



The California Compatriot

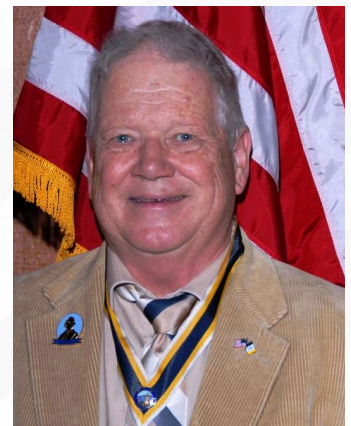
The Official Newsletter of the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

The President's Message

Compatriots, I am honored to have been elected as your President of the California Society for 2014-2015 and will serve you to the best of my ability. In my inaugural address, I told those present that, to me, the SAR holds a special place, worthy of my dedicated participation, because of the many programs and activities that we are involved in to fulfill the goals and objectives of our organization. We do a lot! In addition to the Center for Advancing America's Heritage, now nearing completion, we have many youth programs, supported from the chapter level on up to the National Society, all awarding prizes and scholarships to involve our youth in learning about the history and sacrifices of those patriots who fought for the independence of this great nation. We have Color Guards participating in patriotic holidays and events and serving as the public face of our society. We also have the great comradeship between our members. Looking back at our history, I can also say that we have played a significant role in many things over the last 125 years. This is an organization I want to be a part of!

I also noted in my address, that over the last several months, visiting chapters, and talking to their officers, that I have seen a need to not only to grow in membership, but to also grow in leadership. Like all volunteer organizations, most of our members are not actively involved in the various programs and activities that we support. Several Chapters are struggling to survive as they have a difficult time recruiting members to serve as chapter officers, committee chairmen or even committee members. Last year the CASSAR had an overall net gain of 64 members or 4% in membership after 238 new members offset those who decided to drop off of our rolls and

the loss of those compatriots that passed on. As I took the office of President, we had 1556 members. Yet many chapters are supported by the same individuals who have done so for several years. Those chapters that expressed the most difficulty in filling their leadership requirements have adequate membership numbers, but their officers and chairman are getting burnt out serving year after year to keep the chapters going. I encourage all of the members to reflect on their contributions to their chapters and to the California Society and to remember the oaths they took when they were first inducted into membership in the SAR; their pledge to support the objectives of the Sons of the American Revolution. I encourage all members to take a more active role in their chapters, join or create a Color Guard, join a committee working on one of our youth programs, consider holding a chapter office. Get involved in this wonderful organization! We do serve an important role in our communities and our message needs to get out.



123rd President, CASSAR
Jim W. Faulkinbury

I also encourage those who are interested in seeing how our organization works to come to our State and National meetings. The National Congress this year will be in Greenville, South Carolina and, in addition to the business of the Society; there will be tours of some of the

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NEW MEMBER APPLICATION FEES, DUES

NATIONAL, STATE, AND CHAPTER	NSSAR Fee	\$80.00
	NSSAR Dues	\$30.00
	CASSAR Fee	\$20.00
	Chapter Dues	Varies

The National Society offers a discounted application fee to additional family members applying for membership at the same time and under the same lineage as the first applicant listed above. Reduced fees apply to the 2nd, 3rd, or 4th family member and all family applications must be submitted in the same package as that of the original applicant.

THE NSSAR FAMILY DISCOUNT	NSSAR Fee	\$30.00
	NSSAR Dues	\$30.00
	CASSAR Fee	\$20.00
	Chapter Dues	Varies

SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FEES

SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION	NSSAR Fee	\$40.00
	CASSAR Fee	\$10.00

JUNIOR MEMBER APPLICATION FEES, DUES

JUNIOR MEMBER APPLICATION	NSSAR Fee	\$80.00
	Nat'l Dues	\$5.00
	CASSAR Fee	n/a
	Chapter	n/a

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP ADVANTAGES

- Junior members receive California and National member numbers that remain with them throughout their adult life.
- Junior member dues are significantly lower than regular member dues (see table next page).
- Junior members automatically become regular members after their 18th birthday simply by paying full dues, even if their membership lapsed during the intervening years.
- May join under the family plan mentioned above. Could also be eligible for the reduced fee when using an acceptable, previously approved DAR or SAR application.



Your chapter news can appear in the California Compatriot. Email your final draft prior to the deadline posted at lower right. Please identify all of the individuals appearing in your photos. Space is limited; therefore the Editor reserves the right to edit all submissions.

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Next Deadline: 10 August, 2014



ANNUAL DUES, REGULAR MEMBERS

National Society	\$30.00
California Society	\$20.00
Chapter	Varies

ANNUAL DUES, JUNIOR MEMBERS

National Society	\$5.00
California Society	\$ - 0 -
Chapter	\$ - 0 -

ANNUAL DUES, DUAL MEMBERS

Dual Members who hold their primary membership in another State Society must pay California Society State and Chapter dues. California Society dual members who hold membership in another California Chapter pay dues both to the primary and to the dual Chapter.

ANNUAL DUES, EMERITUS MEMBERS

Emeritus Members with 50 plus years active membership in the National Society only pay California Society and Chapter dues. Emeritus Members with 50 plus years active membership in the California Society only pay Chapter dues.

I had surgery on April 16, 2014 to replace my left ankle which was more than 90% fused with arthritis due to injuries during my career with the San Jose Police Department. I spent three weeks at a rehabilitation facility before returning home on May 7, 2014 with a hard cast. I had physical therapy three times a week to get my leg strengthened up, but still no weight bearing on the left foot. On the 27th I exchanged the cast for a boot and have been able to put some weight on the foot as I walk around the house with a regular walker. My next appointment is on the 24th of June. Everything is fine at this time.



Douglas Bergtholdt

CASSAR State Secretary

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major battle sites of the war in the South --- Cowpens, Kings Mountain, and the Ninety-Six. Our next State Meeting will be in Petaluma, in the California wine country. The registration form for that meeting can be found elsewhere in this newsletter. I hope to see many of you there.

I look forward to this year of service to you and to our Society and will do my upmost to deserve the trust you have placed in me.

