



Presidents Salvo

Compatriots,

May the New Year have in store for all of you happiness, love, good health and prosperity.

This year we will be changing our meeting location to the Pt. St. Lucie American Legion Post 318 at 1000 Savanna Blvd.

There will be many issues to iron out before our next meeting and during the next few meetings.

I ask all of you, in the spirit of compatriotism, for your patience, understanding, help, and goodwill.

During this time if you have any **SERIOUS** problems, please e-mail me.

I know I can't spell, can't type, have bad grammar, don't hear well and I can be abrasive but I have the best interest of the SAR in my heart and will listen to your problems and ideas and discuss them with you.

Lets all work together to make our St. Lucie River Chapter the best in the State.

Thank You,
Chuck Berger
President

New Chapter Meeting Location

Beginning with the February 1, 2020 meeting of the St Lucie River Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution we will meet at a new location, American Legion Post 318, 1000 Savannah Club Blvd, Port St Lucie, FL 34952 . Additional information is in the Chapter Minutes and on Page 4 and 5 of this Newsletter.

January 4, 2020 Meeting

Compatriot John Auld presented detailed information regarding his direct 7th generation ancestor, Alexander Burns, Private, 1st Pennsylvania Regiment of the Continental Line under Colonel Edward Hand. The key event was the Attack on the Citadel at Quebec, December 31, 1775. The Americans, under Benedict Arnold, suffered a painful defeat with many killed and captured.





NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

St. Lucie River Chapter Sons of the American Revolution

Minutes: January 4, 2020 Chapter Meeting

Members and Guest Present

John Auld	Jim Linn
Susan Auld	Mike Linn
George Barkley	Mike McMahon
Tom Barnhart	Walter Mills
Robert E Beasley, Sr	Marvin Riddle
Chuck Berger	Joanne Riddle
Richard Fisk	Bill Sander
Bob Hess	Steve Trinkle
Bob Howard	Carl Wade

Call to order: 11:00 AM

Invocation: Steve Trinkle

Pledge of Allegiance: Tom Barnhart

Pledge to the SAR: All members

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

The Treasurer’s Report was presented and approved.

Chapter Business:

Carl Wade moved to approve minutes of December 2019, seconded, approved by acclaim.

Chuck Berger made brief comments reference the Habitat for Humanity.

President Chuck Berger brought up for continued discussion a change of our monthly meeting location. Two sites were visited by Chuck Berger, Robert Beasley, and John Auld. The City of Port St. Lucie Community Center was a possibility with good location and parking. No food available on site. City Councilwomen Jolien Caraballo offered to sponsor SAR with no use/rental charge. The American Legion Post 318 has ample room, adequate parking, ready access on Savannah Road just off US One, and on site food.

Robert Beasley is a Legion member, which enables SAR to use the facility. It was generally agreed that the American Legion was the best site. Bill Sanders moved and John Auld seconded: Next meeting 11 AM February 1 at American Legion Post 318. Approved by acclaim. However, a lengthy discussion occurred about the food and costs, and if members attending must buy food.

Members are not required to purchase food however all members must sign in.

President Berger stated he will negotiate with the American Legion and we will have our next four meetings (February through May) at the new site. More details will be sent to members by email. RSVP will be requested so we can give the kitchen an advanced head count.

Other:

It was agreed that we need a current update of membership roster including US Mail and email addresses. Secretary John Auld has completed this and has sent copies to all members for confirmation of data. PLEASE respond by email to confirm that you received the email addressed to you. Make any changes or corrections in your reply. If we receive no reply, we will send a letter asking again for confirmation. This will cost us time and money. It is our membership. Let’s work together so everyone gets up dated info. Thank you.



January 4, 2020 Minutes Con't

Next Meeting: February 1, 2020 at our new location, [American Legion Post 318, 1000 Savannah Club Blvd, Port St Lucie, FL 34952](#)

Benediction: Steve Trinkle

SAR Recessional: All members

Adjournment: 1:00 PM

Upcoming Events

January 18, 2020—11:00 AM the Seal Museum in Fort Pierce holds its annual ceremony honoring Purple Heart recipients. We have attended and supported this event since inception, please attend and be early as heavy participation limits late arrival. If you have questions contact Compatriot Jack Irvin 772 577 0181.


February 26, 2020

The St Lucie River Chapter has supported this event in previous years, if you are available your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Please complete the survey by following the link below.

