



The California Compatriot

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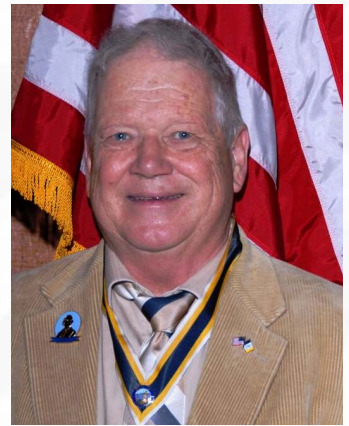
The President's Message

Having just returned from the 124th SAR National Congress I can say that this was once again a great experience. The California delegation was only represented by 11 members out of the 37 authorized. We also had 4 members who were authorized as NSSAR delegates. Those of us who did attend had a great time conducting the business of our Society and visiting several National Revolutionary War battlefields; Kings Mountain, Cowpens, and the Ninety-Six. The weather was moderate, about 10 degrees below normal for July. We elected our new national officers for 2014-2015, including President General Lindsey C. Brock of Florida, Secretary General Thomas E. Lawrence of Texas, and Treasurer General J. Michael Tomme Sr. of Georgia who won the only contested race for a national office. President General 2013-2014 Joseph W. Dooley of Virginia was able to raise the \$1M he challenged for the CAAH, now renamed as the SAR Center, and, as a result was shaved bald during the final session of the Congress.

It was announced that the restoration of new building is now completed and the headquarters staff have moved to the second floor following the sale of our old Headquarters building. The next phase to plan, design, and build the SAR Museum in our new building is now underway with a new fundraising campaign; the "SAR 1776 Society" (\$1,776 will pay for three square feet in the Museum with contributions beginning at \$25 or increments of \$148 for ¼ square feet).

The delegates voted on several Bylaws and issues of which the one of most interest to the membership was the annual debate on dues and fees. At the 2013 Congress in Kansas City, a proposal was made to increase the application

fee to \$80 for processing supplemental applications. The recommendation was made to reflect the actual cost, as determined by a comprehensive study, showing that the cost of staff and associated support for processing new applications was \$83 and the same average costs for supplemental applications was \$78. At that Congress, it was decided to delay any increase until the 2014 Congress to give the State Societies and delegates time to consider the impact of such an increase, and also that if the increase was approved at the 2014 Congress, the increase would take effect immediately following Congress. During this Congress, this was the subject of a lengthy discussion which resulted in a compromise recommendation to raise the fee to \$60 instead of the full \$80, and to readdress the issue for consideration of the full amount at the 2015 Congress. In a close vote with nearly half of the delegates wanting the full increase now, the compromise passed by a slight margin. It should be noted that this proposal was to eliminate some of the subsidization of the processing costs for supplemental applications which currently uses about 10% of our annual dues. This action avoided a potential increase to the annual dues for 2015.



123rd President, CASSAR
Jim W. Faulkinbury

As the above described activities at Congress demonstrate, representation at these meetings is important. I hope more of you will consider participating

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NEW MEMBER APPLICATION FEES, DUES

Table with 2 columns: Fee Type, Amount. Includes National, State, and Chapter fees.

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.

Table with 2 columns: Fee Type, Amount. Includes NSSAR Family Discount fees.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FEES

Table with 2 columns: Fee Type, Amount. Includes Supplemental Application fees.

JUNIOR MEMBER APPLICATION FEES, DUES

Table with 2 columns: Fee Type, Amount. Includes Junior Member Application fees.

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP ADVANTAGES

- Junior members receive California and National member numbers that remain with them throughout their adult life.



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: 31 December, 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 am recovering well from the ankle replacement surgery that I had on April 16th. I am now walking without the use of a cane. I participated in the Saratoga, CA Fourth of July ceremony with my Silicon Valley Chapter Color Guard.



I want to remind all of you that dues collection will be starting soon and ending by Dec. 31st. See the dues schedule elsewhere in this edition. After that, chapter secretaries will begin the Reconciliation process. Those reports will be due to me by January 31, 2015.

So far this year we have added 161 new members, reinstated 33, had 9 pass away, 2 transfer out of our society, 9 transfer in, and 3 transfer in from out of state and be reinstated,

Douglas Bergholdt

CASSAR State Secretary

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in future Congresses and fill our authorized slots. And remember, depending on your tax situation, attendance at these events may be tax deductible. The opportunities to visit historic sites is a plus as well.

I also hope to see many of you at our CASSAR Board of Managers Meeting in Petaluma on November 7-8, 2014. See our CASSAR website for information and the registration form.

