

Bernardo de Galvez Chapter # 1 November 21, 2009 Meeting Minutes

The November meeting was called to order by Secretary Bill Whatley. Bill led members and guests in pledges to (US, TX, and SAR) flags. Gordon Robinson was asked to do the invocation. After the pledges and invocation the meeting was turned over to President Pete Lenes.

## New Business:

Pete Lenes made the introductions of members and guests. There were fifteen members, one SAR Auxiliary Member and three prospective SAR Auxiliary Members in attendance. This was the largest member attendance so far this year.

The new Bi-Laws were voted on and accepted.

Pete turned the meeting over our speaker and member Bryan Crittenden. Bryan provided very interesting information on Chaplains that served during the Revolutionary War.

## **Old Business:**

Pete Lenes will provide the web site information for members to view the black Patriot Tricor hat and Color Guard uniforms. Several more members have expressed interest in joining the color guards.

## **Committee Reports:**

John Gulley announced the chapter has several new member applications in work. SAR membership applications for Asa & Tye Whatley have been approved. John Gulley is working with several prospective members to get their SAR applications completed.

Pete Lenes reported that we have 2,628 points in the Stark Report and a total of 9,263 points for the President's Report. He reminded all members to donate items to VA clinic. Gordon Robinson reported Ron Whatley made a \$1,000 donation to the chapter.

Ron Whatley reported several Color Guards units of other chapters have expressed interest in participating in the Dickens on the Strand Parade on December 5<sup>th</sup>.

## Presentations:

Pete Lenes presented Barry Rogers with his new member Certificate and the War Service Medal for his services in Africa. John Mason and Russell Mason were presented their 5 Year Membership Service Awards.

Bill Whatley, Ron Whatley and Steve Whatley were presented with Certificates of Appreciation and TXSSAR Bronze Service Medals.

Jim Mitchell presented a copy the Proclamation of Thanksgiving to the chapter. It was written by President George Washington dated November 19<sup>th</sup>, 1789. This document will be filed with our chapter minutes.