Sons of the American Revolution

Marquis De Lafayette Chapter

Tuesday December 9, 2014

Minutes of December Chapter Meeting

1. The meeting was called to order by President Bo Hill at 7:05 PM. With Posting of the colors, the Pledge of allegiance to the Flag, Pledge to the SAR and the Invocation.
2. Bo asked that the members introduce their guests for the evening. Each compatriot introduced his wife and Bo welcomed all to the meeting.
3. Since this is our annual Christmas meeting there was no guest speaker for the meeting
4. Bo mentioned that we were at the McDonough Parade on the 6th of December and that perhaps we would look in to participating in the Fayetteville parade in the future as the traffic getting out of McDonough is terrible for this parade.
5. Knox Herndon was presented a star for a supplemental ancestor that he had been waiting for approval for some time.
6. Walt Reed secretary reported that the November Minutes were sent out to all and no corrections were received .The minutes were approved as e-mailed.
7. Treasurer reported that 33 members have not paid next years’ dues and that he will send out another e-mail reminder that dues not paid by a member by December 31, 2014 will be dropped from the roles. Ted also stated that we only have 20 members sign up for the banquet. All are reminded that the Awards and installation of new officers banquet is scheduled for January 13, 2015 (our normal meeting night) at Flat Creek Country Club in Peachtree City, there will be a cash bar at 6:30 PM followed by a Buffet Dinner at 7: 30PM. Cost is $25 per person please let him know if you are attending and if you are bringing a guest. The speaker at the Annual Banquet will be Robert Jones. If we do not get better attendance we may have to cancel.

Ted also reported that we had placed one Christmas Tree at the Veterans Medical Center at Fort McPherson and three Christmas Trees at the Veterans Hospital.

1. Mike Tomme spoke to the chapter about his move to Florida. His father is in poor health he has made the decision to be close to him. He will remain a member of our chapter in Georgia.
2. Bo reported that the color guard will be in the Westminster Gardens Cemetery for the Wreaths across America Ceremony on December 13, 2014. Wreaths will be placed at as many Veterans graves as possible. All who can are invited to attend. There is also a ceremony at 12:00 noon in Newnan at the Veterans Plaza.
3. Genealogist and registrar are working on several applications. Walton Glover who has attended several meetings paper work should be going forward and will bring us possibly 8 new members three will be juniors. Two others papers will be going forward as well. All are encouraged to ask friend and anyone if they have an ancestor and if they do tell them about the SAR.
4. Bo reported that David Thompson from the John Collins Chapter is asking to have a joint Grave Dedication for his ancestor who is buried in Fayette County on June 13, 2015 and we will be looking into that.
5. Bo then presented the slate of the officers for 2015 as follows: President Knox Herndon, Vice President John Swab, Secretary Walter “Walt” Reed, Treasurer Edward C. “Ted” Hackney, Chaplain Charles “Jack” Baker, Registrar Robert ‘Don” Bulloch, Genealogist David Jessel, Chancellor Christopher Chapman, Sgt.-at-Arms William “Bill” Lechner, Editor Gary S Ridling, Historian is Vacant, and James Brown was appointed Web Master. A motion was made that the Slate be accepted by acclamation there being know no nominations from the floor the motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
6. Mike Tomme made a pitch for all to try to attend the National Congress in Louisville this year it will be at the new National Headquarters. Mike needs all there to vote for him as Secretary General of the organization. It is June 27th thru July 1st. 2015.
7. David ask for a committee of John Sloan, Ted Hackney , David Jessel and Knox Herndon to Select a gift for the bank in appreciation for allowing us to use the conference room for all the years since the chapter was formed.
8. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM with the retiring of the colors, recitation of the SAR Recessional and the Benediction
9. After adjournment we then had a very nice Christmas Party.

Respectfully Submitted

**Walter B. Reed**

Secretary, MDL Chapter, GASSAR