Jim W. Faulkinbury
President, California Society, SAR

COMING EVENTS

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
191667	9626	Eddie Duane Smith	Delta	191670	9628	Wayne Wesley Lowe	Riverside
191321	9612	Nathan Lee Huyun	Gen. Geo. Patton	191671	9629	Paul Edward Lowe	Riverside
191767	9640	Aitken Birdsall	Gen. Geo. Patton	191957	9649	Christopher Richard Keene	Riverside
192006	9653	Barrie Alan Walters	Gen. Geo. Patton	192017	9664	Austin Samuel McCoy	Riverside
192007	9654	Matthew Lee Huynh	Gen. Geo. Patton	191763	9636	Michael Lee Hull	Sacramento
192008	9655	Ralph Andrew MacDonald	Gen. Geo. Patton	191764	9637	Jordan Cordell Hull	Sacramento
191497	9615	James Christopher Anagnost	Gen. Geo. Washington	191765	9638	Kirk David Lyons	Sacramento
191436	9613	Daniel Joseph Weber	Gold Country	191766	9639	Stuart McLean Lyons	Sacramento
191496	9614	Stillman Faris Gates	Gold Country	192014	9661	William Michael Johnston Randolph	Sacramento
191498	9616	Albert Joseph Cabot	Harbor	192015	9662	Matthew Johnston Randolph	Sacramento
191499	9617	Albert Joseph Cabot Jr.	Harbor	192016	9663	Ronald Allen Randolph	Sacramento
191500	9618	Paul Walter Cabot	Harbor	191678	9635	William Arthur Bry	San Diego
191501	9619	Timothy John Cabot	Harbor	191769	9642	Christopher Aaron Beresovoy	San Diego
191502	9620	Paul Andrew Cabot	Harbor	191770	9643	Jeffrey Nichols White	San Diego
191503	9621	John Thomas Cabot	Harbor	191829	9644	Daniel Lewis Copenhaver	San Diego
191504	9622	Matthew James Cabot	Harbor	191958	9650	Edward Evan Thurston	San Diego
191505	9623	Christopher Albert Cabot	Harbor	191959	9651	Stephen Edward Thurston	San Diego
192013	9660	Charles Joseph Mann	Kern	192012	9659	Andrew Mitchell Fagen	San Diego
191317	9608	Clarence Basil Shippey Jr.	Orange County	192005	9652	Cody Wells Blackshear	San Francisco
191675	9633	Eric Michael Matheny	Orange County	191673	9631	Robert Lester Shamblen	Silicon Valley
191832	9645	William Robert Biggs	Orange County	191674	9632	Brian Christopher Shamblen	Silicon Valley
191886	9647	Phillip Edwin Forbes	Orange County	192009	9656	Gregory Peterson Sherwood	Silicon Valley
191897	9648	Archie Lee McKelvie	Orange County	191202	9605	Austin Kristopher Montalvo	Sons of Liberty
136262	9625	Charles Van Orden Covell III	Redwood Empire	191318	9609	Daniel Lenkov Lewis	Sons of Liberty
191676	9634	Warren Stuart Fine	Redwood Empire	191319	9610	Bennett Miles Lewis	Sons of Liberty
191768	9641	Edwin Oviatt II	Redwood Empire	191320	9611	Nathan Alexander Lewis	Sons of Liberty
192010	9657	Keith Ambrose Brown	Redwood Empire	191668	9627	Thomas Martin Andersen	Sons of Liberty
192011	9658	David Keith Brown	Redwood Empire	191581	9624	Joseph Wolfe Zeiph II	Thomas Jefferson
191237	9606	John Edward Vahl	Riverside	191672	9630	Frederick William Lorey	Thomas Jefferson
191238	9607	Michael Parker Vahl	Riverside	191885	9646	Matthew Robert Ward Schneider	Thomas Jefferson

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!

There will be a Friday Public Service Luncheon, a Saturday luncheon, and a Saturday evening banquet, along with the CASSAR business meetings. Members are welcome to attend one event or register for all. 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).



**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.

The nearby Santa Rosa Airport has service from Los Angeles and San Diego on Alaska Airlines

Reservations:

The special room rate is \$139 per night for single or double occupancy. Accommodations include spacious king or double rooms complimentary WIFI. Hotel parking is free. Room rates are good 3 days before and after the meeting. Reservations may be made by calling 1 (707) 283-2888 and asking for the CASSAR discount rate.

