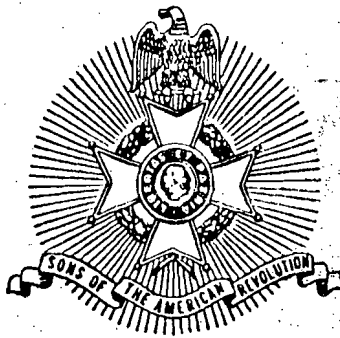


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ur January meeting will be Saturday January 15th at the **RAMADA RESORT & CONFERENCE CENTER**, Room next to dinning room, 820 Busch Blvd. , Tampa, Florida at 12:00 Noon. Each Person will be responsible for paying for their own meal. Your check will include the gratuity.

PROGRAM FOR JANUARY MEETING



est Central Regional Vice President Courtenay Crutcher will install the 1994 Chapter Officers at this meeting. Compatriot Crutcher will also swear in the new members who attend this meeting. Lets have a good showing on this meeting to give our support to the new officers for the coming year.

THERE ARE STILL SOME WHO HAVE NOT PAID THEIR 1994 DUES

This is our last reminder that if your dues have not been paid we must drop your membership from our rolls. Please mail your check in the amount of \$36.00 to Jim Washburn, 5211 Neptune Way, Tampa, Florida 33609-3638 or better yet attend our January meeting and pay you dues then.

BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S MEETING

The Board of Governor's meeting will be from 5:00 PM January 6 at the Penninsular Library at Henderson & Neptune. All members are welcome to attend these meetings and we encourage your input.



Martin Miller
Bennett McGee
Louis Putney

Jan 5
Jan 12
Jan 28

RAMADA MEETINGS GREAT

We finally got our meeting room at the Ramad on Busch. I was fairly quiet and the food was good and it is less costly than our old Egypt Emple location. This plus it central location (right off 275) makes it perfect.

If you skipped meetings because you could not hear the speaker, it's a good time for you to come back!

TAMPA CHAPTER SAR

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD DECEMBER 18, 1993 AT THE RAMADA RESORT CONFERENCE CENTER, EAST BUSCH BOULEVARD, TAMPA, FLORIDA

President Cy Gamber called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM.

The invocation was given by Jim Washburn:

Daniel Carleton led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Cy Gamber Led the SARs in the SAR pledge.

Mrs. Frances Compton, Mrs. Fimi Richie and Mr. Dan Saunders (Who later picked and application form) were introduced as guests.

Since the minutes of the November meeting were published in the newsletter, After a call for any corrections or additions, the reading of them was waived.

Secretary Washburn reported on activities in the Secretary's area since the last meeting:

Larry Huntley, who has been a recent guest at the chapter meetings will be Chapter member in 1994.

William Roach, now stationed at MacDill Field, Called and said that he is a new SAR in the Delaware Society and would like to attend our Chapter meetings. He is on the color guard at MacDill and suggested that the Chapter might be able to have it at our meetings if needed.

New member Fred Pachoud said that he would not be at this meeting but that he intended to be at the January Meeting to be sworn in.

Mark Gibson's certificate is being held pending his attending a Chapter meeting to be sworn in and having it presented to him.

Mrs. Ed (Fifi) Stoner reports that Compatriot Ed is still seriously ill.

Treasurer Washburn reported that for 1993 to December 9th, the date of the Board of Governors meeting, the Chapter had:

Income of:	\$ 924.00
Expenses of	862.00
Net income of	62.00
Chapter funds January 1st	1202.00
Chapter funds December 9th	1264.00
1994 National & State Dues on hand	286.00
Bank Balance	\$ 1550.00
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At the Board of Governors meeting, it approved a 1994 budget showing:

Income of	\$ 1431.00
Expenses of	1154.00
Net income of	277.00
Chapter funds projected for December 31, 1993	1436.00
Chapter funds projected for December 31, 1994	\$ 1713.00
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The most significant change for 1994 is to request the Florid Endowment Trust Fund to reimburse the Chapter 100% of its qualified expenses rather than for 50% as has been done most often in the past. This is budgeted to increase income from this source \$257 in 1994 over 1993.

Some 20 Chapter members have paid 1994 dues by the time of this meeting, leaving about the same number unpaid. Hopefully they will all be paid by December 31st.

The Chairman of the Eagle Scout program, Barry Rich, reported that the program was well underway but that he needed some information on procedural matters including the grading of responses which he had received from the Eagle Scouts. Cy Gamber, as a past Chairman of the program, offered to meet with Barry following the meeting to help all he could.

President Gamber suggested that the Chapter could do more in providing service to the patients at the Haley Veterans Hospital here in Tampa. Past President Ted Dickerson offered to contact the Hospital's service officer regarding this matter.

Presented Ted Dickerson the President's Award Plaque in recognition of Ted's efforts to telephone Chapter members before

Chapter meetings to urge the members to attend the meetings. It is obvious this procedure has helped attendance.

Compatriot George Brooks then presented a talk regarding his search for and the condition which he found the Revolutionary War Battle ground at Ramsour's Mill, North Carolina. It was a particularly interesting and detailed talk including copies for the map of the area (Lincolton) and copies of the article in the Charlotte Observer's area edition of June 21, 1993. The article is a result of George's contacting by any means possible the persons and/or organizations in any in a position to do something possible to improve the sorry state of the condition of the battle ground. Local historians apparently have been trying to do the same for a long time. Perhaps having an "outsider" come in and raise such a ruckus will result in the grounds being brought to a condition worthy of patriots who fought there.

Cy called attention to the next meeting on January 15, 1994 at the Ramada Resort at which time West Central Regional vice President, Courtney Crutcher, is scheduled to install the Chapter officers for 1994.

Elwin Thrasher won the 50-50 drawing and contributed his share to the Chapter. In total the Chapter received \$10.00.

President Gamber led the SARs in the SAR recessional, Jim Washburn said the benediction and the meeting adjourned at 1:34 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

James E. Washburn

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Secretary.