Annual State Meeting
Saturday April 27, 2024
Casa Mia at the Hawthorne - 2421 Berlin Turnpike, Berlin, CT
FINAL minutes as of September 7, 2024

Call to order by President Paul Selnau at 10:31am

Invocation and Memoriam by Chaplain Rich Kendall

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America & Pledge to SAR

Establishment of a Quorum – Secretary Dave Perkins reported that 71 members and guests are expected and that all branches are represented at the meeting.

BOM minutes of February 24, 2024 were approved via email and all Office, Committee and Branch reports that were received by the Secretary have been posted on the website

President Selnau introduced several guests and noted the largest attendance for an annual meeting in his memory. Reported on his visit to the properties with Property Steward Dave Packard, commended him for the job he is doing. Reported on the status of the 2025 Congress since the last CT Annual meeting.

President Selnau recognized Ethan Stewart as the newly elected New England District President and VPG elect for the district. Ethan Stewart was then sworn in as the NEDC President by Trustee Ken Roach, which was not done at the NEDC meeting in March.

Treasurer Report by Treasurer Ted Nelson. **Motion 1** to accept by Mike Bird. Second by Tim Wilkins. Motion passed.

President Selnau presented 3 new members with their rosettes and swore them in.

250 Celebration Report by HSC Chairman Todd Gerlander. Report is online.

Real Properties Report by Property Stewart Dave Packard is posted online.

2025 Congress updates from Congress Chairman Stephen Taylor and Fundraising Chairman Dave Perkins. Dave Perkins presented CT-Sons of Liberty certificates and pins to those members in attendance. Stephen Taylor gave an in-depth report on the need for volunteers and plans for working with the Mohegans.

Motion 2 by Dave Perkins to take $100 out of today's donations and add to the CT Sons of Liberty in the name of John Harrison. Second by Mike Bird. Motion passed.

Nomination of CTSSAR Officers for the term of April 2024 to April 2025:
The secretary read the list of nominations from the Nominating Committee into the minutes.
Kenneth Roach, National Trustee
Ethan A. Stewart, Sr., Alternate Trustee

Paul Selnau, President
Michael Bird, 1st Vice President
Christopher D. Bandecchi 2nd Vice President
Dave Perkins, Recording Secretary
Dave Perkins, Corresponding Secretary
Robert Carrara, Treasurer
Richard Kendall, Assistant Treasurer
Ethan A. Stewart, Sr., Registrar
Richard Kendall, Chaplain
Gary Pitcock, Historian
Open positions - Chancellor and 2 Auditor positions

Motion 3 by Dave Perkins that the nomination committee reported be accepted. Second by Mike Bird. Motion passed with 2 abstentions.

Nomination from the floor of Ted Nelson for position of Treasurer was made by Rich Kendall, second by Steve Arnold. Following nomination speeches by both candidates, Ted Nelson was elected as the nominee as Treasurer by a hand vote of 19 to 15.

The complete slate of officer nominations was read and voted on unanimously.

The list of delegates to the 2024 National Congress were read and voted on:
Kenneth D. Roach, Paul H. Selnau, Ethan A. Stewart Sr, David J. Perkins, Michael H. Bird, Matthew E. Fergione, Stephen Z. Taylor, David Wold, and Robert Carrara. **Motion 4** by Stephen Taylor to accept the slate of delegates. Second by Dayne Rugh. Motion passed.

Induction of all elected officers by Russ Cumbee, Alternate National Trustee for NHSSAR and dual member of the CTSSAR.

Recess for Luncheon

Branch Award Presentations: Todd Gerlander presented the SAR Martha Washington medal to DAR Mary Brown and a 25 Year Membership pin to Gary Pitcock on behalf of the Putnam Branch.

State Award Presentations: Certificate of Appreciation to Marcus Larkin
Lafayette Volunteer Service Medal Oak Leaf Cluster from PG Dodd to Ethan Stewart
Patriot Grave Marking Medal to Tim Hill
Patriot Grave Marking Medal Oak-Leaf Clusters to Paul Selnau and Mike Bird
Silver Henry Knox Medals presented to Todd Gerlander, Mike Bird, Robert Carrara & Paul Selnau

Youth Award Presentations (Eagle Scout, JROTC, Brochure and Orations Contests)

Motion to Adjourn

Benediction Rich Kendall

SAR recessional

Meeting ended at 2:16pm

Respectfully submitted,

David J. Perkins, Sr.
CTSSAR Secretary