# Nevada State Society Sons of the American Revolution Annual State Conference April 14, 2018 Silver Legacy Hotel and Casino, Reno, Nevada

### **Business Meeting:**

#### NEVADA MEMBERS PRESENT

Eric Arentz
Edward Carson
Albert Conant
Jonathan Dickey
Kurt Dietrich
Mike Fitzpatrick
Frank Gagliardi, Jr.
David Hess

Paul Hicks Donald Hotchkiss, Jr. Noah Jennings Roger Linscott Donald McGee Gerald Miller Gary Parriott Rev. Anthony A. Perry Hugh Pickering John Ryland Richard Schori Stephen Schroder Charles B. Smith Brian Worcester

### **OTHER SAR MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ron Barker John Dodd Jim Faulkinbury James C. Fosdyck Kent Gregory

### **GUESTS PRESENT**

Patricia Arentz Dan Conant Carol Gagliardi Kristina Perry Rachel Perry Chloe Woodbury Stacy Woodbury Un Hui Yi

The following materials were made available at the meeting: Proposed changes to the Paul Jones Memorial Educational Fund Bylaws. These materials are attached to and made a part of the minutes.

The meeting was brought to order by Vice President – South, Donald L. Hotchkiss, Jr. as the President, Leonard Becker was not in attendance.

The blessing was given by Rev. Anthony A. Perry, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the SAR Pledge were recited.

The Secretary, Rev. Anthony A. Perry introduced State Officers and special guests.

Greetings were received from Dr. Kent Gregory, Western Vice President General. He mentioned the 2019 National Convention will be in Orange County, CA and hoped many of the Nevada members would attend. He also spoke about Leadership meetings, the Online Genealogy system, and new website with member database. John Dodd, SAR Foundation, talked about the Newport Bay Cruise during the 2019 National Convention and how the museum was progressing. Greetings were received from Lynn Kinsell, Nevada State Regent, DAR and

presented by Kristina Perry, Honorary Regent of the Helen J. Stewart Chapter, DAR. Greetings were received from Chloe Woodbury, Honorary State President, CAR.

The minutes from the 2017 State Conference were presented. The motion to accept the 2017 Conference minutes was made by David Hess, and seconded by Paul Hicks. It passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Rev. Anthony A. Perry. Balance forward as of 12/31/16 was \$5992.85. Income of \$17262.99 and expenses of \$11651.67, making ending balance as of 12/31/17 \$11604.17. Audit was performed by Albert Conant. PayPal is working for dues payments and new membership payments. There is a small shipping charge which covers the transaction cost from PayPal. The motion to accept the Treasurers report was made by Paul Hicks, and seconded by Gary Parriott. It passed unanimously.

The Registrar's report was presented by Charles B. Smith. 9 new regular members, 1 new junior member in 2017. 9 members were dropped due to non-payment of dues, 4 members resigned, 1 member transferred out, and 1 member was deceased. Had 5 members transfer into the Society. Ended 2017 with 151 members.

The CAR Liaison's report was presented by Rev. Anthony A. Perry. One of own SAR members, Noah Jennings, is currently serving as National Vice President Western Region for CAR. At the CAR National Convention next weekend, he is running for the Second Vice President position. CAR member Chloe Woodbury is running for National Vice President Western Region next week as well. All members were urged to continue reaching out to and participating in events with the CAR as they are our future leaders.

The Color Guard's report was presented by Gary Parriott. Successful year, with many events having been attended. Our presence raised awareness of the SAR in our communities. Both chapters participated in the American Legion's Annual Convention Parade in Reno and the Presentation of Colors for the Constitution Day Dinner in Las Vegas. Two members of the Color Guard qualified for the Bronze Color Guard awards. Facebook has been effectively utilized to announce upcoming events and post photos. The Nevada Society is a consistent top contributor to the Quarterly SAR Color guardsman eMagazine. This has helped raise awareness of our activities. Growth is slow, and retention a challenge.

The Battle Born Patriots Chapter President David Hess, gave his report. The chapter did one heck of a good job this year. The Color guard and Fife and Drums were very active. New Members who attended conference were introduced, and thanked Roger Linscott for all his hard work. The George Washington Whiskey Raffle was mentioned.

The Signers Chapter President Don Hotchkiss gave his report. The chapter has moved from monthly morning breakfast meetings, to a lunch meeting that includes a speaker each month. The George Washington's Birthday dinner and Constitution Day dinner were a success.

Members are going into the schools and presenting programs on history, as well as awarding JROTC awards.

New Business: A motion to accept the changes to the Paul Jones Memorial Educational Fund Bylaws was brought from the committee, so no second was required. The motion passed unanimously.

