

## Meeting Minutes: December 3, 2022

### Opening

The regular meeting of the General David Forman-Penelope Hart Chapter, NSDAR was called to order at 12:35 PM at the Grafton House, Hamilton, NJ by Chapter Regent Linda Chesko.

### Present

Members: Sally Bickford, Linda Chesko, Kathryn Cornell, Cheryl Craig, Vittoria Flick, Joan Hayevy, Cindy Hoge, Patty Jackman, Adrienne Kubiak, Nancy Nelson, Connie Olde, Gail Palatine, Marcia Szedula, Donna Tanguay, Donna Tonic

Guests: Lynda Aber, Charlotte Chatfield, Christine Murphy, Patricia Sanftner, Sandie Thompson, Diane Oliver

### Ritual

- Invocation: Chaplain Cindy Hoge offered the invocation
- Pledge of Allegiance: led by Vittoria Flick
- American's Creed: led by Nancy Nelson
- Preamble to the Constitution: led by Cheryl Craig

President General's Message: brought by Adrienne Kubial

National Defense Message: National Defender November/December 2021 –*Pearl Harbor, Sunday December 7, 1941* brought by Registrar Marcia Szedula

Greeting from the State Board: brought by NJ State Regent Diane Oliver

Introduction of State Board: brought by NJ State Regent Diane Oliver

Introduction of Guests: brought by Linda Chesko

### Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the November 2022 chapter meeting were submitted for member consideration via e-mail on November 30, 2022. A motion was made by Cindy Hoge to approve the minutes and seconded by Marcia Szedula. The members voted and the minutes were unanimously approved.

### Approval of Treasurer's Report

The December 2022 report of the Treasurer was submitted for member consideration via e-mail on November 30, 2022. A motion was made by Sally Bickford to approve the report and seconded by Patty Jackman. The members voted and the report was unanimously approved.

### Minutes

- Literacy Minute – *The importance of education, how literacy improves lives...* brought by Cheryl Craig
- Veteran Service Program Minute – *Menlo Park Veterans Ringing Program...* brought by Connie Olde

### Officers Reports

- Registrar's Report: Marcia Szedula provided an update on prospective members

### Standing/Special Committee Reports

- American History – American History Contest award presented to Hopewell Valley Regional High School student
- Continental Congress Committee – information on upcoming Congress
- DAR Good Citizens Committee – Awarded to two Hopewell Valley Regional High School students
- Veterans Committee – Menlo Park Veterans Memorial Home – Veterans Angel Program

### Old Business

- No business to report

### **New Business**

- Members discussed chapter delegates and alternate delegates voting during Continental Congress (June 2023). Marcia Szedula made a motion that the General David Forman-Penelope Hart Chapter's two delegates at Continental Congress (June 2023) will be Linda Chesko and Connie Olde with the alternate delegates being Vittoria Flick and Melissa Wetzel. Gail Palatine seconded the motion. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.
- Members discussed chapter delegates and alternate delegates voting during the State Spring Conference (April 2023). Cheryl Craig made a motion that the General David Forman-Penelope Hart Chapter's two delegates at NJ State Spring Conference will be Linda Chesko and Adrienne Kubiak with the alternate delegates being Patty Jackman and Marcia Szedula. Sally Bickford seconded the motion. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

### **Presentation**

The General David Forman-Penelope Hart Chapter donated \$100 to the State Regent's Project.

### **Announcements**

Chapter Awarded:

- National – Chapter Achievement Award Level 1 – 2021
- General David Forman-Penelope Hart Chapter NJ for One Hundred Percent Participation in the President General's Project – April 2022
- Community Classroom Committee presented the General David Forman-Penelope Hart Chapter for contributing to the success of the committee for 2021
- DAR Project Patriot Committee recognized the General David Forman-Penelope Hart Chapter NJ for outstanding Service and Support – June 2022

Members Awarded:

- Americanism Committee presented to Linda Chesko, General David Forman-Penelope Hart Chapter NJ Eastern Division in Appreciation for acting as NJ State Chair of Americanism Committee 2019-2022
- DAR Genealogy Preservation Committee presented certificates to Sally Bickford and Linda Chesko, General David Forman-Penelope Hart Chapter NJ for Outstanding Service Supporting Document Project – June 2022
- DAR Scholarship Committee presented to Vittoria Flick, General David Forman-Penelope Hart Chapter NJ National Commendation for Outstanding Service – June 2022
- Junior American Citizens Committee presented to Linda Chesko, General David Forman-Penelope Hart Chapter NJ Eastern Division for Outstanding Service Division Vice Chair – Art 2021-2022 and Second Place for Best Division Report
- Junior Membership Committee presented to Melissa Wetzel in Appreciation for Service As National Vice Chair Outstanding Junior Contest – June 2022
- Patriots Records Project Committee presented to Sally Bickford, General David Forman-Penelope Hart Chapter NJ for Outstanding Service as a Volunteer – June 2022

### **Next Meeting**

Next meeting: February 11, 2023 – Hamilton Township Public Library, Mercerville, NJ

### **Benediction**

Chaplain Cindy Hoge offered the benediction

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 PM by Regent Linda Chesko.

Minutes submitted by: Cheryl A. Craig, Recording Secretary