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) _____

First time to a CASSAR Meeting? _____

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

Karl Jacobs receives Minuteman Award

The MINUTEMAN is the most prestigious award of the NSSAR. The award was first presented in 1952 and has a maximum of six recipients each year. At the 2014 Congress in Greenville, SC the Minuteman Award was presented to Californian Karl Jacobs. In the photo you can see he was escorted by CMD Chuck Lampman at the ceremony.

Born and raised in San Francisco, Karl graduated with two degrees from the University of the Pacific. He married Sandra Garrard 1964. He worked for 10 years as a YMCA Professional in Stockton, Phoenix, and Los Angeles, and nearly 30 years as a Technical Director with Hanna Barbara and Warner Bros Studios in TV Animation.

After joining the SAR, Karl held several leadership positions, including Harbor Chapter President (2000-2004), CASSAR President (2007), National Trustee (2008), and Vice President General - Western District (2009). He has attended 10 National Congresses, 25 Trustee's Meetings, and participated in National Color Guard events in Yorktown, VA, Laredo, TX, Washington, D.C., and Paris, France, among many others. At the National Level, he has served on 14 NSSAR Committees.



NECROLOGY

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
132172	5638	CDR Clarence Lawrence Lambing, USN(Ret)	Monterey Bay

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

Awards Presented to CASSAR at the National Congress

The California Society received numerous awards at the 2014 NSSAR Congress. In the Americanism Poster Contest, the poster from the Gold Country Chapter was the second place winner. In the Sgt. Moses Adams Memorial Middle School Brochure Contest, the brochure from General Patton Chapter was the first place winner. For the Outstanding JROTC Cadet Award, AFJROTC Cadet Hoover from the Sacramento Chapter was the first place winner. In the Rumbaugh Orations Contest, California's competitor from the San Diego Chapter was one of the six finalists.

There were several individuals from CASSAR who received medals. Bob Ebert received the SAR Baron von Steuben Color Guard Medal. The Meritorious Service Medal was presented by PG Dooley to Rev. Louis Carlson, John L. Dodd, Jim Fosdyck, and Ron Zell. Karen McKelvie received the Molly Pitcher Medal. Jim Fosdyck and Un Hui Yi received Washington Fellow pins and certificates. Ray Raser was presented the Joseph Warren Medal for support of youth programs. William Gaumer received the Lamplighter Award.

Ray Raser won the Florence Kendall Award for sponsoring 84 new members in 2013.

The Liberty Medal was earned by Ron Carello for sponsoring over 10 new members. Liberty Medal Oak Leaf Clusters were presented for Ron Barker(2), Terry Briggs(3), Tom Chilton(1), Jim Faulkinbury(2), Charlie Gentis(2), M. Kent Gregory(2), Don Gurley(1), Karl Jacobs(1), Grant Noah(5), Shawn Price(1), Ray Raser(8), and Owen Stiles(2).

Streamers were presented to CASSAR for participation in the JROTC Outstanding Cadet Contest, the Knight Essay Contest, the Rumbaugh Orations Contest, the Eagle Scout Contest, the Americanism Brochure Contest, and the Americanism Poster Contest. CASSAR received a streamer for meeting the PG Initiative for Mt. Vernon Washington Portrait, thanks to Sacramento & San Diego Chapters. The PG Initiative for helping the USO was met by Coachella Valley, Orange County, Riverside, and Silicon Valley Chapters.

Several chapters earned Partners in Patriotism certificates, including Delta, Eagle, General George S. Patton, General George Washington, Gold Country, Harbor, Kern, Monterey Bay, Orange County, Redlands, Redwood Empire, Riverside, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, Silicon Valley, Sons of Liberty, South Coast, and Thomas Jefferson.

Chapter Activities

2014 COACHELLA VALLEY CHAPTER OFFICERS

l-r: Richard Small - Past President,
Jerald Michael Ferrell - Vice President,
David Grinnell - Treasurer/Secretary/Registrar,
H. Lee Walker-President,
Donald Searle-Past President



DELTA CHAPTER

On July 19th, Delta Chapter members and guests toured the California State Train Museum in Sacramento. The tour was conducted by member Fred Fletcher, who is a volunteer at the museum. A highlight of the tour was viewing a traveling exhibit from the Smithsonian Institute entitled, "Journey Stories". Following the tour, chapter participants gathered at the Rio City Cafe in Old Sacramento for lunch.



HARBOR CHAPTER

Barbara Winkler, from Southern California Quilts of Valor, received the Martha Washington Medal from James Gill, President of the Harbor Chapter, for her tireless efforts in presenting handmade quilts to wounded warriors. She founded the local chapter of Quilts of Valor which has created and presented over 2,650 quilts!



