

SAR MINUTES. 5.4.2019

ST. LUCIE RIVER CHAPTER, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

May 4, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

These minutes were compiled by First Vice President, Robert Beasley Sr.

The meeting was called to order at 11 AM by President Charles Berger at Southern Pig & Cattle Company, US One, Stuart, Florida. Chaplin Steve Trinkle led us in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members and Guest Present:

Robert Beasley, Sr. Chuck Berger Jack Irvin Steve Laster Jim Linn Mike Linn

Walt Mills Jay Pruden Joe Reagan Hall Riediger Steve Trinkle Carl Wade

Diane Laster (Guest)

Award Presentation: Steve Laster was presented with the Meritorious Service Award for his service to the St Lucie River Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution.

Minutes of the April meeting were read and accepted with one addition. Jack Irvin was present but not listed on the minutes.

President Chuck Berger discussed the importance of publicity for the Chapter and suggested that we have a booth at local events.

The Chapter will participate in the Port St Lucie and Stuart Memorial Day activities. Compatriot Jack Irvin is the Officer of the Day for the Port St Lucie Memorial Day activities at Veterans Memorial Park.

Compatriot Hall Riediger provided a wreath and stand for the Port St Lucie activities; he will also provide a wreath and stand for the Stuart activities.

Compatriot Hall Reidiger discussed a Letter of Appreciation from Indian River State College; the letter was passed around for the membership to read.

Committee Reports:

JROTC: Compatriot Carl Wade reported that seven JROTC Awards were presented to Cadets at Martin and St Lucie County High Schools. The final award will be presented to a cadet at St Lucie West Centennial High School next week.

Citizenship Awards: Hall Riediger reported that 48 Certificates of Good Citizenship (three per school) were provided to local elementary and middle schools.

History Fair Certificates and a check for \$25 was presented at the History Fair Awards Assembly.

Compatriot Jay Pruden discussed the Grave Marking Ceremony for his ancestor, Private Darby Shawhan, in Morrow, Ohio. Photos and a description of the ceremony can be found at the Chapter website; www.slrc-sar.org and on the Chapter Facebook page.

The meeting was recessed for lunch at 11:50.

Meeting called to back to order at 12:10

Introduction of the Guest Speaker by First Vice President Robert Beasley.

Guest Speaker was Compatriot Walter Mills. Compatriot Mills gave an excellent presentation of four of the muskets used in the Revolutionary War Era and displayed four muskets from his personal collection. The presentation included a brief history of each weapon, caliber, and loading and firing procedures.

Upcoming Events:

Upcoming events were discussed, the events are: Memorial Day (two locations), Flag Day, June 14th, July 4th activities, Joint Meeting in September, and the Chapters next regular meeting at our current location in September.

50/50 Drawing and Guy's Duck:

50/50 drawing was won by President Chuck Berger. President Berger donated his winnings to the Chapter. 50/50 drawing netted \$45.00

Guy's Duck donations was \$20.00

President Chuck Berger read a brief description of General Washington's Farewell to his officers and recited the names of Compatriots that our Chapter has lost in the past year.

Recessional was made by Chaplin Steve Trinkle and the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.

Just a reminder that our next regular meeting is October 5th at the Pig and Cattle Company in Stuart, Florida.

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Secretary John Auld was absent May 4 and attending the Kentucky Derby. On May 2, 2019, he went to the SAR National offices in Louisville, KY, and met SAR President General Warren M. Alter, of Arizona.



Additional picture shows improvements to SAR National Headquarters. They are seeking donations to continue adding resources to the HQ.

