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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Having a Good Time

By Tom Davis

ALTHOUGH WE DID NOT HAVE the distinction of going to "the barn" again this year for our Installation Banquet we still had a great time. We had plenty of good food and great fellowship. I want to thank our State President, Roger Coursey, for the honor of installing our new officers for 2015. Also in attendance were several other state society dignitaries, Ed Rigel Sr., Bob Sapp, and George Thurmond. It's always a pleasure to

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have such distinguished guests gracing our table.

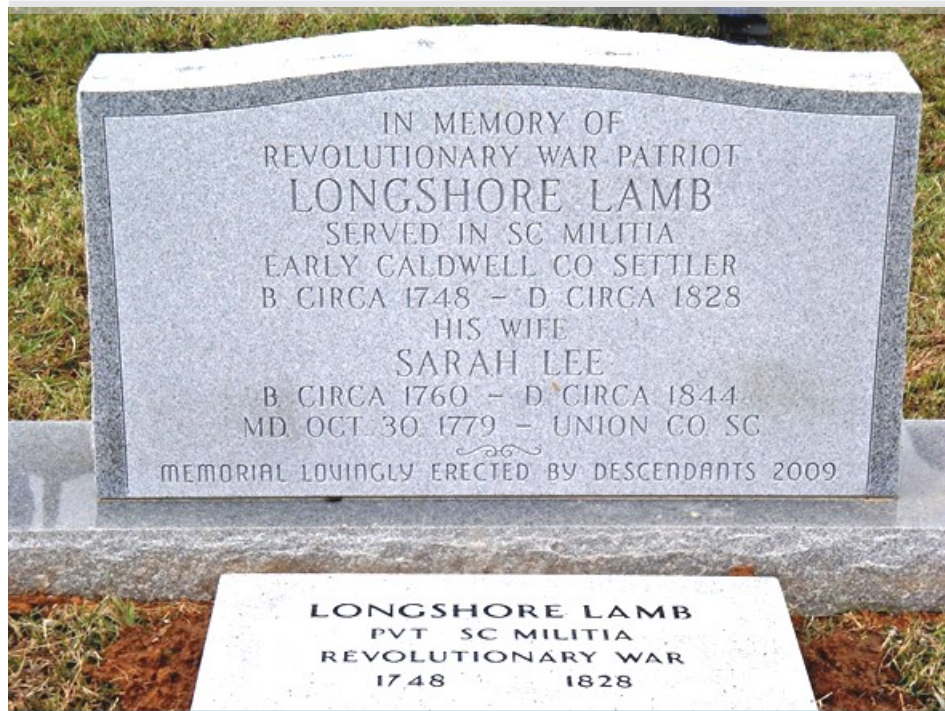
We have inducted several new members along with several more applications in process or at National. Chris Russo and Allen Greenly are working hard to see that this happens. A chapter is only as good as its membership's involvement.

Our newest member, Joe Moses, has already stepped up to the plate and accepted the Activities/Picnic Chairman position. Way to go Joe! I also want to thank Charles Cox for his efforts during this past year as Picnic Chairman.

January was a busy month for our chapter. Our annual banquet was held at Tam's Backstage. Soon after, Ed Rigel, Jr, Allen Greenly, and I presented the Law Enforcement Medal to U.S. Deputy Marshal James Smith. Our chapter will be working with the Northern District U.S. Marshals Service to select the next Marshal to receive this award. This is a program that the Robert Forsyth Chapter will be doing annually.

Also in January, a Good Citizenship Medal was presented to Bill Norman at Norman's Landing

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Photo/courtesy Linda Lamb Monticelli and Matthew T. Patton

★★★★★ *Our Patriot Ancestors* ★★★★★

Longshore Lamb

By Matthew T. Patton, Chapter Member,
and Linda Lamb Monticelli

Longshore Lamb was the son of Thomas Lamb and Alice Longshore; he was born sometime between 1747 and 1754 in Bucks Co., PA or about 1755 in Fairfax Co., VA. The Lamb family lived in Bucks County from 1744 until 1754 when they moved to Fairfax Co., VA. The Quaker Fairfax Monthly Meeting was located on the east side of the Blue Ridge Mountains south of the Potomac River. The Fairfax Meeting was located in Fairfax County until 1757 when they divided Fairfax County leaving Fairfax Meeting in Loudon County. In June 1766, the Lamb family moved from Loudon Co., VA to Kershaw Co., SC.

On October 30, 1779, the Friends at the Bush River Monthly Meeting, located in Newberry Co., SC, disowned Longshore Lamb who was

a member of the Padget's Creek Meeting house, located in eastern Union County, for marrying someone who was not of the Quaker faith.

Because the state of South Carolina had no laws requiring marriage licenses or registration until 1911, we use the date of October 30, 1779 as the marriage date for Longshore Lamb and Sarah Lee, daughter of Michael Lee.

