

General David Humphreys Branch No. 1

Sons of the American Revolution

January 13, 2020

Secretary's Report

Meeting opened at 6:230 by President Ethan Stewart
Prayer by Rich Kendall
Salute to Flag & SAR Salute
Treasurer's report
Secretary's report was accepted, motion by Jerry Wilson seconded by John Towle

Stewart recognized Past Presidents, John Crowell, Tim Wilkins, & John Towle.

Grove Street Cemetery commission is having a meeting on the 21st about the plaque that we would like to put up in the cemetery for the 168 Patriots buried there. I am looking for suggestions on when to have a ceremony for the dedication of this plaque. Please email with your thoughts.

Our 4th of July ceremony this year will be without Dave Loda. He is moving across country. Again I am looking for a replacement to talk about David Humphreys. One suggestion was the President of the Derby Historical Society.

Steve Chapman was unable to attend this meeting to give a Historical Moment tonight do to injuring his knee at a Horse Guard Drill and has trouble walking.

Our guest speaker was David Wright from the Stratford Historical Society. David spoke about Flora a slave that owned my Martha Dwight of Milford and in 1796 sold to Asa Benjamin of Stratford. She was 19 years old. There is a life size silhouette of Flora's Head to see what she looks like. This was done to show what she look like to the new buyers. This is the only life size silhouette in the country and there are only 7 slave images known. The silhouette found at the Judson House in Stratford and is now at the Smithsonian in Washington, DC.

17 people attended our meeting.

President Stewart closed the meeting at 7:55

Ethan Stewart Sr. Secretary



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New Haven, Connecticut Founded
May 22, 1891

Meeting Notice

Monday, February 10, 2020

Time: Social hour 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. Meeting at 6:30 p.m. Dinner about 7:00

Location: App's Ristorante 283 Captain Thomas Blvd., West Haven
203-932-1657

Directions: From Derby Avenue/Rte. 34:

Travel Rte. 34 toward Orange /Derby take a left toward New Haven take a right on Forest Road (you will see a car dealership) and travel down Campbell Avenue (2 miles) until intersection of Captain Thomas Boulevard (see Savin Rock Shopping Plaza in front of you) take a right. We are 1/8 mile on the right-hand side.

Traveling from New London:

CT. I 95 South: Take Exit 42, (Sawmill Road) turn right at the exit and follow to end of Kelsey Avenue (1 mile) and turn left onto Captain Thomas Blvd. The restaurant is 1/8 mile on the left.

Traveling from New York:

CT. I 95 North: Take Exit 43, turn right and follow to end of Campbell Avenue. Turn right onto Captain Thomas Boulevard. The restaurant is 1/8 mile on the left.

Parking: Room for 15 cars in back or on the street parking. also, next to Dunkin Donuts across the street.

Menu: Choice of 8, appetizers, 8 entrees and 3 desserts

RSVP: Please call or email your reservations by February 6th to Ethan Stewart,
203-375-3087 or sarethan@optonline.net

Please make out checks to General David Humphreys Branch #1 for \$30.00 per person

Program: Our guest speaker is John White. My talk will be titled "George Washington and the Hand of God." It will be drawn from a chapter in my new book *The Pledge of Allegiance & The Star-Spangled Banner: A Patriot's Primer on the American Spirit*. It will cite evidence, from first-hand sources, of divine intervention to preserve the life of George Washington and raise him up to be the leader of a new nation intended to guide the world to a new condition: the right of people to govern themselves.

God Bless America
Patriotically
Ethan Stewart, Sr: President