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

Instituted October 22, 1875 Organized July 4, 1876, Incorporated February 17, 1930

> GENERAL MEETING October 10, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Klingler at 11:30am. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Richard Adams. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sergeant-at-Arms Danny Cox. The SAR Pledge was led by Charles Beal.

Casimir Pulaski was the Founder of the Month. He was a soldier from Poland who fought the Russians and became a Freedom fighter.

The quote of the day came from General Pulaski was in a letter to George Washington.

We recessed for lunch at 11:40am.

We reconvened at 12:15pm.

Self-introductions were given. Those in attendance included; Jim Klingler, Barbara Winkler and Helga Adam (from QOV), Dr. Biel (Speaker), Rick Suttie (Speaker), Dean Babcock, Larry Hansen, James Steelman & wife Jan, Mark & Brenda Torres, Joseph Torres, David Beall, Charles Beal, Dan & Karen McKelvie, John Dodd, Hans Hunt, Leonard Chapman, Richard Price, Bill & Phil Hoge, Hammond Salley, Jim Blauer, Dan Shippey, Kent Gregory, Danny & Tedi Cox, Jim Oakes, Hugh & Karen Richards, Arthur Koehler and Richard Adams. 23 SARs, 9 Guests.

## SPEAKER-DR Ray Beil & Rick Suttie

It was moved by John Dodd and seconded by Hammond Salley that we proceed out of order of the agenda so as to have our speaker early on in case he should need or want to leave early. The motion passed.

Hammond Salley then introduced our speakers. Ray spoke of his family and his WWII experience of flying one of the bombers that dropped the BOMB on Nagasaki. Once finished with their presentation both Dr. Beil and Rick Suttie were presented Certificates of Appreciation. Barbara Winkler then presented a quilt from Quilts of Valor to both speakers for their service to our country.

## BUSINESS

The minutes were emailed out. Kent Gregory moved to accept and the motion was seconded and passed. **OFFICER & COMMITTEE REPORTS** 

Treasurer Arthur Koehler reported we took in \$131 for the Ben Franklin today. Our checking account stands at \$4,598.18.

It was noted that dues notices would be mailed out within the next month.

President Klingler noted from his message in the newsletter the new 1776 campaign to raise money to support the museum, the Educational Center and its upkeep. He reported the Board had voted to send a check for \$592 to the center, purchasing one square foot and this will give us a streamer for our Flags.

Compatriot Jim Blauer spoke on the Coupons to Military families program and thanked those who had brought their coupons in today. He spoke on the various Contests and that he had covered the Newport Mesa Unified School district in sending out packets to each school for their given contest(s). He offered anyone who wanted to contact schools with the information he was willing to donate one of his calendars to be sent to each school. Lastly he reported that we have given out some 12,460 Eagle Scout Certificates.

Registrar Kent Gregory reported that we have had 5 new members since our last meeting and we have 4 supplementals and 5 new applications at National awaiting approval.

Chaplain Richard Adams noted that the charter was draped in memory of long time member Walter Davis who passed away on September 27<sup>th</sup> and was laid to rest on October 6<sup>th</sup>. He thanked those who attended and participated in the service for Walter. He noted that Jim Wallace has been a bit wobbly since he broke his hip. He also reported that Jim Quinnelly our last WWII veteran is having health problems.

Danny Cox no report.

Color Guard Commander Jim Fosdyck was absent. It was noted that on October 11<sup>th</sup>(tomorrow) that the Color Guard will attend the celebration of the Santa Monica celebration of the DAR's 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The State Meeting is coming up November 5-7 in Riverside at the Mission Inn. December 12<sup>th</sup> will be the annual Wreaths Across America. Asked about having the chapter present a wreath, John Dodd moved the chapter purchase a wreath for this event. The motion was seconded and passed.

There was no report from Veteran's Affairs Chairman Dan Henry. Poster Contest Chairman Hugh Richards reported that his wife Karen would be going back to Wittmann Elementary to see if they will once again participate in the poster Contest after having sat out last year's contest. The deadline has been set for April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

Flag Certificate Chairman Hans Hunt announced he will be giving out a Flag Certificate this month.

#### AWARDS

President Klingler began by presenting Dan Shippey with a Certificate of Appreciation. He inducted Dean Babcock and Phil Hoge as new members. Both were sponsored by Kent Gregory who pinned the society rosette on them. Bill Hoge accepted for his son-in-law Daniel Shelton. State President Kent Gregory then presented Bill Hoge with the Silver Good Citizenship medal for his service in our State Legislature.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

The chapter was asked that we endorse Lou Carlson for Chaplain General and John Dodd for the Foundation Board. The motion to do so was made by Kent Gregory and seconded by Dan McKelvie. The Motion passed.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our next meeting will be November 14

Our December meeting will be December 12<sup>th</sup> following the Wreaths Across American event in Brea. John Dodd announced the 2016 Congress would be held in Boston and gave some figures on the cost of the rooms at the hotel where they will be hosting. He spoke on the education push from National, the college level symposium on American History topics. In late May there is to be a joint cruise from Seattle to Anchorage for one week. This cruise will be a conference of the Western Pacific and Rocky Mountain districts. Similar to the one done in Hawaii in 2007.

John Dodd called out the raffle numbers and winners this month included; Hans Hunt, Dean Babcock, Danny Cox, Jim Blauer, Tedi cox, Dan McKelvie, Mark Torres, Jim Klingler, John Dodd, Richard Adams and Jim Oakes.

There will be a Board Meeting following this one.

The Benediction was given by Chaplain Richard Adams.

The Recessional was led by Dean Babcock.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:13pm..

Respectfully Submitted, November 14, 2015

James F. Blauer Recording Secretary