

CHAPTER MINUTES

May 13, 2006

Fredericksburg Country Club - Fredericksburg, VA

After a Social period that began at 11:30 A.M., the third regular meeting of 2006 was called to order by Vice President Rob Andrews at 12 noon in the Great Room with the following officers present:

Vice President: Robert Andrews, Treasurer: Hobert Southall, Historian: Skip Nolan, Chaplain: Bob Bailey, Registrar: Bob Bowen

There were 19 attendees, including 12 members, 2 DAR members, and 5 guests.

Vice President Andrews called the meeting to order and welcomed all attendees. Registrar Bob Bowen presented the Chapter with a SAR podium banner. The invocation was given by Chaplain Bob Bailey. Following the invocation attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance (led by Compatriot Marv Pixton) and the SAR Pledge (led by Compatriot Jim Clemons). Vice President Andrews asked for introductions of all members and guests. Vice President Andrews reviewed copies of three land grants issued to Fielding Lewis and Charles Dicks, and passed them around the attendees for their review. Vice President Andrews also reviewed some handouts, emphasizing the updated Chapter web-site, and a listing of upcoming events. Registrar Bob Bowen reported on the recent Graves Mountain Lodge meeting. Compatriot Bowen also reported that the BOM (Board of Managers) had decided to present the Good Citizen Medal to the Fredericksburg Mayor, Thomas Tomzak. Vice President Andrews invited members to still consider nominees for this award, since we can award more than one a year.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the minutes of the previous CFL meeting (11 March 2006),.

Treasurer Hobert Southall reported that our checking account as of 13 May 2006 was \$3,898.77 (including \$1,000 Certificate of Deposit for the annual Good Citizen Medal).

Registrar Bob Bowen reported on the current status of new members and supplemental applications. Christopher Kinzer was installed as a new member. Rudy Harner, Chris's uncle, stood as sponsor for Chris, and was a driving force in his pursuit of the application. Compatriot Harner is a member of the District of Columbia Chapter. Vice President Andrews presented Compatriot Kinzer with the certificate and rosette, and the rosette was applied by Compatriot Harner.

OLD BUSINESS

Compatriot Wayne Rouse reviewed the plans for the 10 June 2006 meeting and grave marking for George Lewis. It will be held at the graveyard on Maryes Heights above the NPS (National Park Service) Visitor Center just off Lafayette Boulevard. The ceremony will begin at 12 noon, and a chapter meeting and lunch are scheduled at local Fredericksburg restaurant (TBD).

Vice President Andrews reviewed the need for Program Chairmen, and requested members to consider volunteering.

The SAR Centennial is scheduled for 9 June 2006. This is the date that Congress approved a charter for the SAR. Walt Sheffield is pursuing obtaining a proclamation recognizing this historical event by the Mayor of Fredericksburg.

Vice President Andrews reviewed the plan to schedule our 9 September 2006 meeting at the historic Zirkle Mill. This 265 year old mill is currently owned by Vice President Andrews and his sister, and they are pursuing plans to restore the mill.

The 50/50 raffle drawing was conducted. A total of \$64 was raised (\$32 to the winner, and \$32 to the Chapter).

NEW BUSINESS

The Chapter Report efforts were reviewed. Last year our Chapter was awarded the Best Medium Chapter. This requires significant effort in a number of areas, and the BOM is considering where we need emphasis to place us in a position of leadership.

Vice President Andrews then presented the 2006 Budget. Registrar Bob Bowen noted that the budget had been approved by the BOM. A motion was made and seconded to approve the budget, and it was approved by voice vote.

Vice President Andrews reviewed upcoming programs and events.

- 19-21 May - Mount Vernon's Spring wine festival and sunset tour, \$30, 6-9 P.M.
- 20 May - War of 1812 Muster at Chantilly, 11:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
- 20 May - American Legion Blue Star Salute in Fredericksburg
- 20-21 May - Spring 18th Century Market Fair at McLean 11:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.
- 28 May - 4 June - The Godspeed Sail in Alexandria, 11:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.
- 29 May - Memorial Day Ceremony at the Masonic Cemetery of 1784 in Fredericksburg, noon - 1:00 P.M.
- 29 May - Memorial Day Commemoration, Fredericksburg National Cemetery

A presentation on Virginia in 1781 was made by Skip and Diane Nolan and Bob and Susan Bailey.

Chaplain Bob Bailey led the benediction, and the SAR Recessional was led by Compatriot Wayne Rouse. Vice President Andrews adjourned the meeting at 2:05 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Compatriot Marv Pixton