Karl Jacobs presented Certificates of Recognition to four new Eagle Scouts at a Boy Scout Court of Honor in El Segundo on May 18. The four new Eagle Scouts were all in the Gecko Patrol of BSA Troop 267. The photo shows (l-r) Kent Pluntze (UC-Irvine), Robert Groman, Karl Jacobs, Jacob Levy (Boston University), and Bret Frei (El Camino College). Jacob Levy is the grandson of Compatriot Jacobs, and will be an active member and Color Guardsman in the Massachusetts Society while attending Boston University. The Harbor Chapter SAR has presented nearly 2,500 Eagle Scout Certificates through the Los Angeles Council BSA since 2004.



Chapter Activities

ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER

Color Guardsmen from Orange County, Riverside, and Harbor Chapters participated in the *Let Freedom Ring* ceremony on July 4 at the Cerritos Civic Center. This national color guard event was coordinated by Larry Wood of Orange County Chapter. The Color Guard was commanded by Jim Fosdyck, and the firing party was led by Mark Kramer.



RIVERSIDE CHAPTER

The Riverside Chapter set up a Revolutionary War encampment at Community Roots Academy. The school had students dress in colonial attire and spent the day learning about setting up tents, candle making, mapmaking, and surveying. They signed up for General Washington's Army, and learned Marching and Drill. Participating were Greg Rice, Mark Kramer, Gary Jensen, and Orange County Chapter members Jim Fosdyck, Un Hui Yi, and Dan Shippey with his family.



Chapter Activities

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

San Diego Chapter celebrated Flag Day aboard the USS Midway. Historic flags of member Tom Kubow were displayed on the hanger deck, the Color Guard fired their muskets from the catwalk, and the historic Fort McHenry 15 star flag was honored. Members from Gen. George Patton and Riverside Chapters also participated.



SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER

Santa Barbara Chapter hosted a Flag Day parade and celebration at the historic Santa Barbara Presidio. The Keynote Speaker was SAR President General Joe Dooley, who had the honor of sleeping overnight in the Presidio the preceding evening. Color guardsmen from Harbor, Orange County, and Riverside Chapters also participated.



Chapter Activities

SACRAMENTO & THOMAS JEFFERSON CHAPTERS

On June 27th, at Pershing Square, Presidio of San Francisco, members of Los Californianos and the Presidio Trust celebrated the 238th birthday of the arrival of the soldiers and settlers of the 2nd Anza Expedition which on that date in 1776 founded the Royal Presidio of San Francisco and Mission Dolores. The ceremony included brief presentations by Boyd de Larios Past President of Los Californianos, William Islas of Tucson, Arizona who portrayed Juan Bautista de Anza, CASSAR President Jim Faulkinbury who spoke about Spain and Alta California's role supporting the American Revolution, representatives of the Presidio Trust, and the Superintendent of the de Anza National Historic Trail. Members of the Amigos de Anza Equestrian Drill Team and the Presidio's US Park Police Horse Mounted Unit provided a horseback presence. The ceremony concluded by a reading of the names of the 240 men, women, and children in the expedition. CASSAR members in attendance were Jim and Karen Faulkinbury, Ernie and Helen Garcia, and Tom Silva.



CASSAR Youth Contests

I am pleased to announce that the **Americanism Elementary Poster Contest** theme for 2014-2105 is “**Lexington & Concord.**”

The aim of this contest is to stimulate interest in American History in support of the established school curriculum. Having served as a Chapter level Chairman for a number of years now, I can attest to what a great contest this is for fellow Compatriots, teachers and students.

Every year, Chapter members go to local classrooms to discuss the annual poster theme, explain the rules and talk about the American Revolution. In my Chapter (Gold Country), we do our presentations in Revolutionary War uniforms and period dress. We also bring a collection of authentic Revolutionary War artifacts to share with students. In over 25 classrooms in our area, the Americanism Poster Contest has become a part of the yearly curriculum. The students are fascinated with our uniforms, love touching real artifacts and enjoy hearing about our ancestors. The teachers look forward to our visits.

Nationally, this contest is directed at students in the 3rd, 4th or 5th grades, depending on which year the American Revolution is taught in their educational system - including ecumenical and home schooled students. In California public schools, it's 5th grade.

I encourage any Chapter that is not currently participating in this program to give it a try this year. We have a great theme, Lexington & Concord and I will be happy to give you whatever help or tips you need to get started. Also, the contest is open to members of the Cub Scouts and Brownies and CAR (Children of the American Revolution) who are in the same grades but whose school system may not be participating in the contest. You can find more information at the CASSAR website.

