

Northern Ohio Chapter #12
Sons of the American Revolution

November 9, 2013

Call To Order: President Troy Bailey called the meeting to order at 12:05PM at Ferrante's Restaurant, Harpersfield, OH. There were 23 compatriots and 17 guests present. President Bailey introduced Ohio SAR President George Rush and acknowledged DAR members Dianne Gilbert and Mila Prill were among the guests. Compatriot Jim Pildner introduced his father John Pildner Sr. and three brothers John Jr., Rick and Dave Pildner.

Invocation: The invocation was given by Compatriot Jim Pildner, Chaplin Pro-tem.

Pledge of Allegiance/SAR: The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag was recited by all present and the SAR Pledge was recited by compatriots present.

State of Ohio Report: President George Rush was asked to comment on any pertinent state of Ohio SAR activities.

- NSSR has proposed an increase in Supplemental application fees from \$40 to \$80 is pending approval. This proposal will be taken up at National Congress next year.
- The Pumpkin Parade in Circleville, OH, is an awesome parade. All color guard members are encouraged to participate next year. Parade is about 2 and 1/2 miles long.
- Next board of management meeting will be in Newark, OH February 6th 2014.
- The OHSSR 2014 annual meeting will be held at Salt Fork.
- The next National Congress will be held in South Carolina.

Minutes: Compatriot Bill Howe, Secretary, was not present. Compatriot Bailey indicated minutes of the September 29, 2013 meeting were posted in the NEO #12 website and a hard copy was available at the meeting. Compatriot Jim Pildner moved and Compatriot Tim Ward second to accept posted minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Terry Robinson was not present. President Troy Bailey provided a verbal report. There is \$2771.79 in checking and \$139.92 in savings. Of the total, \$2,225.00 is 2014 dues collect thus far. Leaving approximately \$500 available for local activities. Tim Ward moved and Bob Howe second to accept the report. Motion carried.

Registrar's Report: Compatriot Bailey reported there were 3 applications in progress and 4 applications had been approved with the four applicants present for induction at this meeting. Current membership stands at 118.

- George Rush noted that NEO #12 leads the pack in Ohio in number of members.
- Supplemental application fees are most likely going to increase.

- DAR has added an additional type of record copy, a “Chapter Copy”. Use of close relative DAR membership may no longer be a shoe in for either DAR or SAR application approval. Re-documenting of ancestors connections may be required.
- Dues for 2014 need to be submitted by December 7, 2013.

Point Pleasant State Meeting: Compatriot Ward reported on the Point Pleasant State Meeting. Point Pleasant hails to be the first battle in the Revolutionary War. The meeting held at Point Pleasant was part of the Battle Day’s Celebration complete with a parade. Compatriot Ward presented a wreath and received a streamer for the NEO #12 chapter flag.

Unfinished Business: No unfinished business was noted.

New Business:

- Compatriot Bailey identified the next meeting would be in February 2014 and location had not yet been selected. Program for the February meeting will be related to Presidents Day. The meeting will also feature the induction of new officers. Anyone wishing to serve as an officer is welcome to identify themselves.
- Due to close quarters and difficulty in serving attendees, Compatriot Pildner moved to award the waitresses \$30 (to be divided between them) in addition to what attendees might tip. Bob Howe second. Motion carried.

Program/Veterans Day: Compatriot Pildner presented the Veterans Day program for Veterans Day. Especially significant to him and his family, his father John Pildner Sr. has received the French Legion of Honor Medal for his service in World War II. Each year 100 of these medals are awarded to deserving veterans of World War II who participated in the liberation of France. Pildner had received the medal but had not had a presentation ceremony. This SAR meeting provided an ideal opportunity to acknowledge the award. Compatriot Pildner read a letter from the French Council General of Chicago, IL. The letter recognized John Pildner Sr. for his contribution in the liberation of France in WWII and the pride, thanks, and respect that French people have for American soldiers who participated in their liberation. In recognition of such contributions the Legion of Honor, established by Napoleon, is presented.

Honoree Pildner was asked to comment on his service in France during WWII. A member of the 290th Infantry Division he shipped over to England prior to D-Day. He landed at LeHarve, France after the D-Day invasion and shortly after his 19th birthday. His division was transported inland. He served in a mine platoon of an anti-tank unit and saw action at the Bulge, Colmar Pocket and Ardennes.

Induction of New Members: Ohio President George Rush administered the oath to four new NEO#12 members: Scott Wludyga, Mike Nimocks, William Auten and Mike McCleery. Compatriots Bailey, Ward and Pildner presented the new members with their SAR lapel pins.

Motion to Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn was made by Scott Wludyga, second by Bill Auten.

Closing Obligation: SAR Pledge was recited by compatriots present.

Benediction:

The benediction n was given by Compatriot Jim Pildner, Chaplin Pro-tem.

Respectfully Submitted by
Steve Hinson, Secretary Pro-tem