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From the President's Desk



Carl Tanner

In my recent discussions with other members of our chapter, the central feature of the discussions has centered on our meetings and the direction of the chapter. Most of the discussions have focused on the following subjects:

Saturday, July 21, 2007
July Chapter Meeting
Double Tree Hotel
1075 Holcomb Bridge Rd.
Roswell, GA
8:00 a.m. Breakfast
8:30 a.m. Meeting
Speaker:
Frank Shaw
"Our Scottish Heritage"

speakers, visitors who have attended our meetings with their reasons for attending our meetings, the growth in numbers of visitors to our meetings, and various programs that the chapter is undertaking to make our chapter better known to the communities in our area.

As an example, consider our last chapter meeting. During this meeting we had 28 people in attendance. This included four members of the Martha Stewart Bullock chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Additionally, there were four visitors who are in various stages of preparing their applications for membership to our chapter. Bob Sapp is working with them to expedite this work. One of the individuals is a Lt. Colonel on active duty here in Atlanta. Plus one individual is preparing to have his member-

ship transferred from another chapter to the Piedmont chapter.

Programs that you will hear about in our meeting this month will relate to other organizations in our area, some of which are our first endeavors with these organizations and some that are repeats.

Programs that are planned for this month include:

World Harvest Church in Roswell,
1 July from 8:30-11:00 AM.
Windward Children Parade, Alpharetta,
4 July at 8:00 AM.
117th NSSAR Congress, Williamsburg,
VA, 7-11 July.
First Baptist Church, Williamsburg,
VA, 8 July.
These programs will be discussed in detail at our July meeting.

I solicit your help in this effort as we would like to see as many members of our chapter become active in areas for which they have high levels of interest.

Upcoming Events

Color Guard Highlights

**1 Jul — First Baptist
Church, Roswell, GA.**
**6-10 Jul — National SAR
Congress, Williamsburg, VA**
**4 Aug — Old Soldiers Day Parade,
Alpharetta, GA**

Saturday, August 18, 2007
August Chapter Meeting
Double Tree Hotel
1075 Holcomb Bridge Rd.
Roswell, GA
8:00 a.m. Breakfast
8:30 a.m. Meeting
Speaker:
Rev. Malone Dodson



JIM MCINTIRE

A Word From Our Vice President

I recently had two wildly varying experiences. At my weekly Rotary Luncheon, Col. James S. (Jeb) Stewart (who addressed our Chapter a few years ago) stood and gave us a story from his experience on D-Day 63 years ago. By the time D-Day was launched, he and his crew were completing their 50th mission leading up to the invasion. They were still there, in spite of 100 per cent casualties, because of replacements. When he finished he received a standing ovation—I was the second person on my feet with a lump in my throat. He reminds me of two of my uncles, both now deceased, who went from Guadalcanal to Okinawa during WWII.

Shortly after I arrived home, I received an E-mail from my son. It dripped with contempt as it informed me that Paris Hilton—contrary to the strictures imposed by the presiding judge at her trial—had been given early release from jail. The U.S. Senate is attempting to pass legislation that awards aliens who are already illegally here the coveted Z Visa even though they may already have become convicted felons. As Pogo once said “We have met the Enemy and he is us.”

I have known for a long time that we are motivated more by what we believe than by what we know. **OUR LIVES ARE GUIDED BY OUR VALUES!** We have been privileged to join the SAR based on the accomplishments of at least one of our ancestors. Those laurels from a long ago past earned by

someone we never knew may have enabled our membership, but they do not justify us as individuals. The American Revolution is treated historically as an event that ended in 1783. I do not for one second subscribe to that view! In my opinion the American Revolution continues and will continue so long as our Republic exists, or until we allow it to die.

If anyone thinks that they derive their status by their descent from some long dead ancestor with no contribution of their own, they fall into the same devolutionary class with Paris Hilton who did absolutely nothing to enjoy the lifestyle she now has. Our task in the SAR Is to keep alive those principles which drove our ancestors to do what they did. We seek a free society of self motivated individuals who act responsibly to advance themselves and the community in which they live, to acquit themselves with honor, and to defend our country against all enemies both foreign and domestic. If we don't get this message across, who will? If not here, where? If not us, who?

