

The Crescent Moon



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235th Anniversary Celebration of the Battle of Cowpens January 15-17, 2016

Saturday January 16, 2016

The South Carolina Society of the General Society of the Sons of the Revolution were represented by Ed Latimer, SCSR Vice President, Jeff Jordan, SCSR Treasurer-Registrar GSSR Vice President Region 3, Chuck Swoope, SCSR President and Rev. Dr. Samuel Whatley, SCSR Chaplain (not pictured) in the Wreath Laying Ceremony at the U.S. Monument, Visitors Center, Cowpens National Battlefield. (http://www.nps.gov/cowp/index.htm)

A beautiful memorial wreath presented by SCSR President Chuck Swoope in honor of the momentous Battle of the Cowpens. The sign reads "With Deep Gratitude from The Sons of the Revolution South Carolina Society".

The weather cooperated for a full schedule of events on Friday through Sunday. It was well attended by SR, SAR, DAR, and CAR as evident in the photo below. Following the wreath laying ceremony was a March to the Washington Light Infantry Monument.



A Special Message

Following the Christmas Social in Charleston, SC. on December 11, 2015 (The Crescent Moon, Fall Issue Number 2, December 13, 2015) SCSR Secretary, Ivan Bennett received a request from Rev. Dr. Samuel Whatley (Charleston, SC) "Does the state society have a Chaplain position?"

SCSR President Chuck Swoope acknowledged that the society has many positions to fill compared to other states. As of January 2016, two positions (VP and Chaplain) were added to the slate of elected officers for 2016.

The Officers Elected for 2016: President-Charles Swoope, Vice President Edward Latimer, Secretary Ivan Bennett, Treasurer and Registrar Jeff Jordan and Chaplain Rev. Dr. Samuel Whatley.

Our Treasurer, Jeff Jordan highlights the financial report for 2015 as follows: GSSR Dues \$17.50/Member Total \$402.50

Active Members 22 New Members 5 Life Member 1

| | Activity Report: | | |
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| Beginning Balance | \$4,460.56 | | |
| Dues | \$930.00 | (#23) | |
| Expenses | \$0 | (#0) | |
| Fees | -\$3.00 | (#1) | |
| Other (Credit) | \$1,544.69 | (#2) | |
| Other (Debit) | \$1,517.69 | (#3) | |
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Ending Balance \$5,414.56

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Highlight a Society Member's Ancestor

A grave marker at the Kettle Creek Battlefield just west of Washington, Georgia reflects on the life and contributions of Rev. Samuel Whatley, an ancestor of our state society Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Samuel Todd Whatley

.In a recent communication from Samuel, according to a book of History of Greene County, GA. his ancestor, a Revolutionary War Soldier (was) twice hanged by Tories. He had engaged in a number of battles, escaped multiple times, broke his arm, and fought off wolves, slept in trees. As a prisoner in one camp, he sang many songs to please the British Officers, where he was later released. After the war, he built a home in Georgia, often prayed in the forest where he claimed he met God and later became a preacher, married, had children and settled in Georgia where he moved from North Carolina.

