

ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER
SONS OF THE
AMERICAN REVOLUTION
General Meeting
April 20, 2013

The meeting was opened by President McKelvie at 11:30am. The invocation was given by Chaplain Richard Adams. The Pledge to the Flag was led by Danny Cox. The SAR Pledge was led by Jim Fosdyck. The Founder of the Month was Roger Sherman. The Word for the Day was Compromise.

We recessed at 11:34am for lunch.

We reconvened at 12:15pm.

Introductions of members, their ancestors and guests were conducted. This in attendance included; Dan & Karen McKelvie, Hugh & Karen Richards, Hammond Salley, Richard Adams, Danny Cox, John & Lacy Dodd, Jim Blauer, Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, Kent Gregory, Glen Norman, Paull Fellman, Jim Wallace, Jim Quinnelly, Dan Shippey, Doc Mark Rutledge, Doug & Jim Bradley, and Arthur Koehler. 15 SARs and 7 Guests.

The minutes from the March meeting were mailed out by Recording Secretary Jim Blauer. It was moved by Danny Cox and seconded by John Dodd that we accept them as written. With no corrections the minutes were accepted as written.

Treasurer Arthur Koehler reported we have \$3,024 in our checking and took in \$80 in the raffle.

Secretary Jim Klingler was absent. No report from him.

Chancellor John Dodd spoke on the recent meeting in Ventura and that there were 2 changes in the national By-Laws that were voted on by the state to support. One was finances the other dealt with ethics. He also reported on the insignia committee. They are having neck ribbons in the colors as dictated by the national by-laws created in buff and blue. These will be made in England. Like the Premium medals there will also be cuff links and tie tacks made available for purchase. Those who purchase the medal \$250 of the purchase goes to the CAAH. This makes you eligible to receive the California 250 pin. The National Congress will be in Kansas City, Missouri from July 5-11 this year.

President McKelvie announced that our chapter did very well at the State Meeting. There are 8 categories in the State Activity Contest. We took 7 of the 8 as well as the Best Large Chapter Award for 2012. He thanked the chapter for their participation in all these activities and reporting them.

Vice-President Dan Shippey announced that the Colonial Faire was held yesterday (April 19th).

Kent Gregory reported that a supplemental had been approved for Hammond Salley and that we had no applications at National at present. We have a pended application, but he is trying to help in getting it approved. This usually occurs when there is more than one person of the same name in a given town or county. Have to prove which one it is. He asked that members be aware that supplemental fees may go up by \$40 at Congress when they vote on the increase. Our retention rate is good. We had several dropped for non-payment and four have since been reinstated.

State Color Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck announced that we will be doing the Field of Honor again this coming May during Armed Forces Weekend (May 17-19).

Jim Blauer reported that he is caught up with his Eagle Scout Certificates. We are looking at several activities in May besides the Field of Honor. We have the Memorial Day weekend where Jim does the National Anthem for his high school's Memorial Service, to those alumni who died in service, on Friday. Saturday we have the Garden Grove Festival Parade. He has not yet heard back from them on this as yet. And Monday there is the Memorial Day Service at the Old Santa Ana Cemetery where our Color Guard presents their colors and lays a wreath at the Civil War Monument there.

Chaplain Richard Adams had nothing to report.

Danny Cox reported that on May 5th he will be parachuting with the Golden Knights of the 82nd Airborne Division in Fayetteville, North Carolina. He explained how they are working with our Wounded Warriors at having an all veteran parachute team. May 5th was selected for his jump as that is the birthday of his ancestor Moses Shelby.

Jim Fosdyck reported that we are getting into the season for the presentations of the JROTC/ROTC awards at High Schools and colleges. We will also have one military academy cadet receive a good citizenship award. May tends to be a busy month for these awards.

President McKelvie reported that our Brochure took first place at State. We took honorable mention in the State Poster Contest. The state winner in the Essay Contest was from San Diego. The state winner in the Orations Contest will be headed to national in July. It was noted that Gold Country alone had to judge 600 posters!!!

Our Guest speaker was "Doc" Mark Rutledge. He showed us various tools from his collection of Revolutionary War doctoring and explained how they worked. He also explained the medicine of the day and what they had to use and did. President McKelvie presented him with a Certificate of Appreciation.

President McKelvie Presented Dan Shippey with the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal.

The Ben Franklin Raffle was held. Winner this month included; Hammond Salley, Dan Shippey, Danny Cox, Lacy Dodd, Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, and Kent Gregory. Members were asked to bring prizes to the meetings for the raffle.

Our next meeting will be May 11th.

Board Meeting will follow this one.

Richard Adams gave the Benediction.

Hammond Salley led the Recessional.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
May 11, 2013

James F. Blauer
Recording Secretary.