Sons of the American Revolution

Marquis De Lafayette Chapter

Tuesday November 11, 2014

Minutes of October Chapter Meeting

1. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Knox Herndon at 7:05 PM. With Posting of the colors, the Pledge of allegiance to the Flag, Pledge to the SAR and the Invocation.
2. Knox asked that the members introduce their guests for the evening. Each compatriot introduced his wife and David Jessel introduce three prospective members Charles and Allen Glover, Gary Smith and guest Anna Thompson
3. Knox Herndon then introduced our speaker for the evening Susan Sloan who gave us a very informative talk on James Monroe’s Role in the American Revolution. Many people think of James Monroe as the President elected in 1817 but many do not know that he was involved in much of the early war and was advised by Thomas Jefferson to study law when he was unsuccessful in obtaining a command in the continental army.
4. Knox then presented a certificate of Appreciation and Thank You to Susan for the excellent presentation.
5. Randall Wise was then introduced and sworn in as a new member by David Jessel.
6. Walt Reed secretary reported that the October Minutes were sent out to all and no corrections were received .The minutes were approved as e-mailed. 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.
7. The treasurer’s report was given with a balance of $2157.05. We have had 41 members pay dues for next year, 2 have said they are not renewing and 43 remain unpaid or paid this evening. Membership expires if the dues for 2015 are not paid by December 31st. All are encouraged to pay by December 31st. Ted suggested that the chapter donate $25 to the Center for advancing American Heritage the SAR Headquarters. Motion was made and seconded for that amount and was approved.
8. Chaplain reported he had sent a card to Doug Stansberry and sent around cards for Don Bulloch who lost his wife and a get well to Bo Hill. Walt Reed gave an update on Doug Stansberry.
9. Historian had no report. John reminded everyone to bring magazines and items that you want donated to the Veterans Hospital to the Meeting.
10. Genealogist and registrar are working on several applications and will be sending then in soon.
11. John Sloan will have a couple Flag Presentations one will be at 10:00 AM on 17 November at the Riverdale Dwarf House and one at 10:00 AM on 24 November at the Residence 665 Forest avenue in Fayetteville if anyone can make it please come.
12. We had a successful grave marking near Macon for Revolutionary War patriot John Jones on Saturday November 8, with four chapter members present. David Jessel spoke to Viet Nam War class at Newnan High School.
13. David has sent an e-mail to all the JROTC units giving them information on the outstanding cadet award program from SAR.
14. We will be having our Christmas Party at the next meeting on December 9, 2015 all are requested to bring a dish for the event.
15. The VA report: All are requested to fill out the forms for the Stark Report Ted has sent a $200 check for the Thanksgiving food Certificates. Ted reported the Christmas Tree Decoration at the VA Hospital will be a 10:00 AM on Friday December 5 for the one at Fort McPherson and at 10:00 AM on Saturday December 6 for the three trees at the VA Medical Center. On Tuesday December 9 at 10:00 AM will be the annual gift and Sock Gift distribution at the hospital. We will have 25 gifts for distribution. If you want to donate some money you can still donate for the Christmas Baskets.
16. The McDonough Christmas Parade will be on December 6. We should be there by 3:30 PM judging at 4:30 PM Parade starts at 6:00 PM. Please consider joining us for the parade.
17. Please consider an office as we will be voting on new officers in December.
18. Reviewed the upcoming events that were handed out with the agenda.
19. Brenda Jessel gave an invitation to all to attend the Naturalization Ceremony in Newnan at 11:00 AM on Friday November 14,2015in the Federal Building. There will be about 60 people gaining citizenship and a small reception will follow.
20. Meeting adjourned at 8:06PM with the retiring of the colors, recitation of the SAR Recessional and the Benediction.

Respectfully Submitted

**Walter B. Reed**

Secretary, MDL Chapter, GASSAR