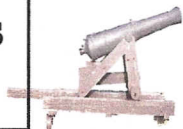




The Whig

The monthly newsletter and source of information
for the St. Lucie River Chapter,
Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution
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President's Salvo



Gentlemen,

As I sit here on Christmas Day, just finishing up the next "Whig" my family and I want to wish you and yours the Merriest of Christmases and the Happiest of New Years. We have had a difficult year, with the losses of Compatriots Oscar Brumback, Frank McWilliams, and Dick Fowler all of these men were good friends and active members in the Chapter. We are not a young group but we do have the blessings of each other and the goal to leave a better country for our heirs. May each of you prosper, may each of you have good health and may we all see another Christmas and New Years.

God Bless.

Hall Riediger

Three New Members Inducted

It is always with pleasure that we give notice of new members being inducted into the Chapter. It is a time consuming process getting all the information down and documented. From



left to right are Mark Klingensmith descended from Phillip Klingensmith of Pennsylvania and Mathew and Stephen Dillemath descended from Edward Ainsworth of New Hampshire, Hall Riediger, Regional Vice President is conducting the induction. In the picture below are Mark Klingensmith being welcomed by his sponsor Bob Eisenhardt with the rosette, next is Matthew Dillemath being welcomed by Bob Donnahoo (not visible) his sponsor and Stephen Dillemath being pinned by his Mother, DAR member Kathryn Dillemath.

Happily we have two more people in the application process and two, who have not received their certificates yet. So we have more coming in the near future.



Special Day for Senator Pruitt



Above: Senator Ken Pruitt and Alternate National Trustee Phil Carr. To the right Ken Pruitt and his lovely wife Aileen and below: Ken Pruitt being presented the Silver Medal and certificate by Florida Society East Central Regional Vice President Hall Riediger

The St. Lucie River Chapter presented to Ken Pruitt retired Florida State Senator, the Sons of the American Revolution Silver Good Citizenship Medal. Ken served the Treasure Coast Region for 19 years, first as a member of the Florida House of Representatives and then as a Senator also serving for 2 years as the Senate President and presently is associated with a local law firm as a consultant. The Chapter was especially proud to give this award to Ken and as he told us his lovely wife, Aileen. Ken has sponsored many peices of



legislation, the best known and loved, the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program. This is the merit based state scholarship funded by the Florida Lottery, with presently 170,000 students enrolled and being aided with this program. Ken has also been active with the restoration of the Everglades and with the reformation of the Florida Legislatures procedures and methods. The Chapter wishes Ken and Aileen a long, healthy, prosperous career and success in all of their endeavors.

Conflict in May

It has come to the boards attention that due to a miscalculation on the part of National and State that the Annual Meeting will be moved from its normal end of April date to the second weekend in May, the 7,8, and 9. this is so that President General Butler will be able to attend. This is a direct conflict with our regular meeting and the Board would like to know where if membership would like to move the May meeting to Saturday, May 1 or Saturday, May 15. If you would like to have input on this decision please contact any of your officers.

Daughters of Liberty Medal

The Daughters of Liberty Medal authorized in 1992, may be presented to any lady, by the National Society , a District, a State Society or a Chapter by any officer in appreciation for her unselfish devotion, tireless efforts, and assistance to the SAR. She should have dedicated her time, energy, ability or finances to the organization in support and furtherance of the objectives of the National Society, SAR. The medal is considered second to only the Gold Good Citizenship Medal. The medal should be awarded only after either the Medal of Appreciation or the Martha Washington Medal. The medal is gold in color and depicts a revolutionary woman astride a galloping horse as a dedicated patriot aiding the struggle for independence. The Medal is suspended from a drape of blue , yellow , blue bands of equal sized bands. The name and the date of awarding is engraved on the reverse.



Calender of Events

January 7, 2010 Board of Directors Meeting Olive Garden "Tradition" 12:45 /1:00 PM

January 9 - regular meeting Marero's, Palm City, 11:30 AM Guest speaker Jon Bell, Planetarium Director I.R.S.C.

January 15/16 - Board of Management meeting. Kissimmee, register on line FLSSAR website. Special Seminars: Chapter Operations, Rumbaugh Oration Contest, Patriotic Education and website creation.

January 16, 11:30 AM Blake Library, Family History and Genealogy Fair , Stuart

February 13 - regular meeting Manero's, Palm City, 11:30 AM. Mrs. Jean emerson, Social Studies Department Head ,Treasure Coast High School.