In late spring or early summer of 1780, Colonel Thomas Brandon, who was camped five miles south of the present town of Union, SC was in the process of recruiting volunteers to support the Patriot cause. It was sometime after the fall of Charleston on May 12, 1780, that Longshore Lamb was recruited into the Second Spartan Regiment of Militia under Colonel Thomas Brandon in Union Co., SC. Longshore's brother William Lamb was also in this same

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Second Spartan Regiment of Militia under Colonel Brandon. It is not known how many or which military engagements Longshore Lamb may have actually been involved in while serving under Colonel Brandon. These militiamen served for 4 months, often working one day and fighting the next. The Patriot militia spent much of their time protecting the local rebel population from the Indians and the many Tory loyalists in the area. On June 12, 1786, Longshore Lamb received ten pounds, two shillings, and ten pence farthings for Militia duty after the fall of Charleston in Brandon's Regiment. Longshore Lamb signed his full name on this receipt for his service during the American Revolution.

On September 13, 1788, Longshore Lamb purchased 163 acres on Frenchman's Creek of the Enoree River in Ninety Six District, present day Union Co., SC. It is possible that Longshore used at least some of the money he received for his military duties to purchase this land.

Between 1779 and 1800, Longshore and Sarah Lamb had nine children: Mary, Elizabeth, Levi, William,

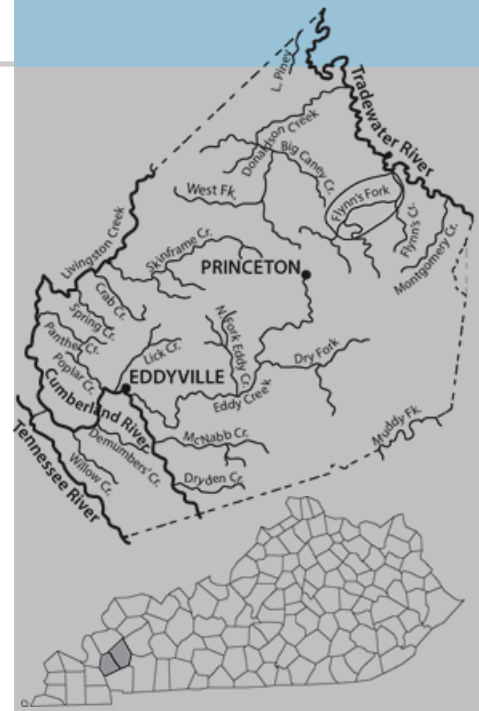
Margaret, Jane, John, Moses, and Martin. All of these children were born in South Carolina. After Longshore Lamb and Sarah Lee were married they lived first in Union Co., SC and then in Spartanburg Co., SC before finally settling in Caldwell Co., KY by 1809 or 1810. Longshore Lamb and his family and Longshore's son-in-law William Crow and his family were among the very early settlers of the Lewistown community in Caldwell Co., KY. Longshore's mother, Alice Longshore Lamb, died about 1791 in

Union Co., SC and his father, Thomas Lamb, died in early August 1800 in Union Co., SC. Sarah's father, Michael Lee, died in early December 1807 in Union Co., SC. We do not know who Sarah's mother was; some researchers say Michael Lee's wife was Drusilla Murphy.

Longshore Lamb died intestate sometime from about 1826 to about 1828 in Caldwell Co., KY. His wife, Sarah Lee Lamb, remained a widow for the next 16 years or so until her



Payment voucher for Longshore Lamb's service.



The Longshore Lamb family settled in Caldwell Co., KY sometime around 1809 or 1810 near Flynn's Fork.

Maps/courtesy Ian McCann

death about 1844 in Caldwell Co., KY. Martin Lamb, the youngest child of Longshore and Sarah, and his family moved into his father's home after his father's death to care for his mother.

The exact location of the graves of Longshore and Sarah remains unknown. There has never been any grave marker found for either Longshore or Sarah and there are no records known to exist indicating where the graves of Longshore and Sarah Lamb are actually located in Caldwell Co., KY. ■

Longshore Lamb is the great-great-great-great-great-great grandfather of chapter member Matthew T. Patton. He credits his cousin Linda Lamb Monticelli for her extensive Lamb genealogy research. To submit a biography of a Revolutionary War ancestor for an upcoming issue, email matthewtpatton@yahoo.com.

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for his charitable contributions to the community.

On Jan. 17 was the Battle of Cowpens in South Carolina; then on Jan. 24 was the Georgia Society Annual Conference in Duluth, GA.

February and March was just as busy. The Battle of Kettle Creek was Feb. 14; the Spring Leadership Conference in Louisville, Ky. was the first weekend in March; March 14 was the

Battle of Guilford Courthouse in Greensboro, NC. Our chapter received streamers for all activities and they were presented to Sergeant at Arms Ed Hooper for attachment to our chapter's SAR flag.

