

22nd Annual Meeting of the Continental Line, Inc.
Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2009

Call to Order was made by Chairman George Radecsky ~ 6th Pennsylvania Regiment

Anne Henninger, 1st Maryland Regiment led the group in prayer.

John Tabor, United Train of Artillery led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The financial report was given from Treasurer Janie Ritchie ~ of the United Train of Artillery and 1st New Hampshire Regiment. (see **Appendix B**).

Motion made & seconded to accept the Minutes from the 21st Annual Meeting. Vote to accept, unanimous.

Roll Call made by Adjutant Sam Ricco ~ Proctor's PA Artillery Regiment, with 51 member organizations present.

George Radecsky stated that the Western Department has now ceased to exist by executive board decision. Tom Edwards requested the Chairman allow the units to join whichever department they wished to join. Since there is only one active and up-to-date unit(s) the 10th Virginia has now joined the Southern Department.

Department breakout meetings then took place.

Joint National Event Presentations by CL and BB in ballroom. 2009 events were presented at Jerusalem Mill, MD and Gelston Castle, NY. Jerusalem Mill passed as the only CL and BB joint national event for 2009. 2010 events were briefly discussed at Brandywine Creek State Park, DE; Fort George, Canada and Monmouth Battlefield, NJ.

Department Coordinator Reports were then presented:

- Northern Department Report: Mike Barbieri ~ Whitcomb's Rangers
- Mid-Atlantic Department Report: Jim Stinson ~ Proctors Pennsylvania Artillery Company – New Coordinator was introduced Matt Murphy ~ 2nd New Jersey Regiment
- Southern Department Report: Anne Henninger ~ 1st Maryland Regiment

Election of Officers

Nominations for Treasurer opened with a motion made:

Janie Ritchie of the United Train of Artillery and 1st New Hampshire Regiment to remain Treasurer of the Continental Line.

Nominations for Adjutant opened with a motion made:

Sam Ricco of Proctor's Pennsylvania Artillery Company to remain Adjutant of the Continental Line.

A motion to close the nomination session was made, and seconded.

A vote to accept the Janie Ritchie as Treasurer was passed with a unanimous vote.

A vote to accept the Sam Ricco as Adjutant was passed with a unanimous vote.

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New Business

Introduction of Sponsored applicants

- Rowell's Company. Sponsor: 2nd New Hampshire Regiment, Cherry's Company.
- 3rd Middlesex Regiment, Lincoln Minutemen. Sponsor: Regiment de Saintonge.
- 4th Massachusetts Regiment. Sponsor: 1st New Hampshire Regiment.

New Units

Applicant: Eames Rangers. Sponsor: 10th Massachusetts Regiment. Steve Eames commanding.

Sam Ricco ~ Adjutant brought up that no up-to-date paperwork was handed in and that the unit had 24 hours to hand in the proper paperwork. A motion to accept the Eames Rangers as a Full Member was made, and seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Applicant: 2nd Virginia Regiment. Sponsor: 7th Virginia Regiment. Todd Post represented the unit.

A motion to accept the 2nd Virginia Regiment as a Full Member was made, and seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Applicant: 8th Pennsylvania Regiment. Sponsor: 1st Virginia Regiment.

A motion to accept the 8th Pennsylvania Regiment as a Full Member was made, and seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Applicant: Spanish Louisiana Regiment. Sponsor: Unknown.

Anne Henninger tabled this unit until next year since no one from the Spanish Louisiana Regiment in attendance.

Discussion of excess money in the Treasury was brought up by George Radecky ~ Chairman. Motion by George Radecky to have the Continental Line pick up the tab for it's six board member positions to attend the annual meeting. This would only include meeting fees. Motion was seconded and passed with a unanimous vote. Motion by George Radecky to donate \$1,000 to the all National Events in the 2009 season (being only one event at Jerusalem Mill, MD). Motion was seconded and passed with a unanimous vote.

William Myers ~ Coren's Independent Artillery brought up getting T-Shirts made for the Continental Line. Sam Ricco ~ Adjutant was asked to speak on an online solution that he found which would negate the issue of someone carting around hundreds of shirts to events. George Radecky asked for someone to head the T-Shirt committee and a member of Mott's Artillery ~ Denise Williams said she would head this committee.

Old Business

Proposed artillery safety change. Presented by Jim Stinson, Proctors' Artillery:

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Loaded Gun - Artillery, both in battery and battalion, upon completion of loading to have the #3 (Rammer) and #4 (Worm) gunners stand outside of the cannon wheels in a present arms position. The #1 (Firing) gunner will raise the linstock above their head, which will be the signal for a loaded gun ready to fire.

Cannon Misfire - When a cannon has misfired or its safety zone is violated, both #3 (Rammer) and #4 (Worm) gunners will cross both the rammer and the worm over the cannon barrel and the linstock will be lowered to the ground position. This is the signal to take just care to stay clear of the artillery piece.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the artillery safety change. The motion carried.

Motion to adjourn the 22nd Annual Meeting of the Continental Line was made & seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Sam Ricco
Adjutant
The Continental Line, Inc.

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MEETING AGENDA • JANUARY 10, 2009

- 8:00 to 8:30 Registration and selling raffle tickets
- 8:30 to 9:15 Call to Order
Opening Prayer
Pledge of Allegiance
Treasurers Report
2008 Minutes
- 9:15 to 10:00 Breakout for Department Meetings
- 10:00 to 11:00 Joint National Events Presentations by CL and BB
- 11:00 to 11:30 Committee Reports
Please note any possible 2010 National Events
Northern Department
Mid Atlantic
Southern
Western
- 11:30 to 12:00 Election of Officers
- 12:00 to 12:30 New Business
New Applicant Members, Applicant to Permanent
- 12:30 to 1:30 Lunch
- 1:30 to 2:00 Old Business
- 2:00 to 3:00 Any Loose Ends and Raffle

Thank you for attending,
George
George A. Radecsky

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The Continental Line - Treasurer's Report – Jan. 10, 2009

Includes Transactions through 12/31/08

1. Beginning Balance(s)

BankNorth Account Beginning Balance 1/30/2008	\$16,669.95
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2. Income

Final Annual Meeting Registration money 2008	\$1,575.00
Donations made at 2008 annual meeting	\$600.00
Raffle at 2008 annual meeting	\$1,100.00
T-shirts donated by 1 st VA at annual meeting	\$285.00
Boone Homestead	\$555.00
Annual Meeting Registration for 2009	\$6,600.00
Total Income	\$10,715.00

3. Expenses

Hotel meeting expenses annual meeting 2008	\$6,092.83
Misc expenses annual meeting 2008	\$86.50
Website Hosting Charges	\$135.20
BOD Liability Insurance	\$659.00
Total Expenses	\$6,973.53

4. Ending Balances

Banknorth Account 12/31/08	\$20,411.42
Ending Balance	\$20,411.42

NOTE: Above numbers do not include the following:

- * Cost of 1/10/2009 Annual Meeting
- * Raffle Receipts from 1/10/09 Meeting
- * Donations made at 1/10/09 Meeting
- * Annual Meeting Fees Received on 12/30/08