

Gen. Israel Putnam Branch #4 CTSSAR – Report for November 2018 BOM Meeting

GREAT event yesterday commemorating General Israel Putnam's 300th birthday in Brooklyn, Connecticut. I enclosed a photo of the Revolutionary War encampment that the branch living history/color guard (11th Connecticut Regiment), detachment of the Connecticut Line CTSSAR set up at the event. I'm sure there will be a lot of photos of this event. GREAT turnout of public, particularly for the 2:00 PM ceremonies. Also a good turnout of CTSSAR.

12 members of the General Israel Putnam Branch attended the event. If I missed anyone, please let me know.

Wayne Bickley, Michael Chuckta, Dan Dudley, Peter Faulkner, Lee Gerlander, Todd Gerlander, Randal Gerlander, Jerry Hazeldine, Michael Juhase, Bruce Lyon, Gary Pitcock and Donald Spencer

I attached the link to the article in the Norwich Bulletin:

<http://www.norwichbulletin.com/news/20180929/brooklyn-goes-back-in-time-for-fall-festival>

When activities quieted down in the afternoon, and still having a quorum present, we were able to have a short meeting of the Gen. Israel Putnam Branch. It was approved at our Spring meeting, that the Gen. Israel Putnam 300th birthday event would also be our 2018 branch field trip/branch Fall meeting. Members present (7) Peter Faulkner, Lee Gerlander, Todd Gerlander, Randal Gerlander, Michael Chuckta, Wayne Bickley, Michael Juhase

Meeting called to order: 3:30 PM

The Branch will donate \$150.00 to the Cornerstone Food Shelter, Vernon, Connecticut, for the Holidays.
Motion: Wayne Bickley Second: Michael Juhase Vote: Unanimous

The Branch to reimburse Compatriot Todd Gerlander for the cost of the Gen. Israel Putnam 300th birthday wreath. \$36.90.
Motion: Todd Gerlander Second: Peter Faulkner Vote: Unanimous

The Spring 2019 Meeting of the General Israel Putnam Branch will be held at:

10:00 AM (Date to be determined, usually in March, and before the CTSSAR Annual Meeting/Patriot's Day Luncheon in April.)

Booth & Dimock Memorial Library
1134 Main Street
Coventry, Connecticut 06238

This will be our branch annual meeting and election of officers.

Following the meeting (11:00 AM), we will have a casual lunch at the Bidwell Tavern (1260 Main Street, Coventry, CT 06238).

Meeting adjourned: 3:40 PM

Patriotically, Todd Gerlander Branch e-mail newsletter editor

Gen. Israel Putnam Branch Members,

Just a quick report on Gov. Jonathan Trumbull's 308th birthday commemoration yesterday in Lebanon, Connecticut. The Connecticut Line, Living History/Color Guard Unit of the Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution held a wreath laying ceremony/musket salute at the War Office to commemorate Gov. Trumbull's 308th birthday. This was followed by a grave marking ceremony for 4 patriots of the American Revolution at the Center Cemetery. The day concluded there with a Tribute to Mrs. Bethia Huntington (Mason) Wattles, The Woman who Saved the War Office. I believe this was the first time CTSSAR held a ceremony at her grave.

To see photos of the event, you can visit:

<https://thelosttrumbull.blogspot.com/2018/10/gov-jonathan-trumbull-308th-birthday.html>

5 members of the General Israel Putnam Branch #4 CTSSAR (Color Guard) participated:

Dan Dudley
Lee Gerlander
Todd Gerlander
Randal Gerlander
Jerry Hazeldine

Patriotically,

Todd Gerlander
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