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

October 2015

President's Salvo



Gentlemen,

President John Auld and wife Susan were off on a fall trip to New England. The chapter was in the capable hands of 1st VP Chuck McKinley, who unfortunately had a falling accident and required the assistance of Compatriots Hall Riediger, John Sheppard, and committee chairs Jack Irvin, Carl Wade, and Jay Wise to carry on activities. They did a wonderful job at the monthly October meeting, making our St. Lucie County Police Departments feel welcome, presenting Law Enforcement Awards, and swearing in and welcoming new members. They also participated in a rededication ceremony of the Cora Stickney Harper DAR Chapter plaque from 1925 at the Old Fort Park in Fort Pierce. This park has a burial mound and was the location of a military fort during the Seminole War that was destroyed in the 1800s.

In November, we endeavor to recognize both our nation's and our chapter's veterans on Veteran's Day, and we solicit your support to Hall, Jack, and Carl in the Martin County parade and St. Lucie County Veterans activities.

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Law Enforcement Commendations



From left to right: Janice and Detective Richard Giaccone, Compatriot Hall Riediger, Deputy Matthew Brewster and wife Jessica.



The St. Lucie River Chapter, SAR, proudly presented Law Enforcement Commendation Medals to outstanding members of the St. Lucie County Sheriff's office and the Port Saint Lucie Police Department at our October meeting.

Deputy Matthew Brewster of the St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office was presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate. Deputy Brewster's wife Jessica pinned his medal with supervisor Captain Mark Schimpf in attendance. A letter of recommendation from St. Lucie County Sheriff Ken Mascara was read by Compatriot Hall Riediger.

Detective Richard Giaccone of the Port St. Lucie Police Department was presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate. Detective Giaccone's wife Janice pinned his medal with Lt. Scott Beck and wife Georgette in attendance. A letter of recommendation from Port St. Lucie Chief of Police John Bolduc was read by Compatriot Riediger.

To Visit the Chapter Website, go to:

<http://www.stlucieriverflssarc.org/index.html>

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At our November 14 meeting, we will present our Bronze Good Citizenship Award to the Vero Beach Woodcarvers for their carving and awarding canes to Purple Heart Recipients. We will also have guest speaker, Joshua Alexander, a United States Army Iraq veteran.

Christmas is coming; we are asking for canned donations at the next two meetings for our chapter food drive. Non-perishable only, please! These goods are donated to local charitable organizations.

The last civic activity for the calendar year will be awards for Fire Safety and EMT for Martin County. Our chapter provides these awards to local agencies to demonstrate our thanks and appreciation for all they do to keep us safe. The awards are rotate on an annual cycle through the three counties in our chapter.

Thanks to all for your calls and thoughts for Chuck McKinley.

Our chapter continues to grow and demonstrate our values and appreciation for our forefathers, this Republic, and our Constitution. Please continue to help us wherever you can! And don't forget to pay your \$70 dues at the meeting on November 14.

Sincerely,

John Auld

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New Member Inductions

The St. Lucie River Chapter, SAR, had the honor to induct several new members at the October Meeting. We are delighted to welcome Compatriots Hartford Inlow, Charles Berger, Dirk Van Doren, and James Pippin as new members.

Additionally, Compatriot Stephen O. Trinkle has transferred to our Chapter from the state of Tennessee.

Please join us in welcoming these new members.



From left to right: Hartford Inlow, Chuck Berger, Hall Riediger, Dirk Van Doren, John Sheppard, and James Pippin.

Old Fort Park Rededication

The St. Lucie River Chapter, SAR, supported the Cora Stickney Harper Chapter, DAR Rededication Ceremony at the Old Fort Park in Fort Pierce on October 15th. A Color Guard and additional support was provided. The ceremony was under the leadership of DAR Regent Karon Drew. Fort Pierce Mayor Linda Hudson, a DAR member, spoke briefly. A history of the park was given by Honorary Regent Joanne Humphries. Many DAR chapter members were in attendance as well as Compatriots Jack Irvin, Jay Wise, John Sheppard, Chuck Berger, Carl Wade, and Joe Regan. Compatriot Regan played Call to Colors and Retreat on Compatriot Wade's bugle.



