

# **Sons of the American Revolution**

Marquis de Lafayette Chapter

Minutes of Chapter Meeting

Tuesday February 13, 2018

1. The meeting was called to order by President Don Bulloch at 7:00PM With Posting of the colors, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, Pledge to the SAR and the Invocation. Secretary did not record the number of members or guests.
2. Don then asked that the members introduce their guests for the evening. Guests were introduced.
3. David Jessel then introduced the two recipients of the First Responder and Heroic Citizen awards. First was Corporal Christopher "Chris" R. Judy, Peachtree City Police Department who told of his rescue of a woman in a runaway boat. Next was Frank Nevarez, Jr, 5th grade student at Crabapple Lane Elementary School, Peachtree City who saved a classmate from choking by applying the Heimlich Maneuver. Awards were presented by Chapter President Don Bulloch and subsequently pictures were taken.
4. President Bulloch announced that we have no speaker this evening, then said that the Chapter had received 3 awards, Distinguished Chapter 2017, Billy Thompson Americanism Chapter of Distinction 2017, and the President's General Award Chapter of Distinction 2017.
5. Sgt-at-Arms Bill Lechner was called up to accept streamers for the Chapter flag for participation in the Battle of Cowpens and Kettle Creek and Elijah Clarke.
6. Secretary's Report: There were no Minutes recorded at the Christmas Social.
7. Tom Hughes, Treasurer was absent as his wife was in the Hospital. However, according to Walt Reed, there was around \$4,100 in the bank.
8. Chaplain absent.
9. Genealogy report – David Jessel said that Gary Marshall Smith has been approved after 3 years of research. Also, Vernon Bassham has been approved as of 9 February. One more Clark Perrin's SAR application is at GASSAR Registrar and David was going to invite him to the meeting, but David's phone was out of power, so he had not been invited to the meeting. End of the year we did well getting people to pay their dues. We did lose a few over the year.
10. Jim Strickland, Editors report – am having problems learning how to get pictures from Dropbox and cutting and pasting the pictures.
11. Registrar's report – Mike Sanderson – have one application that Dave is helping me with – I know it will be approved since it's my Grandson. That's all we have now but are looking for more.
12. Americanism report – Walt Reed – has printed out all the headings for the Americanism report to help everyone understand what information we really need for the report. I will be sending this out to everyone.
13. Veterans report – Walt Reed – am doing the same thing for the Stark report for the veterans. I was surprised that we were 4<sup>th</sup> place for the award – it's based on points per member.
14. David gave some information regarding what counts towards points on both the Americanism and Stark reports. Walt also said that now would be a good time to

begin bringing stocking stuffers for next Christmas. I will have a list. Also we can go to places like Chick-fil-A and McDonalds and get gift cards. Remember that no razors, alcohol or bar soap.

15. Mike Sanderson and David Jessel detailed several opportunities available to Veterans.
16. Boy Scouts – sent a letter to the head of the Flint River Boy Scout Council making them aware that we have a scholarship available and anyone (Eagle Scout) who wishes to apply should make application to us. It's a \$10,000 scholarship.
17. Colorguard report – Bo had nothing to report – two events were either too cold or too wet so I didn't participate. However in Peachtree City there is to be a WW2 April 22<sup>nd</sup>.
18. Walt brought up that our Chapter is sponsoring a triple grave marking ceremony in Newnan and need the colorguard for that event. Feb 24, also need to fire muskets. Walt also encouraged folks to attend the St Simons Frederika event.
19. Graves Committee – need to get someone to handle this. James Strickland was nominated.
20. Membership Committee – Mike Sanderson – need more members and if we get more members then we need more points as well. Banks also indicated that we have a calendar on the website and we need the info.
21. ROTC – David said we have the certificates ready so by next meeting I will have a list of schools, schedules, and then request MDL members to assist.
22. Education Committee – do we have one? Bo used to be on it.
23. Speaker Committee – goes to the Vice President. Do we have anyone for March? No.
24. Website Committee – Banks said he would love to get more information on the website.
25. Brenda Jessel – DAR reminds us that yesterday was Georgia Day. Feb 12, 1733.
26. Old Business – none
27. New Business – Walt – a free concert of the Army Band – free tickets [www.armyfieldband.com](http://www.armyfieldband.com). March 3<sup>rd</sup>.
28. Jessel moved to close, seconded, approved, then remembered that we had to retire the colors.
29. Meeting adjourned with the retiring of the colors, recitation of the SAR Recessional and the Benediction by David Jessell.

Respectfully Submitted  
N Banks Glover  
Secretary, MDL Chapter, GASSAR