

South Bay Civil War Roundtable Meeting Minutes May 26, 2015

Meeting Location: Holder's Country Inn – Cupertino, CA

Special Activities & Events:

15th Annual Wings of history Air Museum

• San Martin Airport; May 30th

Officer Reports

President

- Welcoming message to members & invited guests
- 25th year / 288 meeting
- Working on publishing book entitled "Master of the Field the 4th US Cavalry"
- Donating 120+ volume set of the "Official Records of the Civil War"
- Membership approved donating \$500 to help support the 2015 West Coast Civil War Conference hosted by the San Joaquin Civil War Roundtable to be held in Tulare, CA (near Fresno, CA)

Vice President(Vacant)

No Report Given

Treasurer

No Report Given

Secretary

- Distributed April meeting minutes
- Civil War Quiz: Battle of Seven Pines
- \$66 collected for book raffle
- Meeting Attendance:

Total: 19; Guests: 1; New Members: 0

Publicity Director(Vacant)

No Report Given

Preservation

No Report Given

Historian

- Annual Picnic used to be held in May; now in August
- 15 years ago Ted Savas gave presentation entitled "Where's the Beef?" on Wade Hampton's 1864 Raid labeled "The Beefsteak Raid"; popularized by the 1966 movie "Alvarez Kelly"
- 20 years ago Jack Davis gave presentation on the Battle of Bull Run and Jefferson Davis

Other Topics

Future Presentations Process

• Jim Rhetta presented a survey to be completed by membership to help determine which topics would be of most interest for future presentations

May Presentation:

Speaker: Robert Burch

Topic: California in the Civil War: Background and Military Situation

in April 1861

June Presentation:

Speaker: Bill Noyes

Topic: Lincoln: A Photographic Journey

July Presentation:

TBD