At every meeting we will be receiving donations for the Veterans Hospital in Decatur. Items to be donated are socks, books, magazines (6 months or newer), and toiletries

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(such as hotel complimentary items).

Our chapter will receive points for the items donated. I urge you to participate in this needed drive. April showed up before we realized, and we attended the state BOM on April

25th in Barnesville, GA.

Wow – how time flies when you're having fun.

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The Military Badge of Merit

By George Thurmond, Chapter Member

Does this look familiar? General George Washington, “ever desirous to cherish a virtuous ambition in his soldiers,” established as the Badge of Military Merit on August 7, 1782. He directed that it be “the figure of a heart in purple cloth, or silk, edged with narrow lace or binding.” Although Washington intended this forerunner of today’s Purple Heart to be bestowed “whenever any singular meritorious action is performed,” only three American Revolution soldiers were awarded this medal.

Sergeant Elijah Churchill, 2nd Regiment, Light Dragoons, was awarded the Badge for his part in two successful raids behind British lines. In November 1780, leading only 16 men, he was able to capture and destroy the heavily manned British fortifications at Corum, New York. Not only did they burn 300 tons of hay, but they also burned a British supply schooner and captured 50 prisoners. In accomplishing this, only one of his men



was wounded. The second raid was on Fort Slongo in October 1781. Churchill’s unit, without the loss of a single man, captured and destroyed the fort in less than 24 hours.

The Badge was awarded to Sergeant William Brown, 5th Connecticut Regiment, for leading an advance party who, using only bayonets, penetrated the British fortifications at Yorktown, VA on Oct. 14, 1781. Although challenged by

enemy gunfire and grenades, Brown’s party drove the British from their position in only 125 minutes.

The third and last badge was given to Sergeant Daniel Bissell, 2nd Connecticut Regiment, for masquerading as a British soldier from August 1781 to September 1782. The information he gathered helped prepare for the American-French attack on the city of New York.

With the American Revolution over and the army disbanded, the Badge of

Military Merit seemingly passed into history until February 22, 1932, the 200th anniversary of Washington’s birth. On that date, General Douglas MacArthur, then War Department Chief of Staff, announced the restoration of the Purple Heart for use by the U.S. Army.

Elizabeth Will of the Office of the Quartermaster General is credited with the 1932 design.

The modern medal is reminiscent of Washington’s Badge of Merit with its heart shape, however, it now contains a likeness of Washington and his family coat of arms.

Over the years, Presidents Franklin Roosevelt, Harry Truman, and John

Kennedy established uniform standards and extended eligibility for the award. Today, the medal can only be given to military or civilian

nationals, serving with one of the U.S. Armed Forces since April 5, 1917, that have been wounded or killed under a specific set of circumstances.

Although the criteria for the award is very different than that set by General Washington, it still honors those who have demonstrated “unusual gallantry” and “extraordinary fidelity.” ■

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Genealogy Workshops

SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2015

LOCATION	The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3355 Sugarloaf Pkwy., Lawrenceville, GA 30004
AUDIENCE	Beginning and intermediate genealogy researchers are invited to attend this free series of lectures.
SPONSORS	The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, the Atlanta Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Suwanee Creek Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Genealogy Study Group (Lawrenceville), and the Georgia Genealogical Society.
RESERVATIONS	Advance reservations are requested for Rooms 1-3, but are required for the Computer Lab (seating is limited to 12 for lab). Walk-ins are welcome in Rooms 1-3.
CONTACT	For reservations or additional information, contact Terry Manning (temanning@aol.com). For the lab/center registration, email genresga@hotmail.com.

Begin/End	Instructors from LDS Room 1	Instructors from DAR/GGS Room 2	Instructors from SAR Room 3	LDS Computer Lab/Center
9 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.	Ancestors in Your Pocket <i>Presented by Bridget Lohnes</i> Explore and review popular apps for your iPhone, iPad, and Android.	Basic Evidence <i>Presented by Cathy Hyer</i> Determine essentials of genealogical evidence and learn how to find it.	Using Time Lines <i>Presented by Rosemary Cantrell</i> Organizing your approach to sorting those of the same name/brick walls.	Computer Lab 1 <i>Presented by Ben Peoples</i> Learn hands-on tips for using FamilySearch in website research.
10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.	Basic Beginning Genealogy <i>Presented by Joye Woodruff</i> Get started tracing your family lines through your first four generations.	Get a Bigger Hammer <i>Presented by Susan Sloan</i> Explore ideas for getting past those genealogical brick walls.	Military Research <i>Presented by Stewart Woodward</i> Learn resources for identifying military service/service-based lineage societies.	Computer Lab 2 <i>Presented by Ben Peoples</i> Note: This hands-on session is a repeat of Lab 1.
11 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.	Website Research <i>Presented by Roger Ash</i> Gain tips for navigating five of the most popular genealogy websites.	A Century of Censuses <i>Presented by Susan Sloan</i> Review of the federal censuses and genealogical info from 1840-1940.	Researching Females <i>Presented by Rosemary Cantrell</i> Find out tips for identifying the lineage of your female ancestors.	Computer Lab 3 <i>Presented by Ben Peoples</i> Note: This hands-on session is a repeat of Lab 1.
Noon to 12:45 p.m.	For the Young Researcher <i>Presented by Nicole and Amy Gregerson</i> A class for young participants (age 12+) for getting involved in family research.	Using Georgia Land Lotteries <i>Presented by Susan Sloan</i> Learn how to use Georgia’s Land Lottery system to solve family relationships.	Ship Arrivals <i>Presented by Terry Manning</i> Discover resources available for details about your ancestors’ arrival in America.	Computer Lab 4 <i>Presented by Ben Peoples</i> Note: This hands-on session is a repeat of Lab 1.

