



**President's
Salvo**

*Seasons
greetings*

The below salvo was written after our November meeting but before Thanksgiving so I have included it.

Thanksgiving is a time to express our thanks to God for all the blessings that He has provided to us during the past year. Let us all take a moment to reflect on all the blessings we have received in our lifetime.

May we all share our dinner with our family, friends and loved ones around the table.

Merry Christmas also to everyone and as Tiny Tim said "May God bless us, everyone"

Thanks to all for your help during the past year.

Chuck Berger



NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

St. Lucie River Chapter Sons of the American Revolution

December 14, 2019 Minutes

Members and Guest present: John Auld, Charles Berger, Bill Cassada, Marvin Riddle & Joann Riddle, Jim Linn, Bill Sander, and Hall Riediger.

Minutes: December 14, 2019 Chapter Meeting.

Treasurer Jim Linn presented the Chapter Financial Report; report was approved by the members present.

Duck \$40. Joann Riddle won \$20.

President Berger presented two First Responder Medals: City of Port St. Lucie Patrol & Training Officer Scott Marrelle with 21 years on duty, and to St. Lucie County Major Crime Unit Detective David Danicelle. Both the City and County chiefs commented on the quality skills of the two recipients.

Historical:

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Respectfully submitted,

John Auld, Chapter Secretary



President Chuck Berger was presented a supplemental certificate for his patriot ancestor from Compatriot Hall Riediger.



Compatriot Bill Sander was presented a supplemental for his ancestor Elliott Williamson from Compatriot Hall Riediger.



City of Port St. Lucie Patrol & Training Officer Scott Marrelle received the SAR Law Enforcement Award and Certificate also in the photo are Chapter President Chuck Berger and Port St Lucie Police Chief John Boldoc.



Detective David Danicelle, St Lucie County Sheriffs Department received the SAR Law Enforcement Award and Certificate. Chapter President Chuck Berger shakes hands with Captain Rothman of the St Lucie County Sheriffs Department.



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Chapter First Vice President Robert E Beasley, Sr represented the St Lucie River Chapter at the Wreaths Across America Ceremony at White City Cemetery on December 14, 2019. Fort Pierce Central JROTC sponsored the event. Compatriot LTC (Ret) Matt Saxton is the Senior Army Instructor for the program.

After the ceremony Compatriot Beasley drove to the Chapter Meeting in Stuart, Florida arriving shortly before the meeting was adjourned and gave his report on the activities.



Compatriot and LTC (Ret) Matt Saxton , Senior Army Instructor, Fort Pierce Central JROTC makes remarks at the ceremony.

Members of the Fort Pierce Central US Army Junior ROTC sponsored the Wreaths Across America Ceremony at White City Cemetery on December 14th, 2019.



Ft Pierce Central High School US Army JROTC



Veterans Day—November 11, 2019

Veterans Day activities occurred after the publication of the November WHIG. Four members of the St Lucie River Chapter – Sons of the American Revolution participated in two Veterans Day Ceremonies: Veterans Day Parade in Stuart, Florida and the Veterans Memorial Park Ceremony in Port St Lucie.



The St Lucie River Chapter - Sons of the American Revolution participated in the Veterans Day Parade in Stuart, Florida: Left to Right - Compatriots John Auld, Bob Eisenhart, and Hall Riediger



Port St Lucie Veterans Day Ceremony.
Compatriot Robert E Beasley, Sr

Upcoming Events

January 4, 2020— Monthly Meeting—Compatriot John Auld will give a presentation on one of his ancestors and his participation in the march to Québec.

February 1, 2020—Monthly Meeting - Compatriot Hall Riediger will give a presentation on The Last Naval Battle of the Revolutionary War.

March 7, 2010—Monthly Meeting - Compatriot and Judge Mike Linn will give a presentation on the Pros and Cons of the Second Amendment. **Nomination for Officers for 2020 –2022**

April 4, 2020— Monthly meeting— **Election of Officers for 2020—2022**— Compatriot Robert Beasley will give a presentation on the Battle of Moores Creek, NC in which his ancestors participated. .

May 2, 2020—**Swearing in of newly elected officers**—Last meeting before the Summer— Compatriot Walter Mills will give a presentation on Benedict Arnold and Valcour Island. He will also bring a tomahawk that was carried during the engagement.



If you would like to volunteer to give short presentation on your ancestor or any part of the events that transpired in the United States during the Revolutionary War period or the events leading to the Rebellion or it's aftermath please contact me at rb4348@att.net.

Volunteers are also need to be Committee Chairman, see President Chuck Berger for details or contact him at opastuart2004@yahoo.com

Article from National Park Website

Consequences Of The War

The end of the Revolutionary War brought independence for 13 American states. How Americans would use their newfound freedom was not immediately certain. Between 1776 and 1780, the states wrote new constitutions or changed their old charters to become republics.

When the alliance of the states under the Articles of Confederation proved inadequate, a convention in 1787 produced the Constitution, which remains our governmental framework. The Constitution settled many issues and formed a stronger union of the states, but it also contained contradictions that would echo through our history. Flying in the face of the Declaration of Independence's statement of human equality, the Constitution protected African-American slavery.

In the English-speaking world of 1787, few even entertained the possibility that women possessed equal political or economic rights. Much of American history after 1776 represents a struggle to extend full citizenship to white males without property, to people of color, and to women.

For Indians, the formation of the United States only increased the flow of white settlers onto their lands and led to more clashes. An acknowledgement of the Revolution's deferred promises, however, should not blind us to its far-reaching effects. The republican form of government, with all its powers grounded in the consent of the people, was practiced nowhere else in 1776.

Later revolutions in France, Hispaniola (present-day Haiti), and throughout Latin America drew inspiration from the American Revolution. Once adopted by the United States, the ideals of liberty and self-government would have future effects never imagined by the original revolutionaries.

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