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MAY MEETING

he May meeting will be Saturday May 17th at the Best Western Resort & Convention Hotel, 820 Busch Boulevard, Tampa Florida at 12:00 Noon. Each person will be responsible for payment of their own meal and the check will include the gratuity.

PROGRAM FOR MAY

Our program for may will be 3 Civil War reinactors, in uniforms of the Blue & the Gray & Butternut, who will tell us of their program and some of the Civil War history. This should be a very

exciting and interesting program so invite a friend and come along and enjoy our last program for the summer.

In addition to above we will be awarding the George & Stella M. Knight essay contest winner. This contest is open to

all high school Junior & Senior students each year. This years winner is David Jefferson Hamrick, a 12th grade student, from Hillsborough High School, 5000 Central Avenue, Tampa, Florida.

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 19TH, 1997 MEETING OF THE TAMPA CHAPTER OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

In the Absence of President Kevin Yarnell, Vice-President Bob Yarnell called the meeting to order at 12:05. Members present: Bob Yarnell, Barry Rich, Austin Rising, Jim Washburn, Marty Miller and Elwin Thrasher. Guest present: Mrs Aline Rising, Mr. & Mrs. David Anderson and Tony Anderson.

The minutes were approved as published. In the secretary's report, Elwin Thrasher was commended for his diligence in sending our newsletter to the state officers which resulted in a nice paragraph in the latest state newsletter. The treasurers report was made and approved. Other announcements that were made: Jim Washburn reported an inquiry about the oratorical contest from the state. Bob reported that the May meeting would be at the usual location since plans for meeting at Plant museum could not be made. Additionally, Bob reported that the ROTC medals arrived and had been delivered to Jim Chambers who will handle their distribution. There was no other business and no new business was brought up. The members & guests adjourned to lunch.

After lunch, Barry introduced our Eagle Scout award winner, Tony Anderson. Following some introductory remarks by Barry, Tony Anderson read his essay which was on the Stamp Act of 1765 and its importance in the events leading up to the break with England. The Chapter commended him for his accomplishments and quality of his essay. Thanks were also conveyed to Barry for his continued "championing" of the Eagle Scout program.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Jim Washburn, who donated his half to the Chapter. The Chapter received a total of \$7.00.

The meeting adjourned at 1:05 PM.

Respectively submitted

Bob Yarnell
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Secretary/Treasurer



Vice President Bob Yarnell presenting Tony Anderson the SAR Eagle Scout award with Chairman of the Eagle Scout program Compatriot Barry Rich IV. Barry has chaired this program for the last two years and has volunteered to repeat this next year. All Scouts who become Eagle Scouts within the year are

eligible to enter this contest and he sent some 40 applications this year. Though far fewer than the 40 enter the contest but we still think that is well worth while to continue the program. Thanks Barry for taking on this job.



Right Eagle Scout Tony Anderson and Barry Rich.



Above: Compatriot Barrett Rich, Eagle Scout program Chairman, Mr. & Mrs. Anderson, Tony's mother & Father.

Below: Arline Rising, Compatriot Austin Rising and Compatriot Martin Miller at SAR April Meeting.

