

## November 10, 2012 Minutes

On November 10, 2012, the Mine Run Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution held a chapter meeting at the Snow Library in Spotsylvania. Due to Regent Rochelle Grey being out of town, Vice Regent Debbie Aylor presided over today's meeting. She led the group for the DAR Ritual, the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag, and the American's Creed. She announced that the scheduled speaker, Jeff Riley, who was to talk about the founding of Camp Rapidan in Shenandoah National Park, was called away to assist with the recovery of persons impacted by Hurricane Sandy in New York and New Jersey. Six members were present for this meeting. Kathy Thierfeldt filled in for Cindy Kohl, Chaplin. The minutes of the October meeting were approved and two members agreed to approve the minutes for this meeting, Kathy Thierfeldt and Mary Nolan.

Vice Regent Aylor indicated that there were no new reports to present at today's meeting. There were no reports from the Treasurer, Registrar or the Chaplain.

For National Defense, Kathy Thierfeldt, reported that a movie titled "Lincoln," which opens November 16, was filmed primarily in Petersburg and Richmond. Member Thierfeldt also presented information for the Indian Committee. She noted that California has many reservations representing hundreds of Indian Tribes.

Member Thierfeldt presented Liz Couture with a hard cover book with photographs and information regarding the Lafayette Marker which was placed at Todds Tavern in September. Member Couture announced that she has entered a patriotic poster in a DAR contest. If her poster is selected, the poster will be for sale at the DAR National Headquarters in Washington, DC.

The Mine Run Chapter is planning to present an Outstanding History Teacher Award. Mayo Carter, who is a middle school history teacher at Chancellor Middle School, has been suggested to receive this award.

Veteran's Day is November 11, 2012. The Golden Corral Restaurant is offering veterans free meals on this date. There is a program at John J. Wright Museum and Cultural Center on November 10. It is being presented by the honor guard of the US Colored Troops. There is also a new DAR organization created for female veterans.

Vice Regent Aylor is suggesting that Rosa Heywood, from Massaponax Baptist Church, be nominated for Outstanding Community Service Award. Ms. Heywood is in charge of mission programs for her church, as well as the food bank there. Because there was not a quorum of members present today, no voting could take place. It was also suggested that the Mine Run Chapter send a donation to the Red Cross to assist victims of Hurricane Sandy, but no final decision could be reached on this matter.

The name of Miranda Reynolds has been accepted to receive the Women in the Arts Award. She is a teacher at Fredericksburg Christian Academy and a formal presentation will be held in the future.

The annual Virginia State Convention will be held at the Richmond Marriott Hotel on March 15-17, 2013. The theme for the conference will be "Anticipating the Future." The registration fee is \$25.00, and does

not include meals. There is more information available at VADAR.org and mountainlaurel is the password needed to access this material.

Vice Regent Aylor suggested that a new member's handbook be created to let new and old members understand DAR and how the chapter functions. She also feels that a DAR Fact Sheet would be useful to help members collect soup labels, manufacturer's coupons, stamps and greeting cards. No action could be taken at this time due to the small turnout for today's meeting.

Member Couture suggested that a fund be created to assist members who have difficulty paying annual dues. No action was taken at this time.

There is an annual open house for Mine Run Chapter members at the home of Debbie DeHart, registrar, on December 15. The bus trip to the DAR National Headquarters that had been planned on December 5 was cancelled due to not enough participants.

The next meeting will be held on January 12, 2013, to complete the master questionnaire. It will be held at the Merchant's Square Building in Spotsylvania. Vice Regent Aylor ended the meeting at 11:08 a. m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary

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