



California Society of the
Sons of the American Revolution

Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., Chapter

Minutes of the Meeting for

13 February 2004

The Friday, 13 February 2004, meeting of the General George S. Patton, Jr., Chapter of the CASSAR was held in the library of the Berylwood Officers Club, being called to order by Chapter President J. Stephen Hurst. Following the invocation and pledge, members and guest adjourned to the buffet. In attendance were six compatriots: President J. Stephen Hurst, Ron Risley, Frank Budroe, Don Wooldridge, Bob Taylor, and Dick Hawley; and one guest; Rosemarie Risley. President Hurst reconvened the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

The minutes for the 9 January 2004 meeting were distributed with no corrections noted. President Hurst stated he had called the Conejo Valley Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution to personally thank them for their participation at last month's meeting.

The Treasurer's report was distributed and accepted with no corrections noted.

The Registrar's report was presented: the applications for Cory Slater (Woodland Hills) and James Shepherd (San Diego) have been submitted to National. It was reported that National is currently approximately four months behind in processing applications. Compatriot Jay Wood was reported as no longer an active member of the Chapter. Volunteers from the membership were requested by President Hurst to take the duties of Chapter Registrar.

The Chaplain's report was requested with nothing to report.

Old Business:

Knight essay was discussed, which is a SAR-sponsored contest open to high school students with the subject being U.S. history. Four students entered; but, due to the rule that no internet references were to be used, there was only one winner, who is now eligible for the state contest. Manner of acknowledging the students participation was discussed, and Ron Risley will prepare certificates for all. In addition, after the suggestion to award the winner with the Good Conduct medal, it was moved by Bob Taylor and seconded by Ron Risley that the Good Conduct medal should be awarded to

the winner, with the other participants receiving the Good Conduct pin. Motion was passed.

The George Washington Massing of the Colors at Forest Lawn, Hollywood Hills was discussed. Ceremony is scheduled to start at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, 22 February, with President Hurst, Ron Risley and Frank Budroe attending.

New Business:

Award ceremonies were discussed with the suggestion for the separate filling of the position of Awards Chairman.

The CASSAR chapter contest was discussed. CASSAR has written asking for a monthly report for use in evaluating the Chapter. In the past, the Chapter has won the award for small chapter; however, criteria for evaluation has changed and is now patterned after the National contest, with press clippings being a major segment. President Hurst stated dissatisfaction, and intends to submit as an item for the annual meeting. It was noted we are no longer participating in the Youth Registration program.

The annual meeting will be held in Chico, California, 1 – 3 April. Ron Risley and President Hurst will be attending. A Chapter report will be required, and Ron Risley will prepare based on previous years reports. No report was submitted last year.

For the program, compatriot Don Wooldridge presented an interesting review of the Wooldridge family history through the Revolutionary War, taken largely from a printed two-volume family history.

Ron Risley read the certificate of appreciation received from the Mount Vernon Restoration Society for a \$100 donation sent in 2003.

The meeting was adjourned following the SAR Recessional and Benediction.

Respectfully submitted, Robert Taylor, Chapter Secretary