March 4- Board of Directors Meeting Olive Garden, "Tradition" 12:45/1:00 PM

March 13 - regular meeting Manero's, Palm City, 11:30 AM Dabney Davis black powder revolutionary soldier presentation. Nomination of Officers for 2010/2011.

April 1- Board of Directors Meeting, Olive Garden, "Tradition" 12:45/1:00 PM

April 10 - regular meeting Manero's, Palm City, 11:30 AM Law Enforcement Month.

May 7,8,9 Board of Management Meeting and Annual Meeting, Kissimmee, President General will attend. There will be another special seminar of Chapter Operation

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MINUTES
Dec. 12, 2009

Call to Order, Noon: Hall Riediger
Invocation: Doug North
Pledge of Allegiance: Richard Moser
Pledge to the SAR: Bob Eisenhardt

Minutes of previous meeting approved.
There being a quorum; the meeting proceeded

Guests: Alice Link, Lindy Wise, Penny Donnahoo, Kathryn Dillemath, Pat Eisenhardt, Grace Woodburn, Alice Rockhill, Aileen Pruitt and Ken Pruitt.

Members present: Doug North, Jay Wise, Oscar Kraehenbuehl, Bob Eisenhardt, Carl Dennis, Richard Moser, Raymond Moser, Hall Riediger, H. Link, Bud Rockhill, Bob Donnahoo, Rich Pattison, Joseph Leinbach, Royce Neil, Phil Carr, Richard Massey, and three new members, Stephen Dillemath, Matthew Dillemath, and Mark Klingensmith.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 1222 hours.

Meeting back to order at 1310 hours.

New members inducted, Stephen Dillemath, Mathew Dillemath, and Mark Klingensmith.

Correspondence: Rumbaugh Oration contest will be held Jan. 15, 2009 at BOM; entries due by Jan. 8th.

Eagle-Scout Scholarship contest deadline is Dec. 18, 2009

Chapter annual reports for 2010 are due as of this date.

Patriot Medal Nominations are due by Jan 16, 2010.

Unfinished Business: 16 members are behind in their dues; please get them in as soon as possible, Thank You.

New Business: A thank you letter from Ella McWilliam for our donation to St .Mark's Anglican Church.

Thank you letter from Tony Reese and Elaine Penn for our donation to Honor Flights.

A moment of silence was asked for our Compatriot Dick Fowler.

Report on Membership: We have 70 members.

Upcoming Events: BOM meeting Jan. 15/16, 2010 in Kissmnee, all are invited There will be a seminar on the duties of being a Chapter President; this will be presented by Hall Riediger.

Family History Fair, at Blake Library, Jan. 16, 2010 at 11:30 am. Oscar Kraehenbuhl will have a table. If anyone would like to help, please contact Oscar.

Program: Ken Pruitt received the Silver Good Citizenship Medal for having performed outstanding service to our community

50/50 drawing went to Grace Woodburn (a three time winner) \$ 24. Dollars

Guy Duck: \$46.00 Dollars

Next meeting date is Jan.9,2010..Guest speaker will be Col. Michael Roberts.

Benediction: Doug North

Thank You
Rich Pattison
Secretary

The Teddy Bear Express

What the dapper properly dressed colorguards men should wear while marching in the Fort Pierce Christmas Parade. Guardsman Adam Whiting waiting for the parade to step off looks really sharp in his Revolutionary War United States Marine Corps. uniform. Adam is a new member this year , who has really embraced the color guard and has helped fill in the spaces where needed. We need more of you to step up and join us as this is the best way for the Chapter to present itself to the public. There is just something about a man in uniform. Picture to the right.



The picture on the left is the full guard from left to right: Adam Whiting, Richard Massey, Hall Riediger and Bob Eisenhardt. Jay Wise took the picture of the guard and the "Teddy Bear Express" and also was the cars driver in the parade. In Fort Pierce that is the safest place as there are many equestrian units, which prompts the note that we learn what is known to the guard as the Fort Pierce Two Step.

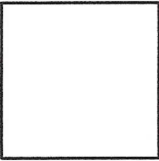
Finally on the right is a picture of the "Teddy Bear Express", the original T-bird was a 1956, but Jay sold it this last year and his daughter lent us hers. Jay and Lindy Wise found all the teddy bears in 2nd hand shops, Jay built the platform and we got the "Teddy Bear Express". The best thing about this is the Chapter won third place in the decorated automobile competition. Our first recognition for the chapter in any competition. Thanks, Lindy and Jay.





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Gold Medal

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Bronze Medal

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