Upcoming Chapter Events & Color Guard Schedule



- **April 25:** Patriot Abraham Marshall Grave Marking
 - **May 30:** Scout Day at Marietta National Cemetery (500 Washington Ave. NE, Marietta, GA 30060)
 - **June 13:** Patriot Willis West Grave Marking
 - **June 25 - July 1:** 125th Annual NSSAR Congress, Louisville, KY (pictured). Register or get more information on the Congress at <http://congress.sar.org/>
 - **Ongoing:** Submit your ancestor patriot's bio. Email Chris Russo at guido139@yahoo.com for more information or see story at right.
- For more information about upcoming events, email Robert Forsyth Chapter Secretary Allen Greenly at wagreenly@gmail.com



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Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Golden Corral at 2025 Market Pl. Blvd., Cumming, GA 30041.

Prospective members are always welcome at monthly membership meetings. Men, eighteen years of age and older, 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, Christopher Russo at 770-315-6348, via email at guido139@yahoo.com or any other chapter officer.

Deadline for the Next Issue:

The deadline for material for the next issue is **May 10, 2015**. In addition to the material, please include hi-resolution imagery. Please direct all inquiries or suggestions regarding *The Marshal* to Editor Matthew T. Patton at 215-285-0920 or via email at matthewtpatton@yahoo.com.

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CHAPTER NEWS

Chapter Honors U.S. Marshal Smith



Presentation of the Law Enforcement Medal to Deputy U.S. Marshal James Smith on Jan. 12. From left: President Tom Davis, Ed Rigel, Jr., Deputy James Smith, and Allen Greenly.

Deputy Smith has and continues to make substantial contributions to the operation and goals of the United States Marshals Service and the Northern District of Georgia. He clearly understands the mission, purpose, objectives, practices, and procedures of the agency and district. He continually demonstrates a strong ability to analyze and solve problems.

Deputy Smith utilizes effective time management and demonstrates a dedicated work ethic. He continues to participate in training to enhance his technical knowledge, skills, and officer safety standards. He demonstrates strong interpersonal skills and strives to establish effective working relationships each day.

Deputy Smith achieved an advanced level of competence and personal performance in prisoner operations, judicial protection, fugitive investigations, and the overall missions of the United States Marshal Service and the Northern District of Georgia.

Deputy Smith is to be commended and recognized for all his efforts and long hours of service to the citizens of the Metro Atlanta area and the Northern District of Georgia. ■

Day of Prayer to be Held in May

In 1775 the Continental Congress allocated a time for prayer in forming a new nation. Through the years, there have been calls for a day of prayer, including from President Lincoln in 1863. On April 17, 1952, President Truman signed a bill proclaiming the National Day of Prayer into law. President Reagan amended the law in 1988, designating the first Thursday of May each year as the National Day of Prayer. This year, May 7, 2015 is the National Day of Prayer for our nation, themed "Lord, Hear Our Cry."

Please join with Chestatee River Chapter, NSDAR, Cumming, GA, May 7, at noon, praying for our President and others who govern us, asking that they will first seek the Kingdom of Heaven. "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." Psalms 33:12. ■

—Submitted by Patsy Reynolds, Chaplain,
Chestatee River Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution

Patriot Ancestor Bios Requested

The National Society is requesting biographies of patriot ancestors and rewarding chapters when 20 percent of chapter members submit. Write a biography (less than 500 words) for your patriot. Email a Microsoft Word doc to patriotbios@sar.org. Include the following in your email: 1) Patriot Name; 2) Patriot Ancestor ID - this is the value on the patriot record that starts with 'P-' 3) Your name 4) Your SAR National Membership Number 5) List GASSAR Robert Forsyth Chapter. Copy Chris Russo (guido139@yahoo.com) as he will be gathering these for a future project to add our patriots to the chapter website. ■