ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER * CALIFORNIA SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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

GENERAL MEETING June 11, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Executive Vice-President Jim Fosdyck at 11:30am. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Richard Adams. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sergeant-at-Arms Danny Cox. The SAR Pledge was led by Dan Henry. Jim Blauer read the historical event for June 11, 1776. It was on this date that the committee to draft a declaration of independence was appointed. Ben Franklin, John Adams, Thomas Jefferson Robert Livingstone and Roger Sherman were appointed to this committee.

We recessed for lunch at 11:35am.

We reconvened at 12:15pm.

Introductions were made. Those in attendance included, Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, Richard Adams, Larry Hansen, John Blake and friend Julie Bruton, Barbara & Don Winkler, Phil Mitchell, Hugh & Karen Richards, Dan Henry, Jim Klingler, Richard Price, Dan & Karen McKelvie, Mark & Brenda Torres, Hazel & Joe Torres, David Beall, Marcus & Jane Deemer, Ted & Linda Carlson, Phil Hoge, Jim Blauer, Paul Garcia, Bill Cummings, Danny & Tedi Cox, Don & Diane Carlson, Jim Quinnelly, Leonard Chapman, Gloria, Thomas and Ethan Noell, Emily Hernandez, Gus Fischer, and Larry Wood. 22 SARs, 19 Guests.

BUSINESS/REPORTS

It was moved by Jim Klingler that we accept the minutes of the May meeting as written and emailed by Recording Secretary Jim Blauer. This was seconded and the motion passed.

Treasurer Don Carlson reported that as of May 1st we had \$4,599 at the beginning and as of May 31st we had \$5,206. The Ben Franklin took in \$215 today.

Corresponding Secretary Gus Fisher reported we had one new member and our current membership stands at 143.

Registrar Kent Gregory reported that we have one recently approved supplemental for Jim Fosdyck through his ancestor Walter Kerr.

Chaplain Richard Adams reported that John Dodd's mother had passed away two days ago from Cancer. David Beall read a short bio.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POSTER CONTEST Liaison Karen Richards reported our entry received an honorable mention at state and that she had attended Wittmann Elementary and presented the certificate, blue ribbon, & check from the chapter, and check from the state to our poster winner..

ORATIONS CONTEST—need a chapter Chairman.

ESSAY Chairman Dan McKelvie reported that the essay winner was going to Boston for the National Congress in July.

BROCHURE CONTEST we received an Honorable Mention at State.

High School Senior GOOD CITIZENSHIP awards have been presented at three high schools so far.

ROTC/JROTC Chairman Gus Fischer reported that he handed out the last one for this year yesterday. There were 14 in total. There is no report on the Enhanced JROTC Contest. It has passed for this year and will report either later this year or next January.

EAGLE SCOUTS Chairman Jim Blauer had no report as our winner has already received his prize from the chapter at the March meeting. No report on the Eagle count.

WEBMASTER Mark Torres has done a great job in doing the website. Members were encouraged to check it out.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS Danny Cox reported that the Color Guard which presented the Colors at Shepherd's Grove Service over the Memorial Day weekend would be aired on TBN's July 3rd telecast of the Hour of Power.

Past Veterans Affairs Chairman Dan Henry reported the Vietnam Era Veterans Corp to honor the veterans both in country and in service and spouses. The era spans from 1955-1975. 50th Anniversary Pins were passed out by Jim Fosdyck and Jim Klingler.

Those who were in country at that time were Captain Walker, the husband of Tedi Cox at the time, so she received a pin. Others present to receive a pin were; Col. James Quinnelly, Jim Klingler, William Cummings, Phil Mitchell, Paul Garcia and Don Winkler. Those veterans not in country, but in service during that time were; Richard Adams, Don Carlson, Leonard Chapman, and Danny Cox. Each received a 50th anniversary pin.

Barbara Winkler from Quilts of Valor presented a quilt to Bill Cummings who served in Vietnam from 1964-68. She reported that they had now presented 315 quilts so far this year. They have presented 3,670 total since their group got started.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congress will be in July in Boston this year. Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, Dan & Karen McKelvie, Jim & Lidia Klingler and John, Karen & Lacy Dodd will be in attendance.

Those wishing to participate in the "Let Freedom Ring" ceremonies we will have both Color Guard and firing squad at this event. Contact Larry Wood to advise if you are planning to attend.

Next April our chapter will be hosting the State Meeting at the Wyndham Irvine hotel. We are looking for volunteers to work on this event. Contact Jim Fosdyck if you wish to help out.

This November the Fall Board of Managers Meeting will be held in Burlingame near San Francisco.

Our chapter is dark in July and August. No Meetings. We may have a picnic if it can be arranged. Our next meeting will be on September 10th.

We have been accepted into the Huntington Beach Parade, so if you wish to march in the parade contact Jim Blauer, who is the parade coordinator for this event.

AWARD

There was one award to still present. Color Guard Commander Fosdyck called up Jim Blauer and presented Jim with the SAR Gold Von Steuben Color Guard medal for sustained service in National Color Guard events. After one has earned the Silver SAR Color Guard Medal, one must participate in 25 National events with a five year minimum of doing these events.

It was now time for the raffle. In the absence of John Dodd, Jim Klingler conducted the raffle. Those who won this month were; Diane Carlson, Don Carlson, Tedi Cox, Barbara Winkler, Mark Torres, Larry Hansen, Don Winkler, Phil Hoge, Linda Carlson, David Beall, John Blake, Julie Bruton, Jim Blauer, Dan McKelvie, and Un Hui Yi Fosdyck.

It was noted that June 14th is Flag Day and is also the Birthday of the U.S. Army.

The Benediction was given by Chaplain Richard Adams.

The Recessional was led by Dan McKelvie.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:18pm.

Respectfully Submitted September 10, 2016

James F. Blauer Recording Secretary