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Thoughts About The French

“I would rather have a German Division in front of me than a French one behind me.”
—General George S. Patton

“Going to war without France is like going deer hunting without your accordion.”
—Norman Schwartzkopf

“It is important to remember that the French have always been there when they needed us.”
—Alan Kent

—Submitted by Von Starkey



**COLOR GUARD SCHEDULE
July, August & September 2007**

- 1 Jul — First Baptist Church, Mimosa Street, Roswell, GA, 08330 and 1100 hours.
- 1 July — First Baptist Church, Cleveland, GA 1000 hours.
- 4 July — Windward Children’s Parade, Alpharetta, GA, 0900 hours.
- 4 July — Canton Parade, Canton, GA, 1800 hours.
- 6-10 July —National SAR Congress, Williamsburg, VA.
- 8 July —World Harvest Church, Alpharetta, GA, 0900 and 1100 hours.
- 21 July — Chapter Meeting, Roswell, GA, 0830 hours.
- 21 July — Flag Retirement Ceremony, Northside Chapel and Crematory, 12050 Crabapple Road, Roswell, GA, 1100 hours.
- 28 July—Board of Managers Meeting, Forsyth, GA, 1000 hours.
- 4 August—Old Soldier’s Day Parade, Alpharetta, GA, 0830 hours.
- 10 August —Immigration and Naturalization Ceremony, Atlanta, GA, 1100 hours.
- 11 August — Battle of Camden, Camden, S.C., (Hours ?).
- 18 August — Chapter Meeting, Roswell, GA, 1830 hours.
- 1 September — Thomas Trammell Grave Marking, Thomaston, GA, 1400 hours.
- 11 September — Integrity Bank Remembers. (no contact yet)
- 14 September — Wreath Laying, Augusta, GA (no request yet).
- 15 September, Chapter Meeting, Roswell, GA 0830 hours.



MEET ROBERT H. ALLGOOD
Piedmont Chapter Historian

Bob was born Robert Hanks Allgood on December 15, 1925 in Opelika, AL. He was the youngest of three sons born to Earnest and Eleanor Allgood. He grew up in Lee county, AL and attended Lee County High School in Auburn, AL, graduating in 1943. Bob entered Auburn University in September 1943. While a student at Auburn he volunteered for service in the U.S. Army Air Corps on November 27, 1943 and was placed in the Enlisted Reserve Corps at 17 year of age.

Following his 18th birthday he was ordered to active duty on March 20, 1944 and was inducted into the Air Corps at Ft. McPherson, GA. Basic training at Kessler Air Force Base was followed by radio mechanics, electronics, and radar maintenance training. Upon completion of his training, he reported to Kearns (Utah) Overseas Replacement Depot in August of 1945. While being processed for overseas duty, the Japanese Empire surrendered and VJ Day was observed. Bob was shipped to the Southwest Pacific and assigned to the 3rd Photo Reconnaissance Squadron of the 20th Air Force with duty on Guam, where he was a radar mechanic ground crewman. The planes flown by the 3rd Photo Squadron were F13A's, which were B-29's modified for aerial photography. This unit flew all the aerial reconnaissance (Prestrike, Strike, and Post Strike) for the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

After the cessation of hostilities with

Japan, the mission of the 3rd was to provide aerial photography to map the Marshall Islands and other islands (such as Truk) which had been occupied by the Japanese during the war.

At the completion of overseas service, Bob was returned to the U.S. He was discharged at Camp Shelby, MS on March 25, 1946 with the rank of Sergeant. He immediately enlisted in the Army Organized Reserve Corps. Returning home to Auburn, AL he reentered Auburn University in June of 1946 to pursue a degree in Civil Engineering, which he received in August 1949. While at Auburn he participated in Advanced R.O.T.C. and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers in March of 1949.

During his student days at Auburn, Bob met Mary Noble Hall, his wife-to-be. They were married June 11, 1950. Their only child, Robert Noble Allgood, was born January 3, 1953. Although Robert Noble and his son Neal live in Austin, TX, they are members of GSSAR and the Piedmont Chapter.

Following graduation from Auburn Bob engaged in the profession of Civil Engineering and after a varied carrier retired from the Facilities Engineering and Construction Agency of the Department of Health and Human Services in December 1985. Throughout his civilian career Bob continued to serve in the Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army Reserve, retiring in the grade of Colonel after 38 years of continuous active and reserve service.

His wife Mary Noble died in November 1989. After being a widower for several years he married Mary Little in August 1997. She was a Tennessee Volunteer and a member of the D.A.R.