Dave Gilliard, CASSAR Americanism Poster Contest Chairman

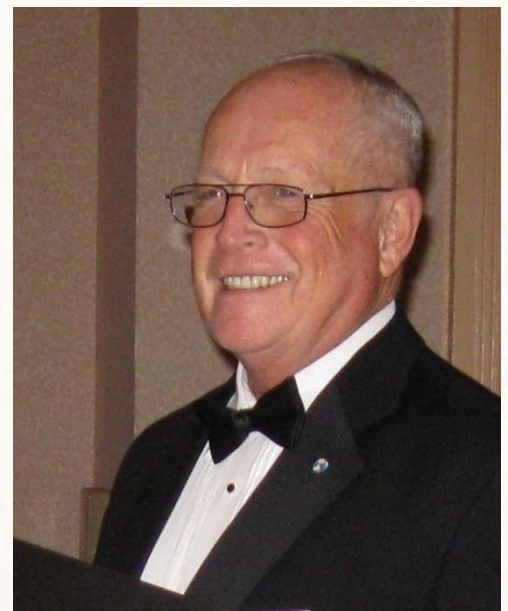


The National Society, SAR has changed the **Americanism Middle School Brochure Contest** theme to fit with middle school history and government curriculums across the nation. While the Poster Contest will continue to follow the traditional annual contest theme approach, the Middle School Brochure Contest will follow the essay contest model by establishing a broader theme.

The permanent Brochure Contest theme will be "***The Foundational Documents of the United States***". These documents include: Articles of Confederation, Declaration of Independence, U.S. Constitution, Federalist Papers, and the Bill of Rights. Students will be encouraged to pick a particular founding document and produce a brochure within the established criteria. This model will make it easier for Chapter Youth Contest Chairmen to find classroom teachers who can blend our contest into their history lesson plans.

Details for the Brochure Contest can be found at www.californiasar.org. Questions should be directed to Tom Adams at tcadams@pacbell.com.

Tom Adams, CASSAR Brochure Contest Chairman



CASSAR Youth Contests (continued)

The **George and Stella Knight Essay Contest** encourages patriotism in young people and ascertain their ideas and ideals of the present. The contest is now open to all high school freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

The essay must be based on student research and deal with an event, person, philosophy or ideal associated with the American Revolution, Declaration of Independence, or the framing of the U.S. Constitution. The paper must be typed in English, double-spaced, and between 800 and 1200 words. References should be listed at the end of the essay. This year the contest allows for the subject to expand to the Magna Carta, to celebrate the 800th anniversary of the signing of that document.

Check the www.sar.org website for complete contest rules. Essays are to be submitted to the Chapter by 12/31/2014.

Keith Bigbee, CASSAR Knight Essay Chairman.
kckbigbee@gmail.com

The **Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest** is a national competition sponsored since 1947 by NSSAR. This speech contest is designed to explore the influence of the Revolutionary War on present day America. The speech must be between 5 and 6 minutes in length on a topic of an event, personality, or document on the Revolutionary War and its relationship to America today. Rather than hosting a traditional live speech contest, the California Society, SAR will be accepting entries for the 2014 Oration Contest utilizing digital technology. Please find information at www.californiasar.org.

Steve Ludwiczak, CASSAR Oration Contest Chairman



Arthur M. & Berdena King Eagle Scout Scholarship

Now is a great time to contact your local Boy Scout Office and District representative's to share the SAR Scholarship program, along with your Chapters Deadlines for 2014. **December 1, 2014** is the CASSAR deadline for all to applications submitted by to the California SAR Eagle Scout Committee. see the CASAR web site (www.californiasar.org) for additional information.

Committee Members Needed

We need your help in being a judge this fall 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 at: Gary@JensenMyWay.com

CASSAR Youth Contests (continued)

Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award

The **NSSAR Eagle Scout Committee** has expanded the number of Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Awards based on the number of Compatriots in each of the State Societies. California now qualifies for four Robert E. Burt medals each year. This is a great time to identify SAR members that are active and registered with the Boy Scouts of America, and consider submitting a nomination for the Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award by December 1, 2014.

Gary Jensen, CASSAR Boy Scout Chairman

The **SAR ROTC (Reserve Officers Training Corps) Medal** is presented to foster the principle of the "citizen-soldier," exemplified by the minutemen of Revolutionary War period. This award is presented by a Chapter, a State Society, or the National Society to ROTC or JROTC cadets who are selected for having a high degree leadership qualities, military bearing and general excellence. The recipients are selected by the Senior Military Instructor of the ROTC or JROTC unit, who should be given full latitude in making the selection.

