

Presentation of the Colors

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States

Welcome and Invocation Using the 1783 Prayer of George Washington for the Nation

"Almighty God; we make our earnest prayer that Thou wilt keep the United States in Thy holy protection; that Thou wilt incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to government; to entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another, and for their fellow citizens of the United States at large; and finally, that Thou wilt most graciously be pleased to dispose us all to do justice, to love mercy, and to demean ourselves with that charity, humility, and pacific temper of mind which were the characteristics of the Divine Author of our blessed religion, and without whose example in these things we can never hope to be a happy nation. Grant our supplication, we beseech Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

SC250 Film "The Battle of Sullivan's Island"

Significance of the Battle

Honoring Those Patriots Buried at Union Cemetery

- ❖ Matthew Johnston KIA Battle of Fishing Creek
- ❖ James McClure
- ❖ 1st Lt. William McGarity, Sr.

Honoring Those Patriots Killed in Battle from Richardson's Church Lower Fishing Creek - Burnt Meeting House

- ❖ *Lt. Alexander Gaston KIA Battle of Wrights Bluff
- ❖ David Gaston KIA Battle of Hanging Rock
- ❖ *Ebenezer Gaston KIA Battle of Hanging Rock
- ❖ *Lt. Robert Gaston KIA Battle of Savannah
- ❖ *Col. John McClure KIA Battle of Hanging Rock

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Honoring Those Patriots Buried at Burnt Meeting House Cemetery

- ❖ Jacob Cooper
- ❖ Benjamin Kolb Culp
- ❖ Esther Waugh Gaston
- ❖ Justice John Gaston
- ❖ *James Henry
- ❖ John McCreary
- ❖ Samuel McCreary
- ❖ Robert McFadden
- ❖ Barbara Culp McKinney
- ❖ William McKinney
- ❖ *John White

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Laying of Wreath at Grave of Matthew Johnston Union Cemetery

Refreshments and Visiting Vendors and Displays

4:30 pm Laying of Wreath at Burnt Meeting House Cemetery

Dedication of SC250 Monument Burnt Meeting House Cemetery

2026 CAROLINA DAY

Special Thanks

Chester County SC 250 Committee

Union ARP Church

SC Highway Patrol Honor Guard

Chester Chapter 19 DAV

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Chester County Historical Society

Dr. Neely Gaston



Chester County SC 250

Union Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

Union Cemetery

Burnt Meeting House Cemetery

2 – 5 PM