Sons of the American Revolution

Marquis De Lafayette Chapter

Tuesday March 10.2015

Minutes of March MDL Chapter Meeting

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Knox Herndon. Following the posting of the colors, the Pledge of Allegiance, the Pledge to the SAR and the invocation, guests and family members were introduced and welcomed.
2. President Knox then asked Bo Hill to introduce our speaker for the evening, Dean Breest. Bo stated that the Chapter is sponsoring the rededication of the Hopewell Church believed to be the oldest church in Georgia dating back to 1824. The rededication will be on May 2, 2015 at 11:00 AM and Bo is asking for good participation of the chapter. We will be inviting the DAR, The Sons of the Confederate Veterans and many others to attend.
3. Dean gave us an update on the restoration of the church and the adjacent cemetery that has many veterans interned there from the civil war, the war of 1812 and some are believed to be revolutionary war veterans. Many companies and people have donated time and products toward the restoration. During the restoration much of the history of Fayette County and its ties to the history of the country have been rediscovered.
4. Bo and President Herndon then presented Dean with the Bronze Good Citizenships Medal for all his work in restoring the church. Dean accepted the medal on behalf of all the people that have helped him with the project.
5. Dean offered the use of his studio for any presentation that we may need assistance with in the future.
6. Chaplain Baker then asked all to sign the card for Bob Wylie. Bob is on the mend per Knox .
7. Philip Moody then invited all to his 90th birthday party on May second. If you would like to attend please RSVP
8. President Herndon then commented of the May 2 ceremony and added that there will be a tree from the garden of Marie Antoinette planted at the church.
9. President Herndon then made a presentation to Philip Moody**. Philip was presented a Certificate of Patriotism for Meritorious Service during World War II.**
10. David Jessel then gave some information on the raising of funds for the Center for Advancing American Heritage. He also updated the information that Mike Tomme will be running unopposed for Secretary General and will be elected at the Congress in Louisville this June. Also Larry Guzy from the Georgia Society will be running for the Treasure General the office Mike now holds. Larry has opposition and will need our support at the Congress. If Mike is successful he will be in line to become the President General at the congress to be held in Boston in 2016.
11. David also has the awarding of the JROTC Medals ready to go as soon as he gets dates from the schools. If anyone is interested in helping let him know.
12. Refreshments were provided by Knox and Dee Herndon.
13. The meeting adjourned at 8:42PM with the retiring of the Colors, the recessional and benediction.

Respectfully Submitted

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