

Falls of the Rappahannock Chapter NSDAR
September 14, 2017
Chapter Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7PM by Regent Susan Harvin at St. Matthias UMC in Stafford, VA. Present were 16 members, 1 CAR member, 1 prospective member & 1 guest. The Opening Ritual, Pledge of Allegiance, American's Creed & Preamble to the Constitution were recited and were followed by the President General's Message, an American Indian, Flag & Constitution Minute. The Chapter Name minute was on Freedom Hill Chapter. A National Defense Message was then presented. Next month we will be adding a Patriot Minute. The Secretary reported no minutes as of yet for the June meeting. The Treasurer reported an opening balance of \$879.51, income of \$1173.43, expenses of \$168 for a closing balance of \$1884.94. The Chaplain reported sending 2 birthday cards in June, 6 in August, & 4 in Sept. plus 1 sympathy card. The Registrar reported that she is working on papers for 2 prospective members. Alicia announced that the Constitution week proclamation was issued by Stafford County and Myra said that the Kenmore Foundation is trying to raise \$2500 and that fund raising projects are ongoing. Chapter members were updated on the Honor Flights and reminded that gently used handbags and toiletries will be collected at our next meeting for Empower House. Norma needs ditty bags, socks, underwear & full size toiletries for McGuire VA Hospital. Chapter Chairpersons introduced themselves and their committees. Sonja Johnson & Venise Lewis were thanked for providing this month's refreshments.

A motion was made & passed to provide 6 cases of water for Project Miller 22 & 1.

Members were reminded about Fall Forum, the Welsh Festival & a DAR wreath laying at Arlington on Sept. 30.

Our program was given by Alicia Hillmer on the New Member & New Horizons Courses, CAR member Catie Wasenko on the history & work of CAR & Myra Wiggins on the America 250 & USA250 initiatives. One goal of these initiatives is for DAR to have 250,000 members by 2033.

Our next meeting is Oct.12 at St. Matthias UMC and will include a Chapter birthday celebration.

The meeting adjourned at 8:08PM.

Submitted by Peggy Neel
Secretary