



## **Signers Chapter, SAR Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** April 1, 2024

**Time:** Noon

**Location:** Magoos-Cheyenne.

### **Attendees**

Jeff Gutting, David Bentley, Al Conant, Tim Hagan, Gary Watson, Daniel Conant, Patrick Wright, Don Hotchkiss

### **State Annual Meeting Report**

29 people have signed up for the banquet and 17 for the conference/business session. We need 50 attendees for the banquet.

Plan: Make phone call to increase attendance.

Al will invite scholarship awardees.

### **ROTC/JROTC**

Sea Cadets had too many drop off; opted to not give out an award this year.

The chapter is giving out 29 ROTC/JROTC awards.

David has sent out the information to all presenters. He is getting the names printed on the certificates.

### **Scholarships**

The Jones Fund awarded two \$750 scholarships.

The Harvey Fund awarded six \$500 scholarships.

The fireworks booth is the primary source of funds.

### **Future Meetings and Events**

May 4 meeting: Will be held at Dean's Place. Don is securing a speaker, potentially on organic soil and worm farming.

August 3 Meeting: Locations considered are Egg Works at Town Center, Dean's Place, or Magoo's-Cheyenne. There is a concern about losing people if we shift locations. Jeff will reserve Magoo's. Tim will check with the Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society for a speaker.

Constitution Day Dinner: Scheduled for Saturday, September 14 at the Las Vegas National Golf Club. Jeff will call Ira at the LVNGC to confirm.

### **Fireworks Booth**

Don is checking on the trailer. We will be back at the same location.

Don will start recruiting volunteers. Don wants to train someone else to take over the booth.

The booth will have the same co-groups as last year.

Patrick will provide overnight guards.

### **October Day of Service at Fisher House**

Betsey O'Brien and Lois McGinnie will get the Francisco Garces Chapter involved.

Date: Mid-October, planning on a pasta dinner.

### **Years of Service & Veterans Awards**

Patrick will work on the awards.

Need to identify recent members who are veterans, EMS, law enforcement, or fire fighters.

Al will extract a report of recent members. Gary volunteered to make calls.

Discussion about the ROI of paying for medals for members who may never attend.

### **Registrar**

Dr. Joe is willing to become the Registrar.

### **New Member Induction and Bio**

Consider a scavenger hunt for new members-the idea didn't work.

Plan: Send a form to new members to gather information.

Discussion on the timing of sending the form.

### **Member Roster**

The roster needs the date of birth of members.

Concern about the privacy for members who may not want their info published.  
Members need to opt-in before publishing their information.

The directory will be shared only with members.

Jeff will call members to see what information they are willing to be published. We can send the information we have to each member and ask for their consent.

### **Mailchimp**

Mailchimp is owned by Intuit and poses no privacy risk.

Gary and Tim will work on using it for email notifications.

Mailchimp is free for up to 500 contacts and allows tracking email opens.

### **Website**

The website has been updated to WordPress.

The Facebook page has 16 followers; it shows on Bing but not Google.

Plan: Send an email to our members and DAR to inform them about the Facebook page.

### **Patriot Chest and Schools**

Gary & Al will check the storage locker.

The chapter has \$500 for a Color Guard. We may be able to get into private schools.

Need volunteers to pick up this program to teach youth about the founding fathers and patriotism.

### **Drum & Fife or Color Guard**

Discussion on restarting these activities. Need to gauge interest from members.

### **Archives.**

Old minutes were in email bodies. Gary would like to add an insert to the history book.

### **Hall of Fame**

The plaque is missing and unaccounted for.

### **Meeting was adjourned.**

Tim Hagan  
Secretary