Jim W. Faulkinbury
President, California Society, SAR

COMING EVENTS

18-24 July 2014 – 124th National Congress
Greenville, SC

26-27 September 2014 – NSSAR Fall Leadership Meeting
Louisville, KY

7-8 November 2014 – Fall Board of Managers Meeting
Petaluma, CA

17-18 April 2015 – CASSAR Spring Meeting
Irvine, CA

Welcome New Members



Nat'l #	CASSAR	Name	Chapter	Nat'l #	CASSAR	Name	Chapter
190957	9583	John Edward Davis, Sr.	Butte	190823	9581	Nathaniel Hays	San Francisco
190378	9559	Michael Alan Ford	Central Coast	190824	9582	Brian Hays	San Francisco
189964	9510	Richard R. Boster	Coachella Valley	1901000	9592	Joseph Charles DeNoia	San Francisco
190015	9524	Allen George Richards	Delta	189768	9508	Jeffrey Joseph Weinbender	Santa Barbara
190520	9561	Joseph Nathaniel Shelton	Delta	190014	9523	Thomas Jefferson Gamble IV	Santa Barbara
190374	9555	Tad David Cambell	Eagle	190114	9527	Stuart Tuyl Morse	Santa Barbara
190993	9585	Donald Richard Bennett	Gen. Geo. Patton	190379	9560	Daniel Ray Barba	Santa Barbara
190001	9593	Robert Lee Cooke III	Gen. Geo. Patton	190589	9567	Christopher Scott Proctor	Santa Barbara
189769	9509	Francis Milan Pangbum, Jr.	Gen. Geo. Washington	190590	9568	William Campbell Proctor	Santa Barbara
191114	9604	Randy Joe Davis	Gen. Geo. Washington	190591	9569	Connor Rhys Proctor	Santa Barbara
190372	9553	Noah MacLeon Webber	Harbor	190592	9570	Duncan Alexander Proctor	Santa Barbara
190375	9556	Brian Scott Reeve	Harbor	190819	9577	Robert Erwin Bason	Santa Barbara
190816	9574	Ross Zaid Fandey	Harbor	190958	9584	Jason William Knight	Santa Barbara
190817	9575	Austin Patrick Fandey	Harbor	190994	9586	Stephen Robert Sawin	Santa Barbara
190818	9576	William David Carson	Harbor	190997	9589	Kendall David Coffman	Silicon Valley
190522	9563	Daniel Neil Champness	Kern	190998	9590	James George Niforopulos	Silicon Valley
190523	9564	David Elwood Champness	Kern	190376	9557	John Robert Harbison	Sons of Liberty
190524	9565	Al Thomas Champness	Kern	190377	9558	Benjamin Conant	Sons of Liberty
190525	9566	Clay Timothy Champness	Kern	190720	9573	Scott William Player	Sons of Liberty
191055	9599	Joseph Lee Bainbridge	Monterey Bay	190999	9591	Brian Burke Cochrane	Sons of Liberty
189969	9515	John Richard Ferris	Orange County	191054	9598	John Edward Kuzima	Sons of Liberty
190057	9525	Gustave Rudolf Fischer, Jr.	Orange County	190218	9530	George Patric Nuttall	South Coast
190219	9531	Anthony Eugene Rottero	Orange County	189965	9511	Brian Donald Eychner	Thomas Jefferson
190593	9571	Gary Lewis Richards	Orange County	189967	9513	Nicholas James Razor Lawson	Thomas Jefferson
190668	9572	Skyler Roderick Kressin	Orange County	189968	9514	Daniel Andrew Razor Lawson	Thomas Jefferson
191111	9601	Kevin Scott Hamblin	Orange County	189970	9516	William Edward Spicer	Thomas Jefferson
191112	9602	Gary Preston Felt	Redwood Empire	189971	9517	John Stewart Spicer	Thomas Jefferson
190243	9533	Brian Keith Pittman	Riverside	190216	9528	Gregory Scott Nelson	Thomas Jefferson
190373	9554	Richard Leland Celsi	Riverside	190217	9529	Justin Gregory Nelson	Thomas Jefferson
190820	9578	Duane Reginald Bullard	Riverside	190356	9637	Stanley Martin Hazlak, Jr.	Thomas Jefferson
191113	9603	Kevin Jon Shellman	Riverside	190357	9538	Shawn Michael Hazlak	Thomas Jefferson
145130	9507	Larry T. Guzy	Sacramento	190358	9539	Leonard Edward Hazlak	Thomas Jefferson
189991	9518	Brian Keith Alexander	Sacramento	190359	9540	Leonard Edward Hazlak, Jr.	Thomas Jefferson
189993	9520	Clayton James Peterson	Sacramento	190360	9541	Wade Michael Hazlak	Thomas Jefferson
190012	9521	James Larry Dawson, Jr.	Sacramento	190361	9542	Leonard Edward Hazlak III	Thomas Jefferson
190013	9522	Noel James Dawson	Sacramento	190362	9543	Dennis Daniel Hazlak	Thomas Jefferson
190244	9534	Andrew Phillip Schrag	Sacramento	190363	9544	Brandon Daniel Montross	Thomas Jefferson
190245	9535	Robert Andrew Schrag	Sacramento	190364	9545	Benjamin Colter Montross	Thomas Jefferson
190246	9536	James Raymond Strickland	Sacramento	190365	9546	Coleton Allen Kilgore	Thomas Jefferson
189490	9503	Gavan Scott Garrison	San Diego	190366	9547	Jeremy Daniel Hazlak	Thomas Jefferson
189491	9504	Greg Scott Garrison	San Diego	190367	9548	Daniel John Nallo	Thomas Jefferson
189699	9505	Scott Thomas Francis	San Diego	190368	9549	Christopher Carlo Nallo	Thomas Jefferson
189700	9506	Cole Thomas Francis	San Diego	190369	9550	William Henry Nallo, Jr.	Thomas Jefferson
189966	9512	David Walter Roberts	San Diego	190370	9551	William Henry Fitch IV	Thomas Jefferson
190062	9526	David Edgar Hervey	San Diego	190521	9562	James Edwards Russell	Thomas Jefferson
190242	9532	John Mark Beardsley	San Diego	190995	9587	Stephen Allen Tucker	Thomas Jefferson
190371	9552	Eric Day Ihlbrock	San Diego	190996	9588	Mark Douglas Rodriguez	Thomas Jefferson
190821	9579	Christopher Hays	San Francisco	189992	9519	Valentine Roy Smith	Yosemite
190822	9580	West Hays	San Francisco	191056	9600	Ronald Edwin Fisher	Yosemite

From the Desk of the CASSAR Registrar

The California Society continues to be on the top of the heap when it comes to processing applications. Both new and supplementals kept me busy in 2013. And 2014 is looking like we could do better in total numbers. Already I see a trend in Junior Member applications.

“How may I help you join the SAR?” I think this should be the question on every CASSAR compatriot’s lips. I would venture to say that we remain one of the best kept secret societies in California. I cannot count the number of times I have struck up a genealogy conversation only to find that the person has never heard of the SAR. I would recommend that each compatriot have a handful of business cards in his possession at all times. Who knows? There might be a potential new member in the next new person you talk to. Now here’s the tricky part – get the person’s telephone number.

Next is the process of getting an application completed. How many of you have Ancestry.com? That program is a perfect site to help gathering data for a new member. Continue your conversation with getting preliminary data – full name, date and place of birth, followed with the name of the parents and

grandparents – whatever you can get. Often this person may not know even his grandparents information. When you get to your computer build a family tree – look for the leaves as they appear – they may be clues to what is needed to trace this person’s ancestry back to the American Revolution. Go to dar.org and see if any of their ancestors are listed as an approved patriot by the DAR. You might even discover this through the leaves that appear on ancestry.com. Remember I said get the telephone or cell number. Call the potential new compatriot and share what you have discovered. You might even print up a pedigree chart as a gift.

