a 1954 addition to the 1937 building. Eight of these nine stones were moved to the Woodlawn Friends Meeting House Cemetery at Fort Belvoir. The archeological study found 159 burials but only 78 were identified. The remains from the graves to be disturbed by construction were reinterred at a site in front of the library, marked with a simple stone (see photo above). Based primarily on published obituaries from local newspapers, it was determined that there

are 5 Patriots of the American Revolution and 8 of the War of 1812 interred there.

The George Washington Chapter approached the library about placing a plaque listing the patriots interred at the site. However, it was determined that the Society of Friends would object to any further markers on the site. Therefore, the chapter is developing a brochure describing the service of the patriots of both wars interred there which will be provided to the public.

Revolutionary War Patriots interred at the site are:

- **1.** John Butcher, born 1747, died 22 Nov 1811. Signed legislative petition to Virginia House of Delegates, 27 May 1782.
- 2. Dr. Elisha Cullen Dick, born 15 Mar 1762, died 22 Sep 1825. Perhaps the most illustrious patriot in the cemetery. Dr. Dick was a Private in the Philadelphia Militia. He was later Mayor of Alexandria and was one of the attending physicians at General Washington's death.
- 3. William Hartshorne, born June 1742, died 13 Dec 1816. Signed legislative petition to Virginia House of Delegates, 27 May 1782. Also member of Fairfax County Committee of Safety.
- **4.** John Saunders, born unknown date, died 18 Mar 1790. Signed legislative petition to Virginia House of Delegates, 27 May 1782.
- **5.** Benjamin Shreve, Jr., born 7 Oct 1747, died 18 Nov 1801. Signed legislative petition to Virginia House of Delegates, 27 May 1782.

The George Washington Chapter is planning several grave markings in 2020. Two of them are planned for graves in Fairfax County in danger of disappearing due to vandalism, neglect, or development as they are on old, neglected family graveyards.

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#### **Quaker Burial Ground (con't)**



We also plan to honor one of our deceased compatriots by placing at marker at his grave. However, these markers are costly, typically around \$250 each when you factor in the cost of the SAR marker and the customized plaque we affix to each marker. Therefore, any compatriot who donates at least \$250 towards the chapter grave marking fund will be recognized with the Dr. James Craik medal (another physician attending General Washington at his death).

Left -- Dr. Elisha Cullen Dick, He was a Private in the Philadelphia Militia and later Mayor of Alexandria and was one of the attending physicians at General Washington's death.



#### Temporary Closure: National Society Sons of the American Revolution HQ

**April 2, 2020-**-In light of the recent events around the country regarding the coronavirus, the National Society Sons of the American Revolution headquarters will be closed. We will be taking the closure on a week-by-week basis, and will continue to monitor and evaluate the situation.

It is a very fluid situation at the moment and we are attempting to stay abreast of the most recent changes. With that in mind, the President General approved this closure. Merchandise shipments and order processing, application reviews, record copy request, etc. will be suspended until we return.

Thank you for your understanding.

Michael T. Scroggins
Director of Operations
The National Society of the
Sons of the American Revolution

If our fellow compatriots feel uncomfortable with the current social distancing climate, perhaps they would like to recall the fun that we enjoyed a year ago, when we celebrated the 65th anniversary of the George Washington Chapter. Here is link to the website that Jamie Callender masterfully supports. There are about 37 photos, with captions, documenting the fellowship before and during the April 2019 luncheon meeting: <a href="https://gwsar.org/gw-chapter/past-events-photos/nggallery/2019\_gwsar\_events/Chapter-Meeting---65th-Anniversary-Celebration---13-Apr-2019/page/1">https://gwsar.org/gw-chapter/past-events-photos/nggallery/2019\_gwsar\_events/Chapter-Meeting---65th-Anniversary-Celebration---13-Apr-2019/page/1</a>. Click on any thumbnail photo to open the complete slide show, displaying the captions. -- Jack Coulter



"First in War . . . First in Peace . . . and First in the Hearts of His Countrymen" --Light Horse Harry Lee

#### The, James Monroe Memorial Foundation

George William Thomas, Jr. President

Peter E. Broadbent, Jr. 909 E. Main Street, Suite 1200 Richmond, VA 23219 pbroadbent@cblaw.com

March 30, 2020

Dear Lineage/Patriotic Society Leader/James Monroe Supporter:

As a result of the national and state COVID-19 emergency declarations, including the prohibition on public gatherings, the James Monroe Memorial Foundation is reluctantly forced to cancel both the April 25, 2020 ceremony at the Birthplace in Westmoreland County, and the April 28, 2020 ceremony at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond.

The Army has also advised us that it is postponing its portion of the Hollywood Cemetery ceremony until some future date. We will let you know if there is a postponed Army commemoration at some later date in 2020.

Please note on your calendars that in 2021 the James Monroe birthday ceremonies will be held on Saturday, April 24, 2021 at the Birthplace in Westmoreland County, and on Wednesday, April 28, 2021 at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond.

