LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE CALIFORNIA SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Application for Membership

NAME:__________________________________
Street:__________________________________
City/State/Zip Code:_________________________

EMAIL: __________________________________

NSSAR Relative’s Name: _____________________
NSSAR Membership #: _____________________
SAR State/Chapter:_________________________
Relationship:______________________________
Date:_________  Amount Paid:________________
Registrar Approved:_________________________
LAUX Membership Number:___________________
Date:___________________________________

Annual Dues are $25.00
Mail Checks payable to CALAUX & send to
LAUX
2628 Shadow Lake
Santa Ana 92705-6980
OBJECTIVES OF THE LADIES AUXILIARY

The purpose of the Ladies Auxiliary of the California Society, Sons of the American Revolution is to maintain a nonprofit association of women interested in and supportive of the objectives and activities of that Society.

The goals of the Auxiliary are to stimulate greater interest in and support of the Society, to assist it in the promotion of the membership and furthering the historic, patriotic and educational objectives and activities of the SAR. We also provide members of the Ladies Auxiliary a vehicle to support the society and use the time at CAS-SAR chapter and state meetings for service and friendship building.

Activities during the CASSAR state meetings include raffle sales and other fund raising, hospitality room support, local tours and shopping, educational and patriotic speakers, participating in LAUX business meetings and leadership, and enjoying banquets.

The members meet twice each year at the California SAR spring and fall state meetings. Money raised by the Auxiliary from dues, donations, raffles and silent auctions goes to programs such as the CAS-SAR student essay and oration contests, Eagle Scout programs, and Valley Forge Teacher scholarships.

OUR MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Membership is open to women related by blood or marriage to CAS-SAR members in good standing or members deceased while in good standing. Annual dues are $25.00.

Membership inquiries may be directed to: CALAUX, 2628 Shadow Lake, Santa Ana, CA 92705.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE LADIES AUXILIARY

When the Sons of the Revolutionary Sires was organized on July 4, 1876 in San Francisco, it authorized formation of a ladies auxiliary. In 1889, the Sons of the Revolutionary Sires was reorganized and renamed the Sons of the American Revolution, but there was no mention of a ladies auxiliary in its new bylaws.

Almost 95 years later, on April 6, 1983, then California Society, SAR Vice President Leland B. Hawkins, III, in a letter to state President Colonel Thomas D. Gillis, requested permission to schedule an organizing meeting for a Ladies Auxiliary.

The organizing meeting was held and the California SAR Ladies Auxiliary was officially reactivated on April 23, 1983 at the Society's annual membership meeting in Burbank. From that small nucleus of ladies, the Ladies Auxiliary has grown to over 100 members.

In 1989, the opportunity presented itself at the nationa SAR's annual Congress to take the idea of the Ladies Auxiliary nationwide. The Society was celebrating its 100th anniversary at its birthplace San Francisco. It was also the 100th anniversary of the discontinuance of the original Ladies Auxiliary. It presented then California SAR president Arthur William Barrett the opportunity to introduce a resolution for national recognition of the Ladies Auxiliary. The resolution passed.

As a result of that action, numerous state Societies and the national SAR also have Ladies Auxiliaries. The state and national Auxiliaries closely collaborate, but operate independently of one another.