For ROTC or JROTC units with fewer than 500 cadets or midshipmen one medal can be awarded each year. For larger units, one medal may be presented for each 500 students enrolled in the unit. In cases where a school has more than one ROTC or JROTC unit, each unit is counted separately. It is desirable to have a medal and ribbon bar on display in a trophy case at each school where it is presented. This will serve as an incentive to the students and publicize the SAR ROTC program as well.



In the **SAR Enhanced JROTC Program**, each SAR chapter may select an Outstanding JROTC Cadet and enter that cadet into the CASSAR Outstanding JROTC Cadet program. The winner of the State competition will be entered into the National contest. The winner of the national program receives a special award at the SAR's National Congress. This year (2014) the winner of the National Outstanding JROTC Recognition program was the cadet sponsored by the Sacramento Chapter of the California Society. For additional information contact the CASSAR chairman.

James C. Fosdyck, CASSAR ROTC/JROTC Chairman



CASSAR Youth Contests (continued)

With the same goals as the ROTC/JROTC program, the U.S. **Naval Sea Cadet Corps** is a non-profit youth program administered by volunteers for American children ages 11 through 17 and with the goal of training them concerning the seagoing military services, community service, citizenship, discipline and teamwork. There are many squadrons throughout California, both inland and on the coasts. To see if there is a unit near your chapter, access the Sea Cadet website at www.seacadets.org, enter your zip code and find the closest units to you. I recommend you contact them and acquaint them with the SAR NSCC program



As implemented by the NSSAR, the unit commanding officer will select an outstanding cadet using the criteria in the Sea Cadet Awards Manual. He or she must demonstrate a high degree of merit with respect to leadership qualities, military bearing, and excellence in the performance of duties. The unit will nominate the candidates to the local CASSAR chapter chairman or president, who will present the award. The award consists of the bronze Good Citizenship medal and ribbon bar plus certificate to the NSCC nominee, or the SAR certificate to the NLCC nominee. The awards are normally presented during a unit's award ceremony.

Making this presentation in your color guard uniform will make it an unforgettable experience for the cadets, and observing the demeanor and discipline of the cadets will leave you with an indelible memory!

Robert Taylor, CASSAR Naval Sea Cadet Chairman

The **SAR Spirit of America** program recognizes the outstanding graduating boy and girl from a middle school or K - 8 school during their graduation ceremonies. Using the criteria of scholarship, dependability, cooperation, leadership and patriotism, each school faculty selects an outstanding boy and girl from the graduating class for the award. These nominees are then submitted to the school district, where the selection of one boy and girl for the bronze Good Citizenship Medal and certificate is made. The students not selected by the district for the bronze Good Citizenship Medal will receive the Outstanding Citizenship pin and certificate.

The SAR chapter prepares the certificates and award medals (Outstanding Citizenship Pins and bronze Good Conduct Medals) and provides them to the school district for the ceremonies. On the day of the ceremony, compatriot volunteers dressed in color guard uniforms or suits present the awards to the nominated students during the graduation ceremonies in front of their peers, teachers and parents, giving the award added significance for them.

Robert Taylor, Spirit of America Chairman



CASSAR Youth Contests (continued)

CASSAR Chapters may invite high schools to select one young man or one young woman from their senior class to receive the **Outstanding Good Citizenship Award**. The Outstanding Citizenship Lapel Pin or engraved Bronze Medal and Certificate is presented in recognition of the recipient's furthering of American citizenship principles. The high school's selection process should take into consideration the student's overall scholarship and citizenship, or a student with the highest grades in history and the best record in citizenship.

Participating chapters mail letters of invitation to the high schools in March of each year. Schools submit the name of the student candidate no later than the first Friday in May to allow time for the preparation of the materials.

A chapter representative can present the label pin or engraved bronze medal or a school official may make the presentation. The High School Outstanding Citizenship Award Program is administered by Youth Activities Director **Steve Ludwiczak**.



Fellow Compatriots... CASSAR Youth Programs are alive and well thanks to the efforts of so many dedicated members and Committee Chairmen reaching out to the schools and community. In addition, students are locating the newly designed website and participating in our Youth Recognition and Contest Programs. President Faulkinbury placed high value on youth education during his address at the Sacramento CASSAR Spring Meeting. We recognize the challenge is there and CASSAR has the ability to make a difference for our most valuable resource, the children of California.