Assuming that the COVID-19 crisis has been alleviated and emergency orders have been lifted by the summer, please take the opportunity to visit the Birthplace on weekends between Memorial Day and Labor day when the Visitor Center will be open, and we are hopeful that the Birthplace house will also be open (final work on the interior is scheduled to be completed soon).

Thank you for your continued support.

Please pass along the news of the April 2020 event cancellations to your state and local society representatives or members.

We hope that you and your families stay safe during these challenging times, and we look forward to seeing you at the 2021 ceremonies.

Sincerely,

/s/ GWT G. William Thomas, Jr. President /s/ PEBjr Peter E. Broadbent, Jr. Vice President

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#### **Upcoming Events**

April 4, 2020–Saturday: George
Washington Chapter Meeting–11:30 am
Speaker: Matthew R. Costello, Ph.D. Asst.
Dir., David M. Rubenstein National
Center for White House History, White
House Historian, The White House
Historical Association "The Property of the
Nation: George Washington's Tomb, Mount
Vernon, and the Memory of the First
President"

Belle Haven Country Club 6023 Fort Hunt Road Alexandria, Virginia 22307

April 4, 2020–Saturday: Patriot
Grave Marking, Ebenezer Baptist
Church–3:30 pm
2041 Airmont Rd,
Bluemont, Virginia 20135

April 4, 2020–Saturday:
Patrick Henry "Give McLiberty or Give
Me Death" Speech Reenactment–10:00
am Wreath Laying and Lunch
Historic St. John's Church
Richmond, Virginia

April 13, 2020–Monday: Thomas Jefferson's 277th Birthday in DC-11:00-12:00

Jefferson Memorial, DC Society Limited Attendance—The VASSAR President represents Virginia

April 14, 2020—Tuesday: Thomas Jefferson's 277th Birthday at Monticello-10:00-11:00 Wreath Presentation by VASSAR President not below State Society Level

April 14, 2020–Tuesday: Book Talk–Dr.

John Maass–"The Battle of Guilford

Courthouse"–7:00-8:30 PM

Alexandria History Museum
at the Lyceum
201 S. Washington Street

Alexandria, Virginia

April 18, 2020 Saturday: Graves Mountain Multi-Chapter Meeting, TBD

Memorial Service-Arlington National Cemetery (Virtual Meeting Only) Fairfax Resolves Host RSVP to Jeff Thomas by April 11 to receive online login-information jtthomas4sar@gmail by April 11th

April 19, 2020–Sunday: Patriots Day

April 25, 2020–Saturday:
James Monroe Birthday Celebration–
10:30 am
4460 James Monroe Highway Colonial
Beach, Virginia

April 28, 2020–Tuesday: James Monroe Memorial Ceremonies–11:00 am Hollywood Cemetery 512 South Cherry Street Richmond, Virginia

May 9, 2020–Saturday: George Washington Chapter Meeting - 11:30 am (*Tentative*)

Speaker: Doug Redd (tentative)
"Life and Times of Lewis Boyer, Independent
Troop of Horse Dragoons Bodyguard to
George Washington" Belle Haven Country
Club
6023 Fort Hunt Road
Alexandria, Virginia 22307
OPEN – POSSIBLY ONLINE –
DEPENDING ON CONDITIONS

May 9, 2020–Saturday: The Raid on Martin's Station–10:00-11:30 am Wilderness Road State Park 8051 Wilderness Road Trail, Ewing, VA

May 17, 2020–Sunday:

Dedication of Colcividiam Preston

Monument

Daleville, Virginia

May 25, 2020–Monday:

The National Memorial Day Parade
National Mall
Washington, D.C
(Dooley-Carr-Elston Chapter Medal)



May 30, 2020–Saturday:
Grave Marking
Ketoctin Baptist Church
Round Hill, Virginia
May 30, 2020–Saturd

May 30, 2020–Saturday: 239th
Anniversary of Wayne's
Crossing–11:00 am-12:00 pm
Revolutionary War Statue Leesburg,
Virginia

June TBD
Grand Opening-Museum of the United States Army
Fort Belvoir



# PLEASE STAY HOME & STAY SAFE

#### **National Museum of the US Army**



In conjunction with the The Army Historical Foundation the George Washington Chapter may have an opportunity to have several Preview Tours of the new "National Museum of the US Army" located at Ft. Belvoir, VA. The museum is currently under construction and is presently scheduled for opening in early June per The Army Historical Foundation.

General Gordon Sullivan (USA-Ret.), Chairman of The Army Historical Foundation has graciously offered the possibility of several Preview Tours to interested George Washington Chapter members before the formal opening ceremonies, however, due to developments related to the

coronavirus COVID-19, the museum opening date could be delayed – thus any Preview Tour dates haven't been established at this time.

As a further note, the George Washington Chapter is honored to have one of its past Chapter President's (1986) and VASSAR President (1996-1997), Larry Lisle as a leading supporter of the museum. On November 17, 2017, Larry Lisle (pictured) was at the construction site to sign the last I-Beam to be placed on the building.

The overall situation is being monitored; as time gets closer and decisions are made, the George Washington Chapter will be notified of the possibility of having Preview Tours for interested Chapter members. Appropriate communications will be made.

