

ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER * CALIFORNIA SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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GENERAL MEETING

December 12, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President John Ferris at 11:30am. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Richard Adams. The Color Guard presented the Colors. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sergeant-at-Arms Danny Cox. The Color Guard posted the Colors and retired. The SAR Pledge was led by Hans Hunt. The Founder of the month was Baron Von Steuben who schooled the soldiers at Valley Forge how to be soldiers. He wrote the manual of military conduct which is still in use to this day by the United States Army. The quote for the day is "A good conscience is a continual Christmas" By Benjamin Franklin.

Some of the events for the month of December include; Washington and his troops crossing the Delaware River to attack the Hessians at Trenton, The encampment at Valley Forge began, and Washington held his farewell dinner as Commander-in-Chief, taking leave of his command.

We recessed for lunch at 11:47am.

We reconvened at 12 Noon.

Introductions were made by members. Those in attendance included; John & Liz Ferris, John & Lacy Dodd, Kent Gregory, Dan & Karen McKelvie, Hugh & Karen Richards, Mark, Brenda and Spencer Torres, Leonard Chapman, Phil Mitchell, Gus Fischer, Matthew & Gloria Noell, Larry Hansen, Jay, Jonathan, Austin, Doug & Kenneth Pettibone, David & Elizabeth Beall, George Beall, Daniel McMillan, Cole Zehnder, Jim Blauer, Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, George, Bonnie Kridner, Walter, Kristin and Joseph Funk, Don & Dianne Carlson, Jim, Dolores Quinnelly, Mr. & Mrs. Orbison, Danny & Tedi Cox, Ted & Linda Carlson, Phil & Susan Hoge, Dan & Annette Henry, Hammond Salley, Hans & Sabrina Hunt, Jim Olds, Richard Adams, Karen Carlson and Dan Shippey.

Business

The minutes had been emailed out earlier this month. Hammond Salley moved that they be accepted, the motion was seconded. The motion passed.

Corresponding Secretary Gus Fischer thanked all those who have sent in their dues. There are 14 that have as yet not sent in their dues. Gus thanked Jim Fosdyck and Jim Blauer for reaching out to these members in an attempt to get them to send in their dues. There are a couple who plan to do so before the end of the year but others have made it clear they do not plan to renew their membership. Membership stands at 149.

Vice-President of the Western District John Dodd announced he would discuss his items during the Gift Exchange.

Vice-President John Ferris reported that we had just finished the presentation of the Wreaths Across America in Brea that morning.

Jim Blauer reported that we have a winner in the Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest. This year's winner is Jesse Martin

Registrar Kent Gregory reported that we had 1 supplemental approved and we are waiting on 1 new application and 5 supplementals that are at National.

Chaplain Richard Adams noted that Danny Cox who had surgery on a tumor in his pancreas is with us today that Jim Wallace is holding his own.

Color Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck spoke on the Massing of the Colors is scheduled for February 14th next year.

The Knight Essay entries are due by December 31st.

The Oration Contest needs a chairman.

Flag Certificate Chairman Hans Hunt reported that in November a certificate was presented to Sonora High School in Brea.

At this time the gavel was handed over to Dan McKelvie to handle the nominations and election for 2016 officers. A handout was on the tables. Nominations for 2016 included; John Ferris—President, David Beall—Vice-President, Gus Fischer—Corresponding Secretary, Jim Blauer—Recording Secretary, Richard E. Adams—Chaplain, Kent Gregory—Registrar, Donald Carlson—Treasurer, John Dodd—Chancellor and Danny Cox—Sergeant-at-Arms.

The call was made for any nominations from the floor. With none, John Dodd moved the nominations be closed. This was seconded and approved. John Dodd then moved that the slate be accepted by acclimation. This was seconded by Hugh Richards and the motion passed. We have our new officers for 2016. It was announced that Mark Torres would be our new Web Master.

Veterans Affair Chairman Dan Henry with an assist from Karen Richards presented Jim Quinnelly with a quilt from Quilts of Valor. It was noted that he and his wife Dolores had been married for 69 years.

INDUCTION

Walter Funk and Cole Zehnder were inducted first, and then the Pettibone family's 5 new members were inducted. They are Jay, Austin, Kenneth, Jonathan and Doug Pettibone.

An approved supplemental was presented to Dan McKelvie.

It was now time for the Gift Exchange. Every member and guest who brought a wrapped gift was given a ticket. John Dodd emceed this event by picking and calling out the numbers. Those who participated included; Karen Richards, Hans Hunt, Dan Shippey, Larry Hansen, Gloria Noell, Walter Funk, Lacy Dodd, Karen Carlson, Jim Olds, George Beall, Susan Hoge, Dan McKelvie, Un Hui Fosdyck, Annette Henry, Leonard Chapman, Mark Torres, Ted Carlson, Linda Carlson, Matthew Noell, Danny Cox, John Dodd, Liz Ferris, Sabrina Hunt, Brenda Torres, Phil Hoge, Jim Quinnelly, Jim Fosdyck, Spencer Torres, Hammond Salley, Dan Henry, George Kridner, Dan McMillan, Hugh Richards, Matthew Noell, Kent Gregory, Don Carlson, Dolores Quinnelly, David Beall, Jim Blauer, Richard Adams, Phil Mitchell, and Tedi Cox.

Next meeting will be January 9th when officers will be installed for the year.

The Benediction was given by Chaplain Richard Adams.

The recessional was led by Hans Hunt.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,
January 9,, 2015

James F. Blauer
Recording Secretary