

***Minutes of the January Annual Membership Meeting – Norfolk  
Chapter SAR***

Holiday Inn Virginia Beach – Norfolk Hotel & Conference Center  
January 19, 2016 @ 6:00 PM

The program commenced as follows:

- Call to Order (7:00 pm) by Chapter President Maury Weeks
- Invocation and Dinner Blessings by Chapter Chaplain Robert Hitchings
- The Pledge of Allegiance
- The Pledge of the SAR by Compatriot Carter Furr
- Welcome and Introductions by Chapter President Maury Weeks:

Ed Truslow-Virginia Society 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
Chancellor Carter Furr  
Past President Tom Whetstone  
Compatriot Ken Hogendobler  
Compatriot Matt Hogendobler  
Chapter Treasurer Kenneth Hawkins  
Eagle Scout Honoree Alex Rassmussin and family  
Chapter Secretary Edward Douglas  
Mr. and Mrs. Ron Sobel-guests of President Weeks  
Chapter Historian Stu Whitehead  
Chapter Chaplain-Elect Charles Hassell  
Compatriot Gary Zaugg  
Chapter Chaplain Robert Hitchings  
Compatriot Matt Lucas  
Compatriot Thomas Grund  
Compatriot Ben Cottrell  
Compatriot Scott Aiken

Everyone enjoyed dinner.

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The program then resumed with a reading of the minutes by Chapter Secretary Edward Douglas.

**TREASURERS REPORT**

Treasurer Ken Hawkins reported that the account balance as of this date is \$4,004.79. He also stated that there will be an additional deposit of \$1035.00.

- The Chapter approved the Minutes and Treasurers reports unanimously.

## EAGLE SCOUT PRESENTATION AND AWARD

Treasurer Ken Hawkins introduced this years Eagle Scout Award winner, Axel Rassmussen. Eagle Scout Rassmussen gave his speech on the Battle of Great Bridge. Afterwards, he was a presented with a Certificate, Scout Badge and pin which his mother proudly attached to his uniform.

## AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

President Maury Weeks presented the following awards:

- \*Appreciation Award to Adam Crosby (not present)
- \*Virginia Society Service Award to Ken Hawkins
- \*Virginia Society Service Award to Edward Douglas
- \*Law Enforcement Commendation Award to Edward Douglas
- \*Roger Sherman Award to Tom Grund
- \*Roger Sherman Award to Tom Whetstone
- \*Distinguished Service Award to Ken Hogendobler

## INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER BY PRESIDENT WEEKS

Our guest speaker for the evening was Virginia Society 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Ed Truslow. His message to the group was “Election 2016”.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Truslow’s speech touched on George Washington’s tenure as a Burgess in Winchester in 1755.

He also asked for your support and vote at the Virginia Society Annual Meeting in Richmond next month as he is up for election for President of the Virginia Society.

Also of note was a monument dedication in Petersburg, War Service Awards and more youth involvement and recognition within the SAR.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Truslow reminded all of us to let people know that we are SAR members and not to take for granted that people know what we are referring to when we use initials like SAR, VASSAR, etc. when talking to them. Explain what those initials mean or say “Sons of the American Revolution” and so on.

The 2020 National Congress will be held in Virginia.

The Virginia Society is now the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest state society.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Truslow noted that he was looking forward to travelling around the state of Virginia to attend various events in 2016.

## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The following compatriots were installed as 2016 Norfolk Chapter Officers:

President-Maury Weeks  
Vice President-Mike O'Shea  
Secretary-Edward Douglas  
Treasurer-Ken Hawkins  
Historian-Stu Whitehead  
Chancellor-Carter Furr  
Chaplain-Charles Hassell

## MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT WEEKS

President Weeks stated that we as a Chapter had a good 2015. We did, however, lose a few members. Our events in 2015 went well and we are looking forward to making them even better in 2016. Upcoming events to keep in mind for 2016 are Memorial Day, Flag Day, a possible chapter event for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Battle of the Capes, Kempes Landing, Veterans Day and Great Bridge.

SAR RECEPTIONAL  
President Maury Weeks

BENEDICTION  
Chaplain Charles Hassell

These Minutes are respectfully submitted for your review and acceptance.

Edward J. Douglas, III  
Chapter Secretary