



Message from the President



Compatriots,

Another year has passed it seems at the speed of light. Our annual meeting is upon us again. As a reminder, this meeting requires coat and tie for all members.

Since our last meeting I have been somewhat busy with the 9-11 ceremony in Roanoke Rapids and speaking engagements at Bunn

HS and Northern Nash HS. Our two grave markings had mixed results. The Patriot grave marking was very successful with representative from the Raleigh and Mecklenburg Chapters participating as well as VPG George Strunk representing the South Atlantic District. We had three DAR chapters as well the NC Governor of A Signer of the Declaration of Independence rendering honors. There was an excellent turnout from the family as well, some coming from Georgia to attend the ceremony.

The Compatriot ceremony had the poorest attendance of any event I have been a part of since joining SAR. We only had five SAR members in attendance. Barely enough to do the ceremony. Very disappointing on all counts, but we got the job done.

By the time this issue is sent, we should be in the middle of the Knight Essay contest. The deadline for submission is 31 October.

On November 5th we will be co-hosting a grave marking ceremony honoring one of our own, Dr. Cleveland M. Hawkins in Elizabeth City. We need to have maximum participation from the chapter at this ceremony.

On November 19th we will conduct a grave marking in Roanoke Rapids for Compatriot Clarence A. Wyche at Cedarwood Cemetery followed by a Compatriot grave marking in Littleton for Joseph P. Pippen.

Wreaths Across America orders need to be placed at the meeting. I will be turning them in to Troop 144 shortly afterward.

Remember to contact me NLT noon on 4 Nov to RSVP for the meeting.

Hope to see all of you there.

Fraternally,

Ken

The November meeting will be held Wed., November 9, at Halifax United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 150 S. King St. in Halifax at 6:30 pm.

On the agenda: This is our annual meeting—coat and tie requested. Chapter awards will be presented.

The cost of the meal will be \$15. Reservations are required and must be in by noon on Fri., November 4. Please contact Ken by email or telephone (252 537-5406) if you're coming.

The Halifax Resolves Chapter of the NCSSAR met on Wednesday, September 14, 2022, at the Halifax United Methodist Church in Halifax, NC. President Ken Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm, and the invocation was then given by Treasurer Steve Avent. President Wilson let those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and then Chapter Registrar Bill Riggan let all present in the SAR Pledge.

The speaker for the evening, Ms Traci Thompson was then introduced

The Secretary was unable to attend, so the Treasurer read the minutes of the July meeting, which were approved. He then presented the Treasurer's report, which stated that \$2,754.41 was in the chapter's checking account and \$1412.50 in the youth fund. This minutes and the Treasurer's report were then both approved by the members of the Chapter.

Under new business:

- President Wilson reminded the members that Chapter dues were then payable.
- he announced that the Chapter now had a new banner, which he displayed
- he also announced the following upcoming events:

-9/22: SAR informational forum to be held in Oxford, NC

-10/15: three Patriot graves will be marked at 10:00 am in Stem, NC, followed by a joint marking with the Mecklenburg Chapter, to be held in Louisburg, NC at 2:00 pm

-11/5: the grave of Past Chapter President Cleveland Hawkins will be marked from 3:00—5:00 pm in Elizabeth City, to be followed by a reception at Albemarle Lanes.

-11/13 there will be a Veteran's Day ceremony held in Roanoke Rapids

-11/19: the grave of Compatriot CA Wyche will be marked at Cedarwood Cemetery in Roanoke Rapids at 10:00 am and that of Comp. Joseph Pippen will be marked at Sunset Hill Cemetery in Littleton at 1:00 pm by the Chapter

New member Mark Pace was then called forward and inducted into the SAR by President Wilson, followed by a few brief words from Comp. Pace.

Ms Traci Thompson, from the Braswell Library in Rocky Mount, was then called forward, where she delivered a most interesting and informative talk entitled "The Adventures of Percival Clay—from England to the Revolutionary War and Beyond", which followed the long and adventurous life of a colonist named Percival Clay.

The SAR Recessional was then led by President Wilson, and the benediction was given by Treasurer Steve Avent, and the meeting was adjourned by President Wilson at 8:30 pm.

