

ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER  
SONS OF THE  
AMERICAN REVOLUTION  
General Meeting  
December 14, 2013

The meeting was opened by President Dan McKelvie at 11:30am. The color guard presented the colors. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Adams. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Danny Cox. The SAR pledge was led by Jim Wallace. The color guard posted the colors, then retired

It was announced by President McKelvie that a collection box had been placed up front for those who brought donations of food to be donated to the For The Troops campaign and donated to the USO.

It was also announced that paintings of George Washington can be had for any school that wants one by having a written request from the principal to us. With this letter and a fee of \$250 the Mount Vernon Ladies Association will have one sent for your elementary or middle school.

We recessed at 11:45 for lunch.

We reconvened at 12:20pm.

Special Guests Dwayne McKnight and Marcus Deemer were introduced. They are new members to be inducted today.

Self-introductions were made. Those in attendance included; Dan & Karen McKelvie, Dan Henry, Gerry Ellington, Kent & Lisa Gregory, Jim & Joann Wallace, Jim Quinnely, Hugh Richards, Arthur Koehler, Jim Klingler, Bill & Jackie Gaumer, Danny & Tedi Cox, Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, Dan McMillan, Jim Blauer, John & Lacy Dodd, Dan & Kelli Shippey, Marcus & Jane Deemer (51 years married), Richard Adams, Dodie Miller (guests), Jon & Allison Vreeland, Hammond Salley, Larry & Sharon Wood, Dwayne, Marissa, Tristan and Layla McKnight, and Dr. Edward & Teresa Behnke.

It was noted that on this day in 1799 George Washington died.

It was moved by Jim Fosdyck that we accept the minutes as written and emailed out by Recording Secretary Jim Blauer

. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer Arthur Koehler reported we have \$5,440.25 in our checking account. He noted we still need to send checks to State and National for dues.

Corresponding Secretary Jim Klingler reported we have 57 paid annual members and 37 Life members for a current total of 94 members. There are 10-12 who have not yet paid their dues.

John Dodd and Dan Shippey had nothing to report.

Registrar Kent Gregory noted that Marcus Deemer was approved this month.

Color Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck reported on the good turnout for the Wreaths Across America ceremonies this morning.

Jim Blauer reported he had done 171 Eagle Certificates last month with more to do as they come in on a weekly basis. He also mentioned he had copies of his calendar available for purchase.

There was nothing to report from Chaplain Richard Adams.

Danny Cox reported the Crystal Cathedral want our Color Guard back for next year at their new home. He also thanked the chapter for having Charlie Plumb as our speaker.

New Members Dwayne McKnight and Marcus Deemer were inducted by President McKelvie. He presented them with their membership certificate and Registrar Kent Gregory pinned on their rosettes.

Awards were presented by President McKelvie. Gerry Ellington was awarded the War Service Medal & Certificate. Richard Adams received the Korean War Service Medal & Certificate. Dwayne McKnight received the War Service Medal and the Law Enforcement Commendation medal.

Jon Vreeland was presented his supplemental certificate for his ancestor Henry King. Jim Fosdyck received a supplemental certificate for his ancestor John Hardwick, Sr.

The slate of officers for 2014 was announced. We do not have candidates for President or Vice-President. We have for Corresponding Secretary Jim Klingler, Recording Secretary Jim Blauer, Treasurer Arthur Koehler, Registrar Kent Gregory, and Chaplain Richard Adams. With no nominations from the floor for any of the offices, John Dodd moved the nominations be closed. This was seconded

by Dan Henry and the motion passed. John Dodd then moved we accept this slate by acclamation. It was seconded by Dan Henry and the motion passed.

The Gift Exchange was conducted by John Dodd and Jim Blauer. Those who brought a gift received a ticket. If they brought 2 gifts, that gave them 2 tickets. 5 of the items went all the way to the Third steal, locking that gift out from any more stealing. There were 36 gifts in all and everyone had a fun time participating in this annual event.

Bill Gaumer announced a cookbook being sold for the Wounded Warrior Foundation in San Diego. They are \$20 each.

Our next meeting is January 11<sup>th</sup>.

The benediction was given by Chaplain Richard Adams.

The Recessional was led by Larry Wood.

It was moved by Hugh Richards that we adjourned. This was seconded. The Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted

January 11, 2014

James F. Blauer  
Recording Secretary