



California Society of the
Sons of the American Revolution
Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., Chapter



Minutes of the **13 November 2015**
Meeting

(Website: <http://pattonpatriots.org/>)

The regular monthly luncheon meeting of the General George S. Patton, Jr., Chapter SAR was held Friday, 13 November 2015, in the Garden Room of Marie Calender's Restaurant, 1295 S. Victoria Ave., Ventura, CA. The meeting was called to order by President Bob Colbern. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Bob Taylor, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the SAR.

In attendance were nineteen Compatriots: President Bob Colbern, Steve Hurst, Ken Birdsall, Ken Lynch, Gene Cooper, Dick McMullen, Louis Kreuzer, Ward White, Dick Hawley, Ed Holt, Bob Taylor, Bill Bays, John Tunis, Russ Ireland, Fred Dunn, Jim Wyly, Don Sykes, John Mullen, and Peter Bueschen. Guests included Kim Thomas, Hal Reniger, Zach Reniger, Sunny McMullen.

Member and guest introductions were made.

Reports:

Acting Secretary Bob Taylor presented the minutes for the meeting of 9 Oct, which were read and approved.

Treasurer Gene Cooper presented the treasurer's report as of 31 Oct, which was approved.

The Registrar's report was presented by Registrar Dick McMullen. The applications for Keith Alan Thomas (VA patriot Richard Reeves), Luc Anthony Bell (MA patriot Isaac Snow) and Roland Richard Wiley Thompson (NJ patriot John Fulkerson) are pending at NSSAR. The applications for Bill Beal Barrows, Thomas Jacob Hassenbein, Percy Wyly II (SAR Memorial Application), Henry Austin Reniger III and Patryke Kim Thomas have been submitted to CASSAR. The applications for Bruce Gillies (NY patriot John Thompson), William Thomas Allen (CT patriot Joseph Allen), Sean Michael McGarry (CT patriot Ebenezer Brooks III), David Andrew Norton (CT patriot Ebenezer Brooks III), Adam Richard Stevenson (CT patriot Ebenezer Brooks III) and Allen L. Messinger (MA patriot Benoni Messinger) are being prepared by the Registrar. Dick was commended by Ken Lynch for his diligence in Roland Thompson's application.

Old Business:

Chaplain's report: Bob Taylor noted that Dan Sword is absent due sickness.

Color Guard report: Bob Taylor requested color guard participation for the Veterans Day ceremony at Cemetery Park, Wreaths Across America 12 December, and the Massing of the Colors 14 Feb 2016.

Valley Forge: Bob Taylor reported the teachers selected for 2015 presented their program at the Fall meeting in Riverside, and gave a short description of the Valley Forge Teacher Recognition program.

Bill Bays displayed the 1840's photo of his Revolutionary War ancestor (Stones) he found on Ancestry.com. His ancestor fought at Cowpens, was wounded and spent three days on the battlefield before being cared for. He was married to an Indian lady.

Dick Hawley showed a narrative book on an ancestor of the Revolutionary War captured by Indians and imprisoned in Montreal.

New Business:

Following lunch, Bob Taylor reported on his nomination for VP-South by the CSSAR nomination committee at the Fall meeting in Riverside, and thanked the chapter for their endorsement and support.

The election of the 2016 Chapter officers was conducted and the slate was unanimously elected. The Officers elected for 2016 are:

President Ken Lynch
Vice President Louis Kreuzer
Secretary Robert Taylor
Treasurer Russ Ireland
Registrar Richard McMullen
Chaplain Robert Taylor

There followed a report on the 140th Fall Board of Managers meeting at Riverside 6-7 Nov.

Program:

Compatriot Fred Dunn presented "The Other 14th Colony – Vermont", and gave an interesting sequence of events from 1652 to 1791, leading up to the statehood of Vermont, and its interaction with New Hampshire and New York. The presentation was entertaining and educational, and was well received.

Following the program, compatriot Peter Bueschen was presented his membership certificate and was sworn into the Chapter.

Next Meeting:

The next Chapter meeting will be held on Friday, 11 December 2015, at Marie Calender's Restaurant. The program will be "Colonial Christmas" by Bob Taylor.

Closing:

The meeting was adjourned by Bob Colbern following the SAR Recessional.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Taylor, Acting Chapter Secretary