

ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER * CALIFORNIA SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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GENERAL MEETING

March 14, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Klingler at 11:30am. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Richard Adams. He mentioned he had visited with Jim Wallace who has been ill. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sergeant-at-Arms Danny Cox. The SAR Pledge was led by David Beall.

Alex Mc Dougle was the Founder of the Month and a quote was given by Thomas Jefferson.

We recessed for lunch at 11:37am.

We reconvened at 12:15pm

President Klingler introduced some of our special guests. These included; our Wounded Warrior for the month Major Louis Zobel, speaker Dan Shippey, DAR member Nicole Hansen, Past Commander of the Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Glen Roosevelt and Michael Lofton Nephew of Ted Carlson.

Self-introductions followed. Those in attendance other than our special guests included; Jim Klingler, Gary Richards, Marcus & Jane Deemer, Jim & Doug Bradley, Dan, Skip & Kathleen Shippey, Dan & Karen McKelvie, Hammond Salley, John Ferris, Barbara & Don Winkler, David & Kathy Beall, Danny Cox, Mike Shanahan, John Dodd, Jim Blauer, Doug & Candia Milliken, Don & Diane Carlson, Gus Fischer, Larry & Nicole Hansen, Jim Quinnelly, Ted & Linda Carlson, Joe Boyer, Kent Gregory, Arthur Koehler, Dan Henry, Glenn Roosevelt, and Richard Adams. 26 SARs and 14 guests.

The minutes had been mailed out by Recording Secretary Jim Blauer. With corrections by President Klingler, it was moved they be accepted as corrected and seconded. The motion passed.

It was announced by our Treasurer that we made \$115 in the Ben Franklin Drawing. We have \$3,946.19 in the checking account.

Corresponding Secretary Gus Fischer reported that as of December 31, we had 110 members. We had one transfer, one death and 2 reinstatements with one new today.

President Klingler noted that he still had openings for some of the Chairmanships.

Vice-President John Ferris announced we had through June set for our speakers.

Registrar Kent Gregory reported we have 4 new members. We have some supplementals that need some more information. There are 11 new applications at National and 5 new supplementals there as well.

Ha announced the State Meeting we are hosting will be held on April 17-18 at the Wyndham Hotel in Irvine. He spoke about the meals and recognition to be done at the luncheons and banquet entertainment. He told about the Hospitality Suite and the National officers who are planning to attend.

Chaplain Richard Adams spoke about the health of Compatriot Jim Wallace and the medical procedure he is going to have.

Veteran's Affairs Chairman Dan Henry reported that Compatriot Walter Davis is under hospice care and not doing well.

President Klingler announced that Commander Jim Fosdyck will have a Color Guard workshop at the State Meeting.

JROTC Chairman Gus Fischer announced he had contacted 13 schools and has had favorable replies from 6 so far.

President Klingler went over the contests. The Eagle Scholarship was completed when we presented our Eagle Scout Russell Cecil with his award as the chapter winner in February. His name went to State where he won and he will be attending the youth Luncheon in April to receive the State Award. His name has been forwarded with application on to National for judging on that level.

The Essay Contest will start in the Fall when school is back in session.

Brochure Contest Chairman David Beall reported we had one entry that was declared our winner. Dan Shippey's daughter, Sloane.

There is nothing on the poster contest as we are still hoping one of our Compatriots can come up with a school to participate.

High School Orations Contest Chairman Dan McKelvie reported we have one entry with one week before the deadline.

Flag Certificate Chairman Hans Hunt reported he has received the sign Certificates and will start handing them out this month.

Jim Blauer noted he still had calendars left for sale to raise money for the CAAH.

Our Speaker Dan Shippey spoke to us about the Prison ships used by the British in the war. Almost twice the number of dead were from these ships as oppose to those who died in battle. He noted of the Monument in Green Park in Brooklyn and about the 11,000 men who were buried there after the war.

Veteran's Affairs Chairman Dan Henry read the bio of our Wounded Warrior Louis Zobel. Major Zobel was presented with our Wounded Warrior Coin, and Certificate and Barbara Winkler from Quilts of Valor presented the Major with a quilt to thank him for his service and sacrifice for our country.

Dan Henry then called Jim Blauer up front. Because Walter Davis is not doing well, he asked Dan to see if there was something to give to some of his long time SAR friends. For Jim, Dan selected the picture by Alan Friberg of "Washington Praying at Valley Forge". This was a perfect gift as Jim's ancestor, Sylvanus Ames, who he entered the society on, was at Valley Forge and died there. Jim was pleased and honored to receive this gift from his dear friend Walter.

Douglas Milliken was called forward by President Klingler and presented the Viet Nam War Service Medal & Certificate. So far they have 328 members in the SAR who were Vietnam Veterans and 25 are in California and 3 are in our chapter.

President Klingler then called Mike Shanahan up and presented him with the Law Enforcement Medal and Certificate. Mike served with the Tustin Police Department and retired at the rank of Captain.

President Klingler then called up new member Ted Carlson who was sworn in. His father pinned on his rosette and President Klingler presented Ted with his Membership Certificate.

The amendment to change our by-laws were passed out last month and printed in the newsletter. One is to eliminate the Parade Chairmanship, the other was to change our by-laws to be consistent with State and National on the date when new members join and will not have to pay the next years dues. It was moved by John Dodd that these be passed. The motion was seconded and the motions carried.

Chancellor John Dodd spoke of Congress that we (the State) will be hosting in 2019. Very likely it will be here in Orange County. Proposals will be gotten from local hotels and then it will be up to the Congress Committee to select where we will have the Congress. He spoke on the new program where one can purchase a square foot of the library/center for \$1,776. A donation made to the CAAH. Congress will be in Louisville from June 24-July 2.

Winners in the raffle this month included; Michael Lofton, Gary Richards, Jim Blauer, John Dodd, Jane Deemer, Jim Bradley, Doug Milliken, Mike Shanahan, Candia Milliken, Hammond Salley, Marcus Deemer, Kent Gregory, and Karen McKelvie.

April 11th will be our next meeting.

The Spring meeting will be April 17th & 18th. Since the President General will be there this will be a National Color Guard event. Color Guardsmen will get points toward their receiving the National Color Guard medals.

There will be a Board Meeting following this one.

The Benediction was given by Chaplain Adams.

The Recessional was led by Ted Carlson

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
March 14, 2015

James F. Blauer
Recording Secretary

