

Message from the President



Compatriots,

Well, the seasons are changing and Mother Nature seems to be whimsical this past month of April. While winter wasn't as cold as in years past (I missed having snow believe it or not), it will be nice to see some warmer weather.

The Halifax Resolves event was a smashing success. We had the largest turn out ever, even outpacing the capacity of our luncheon venue, the United Methodist Church in Halifax NC. The lunch was great.

The best thing was seeing all of our compatriots from across our nation and state in my opinion. I believe the press release, prepared by Renny Taylor, covers it well. I invite you to look at it and see the wonderful job he did on it. The DAR showed up in force. I hope to see more of the ladies at future meetings and events.

Our May meeting is coming up soon. I have a presentation on tap for the meeting, the topic of which is "Rarely known and Rarely taught facts about the Revolutionary War". I am working to line up presentations for future meetings along with the many other duties pertaining to chapter leadership.

We have a new member to induct so be prepared to welcome a new chapter member and compatriot.

There are other points of business to discuss as well, but I will keep them as brief as possible. Hope to see each and every one of you soon,

Fraternally,

Geoff

The May meeting will be held Wed., May 10, at Halifax United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 150 S. King St. in Halifax at 6:30 pm.

On the agenda: New member induction, and a program from the National SAR's Youtube channel on little-known facts about the Revolution.

The cost of the meal will be \$15. Reservations are required and *must* be in by noon on Fri., May 5. Please contact Steve Avent by email at savent917@gmail.com or telephone or text (252) 955-2103 if you're coming.

The Halifax Resolves Chapter of the NCSSAR met on Wednesday, March 8, 2023, at the Halifax United Methodist Church in Halifax, NC. President Ken Wilson called the meeting to order at 1831. Our Treasurer, Steve Avent, gave the invocation. President Wilson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Then, Registrar Bill Riggan led the SAR Pledge. The following guests were introduced:

- Mr. Harry Albert
- John Powell

President Wilson then dismissed us to our meal. After our meal we then conducted our meeting. The first item on our agenda was to approve the Secretary’s report as was presented in our newsletter. President Wilson asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Our Registrar, Bill Riggan, made a motion to approve and was seconded by Compatriot Joe Pearce.

Next up was our Treasurer’s report. President Wilson asked for a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report. Secretary Michael Cooper made the motion to approve, and it was seconded by Compatriot Mark Pace. The President’s report was then presented by Ken Wilson. The George Washington luncheon, in Littleton, was reported to be a great success. The reception for the President General is on April 11th. There will be a lunch at the church.

The Chapter had one new member inductee and that was Mr. Harry Albert. There were no reports of unfinished business. For new business President Ken Wilson spoke on the Halifax Resolves Celebration.

For our program today, Poster judging for 4th through 6th grade, and brochure judging for 6th through 9th grade.

Now President Wilson stepped down from the President’s position and we welcomed our new President, Geoff Pittard. We were then led in the SAR Recessional by Ken Wilson. he benediction was then led by Treasurer Steve Avent. The meeting was then adjourned by President Pittard at 1954.

Michael A. Cooper, Secretary

Sheryl Albert, wife of our member, Harry Albert, is the NC representative of the National Society of the Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence. DSDI will be placing a plaque on the grave of Susanna Lyne Penn, wife of John Penn, Signer of Declaration of Independence on **Sept. 9th at 2 pm in Granville County**. Mark Pace, Halifax Resolves Chapter member will be in John Penn character. The service will begin in the Stovall Branch Library, Stovall, NC and then drive to the remote location of the cemetery (if not too wet) to take photos with the John Penn DAR Chapter's beautiful monument and the new wife plaque.



(l—r): Participants in the April 12th Halifax Resolves ceremony; NSSAR President General Pickette speaking at the event.

• **APPROVED APPLICATIONS**

Robert Edward Bittner, Jr., 225114 - Patriot, Mathias Bittner
 Preston Armand Fortin - Supplemental; Patriot, Simon Lane
 James Harold Tuck, Jr. - 225461; Patriot, Issac Farmer

• **SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS**

Doug Wright - Patriot, Reuben Morgan

• **APPLICATIONS IN PROGRESS**

Kenneth Christison - Patriot, Robert Lewis
 Kenneth Askew - Patriot, Wyatt Warrick
 Tucker Nobles - Patriot, Nathaniel Nobles
 Zack Myers - Patriot, John Reel
 Dwight Neal - Patriot, William Perry
 Bobby Cooper - Patriot, Thomas Woodward
 Willis Richardson - Patriot, Benjamin Richardson
 John Powell - Patriot, David Crawley

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report for May, 2023 meeting

Ending Balance as of March, 2023 meeting: **\$3,338.94**
 Deposits: **\$1,345.00**
 Checks: **\$1,927.09**
 Current Checking Acct Balance: **\$2,756.85**

Youth fund balance: **\$1,492.50**
 General fund balance: **\$1,264.35**


04/17/23	DEPOSIT	\$65.00	Halifax Resolves ceremony meal(s)
04/17/23	DEPOSIT	\$880.00	Halifax Resolves ceremony meal(s)
04/14/23	CHECK # 2112	\$912.00	Halifax Resolves ceremony meals
04/11/23	CHECK # 2107	\$100.00	Poster contest winner
04/03/23	CHECK # 2111	\$140.00	Medals
03/29/23	CHECK # 2110	\$110.45	JROTC Medals mailing
03/29/23	DEPOSIT	\$30.00	Halifax Resolves ceremony meal(s)
03/27/23	DEPOSIT	\$65.00	Halifax Resolves ceremony meal(s)
03/23/23	CHECK # 2106	\$50.00	Brochure contest winning teacher
03/17/23	CHECK # 2105	\$100.00	Brochure contest winner
03/16/23	CHECK # 2109	\$117.70	LE Medals and folders
03/15/23	DEPOSIT	\$245.00	Halifax Resolves ceremony meal(s)
03/15/23	DEPOSIT	\$30.00	Halifax Resolves ceremony meal(s)
03/10/23	CHECK # 2104	\$170.00	March meeting meal
03/07/23	CHECK # 2103	\$151.94	Grave medallions
03/07/23	DEPOSIT	\$30.00	Halifax Resolves ceremony meal(s)
03/02/23	CHECK # 2099	\$75.00	Dr. Troy Kickler – speaker fee for GW lunch



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Upcoming Activities

May 20: 27th Annual Patriot's Day, Alamance Battleground, Burlington, NC.

June 16, all day: Commemoration of the 243rd Anniversary of the Battle of Ramsour's Mill, Battleground Elementary School, Lincolnton, NC.

June 29, 10:00 am: 242nd Anniversary of the Attack at the House in the Horseshoe, Sanford, NC.

September 9, 2 pm: Plaque dedication ceremony at grave of Susanna Lyne Penn, wife of Declaration of Independence Signer John Penn, sponsored by the National Society of the Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence. Stovall Branch Library, Granville Co., NC.

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