While seeking answers to queries from his grandson Neal, who was seeking information about family ancestry needed to complete a writing assignment for a high school subject, Bob learned that he was descended from a patriot ancestor, Joel Dean, Sr. and his wife, Mary Brockman, whose father, John Brockman, was also a

Revolutionary War patriot. Joel Dean was from South Carolina and served in General Greene's Brigade.

Bob became a member of SAR and of Piedmont Chapter August 31, 2005 and serves as Chapter Historian.

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For Those Who Love the Philosophy of Hypocrisy and Ambiguity . . .

1. Don't sweat the petty things and don't pet the sweaty things.
2. One tequila, two tequila, three tequila, floor.
3. I went to a bookstore and asked saleswoman "Where's the self-help section?" She said if she told me, it would defeat the purpose.
4. What if there were no hypothetical questions?
5. Is there another word for synonym?
6. If a parsley farmer is sued, can they garnish his wages?
7. Does the Little Mermaid wear an algebra?
8. How is it possible to have a civil war?
9. Where do forest rangers go to "get away from it all?"



The following article is reprinted from the September 1996 edition of the Piper and was submitted by Former Piper Editor, Paul Simpson.

A PERSONAL CONTACT WITH U.S. HISTORY

(The Piedmont Piper is indebted to Compatriot Bob Buck for sharing this letter from his family archives. It was written by his great grandfather, Edwin Augustus Buck, who was born May 31, 1824 in Bucksport, ME, and died March 9, 1903.)

I am enjoying your contributions to the Outlook very much. As I read your account of the duel of the Chesapeake and the Shannon it recalled especially an experience of my college days at Yale.

A Captain Butler of Branford CT. whom I had never seen and of whom I had never heard called at my room in New Haven on an early Nov. day in 1845. He came in one of the good old fashion "one horse chaise". He came to invite me to his home to dine with him on Thanksgiving Day. On visiting him I learned that he was an especial friend of my grandmother, Mrs. Lydia Buck Treat of Treatspoint ME. He had been the captain of a small vessel which in the early part of the last century ran between New York and the Penobscot River. Grandmother had often especially befriended him. It was with the memory of her kindness still fresh in mind, that, learning she had a grandson in Yale, he had come to look me up and to so cordially invite me to his home. It was to me a very pleasant resort during all my college course.

From him I learned that his vessel had been captured by the Shannon in 1813. He was kept with his vessel a few days and then requested to bear a challenge for the commander of the British ship to Commander Lawrence of the Chesapeake then lying in Boston Harbor. He was promised his freedom, with that of all belonging to his

vessel, on condition of bearing such challenge. His offer was readily accepted. While a captive he had been a careful observer. The crew of the Shannon appeared to him to be a picked crew very thoroughly drilled. As he took the challenge to Lawrence the crew of the Chesapeake seemed to be in a demoralized condition. They had been in port just long enough, with perhaps especial license to become thus. He felt quite sure what the results would be if the challenge was accepted. The results were as he expected.

My great grandfather was Col. Jonathan Buck of Bucksport, ME, a Col. during the revolutionary war of the Fifth ME Regiment. As the British then came up the Penobscot his property was completely destroyed by them as it could be. His home, barn, mill, vessels all were burned, and his cattle taken, as far as they could be. The grandmother to whom I have referred, a daughter of his, was at the time lying sick of a fever in her bed, also a domestic. Grandfather escaped. She was taken by an older brother with her bed and the domestic on a row boat with what they could save and carry with them. To escape the British they started up the river. They had gone but a few miles when the domestic died. After her burial they continued on as far as Bangor, landing on the east side they built a camp and lived and nursed the sick sister until she was well enough to start with them for her native place, Haverhill, Mass.

As she with thrilling interest could tell her grandchildren of the Revolutionary War in which her father was a Colonel and one brother a Captain, so also she could tell them



of the war of 1812 when again she was wont to hear the guns of the British ships as they passed up the same river and three of her sons were enlisted in the army to meet the foe.

I don't count myself an old man, although threescore and about eighteen years have thus far been allotted to me, yet I feel as though I have had a kind of personal touch and acquaintance with all the wars of our country since the Declaration of our Independence.

Your views of Jefferson I read with especial interest, as they were in harmony with those I was wont to hear in my boyhood days, from the members of the old Whig party, to which all my ancestors on my father's side belonged.

Most respectfully
Yours, E.A. Buck

Compatriot Robert J. "Bob" Buck is the great grandson of E.A. Buck, author of this historical letter.

