



**GOVERNOR PAUL HAMILTON CHAPTER
SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY**

SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

BEAUFORT, SC

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FORMAL DINNER & MEETING

Friday, December 7, 2018 6:00pm

Meeting Minutes

Sixty-three members and guests arrived for the SCSAR Governor Paul Hamilton Chapter's Annual Christmas Formal Dinner and Meeting at the Dataw Island Club – Carolina Room. Cocktails period started at 6:00 pm while members and guests checked-in.

Chapter President Frank Gibson welcomed everyone to the Annual Christmas Formal Dinner and Meeting.

The invocation and the blessing of the meal were led by Chaplain Dr. Bill Sammons. Afterwards, Chaplain Dr. Bill Sammons led in the singing of "God Bless America" in honor of President George H. W. Bush.

The pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and the SAR pledge were led by Color Guard Stg. Michael Keyserling.

President Frank Gibson awarded three services awards:

- 5 years – Dana Angier Cheney
- 5 years - Thomas Evans Wilson
- 10 years – Joseph Barry Henson, Jr.

Vice President Ivan Bennett had each table introduce their guests.

Dinner was served. Dinner was Prime Rib of Beef and Salmon accompanied by Au Gratin potatoes and seasonal vegetable medley. Additionally, we had warm rolls and butter, Kentucky Bourbon Pecan Pie for desert with Coffee and Ice Tea.

After desserts, Vice President Bennett introduced the speaker of the meeting,

**Alan Stello: “*The Charleston Battalion of Artillery
and the Battle of Port Royal Island, SC*”**

Vice President Bennett awarded Mr. Stello with an Appreciation Certificate from the Chapter.

Vice President Ivan Bennett discussed the Brochure Contest and the local winners: 1st Place – Madison Morris, 2nd Place – Logan Morgan, and 3rd Place – Hunter Hollingsworth. They are receiving Appreciation Certificates from the Chapter.

Chapter Reports - Registrar: Tom Wilson recommended that Compatriots should remember to talk to family, friends, and neighbors about joining our Chapter. He stated that one application was under consideration at this time. Treasurer: Randy Atkins discussed that the Chapter was in the black with ~\$4,000 in the Operation budget. Secretary: Joe Riddle asked for a vote on the September 21, 2018 Meeting Minutes and they were approved. Riddle reminded that a container had been placed in the front of the room that is like a Chapter Mail Box for each Compatriot. Please check your mail box (sorted by last name) each meeting. Riddle discussed that the 2019 Chapter Directory would be sent via email. In addition, the 2019 Chapter Directory would be offered for printing and would be mailed directly to your home address.

President Frank Gibson did the installation of new member, Compatriot: Robert Ellis de Treville.

President Frank Gibson stated that Vice President Ivan Bennett has requested to step down from his position in 2019 and the recommendation from the Board was to elect Joe Riddle as Vice President and Peter Somerville as Secretary. President Gibson asked for a Motion to accept Ivan Bennett stepping down from Vice President, elect Joe Riddle as Vice President, and elect Peter Somerville as Secretary for 2019. The Motion was 1st and 2nd with no discussion. President Gibson then asked for a Vote of the Motion and it was approved.

Low Country Regional Vice President Wayne Cousar swore in the new Chapter Officers for 2019 – Secretary Peter Somerville and Vice President Joe Riddle.



2019 Governor Paul Hamilton Chapter Officers

President Gibson opened discussions of Old and New Business which there were none.

The 2019 Gov Paul Hamilton SAR Spring Quarterly Chapter Meeting is scheduled March 22, 2019 for 12 noon at “The Tavern in Royal Pines”, Lady’s Island Country Club. The Speaker and Topic are: **John Laurence Busch: “Dual Empires of Liberty”.**

The Benediction was led by Chaplin Dr. Bill Simmons. The SAR Recessional was led by Vice President Ivan Bennett.

Adjournment was at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Riddle
2018 Secretary Gov Paul Hamilton Chapter SAR

p.s.
2019 Gov Paul Hamilton SAR Quarterly Meetings (Fridays)
March 22
June 21
September 20
December 6