

Sons of the American Revolution
Tennessee Valley Chapter
May 10, 2021
Regular Meeting

LOCATION: First Baptist Church Huntsville, AL. We met in conference room 118 due to construction work in Fellowship Hall.

ATTENDEES:

David Billings, Jess Brown, Dudley Burwell, David Byers, Ray Cassell, Emory Ferguson, Jim Griffith, Benny Hannah, James Henderson, Anders Kinney, Clifford Lanham, Ray Livingston, Larry McFall, Jim Maples, Charles McMurry, Daniel Spiegelberg, Richard Tingle, Otha Vaughn, George Vinson, Roger Whitesides, Charles Oiling, (20)

ATTENDEES ON ZOOM:

Bob Anderson, Bob Baccus, Richard Blanton, Steven Brouse, Jim Carver, Larry Crabtree, Russ Godwin, Cookie Keller, Ken Michael, Bill Sommers, Bill Stone, Charles Thomas, Nathan White (13)

GUESTS:

Iris Hannah, Linda Maples, Nancy Billings, Jacqueline Whitesides, Allie Swann, Michele Kinney(6)

OPENING:

President Benny Hannah opened the meeting at 11:00 AM and asked Chaplain James Henderson to pray the invocation.

Vice President Dudley Burwell led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the SAR Pledge.

GREETINGS:

President Hannah welcomed everyone (live and Zoom) and guests to the meeting.

PROGRAM:

Vice President Dudley Burwell introduced today's speaker Jim Griffith. He will speak today and show examples of the videos being developed for use at the Alabama Veterans Museum in Athens, AL. He indicated the Tennessee Valley Chapter is leading the way nationally on use of videos to promote SAR. Jim's presentation was both informative and interesting. President Hannah presented a SAR Eagle and a Certificate of Appreciation to Mr. Griffith for his presentation.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Madison County Patriot Monument Update: President Hannah introduced Nancy Billings from the Twickenham Town Chapter of the DAR who made a request for individual donations to update the monument erected to honor Madison County Revolutionary War Veterans with a connection to the county in 1939. They currently have \$6,000 of the needed \$8,000 to complete the project. Interested members are encouraged to donate.
- George Washington Endowment Fund: Jim Maples recognized Charles Oiling as the TVCSAR's newest GWEF member and President Hannah pinned on his membership pin.
- Alabama Veterans Museum Update: Jess Brown was asked to give an update on the status of the museum opening. He indicated that the museum is ready to open. Currently the only hang up is getting a date on Governor Kay Ivy's calendar.

SUPPLEMENTALS:

The following supplemental was presented by President Hannah to:

- Roger Whitesides Patriot - James Nelson

OFFICER REPORTS:

President: Benny Hannah

- Board of Managers Meeting - Will be on 15 May at the American Village and also on Zoom.
- Alabama Veterans Museum Fund Raiser: The Athens DAR Chapter is having a fundraiser at the museum next Sunday 23 May. Cost will be \$10. Our Color Guard will support this event.
- Grave Marking: June 5, 2021 for Carl Quinton Black at Mt. Vernon Cemetery.
- CPT Mike Rose, Medal of Honor recipient will speak about the Medal of Honor and be recognized for his work on a video for the Alabama Veterans Museum at the June 14 meeting. Please make every effort to be at the meeting.

Vice President: Dudley Burwell

SAR Mugs will be for sale at the sign-in desk at future meetings for \$10 each.

Recording Secretary: George Vinson

No Report

Corresponding Secretary: Jim Maples

No Report

Treasurer: Randal Jennings:

Not Present. Benny Hannah reported Checking Balance \$12,122.40, Money Market Balance \$9,354.92 as of 30 April 2021.

Registrar: Ray Cassell

Reported that he has two new applications. Twenty-two applications have been submitted this year. We are on track to submit forty-five applications this year.

Historian: Jim Alexander
No Report

Chaplain: James Henderson
Still working on Memorial Book Donation program. He will have more details at next meeting.

Genealogist: Bill Sommers
No Report

Chancellor: Richard Tingle
No report

CLOSING COMMENTS:

President Hannah thanked all of the visitors for being with us today.

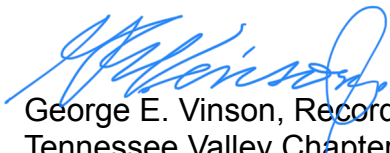
Next Meeting will be on June 14, 2021

BENEDICTION, RECESSONAL and ADJOURNMENT:

Chaplain James Henderson gave the benediction.

Vice President Dudley Burwell led us in the recessional.

President Benny Hannah adjourned the mention at 12:00 PM



George E. Vinson, Recording Secretary
Tennessee Valley Chapter, SAR
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