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FEBRUARY MEETING



UR January will be Saturday February 18, 1994 at Colony Inn Resort & Conference Center, 820 Bush Blvd., Tampa, Florida at 12:00 Noon. Each person will be responsible for paying for their own meal. Your check will include the gratuity.

**BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING WILL BE AT 11:00 A.M.
JUST BEFORE THE REGULAR MEETING.**

PROGRAM FOR FEBRUARY MEETING

Our Program for our February meeting will be presented by a ROTC Cadet from Armwood High School. This the second of a series of programs we plan using ROTC Cadets from the various ROTC high school Programs that we present ROTC medals each year for their respective school's outstanding ROTC Cadet. These programs give us the opportunity to meet these youngsters first hand. This will be a very good program so come and enjoy. Bring a friend!



Claude G. Richie
Abraham Lincoln
George Washington

February 12
February 12
February 22



TAMPA CHAPTER SAR

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD JANUARY 21, 1995 AT THE COLONY HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER, EAST BUSCH BOULEVARD, TAMPA, FLORIDA

Prior to the calling of the meeting to order and while waiting for any late arrivals there was much general conversation amongst those already present and also President Brooks presented an article regarding the rather unusual personage of Frederick William Augustus Henry Ferdinand, Baron von Steuben, who, while less qualified by training and experience than he held himself out to be, proved himself over time to be the asset to General Washington and the American cause. Not only did he teach the farm-boy-infantry at Valley Forge the rudiments of soldiering but he also provided much support throughout the rest of the war.

In the meantime our waitress had been taking luncheon orders and since the food was ready to be served, the call to order for the meeting was held until all had eaten.

President Brooks called the meeting to order at 12:45 PM.

The invocation was given by Chaplain Larry Huntley.

The pledge of allegiance to the flag and the SAR pledge was led by President Brooks.

Mrs. Arline Rising and West Central Regional Vice President Courtney Crutcher were introduced as guests present.

The minutes of the December Meeting were accepted as reproduced in the Chapter Newsletter.

Secretary Jim Washburn inquired as to whether any member of the Chapter had access to micro filming capability since the filing space he has for Chapter documents is getting crowded. Some suggestions were made which would need to be followed up on.

Since Jim had not been able to attend the last Board of Governors meeting he handed out to members of the BOG present at this meeting the Chapter's financial report for the year 1994 and from the November BOG meeting to December 31st. He had also handed out to the BOGs a 1995 Budget for presentation at the future meeting.

The 1994 Financial report showed:

Income	\$ 721.84
Expense	784.25
Net Expense	(62.41)
Chapter Funds 1/1/94	1370.24
Chapter Funds 12/31/94	1307.83
1995 National & State Dues and assessments on hand	540.00
Bank Balance 12/31/94	<u>\$ 1847.83</u>

Jim sought and received approval to dispose of 1989 bookkeeping records including bank statements, cancelled checks, paid invoices and the like (disposition of 1988 and prior records has been previously approved and implemented).

He reported that Daniel Carleton and Robert McWilliams had declined to renew their membership; John Pacheco said that he'd "think about it and let you know"; no reply has been received from Bob Bayles to a message left on his answering machine; he has been unable to reach Julius Bruce More and Mark Gibson's mother said she would send in his dues for him.

Jim reported that he had ordered 100 membership cards from National which should take 4 to 6 weeks to receive. The 100 ordered should last about 3 years when combined with the few on hand.

President Brooks reported for Barry Rich on the project of planting seedlings from trees which some connection with an historical background and identifying the trees as having been planted by the Tampa Chapter with plaques. The governmental agencies involved generally approve of the idea of the trees but brought up the problem of the plaques being stolen and/or vandalized. They also have a problem of setting a precedent with other organizations requesting permission to do the same kind of project. Considerable ideas were discussed by the compatriots as to how to overcome these problems. Without any firm plan of action being set at the meeting, implementation of this project will be further pursued.

