



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



8 February 2019 Meeting Minutes

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

The regular monthly luncheon meeting of the General George S. Patton, Jr., Chapter SAR was held Friday, 8 February 2019, for the first time at the Poinsettia Pavilion, 3451 Foothill Road., Ventura, CA. In the absence of President Marty Spann, the meeting was called to order by VP Tom Shaw. In the absence of Chaplain Steve Hurst, the Invocation was given by Secretary Bob Taylor and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the SAR.

In attendance were fourteen compatriots: Vice President Tom Shaw, Bill Hurley, Ward White, Lou Kreuzer, Ken Lynch, Bill Bays, Russ Ireland, Bob Taylor, Ken Birdsall, Dan Sword, Ed Luth, Harry Copeland, Bill Nugent, and Kim Thomas. Our guests included Linda Luth, Susan Sword Michaels and Cora Thomas.

Reports:

Secretary Bob Taylor presented the minutes for the meeting of 11 January, which were approved as presented.

Treasurer Lou Kreuzer presented the Treasurer's report. The report shows a checking account balance of \$8,265.15, and a savings account balance of \$6,014.45 as of 8 February. Pending adjustments include a deposit of \$280, and disbursements of \$1750 for reimbursement to Tom Shaw, and \$3485 to CASSAR for 2019 Chapter dues. The report was accepted as presented.

Due to Registrar Dick McMullen's absence, Secretary Taylor presented the Registrar's report. The Chapter now has nine previously-announced new members approved by NSSAR awaiting induction and three new members approved by NSSAR:

Awaiting induction:

Philip Servis Wilson (PA Patriot William Wilson)
George Christopher Thomas (MA Patriot Jonathan Stevens)
Scott Kevin Fox (VA Patriot Thomas Overstreet, Sr.)
Cody James Richardson (MA Patriot Ebenezer Howe)
Peter Austin Reniger (MA Patriot Benoni Messenger)
Kevin Michael McMurtry (VA Patriot John McMurtry)
Neal Conrad Murphy (MD Patriot Darby Murp)
Jared James Nathan (MD Patriot Samuel Price)

New members approved by NSSAR:

Anthony Curtis Elliott (VA Patriot David Charity)

Reinstatement from South Coast Chapter pending:

Patrick Fletcher (NH Patriot Ebenezer Fletcher)

Applications pending at NSSAR:

Myron Tim Brooks (NC Patriot George McDowell)
Eli Andrew Nathan (MD Patriot Samuel Price) – Memorial Application

Applications submitted to CASSAR:

Richard Glen Lutz (NC Patriot Joseph Dixon)

Applications in preparation:

Albert Edward Marland III (NC Patriot Dempsey Jenkins) – Supplemental
Eric Douglas Kaufman (NY Patriot Peter Miller)
Anthony Douglas Angelini (VA Patriot John Hutchinson)
Kevin C. Bell (NC Patriot William Beck)
David Boyce Bentley (MA Patriot John Mears)
John Friedeck (PA Patriot Peter Arnold)
Peter Leo Ferry (VA Patriot Dorsey Pentacast)
Shane Eisenbraun (NY Patriot Solomon DuBois)

Old and New Business:

Secretary Taylor reminded the Chapter of the Massing of the Colors to be conducted on Sunday, 17 February, starting at 3 pm at Forest Lawn Hollywood Hills. He would like an additional Color Guard member. All of the Chapter members are invited to attend, and can enjoy a social time at the Tam O'Shanter Inn afterwards.

Secretary Taylor noted the Chapter website is back on line, and asked the members to check and verify it. The Chapter reconciliation report has been submitted, and there have been 4 member drops.

The annual CASSAR Spring meeting will be held at the Marriott Beach Hotel in Ventura 25-27 April. So far, 5 registrations have been received. Volunteers are requested.

The NSSAR 2019 Congress will be in Costa Mesa at the Hilton 5-11 July, which will be an excellent opportunity for members to meet Compatriots from all over and gain an appreciation for the NSSAR.

Compatriot Bob Colbern is walking and speaking following a stroke; he has some paralysis.

Flag Committee Chairman Kim Thomas reported President Spann has a U.S. Flag flown the day Bin Ladin was killed and is considering a raffle to raise funds, \$1 per ticket. Also providing after-school genealogy services with the DAR. Asking for new fund-raising ideas.

For on-line payments, it was suggested we use a VenMo account.

Ken Lynch reported he has submitted the IRS 990 for \$39.50.

Color Guard uniforms were discussed; difficulty finding a supplier. EBay has patterns. Suggested inactive members be asked if uniforms can be bought back for others to use.

Mentorship for new members was discussed as a method to retain members. Michael Bick suggested as an excellent choice to head up the committee.

Chapter business was deferred for lunch.

Committee for meeting location report was discussed by VP Shaw. Committee is composed of Bill Bays, Tom Shaw and President Spann (chairman). Marie Callender's in Camarillo was examined, but would entail our meetings being in the eating area. The Sportsman would require an increase in meal costs. The Poinsettia Pavilion seems to be a good fit, with Judy Shaw as president of the Pavilion Board, food catered and cost remaining at \$20. Bill Bays and Ken Birdsall suggested checking Ottavios in Camarillo.

Program speaker needs were discussed. The Rev. Luf Johnson, Glendora, was recommended as a possible speaker, and it was approved by motion that he be approached. An honorarium of up to \$100 was also approved for our speakers.

Chapter growth was discussed, with the Chapter membership now at 94. The excellent efforts of our Registrar team, Dick and Sunny McMullen, was duly recognized.

Program:

The program was concerning CAPT William Cherry, 4th VA Regiment, presented by Secretary Taylor and who is his patriotic ancestor.

Next Meeting:

The next Chapter meeting will be conducted Friday, 8 March 2019, at the Poinsettia Pavilion. The program title is unknown, and, following approval of a motion, the speaker is tentatively Rev. C. Luff Johnson, Glendora

Closing:

The meeting was adjourned by Vice President Shaw following the SAR Recessional by the membership and the Benediction by Secretary Taylor.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Taylor, Secretary