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96 Crossroads: A Crossroads of History

April 2-3, 2016

Saturday, April 2, 2016

It was cloudy, cool and misty day for the Ninety Six National Historic Site to kick off its annual celebration weekend. President Chuck Swoope and his wife Pat arrived from their home in Rock Hill, SC at 9:00 am meeting Secretary Ivan Bennett and his wife Susan at the Visitor Center. After viewing the orientation movie of the area of Ninety Six and Star Fort, we set out on the various demonstrations, talks, and tours.

Once Chuck introduced me to John Slaughter, Group Superintendent of the Southern Campaign of the American Revolution Parks, we took his advice and with our schedule of events in hand made our way to the event tent and sat on bales of straw. We were captivated with David Wolfe's (Owensboro, KY) impersonation and storytelling of Gen. George Washington.



At the conclusion of that very historical presentation, the sound of a marching rifle

and drum corps led us to the Stockade Fort and James Birmingham Memorial (the first casualty of the Revolutionary War at Ninety Six) for the SAR Wreath Laying Ceremony. The Cambridge Chapter of SCSSAR sponsored this event. Eric Williams, Chief Park Ranger (Retired) and Historian from that Chapter was the coordinator.

During the Wreath Ceremony- Honoring Patriots of the Battle (1775) and The Siege (1781) of Ninety Six, SCSR President Chuck Swoope stepped forward and paid his respect and gratitude for our state society.



A Special Message

Please mark your calendar for a May event in Johnsonville, SC. President Chuck Swoope has announced a general membership meeting of those able to attend at 6:00 pm May 20, 2016 (Friday).
Location:

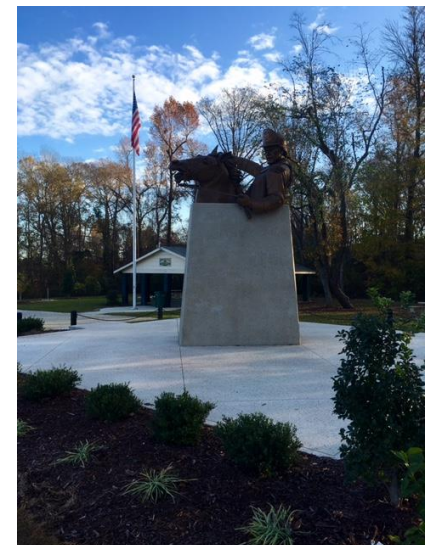
City Hall/ Mayor Steve Dukes' Office
111 West Broadway Street (Hwy 341)
Johnsonville, South Carolina

On May 21, 2016 (Saturday) Members of the SC SR Society from 9:00- Afternoon will participate in the Johnsonville Annual Heritage Days event with a booth at the

Lynches Scenic River Park at Witherspoon Ferry Crossing (Hwy 41).

There will be several other booths and concessions participating. President Chuck Swoope, Treasurer Jeff Jordan, and Secretary Ivan Bennett will be providing materials for recruitment of members into GSSR South Carolina Society.

Please consider assisting us in this endeavor to meet and greet many local citizens as we distribute brochures, applications and share information to local citizens. We are extremely thankful to Mayor Steve Dukes for allowing us to participate in their Heritage Days.
Ivan Bennett, Secretary SC SR



Monument of General Francis Marion (Swamp Fox) at Lynches River Park

