



WITHLACOOCHEE CHAPTER

Sons of the American Revolution

November 13, 2021

The General Meeting of the Withlacoochee Chapter of the SAR was called to order at 10:36 by Chapter President Dave Hitchcock.

NOTE; This General Meeting is being displayed on Zoom for those members who are unable to attend.

Invocation - David Hitchcock

Pledge of Allegiance

The SAR Pledge: John Cary

The American Creed - Charlie Day

Members in Attendance- See attached list

Members in attendance 30

Introduction of Guest - Dave Hitchcock

Shane Kinkead & Tim Miller (on Zoom)

Opening Comments – Members in need of prayer

o Say a prayer for all members and family who are sick or are in need of payer.

BRITHDAYS FOR THE MONTH

Larry Sturgeon

INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS;

Shane Kinkead

AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

Stephen Brown; Liberty Medal of Outstanding services in recruitment of new members

Nomination of Officers 2022; David Hitchcock

o Open the floor for the nomination of Chapter offices for the year 2022

President, David Hitchcock, 1st Vice President, Robert Folk, 2nd Vice President Stephen Brown, Treasurer, Richard Bailey, Secretary Tom Bowen

SPEAKER: Tom Bowen

Subject is Thomas Jefferson

Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report – Richard Bailey, Treasurer;

- o All the accounts have been balanced and reconciled; the income for the current period were \$2,427.00 and the expenses for the current period were \$348.00. Transfers: From Woman's Aux 9801 \$0.00, To: Main Withlacoochee 8001 - \$50.00, Over all for the period ending 11/12/2021 \$2,079.00
- o **Any member wishing to review the accounts, please contact the treasurer after the meeting or by Phone or Email and the treasurer will provide the information requested.**

- The end of day on the Tuesday before the meeting is the cutoff for the meal obligation. If you obligate for a meal and do not cancel before the cutoff; you must pay for that meal.
- Memberships the dues must be received by the Treasurer on or before the next general meeting on the 11th of December. Those members delinquent at that time may be dropped from the Roster.
- Motion to accept, motion 2nd, and voted to accept.

Secretary's Report – Tom Hellem, Secretary;

- The last General meeting was held on October 08, 2021 and the EBM on October 30, 2021, meetings minutes are posted on the Withlacoochee Chapter web page.
- Open House that was held on November 10, 2021. SAR Withlacoochee Chapter sponsored the open house and the 2 local Hernando DAR Chapters participated in the event.
- 34 members attended the 10-08-2021 General Meeting and 3 members attended the 10-30-2021 EBM
- The Roster information project continues; 64 members have responded, 2 members were returned as undeliverable, and 19 members did not respond.
- The Zoom meeting at the November, General meet was successful and had 1 visitor attended and participated in the meeting.
- Motion was made to accept, Motion was 2nd, and, voted to accept.

WYKE - _____ Stephen Brown _____

No report

Registrar Report – Stephen and Vicki Brown

- Total members to date are 85
- New applications: under review at National are 6
- New applicants of 3
- New prospects 2
- Transfer in, Jim R. Armitage, Ph.D., in process at FLSSAR
- Supplementals in process; Jim Peyton, and David Hitchcock
- Nelson Peter has been assigned as the new Registrar and Tom Hellem has been assigned to assist.

Veterans Committee – Larry Sturgeon/ Bill Teater

- Bill Teater detailed the visit to the Veterans Home in Land O Lakes. Those planning to attend should arrive about 10:45AM on December 14th; although no one will be allowed to go inside, we meet in the front and distribute the gifts to the administrators. Bring your gifts to Tom Hellem, David Hitchcock and Bill so we can transport them to the home.
- Bill explained the importance of participation in this program and the situation at the Veterans Home and other visits to Veterans homes during the year; Compatriots that visit should record the Name, date, the total mileage traveled and the location. Any Veteran interface should be reported to Bill by every early January, and He will calculate the number of points in the report to National.
- Veterans parade in Inverness went well.
- The chapter has purchased 15 wreaths for the Wreaths Across America program which will be on December 18, 2021. There will be no formal celebration this year because of COVID 19, but a SAR member in uniform can drive through, take a wreath to be placed on a memorial and the chapter gets points. Please inform the Chapter President if you attend.
- Looking to add to \$1,100.00 the Veterans budget. The Precedent is looking for a motion, discussion, and a vote.
- Motion was made to accept, Motion was 2nd, and, voted to accept

Poster Contest – Larry Sturgeon

o No report.

JROTC/Sea Cadets/Color Guard – Russell Gibson;

- On November 7 the Color Guard participated in the Massing of Colors at the First Lutheran Church in

Inverness, Compatriots attending were Color Guard Commander Russel Gibson, David Hitchcock, Doug Brock, Jack Townsend, & Larry Sturgeon.

- On December 10, Russel Gibson and Doug Brock participated by ceremonially Posting of the colors
- On November 11 the Chapter participated in Inverness Veterans Day Parade. The Color Guard: Russell Gibson, Dave Hitchcock, and Jack Townsend displayed the Colors. A number of other
- The Color Guard Commander in the Veterans in the Classroom program at two Citrus County Schools. In the that process he talked about the Constitution, Bill of Rights, Founding Fathers, and of the Historical Flags in early America. Together 18 classes were in attendance; some 289 students were in attendance.

Publicity –Mark Labadia

- No report

Eagle Scouts – Charlie Day

- No Report

Web Page Richard Bailey

- Still working on the Home Page and moving pictures to the new site.

Newsletter– Mark Labadia,

- No report

Old Business – David Hitchcock;

- No old business

New Business – Dave Hitchcock

- Open House Event on November 10, 2021, location is the Brookridge Community Center, 8150 Hampton St. Brooksville FL. 34613
- The Withlacoochee Chapter is sponsoring and producing the event. The Hernando County DAR, Genealogy Society of Hernando, and those individuals that have an interest in becoming a SAR or DAR member.

Ending Comments – Dave Hitchcock

- None

Happy Dollars- Richard Bailey

Happy Dollars are collected to supplement the cost of the programs which the chapter is involved.

SAR Recessional _____

The meeting was adjourned at _____ 1:34

UPCOMING EVENTS

Next EBM Saturday, November 27, 2021 @ 11:00 AM

Located at Beef O Brady's, Horse Lake Rd. Brooksville, Fl.

Next General Meeting December 11, 2021 @ 10:30 AM

Located on 509 E Hartford St. @ Citrus Hills Country Club



David Hitchcock, President



Tom Hellem, Secretary

ATTENDANCE; 34 members, guests and wives

Nelson Peters, Chauncey Reich, Richard Bailey, John Carey, Norm Freyer, Russ Gibson, Robert Brown, Stephen Brown, Vicki Brown, Jack Townsend, Jimmie Barnes, Tom Hellem, David Hitchcock, Charlotte Hitchcock, Thomas Bowen, Charlie Lucas, William Scheiterle II, William Teater, John Elley, Jim Mullens, Chris Faust, David Steitz, Harley Nelson, John Attanasio, Millard Hodges, Shane Kinked, James Payton, Ronald Powell, Matthew Scott, John Seddon