

On April 21, 2012, the Mine Run Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met at the historic Hayfield Manor, located in Caroline County. Sixteen members were present today. Guests included Virginia Storage, Vice State Regent of Virginia DAR, and Christine Lush-Rodriguez, recipient of the Women in the Arts Recognition Award. Several spouses also attended the meeting.

The opening ritual, with DAR prayers, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and The American's Creed were led by the Chapter Regent, Liz Couture.

The reading of today's minutes by email are Debbie DeHart and Mary Stanley.

Four women have been approved for admission into the DAR and were sworn in by Debbie Aylor, Chaplin. The ladies sworn in today were Ann Ellis and Sue Shackelford.

Debbie DeHart, chairperson of the nominating committee, selected Liz Couture for the office of corresponding secretary.

Virginia Storage, Vice State Regent of Virginia, installed the Mine Run Chapter Officers for 2012-2014.

They are as follows:

Regent-Rochelle Grey

Vice-Regent, Debbie Aylor

Chaplin-Cindy Kohl

Recording Secretary-Leah Samuels

Corresponding Secretary-Liz Couture

Treasurer-Sue Shackelford

Registrar-Debbie DeHart

Historian-Tina Grimsley Cornellier

Librarian-Debbie Matalavage

Under new business, two awards were presented by the outgoing regent, Liz Couture. They are Christine Lush Rodriguez, for the Women in the Arts Recognition Award and Virginia DeHart for Outstanding Chapter Officer Award.

Officers reporting were the outgoing treasurer, Virginia DeHart, who indicated a check book balance of March 31, 2012 in the amount of \$4,494.62. Debbie DeHart, registrar, reported members as of last month, 71. Three new members were approved at the last board meeting(April 21, 2012). There are currently 36 prospective members. The outgoing Chaplin, Debbie Aylor, mentioned that she has sent out several condolence cards.

Regent Couture discussed the status of the Lafayette Marker. It has been approved to place the marker on the grounds of the Todds Tavern Market. The marker should be ready in 6-8 weeks. Plans are to invite Conway Richardson, District II, and the Williamsburg DAR Chapter. The Williamsburg Chapter has donated seven commemorative plates honoring General Lafayette to the Mine Run Chapter. It is planned for them to be placed in the Spotsylvania County Museum.

Rochelle Grey reported that the Mine Run Chapter will be assisting Salubria with the garden and other areas where they need assistance.

The next meeting will be held on May 19, 2012, at the former Spotsylvania County Museum. The topic is "Tea with Jefferson Davis." Debbie DeHart is planning a summer workshop to work on supplemental papers.

The speaker for today is Jacque-Lynn Schulman, who is to talk about "The First emigrants and movement between Maryland and Virginia in the first 100 years. Unfortunately, Ms. Schulman was unable to attend the meeting.

Liz Couture adjourned the meeting at 10:50 am, to be followed by light refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,

Leah L. Samuels  
Recording Secretary