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The 236th Anniversary Celebration of the Battle of Cowpens And a Special Meeting of the SRSC Board of **Directors Meeting**

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On January 17, 1781, a frontier pasturing ground along the Green River Road erupted into a savage battleground for freedom. Coming on the heels of a patriot victory at nearby Kings Mountain, it was the second successive defeat for British forces under General Cornwallis.

The commemoration of this historic event falls on Saturday January 14. The weekend has scheduled many events on Friday as well as Sunday. The website for the Cowpens National Battlefield is www.nps.gov/cowp and the phone number is 864-461-2828, if any member of SRSC wish to participate in the events.

Our South Carolina Society of the Sons of the Revolution are scheduled to be recognized in the Wreath Laying Ceremony on Saturday at 10:00 in front of the U.S. Monument, Visitors Center, National Battlefield. President Ivan Bennett in the company of Chuck Swoope (Immediate Past President/ Registrar), Tom Weidner (Regional VP Upperstate/ Historian) and John FitzGerald (VP/Treasurer) are planning to represent SRSC. Other notable individuals who are planning to attend are Michael Kelley,

USMC Vet. Mike has applied for membership to our society and is waiting for a GSSR National Number. His State Society Number is 301. Also another interested person who is applying for membership is Theodore Hemenway. Ted lives in nearby Pacolet and Mike lives in Beaufort. Both of these patriots notified us of their interest in SRSC through the State Society Website! www.srsc1776.org

After we break for lunch, the Board of Directors will be convening a brief special meeting for the purpose of finishing up on items from the November 5, 2016 Board meeting at Camden, SC. This meeting location is Cherokee County History and Arts Museum, 301 College Drive, Gaffney, SC 29340(www.cherokeecountyhistory.org)

The agenda is posted on the society website under Information Page. The Society By Laws and Corporate Governance Manual are documents for Board approval. A report of the status and progress of SRSC hosting the September 28-30 GSSR Board of Managers Meeting in Charleston is a sharing item. Tom Weidner from Greenville and John FitzGerald from Charleston, will present their plan for forming state chapters in those respective areas of the state. The treasurer will update the Board on final membership dues renewal, treasury balance and a budget for 2017. A final discussion is the logistics for a Winter Social for SRSC in Charleston/James Island.

All members are invited to this Special Meeting. Christine Burnette. President of the SCSCAR has been invited to attend our meeting. She has some ideas for one of her sixteen state societies of C.A.R., specifically Charlestown Society, for their participation in the GSSR BOM Meeting.

Ivan Bennett, President SRSC

A Spotlight on a SRSC Member

SRSC Member Tom Weidner volunteers as the Director of the Museum and Library of Revolutionary History, 110 Academy Street, Simpsonville, SC 29681 (www.revwarmuseum.weebly.com)

Recently Tom was included in the Fall Issue 2016 C.A.R.olina News (a publication of the Children of the American Revolution). The Dicey Langston Society (Greenville) was granted a tour by Tom Weidner. On November 6th the Society enjoyed refreshments during an activity of cutting grocery coupons to send to our service personnel. Senior President Kathy Gerwig and President Nate Crider welcomed ten members in their opening ceremony. Tom explained that the Museum is three years old. As a docent he described the history of the Revolutionary War in the area, especially the Battle of Canebrake on December 22, 1775. During the tour a replica of Dicey Langston was highlighted and her story of the involvement in the War was told. She is called the Girl Spy of the American Revolution.

Tom was also included in the Winter Issue 2016 **The Palmetto Patriot** (a publication of the SCSSAR). As SRSC Regional VP Tom attended the 241st Anniversary Battle of Great Cane Brake on December 3rd in Simpsonville. He presented a SRSC Wreath at the SAR hosted Ceremony.

