**STARLINKS MEETING**

SEPTEMBER 28, 2019

Ohio Grand Chapter

Location: Kalahari Mangrove Room

Those attending the \_8th\_\_annual Starlinks meeting was welcomed by our Vice President, Fonda Mason. Jennifer, the acting President had fallen and broken a hip with subsequent surgery and was unable to attend. Jennifer was in contact with Fonda to provide all the information to share.

Grace for our meal was led by our Chaplain, Scott Riddle, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag. A Get Well card was circulated during the meal to send greetings to Jennifer. Lunch consisted of chicken, potatoes and vegetable or a vegetarian ravioli.

After our delicious lunch the meeting was called to order at 12:30 by our Vice President, Fonda.

**The minutes** of the last meeting were read and approved as read by our Secretary/Treasurer Jenna Geuy.

Secretary Jenna gave the financial report of a balance of $4,633 as of August 31.

After a check issued for the cost of the meals and the microphone of $1890.02, the balance was 2,735.27. Jenna shared that the savings account charged us for depositing over 2 deposits a month. The amount required monthly is $1,000.00. There once was a checking account but the monthly minimum of $1500 dollars was not met and the charge was 12.00 per month. We are being charged 8.00 for each check written as well. Since the Lifetime membership was started and offered last year, having 18, minus 2 from death and gaining 13 this year, the account is in better shape and we are able to move the account to a checking without penalty. Jenna can pay $2.00 and get 3 checks printed for use. We use only 2 checks per year at the most, so no need for a whole book. Jenna reported she mailed only 8 invitations snail mail, otherwise all were emailed. Repeated the mailing in August. 2 were returned and she contacted the GC secretary to obtain addresses, finding one has passed away. Jenna had posted the invitation on the website. Let her know your opinion on this. She had 3 people confused, 2 DGM’s and a Grand Rep send in money. These persons were contacted, explanation given and checks returned.

**BILLS**:

The following bills were presented before Starlinks:

Luncheon cost:\_\_$1890.02\_

A motion was made by Pat Featheringham seconded by Diane Baeslack, that we pay our bill. Motion passed.

**Registration report** for the luncheon \_75\_\_\_people. 3 illnesses led to 3 open meals which were sold. Reimbursment to the 3 who were unable to attend will be handled by Jenna.

Jenna reported she received a note to not send notices to Mary Evelyn Hathaway any longer. She is not able to attend.

**Audit Report:**

Pat Featheringham gave the audit report. Soni Morris made a motion to accept the report; Connie Snider seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Election of officers**:

**President –Fonda Mason** will move up automatically to be President.

I would now entertain nominations from the floor for Vice President.

**Vice President - Scott Riddle**. Motion made by Pat Featheringham; Seconded by \_\_Marion Johnson. No further nominations from the floor so Fonda moved that the nominative ballot be the ballot. All in favor and Motion passed.

**Secretary/treasurer** -**Jenna Geuy. 2 year title so no motion needed**.

**Chaplain –Janet Teshler.** Motion made by Jean Watters; Seconded by Scott Riddle; No further nominations from the floor. No objections heard, all in favor and motion passed.

**RECOGNITION BY GROUPS**

Warder - 3

Sentinel -1

Drill Directors-2

Chairman of Arrangements -2

Chaplain -2

Marshal -9

Organist -2

Adah -3

Ruth –9

Esther -9

Martha –7

Electa – 3

\_\_\_\_3 way tie. including those returning dues, the Marshal’s won

**Out of State Visitors- NONE**

**MEMORIAL SERVICE (Chaplain –\_Scott Riddle**

OES organization, we become family, over the years we build and enrich many friendships. Those enduring relationships inevitably are brought to a close when a member of our Starlinks group passes along to the other side of our beautiful star but the memories we have will always bring a smile to our faces and a warm glow to our hearts. Let us reflect on those memories as I read this poem.

Fallen Limb Author unknown

A limb has fallen from the family tree.

I keep earing a voice that says, “Grieve not for me”.

Remember the best times, the laughter, the song.

Continue my heritage, I’m counting on you.

Keep smiling and surely the sun will shine through.

My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest.

Remembering all, how I truly was blessed,

Continue traditions, no matter how small

Go on with your life, don’t worry about falls

I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin.

Until the day comes we’re together again.

Prayer: Dear Father, we thank thee for the memories of those gone by. Let us continue to make new memories each and everyday with old friends as well as new ones we meet along the way. Amen.

Diane Kracker, Kristen Schutte, PGPJames Dale,PGP Ken Scott, PGM Maxine Jeffers, PGP Richard Wilson, PGM Barbara Price, PGM Gloria Voltz. Mary Slattery

**NEW BUSINESS**

Crissy Willeke moved that the secretary position be moved to 5 years due to the problems with the banks. PGM Jean Watters was in agreement that this was a wonderful idea. Motion seconded by Chris Filley. All in favor, motion passed.

A motion was made by Nancy Ramsey that we send $500 dollars to the Kenneth B Scott Masonic Scholarship fund. Motion seconded by Judy Mack. No discussion, all in favor and motion passed

**REMARKS FROM PRESIDENT**

Fonda spoke about the nominations and desires to appoint a few people to do some talking and bring a name to the meeting next year to fill the positions. Sherri Kita and Suzanne Dick are appointed.

She also has appointed Phillis Kaiser and Jenny Jamieson to the audit committee.

In closing, Keep a smile on your face, a song in your heart while you dance in unity and harmony.

Everyone joined hands and repeated the Mizpah Benediction together.

Meeting was closed at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_1:00pm\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_