If you don’t have ancestry.com – get it! It is an amazing tool. You can become an expert at filing applications! Now go and have some fun!

Owen Stiles
CASSAR Registrar

New Officers & Chairmen

At the CASSAR Spring Meeting, officers for 2014/2015 were elected and installed. The list of new officers is on page two of this California Compatriot newsletter. President Faulkinbury has announced his appointments for Program Administrators. They include:

Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest: David A. Gilliard
Budget & Planning: M. Kent Gregory
California Compatriot Editors: M. Kent Gregory & J. Stephen Hurst
Chapter Activities: Philip L. Hinshaw
Chief of Protocol: James C. Fosdyck
Children of the American Revolution Liaison: Jim Young
Color Guard Commander: James C. Fosdyck
Compliance Committee Chairman: Karl Jacobs
Daughters of the American Revolution Liaison: Eric Strassforth
Eagle Scout Program: Gary Jensen
Ethics Committee: Rev. Louis V. Carlson, Jr.
Flag Committee: Rev. Stanley DeLong
Handbook Committee: Stephen Renouf
High School Oration Contest: Steve Ludwiczak
Information Technology: Greg Hill

Knight Essay Contest: Keith Bigbee
Medals & Awards: David Grinnell
Media & Public Relations: David A. Gilliard
Middle School Brochure Contest: Tom Adams
Nominations Liaison: J. Stephen Hurst
NSSC/NLCC Program: Bob Taylor
NSSAR Congress Planning: John L. Dodd
Operation Ancestor Search: Ray Raser
ROTC/JROTC Program: James C. Fosdyck
Spanish Patriot Researcher: Leroy Martinez
Spirit of America Program: Bob Taylor
Valley Forge Program: Bob Taylor
Veteran's Programs: Ron Barker
Wreaths Across America Chairman:
Donald B. Littlefield
Youth Activities Director: Steve Ludwiczak

Spring Meeting in Sacramento

The Sacramento Chapter hosted the 139th Annual Meeting of the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution from April 10 - 12, 2014 at the Embassy Suites Riverfront Promenade in Sacramento, California. Seventy-seven SAR members attended, and forty-four spouses.

CASSAR President J. Stephen Hurst convened the annual business meeting on Friday, April 11. National officers, state officers, committee chairmen, and chapter presidents gave reports. CASSAR Invested Funds Trustee Stephen Renouf presented proposed amendments regarding the various invested funds. The vote was unanimous to approve the amendments on the permanent fund, education fund, congress fund, and the new unallocated fund. The chapter presidents also voted unanimously to change the CASSAR Life



2014 CASSAR Officers

Membership Program to require all new members to obtain a NSSAR Life Membership (which will pay the national dues), and then use the CASSAR Dual Life Member Fee Schedule (which will pay the state and chapter dues). Trustee Renouf announced that he had reviewed the CASSAR Life Membership program and found that the insufficiency of the fund had declined from \$90,991 in 2010 to \$35,053 in 2014. He recommended that we continue to follow through on our action plan to reduce the insufficiency. Once the insufficiency is corrected, the society can address raising the chapter dues paid to chapters (currently fixed at \$10 per life member).

NSSAR Chancellor General John Dodd presented two NSSAR Bylaws Proposals regarding the National Life Membership Program, and regarding the case when a state society loses both their trustee and alternate trustee. The California Society voted unanimously to sponsor the NSSAR Bylaws amendments to the SAR Annual Congress in Greenville, South Carolina, in July 2014. President General Joseph Dooley spoke about his plan to shave his head on the floor of the SAR

Congress if \$1 million in new money was raised for the SAR Center during his presidency. He also announced that the new class of SAR Minutemen included Californian Karl Jacobs.

Don Littlefield of the Sacramento Chapter was the Master of Ceremonies for the Public Service



Officers from Rancho Cordova & West Sacramento Police Departments with PG Dooley

Luncheon. CASSAR President Steve Hurst and Sacramento President Russ Kaiser presented the awards to the public service recipients. Captain Kevin Snider of the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District received the SAR Fire Safety Commendation Medal. Deputy Scott McCartney of the Rancho Cordova Police Department and Detective Michael Duggins of the West Sacramento Police Department received SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medals.

In the afternoon, the CASSAR Ladies Auxiliary took a guided tour of the California State Capitol. The CASSAR Audit Committee met and reviewed the 2013 expenditures and accounting procedures. On Friday evening, there was a dinner at the California Automobile Museum, located less than a mile from the hotel.

On Saturday, the business meeting was re-convened. The Children of the American Revolution (CAR) pages were introduced, and thanked for their service during our meeting. CAR Liaison Jim Young presented a check for \$500 to the Children of the American Revolution to assist in their projects. California CAR Chaplain Leslie Young (daughter of Jim Young) accepted the check on behalf of CAR. CASSAR Chancellor Jeff Goodwin discussed and handed out conflict of interest forms and whistleblower policy forms to be signed by all officers and delegates.

Spring Meeting in Sacramento (continued)



Larry Magerkurth at California Automobile Museum

Past President Keith Bigbee announced the nominating committee's slate of officers for 2014-15. There were no nominations from the floor, and the slate of officers was elected unanimously. The elected officers are listed on page two of this California Compatriot. Executive VP Jim Faulkinbury spoke about the upcoming Board of Managers Meeting to be hosted by the Redwood Empire Chapter in Petaluma on November 6-9, 2014 at the Sheraton Hotel. The 2015 CASSAR Spring Meeting was approved to be held at the Wyndham Hotel in Irvine on April 17-18, 2015.

The CASSAR Board of Managers unanimously endorsed Stephen Renouf for NSSAR Vice President



NSSAR PG Joseph Dooley at Youth Awards Luncheon

General of the Western District (California, Nevada and Hawaii). President-Elect Faulkinbury announced that he will convene a special meeting following the November Board of Managers Meeting in Petaluma to vote on proposed bylaws amendments.

At the Saturday Youth Awards Luncheon, Jim Young introduced CAR pages Rachel Smart and Leslie Young, and presented them with SAR Good Citizenship Pins. The winners of the CASSAR youth contests were



CAR Liaison Jim Young with CAR Pages Rachel and Leslie

presented with awards (See Youth Award Winners article in this Compatriot). After the luncheon VP Membership Phil Hinshaw announced the winners of the CASSAR Best Chapter Contest – Eagle Chapter (Small), Harbor Chapter (Medium-Small), Gold Country (Medium-Large), Orange County Chapter (Large), and Sacramento Chapter (Very Large). Following the lunch, Rev. Lou Carlson led the CASSAR Memorial Service to honor the memory of the compatriots who passed away in the previous year.

The CASSAR Color Guard, led by Commander Jim Fosdyck, opened the Saturday evening Installation Banquet. Before dinner, President Hurst recognized the members of the Sacramento Chapter who worked to plan and run an exceptional state meeting. Following



Rev. Louis Carlson with Honor Guard at Memorial Service

Spring Meeting in Sacramento (continued)



Sacramento Chapter hosts with President Stephen Hurst

dinner, there was a captivating performance of Rex Ruth impersonating Revolutionary War firebrand Samuel Adams. President Hurst recognized the officers who served during his administration, presenting them Distinguished Service Certificates.