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Take a tip from nature. . . Your ears are not meant to shut, but your mouth is.

Big people talk about ideas; little people talk about other people.

The human spirit fails unless the Holy Spirit fills.

Why doesn't the person who says "I'm no speechmaker" just let it go at that instead of giving a demonstration.

Never before have homes been so comfortable and families so seldom in them.

GLYNN ACREE, SCULPTOR

A NUMBER OF OUR Piedmont members have followed very interesting careers, but perhaps none are so interesting as that of our Compatriot Glynn Acree, a very talented sculptor.

Glynn has completed many works of art which are exhibited at various Universities. The statues depicted at the right were sculpted by Glynn under commission from Samford University, a Baptist supported university in Birmingham, Alabama. The sculpture shown above depicts “Justice and Mercy” located in the Plaza near the Law Library within the university complex. The statue shown below depicts Mr. Ralph W. Beeson, a heavy contributor to the university, and is located at the end of the Centennial Walk within the school. The intricate attention to detail in these works of art evidence the huge talent for this work with which Compatriot Glynn was endowed.

Glynn’s adventure in the arts began at the Harris School in Nashville, Tennessee with four years in design, image making and an introduction to sculpture. During this period he met and married Virginia (Ginny) Sargeant, who received her Bachelors degree in Industrial Design from the University of Cincinnati. They both served as teaching assistants during their last two years at Harris School.

After leaving the Harris School Glynn’s career continued to evolve , designing corporate trade shows for Cadillac and figures for Disney Studios. In 1954 Glynn and Ginny moved to Atlanta, working for Lockheed in the Special Arts Section. In 1977 he attained his Master of Visual Arts Degree from GSU and then joined the GSU faculty. He retired in 1991 after twenty years at GSU. During Glynn’s GSU years Glynn received a number of public sculpture commissions, principally life-size portrait busts of contemporary and historical figures.

Glynn joined the Piedmont Chapter January 17, 2001, and served as our President during the 2003 term.



**Two of Glynn Acree’s sculptures at Samford University,
Birmingham, AL**

Above: Justice and Mercy
Below: Likeness of Ralph W. Beeson





CAMELIA SIMS
**Abigail Adams' Uncommon
Life**

Abigail Adams lived an extraordinary life for a woman of eighteenth century America. She became her family's financial manager, traveled and lived in Paris and London, and through her husband, John Adams, she influenced American politics. The eighteenth century was an exciting time in American history, and her husband's key role in the events of that period gave Abigail the opportunity to live an uncommon life.

She was born Abigail Smith, into the family of the parish minister of Weymouth, Massachusetts. Both her parents were deeply religious people, and Abigail grew up with a strong faith. Like women of that generation she lacked a formal education, but was home educated in the basics of reading, writing and arithmetic. As a young woman she loved to read books from her father's library and became one of the best read women of her time.

In 1764 she married a young lawyer named John Adams. In the beginning theirs was a simple rural life in Braintree, Mass. Like most women of her time Abigail cooked, sewed and tended their gardens and animals. She did not do it all by herself; she had a few servants to help her. Abigail's life changed dramatically, however, as her husband's political career advanced during the American Revolution.

John Adams spent much of their married life in service to his country—as

a delegate to the Continental Congress, a diplomat to France, Great Britain and the Netherlands, the Vice President, the President of the United States. While he was abroad for years, Abigail stayed at home and raised their children, managed their farm and family finances, and kept him informed of the political situation at home.

In his letters John often advised Abigail to pay attention to their children's education and also "train them to virtue". She did not need reminders; she already had high expectations of her kids, which they could not attain perhaps with the exception of John Quincy Adams, her eldest son. She continued to interfere in the life of her children even after they became married adults.

Abigail advocated better education for women and a better legal standing. In what became her most famous letter to her husband, a few months before Congress declared independence, she wrote. "I long to hear that you have declared an independancy—and by the way in the new code of laws which I suppose it will be necessary for you to make, I desire you would remember the Ladies, and be more generous and favourable to them than your ancestors. Do not put such unlimited power into the Husbands."

Although communications were slow and unreliable, the devoted couple exchanged more than 1,000 letters, beginning during their courtship in 1762 and continuing until 1801, the last year of his presidency. In fact we have much more information about their family because of those letters, and the diaries they kept. Although living in rural Massachusetts, through John's letters Abigail was well informed of political and military activities and felt in the thick of things.