It is gratifying to announce that **ALL** youth programs had participants during 2013 – 2014. The CASSAR Middle School Brochure Program was expanded nation-wide as a NSSAR Youth Contest. Seven teachers applied for the Valley Forge Teacher Recognition Program and two were sponsored by CASSAR to attend the Valley Forge “Revolution in the Middle States” in July. While there is much to celebrate, the work isn't done. Consider what your chapter can do this year, and take the challenge to introduce the youth programs to your area schools. Our youth contest chairmen and I stand ready to support you as you reach out to expand in new directions!

Steve Ludwiczak, CASSAR Youth Activities Director



2014 NSSAR Congress

BY STEPHEN RENOUF

The South Carolina Society hosted the 124th Annual SAR Congress at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Greenville, South Carolina from July 17 to July 23, 2014. The California Society was represented by Jim and Karen Faulkinbury, Ron and Conni Barker, Bob and Darian Taylor, Jim Blauer, Jim and Un Hui Fosdyck, Stephen and Joy Renouf, Bob Ebert, John and Lacey Dodd, Rev. Lou and Karen Carlson, Larry and Barbara Magerkurth, Karl and Sandy Jacobs, Chuck Lampman, Oliver and Pat Everette, Tom and Ann Adams, David and Maryanne Gilliard, and Ray Raser. The theme of the Greenville Congress was Revolutionary War battlefields – South Carolina has arguably the most Revolutionary War battlefields of any state in the nation. The hotel location was in the heart of the downtown district with many restaurants and shops, and beautiful Falls Park nearby. On Friday evening, July 18, a reception was held at the Upcountry Museum with exhibits on the history of the South Carolina Upcountry.

On Saturday, compatriots toured Kings Mountain Battlefield National Park. In October 1780, British Major Ferguson and his loyalist Carolina militia were camped on Kings Mountain. They were surprised by a Patriot force of militiamen. Major Ferguson was shot and killed in the battle, and his Loyalists were routed by the Patriots. The decisive victory gave the Patriots a boost in morale. Following tradition, everyone piled stones on the grave of Major Patrick Ferguson, and watched a demonstration of the firing of the Ferguson breach-loading rifle. The group then continued on to Cowpens Battlefield National Park. In 1780, General Nathanael Greene ordered General Daniel Morgan to harass the British in the South Carolina backcountry. General Cornwallis sent Colonel Banastre Tarleton to hunt down Morgan and his soldiers. In January 1781, General Morgan met Colonel Tarleton in battle at Cowpens. Morgan routed Tarleton, but Tarleton escaped.

On Sunday morning, the 2013-14 National Trustees

met for the final time. The draft investment policy statement was adopted by the trustees. A motion was approved to authorize the expenditure of \$15,000 to enhance the façade of the SAR Headquarters building on West Main Street. There will be an 8-foot pedestal with a statue of a minuteman in front of the building, and flags will be added to the front façade. There was a proposal to dispose of the old microfilm and microfiche to free up space in the library. This proposal was unanimously referred by the trustees to the library committee to make a list of what is included in these old records, and to make a recommendation on how the material is to be disposed.

After lunch, the SAR Color Guard marched from the hotel to Christ Church Episcopal, and had the SAR Memorial Service for the compatriots who passed away in the previous year. Chaplain General Rev. Lou Carlson led the services. Following the memorial service, the Ladies Auxiliary had a tea and open house. On Sunday afternoon, several committees met. The Germany Society met with Ebert and Jacobs in attendance. The Society amended their Bylaws. German Society President Bruce Buehler awarded Stephen Renouf the SAR Meritorious Service Medal for his work on the bylaw committee. Renouf chaired the NSSAR Medals and Awards Committee, which was attended by Carlson and Fosdyck. The committee approved a change to the Thomas Jefferson Medal for the Essay Contest to permit them to award a patron bar for a donation to the essay contest fund of \$1,500 in lieu of the silver oak leaf cluster. The Rumbaugh Orations Contest was held that evening.

On Monday, the Congress business meeting was convened by President General Joe Dooley. The Congress voted to create a separate fund to receive the \$2 million proceeds from the sale of the old headquarters building on Fourth Street, and the Trustees may vote to spend income and principal of this fund for outreach education, website design, building maintenance, etc. Registrar General Tomme

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announced that there are now 31,816 members. Sam Powell presented a proposal from the SAR Foundation to spend \$550,000 to develop a detailed plan for the SAR Museum for Phase 3 of construction. Money could be spent from the line of credit for this and repaid with future donations. The trustees approved the creation of the plan for the Museum unanimously.

