



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



14 December 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 December 2018, in the Garden Room of the Marie Callender's Restaurant, 1295 S. Victoria Ave., Ventura, CA. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Marty Spann. The Invocation was given by Bob Taylor and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the SAR.

In attendance were seventeen compatriots: Vice President Martin Spann, Ken Lynch, Lou Kreuzer, Russ Ireland, Dick McMullen, Bill Bays, Bob Taylor, Chuck Lombard, Edwin Luth, Kim Thomas, Dan Sword, Don Bennett, Tom Shaw, Jack Bernick, Harry Copeland, and Barrie Walters. Our guests included former CA President Jim Fosdyck and his wife, Un Hui Yi, Patti Bagley (DAR), pending compatriots Jared Nathan and Tim Brooks, Ellie Lombard, Lois Lynch, Sunny McMullen, Elisabeth Copeland, and Cora Thomas.

Reports:

Secretary Bob Taylor presented the minutes for the meetings of 14 September, 20 October and 9 November, which were approved as presented.

Treasurer Lou Kreuzer presented the Treasurer's report. The report shows a checking account balance of \$7,851.75, and a savings account balance of \$6,014.25 as of 15 December. The report was accepted as presented.

Registrar Dick McMullen presented the Registrar's report, which was accepted as presented. The Chapter now has seven 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)
- Albert Edward Marland III (NC Patriot Henry Lancaster)
- George Christopher Thomas (MA Patriot Jonathan Stevens)
- Douglas John Meister (PA Patriot William Wilson)
- Scott Kevin Fox (VA Patriot Thomas Overstreet, Sr.)
- Matthew Rex Kehr (NC Patriot Reuben Coffey)
- Cody James Richardson (MA Patriot Ebenezer Howe)

New members approved by NSSAR:

- William Elijah Elliott (VA Patriot David Charity)
- Kevin Michael McMurtry (VA Patriot John McMurtry)
- Peter Austin Reniger (MA Patriot Benoni Messenger)

Reinstatement from South Coast Chapter pending:

- Patrick Fletcher (NH Patriot Ebenezer Fletcher)

Applications pending at NSSAR:

- Neal Conrad Murphy (MD Patriot Darby Murp)
- Jared James Nathan (MD Patriot Samuel Price)

Applications submitted to CASSAR:

Anthony Curtis Elliott (VA Patriot David Charity)
Eli Andrew Nathan (MD Patriot Samuel Price) – Memorial Application
Noble Allen Powell III (VA Patriot Kinchen Martin)

Applications in preparation:

Myron Tim Brooks (NJ Patriot Timothy Sexton)
Eric Douglas Kaufman (NY Patriot Peter Miller)
Anthony Douglas Angelini (VA Patriot John Hutchinson)
Albert Edward Marland III (NC Patriot Dempsey Jenkins) – Supplemental

Old and New Business:

Chaplain Bob Taylor noted that Carol Reniger is having a tough time and requested prayers for her. He was told Ken Birdsall had open heart surgery. He reported no known damage from the Hill & Woolsey fires, but several photos of close brushes with the fires.

Color Guard Captain Bob Taylor reported on the Veterans Day ceremony at Cemetery Park, which was cancelled by the fires. He reminded the chapter that Wreaths Across America ceremonies would be conducted tomorrow, 15 December, and he and Barrie Walters would be participating at the Simi Valley Cemetery, while ceremonies will also be held at Conejo Mountain and Nordhoff Cemeteries. The chapter was encouraged to attend.

Secretary Bob Taylor noted the reconciliation will be due soon, and inquired as to the state of the members whose dues have been paid; Treasurer Lou Kreuzer provided an updated list. Secretary Taylor also asked the status of the tax-exempt filings; Ken Lynch has filed the required 199 form.

Elections were held; due to the cancellation of the November meeting, a slate was quickly prepared and presented to the chapter for a vote. There were no nominations from the floor, and the slate was approved unanimously by a chapter vote. The chapter officers for 2019 are:

President: Martin Spann
Vice President: Tom Shaw
Secretary: Robert Taylor
Treasurer: Patryke "Kim" Thomas
Registrar: Richard McMullen
Chaplain: J. Stephen Hurst

Awards were presented to those members who were absent from the September meeting, and included:

Marty Spann & Kim Thomas Outstanding Citizenship Award certificate & Pin
Barrie Walters Bronze Color Guard Medal.

Flag certificate committee chairman Kim Thomas he has requested flag certificates for four members and the Rancho Simi Valley Parks Commission site. He reported the emphasis is on the children and schools.

It was noted the Veterans Museum in Simi Valley has a color guard, and is collecting flags for disposal.

Chapter business was deferred for lunch.

Secretary Taylor reminded the Chapter he has CASSAR medals for sale at \$35 the set, and tickets for the 2019 NSSAR Congress in Orange County quilt drawing.

Program:

The program was the annual Christmas program presented by Bob Taylor, emphasizing the Colonia Christmas and especially the hardships endured by the soldiers at Valley Forge. Following the presentation, a drawing was conducted for all present to select items for Christmas.

Next Meeting:

The next Chapter meeting will be conducted Friday, 11 January 2019 at Marie Callender's Restaurant, with program to be determined.

Closing:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Taylor, Secretary