



Sons of the American Revolution Fort Lauderdale Chapter

organized December 8, 1966



General Membership Meeting
11:30 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.
Saturday, March 18, 2023
Outback Steakhouse
2725 S. University Dr., Davie, FL

Attendance:

Members (18): Chuck Adams, President & Registrar/Genealogist; Steve De Paul, Vice President; Joe Motes, Treasurer & Historian/Editor; Mark Snider, Secretary; Jim Lohmeyer, Chaplain; Thomas Carpenter Jr; Jim Clark; Paul DeBold; Ted Duay; Herb Gardner; Martin Hollick; Dave Lohmeyer; Allen Manning; Tim McLane, Barry Moss; John Sauerwald; Kevin Shurte; and Michael Spear. **Prospective Members & Guests (7):** Ronald Goodale, inactive member; Lincoln Pero, prospect; Ed Sisson, applicant; Linda DeBold; Shelly Gardner; Dr. Bernard Hecht; and Lian Navarro, Broward Outreach Centers.

Call to Order and Introductions: Chuck Adams called the meeting to order at 11:50 a.m.

Opening Ceremonies: The **Invocation**, prepared by Jim Lohmeyer, was given by Dave Lohmeyer. Chuck Adams led the participants in reciting the **Pledge of Allegiance** and the **SAR Pledge**.

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Mark Snider and seconded by Steve De Paul to approve the meeting minutes of February 18, 2023. Unanimously approved.

Officer's and Committee Reports:

President & Registrar/Genealogist - Chuck Adams

- Genealogy & Membership: This month's new applicant is Cliff Dickinson and last month's applicant was Scott Moore. Their applications are both in the queue at NSSAR. Paul DeBold's application has been approved and he will be inducted next month. Ed Sisson and his sons John and Mathew should be approved before the next meeting. Robert & Collier Bowling are confirmed for induction at the May meeting. Chuck Adams also acknowledged the attendance of inactive member Ronald Goodale and encouraged him to come back.

Chuck also acknowledged the presence of Lian Navarro from the Broward Outreach Centers. To accommodate her schedule, he suspended the normal order of business.

Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation and Donation to Broward Outreach Centers –

Lian Navarro: Chuck Adams explained that the Fundraising and Charitable Giving Committee has been looking at several local organizations that the Chapter may support. He noted that upon recommendation of the Committee, the Executive Committee approved a \$210 donation to the Broward Outreach Centers. This will fund 100 meals at its Easter Dinner Event. Lian Navarro introduced herself as the organization's Senior Community Development Associate. She outlined the mission of the Broward Outreach Centers as providing food, shelter, education and guidance to the homeless men, women, and children of Broward County. Chuck, along with committee chairman Steve DePaul, and members Mark Snider and Kevin Shurte presented Lian with the Chapter's donation and a Certificate of Appreciation. Tom Carpenter Jr stated that he volunteered with this organization, and strongly endorsed the good work they perform in the community.

President & Registrar/Genealogist - Chuck Adams (Continued)

- Appointments: Chuck announced that he has appointed Steve De Paul as our new Sergeant-at-Arms to replace Joe Motes who has held the position for 17+ years.
- Upcoming Events: Chuck encouraged members to consider attending the following events: 1) the FLSSAR Board of Management (BOM) Spring meeting (May 19 & 20, 2023) being held in Kissimmee; and 2) the 2023 133rd National Congress (July 13/15 – 20, 2023) being held in Orlando. The March 2023 Newsletter provides more details on registration.

Vice-President - Steve De Paul

Fundraising and Charitable Giving Committee: Steve De Paul said that the committee which he chairs includes Mark Snider and Kevin Shurte. He stated that they have been looking into four or five local organizations serving Broward County. The first selected to receive a Chapter donation is the Broward Outreach Centers for their work with the homeless. Other charitable organizations are under further review to assess their donor recognition program. Chuck Adams said that Steve has been instrumental in securing private non-affiliated contributions to the Chapter now totaling \$2,500 with more to come. We are looking at how this money will assist the Chapter in carrying out SAR recognized programs consistent with its historic, educational and patriotic goals, including community services.