Ladies Auxiliary President Cyndy Bigbee was presented a Distinguished Service Certificate. She assisted President Hurst presenting the Daughters of Liberty Medal to Conni Barker and Lisa Gregory. The Silver Color Guard Medal and Silver Von Steuben Medal was given to Bob Taylor and Dan McKelvie, the



CASSAR Color Guard with Samuel Adams

Silver Von Steuben Medal to Karen McKelvie, and the Gold Von Steuben Medal to Dale Ross. Hurst presented the 125th SAR Anniversary Medal to Ron Barker, Rev. Lou Carlson, Jim Faulkinbury, Bob Taylor and Keith Bigbee. Hurst presented the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Kent Gregory. The Silver Roger Sherman Medal was given to Greg Hill, Ron Risley,



President Jim Faulkinbury with Past President J. Stephen Hurst

Curtis Porter and Stephen Renouf. The Meritorious Service Medal was presented to Mike Howard and Larry Wood. The State Medal of Distinguished Service was awarded to Karl Jacobs for his many years of service to the California Society.

NSSAR President General Joseph Dooley installed the 2014 CASSAR Officers – President Jim Faulkinbury, Executive VP Kent Gregory, VP North Ron Barker, VP South Jim Fosdyck, VP Membership Phil Hinshaw, Secretary Doug Bergthold, Treasurer Bob Taylor, Registrar Owen Stiles, Genealogist Terry Briggs, Chancellor Jeff Goodwin, Historian Jim Blauer, Chaplain Rev. Lou Carlson, and Invested Funds Trustee Stephen Renouf. The gavel was presented to



California Society Ladies Auxiliary

incoming President Jim Faulkinbury. President General Dooley then installed the 2014 officers of the CASSAR Ladies Auxiliary, and presented the gavel to President Karen Carlson. Outgoing President Steve Hurst accepted the past president pin.

The California Society meetings are a great way to meet other officers from around the state and get ideas for your chapter!

Chapter Activities

SONS OF LIBERTY CHAPTER

On February 16 the *Sons of Liberty Chapter* hosted the 32nd annual Massing of the Colors and Salute to our Armed Forces at Forest Lawn in Hollywood Hills, Los Angeles. The ceremonial parade included 19 JROTC Color Guards, 3 Sea Cadet Color Guards, and 32 SAR Color Guardsmen from nine California Society chapters. The Invocation and Benediction were presented by CASSAR Chaplain Rev. Louis Carlson. Greetings were made by Gary Bohannon and CASSAR President J. Stephen Hurst. Jim Blauer sang the national anthem, and Gary Dickey sang Amazing Grace. The guest speaker was State Senator Ted Lieu. The event this year was dedicated to SAR members Berni Campbell and Lowell Downer (dec.). Chapters that participated included Eagle, Gen. George Patton, Harbor, Kern, Orange, Redlands, Riverside, Sons of Liberty, and South Coast.



DELTA CHAPTER

On April 5 the *Delta Chapter* participated in Park Day, which is a nationally coordinated effort by the Civil War Trust and History Channel to clean and restore Civil War parks and cemeteries. The GAR cemetery section of Citizens Cemetery in Modesto was one of the nationally designated Civil War preservation sites. Delta Chapter President John Humphrey led members who mowed, trimmed, and cleaned monuments at the GAR cemetery section. The photograph shows (l-r) Melvin Howell, Jeff Sylvan, an unidentified guest, Keith Bickley, Ed Smith, John Humphrey, Brian Young, and Gary Overby.



RIVERSIDE & REDLANDS CHAPTERS

Riverside and *Redlands Chapters'* Color Guards marched in the Riverside Salute to Veterans Parade on April 19. The photo of the Color Guard includes Todd Taylor, Mark Kramer, Henry Lucas, and Gary Jensen. The Guardsmen firing their muskets include Melvin Harrell, Adien Longstreet (drummer), Mike Bullard, Todd Taylor, David Leonard, Trent Bean, and Shawn Harrell.



ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER

Orange County Chapter's Lee's Legion Color Guard had a busy Memorial Day weekend, with three events for large audiences. On Sunday, May 25 the Color Guard presented the Colors at Shepherd's Grove Church, where the patriotic service was recorded for the Hour of Power television show to be broadcast near July 4. The Hour of Power is broadcast internationally to millions of viewers. On Memorial Day morning, the Color Guard presented the Colors and a memorial wreath at the Santa Ana Cemetery in the Tri-City Memorial Day Observance with numerous other veteran and historical organizations. Later on the same day, Lee's Legion presented the Colors at the Yorba Linda Memorial Day Ceremonies. The photo shows Karl Jacobs, John Dodd, Dan McKelvie, Jim Fosdyck, Gen. George Washington, Jim Klingler, and James Blauer.



Chapter Activities

SACRAMENTO CHAPTER

In response to NSSAR PG Dooley's challenge, the **Sacramento Chapter** donated portraits of General George Washington, provided by the Mt. Vernon Ladies Association, to two area schools. The photo shows Jim Faulkinbury and Tom Chilton of the Sacramento Chapter presenting the portrait to 5th grade teacher Jackie Carpenter of the Green Valley Elementary School in Rescue, California. The portrait will be hung in the school library



SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

San Diego Chapter members visited Silver Strand Elementary School in Coronado. After participating in a flag ceremony, a portrait of Gen. George Washington was presented by George Biles, 1st Vice President of the San Diego Chapter, to William Cass, the Principal of the school. Also in the photo is 5th grade teacher Renee Cavanaugh. Mrs. Cavanaugh received a grant last year from CASSAR to attend a Graduate Teacher Workshop from the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.



Field of Honor

Color Guardsmen from **Gen. George S. Patton, Harbor, Orange County, Riverside, and Silicon Valley Chapters** participated in the 2014 Field of Honor, on May 16 - 18 in Newport Beach. The Field of Honor is held on Armed Forces Day each year at sites around the country as a memorial to those men and women who have served our country in war and peace. Founded by the Colonial Flag Foundation in 2002, it now includes participation by numerous organizations including the National Exchange Club, U.S. Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard, Operation Homefront, Wounded Warrior Project, Fisher House, American Legion, Patriots and Paws, and the SAR. One thousand, seventy-six (1776) American flags are flown along walkways, making a stunning visual experience.



