

# Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

## Real Property Committee Report

April 20, 2019

In the last Real Property Report of February 13, 2019 it was stated that the War Office needed several electrical up grades. I met with technicians from Ackert Electric on March 7<sup>th</sup> for the installation of these items. All was completed, except for the flagpole lighting, due to the recent snow storm. They returned on the 18<sup>th</sup> of April to complete the project.

I was unable to attend the Lebanon Green Consortium meeting held on March 11<sup>th</sup>, but met with Donna Baron, the Lebanon Historical Society Museum Director, the following day. She briefed me on what transpired, mainly the proposed upcoming school program. The next meeting was held on April 8<sup>th</sup> with the school program schedule finalized. We are expecting approximately 370 students from 4 area schools. Following that meeting I opened the War Office, conducting a tour for attending consortium members.

On April 18<sup>th</sup> I conducted a tour of the War Office for Stephen Fitch and his family. They were here from California, seeking information about their Fitch and Mason ancestors. They were very impressed with the condition of the War Office and that we are taking such good care of this valuable piece of American Revolutionary War history.

Within the past several weeks, we have received the submitted grant to the Connecticut Society of the Cincinnati for \$1,300 to be used for educational materials supporting the 2019 school programs. The Frank Loomis Palmer grant was also received. It was a generous amount of \$11,000, to be used for the restoration of the 1<sup>st</sup> floor ceiling and exterior repairs and painting at the Nathan Hale Schoolhouse in New London.

The Property Committee met at the Nathan Hale Schoolhouse in New London on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. The agenda included:

- 1) Docent Calendar: Online Live Google signup.
- 2) Spending to Date:
- 3) School Programs: Lebanon Elementary School 3<sup>rd</sup> Gr.- April 26; CREC Museum Academy- May 17; Lebanon Middle School 7<sup>th</sup> Gr.- May 28; East Hampton Elementary School 5<sup>th</sup> Gr.- May 31, June 3, June 6.
- 4) War Office Electrical: Complete.
- 5) Rope Bed transfer: Moved from War Office to Jonathan Trumbull Jr. House, insurance company notified.
- 6) Flagpole East Haddam: Repairs.
- 7) Nathan Hale Chair: Loan agreement at Nathan Hale Homestead in Coventry, CT.
- 8) Signage East Haddam: Materials purchased.
- 9) Driveway East Haddam: 2 Contractors in mind.
- 10) Merchandise Pricing:
- 11) Grants: Cincinnati \$1,300 arrived, Palmer \$11,00 arrived.
- 12) Docent Appreciation Dinner: Set for May 18<sup>th</sup> at The Town Tavern in East Haddam, invitations sent.

Respectfully submitted:

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Committee members:

Stephen Taylor, James Rothgeb and Joshua Taylor.