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George Gydesen, President

Message from the President

I would like to thank the membership for allowing me the honor to serve you as President of the Empire State Society Sons of the American Revolution.

Everyone in the Society should recognize the efforts put forward by the Board of Managers that to further the aims of the Sons of the American Revolution in the State. It

is through the board of managers that that the Chapters have a voice in deciding what the society approves or disapproves. Participation on all levels is needed and should be considered a priority to all members. Past presidents Eagan and Booth have been more than helpful in passing on and finding information that we need in moving forward as a Society. I shall do my best to serve you, the membership.

As you read this Edition of the newsletter Thank Karl Danneil and his wife for all the work that is involved in publishing this fine work. If all chapters would e-mail Karl their activities, he would be very pleased in having the information to include in each edition. With your help we may all further the goals of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Pro Patria

George Gydesen, President



Upcoming Events

March 28, 2020

ESS Board of Managers Meeting
To be hosted by the Syracuse Chapter
Details to Follow

May 2, 2020 -

ESS Annual Meeting
To be hosted by the Thousand Islands Chapter
Details to Follow

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Happy Thanksgiving
and
Seasons Greetings

September Empire State Society SAR Board of Managers Meeting



President George Gydesen (l.) speaking at the September ESS meeting.

The Empire State Society Fall Board of Managers Meeting was held on Saturday, September 21, 2019 in Coblekill NY. The meeting was hosted by the Schoharie - Leatherstocking Chapter.

Reports of Regional Vice Presidents

- VP Capital Fitzpatrick reported that he attended the Atlantic Middle States Conference. He is working with members who would like to be Registrars.
- VP Central Powell reported that he attended the Newtown Battle reenactment and picnic with the Binghamton Chapter
- VP Metropolitan Stevens reported that he attended the Battle of Pines Bridge monument brick dedication ceremony in Yoykwown Heights.
- VP Western Downing was unable to attend the meeting.

Awards_

President Gydesen presented Compatriot Donald Schafer with the War Service medal and VP Capital Joseph Fitzpatrick with his approved Supplemental Certificate.



Donald Schaffer (l.) receives his medal



Joseph Fitzpatrick (l) receives his certificate.

New Business

Alternate National Trustee Vermaelen made a motion that the ESSAR By-Laws be changed to (Fifteen) from the previous (Twenty-one) members of the Society which shall constitute a quorum at the annual meeting or any special meeting of the society. Seconded by Manager Rossin. Discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously.

November ESSAR Board of Managers Meeting

The Columbia Mid-Hudson Chapter hosted the final meeting of the Board of Managers for 2019, which was held on Saturday, November 2, in Cossackie, NY.



Members salutes the flag at the opening of the meeting

Award

President Gydesen presented Timothy S. Middlebrook, president of the Columbia Mid-Hudson chapter with a Patriot Grave Marking medal in recognition of his work.



Timothy Middlebrook receiving his medal.

Old Business

A procedural matter was brought to the attention of President Gydesen regarding the change in quorum motion passed at the September meeting. In accordance with proper procedure the motion will be published in the Empire Patriot newsletter before be voted upon at the March board meeting.

A copy of the proposed change to the By Laws follows.

PROPOSED BY-LAWS AMENDMENT

Section X Quorums

- 1. Fifteen (old: Twenty-one) members of the Society shall constitute a quorum at its annual meeting or any special meeting of the Society.**

Future ESSSAR Board of Managers Meetings Announced

The first Empire State Society Board of Managers meeting of the new year is scheduled for March 28, 2020. It will be hosted by the Syracuse Chapter. Details will be available soon.

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