



The Governor's Chronicle



A Newsletter Offering of the *Tho^s Nelson Jr.* Chapter, Virginia Society,

Sons of the American Revolution



January 2014 Edition

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Minutes of Our Last Meeting

November 12th, 2013

Held at Fiorello's Restaurant, Newport News, Virginia the Thomas Nelson Jr. chapter meeting was called to order by President Ken Wood at 7:00 p.m. The invocation was given by Gary Hodges. The pledge of allegiance by Treasurer Rick Elofson, SAR pledge by Registrar Jim Sample, and welcoming remarks and introductions by President Ken Wood. At this time Ken Wood introduced the guest speaker, Ed Moore, who is an award winning columnist and volunteer at the Mariners Museum who spoke on "Jack Tar: American Sailors, American Liberty". Mr. Moore's program outlined the history of liberty on the waterfront which covered from 1756 through the War of 1812. The program was well received by the members.

Announcements by President Ken Wood included some of the past and future activities of the SAR which were grave markings, Pins for Children of the Revolution, volunteering at the Hampton VA Hospital, wreath laying at local Veteran's cemeteries and

volunteering at the USO.

President Ken Wood presented an award to Jim Sample for Outstanding Job as Registrar and presented a Service Medal Award to past President Joseph Shipes. Then President Ken Wood presented the EMS Commendation Medal to Abingdon Fire and Rescue Squad, Inc. President Robert W. Parlett.

Closing remarks were given by Ken Wood. SAR Recessional was led by Secretary Mason Ware and Benediction was given by Gary Hodges.

Minutes submitted by Secretary Mason Ware.

Our Next Joint Chapter Meeting

January 11th, 2014

Social 6:00 pm –

Cash Bar Meeting starts at 6:30 pm.

Fort Magruder Inn

6945 Pocahontas Trail,
Williamsburg, VA 23185

Guest Speaker:

Virginia Society SAR

3rd Vice President:

Edward Truslow



Additionally, he will be installing the 2014 Thomas Nelson Jr. Chapter and Williamsburg Chapter Officers during the meeting. (Bio on page four)

Meal Cost: \$25.00 Per Person

RSVP By: Sunday, Jan 8th, 2013

Mason Ware at

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Make checks payable to
Williamsburg Chapter SAR

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The SAR Afield
Upcoming Events in
Our Region & Beyond



January 11th, 2014
Joint Meeting
Installation of Officers

January 11th, 2014
Gold Good Citizenship Gala

January 17th & 18th 2014
Battle Celebration – Cowpens
Battle Wreath Laying and procession

February 14th & 15th, 2014
Virginia Society Annual Meeting

February 21st & 22nd, 2014
Crossing the Dan

February 27th, 28th, and March 1st 2014
Spring Leadership Meeting

For more information: Check out our new calendar which includes all the years scheduled events located on the website <http://www.thomasnelsonjr.org/cal.html>

2014 Chapter Officers

President	Ken Wood
1 st Vice-President	Bruce Meyer
2 nd Vice President	Joe Shipes
Secretary	Mason Ware
Treasurer	Rick Elofson
Registrar	Jim Sample
Chaplain	Gary Hodges
Surgeon	William Old, III M.D.

2014 Committee Chairmen

Citizenship	Vacant
Eagle Scout	Bruce Meyer
Flag	Vacant
Graves	Gerald Runyan
Newsletter	Mark Carroll
Public Safety	Jeff Brown
ROTC/JROTC	Ken Wood
Veteran's Affairs	Ken Wood

Board of Managers

Joe Shipes
Jim Sample
Gerald Runyan

National Society SAR

IMPORTANT ITEMS

1. The Center for Advancing America's Heritage Vision Plan



Post date: Oct 4 2013

2. President General Initiatives for 2013-2014

Post date: Jul 10 2013

Spring Leadership Meeting

Posted Wed, 2012-12-05 16:33 by m_scroggins

Last updated: Wed, 2012-12-05 16:33

Event Date:

Fri, 2014-02-28 - Sat, 2014-03-01

Event Location:

NSSAR Headquarters
1000 South Fourth Street
Louisville, KY
United States

Virginia Society SAR



Omni Hotel and Resorts

100 South 12th Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219
1-804-344-7256
<http://omnirichmond.com>

**Site of the 124th Annual Meeting
of the Virginia Society, SAR
February 14-16, 2014**

On-line

“The Virginia Bulletin”