Some letters took months to arrive, and one time she went without a letter from John for almost a year. At times Abigail did not know if her husband had arrived at his destination safely, or if some ocean storm had claimed his ship. Not surprisingly, Abigail endured battles with loneliness and depression during their many separations. Yet she considered it his patriotic duty to serve,

and equally her duty to let him go abroad. Although devoted to each other, they believed their own happiness was less important than his work as a public servant; they saw self-sacrifice as their duty. Abigail also understood John's unmentioned political ambitions and did not want to stand in his way. Sometimes John Adams returned home only a few weeks before having to leave again. One of those times Abigail wrote, "I am obliged to summon all my patriotism to feel willing to part with him again." Except for occasional brief visits, they lived apart for about ten years.

With the children grown, in 1784, Abigail embarked on her first ocean journey and joined her husband in Paris. Her daughter Nabby and two servants accompanied her during the nine month voyage. A few months later John Adams was appointed the first U. S. Minister to Great Britain, and from 1785 to 1788 they lived in London. In Europe, as the wife of the ambassador, she had many servants to help her with her household duties and lived in luxurious houses. In her letters Abigail often criticized the frivolous life of the French and the British, and wrote about the virtues of the simple life at home. Yet, by the time she returned home to Massachusetts, she was accustomed to the luxuries of her home in London and found their new house (bought and decorated while they were abroad] too small.

After they returned to the United States John Adams was elected George Washington's Vice President, and eight years later President, and Abigail became the second first lady of the land. Some historians consider Abigail a smarter political observer than her husband. She made her opinions known, often gave John political advice, and during his presidency Abigail was his most trusted advisor and confidante. Some contemporaries thought she had too much influence and called her "Mrs. President." Abigail Adams and her husband were the first residents of the White House in Washington, D.C.

—By Camelia Sims.
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Colonel Bob Bauchspies Interment at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington Virginia

Compatriot and friend Bob Bauchspies, who passed away in December 2006, was interred at Arlington National Cemetery on May 1, 2007 with full military honors. His body had been cremated earlier, and the ashes placed in an urn. The urn with the remains was buried in a full-sized grave.

For those of you who have never witnessed this ceremony in person, it is the one of the most impressive events you can imagine. While similar to the processions of our nation's leaders through the streets of Washington, the ceremony feels more personal because it is attended and witnessed only by those who knew and loved the deceased.

Following a solemn service at the Chapel at Fort Myer, the remains were placed in a caisson drawn by horses. The procession marched through the cemetery to the burial site and was led by a full military band, followed by the seven-man honor guard, and then the caisson. Immediately following the caisson was a saddled horse with boots reversed in the stirrups. Two ministers walked behind the band, and Compatriot Jack Ferguson in the SAR Color Guard uniform marched behind the saddled horse. Family and friends followed in cars.

The graveside service was short but moving with the flag being removed and folded. A twenty-one-gun salute and "Taps" concluded the ceremony. Following the dignified service, Jack, on behalf of the Chapter, presented Karin Bauchspies an SAR Member Marker for his membership and service in the Piedmont Chapter.

Bob's immediate family and all of his brothers attended along with many friends. The Piedmont Chapter was represented by Jack Ferguson and his wife Lou, Skip and Rita Gray and Von Starkey.

—Submitted by Jack Ferguson



Bob Bauchspies' Widow, Karin, and other members of the immediate family approaching the section of Arlington National Cemetery near Washington, D.C., where Bob's remains were to be interred.



The military band, which led the procession through the cemetery, standing at attention near the gravesite, in honor of our departed compatriot.



The caisson bearing Bob's coffin en route to the gravesite.

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The Piedmont Chapter serves communities of the northern suburbs of Atlanta, Georgia including Cobb, Forsyth, Cherokee and Northern Fulton County. Meetings are held monthly throughout the year on the third Saturday at 8:30 a.m. in the Double Tree Hotel, 1075 Holcomb Bridge Road, Roswell, Georgia. Most members choose to arrive by 8:00 a.m. to enjoy breakfast together. The cost is \$15.00 each.

Prospective members are always welcome at monthly membership meetings. Men and boys who are interested in documenting their relationship to their American Revolutionary ancestors and in joining an active group with similar interests are urged to contact the **Chapter Registrar, Robert A. Sapp at 770-971-0189** or any other chapter officer.

(Youth Memberships are available for applicants under 18).

Please send all inquires and suggestions to the editor at the address shown below.

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