



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



14 April 2017 Meeting Minutes

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

The regular monthly luncheon meeting of the General George S. Patton, Jr., Chapter SAR was held Friday, 14 April 2017, in the Garden Room 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 sixteen Compatriots: President Ken Lynch, Bob Taylor, Dick McMullen, Dick Hawley, Bob Colbern, Bill Hurley, Eric Stassforth, Bill Bays, Barrie Walters, Tom Allen, Ken Birdsall, Fred Dunn, Jim Wyly, Peter Bueschen, Bob Laymon, and Chuck Lombard. Our guests included Ted Siegel (prospective member), Sandy Walters, Barbara LaMarche (DAR Liaison), Sunny Vazquez-McMullen, Cheryl Laymon, and Ellie Lombard.

Member and guest introductions were made.

Reports:

Secretary Bob Taylor presented the minutes for the meeting of 10 March, which were approved as amended. Amendment was correction of Knight Essay winner's name.

Due to the resignation of Treasurer Russ Ireland, there was no treasurer's report presented. Letter of resignation was read to membership. President Lynch requested a volunteer to fill out Compatriot Ireland's term. Compatriot Bays stated this is a good place to start holding office.

Registrar Dick McMullen presented the registrar's report, which was accepted. The application for Michael David Bick (NJ Patriot Jacobus Post, Sr.) was approved by NSSAR and assigned NSSAR # 202077, The applications for Stephen David Andrews (MA Patriot Caleb Andrews), Mark Stuart Collins III (NH Patriot Benjamin Collins), Theodore A. Siegel (NY Patriot Israel Lyon, Sr.), Jerry Lee Hayes, Jr. (NC Patriot Nathaniel Overall), Noble Allen Powell III (NY Patriot Jonathan Olmstead), and two supplemental applications for Peter Winfield Bueschen (VA Patriot Thomas Terrell and VA Patriot Isaac Votaw) are pending at NSSAR; the application for Clark Randolph Pingree (PA Patriot John Wall) is pending at CASSAR. One supplemental application is in preparation for Keith Alan Thomas (VA Patriot Daniel Shumate).

Committees

Chaplain Bob Taylor reported having nothing to report, and requested status of Compatriot Ward White. He again encouraged the members to let him know of illnesses and issues among the membership.

Color Guard Commander Bob Taylor reported two flag streamers were presented to the Chapter during the 142nd Spring meeting in Irvine. The Chapter color guard has been invited to participate in the Memorial Day ceremonies at Cemetery Park 29 May, and at the Flag Day ceremonies in the USS MIDWAY at San Diego 10 June..

Spirit of America committee chairman Bob Taylor asked for volunteers to provide Spirit of America presentations at the Pleasant Valley School District middle schools 14-15 June. Bob noted there is now a fifth school in the district.

Secretary Bob Taylor stated there will be an Eagle Scout presentation for Konrad Dellacqua in Moorpark 29 April; Compatriot Bob Colbern will make the Honor Court for the presentation.

Veterans Committee chairman Fred Dunn announced there will be a 17 May event at the Las Robles Country Club including an interview with Rosie, a WW II veteran; Armed Forces Day will be 20 May; Memorial Day ceremonies will be conducted at Pierce Brothers Cemetery in Westlake 29 May; and VFW will host a Flag Day ceremony at the Thousand Oaks Civic Center 14 June.

Ms. Barbara LaMarche, DAR Liaison, had nothing to report.

Old Business:

President Lynch presented a brief report of the CASSAR 142nd Spring meeting in Irvine. Compatriots Ron Risley and Steve Hurst were honored as CASSAR past presidents. The 2019 NSSAR Congress will be in California at Newport Beach; Compatriot Bob Taylor is in line to be CASSAR President at that time. The Chapter received two flag streamers, plus a \$210 check for the Chapter Life Members. The Chapter Knight Essay entrant won the CASSAR contest, and Ken has a \$250 check to be presented to the winner, Miss Elana Luo, but not the \$1000 CASSAR award check and asked Secretary Taylor to check into it. Miss Luo will be invited to present her essay to the Chapter. The poster contest theme is John Sevier. President Lynch noted junior member John Buxton is president of the C.A.R. All spring meeting reports have been posted on the CASSAR website.

President Lynch noted receiving the final reconciliation report from CASSAR, showing an additional \$35 dues requirement, which he will pay.

President Lynch noted the IRS Form 990-N and FTB Form 199N are due 15 May.

President Lynch reminded members of his need for program speakers for May, July, August, October and November 2017. Eric Stassforth to check the availability of Dane Nielsen for a program on colonial coinage.

New Business:

Compatriot Bob Colbern was inducted into the Oxnard High School Hall of Fame, and proudly showed the presentation plaque.

Business meeting was recessed for lunch.

Program:

The program "World Events at the Time of the American Revolution" was presented by Compatriot Barrie Walters. The program was interesting and well received by the Chapter members and guests.

Next Meeting:

The next Chapter meeting will be held on Friday, 12 May 2017, at Marie Callender's Restaurant. The program will be "Benedict Arnold", presented by Compatriot Fred Dunn.

Closing:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Taylor, Chapter Secretary