



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



**14 September 2018 Meeting Minutes**

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

The regular monthly luncheon meeting of the General George S. Patton, Jr., Chapter SAR was held Friday, 14 September 2018, in the Garden Room of the Marie Callender's Restaurant, 1295 S. Victoria Ave., Ventura, CA. The meeting was called to order by President Hal Reniger. The Invocation was given by Bob Taylor and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the SAR.

In attendance were fifteen compatriots: President Hal Reniger, Ken Lynch, Bill Hurley, Lou Kreuzer, Russ Ireland, Dick McMullen, Steve Hurst, Bill Bays, Bob Taylor, Dan Sword, Ken Birdsall, Tom Shaw, James Kehr, John Bernick, and Barrie Walters. Our guests were Sunny McMullen and Anne Kehr .

**Reports:**

Secretary Bob Taylor presented the minutes for the meeting of 10 August, which were approved as presented on a motion by Bill Bays, seconded by Bill Hurley.

Treasurer Lou Kreuzer presented the Treasurer's report. The report shows a checking account balance of \$853.48, and a savings account balance of \$9,013.93 as of 14 September. The deposit of \$3,000.00 from savings to checking approved last month continues pending. Following a motion by Bob Taylor with a second by Bill Bays, the report was accepted as presented.

Registrar Dick McMullen presented the Registrar's report, which was accepted as presented. The Chapter now has four previously-announced new members approved by NSSAR awaiting induction and one new member approved by NSSAR:

Awaiting induction:

Philip Servis Wilson (PA Patriot William Wilson)  
Albert Edward Marland III (NC Patriot Henry Lancaster)  
George Christopher Thomas (MA Patriot Jonathan Stevens)  
Douglas John Meister (PA Patriot William Wilson)

New member approved by NSSAR:

Scott Kevin Fox (VA Patriot Thomas Overstreet, Sr.)

Applications pending at NSSAR:

Matthew Rex Kehr (NC Patriot Reuben Coffey)  
Cody James Richardson (MA Patriot Ebenezer Howe)  
Kevin Michael McMurtry (VA Patriot John McMurtry)  
Peter Austin Reniger (MA Patriot Benoni Messenger)

Applications submitted to CASSAR:

William Elijah Elliott (VA Patriot David Charity)  
Myron Tim Brooks (SC Patriot Joshua Reeder)  
Noble Allen Powell III (VT Patriot Ira \_\_\_\_)

Applications in preparation:

Robert Bernard Church (VA Patriot John Bernard)

Mathew Frazier Carroll (PA Patriot Joseph Elias Carroll)  
Albert Edward Marland III (NC Patriot Dempsey Jenkins) – Supplemental  
Nathan Wayne Jones (GA Patriot Hugh Jones)  
Joshua Alan Thomas (VA Patriot Richard Reeves)  
Christopher Michael Thomas (VA Patriot Richard Reeves)

### **Old and New Business:**

Discussion regarding meals and need to raise to \$25; subject deferred to Dec or Jan meeting.

Chaplain Bob Taylor sent a sympathy card to Joan Norton, Richard Hawley's daughter, and get-well cards to Carol Reniger, President Hal Reniger's wife, Alexa Spann and Peter Bueschen.

Chapter discussed the upcoming BBQ social 20 October at Tom Shaw's home. Secretary Taylor will send announcement to Chapter. Cost is \$20 per person, and RSVP is requested.

The chapter was reminded of the upcoming CASSAR 143<sup>rd</sup> Fall Board of Managers meeting at Folsom 8-10 November, for which a revised registration form is available, adding a dinner. Members were encouraged to register before the rates go up.

Information regarding the 2019 NSSAR Congress in Costa Mesa 5-11 July 2019 was presented to the chapter, as was the 2019 CASSAR Spring Meeting of the Membership in Ventura 25-27 April 2019. Secretary Taylor requested Chapter approval for the pins, which was given. Bill Bays suggested the rim be changed to gold with black lettering to make it different than the 2013 pin.

Secretary Taylor also reminded the chapter of the ability to use domain email addresses for the chapter officers to reduce the possibility of having their personal data compromised.

Secretary Taylor informed the chapter of the dedication of the Veterans Memorial Monument at the Camarillo Constitution Park on Saturday, 10 November, 10 am to 12 noon.

Flag certificates were prepared for Richard Light and Josh Kimmel of the US Post Office in Simi Valley; neither were in attendance.

Color Guard commander Bob Taylor noted Veterans Day ceremonies are coming up and will keep the color guard informed.

For the 2019 dues, it was suggested that a service like Pay Pal or Square be added to the Chapter website to allow the payment of dues on line. Square is available at no cost and \$0.75 per check fee.

President Reniger noted the election of new officers is coming up, and encouraged members to consider serving. Steve Hurst volunteered to serve as Chaplain for 2019. Marty Spann will be President; need a Secretary and Treasurer.

Speaker for Nov is required. Sunny McMullen offered to provide a presentation on Ed Butler's book, "the Contributions of Spain During the American Revolutionary War", but not until Feb 2019.

Chapter business was deferred for lunch.

Secretary Taylor reminded the Chapter he has CASSAR medals for sale at \$35 the set.

Barrie Walters initiated a discussion regarding the NSSAR Museum and its purpose.

### **Program:**

The program was the annual Chapter Award Ceremony to recognize our compatriots for their service this past year. Those present who received their awards included:

Bill Bays	Outstanding Citizenship Award certificate & Pin
Barrie Walters	Bronze Color Guard certificate & Medal.
Lou Kreuzer/Ken Lynch	Certificate of Meritorious Service
Mary Hurley	Martha Washington certificate & Medal
Tom Shaw/Hal Reniger	Bronze Good Citizenship certificate & Medal
Bill Hurley	Bronze Good Citizenship certificate & Medal (Compatriot of the Year)

Dan Sword noted his daughter visited Philadelphia and the Revolutionary War Museum, and encouraged any being there not to miss it. Gen Washington's tent is there, and entrance is free. The Museum is located near Independence Hall, near the Tomb of the Unknown Revolutionary Soldier & Ben Franklin's tomb.

**Next Meeting:**

The next Chapter meeting will be the social BBQ at Tom & Judy Shaw's home, Saturday, 20 October 2018.

**Closing:**

The meeting was adjourned by President Reniger following the SAR Recessional by the membership and the Benediction by Chaplain Bob Taylor.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Taylor, Secretary