



**THE TAMPA CHAPTER
FLORIDA SOCIETY
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

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Our Last Meeting

Including five ladies, there were 26 people at the January meeting. It was good to see long-time members Joe B. Hill, Jr. and Louis Putney attending for the first time in a while. New member Jeff Mancinik and prospective members Daniel Hall and Scott Peeler were on hand too, along with guests Ed McCleary and Doug Washburn.

But for the first time Bob Baylies didn't make the meeting. He was busy bringing his wife and their new candiate for the CAR - a baby girl - home from the hospital. She was born two days before the meeting. And hardly to be out done, President Jim Smith said that he had met Bob at the viewing nursery when he went there to see his new grandson. What a beautiful way to ensure new recruits for the CAR, DAR and SAR. Our congratulations to the parents and grandparents!!!

Treasurer Bob Hill reported that all but about five members of the Chapter had paid their 1987 dues. Hopefully all the dues will be paid by the time of our February meeting so that there might be no break in our stride towards achieving our goal of 60 members by March 31st. The dues are \$27. Checks should be made payable to the Chapter and sent to Treasurer Hill - see below for his address.

Compatriot Martin Miller reported for the nominating committee a slate of officers for the Chapter year April '87 through March '88 as follows:

President	- John J. (Jack) Seymour
Vice President	- Martin P. Miller
Secretary	- James A. Chambers
Treasurer	- Robert R. Hill, Sr.
Registrar/Genealogist	- Theodore V. (Ted) Dickerson, Jr.

There were no other nominations, accordingly the slate was approved by acclamation. The Chapter bylaws provide that these officers-elect be installed at the March '87 meeting.

Compatriot Dickerson appealed to Chapter to be on the outlook for prospective members and to refer any such to him for help in establishing their credentials and processing their application.

Prefacing his talk as speaker for the meeting, Compatriot Dickerson commented on the newspaper report that school children would no longer be required to study some 200 to 250 years of the earliest history of our country. He felt, as probably most Compatriots do, that this would be a serious ommission; that children should be taught of the environment in which the roots of our country were established in order that they will have the necessary appreciation of those roots to enable them to carry on the life of the country within the same parameter when their turn comes.

He then gave a very interesting description of the numerous ancestors of his who were active in the Revolution. He has found that he is a cousin of George Washington but many times removed.

Name Tags

Since Secretary Baylies has been handling the procurement of the name tags there was no report on the status of them but President Smith thought that the tags had been ordered and probably would be available at the February meeting.

State Board of Governors Meeting

The meeting will be on January 30th and 31st which is after this is being typed.

Sick List

Compatriot Walton Byars has reported to be recovering from a bout with pneumonia. Spec Winfree is still ailing. We are hoping that they will both be up and around and in good shape again soon.

CAR State Promoter/Patriot

You may become a Promoter for \$5 and a Patriot for \$4. In either case send your check to:

Mrs. Jerson A. Teran
Senior State Treasurer
8885 S.W. 147th Avenue, Apt. 1221
Miami, FL 33196

Identify yourself as a member of the Tampa Chapter to build up the Chapter's credits towards an award at the State Annual Coangress.

Our Next Meeting

The Tampa and Clearwater Chapters are holding a joint meeting in observance of GEORGE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY and the 200TH YEAR OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION. Other SAR Chapters and DAR Chapters in Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties have been invited to join with us in celebrating and observing these two important events which are at the heart of our country being as great as it is. Certainly this is a unique opportunity to join with other Bay Area patriots in demonstrating that we appreciate the steadfastness of Washington and other Revolutionary leaders and support the Constitution which has been the foundation and framework sustaining our country for 200 years now.

For Tampa Chapter Compatriots, the meeting will be held at our usual place, the EGYPT TEMPLE SHRINE, 4050 Dana Shore Drive, Tampa. The date is Saturday, February 21st. Socializing will commence at 11:30 A.M. with a cash bar available. Luncheon will be served at noon or a little after. It will cost \$10 per person. The menu planned includes garden fresh salad, boneless breast of chicken al'orange, rice pilaf, green peas, fruit cobbler and a beverage.

As it has done in recent years, the Clearwater Chapter will present a patriotic flag, in this instance the Washington Life Guard Flag, to the Clearwater Countryside High School Junior ROTC for its collection.

Plans are for a speaker who will discuss not only George Washington but also the United States Constitution Bicentennial. This purports to be a most significant presentation.

While payment in advance is not required the Tampa Chapter Compatriots are urged to do so if possible. A large attendance is expected and it would help Treasurer Bob Hill in avoiding a "jam up" at the door taking payment for the luncheon. Clip and mail the reservation form found at the bottom of the notice (printed in red) of the meeting which was sent to you a few days ago along with your payment to Bob. Make sure he gets it by February 18th at least or call him by then so he can work with the Shrine on the number of meals to prepare AND PAY FOR. Make your check out to TAMPA CHAPTER SAR. Bob's address is 631 S. Echo Drive, Brandon, FL 33511, (813) 689-5395.

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