

Nevada State Society Sons of the American Revolution
Annual State Conference
April 13, 2019
Mizpah Hotel, Tonopah, Nevada

Business Meeting:

NEVADA MEMBERS PRESENT

Eric Arentz	Roger Linscott	Stephen Schroder
Albert Conant	Charles MacLeod	Charles B. Smith
Jeff Gutting	Gerald Miller	Robert Stoecklin
David Hess	Gary Parriott	Bob Till
Paul Hicks	Rev. Anthony A. Perry	Brian Worcester
Donald Hotchkiss, Jr.	Hugh Pickering	
Larry Kesler	Ralph Requa	

OTHER SAR MEMBERS PRESENT

Ron Barker	Deric Brown	James C. Fosdyck
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GUESTS PRESENT

Kristina Perry	Un Hui Yi	Stan Vaughan
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The meeting was brought to order by President Paul Hicks at 16:30.

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 Ron Barker, 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 building out of the Headquarters building including the completion of the President's Office, Compatriot Barker thanked the Past VPGs in attendance, and encouraged Nevada compatriots to participate in leadership meetings, and conventions to encourage Nevada based National officers, He also thanked the membership for an enjoyable adventure and rounded off his comments on building membership and growing societies. Greetings were received from Terry Rubenstein, Nevada State Regent, DAR and presented by Kristina Perry, Nevada State Historian, DAR. Greetings were received from Madison Van Ness, State President, CAR and presented by Kristina Perry, Honorary Senior State President Nevada, CAR.

The minutes from the 2018 State Conference were presented. The motion to accept the 2018 Conference minutes was made by Larry Kesler, and seconded by Brian Worcester. It passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Albert Conant: Balance forward as of 12/31/17 was \$10,690.00. Ending balance as of 4/15/19 \$5,203.68. Audit was performed by Ben Allen. Compatriot Allen praised the thorough and well documented records of the treasurer's, and the actions keeping the society in line with current laws and standards PayPal is working for dues payments and new membership payments. The motion to accept the Treasurers report was made by Larry Kesler, and seconded by David Hess. It passed unanimously.

The Registrar's report was presented by Charles B. Smith. 17 new regular members, 1 new junior member in 2018. 15 members were dropped due to non-payment of dues, 1 member transferred out, and 3 members were deceased. Had 8 members transfer into the Society. Ended 2018 with 151 members. National is making great strides in making the records available for genealogical research online. The motion to accept the Registrar's report was made by David Hess, and seconded by Larry Kesler. It passed unanimously.

Committee reports

The Color Guard's report was presented by Paul Hicks.

The Battle Born Patriots Chapter President David Hess gave his report.

The Signers Chapter President Emeritus Don Hotchkiss gave his report.

All reports filed are attached to the official copy of the minutes.

The report of the Nominating committee was presented by Roger Linscott and consisted of:

Slate of Officers:

President: Donald Hotchkiss Jr.	State Surgeon: Dr. Donald McGee
President Emeritus: Paul Hicks	Chancellor: Daniel L. Orr II
Vice President North: Mike Fitzpatrick	DAR Liaison North: Roger Linscott
Vice President South: Charles Smith	DAR Liaison South: Albert Conant
Secretary: Rev. Anthony A. Perry	CAR Liaison: Marcus Green
Treasurer: Albert Conant	Boy Scout Chairman: Stephen Schroder
Registrar: Charles B. Smith	Color Guard Commander: Paul Hicks
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.

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

Donald Hotchkiss Jr
Rev. Anthony A. Perry
Brian I. Worcester

Ben L. Allen
Roger Linscott

Awards were presented. The Bronze CAR Medal of Appreciation was presented to Madison Van Ness for serving as the Nevada State President, CAR. The Silver CAR Medal of Appreciation was presented to Lisa Zeles for serving as the Nevada Senior State President, CAR. The Silver CAR Medal of Appreciation will be presented to Chloe Woodbury for serving as the National Vice President, Western Region, CAR.

President Hicks Awarded Compatriot Roger Linscott the State Society Distinguished service medal for enthusiastic support and outreach in the Battel Born patriots chapter and the Nevada Society , Compatriot Charles Smith the SAR Law Enforcement medal for a life time of service to his community as a Deputy Sheriff in Los Angeles County, The silver Roger Sherman medal to Anthony Perry for years of ongoing service to the Chapter State and his community, the Silver good Citizenship medal to Compatriot Donald Hotchkiss Jr for outstanding work in the community.

VPG Barker also presented A Silver Roger Sherman Award to long serving Nevada Compatriot JB Coats who was not in attendance, Paul Hicks will deliver the award.

The State Society, Paul Jones Memorial Educational Scholarship awarded \$500 scholarships to Nicholas Vitillo.

The Signers Chapter, John Harney, Jr. Educational Scholarship awarded \$500 scholarships to Andrew Lutz, Savannah Childers and Rys Finnigan

The State Ladies Auxiliary awarded a \$500 scholarship to Rachel Perry.

The new State Officers were installed by Ron Barker, Western Vice President General. Newly elected State President Don Hotchkiss received the State President neck ribbon to be used during his term, and then passed to the next State President.

Un Hui Yi's (former Calif. LASAR state president) presented to all present of the SAR veterans with the Viet Nam Commemoration pin. The Society wishes to commend her zeal on this subject and her support of veterans.

President Hotchkiss asked for comments for the good of the order, and then lead the SAR Closing.

The meeting was adjourned until the banquet at 7pm.

Banquet:

The banquet, was brought to order by President Donald Hotchkiss 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 presentation, “They Shall Not Be forgotten” was presented by prospective member Stan Vaughan, on his ancestors’ participation in the Revolutionary War, the prison hulks in Charlestown and New York Harbors. The deaths by patriots in the prison ships easily outnumber the deaths by all others in the revolution.

Dinner was served during the presentation in the lovely Jack Dempsey room by the conscientious and professional staff of the Mizpah

President Emeritus Paul Hicks presented the Lydia Darragh Medal to Diane Hicks for her steadfast support during his term as Nevada State Society President.

After dinner several groups were taken on the Historic behind the Scenes Ghost tour of the Mizpah Hotel. The spooky basement holds lots of history, along with the recreation of a late 19th century mine and other fixtures that must be seen to be believed.