Steve Avent

Chapter Treasurer, Secretary Pro Tem

• **Approved Applications**

William Henry Yarborough - Patriot, Nicholas Long

• **Submitted Applications**

Harry Albert, Jr. - Patriot, Jabez Henton

Robert Edward Bittner, Jr. - Patriot, Matthias Bittner

Preston Armand Fortin - Patriot, Simon Lane (Supplemental)

• **Applications in Progress**

Kenneth Askew - Patriot, Matthias Brickell

Kenneth Christison, Jr. - Patriot, Robert Lewis

James Tuck, Jr. - Patriot, Isaac Farmer

Doug Wright - Patriot, Reuben Wright Morgan

Dwight Neal - Patriot, William Perry

Zachery Myers - Patriot, John Riel/Reel

Tucker Nobles - Patriot, Nathaniel Nobles

Bill Riggan, Registrar

Treasurer's Report for November, 2022 meeting

Ending Balance as of September, 2022 meeting: **\$2,754.41**

Deposits: **\$2,739.00**

Checks: **\$826.44**

Current Checking Acct Balance: **\$4,666.97**

Youth fund balance: **\$1,412.50**

General fund balance: **\$3,254.47**

10/31/22	CHECK # 2093	\$56.44	Knight Essay Medal and certificate
10/31/22	DEPOSIT	\$100.00	Dues + donations
10/24/22	DEPOSIT	\$409.00	Dues + donations
10/11/22	CHECK # 2092	\$265.00	Grave markers
10/04/22	DEPOSIT	\$160.00	Dues + donations
09/27/22	DEPOSIT	\$520.00	Dues + donations
09/22/22	CHECK # 2091	\$141.78	Medals
09/19/22	CHECK # 2089	\$77.04	Chapter banner
09/19/22	DEPOSIT	\$285.00	Dues + donations
09/19/22	DEPOSIT	\$1,190.00	Dues + donations
09/15/22	CHECK # 2090	\$230.00	Meal
09/12/22	CHECK # 2088	\$56.18	Folders, certificates
09/12/22	DEPOSIT	\$75.00	Dues

Screenshot from bank account:

<u>Ending collected balance</u> as of 10/28/22	\$4,623.41
<u>Current posted balance</u>	\$4,623.41
Pending withdrawals/debits	-\$56.44
Pending deposits/credits	+\$100.00
Available balance	\$4,666.97



(top—bottom, l—r): 9/14/22: Ms Traci Thompson receives a Certificate of Appreciation from Ken for her program presentation; 9/21/22: Patrick Warren, History teacher at Bunn HS, receives a Certificate of Appreciation from Ken for his support of the Chapter's Speaker Bureau; 9/21/2022: Ken speaks to classes at Bunn HS; 9/25/2022: Chapter member Mark Pace, in the persona of John Penn, addressed the September meeting of the Thomas Person DAR Chapter in Roxboro; 9/17/2022: Mark attends the Ringing of the Bells in Oxford, NC, celebrating the adoption of the US Constitution; 9/25/2022: Chapter member Mark Pace, in the persona of John Penn, addressed the September meeting of the Gen. James Moore DAR Chapter in Wake Forest; 9/26/2022: Ken presents a SAR Flag Certificate to N. Nash HS. Cadet Cmdr Makezie Page accepts the certificate; 10/18/2022: SAR and DAR members at the Chapter grave marking ceremony for Patriots William Allen, Archer Johnson and John C. Whitfield in Stem, NC; 10/18/2022: Ken Wilson, George Strunk, Geoff Pittard, Jim Wood and Bill Riggan at the Com-patriot grave marking ceremony held for Dr. Frank Oliver Alford in Louisburg, NC;



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Upcoming Activities

Nov 5 – Grave Marking for Dr. Cleveland M. Hawkins, 2:00 pm, West Lawn Cemetery
1909 W Main St. Elizabeth City, NC 27909

Nov. 11 – Veterans Day Luncheon , 11:00 am
Shaw – May American Legion Post 38, Roanoke Rapids, NC

November 19 – Grave Marking for Compatriot Clarence A. Wyche, 10:00 am, Cedarwood Cemetery, Roanoke Rapids, NC

Grave Marking for Compatriot Joseph P. Pippen, 1:00 pm, Sunset Hill Cemetery, Littleton, NC

Dec. 17 – Wreaths Across America, 12:00 pm, Cedarwood Cemetery, Roanoke Rapids, NC

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