



**Silicon Valley Chapter
of the
Sons of the American Revolution**

**Chapter Meeting Minutes
17 September 2011**

Kind of Meeting: Regular Chapter Meeting

Name of Chapter: Silicon Valley Chapter
Date and Place of Meeting: Saturday, September 17, 2011
The Forum at Rancho San Antonio
23500 Cristo Rey Drive
Cupertino, California 95014

Presence of Officers:

President:	Present – Douglas Q. Bergtholdt
Vice President, Membership	Present – Alan Fitch
Vice President, Programs	Present – Charles Chicks
Registrar:	Present – Terry Briggs
Secretary:	Absent – (vacant)
Treasurer:	Present – Bill Dunton
Past President:	Absent – Thor Wiles

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Approved

Hours of Meeting: 09:30 Call to Order
11:45 Adjournment

Number Present: 17 Members
4 Guests

Actions Taken:

Motion #1 A motion was initiated by Terry Briggs that “The membership of the SVSAR Chapter approves the minutes of the May 21, 2011 SVSAR meeting, which were posted on the SVSAR Website for a least a week prior to the meeting.” Motion was seconded by Chris Palmer and passed unanimously.

President’s Report:

President Doug Bergtholdt reported that the 2010 SVSAR Scholarship Essay Contest winner, Deborah Adams was present. Deborah read her winning essay on what patriotism meant to her to the meeting attendees.

Doug also announced that the chapter had won the Richard F. Locke Membership Award by CASSAR for experiencing the highest percentage increase in the chapter roll. Further, he announced that the CASSAR fall Board of Managers meeting is being held in San Diego November 3-6.

There was a discussion and motion regarding the Wreaths Across America program whereby our chapter would act as the receiver of the monies to purchase the wreathes to be placed at the Golden Gate Cemetery. The motion was agreed to.

Speaker and Presentation:

Richard Knock introduced our guest speaker, Warren Riley, who gave a very interesting presentation about the history of the San Francisco Bay Area Lighthouses. He focused on the history of the lighthouses in the area, the mechanics of the lighthouses and the people behind their management. The presentation was well received by the meeting attendees and lead to a number of questions and discussion.

The SVSAR meeting resumed following the guest speaker's presentation.

Treasurer report:

Treasurer Bill Dunton announced that the SVSAR checking account at Chase Bank is presently fully operational and the current SVSAR checking account balance is approximately \$3,500.

Registrar's Report:

Terry Briggs announced that 4 new members were enrolled, 12 supplementals were approved, 4 new members were pending, 3 supplementals were pending, 1 new member application was ready for submission, 6 supplementals were ready for submission and several were in the process of completion.

Compatriot Briggs also announced that the CASSAR dues increased by \$2. Members will soon receive their dues renewal in the mail.

Compatriot Briggs announced that Richard Furman, a new member of the chapter, was scheduled to give a presentation on September 20th at the Santa Clara Main Library. He will discuss Ohio genealogy.

Vice President Programs report:

No Report

Vice President Membership report:

No Report

SVSAR Color Guard report:

Chris Palmer reported that they participated with the Young Americans Fife and Drum Corp in a 911 remembrance event. He also announced that there will be two upcoming events, a San Jose Veterans Day parade and a similar parade in Campbell, both on November 11.

SVSAR Webmaster report:

No Report

SVSAR ROTC report:

John Kohli reported ROTC awards presentations were given in May and June 2011.

SVSAR Photography report:

John Kohli said he had no report at this time.

SVSAR Events and Fundraisers report:

No Report

SVSAR Eagle Scout Recognition and Scholarship program report:

Bill Dunton announced that the last day to submit award application is November 15.

SVSAR De Anza College Scholarship program report:

Richard Knock reported that for this year per the established schedule, a 2011 SVSAR De Anza College scholarship winner has been selected and will be invited to attend an upcoming SVSAR meeting to be presented a certificate.

SVSAR Knight Essay Contest report:

No further report.

New Business:

There was no new business

Next SVSAR Meeting:

The next SVSAR meeting will be October 15, 2011 again at the Forum in Cupertino.

Adjournment:

Motion

A motion was initiated by Jack Mallory that “The membership adjourn the meeting.” The motion was seconded by Charles Chicks. The motion was passed by unanimous consent at 11:45 AM.

Points of Order: None

Meeting minutes prepared by: Alan Fitch, SVSAR VP, Membership

(If there are any corrections or clarifications required, please contact Alan Fitch).