



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

**Chapter Meeting Minutes  
17 March 2012**

Kind of Meeting: Regular Chapter Meeting

Name of Chapter: Silicon Valley Chapter

Date and Place of Meeting: Saturday, March 17, 2012  
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	Vacant -
Registrar:	Present – Terry Briggs
Secretary:	Present – Richard J. Ferman
Treasurer:	Present – Bill Dunton
Past President:	Absent – Thor Wiles

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Approved

Hours of Meeting: 08:37 Call to Order  
11:02 Adjournment

Number Present: 15 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 February 18, 2012 SVSAR meeting, which were posted on the SVSAR Website for a least a week prior to the meeting.” Motion was seconded by Howard Jones and passed unanimously.

**Introduction of Speaker:**

Our speaker was Howard Jones who spoke on George Washington and the Battle of Yorktown.

**Officer’s Reports:**

**President’s Report:**

On June 28<sup>th</sup> the SFSAR will host a joint meeting of Northern California SAR Chapters at Sinbads, Pier 2 in San Francisco in recognition of the 2/27/1776 founding of the Presidio in San Francisco. The SAR will honor the Presidio for supporting the American Revolution.

**Vice President Programs report:**

Officer position is vacant and there was no report.

**Vice President Membership and Webmaster reports:**

Alan Fitch reported that the SVSAR has a FACEBOOK Page and requests Compatriots LIKE; post to our page, and use this as a vehicle to get the word out for publicity.

**Registrar's Report:**

Terry Briggs reported that no new members have been approved since last month. Terry reported that we have three new members, one supplemental application submitted for approval and five new member applications in the process of being prepared for submission to national. There are several supplemental applications in process.

Terry Briggs announced that the 137<sup>th</sup> Spring Board of Managers meeting of the CASSAR will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Sacramento, California on April 13 through the 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012. See: <http://www.californiasar.org/events/> for details.

At the DAR State Conference the SVSAR was contacted by a CAR Society Senior President concerning accepting submissions for SAR youth poster and brochure contest entries. CASSAR recommends local chapters accept these CAR Society submissions, judge the submissions and forward the winning submissions for state level judging by the CASSAR.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer Bill Dunton announced the SVSAR books are in balance.

**Committee Reports:**

**SVSAR Color Guard report:**

The Color Guard served at the DAR State Conference in Burlingame Hyatt. The DAR presented a certificate and check for \$100.00 for the SVSAR Scholarship Fund. Chris Palmer and Richard Knock participated in the Dublin, CA St. Patrick's Day Parade with the YAPS.

Events participated in this year will be: Saratoga Event July 4<sup>th</sup>; San Jose Veterans Day Parade Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>; Pleasanton Veterans Day Parade; Wreaths Across America in December. It was noted that if you are a member of SVSAR Color Guard you are also a member of the CASSAR Color Guard.

**SVSAR Eagle Scout Recognition and Scholarship program report:**

Bill Dunton announced that the Scouts are providing EMAIL addresses for notifications of Awards.

**SVSAR Photography report:**

John Kohli had no report.

**SVSAR ROTC Award Program report:**

April 17<sup>th</sup> at Oak Grove High School John Kohli will award certificates to ROTC members.

**SVSAR De Anza College Scholarship program report:**

Richard Knock was not present and had no report.

**SVSAR Events and fund raisers report:**

Jack Mallory announced that he had emailed all members regarding the planned Tour of Moffett Field Museum and the NASA Ames Research Center Visitor's Center. The DAR was also invited

to attend. To date he has received over 60 reservations; ½ DAR. Five docents will lead the tour. Lunch will be at the Golf Course. The event will raise over \$1000.00 for the Scholarship Fund and a check to the Moffett Field Museum for \$500.00. Moffett Field Historical Society. Open at 10AM; tour from 10-12PM. This event will be held on 3/31/2012 at 10AM. Lunch is included in the participation fee.

**SVSAR Knight Essay Contest report:**

There were no submissions for the Knight Essay Contest as of this date.

**SVSAR Web Site:**

Alan Fitch said there was no report at this time.

**Introduction of new members and Guests:**

Doug Bergtholdt introduced guests: Beverly Ferman, Becky Breed, Sally Moore and Gary Ratts.

**Presentations:**

Terry Briggs introduced and performed the induction ceremony for Compatriot Joseph Ferman and presented certificates for two supplemental applications to Compatriot Gene Moses . Joseph received his rosette and certificate and Gene Moses spoke regarding his patriot ancestors Jacob Thomas and Abraham Perkins.

**Unfinished Business:**

The floor was opened for nominations for VP of Programs. No nominations were made.

**New Business:**

None.

**Announcements:**

None.

Jack Mallory announced that there would be no raffle.

**Next SVSAR Meeting Announced:**

The April 21st, 2012 SVSAR meeting was announced and as usual would be held at the Forum in Cupertino.

**Adjournment:**

Motion                      A motion was initiated by Allen Breed that “The membership adjourned the meeting.” The motion was seconded by Jack Mallory. The motion was passed by unanimous consent at 11:02 AM.

**Points of Order:**    None

Meeting minutes prepared by: Richard J. Ferman, SAR Secretary  
(If there are any corrections or clarifications required, please contact Richard Ferman).