CASSAR Color Guard led by Gen. George Washington and Commander James Fosdyck



CASSAR Color Guard

Fall Board of Managers Meeting

Petaluma, the gateway to the wine country, will be the site of the California Society's Fall Board of Managers Meeting. The meetings will be held at the Sheraton-Sonoma County on November 7 & 8, 2014. Hosting the meeting will be the Redwood Empire Chapter, and their President, James Beatty, invites you to attend! A registration form is included in this California Compatriot. Registration forms and payments should be mailed to Stephen Renouf, 16123 Paseo del Campo, San Lorenzo, CA 94580. Questions should be directed to CASSAR President Jim Faulkinbury (jfaulkin@surewest.org)



Revolutionary War veteran buried in Sonoma

Compatriots attending the Board of Manager's meeting in Petaluma will have the opportunity to visit the cemetery where the only Revolutionary War veteran buried in California is located. William Smith was born in 1768 in Flowerdew Hundred, VA, on one of the original James River plantations. He joined the Virginia Navy at age 11, serving with his father on the ships Manly, Jefferson, and Tarter. After the war, Smith made 23 round-trip voyages to the West Indies, one voyage to China with 63,000 seal and otter skins, and eight round-the-world trips involved in the California hide and tallow trade. Smith first reached the California coast in 1800, where he made the acquaintance of Captain George Vancouver, who explored the Pacific Coast from Oregon to Alaska. Smith was Captain of the Albatross in 1816 and was nearly arrested for smuggling in Santa Barbara.

William Smith settled in Sonoma in the 1840s after years of sailing the Pacific. He died in Sonoma May 5, 1846, about five weeks before the Bear Flag Revolt, when Sonoma was still part of Mexico. His Revolutionary War service had been recognized by the Sons of the American Revolution. His burial site is believed to be in Mountain Cemetery. Two plaques (one installed by the California Society, SAR in 1994) commemorate Smith's life.



**THE 139th BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP
OF THE
CALIFORNIA SOCIETY**

November 6-9, 2014

Hosted by the California Society & the Redwood Empire Chapter

Sheraton Sonoma County Petaluma

745 Baywood Drive, Petaluma, CA 94954, the gateway to the California wine country.

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Hotel reservations must be made by October 16, 2014.

MEETING RESERVATION FORM

The meeting registrations postmarked by September 15, 2014 are \$135 per person or \$150 per person after that date. Registration includes all meetings, Friday and Saturday Luncheons, Saturday Banquet, tax and gratuity – Vegetarian meals are available with prior notice.

Checks should be made payable to California Society, SAR and mailed with this registration form to:

Stephen Renouf, 16123 Paseo del Campo, San Lorenzo CA 94580-2311

Questions? Contact Jim Faulkinbury at (916) 359-1752 or jfaulkin@surewest.org

Name: _____ Spouse/Guest: _____
Chapter: _____ Title: _____
Address: _____ Telephone: _____
City/ZIP: _____ Email: _____

Are you staying at the Sheraton Sonoma County Petaluma: (yes or no) _____

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Arriving: Thursday, November 6th _____ Friday, November 7th _____ Saturday, November 8th _____

Number of Registrants: _____ @ \$135x Late Registrations _____ @ \$150 Total: _____

Non-registered Friday Luncheon: _____ @ \$45each

Non-registered Saturday Luncheon _____ @ \$45 each

Non-registered Saturday Banquet _____ @ \$65 each

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

Please mark your meal choices for the Saturday Dinner Banquet

_____ Pan Seared Salmon or _____ Frenched Chicken Breast or _____ vegetarian

Youth Award Winners

Winners of the 2014 CASSAR youth contests were recognized during the Youth Awards Luncheon at the Spring Meeting in Sacramento. **Outstanding JROTC Cadet** First Lieutenant Cameron Hoover was introduced and presented his medal and cash prize by JROTC Chairman Jim Fosdyck. Lieutenant Hoover is a student at Vanden High School in Fairfield and was sponsored by the Sacramento Chapter. It was recently announced that Cadet Hoover has been selected as the winner of the National Outstanding JROTC Recognition Program. He will attend the NSSAR Congress in South Carolina to receive his national awards.



l-r: Russ Kaiser, Stephen Hurst, Mike & Christina Gonzales, Cadet Hoover, Jim Fosdyck, & Tom Chilton

Eagle Scout Chairman Gary Jensen introduced and presented the Eagle Scout trophy and cash prize to **Outstanding Eagle Scout** Austin McCoy from Murrieta Mesa High School. Appropriately, he was sponsored by the new Eagle Chapter. Jensen also introduced Robert E. Burt, who assisted in presenting NSSAR Robert E. Burt Awards for outstanding Boy Scout leaders to Melvin Howell of the Delta Chapter and Trenton Spears of Kern Chapter.



l-r: Russ Kaiser, Stephen Hurst, Austin's best friend, Tim & Debi McCoy, Austin McCoy, & Gary Jensen

Dr. Kent Gregory introduced and presented the medal and cash prize to the **Knight Essay Contest** winner Austin McCoy for his essay entitled *The Baron*. His essay was submitted by the Riverside Chapter. Austin was a happy young man to have won both the Outstanding Eagle Scout award and the Knight Essay Contest.

Dave Gilliard announced the winners of the Elementary School **Americanism Poster Contest**: 1st Place - Ryan Barlett (Gold Country), 2nd Place – Aiden Baumann (San Diego), 3rd Place – Taryn Ogasawara (Orange County). Honorable mention went to Ashmita Reddy (Sacramento) and Santino Sfrengu (Mother Lode).



l-r: Dale Ross, Sam Bradley, Russ Kaiser, Ray Raser, Dave Gilliard, Dan McKelvie, & Stephen Hurst

Youth Award Winners

Tom Adams announced the winners of the Middle School **Brochure Contest**: 1st Place – William Buxton (Gen. George Patton), 2nd Place – Morgan Lesniewski (Mother Lode), 3rd Place – Makenna Hruska (San Diego). Honorable mention went to Leah Stover (Thomas Jefferson) and Sarah Palmer (Redlands). Tom Adams is pleased that this year the Middle School Brochure Contest is a national youth contest for the SAR. The national winner will be selected in July at the NSSAR Congress in South Carolina.



l-r: Ray Raser, Derek Brown, Bob Taylor, Sam Bradley, Charlie Gentis, & Stephen Hurst

Since the Spring Meeting, a winner for the **Rumbaugh Oration Contest** was selected: Annabelle Tague (San Diego Chapter) for her speech The Voice of Liberty. She was presented her CASSAR cash prize at the May San Diego Chapter meeting by Steve Ludwiczak and Ray Raser. The CASSAR medal was presented to her by Jim Fosdyck at the Eagle Chapter meeting on June 7. Miss Tague will be competing in the national Oration Contest at the NSSAR National Congress in South Carolina.



l-r: Wayne Rogers, Matt Tague, Jim Fosdyck, Annabelle Tague, & Ray Raser

The next issue of the California Compatriot will have useful information on the CASSAR Youth Contests for next year. For information on any of the SAR youth contests, please contact Steve Ludwiczak, CASSAR Youth Activities Director (steve.ludwiczak@gmail.com).



