

# ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER \* CALIFORNIA SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Instituted October 22, 1875

Organized July 4, 1876, Incorporated February 17, 1930

## GENERAL MEETING

September 10, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President John Ferris at 11:30am. The Invocation was given by State Chaplain Lou Carlson. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by CAR member Kalani Siegel. The Pledge to the SAR was led by Larry Hansen. The founder of the month was Captain John Parker who led the minutemen at Lexington. President Ferris read his bio. Second was Sylvanus Wood of Woburn. An elderly man he joined the group at Lexington and is recognized as having captured the first enemy soldier. The quote of the month was from George Washington and several dates for the month were expounded upon.

We recessed for lunch at 11:47am.

We reconvened at 12:17pm.

Introductions were made. Our speaker for the day was Commander Tom Osseck of Santa Ana High's JROTC program. Others in attendance included; John and Liz Ferris, Bill & Sandra Love, Larry Hansen, Marcus & Jane Deemer, Gus Fischer, Phil Mitchell, Lou & Karen Carlson, Hugh & Karen Richards, Dan & Karen McKelvie, John & Lacy Dodd, Richard Price, Mark & Brenda Torres, Kent & Lisa Gregory, Paul Garcia (Prosp.), Steve Snyder, Ted & Linda Carlson, Kalani Siegel, Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, Jim Klingler, Don & Diane Carlson, Jim Blauer, Danny & Tedi Cox, Jim Quinnelly, Beatrice D. Romero, Jay Pettibone and Matthew Noell. 22 SAR, 18 Guests.

## SPEAKER

President Ferris introduced our speaker Commander Tom Osseck and read his bio. Commander Osseck spoke to us about the JROTC program(Navy) both locally and nationwide. He spoke on the activities that the Santa Ana High Cadets participate in and noted they have received the Distinguished Unit award 11 years in a row. He also noted that when they graduate they are not required to enter the service. President Ferris presented Commander Osseck with our Certificate of Appreciation. Un Hui Yi and Karen Richards representing Quilts of Valor, presented Commander Osseck with a quilt for his service.

## BUSINESS/REPORTS

It was moved by Jim Fosdyck and 2nded by Jim Klingler that the minutes from the June meeting be approved as mailed out. The motion passed.

Treasurer Don Carlson reported we had \$4,881.49 in our account. We took in \$185 today in the Ben Franklin.

Chancellor/Parliamentarian John Dodd made mention of the National Congress to be held in Knoxville, Tennessee next Summer. He spoke on the trip being arranged for PG Michael Tomme to the Saratoga Battlefield. It will include on one leg of the trip a visit to Quebec. He reported that PG Tomme is working to penetrate into the schools by using our Youth Programs. He has established a fund raising campaign to raise money for the various Youth Programs at National. He is asking each State Society to raise \$1,000 to donate to this Program. Un Hui Yi is raffling off her first quilt which has a California Theme. The drawing will be held at the Spring State Meeting in 2017.

It was announced that our Speaker for October would be our own Danny Cox. His talk is entitled "Reach for the Stars".

Jim Blauer spoke on the Chapter Activity Contest and Eagle Scout program. He updated the members on what is happening in these programs.

Registrar Kent Gregory reported that 2 Supplementals had been approved. There are currently 3 new and 8 supplementals at National.

Color Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck reported we had received the \$300 check from the city of Cerritos for our participation in the "Let Freedom Ring" ceremonies.

Compatriot Fosdyck also reported on the State Meeting next Spring. It is close to being finalized. The rooms will be \$118 per night. There will be a \$4.00 charge per day for parking. Registration will be \$145.00. It will be April 7-8 during the second weekend in April, so our chapter will have to move our meeting to April 1<sup>st</sup> as the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend is Easter.

Dan McKelvie reported that the Essay Contest is in this Fall.

#### AWARDS/INSTALLATION

New member Steve Snyder was sworn in by President John Ferris. Kent Gregory was his sponsor and pinned on the SAR Rosette.

Jim Fosdyck recognized Don Carlson with the Military Service Veterans Corps for non-war related service.

President Ferris presented Jim Klingler with his supplemental on John Klingler. Jim spoke on the research done on this line.

Winners in this month's raffle included; Jim Blauer, Phil Mitchell, Paul Garcia, Lou Carlson, Don Carlson, Marcus Deemer, Mark Torres, Jim Klingler, Dan McKelvie, Liz Ferris, Matt Noell, Tedi Cox, Larry Hansen and Kent Gregory.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 3-5 is the Fall Board of Manager's meeting.

September 3, 1945 was VJ Day.

September 11 is Patriot's Day.

September 14 was the day in which the Star-Spangled Banner was written.

September 25 is Gold Star Mother Day

Board Meeting to follow.

The Benediction was given by State Chaplain Lou Carlson.

The SAR Recessional was led by Jim Klingler

The meeting was adjourned at 1:56pm.

Respectfully Submitted

October 8, 2016

James F. Blauer

Recording Secretary