The Old Fort Park has both national and local significance as one of the early forts built to support the Seminole battles in the 1820s. Local history consists of an Indian burial mound on the site and an Historical Marker installed in 1925, later stolen and replaced by Boy Scouts. The original marker was later found and reinstalled. The Fort Pierce Parks Senior Planner of the Planning Department discussed plans for future improvements; this was followed by Matthew Samuel, Vice President of the Fort Pierce Lions Club, on their support for future improvements. Many local residents were in attendance who enjoyed the afternoon's activities. Our Thanks to the Cora Stickney Harper DAR chapter officers for inviting us to participate in this local civic activity.



Compatriots Jay Wise, Jack Irvin, and John Sheppard

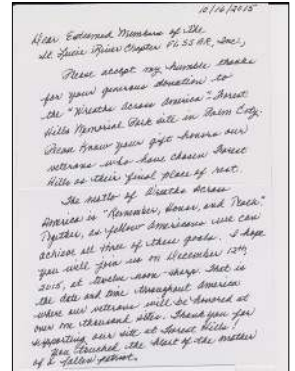
Wreaths Across America



It is my honor to share a card of appreciation that I received today in the mail from Karen Zook, Gold Star Mother of Cpl. Ian T. Zook, USMC, KIA in Iraq 10/12/04.

As you know, our Chapter recently donated \$100.00 to Wreaths Across America c/o Karen Zook. Our donation will help to buy wreaths being placed at our deceased veterans final resting places at Forest Hills Cemetery in Palm City. I have attached the card of thanks sent to all of us in the St. Lucie River Chapter.

Chris Wade



Chapter Reports: October 2015



Treasurer's Report—

Current Checking Account: \$1865.78
Current Money Market Account: \$6457.17

Membership Committee Report—Our

Chapter has the following number of members for a total of 79 current members:

- 66 regular members
- 3 life members
- 10 junior members

Program Committee Report—Law Enforcement

Awards in February will have representatives from Okeechobee City and County as well as the Seminole Tribe department.

Eagle Scout Committee Report—No activity to report

Habitat for Humanity Committee Report—Joe

Leinbach stated we need books.

History Fair Committee Report—No activity to report

JROTC Committee Report—No activity to report

Liberty Tree Committee Report—No activity to report

Veteran's Affairs Committee Report—See article

'Wreaths Across America'.

Genealogy Committee—No activity to report

Color Guard Committee—See article "Old Fort Park

Rededication'. Upcoming Veterans Day events in Stuart and Port St. Lucie.

Americanism Committee—No activity to report

2016 Membership Dues

2016 dues (\$70) are now due.

Dues may be paid to the Treasurer by mail or at the November meeting. Please send them in as soon as possible so we are not delaying our report to National.

Note: NSSAR Dues (not FLSSAR or SLRSAR) were raised \$5 at the 125th Annual Congress



Name _____

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E-mail _____

Copy or print this page, fill out, include check for \$70, and Mail to:

Compatriot Chris Wade
628 Bentpaddle Lane
Port St. Lucie, FL 34983

Chapter News and Notes



The St. Lucie River Chapter, SAR, is proud to announce the induction of several new members. Compatriots Steven Kent Jordan, Ayden Maxwell Jordan, Logan Cole Jordan, and Devin Riley Jordan were accepted on June 16, 2015 and were given their Certificates and rosettes over the Summer. The Jordan

family descends from Patriot William Jordan, who was a Lieutenant in the 1st Georgia Continental Line.



*Clockwise from top left:
Steven Kent Jordan,
Ayden Maxwell Jordan,
Logan Cole Jordan, and
Devin Riley Jordan*

SAR News and Notes

-Eye-Catching Resources of the Thirteen Colonies and Hand-drawn Infographic Now Available to All SAR Members. The SAR Outreach Education program is proud to offer two new educational resources provided with permission from the Library of Congress and the United States Military Academy's Department of History. SAR members, educators, and the general public alike will be able to utilize these invaluable prints in classrooms, educational booths, and other community events. Find out more at the NSSAR website or by clicking [here](#).



-The NSSAR is in the process of redesigning the NSSAR online store website. Visit the new website at store.sar.org or by clicking [here](#).



Events Calendar

November 11: Veterans Day, Contact Hall or others to participate. Participants in parade must arrive early.
-10 a.m. Veterans Day Parade, Memorial Park, Stuart, Ceremony to follow at 11 a.m.
-11 a.m. Veterans Day Ceremony, Veterans Memorial Park, Port St. Lucie.

