

**Spokane Chapter No. 1 – SAR**  
**Friday, 12 May 2006**  
**MINUTES**

Spokane Chapter No. 1, SAR, met Friday noon, 12 May 2006, at Old Country Buffet in the Franklin Park Mall, 5504 N. Division Street, Spokane, WA 99208 with twenty members and guests in attendance. The meeting was called to order by President Richard Howard at 12:13 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was given, the SAR Pledge was led by Bill Aller and the opening prayer was given by Assistant Chaplin Norm Park.

Visitors included potential members Gale Palmer, A. G. Tiemann and Randall Smith and guests Bev Wills, Joyce Park, Vera Ladd and Armande Aller. Compatriot Richard Roddy came from Richland to attend. Several of the members were given name tags at the meeting that they had paid for and had been received from NSSAR, thanks to the efforts of Jackie Daniels.

The minutes of the 14 April meeting were read by Secretary John Ellingson and were declared approved by President Howard. Treasurer Al Daniels reported that the ending balance was \$6.67 more than last month. Compatriot Mel Butterfield reported that his audit of the financial books of Treasurer Daniels for the past year was satisfactory.

Compatriot Neil Hyde reported that he had attended the New Citizens Swearing-In Ceremony on May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Federal Building. He gave double-flag lapel pins to 47 new citizens and described how one new family from Mexico greatly impressed him with their comments.

Chairman Al Daniels reported on the ROTC presentations. John Ellingson was at Gonzaga; Dean Ladd was at Kellogg High School, Idaho; Al Daniels was at Rogers High School on May 6. He will present at Medical Lake High School on 25 May and at Eastern Washington University on 01 June. Presentations were made by Compatriot Dean Hatton of Clarkston, WA to WSU/AF and WSU/Army and Navy at University of Idaho. He will also be presenting the award at Clarkston High School on 20 May. All certificates and medals were mailed this year except Medical Lake and EWU. A complete report will be given at the June meeting.

No Eagle Scout or Knight Essay contest reports were given. The door prize was a SAR cap and a Ben Franklin poster presented by Stan Wills and won by A. G. Tiemann. This drawing realized \$27.00 for the treasury.

Compatriot Richard Roddy was called to tell in a five-minute report about his Revolutionary War ancestor, Philip Michael Swartz, who was born in Germany in 1758. He came to America before the Revolutionary War and settled in eastern Pennsylvania. By the name of Michael Swartz, he enlisted in 1775, was captured

and held as a British prisoner. He was later exchanged, freed continued to serve until the end of the war. Philip Michael Swartz is buried in Sunbury, Pennsylvania.

Vice President Larry Ellingson then presented the program which was a video presentation of "The Conflict Ignites" which tells the story of the causes leading up to and the beginnings of the American Revolution. The program scheduled for the June meeting will be the next segment of the video of this historical event.

The next meeting of Spokane Chapter No. 1 is planned for Friday evening, June 9<sup>th</sup>, at Fairwinds Retirement Center, 520 East Holland Avenue, Spokane, WA. An outstanding dinner will be served about 5:30 pm followed by the meeting and program.

On Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup> starting at 11:00 am, the Executive Board of WASSAR will meet at Ellensburg, WA and we plan to have several from our chapter in attendance at the meeting.

Discussion followed on the possibility of having a pot-luck picnic some weekend during this summer. Further discussion will be at the meeting next month but we will need a location and someone to be chairman.

The 116<sup>th</sup> Congress of the NSSAR will be held in Dallas, Texas the second weekend of July and Secretary Ellingson is a delegate from the WASSAR at that Congress.

There being no further business, Assistant Chaplain Norm Park gave the closing prayer, the SAR Recessional was led by Sid Kennedy and President Richard Howard adjourned the meeting at 1:11 P. M.

Submitted by Secretary John Ellingson.