

# **Ursula Wolcott – Black Swamp Chapter DAR Meeting**

**March 8, 2025, 1:00pm – Wolcott House, Maumee, OH**

The regular monthly meeting of the Ursula Wolcott- Black Swamp chapter was called to order by Regent Bonnie Rashleigh at 2:10 p.m. on Saturday, March 8, 2025, at the Wolcott House. Regent Rashleigh and Historian Theresa Smith led the opening ritual. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Regent Rashleigh. The American's Creed was recited by the membership. The President General's message and National Defense message were sent via email to total membership prior to the meeting.

Prior to the meeting the members enjoyed a tour of the Wolcott House Museum.

There were 21 members, 1 associate member, and 5 prospective members present at the meeting.

The minutes of the September meeting were sent electronically to all members. Cindy Bramson made a motion to accept the Secretary's minutes as written. Cindy Smith seconded the motion.

The treasurer's report was sent out prior to the meeting by Chapter Treasurer, Joan Drill. Joanne Wagner made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Sharon Jazwiecki seconded the motion. The treasurer's report was filed.

The Constitution minute, American Indian minute, Conservation minute, DAR School minute, and a Veteran Minute were sent to members prior to the meeting.

Under old business, the Ft. Meigs sign is moving forward.

The new slate of officers who will be on the ballot in May are:

Regent- Amy Bates

Vice Regent- Lynn Rashleigh

Secretary- Jan Brinker

Treasurer- Joan Drill

Chaplain- Mary Robinson

Registrar- Bonnie Rashleigh

Historian- Theresa Smith

Additional nominations can be submitted from the floor.

An induction ceremony was given to welcome Ann Kraus, Jane Busdeker, and Carolyn Hess.

Ursula Wolcott Griswold, our chapter's namesake was honored through the presentation of the Woman in American History award. Members learned about interesting facts about her life.

It was announced that chapter member, Mary Robinson has been awarded first place at the State in the Constitution Week poster contest.

Jan Brinker, chapter member, has earned the honor of becoming an Honor Flight Guardian. The chapter members participated in a "service in a minute" opportunity by signing cards to be presented to the veterans on the upcoming Honor Flight.

Linda Wetzel and Sara Meyer were nominated to serve as Continental Congress delegates this summer. Cindy Smith made the motion. Gayle Glick seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Linda Reitzel and seconded by Theresa Smith to donate \$100 to the Will and Harriet Miller Ecological Park in memory of Nancy Myerholtz.

Cindy Bramson made a motion to make a chapter donation to publish a small publication about the St. Mary Mother of Sorrows Church, which will be the subject of the program for our next meeting. Sharon Jazwiecki seconded the motion. After a short discussion a new motion was made to donate up to \$100.00 toward the publication by Cindy Smith and a second by Linda Reitzel. The motion passed.

The chapter will be presenting four medals in the upcoming awards ceremony this spring. Bowling Green State University Army ROTC award ceremony will be held on April 3. The BGSU Air Force ROTC awards ceremony will be held on April 22. The University of Toledo Army ROTC award and Civil Air Patrol Cadet award will also be presented.

The Historic Presentation award will be given at the next meeting for the St. Mary Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church's Cemetery preservation. The meeting will be held on April 12, 2025 at Ft. Meigs.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m. Joanne Wagner made the motion to adjourn. Cindy Bramson seconded the motion. Chapter members enjoyed treats and fellowship.