

Minutes of the January Membership Meeting – Norfolk Chapter SAR

Westminster Canterbury Va. Beach, VA

January 24, 2017 @ 6:00 PM

The program commenced as follows:

- Call to Order (6:45 pm) by Chapter President Maury Weeks
- Invocation and Dinner Blessings by Chapter Chaplain Charles Hassell
- The Pledge of Allegiance
- The Pledge of the SAR by Compatriot Carter Furr
- Welcome and Introductions by Chapter President Maury Weeks

In Attendance:

President Maury Weeks

Mrs. Pam Weeks

Vice President Mike O'Shea

Past President Tom Whetstone

Secretary Edward Douglas

Mrs. Debbie Douglas

Treasurer Kenneth Hawkins

Mrs. Cathy Hawkins

Chaplain Charles Hassell

Compatriot Bob Avery

Compatriot Robert Hitchings

Compatriot Greg Whitlinger

Libby Mace

Compatriot Shawn Landis

Compatriot Lindsey Jones

Compatriot Carter Furr

Mrs. Huffy Furr

Compatriot Ben Cottrell

Mrs. Rachel Cottrell

Compatriot Bill Waller

Mrs. Neola Waller

Mr. Jeff Waller

Compatriot Warren Chauncey

Compatriot Gary Zaugg

Compatriot George Neil

Compatriot Thomas Grund

Compatriot Kurt Lawson

Jennie Lou Pangle, Princess Anne County DAR

Wayne Weeks

Everyone enjoyed dinner.

MINUTES

The minutes of the November Membership Dinner Meeting were presented by Secretary Edward Douglas and they were unanimously approved.

TREASURY REPORT

Treasurer Ken Hawkins reported that the balance as of January 24, 2017 in our Treasury Bank Account was \$4274.94. Waiting for \$427.00 to clear from VASSAR and National.

THE STATE OF THE NORFOLK CHAPTER REPORT

In one of his last presentations to members of the Norfolk Chapter SAR as Chapter President, Maury Weeks gave a brief overall “State of the Chapter” address.

He stated that as of this day, our chapter has 70 members. Over the past couple of years our membership has steadily decreased. Why is that? He said that a lot of people want to retain their membership just to say they are a member of the SAR and do nothing else.

We need people to step up and participate to make the chapter work as a whole.

President Weeks emphasized that the programs that our chapter participates in such as The Battle of the Capes, The Battle of Kempes Landing and the Commemoration of the Battle of Great Bridge are all moving forward to huge success. They all seem to get bigger and better each year.

In the end, President Weeks stated that “All in all our chapter is good” and that it was his honor and privilege to have served as the Norfolk Chapter President over the past two years.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Norfolk Chapter Past President and VASSAR 3rd Vice President Tom Whetstone took to the podium and said a few words about VASSAR and NSSAR before officially swearing in the 2017 Norfolk Chapter SAR Officers who are listed below.

President-Ken Hawkins

Registrar-Kurt Lawson

Past President-Maury Weeks

Chancellor-Carter Furr

Vice President-Mike O’Shea

Chaplain-Charles Hassell

Secretary-Edward Douglas

Historian-Bob Avery

COMMENTS FROM PRESIDENT KENNETH HAWKINS

President Hawkins stated that in 2013 our chapter had 105 members. As of today we have 70. With our membership on the decline we need to do all that we can to make our chapter grow.

President Hawkins also said that we need more people to volunteer to be on our committees and most of all we need a Treasurer.

At this time President Hawkins presented the Past President pin to Maury Weeks and also presented him with a few gifts from the chapter as a token of our appreciation for his service and dedication to the Norfolk Chapter SAR.

SAR RECEPTIONAL

President Kenneth Hawkins

BENEDICTION

Chaplain Charles Hassell

These Minutes are respectfully submitted for your review and acceptance.

Edward J. Douglas, III
Chapter Secretary