Scouting Report 2013 — 2014

FROM GARY JENSEN

Eagle Scout Certificates: 1, 723 were presented by 20 of the 26 CASSAR chapters

Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award

2013 Recipients:

Derek Brown - Thomas Jefferson Chapter
Donald Webb - Orange County Chapter

2014 Recipients:

Melvin Howell - Delta Chapter
Trenton Spears - Kern Chapter

Chapter Contacts - Eagle Scout Chairmen

19 chapters have web pages

11 chapters have Eagle Scout contact information listed on Chapter web pages

20 chapters have provided contact information for their Eagle Scout Chairman

Committee Members Needed

We need your help as a judge for the Eagle Scout Scholarship and the Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award Selection Committees. The committee members are needed for a short window from December 1st to January 15th. If interested in serving on one or both of the committees, contact Gary Jensen (Gary@jensenmyway.com).

New Medallions for Poster & Brochure Contests

Those who attended the Spring Conference will recall that the Americanism Poster Contest and the Middle School Brochure Contest switched to Medallions versus large ribbons this year. Why the switch? Significantly less cost, and the Medallion will withstand the test of time. Your chapter can also purchase these medallions with ribbons for a cost of around seven dollars. If interested, contact CASSAR Youth Activities Director Steve Ludwiczak (steve.ludwiczak@gmail.com).





Greetings from the California State Society, Children of the American Revolution. My name is Megan, and I am the State President for 2014-15. Serving the Society in this capacity is both an honor and a challenge. I plan on a very busy year representing C.A.R. as I travel throughout the state.

I am well aware of the longstanding relationship existing between C.A.R. and the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (CASSAR). The donations of money to fund projects, invitations to participate in youth contests, and serve as Pages at CASSAR meetings, and even the invitation to write a news article for The California Compatriot are all greatly appreciated. And, thank you to the SAR chapters that generously support and share in our activities at the local level. We couldn't do it without you!

A major job for each C.A.R. President is to create a project with a theme that the thirty-one local Societies will work to support. I wanted a project that would focus on repaying our veterans for their sacrifices. They have earned the right to care after protecting our freedom and making this country truly great. After personal reflection and considerable thought, I chose "Wheels for Our Wounded." There are many brave veterans who have given so much to our country that are now recuperating in the Department of Veteran Affairs hospitals throughout the state. During their stay, many lack the mobility that we all take for granted. There are many veterans who can do a better job of maintaining their dignity and quality of life simply by getting out of their confined rooms. They need to converse, have coffee with others, and participate in activities they would otherwise miss. C.A.R. can make this happen with CASSAR membership support and with the support of the community-at-large.

My goal is to raise \$5,000 to purchase a minimum of two new wheelchairs for 10 VA hospitals. During my travels to meetings in northern California and southern California, I will be sharing my vision with others to earn their support. An alternative way of earning money for this project is the purchase of specially made pins that are designed in the shape of the logo accompanying this article. Please tell your friends about this and buy one for your neighbor!

I sincerely hope I have the chance to meet many CASSAR members this year.



Megan
CSSCAR President

Enhanced Colonial Learning in the Classroom

*By Renee K. Cavanaugh, 5th grade teacher
Coronado unified school district
Valley forge participant-summer, 2013*

I confess, until this past summer, I was a “go by the book” kind of Social Studies teacher: read the text, discuss the text, give a test. I did this not because I didn't enjoy Social Studies (I love it), but because I wasn't really sure how to get students actively engaged in a meaningful way.

However, that all changed this past summer. I had an extraordinary opportunity through Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge (Study of the Revolutionary War-North) with the generous scholarship provided by the California SAR. I was inspired by seeing and experiencing history in a way I never had the chance before. I was guided through thoughtful discussions by an extremely knowledgeable instructor; I had the opportunity to collaborate with 25 other teachers and share good practices, and I became more inspired to change the way I teach Social Studies.

This year my class has participated in numerous re-enactments of historical events, all of which support the common core curriculum. They have read primary source documents, researched explorers and statesmen, participated in hands-on learning through creative art projects (including the “Swamp Fox” Poster Contest), participating in cooking activities, and above all, they have been more engaged, more excited and the learning more enriching.

Lastly, let me add that I too have felt more confident and empowered both in my instruction and in mentoring others. I was thrilled to “give back” by helping coordinate another school's first-ever Colonial Day event. Thanks again for the tremendous opportunity and valuing the work of teachers in the classroom.



CASSAR Baron von Steuben Medals

BY JAMES C. FOSDYCK

Several years ago, the California Society of SAR discussed the need to recognize participation by Color Guardsmen at the chapter and state level. The Baron von Steuben Medals (BVSM) were created as an award for those Color Guardsmen participating on a regular basis in chapter or state events who otherwise may not qualify for a bronze, silver, or gold NSSAR Color Guard Medal.



A chapter may award a bronze Baron von Steuben Color Guard Medal to a member or non-member for participation in color guard activities at the chapter or state level. Usually, one year of service as a color guardsman or a supporter of a color guard unit will qualify for the bronze BVSM.



The silver Baron von Steuben Color Guard Medal is recommended by the CASSAR Color Guard Commander and presented by the CASSAR President at the Spring Meeting or Fall Board of Managers Meeting. A color guardsman with three years' service may receive the silver Baron von Steuben Color Guard Medal.



The CASSAR Color Guard Commander or CASSAR President determine the awarding of the gold Baron von Steuben Color Guard Medal to no more than three color guardsmen annually. This medal is presented for long and dedicated service to the CASSAR Color Guard. The gold Baron von Steuben Color Guard Medal is presented by the CASSAR President at the Spring Meeting.

Presently, costs for the bronze, silver or gold Baron von Steuben Color Guard Medal are \$20 for the full-size and \$18 for the miniature. The CASSAR Color Guard Commander prepares the certificates. The CASSAR presents only the full-size medal. The miniature may be purchased by the recipient. If a color guardsman has previously received the NSSAR bronze, silver, or gold Color Guard Medal, he automatically qualifies for the CASSAR bronze, silver, or gold Baron von Steuben Color Guard Medal.

Operation Ancestor Search in California

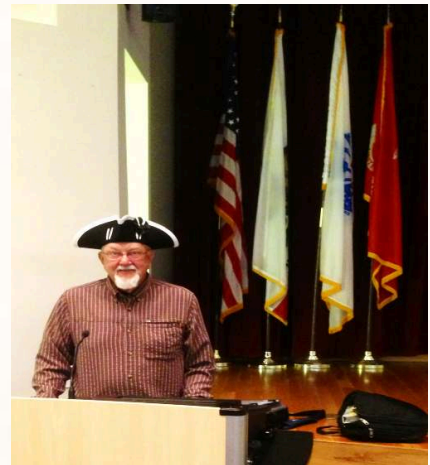
Ray Raser is the California Society's Program Chairman for Operation Ancestor Search(OAS). He initiated the program at Balboa Naval Hospital in April. Twenty four volunteers from five San Diego Genealogical Council member organizations gathered at the hospital auditorium with the wounded warriors and hospital staff. Del Ritchhart, Retired Captain in USN Intelligence, presented a 90 minute power point orientation on the Operation Ancestor Search Ancestry.com program.