Slate of Officers for 2018-2019 was presented:

President: Paul Hicks	State Surgeon: Dr. Donald McGee
President Emeritus: Leonard Becker	Chancellor: Daniel L. Orr II
Vice President North: David Hess	DAR Liaison North: Roger Linscott
Vice President South: Donald L. Hotchkiss, Jr.	DAR Liaison South: Albert Conant
Secretary: Rev. Anthony A. Perry	CAR Liaison: Noah Jennings
Registrar: Charles B. Smith	Boy Scout Chairman: Gerald Miller
Chaplain: Rev. Dr. Joseph deBeauchamp	Trustee: Charles B. Smith
Historian: Rev. Anthony A. Perry	Alternate Trustee: Brian I. Worcester

The slate was unopposed and passed unanimously.

For the positions of Treasurer, the vote was ten (10) for Rev. Anthony A. Perry and eleven (11) for Albert Conant. Albert Conant is elected for the position of Treasurer.

For the position of State Color Guard Commander, the vote was nine (9) for Gary Parriott and twelve (12) for Paul Hicks. Paul Hicks is elected for the position of State Color Guard Commander.

The slate of officers for the Paul Jones Memorial Educational Fund Board for 2018-2019 was presented:

Paul Hicks	Ben L. Allen
Rev. Anthony A. Perry	Roger Linscott
Brian I. Worcester	

Awards were presented. The Bronze CAR Medal of Appreciation was presented to Chloe Woodbury for serving as the Nevada State President, CAR from 2016-2017. The Bronze CAR Medal of Appreciation was presented to Peter Woodbury for serving as the Nevada State President, CAR from 2017-2018. Since he was not in attendance last year, Edward Carson received his Past State President pin. The Past State President pin will be presented to outgoing State President Leonard Becker at the Signers Chapter meeting.

The new State Officers were installed by Dr. Kent Gregory, Western Vice President General. Newly elected State President Paul Hicks received the State President neck ribbon to be used during his term, and then passed to the next State President. The meeting was adjourned until the banquet at 7pm.

## Banquet:

### **NEVADA MEMBERS PRESENT**

Eric Arentz	David Hess	Rev. Anthony A. Perry
Edward Carson	Paul Hicks	John Ryland
Albert Conant	Donald Hotchkiss, Jr.	<b>Richard Schori</b>
Jonathan Dickey	Noah Jennings	Stephen Schroder
Kurt Dietrich	Roger Linscott	Charles B. Smith
Mike Fitzpatrick	Donald McGee	Brian Worcester
Steve Frady	Gerald Miller	
Frank Gagliardi, Jr.	Gary Parriott	

### **OTHER SAR MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ron Barker	Jim Faulkinbury	Kent Gregory
John Dodd	James C. Fosdyck	

#### **GUESTS PRESENT**

Patricia Arentz	Alice Fitzpatrick	Joanna Newton
Conni Barker	Jackie Frady	Kristina Perry
Janie Cattoor	Carol Gagliardi	Rachel Perry
Dan Conant	Claire Hess	Taysha Schroder
Adrian Covert	Diane Hicks	Denise Selleck
Maryam Dickey	Sharal Linscott	Phyllis Smith
Candace Dietrich	Charlotte Miller	Un Hui Yi
Karen Faulkinbury	Rachel Moore	

At the banquet, it was brought to order by President Paul Hicks. The blessing was given by Rev. Anthony A. Perry, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the SAR Pledge were recited.

The Secretary, Rev. Anthony A. Perry introduced the new State Officers. President Paul Hicks introduced special guests.

Greetings were received from Brian Sandoval, Nevada Governor; Hillary L. Schieve, City of Reno Mayor; and Robert L. Crowell, City of Carson City Mayor.

Battle Born Patriots Chapter President David Hess proposed a toast in recognition of Patriots Day.

Jonathan Dickey introduced the guest speaker Adrian Covert who wrote the book "Taverns of the American Revolution". The presentation ensued. Signed copies of the book were available for purchase.

Awards were presented by the State. The Bronze CAR Medal of Appreciation to Rev. Anthony A. Perry. The Bronze Good Citizenship Medal to Rachel A. Perry. A Medal of Appreciation Oak Leaf Cluster to Sharal Linscott. The Silver Roger Sherman Medal to David Hess and Roger Linscott. Bronze Color Guard Medals to: Roger Linscott, Paul Hicks, and John Ryland.

Awards were presented by the Battle Born Patriots Chapter. The Medal of Appreciation to Diane Hicks and Janie Cattoor. The Martha Washington Medal to Charlotte Miller and Lisa Stoecklin. The Meritorious Service Medal to John Ryland. The Fire Safety Commendation Medal to Gerry Miller.

The State Society, Paul Jones Memorial Educational Scholarship awarded \$500 scholarships to Rachel Perry and Rev. Anthony A. Perry.

The Signers Chapter, John Harney, Jr. Educational Scholarship awarded \$500 scholarships to Destiny Carroll, Andrew Orr, and Ivy Orr.

The State Ladies Auxiliary awarded a \$500 scholarship to Dylan Benson.

The Ladies Auxiliary held their raffle. David Hess held the George Washington's Whiskey raffle.

The banquet was adjourned at 9:55 pm.