

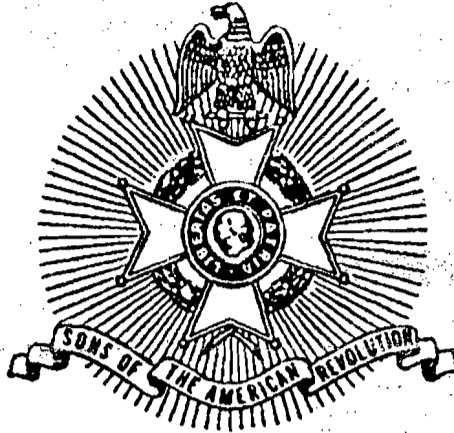
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OUR MAY MEETING

Our May meeting will be Saturday May 15th at the Wildwood Restaurant, 11511 North Dale Mabry at 12:00 Noon. Each person will order from the menu and be responsible for paying for their own meals plus 15% gratuity. This will be the last meeting for the summer with our next meeting to be September 18th. We have an extremely good program for this meeting so lets have a big turn out for this one. Our meetings are open to public and remind those who receive this newsletter even though you are not a member of the Chapter are welcome to attend any of our meetings.

OUR GUEST SPEAKER

The guest speaker for our May program will be Mrs. Charles E. (Renee) Fisher, who will relate to us her experiences in the French underground during World War II. This should be one the most interesting programs we have had in a long time and urge each member to make every effort to attend and bring a guest.

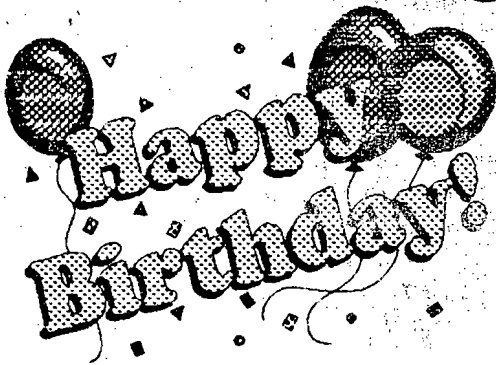
BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S MEETING

The Board of Governor's meeting will be from 5:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. May 6, 1993 at the Peninsular Library at Henderson & Neptune. Again remind you that all members are encouraged to attend these meetings and assist in planning the future programs and meetings.

ADDRESS CHANGE

Please note and change the address and telephone number of Compatriot Jim Smith to read:

James O. Smith
3201 Tara Brook Drive
Tampa, Florida 33618
Phone: 963-6594



Elwin Thrasher
Leo Tyson Jr.
Scott Mason

May 11
May 15
May 30

MINUTES OF THE APRIL MEETING

TAMPA CHAPTER SAR

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD APRIL 17, 1993 AT THE WILWOOD RESTAURANT,
DALE MABRY HIGHWAY, TAMPA, FLORIDA

The meeting was called to order by President Cy Gamber at 12.05 PM.

Chaplain pro-tem jim Washburn gave the invocation.

President Cy Gamber then led everyone in the pledge of allegiance to the flag and the SAR's in the SAR pledge.

The minutes of the March meeting having been published in the newsletter and mailed to all members, the reading of them was waived at this meeting.

Guest introduced by President Gamber included three SAR's or ex-SAR's who had been contacted by a letter of invitation to attend a Tampa Chapter meeting. An SAR Membership Directory as published by the National Society had been acquired by Chapter member Martin Miller and in it were included the names of thirty SAR's who had Tampa addresses but who were not members of the Tampa Chapter nor attended its meetings. These individual were sent the letter of invitation and as a result Lonnie Barrow (a Past President of the St. Petersburg Chapter), Robert Yarnell (who filed and Application for Reinstatement of membership following the meeting) and Chaplain Huntley joined us for this meeting.

Other guest included Mrs. Fini Richie, Mrs. Frances Compton, Mrs. Billie Washburn and Mr. Philip Hooker.

Treasurer Washburn gave the financial report for 1993 through the time of the BOG meeting on April 8th. For the year to that date income had been \$291 and expenses \$338 and the balance in the checking account was \$1,155. The report was accepted as read.

President Gamber told of a letter he had received reminding the Chapter of the Archives Awareness Week in the City of Tampa. The week will be from the 8th of May through the 15th. Also the Genealogical Society is sponsoring a Genealogical Fair on the 15th to be held at the Public Library in downtown Tampa. The Tampa Chapter had a booth at the Fair last year and President Cy called for volunteers to man a booth this year. The hours are to be from 9 AM to Noon. Even though the 15th is the date of the Chapter's May meeting, with a little close scheduling both can be attended.

Ted Dickerson commented on the genealogical information he had found in the copy of the SAR Membership Directory that he has and recommended it to the Chapter.

President Gamber reported that Compatriot Jim Smith had informed him that the Law Enforcement and Rotc programs would be carried out and one Cadet at the University of Tampa had already received and ROTC medal and certificate. Also Jim would get a count of the activities he and Jack Seymour have had at the VA Hospital to give to Compatriot Lonnie Barrow who is the State Chairman of the Veterans' Affairs Committee. The Chapter may get another streamer for its flag if it scores enough points from these activities.

The Law enforcement award presentation has been moved up to September in deference to the other programs scheduled for this spring.

Through the suggestion of Compatriot Russ Rising, President Gamber has invited Mrs. Charles E. (Renee) Fisher to speak to the Chapter at its May meeting of her experiences in the French Underground during WWII.

Jim Washburn passed around the booklet from the National CAR illustrating the response of the CAR to the dues in the schedule of the CAR as passed out at the March meeting.

He also reported that National SAR indicated that Compatriot Claude Richie was eligible for the 25-year membership pin and that the pin had been ordered.

Jim urged Chapter members to attend the State Board of Management (BOM) Annual Meeting to be held in Lakeland May 7-9. Registration information being in the last Florida Patriot newsletter.

President Cy seconded the suggestion that Chapter members attend the State meetings and announced that he intended to go to the National Congress in Phoenix as a voting delegate. He will report to the Chapter on the Congress at the September Meeting.

Following lunch, as a long-time acquaintance of Fr. Edward J. Henley, Jim Washburn introduced Fr. Henley to speak to the Chapter regarding the STEP long-term drug treatment and prevention program.

He mentioned how he became involved in the STEP program and how, although the STEP programs had become excellent in accomplishing their purpose, STEP had to cease to exist because of the lack of funds. Recent changes in health and liability insurance funding being a significant portion of the decrease in income.

He emphasized that the STEP program, treating people only up to the age of 20 years, had found that the legal drug of Alcohol created significant more problems with the patients than the illegal drugs like marijuana, cocaine, heroin, etc. After their patients' detoxifying, treatment centered on treating the emotional pains of growing up of whatever source that caused the patient to take to drugs for relief. This often involved in treating the patient's parents and the family situation; the family as a whole. To affect a cure in the patient, family members have to change themselves to eliminate what is causing the emotional problem(s) in the patient. With alcohol the major drug problem with young people, their adult family members have to use it with restraint and responsibility for it not to cause a problem in the child/children.

Following presenting Fr. Henley a certificate of the Chapter's appreciation for his address, the 50-50 drawing was held and won by Martin Miller who donated the pot to the Chapter's treasury.

The SAR recessional was said and Fr. Henley gave the benediction.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:35 PM.

The meeting was attended by 11 Chapter SAR's, three guest SAR's, 3 ladies (see above), 1 male guest and Fr. Henley for a total of 19.

Respectfully submitted,

James E. Washburn, Secretary.