After lunch, the volunteers were paired with the attending wounded warriors. Ray, Diane Lott (President of the San Diego Genealogy Council), and Capt. Ritchhart assisted the one on one sessions. Ray found it heart-warming to look out over the room and see the excitement of discovery and rapport during the one on one sessions. Arrangements were made for continued interaction based on individual schedules and a group session the next month.

Ray is currently working on developing a plan of action for introducing OAS to Camp Pendleton wounded warriors and staff. He also attended the Southern California Genealogical Jamboree in Burbank, CA where he promoted Operation Ancestor Search to potential volunteers in Los Angeles area.



Wounded Warrior with OAS Volunteer



Ray Raser at Balboa Naval Hospital

WHAT IS OPERATION ANCESTOR SEARCH?

- Operation Ancestor Search (OAS) is a free national genealogy training program for Wounded Warriors, their families, and the medical and installation staff responsible for their care.
- OAS provides participants with the knowledge and tools that allow them to conduct their own genealogy research as they recover from their injuries at military hospitals across the country.
- OAS is a program initiated by the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and conducted through its state societies and local affiliate chapters across the country.
- OAS participating chapters are currently fully staffed by volunteers.

Operating Principles:

- OAS is open to all armed services members in a patient status, their accompanying family members and their military caregivers.
- OAS does not charge any participant for the resources or training provided.
- OAS is not a recruiting tool for the SAR; it does not limit participation based on potential eligibility to join our society.
- The genealogy expertise within the SAR can be used to give back to the U.S. service members who were injured in their service to our nation.
- Many of the wounded soldiers, sailors, airman and marines have a long road to recovery and spend months, if not years, recuperating from their injuries at military hospitals.
- OAS provides these brave men and women a respite from the constant reminders of their injuries.

Operation Ancestor Search in California (continued)

- OAS provides injured service members with the knowledge and tools that allow them to conduct their genealogy research as they recover from their injuries.
- SAR volunteers provide genealogy training classes, work sessions and individual assistance to the OAS participants at the military hospitals.
- OAS offers genealogy resources to the injured service members - most notably, free access to Ancestry.com, the program's major national sponsor.

Genealogy Work Sessions:

- Conducted on a regular basis by expert genealogists.
- Basic introduction to genealogy and how to conduct the research.
- Online databases such as Ancestry.com, Fold3.com, Ellisland.org, Familytree.com, etc.
- National resources such as the DAR and SAR libraries, Library of Congress, National Archives, etc.
- Local and state resources such as libraries, archives, courthouses, historical and genealogical societies.
- Handouts to get started, family tree charts, etc.

Battle Buddies:

- Local SAR member volunteers provide genealogy assistance to soldiers conducting research.
- Individual assistance on case-by-case basis (participants encouraged to do as much as possible.)
- Each participant is eligible.
- Reintegration Program with nationally affiliated NSSAR local chapters in cooperation with members of local and state chapters of the Federation of Genealogical Societies, local libraries, lineage societies, and other groups and individuals who lend their support with training, reintegration and mentoring after the Wounded Warriors transition back to their local communities.

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Farewell Beloved Compatriots

We, the Descendants of the Heroes of the American Revolution, SALUTE A Life Well Lived, in honor of the memory of our patriot forefathers, by preserving their vision of the American Dream, for future generations.	Nat'l #	CASSAR	Name	Chapter
	185137	9200	Joseph Leroy Frank	Butte
	144205	6316	Earl Roger Adams	Central Coast
	166275	8028	John (Jack) E. Scholl	Coachella Valley
	154945	7209	Donald W. Lewis	Delta
	130868	5501	Frank Joseph Budroe	Gen. Geo. Patton
	152955	7039	Robert W. Dunlap, Sr.	Redding
	119238	5768	John Wright	Riverside
	140927	6100	Paul Reynolds Crouch	South Coast

Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern. Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was; and the spirit shall return unto the God who gave it.
Ecclesiastes 12: 6-7

NSSAR Spring Leadership Meeting

The National Society Spring Leadership Meeting was held February 27 to March 1, 2014 in Louisville, Kentucky. The California Society was represented by Jim Faulkinbury, Kent Gregory, Ron Barker, Jim Fosdyck, Bob Ebert, John Dodd, Rev. Lou Carlson, Keith Bigbee, Stephen Renouf, Karl Jacobs, Chuck Lampman, Stan DeLong, and Tom Adams.

Dodd and Carlson attended the **Executive Committee** meeting on Thursday. The Executive Committee appointed Stephen Renouf (CA) and Jim Jones (TX) to make an analysis of the NSSAR Life Membership Fund to determine the fund's adequacy, and develop a new fee schedule based on an actuarial analysis.

Renouf chaired the **Medals & Awards Committee** meeting, attended by Carlson, Fosdyck, and Jacobs. The committee approved the SAR Ring proposed by the Michigan Society, which includes a donation of \$30 to the SAR Foundation. Approval was given to a medal for the Atlantic Middle States Association, and a fund raising medal for the Americanism Committee's Poster Contest and Brochure Contest. The committee rejected the Genealogist Medal for Supplementals, and returned it to the Washington Society to work on details. Corrections were made to the SAR Handbook regarding the Veterans Recognition Committee and rules regarding the War Service Medal and the Military Service Medal. The requirements for the War Service Medal: the member must show proof on his DD214, or equivalent, showing he received a campaign medal for a war or police action authorized by the US Military. The National Defense Medal would not qualify under these rules. Those serving in the military, but not qualified for the War Service Medal, may receive the Military Service Medal by providing proof of military service on his DD214, or equivalent. The 5-year look back period for the Lydia Darragh Medal and Chapter Medal of Distinguished Service was dropped. The committee approved the SAR Gold Good Citizenship Medal to be presented to President General Joseph Dooley.

Dodd and Renouf attended the **Congress Planning Committee** meeting. Details of the upcoming 2014 SAR Congress in Greenville, South Carolina were presented. Other Congresses being planned are Louisville, KY (2015); Knoxville, TN (2016); Boston, MA (2017); and Houston, TX (2018). John Dodd presented California's proposal to host the 2019 SAR Congress in Southern California (Orange County, Los Angeles or San Diego areas). The committee voted to approve the proposal and recommend it to the Trustees.

Dodd attended the **Bylaws & Legal Advisory Committee**, which discussed privacy issues and reform of the record copy request process. DeLong attended the **Knight Essay Committee**, where they recommended an increase in the National prizes to \$3,000 first place, \$2,000 second place, and \$1,000 third place. Carlson and DeLong attended the **Chaplains Committee**, where they discussed the memorial program for the national congress. Karl Jacobs attended the

Ethics Committee meeting, which investigated a charge of misconduct by a compatriot, and recommended action be taken by the president general. Jacobs attended the **Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee** meeting, which discussed upcoming events prior to the Annual Congress. He attended the **Library and Archives Committee** meeting, where they discussed library activities and materials in the archives, and the **Merchandise Committee**, where the staff discussed the merchandise being carried and the volume of anticipated business once the Main Street facility is open to the public.

