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JEFFREY LAUGHLIN COOKE-PRESIDENT



The Ft. Lauderdale Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

DAGANIZED NOVEMBER 26. 1986

NEXT MEETING DATE: Thursday, November 8, 1990

PLACE: The Tower Club, One Financial Plaza, C & S Bank Building.

(Formerly known as the Landmark Bank Building.)

TIME: Social Hour - 11:30 a.m. Luncheon served at noon.

COST: \$10.00 per person for luncheon. Bring a guest or prospective member !

Reservations: Please make reservations by Tuesday evening November 6, 1990

Telephone: President Jeffrey Cooke, 485-6714 or Secretary/Treasurer

Edward Linskey, 566-3458

Program: Gur speaker for November will be Ms. Virginia Fletcher.

She is an expert on Genealogy, and will answer any questions

you have on the subject.

Minutes: Our October meeting was held at the Tower Club with 23 in

attendance. Martha Gross, Society Editor of The Sun/Sentinal,

spoke about her recent trip to The Soviet Union.

Elections: Following are the nominees for various offices in the Fort Laiderdale Chapter of the Florida Society of the S.A.R.for

1993-1991.

President

Ed Linskey

First Vice-President Wally Floyd

Second Vice-President Barry Bridges

Secretary-Treasurer Gib Buckbee

Registrar/Genealogist Brian Lewis

Chaplain

Oscar Kraehen-Buehl

Chancellor

Roger Shaffer

Sergeant-at-Arms James Organ

Historian

Bill Nevling

At the November meeting, NOMINATIONS MAY BE MADE FROM THE FLOOR, after which the vote for officers shall be taken.

CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 1990

Has your Chapter recognized those who have been members for 25 years or more? There is a pin available for 25 year members and one for 50 year members. A good way to recognize those members who have been faithful to the SAR for a long time. A nice addition to your awards ceremonies.

1991 Dues are due! Now is the time to drive for 100% paid up for your Chapter. This year State dues has been raised from \$7.00 to \$9.00, an increase of \$2.00. In addition, National is requesting each member to donate an additional \$3.00 on a voluntary basis. Of this \$1.00 goes to the Chapter and \$2.00 goes to the George Washington Fund at National. Income from the principal of the Washington Fund will be used to support various National George Washington Fund will be used to support various National Committees such as D.G. High, Boy Scouts, ROTC etc. Hop-fully, if we all work together, there will be no members dropped for non payment of dues.

Susan Young, the wife of our President, broke both of her legs. A horse rolled on her. The good news is that she is doing fine and is expected to be home for Thanksgiving. I'll bet she would like a get well card. Send it to her at 351 N. W. 40th Avenue, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33317.

The winter BOM meeting will be held at the University Holiday Inn, Gainesville. The annual meeting will be held at Guest Quarters Suite Hotel, Ft. Lauderdale. The accommodations there consist of a bedroom, sitting room and kitchen facilities and the price is right. A classy place for a classy outfit. There is also a boat ride planned for the annual meeting at no additional cost. Details will be published in The Patriot. Start now to reganize a big turnout from your Chapter.

Does your Chapter have a yearbook with members names. addresses, telephone numbers, etc.? Fort Lauderdale Chapter, Pila Beach Chapter, Central Florida Chapter and Brevaid Chapter dc. No doubt there are others but I do not have them. It is an important tool for helping your Chapter officers do a good job.

Gleanings from Chapter newsletters:

The telephone number of Past State President, Cecil helbwell is listed in the Orlando telephone directory as "Sons of the American Revolution Central Florida Chapter". That's a good idea we all could copy in our Chapter area.

Clearwater Chapter is planning a special observation of George Washington's Birthday in February. I attended last year and they do a grand job.

Jacksonville Chapter's November meeting celebrates the Chapters 64th anniversary. It is an evening meeting. Black Tim Optional in keeping with the dignity of the occasion.

Naples Chapter will have as their November speaker the Sheriff of Collier County. The theme is law enforcement.

Palm Beach Chapter will have as their speaker National Fresident James R. Calhoun at their Washington's Birthday Celebration February 20th. That's planning ahead!

St Lucie River Chapter will elect officers and present the SAR Video history at their November meeting. St. Lucie River is a new Chapter and is to be congratulated on their progress.

My purpose in including some news of chapter activities in this newsletter is to give the other Chapters ideas that they might use to make their meetings more interesting and productive. This will continue to be done, dependent on the chapters who send me their newsletters.

Let's talk about our membership drive. Our goal is a 15% increase in State membership this year. That means a 15% increase for every Chapter. Boda Deerfield, Gainesville, Odaia, Treasure Coast and Withlacoothee are getting close and are to be congratulated. Recruiting new members isn't easy. It's a tough job. You have to work at it. There is no easy way. It can be done and it can be done well. We have the example or five Florida Chapters to copy. One of our members, in a chance conversation, met a man who became a sember and his two sons joined. The opportunities are out there. It meetings and social Jatherings look for chances to promote the Tons of the American Revolution. The bigger our membership, the greater influence we will have on society promoting the principals and objectives for which our Society was established. A strong SAL is up to you.

Your comments are solicited.

Russ Ford, Senior Vice President