

## Summary of November 18, 2017 Membership Meeting of the San Diego Chapter of the SAR



The San Diego Chapter of the SAR hosted the November Membership Meeting and Breakfast at the Broken Yolk Cafe at 11630 Carmel Mountain Rd, San Diego. The meeting was called to order by President Fred Hall at 9:00am. The invocation was offered through the singing by the members of "God Bless America." The Colors were then presented by the Color Guard. Color Guard Commander Ernie McCullough, Philip Hinshaw and Bob Hayden made up the Color Guard. The members were led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Ernie Mortensen. Following the Pledge, the Color Guard posted the Colors.

President Hall then introduced Mr. Karl Zingheim, Historian of the USS *Midway* Museum, the guest speaker for the meeting. The blessing for the breakfast meal was offered by Sergeant at Arms Ed Torrence and a cafeteria style breakfast was self-served to the membership consisting of scrambled eggs, bacon, biscuits and gravy, fruit, coffee, de-café and orange juice and water. The Ladies Auxiliary offered raffle tickets for sale whose proceeds are used to support the local San Diego SAR Chapter. Seven tickets for \$5.00.

The induction ceremony for new members commenced with the induction of members Dr. Paul Hill Juarez, a professor of History, and Gary Ely and new Junior Member Josiah de la Motte. Color Guard Commander Ernie McCullough escorted each inductee up to the president's lectern and President Hall administered the SAR Oath to each individual inductee and presented them with their SAR Membership Certificate. President Hall with 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Key assisting in the pinning, presented each member with their SAR Rosette pin with a brief explanation of its significance and the Chapter pin. Each individual was photographed with their families and SAR Officers President Fred Hall and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Barry Key. Dr. Juarez and Gary Ely offered a few comments after receiving their Certificates.

Mr. Karl Zingheim historian of the Aircraft Carrier *Midway* then gave his feature presentation on the participation of the United States in the 1<sup>st</sup> World War, formerly known as the Great War amongst other epithets. He principally talked about the contribution of the Navy and Marine Corp to the war effort and how both branches were shaped by the event along with the City of San Diego and environs and the world culture right up to the present time, over a hundred years after the beginning of the war.

The Ladies Auxiliary conducted the drawing for the raffle tickets sold earlier in the program. Three prizes where given out.

Sergeant at Arms Ed Torrence gave the Benediction and the Colors were retrieved by the Color Guard. New member Gary Ely led the members in the Recessional and the Color Guard retired the Colors.

President Fred Hall adjourned the meeting at 11:00am

Regards,

Bob Hayden

Secretary San Diego Chapter SAR