



WITHLACOOCHEE CHAPTER

Sons of the American Revolution

May 8, 2021

The General Meeting of the Withlacoochee Chapter of the SAR was called to order at 10:30 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 III

Pledge of Allegiance Ronald Powell

The SAR Pledge:- Larry Sturgeon

The American Creed - _____

Members in Attendance- See attached list

- Attendance 29 Members

Introduction of Guest - Robert Folk Jr

- Steve Finegan, Peggy Finegan, David Trombley, Lia Trombley, Angela DeRue, David Reich, Charles Lucas, Christopher Faust, Bob Thomas

Opening Comments – Members in need of prayer

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

BRITHDAYS FOR THE MONTH

- Tom Hellem, Mark Labadia, Richard Trout

INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

- Three generations of the Eggstaff family were inducted into the Sons of the American Revolution today. James (the father) was present at the meeting. The son, Justin Eggstaff and two grandsons, Braden & Ryne Eggstaff were in their home in Washington DC. The induction of the four new members was conducted via Zoom and cell phone, a very first production for the Withlacoochee Chapter.

Awards Presentation:

- Jack Town send was awarded the Bronze Oak Leaf to his Silver Roger Sherman award.
- Larry Sturgeon presented the awards for the Withlacoochee Chapter Poster Contest to Lia Trombley, an elementary school student from Hernando County. Ms. Trombley was awarded a 1st place certificate and a check for \$100.00 from the Chapter, the 1st place award from the FLSAR, a \$150.00 check. and from the from the Florida Ladies Axillary, a \$75.00 check.

SPEAKER: Mark Bair _____

- Speaking about "Seven facts about the Revolutionary War that will shock you."

Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report – Richard Bailey, Treasurer;

- All the accounts have been balanced and reconciled; the income for the current period were \$808.00 and the expenses for the current period were \$1104.58. Any member inquiring of the Chapter Finances, please contact the treasurer after the meeting or by Phone or Email and the treasurer will provide the information requested.

- Motion to accept by Richard Sumner, motion 2nd by Bill Teater, and voted to accept.

Secretary's Report – Tom Hellem, Secretary

- The last General meeting was held on April 10, 2021 and the EBM on April 24, 2021 meetings minutes are posted on the Withlacoochee Chapter web page.
- 9 members attended the 04-24-2021 EBM.
- First discussion at the EBM was the Treasury Report, Treasurer will provide all income for the current period and all expenses for the current period; any other.
- Motion was made by Richard Bailey, 2nd, and, voted to accept.

WYKE - _____ Stephen Brown

No report

Registrar Report – Stephen and Vicki Brown

- Total members to date are 83.
- New applications under review at National are 3.
- New applicants of 4

Veterans Committee – Larry Sturgeon/ Bill Teater

- On Friday April 23rd the funeral was held for Compatriot Danial Han at Bushnell National Cemetery
- Members in attendance were Bill Teater one other. The ceremonial Flag was encased in a Flag Box provided by the Chapter and presented to wife Sara Han.

Poster Contest – Larry Sturgeon

- This year's Poster Contest has ended.
- Sea Scouts have not responded. JROTC, on 4-27-21 the chapter presented the Bronze medal to Air Force JROTC. On 5-5-21 the chapter presented the Bronze medal to Army JROTC. On 5-7-21- the chapter presented the Bronze medal to Navy JROTC. The color Guard will attend the event in Fall City. But the Chapter Color Guard will be inactive for other events around the state.

Publicity – Mark Labadia

- How & where do we present the newsletter? A vote was taken and it was proposed that it should be presented on both the Web Site and sent out in mass email.

Eagle Scouts – Charlie Day

- The Eagle Scout Medal is presented to new member Justin Eggstaff. Local Scouting has been relatively inactive.

Web Page Richard Bailey

- Location of the Newsletter is on the home page menu.
- The VA benefits and veteran's discounts are on the home page menu.
- Still working on moving pictures to the new site.
- Now Richard is coordinating with the state secretary to make it compatible with the state website.

Newsletter – Mark Labadia,

- There will be a newsletter at the end of the month and include items from the meeting, the flag award, and notes about the speaker and his presentation.

Old Business – David Hitchcock

- The page describing the various types of memberships, i.e., Dual, Life, etc. is posted on the web site.
- Changing the By Laws to include 50-year National membership dues.
- At the EBM on April 24, 2021, it was decided that the Chapter accept the "NSSAR Emeritus I, the FLSSAR Emeritus II & Emeritus III" and the proposed wording (see below) to amend the Chapter 'By Laws' be presented to the attending members.

"Wording to change the 'By-Laws'

NSSAR and FLSSAR have adopted into their by-laws a structured Emeritus Program. The Withlacoochee Chapter will adopt into their by-laws *in verbatim* the Emeritus Program for both Societies. Any and all changes to the Emeritus Program that are officially adopted by NSSAR and FLSSAR, in succession, will be incorporated into the Withlacoochee Chapter By-Laws.

- Motion was made by Richard Bailey that this paragraph be inserted into the Withlacoochee Chapter of the FLSSAR By-Laws; the motion has been seconded; the floor is open for the vote; the attending members voted in the affirmative; the President tapped the gavel and the motion is passed.

New Business – Dave Hitchcock

- No new business.

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 _____ 1:40 PM _____

UPCOMING EVENTS

Next EBM Sunday, August 29, 2021 @ 5:00 PM

Located on 9287 Christine Lane, Spring Hill, Fl. 34608

Next General Meeting Saturday September 11, 2021 @ 10:30 AM

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



David Hitchcock, President



Tom Hellem, Secretary

Attending Members

Kenneth	Dunn
James	Echlin
Robert	Folk Sr.
Nelson	Peters
Chauncey	Reich
Richard	Bailey
Norm	Freyer
Russ	Gibson
Michael	Houle
Stephen	Brown
Mark	Labadia
John	Frazier
James	Peyton
Ronald	Powell
Larry	Sturgeon
Richard	Sumner II
Paul	Sweeney
William	Teater, Sr.
Jack	Townsend Jr.
Thomas	Venard
John	Wilder
Harley	Nelson
Richard	Trout III
Jimmie	Barnes
Charles	Day Jr.
James	Eggstaff
Tom	Hellem
David	Hitchcock