

# *Sinclair Inlet Chapter No. 80 National Sojourners, Inc*



**Bremerton, Washington**

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## **Mar 2017 Newsletter**

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### **Meeting Notice!**

We will meet at VFW Post #239, 190 Dora Ave, Bremerton on Friday, 10 Mar. Social hour and dinner begin at 1800, meeting at 1900 hours. Ladies and guests are always welcome at the meeting and are urged to attend.

The associated Lewis and Clark Camp of the Heroes of '76 meets immediately following the Sojourner meeting and is open to all Heroes.

Don't forget to wear your Medals!

### **Highlights of the 13 Jan. Meeting**

President Peter Dawson opened Chapter at 1900. It was discovered that unauthorized electronic withdrawals were being made from our bank account. A motion was made and seconded that the compromised account be closed and a new one opened. We need to take the minutes of the election of officers and the minutes of this meeting to the bank. Area Rep Wendell Dutt also advised providing a letter of who is authorized to sign on the account. Bros. Peter Dawson, Bill Biscomb and Charles Yankosky

will be listed as signers. He list should be updated every year as officers come and go. The motion was approved.

**Sickness & Health:** Bro. Eric Hunter was sick in the hospital. Mrs. Jan Casson has passed. Keep Paul and Sandy Casson in your prayers. Bro. Dick Dexter reported that a celebration of Jan Casson's life will be held the first week of March. Bro. Hank Carman said that VWB Chuck Compton is fine after spending a night in the hospital. Remember our PSDT vets.

Bro. Dick Dexter recited "Old Glory Speaks" at the Scottish Rite installation in January.

The Membership Committee was encouraged to spread the word to get new members.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The pending motion to increase dues to \$30 in 2018 was seconded and approved. Area Rep Wendell Dutt said to notify National of the dues change before October so National will send out the correct dues notices in November. Almost all the chapters now charge minimum yearly dues of \$30.

Commander Robert Monroe presented Past President and Past Commander Appreciation Awards to Bros. Bill Biscomb, Peter Dawson & Hank Carman.

Area Rep Wendell Dutt reported on the Mid-Winter meeting in Orlando, FL last month, which he attended. The proceedings were also published on the National website. A fundraiser cruise will be upcoming. A Spark Plug Award was created for our Go-To Guys. The Chapter 990 tax forms were filed in November. It's getting costly to mail the National magazine. Members are encouraged to send an e-mail to National requesting a digital copy. This will save 47 cents per copy postage. The Collingwood Library has been sold. Boxes full of their papers are now at National Headquarters. Artifacts are being digitized. This year's annual convention will be in Austin, TX from 12-17 June at the Crown Plaza Hotel. Add spaces in the Souvenir book will be sold to the lodges as a fund raiser. Full page adds are \$100. There are also half page and quarter page adds. Get people who have not yet paid their dues to pay up before March so they don't get dropped NPD. National has been hard pressed to get events and activities articles from the chapters. Submissions are needed for printing in the National Sojourner Magazine. For chapters making Sojourner ornaments, like neck ties or shirts, they can't put National Sojourner on anything without permission. The name is copyrighted and they have to ask permission from National. There are 20,876

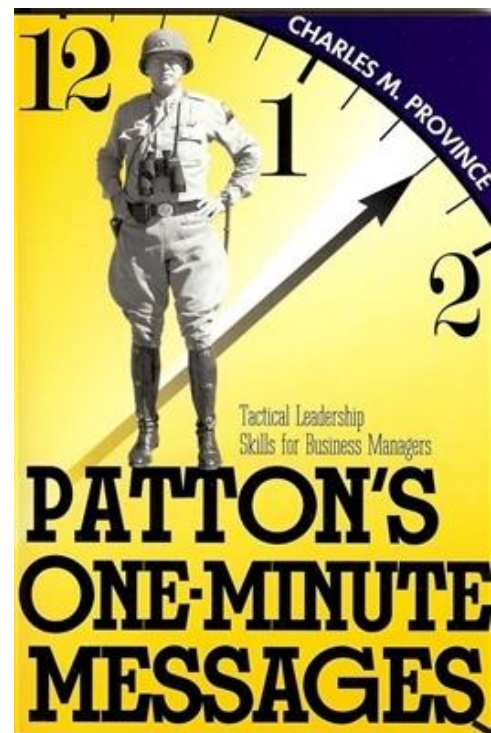
Members In Perpetuity. Of these about 7,000 are living members. For ROTC awards, get the new tri-fold handouts on-line. The Spirit of America Foundation pays for kids airfare so they can visit Valley Forge. Applications can be downloaded from the National website.

Bro. Robert Monroe asked when the Northwest was going to have the Summer Convention, like 1998. Bro. Wendell answered that we aren't. Greenville, NC picked it up. There wasn't enough support in Seattle to put on a convention. The last time the sponsor couldn't recover his costs and had to pay \$4,000 in out of pocket expenses.

Bro. Bill Biscomb had a book to auction off -*The Book of Fate*, by Brad Meltzer. What does a 200 year old code written by Thomas Jefferson and Masonic symbols in the street plan of Washington, D.C. have to do with a 4<sup>th</sup> of July assassination attempt against the President? "6 minutes from now one of us will be dead." Bro. Orville Stoner made the winning bid for the book. Bring something for auction every month.

Chapter was closed at 2000.

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