Announcements

All Things in the
Thomas Nelson, Jr. Chapter



VA Hospital, Hampton, Building 148
January 6th, 2014, 7:00pm

Still Need Help

Meet at the Domiciliary at 6:30pm to set up for the games and refreshments. Bingo starts at 7:00pm and plays for one hour or until our money (\$50) is gone, whichever comes first. We clean up and leave by 8:15pm. To do a respectable job takes a minimum crew of four, but the more volunteers, the higher our Stark score. If you can arrive earlier and/or stay later to visit with the long-term patients in Bldg. 146, that's even better!

November's Trivia Question:

When did the British troops leave America?

Answer

On 25 November in 1783, nearly three months after the Treaty of Paris was signed ending the American Revolution, the last British soldiers withdraw from New York City, the last British military position in the United States.

Vacant Committees need your help. Interested in Pitching In? Contact any of the Chapter Officers, Committee Chairmen, or Board of Managers to see how you can make a difference.

If those receiving a copy of this newsletter by USPS have an email account, please reply via email to:

Mark Carroll at sonamark@gmail.com
or **Rick Elofson** at fnecca@msn.com

Newsletter Feedback

We would like your feedback, do you have suggestions, comments, or recommendations that can help *The Governor's Chronicle* improve? Send comments to any Chapter Officer or to the Editor, Mark Carroll at sonarmark@gmail.com.

Gloucester Abingdon Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Inc. President Robert W. Parlett was awarded the SAR Emergency Medical Services Commendation Medal and certificate during the November meeting.

Left to Right Abingdon Volunteer Fire and Rescue Chief John F. Galganski, Lynn Parlett, Robert Parlett and President Ken Wood



January's Trivia Question:

February 4, 1776, Who arrived in New York City on the same day as British General Henry Clinton?

What trivia question would you put here? Send a note via email to sonarmark@gmail.com and your question can be in a future issue.



Mike Humphrey, Walt Neville and Everett Feldt volunteered to participate in the Wreaths Across America program at the Yorktown National Cemetery on December 14, 2013.



John Priest is one of six volunteers that take turns working at the Raymond B. Bottom USO located in the Newport News/ Williamsburg International Airport. Two volunteers work there every Thursday evening from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.





President Ken Wood presented Mr. Ed Moore, volunteer at the Mariners Museum, with a Certificate of Appreciation for his presentation " Jack Tar: American Sailors, American Liberty" during the November meeting.



Ken Wood participated in the Wreaths Across America Christmas Wreath Laying program at the Hampton National Cemetery on December 14, 2013. Dr. Bill Old, not pictured, also participated by helping to unload and prepare hundreds of Christmas wreaths that were placed on veterans graves.



President Wood presented Immediate Past President Joe Shipes with the Virginia Society Chapter Service Medal during the November meeting. He was awarded the medal for his outstanding service as chapter president during 2011 and 2012.



Ken Wood and Jeff Brown participated in the Governor's Palace Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11, 2013 at Colonial Williamsburg.



President Wood presented Registrar Jim Sample with the NSSAR Liberty Medal during the November meeting. He was awarded the medal for his outstanding work as the chapter registrar.

Speaker Ed Truslow Bio

A native of Winchester, Virginia, He retired from a 41 year engineering career with the Northrop Grumman Corporation in Bethpage, NY. Prior to Northrop Grumman, Ed served three years in the Army Security Agency.

Ed has served two years each as Vice President and President of the Williamsburg SAR Chapter and is currently a Chapter Board of Mangers member. In 2012 Ed was elected VASSAR Secretary and in 2013 he was elected as VASSAR 3rd Vice President. He is currently on the VASSAR Nominating Committee's list to be the 2014 VASSAR 2nd Vice President. Besides the SAR, Ed is a member of the James City Cavalry Camp, Sons of Confederate Veterans, and the Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem (SMOTJ) and he was recently accepted into membership of the General Society of the War of 1812. Besides his lifetime pastime of genealogy, Ed sings with the Bruton Parish Choir and the Williamsburg Choral Guild.

Ed resides in Williamsburg with his wife Laura and has two grown daughters Alexis and Letitia.