DeLong and Lampman attended the **Minuteman Committee**, where the class of 2014 was selected. DeLong attended the **Veterans Committee**, where they selected honorees for the national congress. Fosdyck and DeLong attended the **Color Guard Committee**, where Sam Powell was selected as NSSAR Color Guardsman of the Year. DeLong also attended the **History Committee**, where they discussed what a military encampment would look like during the Revolutionary War. Renouf attended the **Strategic Planning Committee** which voted to finish the final items for the long range strategic plan.

DeLong, Barker, and Adams attended the **Americanism Committee**, which approved the Americanism Youth Contest Medal to raise funds for the Poster and Brochure contests. Tom Adams reported on the Middle School Brochure Contest, and made an appeal for volunteers to be judges. He suggested a sub-committee be formed to investigate placing the poster and brochure contests on the National Advisory List of Student Contests and Activities. A proposal was made to amend the Americanism theme currently chosen for the next three school years to be compatible with the curriculum being taught in schools.

The **Patriotic Outreach Committee** was attended by Barker. Seventeen State Societies and 94 chapters have submitted forms to receive the Partners in Patriotism Certificate at the 2014 National Congress. Wreaths Across America keeps growing with 565,000 wreaths being laid at 908 locations. The USO PG initiative of donating \$250 has raised over \$6,000.

Faulkinbury and Adams attended the **CAR Liaison Committee**. CASSAR donated \$100 for the CAR Flag Pole project. Adams recommended that National CAR should revise future CAR Program Packets to encourage participation by CAR members in SAR contests. Barker and Adams attended the **Education Committee**. The California, Florida, and Texas Societies have endorsed Values Through History's Why America is Free curriculum, and the National Society is considering an endorsement. The committee discussed the One Page Education Outreach profiles to be placed on the sar.org website. Successful programs were discussed, including the "Traveling Trunk" program in Georgia, Colorado's "Patriots Chest," and the use of airport display cases.

NSSAR Spring Leadership Meeting (continued)

Faulkinbury, Gregory, and Fosdyck attended the **Genealogy Committee** meeting. A sub-committee on the policy of grandfathering SAR and DAR applications was unable to come up with a recommendation, so no action was taken. There was a discussion about risk management and redaction of certain items required on SAR applications. Action was taken to recommend that there be a "Do Not Duplicate" option for future members to not allow their applications to be copied. A sub-committee was appointed to examine the issue of allowing DAR "Chapter Copies" as a substitute for official "Record Copies." There was consensus that place names for states and counties on applications should be listed as they existed at the time of the event. There was a discussion about how the name of the patriot should be listed on the application. The name should be spelled as it is found in the record that established service and if more than one spelling is found they could be all included separated by slashes. The applicant can request a preferred spelling on his membership certificate in a letter stating the preferred spelling. There was a discussion about the "Look Up" service by the Genealogy Staff to see if an old SAR application is acceptable documentation for a new application. It was decided that State Points of Contact can continue to contact Susan Acree for inquiries.

The **Museum Board** meeting was attended by Board member Gregory. Prior to the meeting, the members had evaluated 1,999 items that belong to the National Society to determine what items to keep when the staff moves into the new location on Main Street. One hundred-sixty-seven artifacts were determined to fit the Museum's collection criteria for exhibits. Another 942 items were designated for transfer to the SAR Library's Special Collection. The SAR Education Department received 129 items for use with children. Seventy-four items, mostly furniture, were transferred to the Executive Director for use in the offices. De-accession was recommended for the remaining 687 items. They are to be sold if of value, or disposed.

The **Trustees** of the National Society, composed of the past Presidents General, the national officers, and representatives of the state and foreign societies, met Saturday morning. A resolution was approved for PG Dooley, Secretary General Brock, and Treasurer General Lawrence authorizing them to deal with PNC Bank regarding a bequest left to the SAR. Another resolution authorized Dooley, Brock, Lawrence and Don Shaw to enter into agreements with 5/3 Bank to reduce the fees charged to the SAR. A motion was approved to bring the management of special purpose funds into compliance with UPMIFA and other laws. The Executive Committee appointed Stephen Renouf and Jim Jones to analyze the adequacy of the National life membership program, update the fee schedule, and recommend guidelines to states that have life membership programs. Chancellor General Dodd reported that more attention was needed for "risk management." The national office will be creating procedures to protect private information held by the SAR – including some information on SAR application

copies. Dodd suggested that societies investigate the laws of their particular states to protect themselves. PG Dooley reported that there was an offer of \$750,000 made for the old headquarters building on Fourth Street. The SAR had it on the market for \$1.4 million based upon a 2007 appraisal. The opinion of the trustees was that this offer should be rejected and not be countered. The SAR will get a new appraisal of the property.

The Congress Planning Committee reported on upcoming SAR Congresses to the **Trustees**, who will vote in the fall on the selection of California for the 2019 SAR Congress. The Government Relations Committee made a resolution that chapters and state societies contact local governments to recognize the 125th anniversary of the Sons of the American Revolution, and this passed unanimously. The Minuteman Committee announced the class of 2014, which included Karl Jacobs from California. The Museum Board requested action regarding the assignment of 1,999 SAR assets to the Museum, Library, Executive Director, or Education Director. All excess items will be de-accessed to sell or destroy them. The motion was approved.

The Nominating Committee made recommendations for the national society elections in July: President General Lindsey Brock (FL), Secretary General Tom Lawrence (TX), Treasurer General – Mike Tomme (GA) and Larry Cornwell (AL) equally qualified, Chancellor General John Dodd (CA), Registrar General Larry Guzy (AL), Historian General Bobby Towns (GA), Librarian General Bruce Pickett (AL), Chaplain General Randy Moody (FL), Surgeon General Ed Rigel (GA), and SAR Foundation Joe Dooley (VA). The Strategic Planning Committee presented six core competencies – people, historical, patriotic, educational, internal, and external – as well as the objectives, action plan, budgeting, and metrics for each. The Trustees approved the strategic plan unanimously. A motion was approved to use a credit line to help pay for the move from the old building to the new headquarters on Main Street.



Special People



President Jim Faulkinbury and First Lady Karen



Phil & Mary Hinshaw, Ray & Gail Raser



Ron & Conni Barker

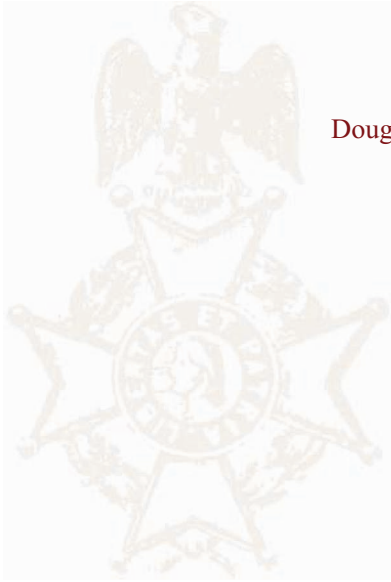


Charlie Gentis & his Grand-daughter Autumn



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