NEO SAR #12 Zoom Meeting 11/14/20 1:00 PM

Call to Order: Meeting Called to order by President Jim Pildner 1:01 PM

The President declared that a quorum of members was present.

Invocation: Compatriot Troy Bailey

Pledge of Allegiance/SAR: Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag was recited

by all present and the SAR Pledge was recited by all Compatriots present.

Minutes Report: Minutes of the previous meeting, were posted online at the NEO#12

website Motion: Steve Hinson Second: Troy Bailey

Motion Carried

President's Report

- Sent Scholarship information to all Ashtabula County School Superintendents via email and USPS. Conneaut Superintendent Lori Riley and St John Principal Scott Plescia confirmed receiving the information.
- Reports the death of Compatriot Robert Nelson on 7/25/20
- Death of Compatriot Wilbur Black. Service held 10/29/20 at Davis Babcock Funeral Home in Willoughby. Participating werel Dan Matheke, Bill Robinson, Bob Kenyon, Steven Hinson, Tim Ward, Kirk Bacon, Troy Bailey.

Secretary's Report: Reports nothing new. Just sharing information from the state.

President Pilder commented he appreciates the efficient communication to the chapter. Compatriot Hinson agreed with President Pildner

Treasurer's Report: Bob Kenyon reported account balances.

Compatriot Kenyon reported the due date for membership dues is December 8th. Dues may be mailed or paid by credit card online.

Compatriot Tim Ward made a motion to approve the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer. Second: Compatriot Hinson. Motion Carried.

Registrar's Report: - Compatriot Troy Bailey. Informed by Nationals that the turnaround for new memberships is about five weeks. They are still catching up from delays relating to COVID-19. We have about six new members who have not yet been inducted because of COVID-19.

Old Business: Compatriot Hinson. We approved a purchase of medallions for grave markings at our last meeting, but we later found out the cost increased from \$90 to \$120 since we made the approval. The price has nearly doubled in the past three years. We are looking at alternatives. The Cincinnati Chapter has a stonemaker who makes a piece for about \$60. So we will explore the options.

Motion to place on hold the purchase of grave stone medallions until the investigation of an alternate or cheaper method can be found. Motion: Steve Hinson Second: Troy Bailey. Motion Carried.

New Business: Induction of new members, but they are not present on the Zoom call, so this will carry over to the next meeting.

15-year membership pin to Gage Georgeff. Compatriot Georgeff thanked the group, hopes to continue for many years.

Next Meeting: Elect officers - President Pildner suggests current slate of officers be put on the ballot for 2021. Motion: Richard Dana Second: Mark Tyler Motion Carried

Announcements: Troy Bailey reports.

- Donations can be made to update/replace windows renovations to the SAR National building in Kentucky
- President Pildner color guard donations Troy museum board is looking for donations for when the museum opens.. It's in the color guard magazine.
- Question from Richard Dana about Wreaths Across America. Will we be participating?
 - Venie Hinson from DAR reports there will be 600 wreaths. There will not be an indoor ceremony this year. Color guard should present at 10:00 AM. There will not be a program, no speaker. Very simple this year.
- Steve Hinson has two residents for Flag Certificate Presentation Ceremonies.
 - Robin & Renee Blair on Leon Road in Andover 10:00 AM 11/21/20
- Hinson has put together a New Member Orientation Program. This will be used Nationally, and is adaptable for local chapters. Intent is face to face orientation with a workbook. Helps identify interests and help with retention of members.

- Compatriot Bailey is looking for a flagpole to accommodate the 250th anniversary flag
 - Compatriot Hinson moved to purchase the flagpole and stand.
 Second: Richard Dana. Motion Carried.
 - Motion amended to include the purchase of the flag: Moved by Hinson. Second: Richard Dana. Motion Carried.
- Bailey reports he's been working with Darryl Harper. Ancestor buried in New York - but there is no headstone. Thomas Hendry is the patriot in Harpersfield, NY. Not eligible for a free stone. Hendry was in the Militia, not in the Continental Army. Darryl will transport the stone. Compatriot Dana commented this is fantastic news. Harper commented many of the relatives are buried in Harperfield, Twp, Ohio. Local folks will recognize the names. Compatriot Honson asked when they died. April 8, 1780 all three were killed in the Raid on Harpersfield. Chief Joseph and the Torries killed them.
- Compatriot Hinson announced National SAR is in the process of creating a digital database. Hundreds of volunteers are entering information going back to 1986. Then more will be done. Process has been ongoing for 1.5 years. The new database is extensive - can search Patriots, Members, etc. But much work is left to be done with loading information. If you would like to help, contact Steve or the National Office. 40 hours of work can earn a Liberty Medal.

No Correspondence to report

Program:

President Pildner recognized Cathy Bacon. Cathy gave a presentation and was interviewed by Pildner about her experience in the Air Force.

Motion to Adjourn: President Pildner called the meeting to be adjourned. Motion to adjourn was approved at 2:02 PM.

Closing Obligation: Closing Obligation was recited by all Compatriots present.

Benediction: Benediction was given by Troy Bailey.

Next Meeting February 13, 2021, Best Friends Restaurant, Harpersfield Township, 11:30

Submitted by R. Scott Wludyga Secretary NEO#12 OHSSAR