



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

Minutes of the **July 11, 2014** Meeting

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

The regular monthly luncheon meeting of the General George S. Patton, Jr., Chapter SAR was held Friday, 11 July 2014, in the Garden Room of Marie Calender's Restaurant, 1295 S. Victoria Ave., Ventura, CA. The meeting was called to order by Bill Bays. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Bob Taylor, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the SAR.

In attendance were fourteen Compatriots: President Bill Bays, Vice President Bob Colbern, Secretary Eric Stassforth, Treasurer Gene Cooper, Don Bennett, Dan Sword, Bill Hurley, George Horne, Bob Taylor, Steve Hurst, Richard McMullen, Edwin Luth, Ward White and Registrar Ken Lynch. Prospective members: Ken Birdsall, Barry Walters and Andy McDonald were in attendance. Joan McDonald, Dr. Sunny McMullen, and Mary Hurley were also in attendance.

Member and guest introductions were made.

**Reports:**

Secretary Eric Stassforth presented the minutes for the 13 June 2014 meeting, which were amended and then approved.

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

The registrar's report was read by Ken Lynch. The application for Ken Birdsall has been received at NSSAR on June 18th. Membership applications for Barrie Walters and Andy MacDonald have been revised and are being readied for mailing to the State Registrar. Applications are in process for Roland Thompson, Don Burk, Russ Ireland, William Maple, Dick Strayer, Ernie Thorpe, Mark Collins III, and Patrick Modugno (Bill Hurley assisting). Two supplemental applications are in process for Gene Cooper.

**New/Old Business:**

Bob Taylor gave a report on the upcoming colorguard vigil at Mount Vernon on 20<sup>th</sup> September. He also reported that the maker of colorguard uniforms is selling the business and on the Valley Forge scholarships for US History teachers. President Bill Bays reported that the main address for SAR will be 809 W. Main Street, Louisville, KY 40202-2619 and about the upcoming Board of Managers Meeting in Petaluma. In addition, Bill talked about the survey in the June Compatriot Issue and the preservation of War of 1812 pensions.

President Bays presented awards for Bill and Mary Hurley for their efforts of service at the SAR State Convention last year.

**Program:**

Compatriot Eric Stassforth gave a presentation on the "The Evolution of Democracy from Jamestown to 1776".

**Next Meeting:**

The next Chapter meeting will be held on Friday, 8 August 2014, at Marie Calender's Restaurant. The luncheon meeting will feature Ward White on "Killed Strangely-Death of Rebecca Cornell".

**Closing:**

The meeting was adjourned by Bill Bays following the SAR Recessional and the Benediction by Bob Taylor.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eric Stassforth, Chapter Secretary