



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



Minutes of the **11 November 2016**
Meeting

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

The regular monthly luncheon meeting of the General George S. Patton, Jr., Chapter SAR was held Friday, 11 November 2016, in the Lounge of the Marie Callender's Restaurant, 1295 S. Victoria Ave., Ventura, CA. The meeting was called to order by President Ken Lynch. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Bob Taylor, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the SAR.

In attendance were eighteen Compatriots: President Ken Lynch, Lou Kreuzer, Steve Hurst, Dick McMullen, Bob Taylor, Ward White, Russ Ireland, Richard Hawley, Keith Thomas, Dan Sword, Patryke Thomas, Barrie Walters, Tom Shaw, Tom Allen, Robert Laymon, Martin Spann, Peter Bueschen, and Hal Reniger. Our guests included Thomas Allen (flag certificate recipient), Sandi Walters, Dr. Sunny Vasquez-McMullen, pending Compatriot Steve Andrews, and John Faber.

Member and guest introductions were made.

Reports:

Secretary Bob Taylor presented the minutes for the meeting of 14 October, which were approved as presented.

Treasurer Russ Ireland presented the treasurer's report as of 31 October, which was approved as read. Russ reported his house has flooded out and will be living in the garage for 6 weeks, plus his computer was ruined.

Registrar Dick McMullen presented the registrar's report, which was accepted. The supplemental application for Patryke Kim Thomas (CT Patriot Israel Williams), and the applications for Richard Lee Strayer (PA Patriot Jacob Reed), Bradley Norton Dodds (VA Patriot Levi Phillips), and Charles Hubert Lombard (NY Patriot John Townsend) are pending at NSSAR; the applications for Christopher Michael Thomas (VA Patriot Richard Reeves), Joshua Alan Thomas (VA Patriot Richard Reeves), and Stephen David Andrews (MA Patriot Caleb Andrews) are pending at CASSAR; applications for William Gary Galloway (PA Patriot Ralph Tafford), Noble Allen Powell III (VA Patriot Ira Allen), and two supplemental applications for Peter Winfield Bueschen (VA Patriots Thomas Terrell and Isaac Votaw) are under preparation.

Old Business:

Chaplain's report: Ward White has improved enough to be at today's meeting!

Color Guard: Veterans Day ceremonies at Cemetery Park today at 1400; chapter invited to attend. Reminder that Wreaths Across America is scheduled for 17 Dec 2016 at 0900 (9:00 am). The Massing of the Colors will be held 19 Feb 2017 at Forest Lawn Hollywood Hills. The color guard has been invited to participate in the CSSCAR annual banquet at the Ventura Marriott 25 Feb 2017; 3 color guardsmen will be required. No progress thus far with obtaining a source for the color guard uniforms.

A short report regarding the Fall Board of Managers meeting 3-5 Nov at Burlingame was given by the secretary. Items discussed included the submission of CT-1 and RRF-1 forms to California, and determining the status of life members (some had been deceased for some time). Ken mentioned the wreath laying at the grave of James Cogswell, one of the founders of the Society of Revolutionary Sires.

President Lynch presented the Outstanding Citizenship pin awards to Peter Bueschen and Robert Laymon, who were missed last month when the medals were not brought to the meeting; and to Keith Thomas, who was absent last month. Jim Wyly was not presented with his bronze Good Citizenship medal due to his absence. Steve Hurst was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for his program last month.

President Lynch reported the annual dues are due and Treasurer Ireland is collecting them. Notice has been sent to the members via email, while two have been sent letters due to lack of computers. Junior members were discussed, and it was moved the chapter sponsor them by paying their dues of \$5; motion was seconded and carried.

New Business:

Thomas Allen, Col USA (Ret), resplendent in his Army uniform, was presented by President Lynch in the absence of Bill Bays with a Flag Certificate for the proper display of the United States flag.

Business meeting was recessed for lunch.

New Business (continued):

President Lynch requested volunteer speakers for 2017.

President Lynch presented the slate of Chapter officers for 2017, noting that all current officers have agreed to remain in their current positions, and opened nominations from the floor for the 2017 Chapter officers. With no nominations forthcoming from the floor, nominations were closed and the current board was voted in by acclamation. The 2017 Chapter Officers will consist of:

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

Program:

The program, titled "Kentucky" was presented by chapter member Barrie Walters, and was quite informative and well received.

Next Meeting:

The next Chapter meeting will be held on Friday, 9 December 2016, at Marie Callender's Restaurant. The program will be "Colonial Christmas", presented by Compatriot Robert Taylor.

Closing:

The meeting was adjourned by President Lynch following the SAR Recessional and the Benediction.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Taylor, Chapter Secretary