

NATHAN HALE CHAPTER NSDAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 23, 2020- meeting held remotely due to COVID-19
12:00 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Nancy Adomeit, Deborah Blakeway, Karrie Blee, Merrilee Carlson, Jacqueline Friesen, Audrey Johnson, Marlene Johnson, Sherri Marier, Patricia Merwin, Jennifer Parker, Terease Pelfrey, Liz Pierson, Cynthia Schoonmaker, Cindy Scott, Robin Selvig, Linda Sorenson, Sarah Stowell, Judy Wedul, Martha West, Victoria Westenhofer, Barbara Wilson.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE/CHAPTER RITUALS: (V. Regent Adomeit)
INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS/NEW MEMBERS/PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS:

Merrilee has not indicated any today.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Treasurer: The Checking balance as of 5/26/20 was \$3,062.01. The Savings balance as of 5/26/20 was \$3,062.01 (+ \$0.69 interest) for \$3,069.96.

Friends of Seimes Technology- \$26.23 (\$100 min)

Friends of DAR Schools- \$47.63 (\$200 min)

Registrar: The Genealogy Club is currently not meeting due to COVID. Merrilee is open to Skype, Zoom or other virtual meeting to facilitate research. When meetings resume there will be an announcement.

Applications Pending-3

Supplementals Pending- 5

Prospectives- 13

V Regent 1: Among other information, The President General's Message for June, 2020, encouraged all to participate in the first "virtual" National DAR Continental Congress July 12-15.

V Regent 2: The due date for articles for the Newsletter is Tuesday, July 7.

SERVICE COMMITTEES:

Americanism: No report

Conservation: Marlene Johnson shared a formula for fertilizing made up of Nitrogen (blood meal), Phosphorus (bone meal), and Potassium (Epsom salts) that easily can be made at home. Specifics will be shared in the upcoming newsletter.

Constitution Week: Betty Wolfangle has resigned as Chair. If you are interested in Chairing this committee please contact Karrie Blee.

DAR Service for Veterans:

~Fisher House has cancelled all Food-making shifts

Until further notice.

~Items are still being collected for Veteran's backpacks and move-in-kits/projects. They are hoping to make 6-8 packs, and a list of additional needed items will be included in the upcoming newsletter.

American Indian: No report

DAR Service to America: Deb encouraged all to stay connected with others and try to find ways to continue to volunteer during COVID.

National Defense: Nancy Adomeit read from June/July National Defender, an online newsletter available on the DAR website, about The American Women's Voluntary Services (AWVS) founded during the time of WW11. Also, remember July 1 is National Postal Worker Day.

Women's Issues: On Friday, June 26 at 3:00 EST, please join Cindy Henderson, National V Chair of Women's Issues-family. and others for a virtual Congress Program entitled "Face to Face with Women's Issues". Included will be conversations, videos, and an announcement of the National Theme for the upcoming year. If you are not a member, you can log on to the Women's Issues Committee DAR Facebook group on Facebook to be included.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES: No reports.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Oakland Cemetery Grave granite marker for member #10579, Martha Wetherbee Foster, 1st V Regent of Washington State DAR, Postponed until Fall, 2020.

B. Remember to weigh any food donated and keep track of the pounds and \$\$ to give to Karrie. There was more discussion regarding Farm Link which apparently is currently not available in our area.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Regent Bles will be talking with Our Savior's Lutheran Church regarding the use of the church building or if we will meet using ZOOM for the July Meeting. Officers and Committee Chairs will submit their reports electronically. Whichever is decided, we will spend time celebrating our sisterhood. There will be only a very abbreviated Call to Order and Installation of new members and then we will have an heirloom Show and Tell. Be prepared to show off one of your family treasures. You will have 2 minutes to tell us about it. Yes, only 2 minutes! Practice your speech (as there will be a timer to keep us on track).

B. An abbreviated Minnesota State Conference will be held Saturday October 3, 2020, 10-4 at the Crowne Plaza Aire in Bloomington. This is to replace the cancelled May, 2020 conference. We will need to vote to endorse delegates at the July Meeting (since we do not meet in August). So far there is no information/news regarding a silent auction or any of the other "usual" State Conference items.

C. Patricia Merwin gave a recap of the Nathan Hale wreath laying ceremony. Thank you for all of your hard work on this event, Patti!

D. Barb suggested that we could get to know each other better if a daughter was selected each month to share a short summary of who they are, interests, background, etc. in the newsletter. Robin and karrie will look into how we could do this.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS:

~Nametags- \$5.50 each (give money to Treasurer Liz Pierson

~Poppy corsages-\$3each

~George Washington Ornaments- \$5 each

~Book Club- Reading "Founding Mothers" by Cokie Roberts, Chapters 1-2.

The group will meet virtually on Monday, July 6 from 5:30-6:30 with the ZOOM link to be announced.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Judy Wedul, Recording Secretary