

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

Instituted October 22, 1875

Organized July 4, 1876, Incorporated February 17, 1930

## GENERAL MEETING

January 14, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President John Ferris at 11:35am. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Richard Adams. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Danny Cox. The SAR Pledge was led by Ted Carlson.

The Founder of the month was George Washington. President Ferris spoke on the importance of Washington's Farewell address and the tradition of reading it before the United States Senate. The Quote of the day also came from George Washington which was followed by dates for the month of January.

We recesses at 11:35am.

We reconvened at 12:15pm.

Introductions were made. Those in attendance included; John & Liz Ferris, Bill & Jackie Gaumer, Hammond Salley, Larry Hansen, John Blake and Julie Bruton, James Townsend, Paull Fellman, Richard & Lolly Beall, John & Victoria Beall, Lawrence Beall, Dan & Karen McKelvie, David Beall, Andrew Beall, Elizabeth Beall, Kathy Beall, Phil Mitchell, Matthew, Gloria Ethan & Thomas Noell, Paul & Nicole Garcia, Don & Diane Carlson, Kent Gregory, Bob Gilmore, Patrick Cecil, Jim Klingler, Ted & Linda Carlson, Danny & Tedi Cox, Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, Jim Blauer, Cole Zehnder, Jay Pettibone, Doug Pettibone, Richard Adams, Leonard Chapman, Gus & Marie Fischer, Mark & Brenda Torres, and Barbara & Don Winkler. 31 SARs & 21 Guests.

Our speaker for the day is compatriot Jim Blauer. He spoke to us on the Activity Contest and went down the list of the various ways in which the chapter can earn points in hopes of becoming the best chapter in their division.

The minutes from the previous meeting had been emailed out. Jim Fosdyck moved that they be approved as written. This was seconded by Dan McKelvie. The motion passed

Treasurer Don Carlson reported we ended the year with \$6,362.00. When the year started we had \$5,996.00. So, we are doing well. The Ben Franklin took in \$198.00 today.

Corresponding Secretary Gus Fischer reported the chapter reconciliation had been filed and the dues had been filed. He noted Joe Dooley is a dual member of our chapter and a California Life member. As of December 31<sup>st</sup> we had 131 members.

### OFFICER REPORTS

President Ferris reported that our members and guests are invited to a January 28, 2017 sit down dinner where Barbara Winkler will be honored for her volunteer service with Quilts of Valor. The dinner is formal/Black tie and there are two drinks as well as dinner.

President Ferris noted that with the Spring State Meeting on the second Saturday in April, we will be unable to meet at that time. Since Easter is the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend it was decided we need to move our April Meeting to April 1<sup>st</sup>. Kent moved that the April meeting be moved to the first Saturday (April 1<sup>st</sup>). This was seconded by Jim Fosdyck. The motion passed.

President Ferris reported that this is the year of our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of being chartered by the National Society and he has arranged for us to have a picnic at Mile Square Park in August.

Finally President Ferris noted that Un Hui Yi Fosdyck's quilt raffle had raised over \$1,000 and she is working on making it \$2,000. The drawing will be at the state meeting in April.

Mark Torres reported on a promotion in Tustin on the 2017 Paper football January 28<sup>th</sup>.

Registrar Kent Gregory reported we have 8 new applications and 6 supplementals at National. Currently new applications take about 3 months and supplementals take about 5 months to get approved. Kent also reported that Col. Quinnely wanted to be there but he is suffering from a cold.

Color Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck reported that the Massing of the Colors would take place on February 19<sup>th</sup> at Forest Lawn in the Hollywood Hills.

Veterans chairman Hammond Salley reported we have 31 Veterans we know of in the chapter so far. 18 Army, 6 Air Force, 5 Navy, and 2 Marines. 20 of these men belong to the Veterans Corps

Eagle Scout Chairman Jim Blauer reported that Alexander Best was not selected as the state winner of the Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest. We will try to set up a date when he can attend our meeting and receive his medal and patches.

David Beall reported he is working on the Brochure Contest.

Essay Chairman Dan McKelvie reported that we have three essays entries and the chapter winner is Andrew Farmer. Andrew learned of the essay contest from Eagle Chairman Jim Blauer when he and his brother Kyle entered the Eagle Contest. Kyle also had an entry in the essay contest. Andrew's entry will be forwarded to state as they are do there by the end of the month.

Medals & Awards Chairman Jim Fosdyck noted that we have bunch to give out today. He also reported on the state meeting for April 7-8. The registration form is out and so far 7 have sent theirs in and 20 have booked their rooms.

## NEW BUSINESS

New member Robert Howard Gilmore was sworn in as our newest member.

Dan McKelvie received a supplemental certificate

Veteran's Affairs Chairman Hammond Salley recognized Paull E. Fellman for his 8 years in the Navy reserves. He received a medal and Certificate.

Dianne Carlson received a Certificate of Appreciation for her help during the meetings.

The Distinguished Service Certificate was presented to Don Carlson, Un Hui Yi Fosdyck and Gus Fischer.

Barbara Winkler received a certificate and an Oak Leaf Cluster for her Martha Washington Medal. The chapter also presented her with a check for \$200. She reported that her group at Quilts of Valor did 651 Quilts in 2016 and 10 so far in 2017.

The Martha Washington Medal was presented to Tedi Cox and Liz Ferris

The Roger Sherman Medal is for service by an officer or chairman who has at least 3 years as a member. Oak Leaf Clusters were presented to Kent Gregory, Jim Fosdyck, Danny Cox, Jim Blauer, and Richard Adams.

Dan McKelvie was presented the Roger Sherman Medal.

Meritorious Service medal was presented to Dan McKelvie and Gus Fischer.

President Ferris gave his farewell address.

The installation of officers was next on the agenda. The slate of officers presented by the Nominating Committee and elected for 2017 is as follows;

President David Beall

Vice-President Gus Fischer

Corresponding Secretary—Ted Carlson

Recording Secretary Jim Blauer

Treasurer Cole Zehnder

Registrar Kent Gregory,

Chancellor Doug Pettibone

Chaplain Richard Adams

Jim Fosdyck as Executive Vice-President in the state conducted the installation ceremony. First he installed all the officers except the President. Then he installed David Beall as our new President and he was presented with the gavel

With no further business it was on to the Ben Franklin Raffle. Winners this month included; Tedi Cox, Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, Jim Blauer, Barbara Winkler, Paul Garcia, Jim Fosdyck, Richard Adams, Paull Fellman, Dan McKelvie, John Ferris, Larry Hansen, and John Blake.

Announcements included our February 11<sup>th</sup> meeting, Massing on February 19, Irvine April 7-8, and there would be a board meeting following this one.

The Benediction was given by Chaplain Richard Adams.  
The Recessional was led by John Beall  
The meeting was adjourned at 1:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted  
February 11, 2017

James F. Blauer  
Recording Secretary