

Falls of the Rappahannock Chapter, NSDAR
September 8, 2016
Chapter Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Regent Susan Harvin at 7PM at the St. Matthias United Methodist Church in Stafford, VA. Attending were 18 members. The Ritual, Pledge of Allegiance, American's Creed and Preamble to the Constitution were recited followed by the President General's Message, an American Indian, Flag and Constitution Minute and a National Defense Message. The Secretary reported the last month's minutes had been approved and emailed to members and the Treasurer reported a beginning balance of \$1455.49 with income of \$2234.50, expenses of \$645.92 for an ending balance of \$3044.07. The Chaplain reported sending out many birthday cards and the Registrar announced that we have had 6 new members, 5 active applications close to being submitted and 2 ready to go.

There is an Honor Flight on 9/15/2016 at Dulles Airport that members are invited to attend. At Kenmore, the dressing table from Betty Lewis is being conserved. There is a flag retirement ceremony being conducted at the October meeting of the NSCAR (Surgeon Lawrence Brooke Society).

The Chapter welcomed new members Arabella Tallman and Heidi Broton

Under New Business, It is recommended that chapters have insurance and a quote of \$240 per year has been obtained. Details of the policy were available and a vote will take place next month. The Chapter is also in the process of incorporating as suggested by National.

Donna Sayre was presented with 3 certificates of appreciation from the District 5 meeting. Norma sent word asking members to continue to bring items for McQuire Veterans Hospital. December 15 is another Naturalization Ceremony in Alexandria with members asked to attend. October 19 is Yorktown Day and is being hosted by the Virginia State C.A.R.

A break was taken at this point for refreshments provided by Susan Harvin and Sonja Johnson and followed by our program, the DAR in the Electronic Age. Alicia showed us a preview of the new website and how to log in our volunteer hours on the National site. Sonja showed us what our Facebook page (public & private sides) will look like. Both are pending approval by National. Myra told us about the new electronic application process which is now available.

Members were warned to beware of giving information to a person named Brian French of the Lineage Society of America online. It is suspected that he collects information for ulterior motives.

We are invited to Overwharton Parish Chapter's meeting on October 8. They are visiting the grave of one of the founders of NSDAR, Eugenia Washington, who is buried in Stafford.

Our October Meeting will be held at Register Chapel UMC on the 13th.
The meeting adjourned at 8:25PM.

Submitted by Peggy Neel, Secretary

