



Northeast Ohio Chapter 12 SAR

Chapter meeting at Farrante's Restaurant on Sept. 15, 2012

President Troy Bailey opened the meeting at 11:45am. He introduced guest speaker National Park Service Ranger Alan Gephardt and other guests.

The invocation was offered by Compatriot Jim Pildner, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the 1st verse of America.

Reading of the minutes was dispensed with as they are available on the Chapter 12 website. Compatriot Pildner moved to accept as filed, 2nd by Compatriot Jim Gilbert; passed.

Compatriot Terry Robinson gave the Treasurer's Report from Jan 1st to Aug 31st, noting the receipts and expenses incurred. President Bailey explained the expenses- Memorial Day events, partially offset by Ashtabula County funds; deposit for a grave marker for slain police officer Clark's burial site in North Olmsted to be dedicated on 10/27; drum repairs, etc. Compatriot Pildner moved to approve the report, 2nd by Compatriot Bob Howe; passed.

President Bailey offered the following report:

- Requested volunteers to fill officer positions, especially Historian. Named Compatriot Pildner to chair nomination committee
- Announced the annual fund-raising "moccasin roast" at Fort Laurens in Bolivar on Saturday, 9/22. Funds are needed to rebuild the Fort.
- The State Board of Management meeting will be held on 10/6, at the Point Pleasant Memorial
- Next chapter meeting to be on Nov. 10th, with a Veterans' Day program. Farrante's will be the site again.

Following lunch, Compatriot Pildner offered 2 quizzes, which embarrassed most with their lack of historical knowledge from the Colonial Era (although some questions were deemed obtuse).

Compatriot Dan Matheke passed around a book printed in 1855 entitled "U.S. Constitution", which contained volumes of data on the Constitution and every subsequent election up to the date of publishing.

President Bailey and Compatriot Pildner inducted 2 new members to the chapter: Wayne Robert Prill and David John Mannion.

A program on the U.S. Constitution was presented by National Park Service Ranger Alan Gephardt. He serves at the Garfield home in Mentor, as well as in Baltimore, MD. His talk included observations on the effectiveness of the Colonial Federalist and Non-Federalist drafters of the Constitution, as perceived by Gordon Wood in a 2011 book. He also included later comments by U.S. Representative James Garfield regarding States' Rights.

At 1:15pm Compatriot Howe moved to adjourn, 2nd by Compatriot Gilbert; passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Compatriot Terry Robinson