Secretary - Mark Snider

- Executive Committee: Mark Snider summarized the actions taken at the Executive Committee meeting held on March 8, 2023. It approved an amendment to the 2023 Annual Budget for three corrections to line items in the original budget and to amend income and expenses for updates to actual or projected forecasts. New appropriations include: 1) spending up to \$350 to purchase military and war service medals and certificates for eight qualifying Chapter members; 2) spending an additional \$776 over the original budget of \$1,000 for the donation to the SAR Foundation for the Educational Center and Museum Project; and 3) donating \$210 to the Broward Outreach Centers to support 100 meals for their Easter Day Event.
- Stark Award Program: This is a National SAR program to recognize Chapter activities which support Veterans. Any activity you do which benefits Veterans may qualify and allow the Chapter to take credit for it in the tracking report that he will prepare. We can receive points for time, miles driven, and expenses. Some examples include: 1) Honor Flights – attending the welcome home, 2) visiting or volunteering at VA Hospitals & Nursing Homes, 3) attending funerals or memorial services of Veteran's, 4) participating in grave marking programs, including Wreaths across America, and 5) attending events sponsored by other Veterans organizations (VFW / AM Legion) such as Memorial Day services. He said that he has started discussions with a representative of the Nininger State Veteran's Nursing Home in Pembroke Pines in order to identify ways by which the Chapter can assist.

Chuck Adams asked if there were other members that wished to join the Stark Program and Veterans Support Committee. Tom Carpenter and John Sauerwald volunteered to assist.

- Honor Flights Program. Mark said that anyone interested can join in welcoming the returning flights at the Fort Lauderdale International Airport on April 1st and May 6th. Those interested can contact him for more information and links to their website.
- Vietnam War 50th Commemoration: We have applied to be a Commemorative Partner which will hold various events throughout the country through 2025. "The Commemorative Partner Program is designed for federal, state and local communities, veterans' organizations and other nongovernmental organizations to assist a grateful nation in thanking and honoring our Vietnam veterans and their families."

Treasurer & Historian/Editor - Joe Motes:

- Chuck Adams said that the most recently approved amended budget and status of funds has been distributed and contains all relevant information as of the end of the prior month. Joe Motes continued by stating that as of February 28, 2023, the balances were: checking account - \$5,878, and savings account - \$2,848. Chuck added that Chapter investments in U.S. I-bonds total \$3,000 and at least \$107 in interest has accrued. Additionally, all of the \$16,600 in the Trust Estate has been used to purchase U.S. I-bonds.
- Youth Programs. Joe stated that to date 14 Certificates of Recognition have been distributed to qualifying Eagle Scouts. One Bronze Medal and Certificate have been awarded to a JRROTC qualifying recipient. Joe noted that most of the schools make the JRROTC awards toward the end of the school year. There are two schools that he will attend to make awards in person – Coconut Creek High School on April 12th at 8:30 a.m., and Cooper City High School on April 28th at 6:00 p.m. Any member who also wishes to attend should let him know. He stated that he will be out of town and not attending the April 15th meeting. He has arranged for the C.A.R. representatives to give their 2023 activity update at our May 13th meeting.

Induction of New Members: Chuck Adams inducted new member, Compatriot Tim McLane. Ted Duay presented the Rosette, explaining its background and its proper use.

Presentation of 2022 Chapter Service Certificates: Chuck Adams presented Allen Manning and Joe Motes with their Certificate of Appreciation for service as a 2022 Chapter Officer. Allen served as Vice-President, and Joe served as Treasurer, Historian/ Editor and Sergeant-at-Arms.

Old Business/ New Business/ Announcements (Next Meeting 04/15/2023):

SAR 1776 Campaign: Chuck Adams provided an update on the Chapter's effort to help support the SAR Educational Center & Museum Project. He thanked Dave Lohmeyer for printing the enlarged ceremonial check. The presentation of the Chapter's check for \$1,776 was made on March 11, 2023 to Miami Chapter Compatriot Wm. Lee Popham who is also a member on the SAR Foundation's Board of Trustees. A photo of the presentation was taken and submitted along with an article for publication in the Spring SAR Magazine and the Florida Patriot. At least 15 Chapter members contributed to the project to assist in the funding of the SAR Museum.

Color Guard Committee: Chuck Adams reported efforts to form a Chapter Color Guard. We need 3-4 members to form an outpost and five or more to form a camp. Currently 3-5 members have indicated an interest. The guard will probably dress in militia attire to reduce costs and consideration to the South Florida climate and any member can opt to purchase Colonial uniforms and can attend multiple SAR recognized events and programs irrespective of whether or not we have the initial numbers to start the Color Guard. Chuck Adams asked whether there were any other members that wished to join the Zoom meetings on this subject. Allen Manning and Tim McLane indicated an interest to participate.