Dave Thomas -- Past George Washington Chapter President (2019)

#### **CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS**

The Virginia Society will host the **130th Congress of the National Society Sons of the** American Revolution. The Congress will be held **Friday (check in) through Thursday (check out), 10-16 July 2020 at the Richmond Marriott,** 500 E Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219.

There is an **urgent need for volunteers**. The Congress website is: 2020sarcongress.org/. There is a "Volunteer Tab" on the home page of the website. Should you be interested in volunteering, you may contact **Ernie Coggins** at coggins.sar@gmail.com or the Chairman of the Volunteers Subcommittee, **Jim O'Kelley** at okelly910@comcast.com.

#### A simplified Congress schedule is as follows:

Friday, 10 July: Check in and registration

Saturday, 11 July: Two tours are scheduled, one tour to three plantations--Berkeley, Westover, and Shirley and a second tour to the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown with a tour of the Yorktown Battlefield.

Saturday evening, 11 July: Host Reception, Library of Virginia

Sunday, 12 July: Color Guard Breakfast at the Marriott

Memorial Service, Monument Heights Baptist Church

First Lady's Tea, at church

Rumbaugh Orations Contest at the hotel

*Monday through Wednesday, 13 – 15 July:* **General Sessions of the Congress** 

Monday, 13 July: Youth Awards Luncheon

Monday evening, 13 July: Recognitions

Tuesday, 14 July: Mid-Atlantic District Breakfast

Lady's Luncheon at Virginia Museum of Fine Arts

**Election of 2020-21 General Officers** 

President General's Banquet

Wednesday, 15 July: Tours and Patriot Grave marking ceremony -

Virginia State Capitol and Saint John's Historic Church (site of Patrick Henry's "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death" speech

Patriot Grave marking ceremony at Shockoe Hill Cemetery

Wednesday evening, 15 July: Installation Banquet

Thursday, 16 July: Check out and return home

The last Congress held in Virginia was in 2007, so this is an opportunity close to home. Also, the hotel is just a four-minute walk from the Library of Virginia; this would be an excellent time to research your Virginia Patriot ancestors.

## The Fairfax Resolves Chapter and VASSAR President Bill Schwetke

Cordially Invite You to Participate in a

#### **Patriots Day**



### Virtual Commemoration

Including remote

Color Guard participation

and wreath presentations



Concord



Lexington

#### **VASSAR Presidential Initiative**

Sunday, April 19, 2019, 3:00pm



Please RSVP to Jeff Thomas at jthomas4sar@gmail.com by April 11<sup>th</sup>. Indicate your name, title, chapter and wreath presenter (Yes/No). All participants will receive an email invite with a link to join the Zoom commemorative event. The Zoom application is not required to participate in this event. Please forward this invite to all chapter members. Any member wishing to participate must RSVP in order to receive the Zoom meeting invitation and link.



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ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (PATRICK HENRY'S SPEECH)
SHOCKOE CEMETERY (CREDIT TOWARDS GRAVE MARKING MEDAL)

AND STATE CAPITOL

#### VIRGINIA SOCIETY 2020 CONGRESS RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

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YORKTOWN AND JAMESTOWN DESIGNS
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#### MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO VASSAR

**MAIL TO:** 

PAT KELLY 2228 WILLIAMSBURG ROAD CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22901

#### **Oral History Opportunity**

Roughly a dozen past Chapter Presidents are still active in the George Washington Chapter. If you would be interested in reaching out to these individuals and capturing the memories and highlights (or lowlights!) of Chapter leadership, please contact Jay Henn at <a href="mailto:jaymhenn@gmail.com">jaymhenn@gmail.com</a>

#### Members Only Section of GWSAR.ORG It's There For You!



In case you have never established a Members Only linkage, or you have forgotten your username & password, I am here to remind you of how you do it and what you'll find there when you visit this part of the George Washington Chapter's website.

Go to our chapter website and click on the Members Only Login link (far right side) at the top of the Home page on the Chapter's website and then use either your website account (username and password) or social media account to gain access. For those that either don't have an account or have forgotten their username and/or password, I can help you with that if you send me an email at:

#### WEBMASTER@GWSAR.ORG

I will need to verify who you say you are, so include your full name, email and phone number you provided for your GW Chapter membership and your State and/or National SAR numbers, if you know them. With this information, I can verify your account and then provide you with your password so you can gain access.

There is also another sign on option if you have a social media account (Google / Twitter / LinkedIn / Instagram / Amazon / Microsoft / Yahoo). The website will use your social media account to verify who you are thus providing easy and seamless access. I use a Google Chrome browser and am thus always logged into my Google account, so I use the "Login With Google" button and I get right in without having to remember another username and password. Use whichever option you are most comfortable with.

After gaining access to the Members Only site, you have access to the following information:

- Membership Directory the lastest and historical versions dating back to 2013
- References SAR Brochure / Application Form / Grave Markings Research Material
- Reports Americanism / Committee
- GWSAR Business Approved Budgets / Chapter Board Meeting Minutes

This is your section of the website and it can host anything you think is important to share exclusively with the members of this Chapter. If you have some ideas, please share them.

Jamie Callender, Webmaster

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