Email from Ms. Kathy Ems—St Lucie County Schools

We are still in need of judges for our social studies events this year, especially for our History Day event on February 26th. If you have not yet registered and you, or a colleague, is available to support please use the link below so that we may add you to our judges roster. Thank you again for all the support you have given to the students of St. Lucie county throughout the years!

[2020 St. Lucie Social Studies Academic Fairs Availability Survey](#)



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March 7, 2020 10:00 AM - Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution - Veteran's Memorial Center—Merritt Island.

Chapter Meetings

February 1, 2020—Monthly Meeting - First meeting at our new location at [American Legion Post 318, 1000 Savannah Club Blvd, Port St Lucie, FL 34952](#)

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.

This month in the Revolutionary War

Battle of Cowpens



At the Battle of Cowpens in South Carolina on January 17, 1781, during the Revolutionary War (1775-83), American troops under Brigadier General Daniel Morgan (1736-1802) routed British forces under Lieutenant Colonel Banastre Tarleton (1754-1833). The Americans inflicted heavy casualties on the British, and the battle was a turning point in the war's Southern campaign.

As Tarleton's men attacked, Morgan instructed the militia to skirmish with them but to leave the front line after firing two rounds. The British mistook the repositioning of the Americans as a rout and ran into an unexpected volley of concentrated rifle fire coupled with a cavalry charge and followed by the return of the militia. Tarleton escaped, but Morgan's troops decimated his army.

American rifles, scorned by Britain's professional soldiers, proved devastatingly effective in this engagement. More than 800 British troops were killed, wounded or captured. The Americans suffered less than 100 casualties in the first Patriot victory to demonstrate that they could outfight a similar British force without any other factors, such as surprise or geography, to assist them. The victory provided an important morale boost, and later that year, in November, the Americans would defeat the British at Yorktown, Virginia, the last major Revolutionary War battle.

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Meetings at American Legion Post 318

President Chuck Berger and Robert Beasley met with Ms. Fran Romano of [American Legion Post 318, 1000 Savannah Club Blvd, Port St Lucie, FL 34952](#). The Chapter's first meeting at American Legion Post 318 will be Saturday, February 1, 2020. The information discussed is below. This information was also provided in an email to all members.

Meeting begin at 11:30 AM the first Saturday of each month. The meeting room is separate from the bar area of the facility. There is a meeting of another organization prior to our meeting (starts at 8:30 then they clean their area), depending on whether their meeting is over with or not we should be able to enter the building around 11:15

Lunch will be served at 12:15 PM. The waitress will take your order, it is not necessary to email your order to the Chapter officers, you will have a choice of two lunches.

Members are not required to buy the meal.

Members will have a choice of two meals to choose from, meal choices and dates served will be indicated below.

Drinks will not be served with the meal, members will purchase their drinks (all are \$1.25) separately at the bar. Drinks available are soft drinks, sweet and unsweetened tea, and water. Unless you are an American Legion member the bar is not available for any other purchases. (American Legion rules specify that no outside drinks/containers may be brought into the building)

Price to members remain the same, \$20.00, price includes tip. The same procedure that we currently use will be used at our new location as you arrive; pay the Treasurer and be seated or mingle; the waitress will take your meal order. (The SLRC Treasurer will pay the bill to Post 318)



Meal Choices:

Saturday, February 1, 2020

Open Faced Turkey Sandwich, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, served with a salad.
Hamburger or Cheeseburger with One Side (French Fries, Potato Salad, Slaw, etc..)

Saturday, March 7, 2020

Open Faced Roast Beef Sandwich, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable served with a salad.
Turkey Club Sandwich with one side.

Saturday, April 4, 2020

Baked Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, served with a salad.
Italian Sub (Ham, Peperoni, Salami. Lettuce and Tomato) Served with Potato Salad.

Saturday, May 2, 2020

Chicken Parmesan over Penne Pasta served with a salad.
Hamburger or Cheeseburger with One Side (French Fries, Potato Salad, Slaw, etc..)

Please bear with us, it is expected we may have problems the first meeting and we will need to work through them.

[American Legion Post 318, 1000 Savannah Club Blvd, Port St Lucie, FL 34952](#)

Please direct any questions that you may have to President Chuck Berger at opastuart2004@yahoo.com or me at rb4348@att.net

SAR PLEDGE

“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.”

SAR RECESSIONAL

“Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our Forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an Independent Supreme Court and a nation of free men.”