

Ewings Chapter February 2013

Dear Compatriots,

Ewings Chapter will convene for its February meeting this coming **Thursday evening February 28**th at 6:30 at the Meigs County Museum in Pomeroy, Ohio. The meal for the evening will be provided by the museum staff. The cost for the meal will be \$12.00. Reservations for the dinner need to be made no later than Tuesday evening February 26th. To make reservations for the dinner please call Jim Smith, 740-949-2127 imdismith@yahoo.com or William Beegle, 740-446-2152 beegle@hughes.net by the 26th.

The meeting will feature contestants competing for the honor of representing Ewings Chapter in the upcoming state Oration contest. Also our own Arlen Saunders will be the featured speaker for the evening. I'm sure Arlen has put together and exciting and interesting program for all to enjoy. Please come out and support our youth contestants as well as one of our own members.

January meeting rewind

For those of you who missed the meeting last month you missed an excellent presentation by a local author/historian, Mrs. Katherine Ziff from Athens, Ohio. Mrs. Ziff is author of <u>Asylum On The Hill, History of a Healing Landscape</u>. Her book and presentation was about the Athens State Mental Hospital, a fascinating and poignant history of the hospital its patients and staff. Her talk also focused on various theories concerning mental health throughout the centuries especially those prevailing in the late 19th century. It was during this time period that the Athens Mental Hospital was constructed, a remarkable institution for its day. Following her presentation there were many questions followed by stories that everyone seemed to have about this once amazing facility. As I mentioned in our last newsletter we are blessed with a wide range of interesting and talented people here in southeastern Ohio. Ewings' officers strive to provide enjoyable and informative historical programs at each meeting. Please try to come and support your chapter as often as possible.

Chapter Web Site

Compatriot Carl Denbow has graciously volunteered to maintain a web site for the chapter. You can access it from the Ohio SAR web site www.ohssar.org or by going direct with www.sar-ewing.org. The site will have previous newsletters, including this one, as well as interesting information about Ewings and upcoming dates and events.

Keep checking back often for updates on meetings and events.

Dates and Events

Note: The March meeting date, time and place will be set at the February meeting.

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