

**Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**Mount Vernon Chapter SAR**  
**January 2022**

**Meeting Date and Time:** January 11, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

**Meeting Location:** The meeting was held in person at Vintage Pizza located at 5510 Chamblee Dunwoody Road, Dunwoody, GA. A total of **20** attendees were present at the meeting, including **16 members and dual members** plus a total of 3 spouses and our guest speaker.

The members present (with guest names) were: John Bivens and wife Connie, Tom Chrisman, Tony Crowe, Bill Floyd, Jr., John Galt, Don Hart and wife Marlene, Tom Hewitt and wife Brenda, Tom Hughes, Richard McCrary, Chuck Olson, Tom Pye, Chuck Rann, Gene Ray, and David Wellons. Plus dual member Bob Sapp and guest speaker Robert Jones.

**UNIFORMS PRESENT:** A total of 5 compatriots were present in uniform.

**6:00-7:00 Social hour.**

**Meeting called to order:**

This meeting of the Mount Vernon Chapter Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) was called to order by Chapter President Tom Pye at **7:00** p.m.

**Invocation:** The invocation was given by Chaplain John Galt

**Pledge of Allegiance and Pledge to the SAR**

Color Guard Commander Shep Hammack led Tom Chrisman, and Tom Hewitt in presenting the colors. All were in uniform.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Pledge to the SAR was led by Sergeant at Arms Chuck Olson.

**Guest Speaker:** Chapter Vice President Richard McCrary introduced our guest speaker Robert C. Jones. His topic was *The American Revolution in Georgia*. Robert C. Jones served as President of the Kennesaw Historical Society for 21 years (1994-2015) and served as a member of the executive board of the Kennesaw Museum Foundation for 17 years (1998-2015). The Foundation helped fund the 45,000 square foot Southern Museum of Civil War and Locomotive History in Kennesaw, GA.

Robert has written 50+ books on various historical topics, including the Civil War, Revolutionary War, World War I & II, the War of 1812 and ghost towns. In 2018, Robert received an award from the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution for "Women in American History".

**Speaker Appreciation** Chapter Vice President Richard McCrary presented Mr. Jones with a certificate of appreciation for his presentation.

## **CHAPTER BUSINESS:**

**Treasurer's Report:** Ted was not able to attend this meeting and will submit his report later.

**Registrar's Report:** Registrar Tom Chrisman reported that there are 2 new applications going in for Peter Mehan and David Tharp, plus one transfer in. This will result in an increase of 3 members. Reinstatement and renewal information is coming in and Tom is waiting for the official counts. Once we get thru the drop/add process, our February report will be more accurate.

### **Election of 2022 Chapter Officers**

The Slate of Officers had been proposed at the December Chapter meeting to be Inducted for 2022:

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| - President               | Richard McCrary         |
| - Vice President          | David Wellons           |
| - Recording Secretary     | John Galt               |
| - Corresponding Secretary | Tom Hughes              |
| - Treasurer               | Ted Fricke              |
| - Genealogist             | Tom Chrisman            |
| - Chancellor              | Tom Pye                 |
| - Sergeant at Arms        | Hamilton (Ham) McDonald |
| - Chaplain                | Don Hart                |
| - Historian               | Shep Hammack            |

Historian Shep Hammack read the list of nominated names and asked for additions or comments. There were none. Past Chapter President Bill Floyd presented a motion to accept and was seconded. A vote by the membership present at tonight's meeting unanimously elected these Compatriots as the officers of Mount Vernon in 2022.

### **Eagle Scout Award**

Chuck Olson reported we have 5 applications in the pipeline, mainly from Troop 463. Waiting on the applicants to schedule the Court of Honor to receive the cash award. We had an Eagle Scout submit an essay for the Scholarship Program. He did not achieve the minimum score to get the full amount. Chuck is working with the committee to attempt to get a reduced cash award by amending the rules. We do need to arrange at the Banquet to award the patch and certificate.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**January Birthdays:** Jimmie Butler, John Galt, Randy Pollard, John Wade and Larry White

**Annual Banquet and Installation Dinner** – Our annual Banquet and 2022 officer Installation dinner will be held at the Indian Hills Golf and Country Club on Saturday, February 26, 2022, from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. The price is set at \$120.00 per couple. The Chapter will cover any overage amounts not covered by the \$120.00 per couple. Past Chapter President Bill Floyd gave an overview of the plans and meal arrangements.

**Next meeting date:**

The next Mt. Vernon Chapter meeting will be Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at Vintage Pizza. Guest Speaker is Sue Verhoff. Zoom is not scheduled as an option

**SAR National and State Activities:**

- Annual Georgia SAR Conference – Friday and Saturday, January 28-29, 2022 in Gwinnett County
- The Battle of Kettle Creek. Washington, GA on Saturday February 12, 2022

**Recessional:** The Recessional was led by Sergeant at Arms Chuck Olson

**Benediction:** The benediction was given by Chaplain John Galt.

**Adjournment:** The Monthly Meeting was adjourned at **7:59 p.m.** by President Tom Pye

Respectfully Submitted,  
David Wellons, Recording Secretary  
January 12, 2022