

#### WITHLACOOCHEE CHAPTER

Sons of the American Revolution February 13 2021

The General Meeting of the Withlacoochee Chapter of the SAR was called to order at <u>10:49</u> by Chapter President Dave Hitchcock.

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

Invocation - Richard Trout II
Pledge of AllegianceJohn
The SAR Pledge: - Richard Bailey
The American Creed
Introduction of Guest - <u>Stephen Brown</u>
o Jim Gaskins, SAR NE Regional VP, Sergeant Steve Gaskins FHP P A Officer, Sergeant Danny Middleton FHP,
Curtis Vaughn FHP Trooper, Jenny Vaugh, Sharon Vaughn, Sheriff Mike Prendergast
Opening Comments – Members in need of prayer
o 2 members and 1 past member of the Withlacoochee Chapter have passed this January; Leslie L. Hanlon,
Ronald T Dunwoodie, and John A W Camillo
o Say a prayer for all members and family who are sick or are in need of payer.
Member in Attendance- See attached list
o Attendance 29
INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS;

None

# **Awards Presentation:**

- o Curtis Vaughn FHP Trooper was presented the SAR Law Enforcement medal
- o Curtis Vaughn FHP Trooper was presented a Memorial coin from the Citrus County Sheriff's Department

## **Speakers**

- o Sergeant Steve Gaskins, Sheriff Prendergast,
- o A short video presentation of Trooper Vaughn's high speed pursuit of suspected law breaker.
- o FLSSAR, NE Regional Vice President Jim Gaskins; the State chapter recognizes the Withlacoochee Chapter for the work with the Veterans Home

## **Committee Reports:**

**Treasurer's Report** – Richard Bailey, Treasurer;

- o All the accounts have been balanced and reconciled Any member inquiring of the Chapter Finances, please contact the treasurer by Phone or Email and the treasurer will provide the information requested.
- o Received late dues payment from 3 dropped members
- o Motion was made, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and voted to accept.

# Secretary's Report – Tom Hellem, Secretary;

- o The last General meeting was held on January 09, 2021 and the EBM on January 30, 2021 meetings minutes are posted on the Withlacoochee Chapter web page.
- o 11 members attended the 01-30-2021 EBM
- o At the EBM it was decided to verify and update the personal information for each chapter member . I am in the process of distributing an information form with a return envelope. This corrected will updated in the Chapter Roster and shared with FLSSAR and the National SAR
- o At the EBM there was a discussion about notices of members, member spouse, or other close relatives was not being disseminated. Although there is no official channel at this time, please call myself or the President.
- o Motion was made, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and, voted to accept.

WYKE	Stephen Brown		
No report			

#### Registrar Report – Stephen and Vicki Brown

- o Total members to date are 76
- o New applications under review at National are 6
- o Newly approved Members; Paul Sweeney. The Registrar's 50th recruited member.
- o New applications under review at National are 6
- o New applications under review at State are 0
- o Recruits completed for signature are 2
- o New applicants of 1
- o Supplementals in process for review are 4

#### **Veterans Committee** – Larry Sturgeon

o Review the new members records to see if they need to be awarded the War Service medal.

## **Poster Contest** – Larry Sturgeon

o One school in Citrus County, working on a project to get more schools to participate.

## JROTC/Sea Cadets/Color Guard – Russell Gibson;

o An invitation to participate in the Last Naval Battle recognition on the 13 of March will not be attended by the Color Guard.

## **Publicity –Norm Freyer**

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## **Eagle Scouts** – Charlie Day

- o The State Eagle Scout contest has only two Eagle Scouts participating this year.
- o The Eagle Scout contest is complete and the Eagle Scout from Jacksonville was the winner.

#### Poster Contest – Larry Sturgeon

No report

## Web Page Richard Bailey

- o Still working on moving pictures to the new site.
- o The new News Letter is now posted on the old website and the site is now up to date 37:17 Mins...
- o The chapter is now developing a Zoom meeting for those members that cannot attend.
- o On the new site the administrator will be a time line of the revolution and collect history of members

patriots to add to the time line.

#### Newsletter- Mark Labadia,

o There was some positive response to the new Newsletter. Many could not find the letter. The web administrator has moved the newsletter to a better location; under the Home Page of the webpage.. The letter is being expanded with event of the Revolution.

o The publisher is looking for input from members about the content and member' Patriot stories to publish.

#### **Speaker** Brian Barrett

o Author of book about the sorting out the patriots and the loyalists in western Massachusetts and eastern New Your area during the revolutionary war.

Old Business - David Hitchcock;

No old business to report

**New Business** – Dave Hitchcock

None

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 PM	
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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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

Located on Horse Lake Rd. in Hernando Co. @ Beef O Brady

Next General Meeting Saturday March 13, 2021 @ 10:30 AM

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

First Name	Last Name	Wife	
Jim	Gaskins		Guest
Steve	Gaskins		Guest
Danny	Middleton		Guest
Curtis	Vaughn		Guest
Jenny	Vaughn		Guest
Sharon	Vaughn		Guest
Mike	Prendergast	Sheriff	Guest
Thomas	Bowen		
Robert	Folk Sr.		
Nelson	Peters		
Richard	Bailey		
John	Carey		

Stephen	Brown	Vicki Lynn	
Mark	Labadia	Stacy	
James	Peyton		
William	Scheiterle II		
Larry	Sturgeon		
Paul	Sweeney		
Jack	Townsend		
	Jr.		
John	Wilder		
Charles	Day Jr.	Dorothy	
John	Elley		
Tom	Hellem		
David	Hitchcock	Charlotte	
Richard	Trout Jr		