Military Service Awards: Chuck Adams announced that at the April 15th meeting the Chapter will present a medal and certificate recognizing eight active members who have served in the military.

Challenge Coins: Chuck invited members that wish to purchase challenge coins as part of his next SAR supply order to let him know after the meeting.

Closing Ceremonies: The **Benediction**, prepared by Jim Lohmeyer, was given by Dave Lohmeyer, and Chuck Adams led the participants in reciting the **SAR Recessional**.

Adjournment: Chuck Adams adjourned the meeting at 1:30 p.m.



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Approval of Minutes: 02/18/23

Officer's and Committee Reports

Induction of New Member Compatriot – Timothy McLane

Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation and Donation to Broward Outreach Centers

Presentation of 2022 Chapter Officer's Service Certificates

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Adjournment

PLEDGE OF THE SAR

We descendants of the Heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.

RECESSIONAL OF THE SAR

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a nation of free men.

**FORT LAUDERDALE CHAPTER
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
BUDGET COMPARISON**

January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023

	2022	2023 BUDGET		2/28/2023
	ACTUAL	ORIGINAL	AMENDED	ACTUAL
SOURCES OF FUNDS				
Year Beginning Checking Balance	5,985	5,469	5,469	5,469
INCOME				
New Applicant Dues & Fees	525	175	175	65
Chapter Member Dues & Fees	1,100	1,300	1,300	20
FLSSAR & NSSAR Dues & Fees	3,040	3,850	3,850	55
Chapter Member Donations	2,459	435	1,856	95
Corporate & Other Donations	-	2,000	2,500	2,500
FLSSAR Grant Reimbursements	1,696	2,250	2,250	-
Other Reimbursements	-	-	-	135
CD or Bond Investment Proceeds	19,730	-	-	-
Subtotal - Income	<u>28,550</u>	<u>10,010</u>	<u>11,931</u>	<u>2,870</u>
Transfers-In from Savings	326	1,500	1,500	-
Total Sources	<u>34,860</u>	<u>16,979</u>	<u>18,900</u>	<u>8,339</u>
USES OF FUNDS				
EXPENSE				
Organizational Expense				
State & National Dues & Fees	5,390	3,695	3,695	110
Florida Annual Report	123	123	123	61
Bank Fees & Charges	12	73	73	73
Contributions & Charitable Giving				
Swamp Fox C.A.R.	1,200	700	700	-
Boy Scout Council & Troop Support	100	100	500	-
JRROTC High School Award Contribution	100	100	100	-
VAVS Contributions & Stark Program Expense	-	200	200	-
FLSSAR Lady Auxiliary	-	100	100	-
SAR Foundation - Museum	-	1,000	1,776	-
Other Charitable Contributions	-	2,000	2,500	-
Operating Expense & Supplies				
SAR Medals, Certificates & Supplies	1,591	1,000	1,350	144
SAR Magazine Meeting Notice Ad	-	30	30	-
Postage & Delivery	36	50	50	-
Other Operating & Office Supplies	-	100	100	-
Lunch Program Compensated Meals	94	125	125	73
Website Hosting, Licensing & Apps	326	-	-	-
Wreaths Across America	150	150	150	-
Subtotal Expense	<u>9,121</u>	<u>9,546</u>	<u>11,572</u>	<u>461</u>
Transfers-Out to Savings	20,269	2,000	2,000	2,000
Total Uses	<u>29,390</u>	<u>11,546</u>	<u>13,572</u>	<u>2,461</u>
Year Ending Checking Balance	<u>5,469</u>	<u>5,434</u>	<u>5,329</u>	<u>5,878</u>
Savings account opening balances				
Deposits & Interest	20,250	10,346	10,346	10,346
Disbursement (I-Bond Purchases)	3	1	3	2
Net Transfers from / (to) checking	(9,600)	(9,500)	(10,000)	(9,500)
Net Transfers from / (to) checking	(307)	2,000	500	2,000
Year Ending Savings Balance	<u>10,346</u>	<u>2,847</u>	<u>849</u>	<u>2,848</u>
Investments in U.S. Treasury I-Bonds				
Chapter I-Bonds Principle & Accrued Interest	3,107	500	500	-
Chapter Cumulative Balance: \$3,107				
Trust Estate I-Bonds Principle & Accrued Interest	6,600	9,500	9,500	9,500
Trust Estate Cumulative Balance: \$16,600				