ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER * CALIFORNIA SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Instituted October 22, 1875 Organized July 4, 1876, Incorporated February 17, 1930

GENERAL MEETING December 10, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President John Ferris at 11:30am. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Richard Adams. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ted Carlson. The SAR Pledge was led by David Beall.

The Founder of the month was George Washington. He and Martha enjoyed giving parties during the holiday season. His quote of the day was once again by George Washington. He wrote, "Make sure you are doing what God wants you to do—then do it with all your strength".

President Ferris noted several important dates for the month of December and the American Revolution.

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We recesses at 11:35am.

We reconvened at 12:15pm.

Introductions were made. Those in attendance included; John & Liz Ferris, Lou & Karen Carlson, Hugh & Karen Richards, George & Bonnie Kridner, George Kridner IV, Gus Fischer, Larry Hansen, Dan & Karen McKelvie, Richard & Suki Adams, James Townsend, Dan & Annette Henry, Mark, Brenda and Lacy Torres, Kent & Lisa Gregory, John & Lacy Dodd, Jim Blauer, Cliff Hope, Ted & Linda Carlson, David & Elizabeth Beall, Phil Mitchell, Leonard Chapman, Paul Fellman, Patrick Cecil, Don & Diane Carlson, Paul Garcia, Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, Cole Zehnder, Jay Pettibone, Douglas Pettibone, Larry & Sharon Wood and Col. Hans and Connor Hunt. 30 SAR, 18 Guests.

Compatriot Jim Blauer noted a correction that had been made since the minutes were sent out. It was moved they be accepted as corrected by John Dodd and seconded by Jim Fosdyck. The motion passed Corresponding Secretary Gus Fischer noted the four Compatriots who had passed away and reported that we now had 137 members.

President Ferris wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Registrar Kent Gregory reported we had 2 new members in November and that there were three at National awaiting approval. He also reported there are 6 supplementals at National awaiting approval.

Color Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck reported that Saturday the 17th is our Wreaths Across America ceremonies and that as it starts at 9am the Color Guard should be there at 8:30am. Rev. Lou Carlson will be the Master of Ceremonies and Richard Adams will preside as Chaplain for the event.

Eagle Scout Chairman Jim Blauer reported that Alexander Best was selected as the chapter winner of the Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest. His application was forwarded to State Chairman Gary Jensen for judging at that level of the competition.

Essay Chairman Dan McKelvie reported that essays were due at the end of the month.

Flag Certificate Chairman Col. Hans Hunt reported that they had presented 2 Flag Certificates last month.

Medals & Awards Chairman Jim Fosdyck noted that end of the year awards would be presented to the chapter members at our January Meeting.

Information Technology Chairman Mark Torres reported that he has created separate pages for Veterans, Lee's Legion and meetings. Photos in each of these areas will be posted on their respective pages. He also reported that the eggs and other produce he has been bringing in to the meetings have raised \$85 for the Youth Contest funds.

The Election of officers was next on the agenda. The slate of officers presented by the Nominating Committee for 2017 is as follows;

President David Beall

Vice-President Gus Fischer
Corresponding Secretary—Ted Carlson
Recording Secretary Jim Blauer
Treasurer Cole Zehnder
Registrar Kent Gregory,
Chancellor Doug Pettibone
Chaplain Richard Adams

Dan McKelvie who was running the election asked if there were any nominations from the floor for any of these offices. Hearing none, the nominations were closed. John Dodd moved that we accept the election of these officers by acclamation. It was seconded by Lou Carlson and the motion passed. We have our officers for 2017.

A couple Veterans were recognized for their service. James Townsend received the Military Service medal. Paul Garcia received a Quilt from Quilts of Valor for his service.

Quilts of Valor had a raffle in an effort to raise funds for them to purchase supplies for making the quilts for our veterans. The winner this year was Jim Blauer. His quilt along with 2 pillow cases was presented to him.

New member Clifford Hope was inducted by President Ferris and his sponsor Jim Fosdyck pinned on his society rosette.

With no further business to conduct we proceeded to the Gift Exchange. There were 50 gifts brought by members and guests. Once the stealing began it became a fast and furious job for recording secretary Jim Blauer to keep track of who had which gift and how many times it had been stolen. A fun time was had by all.

Following the Gift Exchange everyone lines up for the annual Christmas photo of all who attended this meeting. Orchestrated by our own Un Hui Yi Fosdyck she was able to get the photo.

The Benediction was given by Chaplain Richard Adams. The Recessional was led by Kent Gregory The meeting was adjourned at 1:43pm.

Respectfully Submitted January 14, 2017

James F. Blauer Recording Secretary