

ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER * CALIFORNIA SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Instituted October 22, 1875

Organized July 4, 1876, Incorporated February 17, 1930

GENERAL MEETING

March 10, 2018

The meeting was opened by President Gus Fischer at 11:30am. The Invocation was given by Richard Adams. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sergeant-at-Arms Danny Cox. The SAR Pledge was led by Hugh Richards. The Founder of the day was James Madison.

We recessed for lunch at 11:35am.

We reconvened from lunch at 12:15pm.

Introductions were made. Those in attendance included Gus Fischer, Patrick Cecil, Bill & Jackie Gaumer, Travis & Davis Winsor, Richard Adams, Leonard Chapman, Cliff Hope, David Beall, Don & Linda Carlson, Jim Blauer, Tom Laswell, Ted & Linda Carlson, Jim Klingler, Matthew & Thomas Noell, Bob Kazabee, Dan Shippey, Danny & Tedi Cox, Mark, Brenda & Spencer Torres, John Dodd, Kent Gregory, Hugh Richards, Steven Demorey (Prosp.), Lou & Karen Carlson, Dan & Nancy Casey, Fred Whitaker (Prosp.), Dan McMillan, John Blake, Julie Bruton, Larry Hansen, Jim Bradley & Doug Bradley. 30 SAR, 11 Guests.

The Minutes for the February meeting was emailed out by Recording Secretary Jim Blauer. A motion was made by Tom Laswell to accept the minutes as sent out. This was seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer Cole Zehnder was absent. He emailed a copy of his report. It shows that for February we had revenues of \$180.73. We had expenses of \$263.08. As of February 1st our checking balance was \$8,932.88. We had deposits for the month of \$307.73. Withdrawals totaled \$263.08. That left us with a balance as of February 28th of \$8,977.53.

Corresponding Secretary Ted Carlson reported we had three new members. He also noted that we took in \$190 in the Ben Franklin today.

Registrar Kent Gregory reported that besides the three new members there were 2 new supplementals approved. We currently have 6 new and 3 supplementals at National.

Recording Secretary Jim Blauer reported that we participated in the Laguna Beach Patriot's Day Parade on March 3 with Mark & Spencer Torres, John Blake and himself doing Color Guard Duty. He noted that due to mechanical problems we were not able to have the car we usually use in the parade, but would be speaking to the board to see if the chapter could help out with the repairs since we have been using this car in our parades for over 20 years.

He then asked to have our chapter winner in the Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest, Davis Winsor, to come forward. Davis spoke about what his essay was about. Davis was presented with the winner's medal which Compatriot Blauer asked Davis' dad Travis Winsor to pin on his son's uniform. Compatriot Blauer then asked if there were any other Eagles in the audience. He asked that David Beall and Spencer Torres join him and Davis for a chapter Eagle Scout photo.

It was announced by President Fischer that our chapter JROTC winner this year was Richard Zalamea. It was announced he was also the State winner and his application has been sent on to National for judging at that level of the competition.

Brochure Chairman John Ferris reported that this year's winner is James C. Harmon. His Brochure is being sent to state for judging on that level.

Poster Contest Chairman Patrick Cecil had seven posters entered into our Poster Contest to be judged for the chapter winner today. Poster #1 by Emmanuel Cheng received 3 votes. Poster #2 by Grayson Gilderman received no votes. Poster #3 by Adarsh Sonthilnathan received 19 votes. Poster #4 by Ayan Palejwala received no votes. Poster #5 by Ethan Cho received 6 votes. Poster #6 by Sophia Widmeier and #7 by John Reyes received no votes. Adarsh Sonthilnathan was declared our chapter winner and his poster will be taken to the state meeting in April to be judged on that level of the competition.

Our speaker today was Patrick Cecil who spoke to us about the Quakers in the American Revolution. He gave a history of the Quakers coming to America and settling in Pennsylvania. He spoke of those who fought the Indians after the French & Indian War and how the Quakers stance against war caused them to fall from power in Pennsylvania. President Fischer thanked Compatriot Cecil for having spoken to us today.

Robert Kazabee was asked to come up front. He was presented the Certificate of Membership for his grandson Alexander Kazabee who is in China

Our monthly raffle was conducted by John Dodd. The winners included; Kent Gregory, Tom Laswell, Danny Cox, John Dodd, Spencer Torres, Jim Blauer, Patrick Cecil, Dan Casey, Hugh Richards, Robert Kazabee, Jim Klingler, Bill Gaumer, Ted Carlson, Tedi Cox, Dan Shippey, Dan McMillan, and Mark Torres.

While conducting the raffle John Dodd spoke on the leadership meeting on March 3rd. He spoke of the museum and the plans to move forward with that project. He spoke on the 2019 Congress which he is spearheading. He has raffle tickets for sale for the one week stay at the hotel during the Congress.

Our next meeting will be April 14th.

The state meeting will be in Concord, California from April 19-21.

Friday March 13th will be the DAR meeting and Military Ball. Our Color Guard will be there.

May 18-20 will be the Field of Honor event.

May 29th will be the Strawberry Festival Parade.

Mark Torre spoke on Amazon smile and purchases made on that site. March 12th is triple the amount back to the chapter for first time purchases.

There will be a short Board Meeting following this meeting.

The Benediction was given by Richard Adams.

The Recessional was led by Mark Torres.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted

April 14, 2018

James F. Blauer

Recording Secretary