

# The Whig

The monthly newsletter and source of information for the St. Lucie River Chapter,

Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution

February 2010

# President's Salvo



Gentlemen,

I would like to let everyone know that we will be changing the date of the May Meeting. The BOM and the Annual Meeting were changed due to an error by State and National which eleminated the visit by President General Ed Butler. to eliviate this conflict State has moved the meeting to May 7.8 and 9, which creates a direct conflict with our meeting. Thus the change to May 15th for our meeting. Please mark your calenders with this change so we do manage to have a decent turnout in May for installation of Officers. Thank you all for your support.

Take care

Hall Riediger

# Dick Massey, 2nd VP Steps Up

Dick Massey, the 2nd Vice President of the Chapter stepped forward to run the January Meeting. This was his first effort with us, but he has had previous duties with other organizations. We are glad people like Dick, Rick Pattison, Bob Donnahoo, Bob Eisenhardt step



up and do the things necessary to have a good active chapter. In that context we are looking for a few good men, who are willing to step up and help with the day to day operations. We need a 2nd VP for next year, we need a Treasurer for next year and we can always use people to work on committees in the youth projects, veterans, and the many other facets of running a chapter. It is fun, it does fill some of the blank spaces we all have in your lives. remember that if you stay active you will have a better quality of life so please step forward, take a job, you get out to meet people, and everyone is glad to see you...

# John Gibson Taylor, Jr.

It is my sad duty to inform you of the passing of Jack Taylor. He was an active member of the St. Lucie River Chapter and a member of the Board of Directors. Jack was a fun person to be around with wonderful stories of a long and eventful life, we will greatly miss him. Jack passed away in Vero Beach on December 25, 2009 leaving behind 4 sons and a large group of grandchildren. Jack was a veteran of WWII, Korea, and Vietnam retiring from the US Army as a Colonel, and was a executive with the American Cancer Societyfor many years. Those of us, who lived in the St. Lucie River Chapter area of operation will remember him for his good advice and his love of birds. Gods speed Jack.

# By-Law Change

Under the Chapter By-Laws we can make changes to the By-Laws in the following manner. These By-Laws may be amended, altererd and /or repealed provided written resolutions are presented and read to the membership at two consecutive meetings prior to being voted on for approval. Such approval shall be by simple majoirty of the members present and voting.

The Board of Directors has approved a resolution to make the following changes to the By-Laws of the St. Lucie River Chapter. FLSSAR. Effective at the April 2010 election of Chapter Officers for the term commencing at the May 2010 off icer installation, the By-Laws shall read as follows:

#### ARTICLE-XIII-ELECTIONS

"All officers are to be elected for a term of one year" will be changed to read, "All officers are to be elected for a term of two years"

## Minuteman Medal

The Minuteman Award is the highest award presented to a member by the National Society. It is presented for distinguished service rendered to the SAR on the national level. Members are selected by the Minuteman Committee which is appointed by the President General from previous recipients of the medal. The medal is presented by the President General at an Annual congress to not more than six recipients. It is not presented in absentia. It was authorized in 1952. The medal is rectangular in shape,



struck is sterling silver. It depicts a Minuteman holding a rifle with a plow in the background, the Liberty Bell appears on it also. On the reverse is inscribed "Higest Award of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution. Presented to (National Number and Year)." The medal is worn suspended from aneck ribbon of light blue silk. It is awarded only to individual members on a one time basis and is available in minature.

### Calender of Events

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

February 13 - regular meeting Manero's, Palm City, 11:30 AM. Mr.Jon U. Bell, Planetarium Director at Indian River State College.

March 5/6- Last Naval Battle Celebration, Port Canaveral

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

March- St. Lucie County History Fair

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.

April 19th Patriot's Day, chapter receives proclamations dates not yet established

Regular Meeting due to conflict eith er May 1 or May 15 at Manero's , Palm City  $11:30~\mathrm{AM}$ 

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

May14/15 Battle of Pensacola Celebration, Pensacola, FL

May 31- Memorial Day Celebrations, events in Stuart and in Port St. Lucie

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# Minutes January 9, 2010

Call to Order, Noon: 2nd Vice P{resident Richard Massey preciding.

Invocation: Doug las North

Pledge of Allegiance: Robert Eisenhardt Pledge to the SAR: Richard Pattison

Minutes of the previous meeting approved by Tom Neblett, and seconded by Joe Leinback.

There being a quorun the meeting proceeded.

Guests: Helen Pattison, Lindy Wise, Shirley Massey, Judy Kollmeir and Sheila Carr.

Members Present: Doug North, Rich Pattison, Robert Eisenhardt, Jay Wise, Tom Neblett, Richard Massey, Carl Dennis, Oscar Kraehenbuehl, Joe Leinback, Neil Royce and Phil Carr.

The Meeting recessed for lunch at 12:10 PM.

The Meeting called back to order at 1:05 PM.

A minute in honor of Jack Taylor's passing was done, and Jay gave a report on Jack's memorial service. Jack was a good friend and active member in the Chapter serving as one of our Directors at Large. He always seemed to give good advice.

Jay gave a report and read the text of the change in the By-Laws that will come up to a vote here on the April 10 meeting. The Board of Director's has decided that the terms of officers should be raised to two years rather than the present one year, the reasoning being that by the time a man learns his job, his term is over.

Membership, we have at this meeting 62 members, two in process at National and four getting ready to submit their papers. We have at the time of the newsletter only 3 left with unpaid dues.

Earl Marlin Publicity Contest, the Stark Memorial Award papers have been submitted for 2010 and the Chapter Challange will be finalized at the February 4th Board of Director's Meeting.

Board of Management Meeting will be held on Jan 15/16 all members are invited to attend.

Last Naval Battle event will be held on Sat., March 6th, 2010 at 10 AM Port Authority Building, challenger Road, Port Canaveral, Florida. Aneone can atend and all membrs are invited, those who have a uniform can participate in the Color Guard. It is a lot of fun.

The Battle of Pensacola Celebration will be held on May 14/15 in Pensacola all members are welcome to atttend.

The Program intended to be a short DVD of the Battle of Saratoga was cancelled when the audio portion of the DVD could not be played, instead the Chapter held a general business meeting covering in more detail the above subjects.

The next meeting will be held at Manero's on February 13 at 11:30 AM, the program will be Jon U. Bell, Planetariun Directror at Indian River State College.

Benediction: Doug North

SAR Recessional: Dick Massey

Richard Pattison, Secretary



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# President's Brigade

#### Gold Medal

Robert W. Donnahoo, Jr.
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#### Silver Medal

Robert H Eisenhardt Oscar A. Kraehenbuehl H. Hall Riediger

#### Bronze Medal

Ray Reeves Boyce George R. Lambert Joseph K. Leinbach