

ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER
SONS OF THE
AMERICAN REVOLUTION
General Meeting
September 14, 2013

The meeting was opened by President McKelvie at 11:30am. The invocation was given by Chaplain Richard Adams. In Honor of the anniversary of the writing of the Star-Spangled Banner the Lee's Legion Color Guard presented the Colors. The Pledge to the Flag was led by John Dodd. The singing of the National Anthem was led by Jim Blauer. The SAR Pledge was led by Kent Gregory.

President Dan McKelvie gave some information on the 15 star flag used by the Color Guard today.

We recessed for lunch at 11:40am.

We reconvened at 12:20pm.

President McKelvie introduced New members, Joseph Boyer, David Frankenbach and wife Judy, and William Gaumer. The speaker for today, Robert Fagaly was introduced. President McKelvie read his bio.

Self-introductions were made. Those in attendance besides our special guests included; Dan & Karen McKelvie, James Gill (Harbor Chapter), Karl Jacobs (Harbor Chapter), Hammomd Salley, Jon Vreeland, Richard Adams, Dr. Ed & Teresa Behnke, Larry Wood, Dan & Annette Henry, John Dodd, Jim Blauer, Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, Jim Oakes, Jim Klingler, John Hoganson, Hugh Richards, Jim Wallace, Jim Quinnelly, Kent Gregory, Jerry Ellington & Arthur Koehler. 25 SARs, 5 Guests.

The June minutes which had been emailed out to the membership were up for approval. John Dodd moved that they be accepted as written. The motion was 2nded and passed.

Treasurer Arthur Koehler reported we have \$2,599.95 in our checking account and we received \$130 from today's ticket sales for the raffle.

Secretary Jim Klingler reported that over the Summer we have 6 new members and have passed the 100 mark in number of members at 101.

It was moved by Larry Wood that we support John Dodd as Chancellor General. This was seconded by Hugh Richards who asked that we get other chapters from the State to do likewise. The motion passed.

Chancellor John Dodd reported that Lou Carlson was elected Chaplain General at the Summer Congress and that we are the only chapter with two general officers. It was a great Congress and he plans to fly back to Louisville at the end of the month for the Fall Trustees meeting. In the CAAH campaign, California has reached the 20% plateau established by National for each State Society. He noted that all California Society members who donate \$250 or more are eligible for the California 250 pin.

Registrar Kent Gregory reported that during the Summer we had 6 new members and three were here today. We have one application and one supplemental at National at this time. He announced that National has begun the search for all members who served in the Korean War to be recognized by the National Society. The Fall Board of managers Meeting will be in El Segundo this November. The museum planned for National will be visited by children from local schools.

State Color Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck reported that 2 ladies are to receive the Molly Pitcher Award. There are 4 in California and three are from the OC Chapter. Karl Jacobs is the first recipient of the National Baron Von Steuben Gold Color Guard Medal. He explained that the "Let Freedom Ring" program on July 4th is a worldwide program. Larry Wood wrote the proposal to make it a National Color Guard event. The proposal has gone to the National Color Guard Committee for consideration.

Jim Blauer reported that now that he has signed certificates from President McKelvie, he will be able to start on the certificates for July through part of September and get them off to the Scout office to get them to the Eagle Scouts. He also noted as in the newsletter he had copies of his calendar with him to sell for \$20 and any money made over costs will be donated to the CAAH.

It was noted by President McKelvie that we need a new Veteran's Affairs Chairman.

JROTC Chairman Jim Fosdyck reported we have finished for this year and will start up again next year.

Flag Chairman Jon Vreeland reported we had 16 Flag certificates for this month.

It was reported the Knight Essay mailers were being sent out to the schools.

New members were installed. Bill Gaumer is descended from John Dietrich Gaumer who was a drummer in the Pennsylvania Militia. Joe Boyer is a descendant of William Coddington of the New York Militia. David Frankenbach is descended from Johann Simon Dreisbach who was a delegate to the Pennsylvania Convention.

Robert Fagaly spoke to the chapter on "Money and Medals during the American Revolution". He showed samples he had collected over the years and passed them and several books around.

Hammond Salley was presented his newest supplemental certificate.

Kent Gregory moved that we reimburse for train?? John Dodd seconded the motion which passed.

Karl Jacobs spoke on the meeting in El Segundo this Fall. The application is on line or in the California Compatriot. There will be the Community Service Luncheon. The two recipients do not know they are receiving the Police and Fire Award as they are going to the Police Chief and Fire Chief of El Segundo. There will be a free Ladies Tour of the Flight Museum at LAX and an optional Friday dinner at the Automotive Museum. The Saturday speaker at the noon luncheon will be the Valley Forge Teacher. The evening banquet will be a lady who will speak on the role of the Huguenots in the Colonial Era.

Commander Fosdyck noted there is a Color Guard event on November 9th in Yorba Linda. Details will be forth coming.

The raffle was held and the winners this month included; Dan Henry, Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, Jim Blauer, Bob Fagaly, Teresa Behnke, Jim Klingler, John Dodd, Hugh Richards, Jim Oakes, Joe Boyer, David Frankenbach, Jim Wallace and Jim Gill.

President McKelvie made final announcements. October 12th will be our next meeting. September 26-28 will be the Fall Trustees meeting in Louisville. Wreaths Across America will be in December. Our Board meeting is to follow.

The benediction was given by Chaplain Richard Adams.

The Recessional was led by Dan Henry

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
October 12, 2013

James F. Blauer
Recording Secretary.