

Compatriots,
Below please find the minutes of our February Meeting.
D.R. McKelvie for Jim Blauer
Recording Secretary

ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
General Meeting
February 9, 2013

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was opened by President Daniel McKelvie at 11:30am. The Continental Honor Guard (4 in attendance) and Colonial Ladies (5 in attendance) welcomed George and Martha Washington to the Chapter meeting. Note: Honor Guard in uniform and Ladies in Colonial dress. President McKelvie greeted General and Lady Washington and congratulated him on the victories at Princeton and Trenton in the months just past. General and Lady Washington having travelled to OC from Feb 1777, Morristown N.J. to be in attendance to celebrate his birthday with the OCCSAR. Compatriot Danny Cox offered a salute to General Washington then led the assemblage in singing "Happy Birthday" to the General. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Richard Adams. The Pledge to the Flag was led by Danny Cox. The Pledge to the SAR was led by Dan Henry.

At this point the Continental Honor Guard and Colonial Ladies introduced themselves followed by the compatriots and guests in attendance. (see list of attendees at the end of the Minutes). At this point General Washington addressed the assembly and then excused himself in order to get back to the troops.

The word for the day was "Govern". The Founder of the Month was George Washington — Born February 22, 1732.

We recessed for lunch at 11:40 am. Note that a Birthday cake for George Washington was enjoyed by the compatriots and guests.

We reconvened at 12:30pm.

President McKelvie opened the session with thank you and acknowledgements to:

- Mr & Mrs Shippey for arranging for G & M Washington to attend,
- Colonial Ladies – Karen Carlson, Un Hui Fosdyck, Lisa Gregory, Karen McKelvie and Sharon Wood.
- Special Guests: (see list)

President McKelvie announces that the Awards speaker, Battalion Chief Dave Steffen was called to a three alarm fire and would not be speaking.

CHAPTER BUSINESS:

A motion was made by John Dodd that we accept the minutes as emailed out by Recording Secretary Jim Blauer. This was seconded by Bill Hoge. With no further discussion the motion passed.

Treasurer Arthur Koehler reported the following Financial Update:

Beginning \$3,462.16
Ben Franklin Fund + 127.00
Quilts of Valor - 200,00
Ending \$3,389.16

President McKelvie announced that at our memorial service for those members who we lost in 2012 would be held at the March meeting.

Chancellor John Dodd announced that there would be a Genealogy seminar at the Genealogy Library at Orange County Family History Library in Orange on February 23.

State Color Guard Commander reported that the “Massing of the Colors” event is next Sunday in Glendale at Forest Lawn.

President Dan McKelvie reported that the Essay Contest winner was Matthew Rinehart of San Clemente High School paper was titled “The Fire Within”. Craig Matheney and Hammond Salley were Judges.

Jim Blauer was absent from this meeting (illness).

Registrar Kent Gregory reported that we had four “Supplementals” approved this month.

Sergeant-At-Arms Danny Cox had nothing to report.

Veteran Affairs Chairman Dave Siler was absent, however effective at this meeting this post is transferred to Dan Henry.

JROTC/ROTC Chairman Jim Fosdyck reported that Outstanding Cadet applications are not due until March.

Flag Chairman Jon Vreeland did not issue any Flag Certificates for February.

Hugh Richards our Poster Chairman reported that we expect to announce the winner in March.

Award Presentations: Dan Henry Read Bios for the Fire Service Awardees and the Wounded Warriors and Vietnam Veterans being Honored. Barbara Winkler of Quilts of Valor presented Quilts to each of the five Vietnam Veterans. Further Dan O’Connor, assisted by Jon Vreeland “pinned” each veteran with Vietnam service pins. Mr O’Connor was in turn pinned by Jim Davidson.

Fire Service Awards: Awards were presented to three members of the OCFA:

Gerry Casman;

Jim Davidson;

Karim Slate

Veterans Affairs & Wounded Warrior:: Awards were presented to five Vietnam Veterans two of whom are Wounded Warriors:

Gerry Casman;
Jim Davidson- A Wounded Warrior;
Dan O'Connor;
Archie Sanchez- A Wounded Warrior;
Karim Slate

Miscellaneous: *State Color Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck presented the SAR Bronze Color Guard Medal to Dan McKelvie.*

Karen Richards (Certificate of Appreciation – support for the poster contest);

Hugh Richards (Poster contest);

New Member Inductions: *None*

Supplemental Certificates: *Larry Wood (Isaac Clark & William Taylor);*

Bill Hoge (Solomon Hoge)

Life member: *Hammond Salley*

New Business: *Dan Henry moved that the Chapter donate [\\$200.00](#) to Quilts of Valor in recognition of their service to veterans. The motion was seconded and passed by acclamation.*

Benjamin Franklin Raffle: *Compatriot John Dodd*

Announcements:

Next Meeting: *March – 9th; note that we deferred Memorial services for SAR compatriots from February to March- we will hold that service next month.*

Upcoming Events:

*The Massing of the Colors will be on February 17th.
State Society Spring Meeting is in Ventura on 12 - 13 April at the Four Points Sheraton by the Ventura Marina. Those that wish to attend and be delegates are asked to notify Dan McKelvie.*

Board Meeting: *Following the General Membership Meeting*

**The Benediction was given by Chaplain Richard Adams.
The Recessional was led by Kent Gregory.
The Meeting was adjourned at 1:50pm.**

Respectfully Submitted

February 10, 2012

Daniel R. McKelvie for James F. Blauer, Recording Secretary

Those in attendance:

Special guests in attendance (and introduced) included:

1. George Washington.
2. Martha Washington.
3. Barbara Winkler from Quilts of Valor.
4. Helga Adams from Quilts of Valor.
5. Archie Sanchez, his wife Norma and 2 sons Alfredo and Archie Jr. Wounded Warrior.
6. Jim Davidson. Fire Pilot & Wounded Warrior.
7. Gerry Casman. Fire Pilot & Vietnam Veteran.
8. Dan O'Connor. Vietnam Veteran.
9. Karim Slate. Fire Pilot & Vietnam Veteran.
10. A. Busch

OCCSAR Compatriots and family members:

1. Larry & Sharon Wood,
2. John Dodd,
3. Dan & Karen McKelvie,
4. Jon Vreeland,
5. Dan & Kelly Shippey,
6. Richard Adams,
7. Bill Hoge,
8. Lou & Karen Carlson,
9. Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck,
10. Danny Cox,
11. Hammond Salley,
12. Kent & Lisa Gregory,
13. Jim Klingler,
14. Jerry Ellington,
15. Arthur Koehler,
16. Jeff LaMarca,
17. Dan Henry,

18. Gerald Ellington,
 19. Hugh & Karen Richards,
 20. Dr. and Mrs Behnke
 21. Jim Wallace, and
 22. Jim Bradley.
- Summary -- 21 SARs, 15 Guests total