November 14: Regular Meeting, Manero's, Palm City*

November 26: Thanksgiving

December 7: Pearl Harbor Remembrance Ceremony, Port St Lucie Docks on Veterans Parkway, Port St Lucie

December 6: Ft. Pierce Christmas Parade, Ft. Pierce

December 12: Regular Meeting, Manero's, Palm City*

December 25: Christmas

January 9: Regular Meeting, Manero's, Palm City*

February 13: Regular Meeting, Manero's, Palm City*

March 12: Regular Meeting, Manero's, Palm City*

April 9: Regular Meeting, Manero's, Palm City*

May 14: Regular Meeting, Manero's, Palm City*

* Regular meetings start at 11:30 am unless noted.

Editor's Note

Let us all take the opportunity to thank a Veteran for his/her service this Veterans Day and every day. Their dedication, commitment, and sacrifice allow all of us to enjoy life as we know it. WKH

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Minutes

October 10, 2015

Call to order: 12:05 PM
 Invocation: PHIL CARR
 Pledge of Allegiance: BRUCE HERCHENRODER
 Pledge to the SAR: PHIL CARR

"We, descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution, who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of Liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe."

Minutes of previous meeting: in WHIG, August, 2014:

Motion to approve: HALL RIEDIGER Second: TOM GILMORE

Motion carried

Members Present: Hall Riediger, John Sheppard, Carl Wade, Tom Barnhart, Bruce Herchenroder, Jay Wise, Bill Hartley, Joe Leinbach, Jack Irvin, Chuck Berger, Joe Regan, Tom Gilmore, Phil Carr, Jim Pippin, Joe Leinbach, Dan Olin, Steve Trinkle, Dirk Van Doren, Bruce Herchenroder, Chris Wade, Hartford Inlow

Guests Present: Jan Barnhart, Clare Van Doren, Sheila Carr, Lt Scott Beck and wife, Det. Richard Giaccone and wife, Hartford Inlow, Dirk Van Doren, Jim Pippin, Chuck Berger, Det. Matthew Brewster and wife, Capt. Mark Schimpf, Stephen Trinkle

Meeting recessed for lunch.

Reopened meeting by calling everyone back to order.

INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS:

Jim Pippin
 Steve Trinkle (transfer)
 Dirk Van Doren
 Hartford Inlow

CORRESPONDENCE; Note from Chuck McKinley, he has fallen, broken left wrist, sprained right wrist and another broken rid, he is at home but laid up. His condition was updated yesterday.

NEW BUSINESS: Officers for the 2016/2017 years, we need people to step up and volunteer for all positions. President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, plus we are looking for Committee Chairs and members.

Christmas Parade in Fort Pierce, we have a boat and the theme will be "a Christmas to Remember", Washington crosses the Delaware" will need volunteers to show up in uniform and make up crew on December 6, 2015.

REPORTS MEMBERSHIP: John Sheppard

REGISTRAR REPORT: Note Chapter is 78 members and Florida Society is 2203. We are considered one of the largest chapters in Florida.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: JROTC- Carl Wade Eagle Scouts-Hall Florida Good Citizenship-Hall

OTHER OFFICER REPORTS: Color Guard-Commander Hall Riediger Veteran's Day at PSI and Stuart. Sunday, October 11 in Fort Pierce, check with Jack Irvin on who, what, why and when. Habitat for Humanity, Joe Leinbach stated we need books.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA – A special motion was voted and passed to donate \$100 to Wreaths Across America in St. Lucie County and also \$100 to WAA in Martin County.

PROGRAM:

AWARD PRESENTATIONS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT:

Hall Riediger read letters of recommendation from Port St. Lucie Police Department Chief of Police and Sheriff Office for Detective Richard Giaccone and Detective Matthew Brewster. Both gentleman received award certificates and were pinned medals by their wives. All correspondence letters of recommendation and information to be filed with secretary.

50/50 drawing winner was Jack Irvin of \$34.00 who donated the winnings back to the chapter.

Guy's Duck amount: \$65.00

Next meeting date and program: November 14, 2015: Veteran's Month; guest speaker Joshua Alexander, US Army war veteran.

Benediction: PHIL CARR

SAR Recessional: HALL RIEDIGER

"Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights and independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free men."

Adjourned 1:44 PM

Yours, Tom Gilmore, Secretary



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President's Brigade

Those Compatriots whose extra financial support allows the Chapter to go the extra mile in it's efforts throughout the year. Please, if at all possible, help us out with a little extra.

Gold Medal

Support of \$50 and above

Silver Medal

Support of \$25 and above

Bronze Medal

Support up to \$24