President Brooks then gave a program regarding the drama of the closing days which resulted in the surrender of the British/Cornwallis at Yorktown in October 1781. Some of the highlights included the British drummer boy who stood up in the midst of shelling with his drum called for a parley. Fortunately the French troops who heard the drumming recognized it for what it was and the shelling stopped and an officer waving a white flag appeared. He approached the French who diplomatically directed him over to the American forces. Later a subordinate of Cornwallis attempted to surrender his sword to General Washington who directed that it be surrendered to American General Lincoln, his subordinate. Lincoln had been forced to surrender previously at Charlestown. And then the pageantry of British and German forces marching through the American troops to lay down their arms. There were still some problems to contend with following Yorktown including a sizeable British force at Charlestown and British forces in the north particularly New York and New England. It wasn't until late 1783 that contending forces no longer faced each other.

President Brooks then presented the Tampa Chapter Presidents Award plaque to Jim Washburn for his service to George and the Chapter in 1994.

West Central Regional Vice President Courtenay Crutcher installed the 1995 Chapter Officers; George Brooks as President and Jim Washburn as Secretary/Treasurer. Vice President-elect Kevin Yarnell and Registrar/Genealogist-elect Roger Crane were not present. Following the installation Compatriot Crutcher presented President Brooks with the SAR's Past Chapter President's pin

and certificate.

The next Board of Governors' meeting was verified, pending any further notification, for February 7th and the next Chapter meeting for February 18th, both at the usual meeting places.

Ted Dickerson won the 50-50 drawing. \$4 was added to the Chapter treasury.

President Brooks led in the SAR recessional. Chaplain Huntley gave the benediction and the meeting adjourned at 1:35 PM.

The Meeting was attended by 8 Chapter members, WCRVP Crutcher and Mrs. Rising for a total of 10.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ James E. Washburn

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Secretary

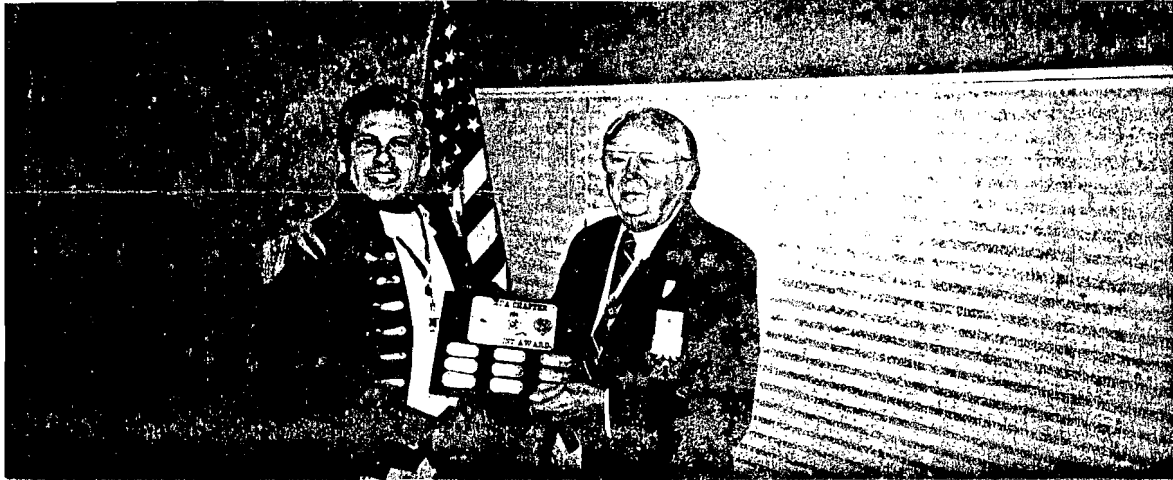
L/R George Brooks, Jim Washburn & West Coast Regional Vice President Courtney Crutcher
VP Crutcher installing Compatriot Brooks as President and Jim Washburn as Secretary/Treasurer



L/R Secretary/Treasurer Jim Washburn, President George Brooks & SW Regional Vice President Courtney Crutcher

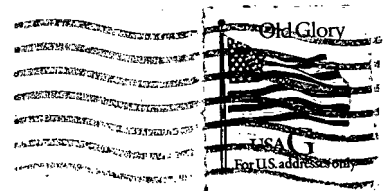
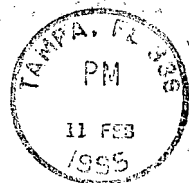


President Brooks presenting Secretary/Treasurer Jim Washburn with the President's award



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