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Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Ozark Mountain Chapter will be held in conjunction with the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Military order of the Purple Heart for our annual luncheon to honor our American veterans. The meeting will be held at the Hickory Hills Country Club at 3909 E. Cherry Street in Springfield on November 8th. We hope all members can attend.

EDITORS NOTE:

If you have not signed up to receive your newsletter via email I encourage all members to do so. The newsletter is the chapter's largest expense. The money saved can help fund other projects for the chapter.

Minutes from the Previous Meeting

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Ozark Mountain Chapter
Sons of the American Revolution
October 18, 2014

The October 18, 2014, meeting of the Ozark Mountain Chapter-Sons of the American Revolution was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by President Phil Reinbold. There were 17 members and 4 guests in attendance. The invocation was given by Compatriot Ron Albaugh. The Pledge of Allegiance and the SAR Pledge were led, respectively, by a member and Compatriot James Haas.

President Reinbold next introduced the speaker for today's program, Stubby Kyle a volunteer at Wilson Creek Battlefield. Mr. Kyle explained a short history of the Battlefield and about the volunteer opportunities at the battlefield.

After the speaker President Reinbold began a brief history of the Battle of Yorktown. The siege of Yorktown which culminated in the surrender in Yorktown, VA on October 19, 1781 was a decisive victory by a combined force of the American Continental Army led by George Washington and French troops led by Rochambeau over a British Army led by Lieutenant General Cornwallis. Yorktown proved to be the last major land battle of the Revolution, as the surrender by Cornwallis, and the capture of both him and his army of 8000 troops, prompted the British government to negotiate and end to the conflict. Cornwallis refused to meet formally with Washington and also refused to come to the ceremony of surrender claiming illness. Instead Cornwallis send Brigadier Charles O'Hara who presented the sword of surrender to Rochambeau who shook his head and pointed to Washington. O'Hara offered the sword to Washington, but he refused it and motioned to his second in command Benjamin Lincoln. The British soldiers then marched out and laid down their arms between the French and American armies. One could argue that this was the moment at which we won our independence.

With no corrections and/or additions to the minutes of the September 20, 2014, meeting being offered, President Reinbold declared they'll stand approved as published. He gave the Treasurer's report in Compatriot Gohr's absences. Since September we have collected dues for 35 members and sent state and national dues on to MOSSAR. More dues are coming in, and we are still waiting for MOSSAR to cash a check for \$ 1048. We have also been collecting money for the joint SAR/DAR/ Military Order of the Purple Heart luncheon which will eventually be paid to the Country Club where the meeting will be held. We have 31 attending so far. So, there is more money in the treasury than usual. I have opened up an interest bearing savings account as approved by our membership. To date it has only accrued 11 cents interest. I now have deposited the bulk of our chapter's money in the savings account. Monies can still be transferred over to the checking account when needed.



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The current balances are: \$8385.11 in the savings account (\$8000+\$385 designed for the Michael Kelly Scholarship + 11 cents interest)
\$ 3119.79 in the checking account (part of this is dues money or luncheon money which will need to be paid out)
Grand total as of 10/18/2014= \$11,504.90

Officer's reports:

Genealogists Will Carr is working on an application for a new member. Editor William Walker encouraged members to sign up for the newsletter to be sent by email. Compatriot Howard Fisk commented about the 50th anniversary of Viet Nam.

Compatriot Dan McMurray presented the local chapter SAR Fire Safety Commendation to David Hall, fire chief of the Springfield Fire Department.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m. on the motion of Compatriot McMurry, the second of Compatriot Appleby, and the approval of the members present. Compatriot Sentman led members in reciting the recessional, and Compatriot Albaugh gave the benediction.



Guest Speaker Stubby Kyle, volunteer at Wilson's Creek Battlefield.



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