Following lunch, video clips were shown from "The World of George Rogers Clark" produced by Ball State University under the direction of Dr. Ronald Morris. It is available for download on the Internet. Sam Powell and Lanny Patten announced the end of the current capital campaign for the SAR Center, and announced that there will be a new capital campaign starting January 1, 2015 – the SAR 1776 Society. Donations of \$592 will pay for 1 square foot of the SAR Museum. President General Dooley presented the SAR Meritorious Service Medal to Ron Barker, Jim Fosdyck and Tom Adams. On Monday evening, CASSAR won several awards, which are listed in the awards article in this Compatriot.

On Tuesday, the bylaws committee presented amendments for congress' consideration. The California Society proposed amending Bylaw 16, Section 6, to allow for special meetings to be conducted via e-mail or teleconference, and congress voted to accept the proposal. The Texas Society proposed amending Bylaw 23, Section 3, to modify the national life membership fund to treat the fund as an annuity, and make full payments of life member dues each year, and this proposal was approved. The Florida Society proposed amending Bylaw 29, Section 2, to raise the quorum for a board of trustees meeting from 11 to 20 to make it consistent with Bylaw 16, Section 8, and this proposal was approved. A resolution was presented and endorsed to request the U.S. Congress to posthumously confer U.S. citizenship upon General Bernardo de Galvez for his service to the United States in the Revolutionary War. President General Dooley presented charters to two new SAR chapters in South Carolina. The Education Committee recommended that the SAR

endorse the Why America Is Free curriculum, and congress voted to endorse it. There was a motion to raise the fees for supplementals from \$40 to \$80 (and family supplementals from \$20 to \$40), but after discussion it was amended to raise the fees to \$60 (and \$30 for family). The amended motion was passed.

A special committee of Stephen Renouf of California and Jim Jones of Texas reviewed the national life membership program. Renouf presented his review of the program, which showed that the fund is solvent, and can afford to start making payments on the \$160,000 past dues that the life membership fund owes the general fund. Jones presented two recommendations for states to follow to make sure their state life membership funds are solvent. A motion was approved to make \$10,000 annual payments on the past dues owed, and to re-evaluate the national life membership program in 3-5 years. Bill Marrs presented the new online application system that will be part of the SAR website enhancements. All the information can be entered online, and then the completed application can be printed and submitted with the proofs to the SAR.

Elections were held for general officers for 2014-15. Unanimously elected were President General Lindsey C. Brock of Florida, Secretary General Tom Lawrence of Texas, Chancellor General John L. Dodd of California, Genealogist General John Sinks of the District of Columbia, Registrar General Larry Guzy of Georgia, Historian General Robert Towns of Georgia, Librarian General Bruce Pickette of Alabama, Surgeon General Ed Riegel of Florida, Chaplain General Rev. Randy Moody of Florida, and SAR Foundation Trustees Joe Dooley of Virginia and Sam Powell of North Carolina. There was a ballot for the contested race for Treasurer General, with Mike Tomme of Georgia being elected.

On Tuesday afternoon, the Ladies Auxiliary took a trip to Bob Jones University and visited the Museum and Gallery. CASSAR President Faulkinbury attended the

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Council of State Presidents meeting. NSSAR Past President General Magerkurth attended the Council of Presidents General meeting. VPG Ebert and Renouf attended the Council of Vice Presidents General meeting. Renouf chaired the Premium Membership Medals Committee, with Dodd, Carlson, Jacobs, and Blauer in attendance. The committee decided to explore creating premium blazer buttons, and creating a premium SAR officers' sash matching the SAR premium ribbon.

Tuesday night was the President General's Banquet. The guest speaker was Peter R. Henriques, professor of history, emeritus, at George Mason University. Professor Henriques spoke on George Washington and Thomas Jefferson. These two towering Virginians had a relationship that devolved from friendship to animosity.

Wednesday morning the Vice Presidents General were elected unanimously, including Vice President General of the Western District Stephen Renouf. The NSSAR Trustees were elected unanimously, including Steve Hurst (CA Trustee), Jim Faulkinbury (CA Alternate Trustee), Bob Ebert (Mexico Trustee), Rev. Lou Carlson (Mexico Alternate Trustee), and Stephen Renouf (Spain Trustee). General officers and past presidents general were also elected unanimously as trustees. PG Lindsey Brock announced the members of his executive committee - Sam Powell of North Carolina, Stephen Renouf of California, Bill Stone of Alabama, Nathan White of Texas, and Davis Wright of Delaware – and they were elected unanimously as trustees. Chancellor General John Dodd swore in the new trustees. Sam Powell announced that the SAR Center received over \$1 million in donations in the past year, so President General Joe Dooley had his head shaved on the floor of Congress.

A tour was taken by bus to the Ninety-Six Battlefield National Park. The Ninety-Six was a trading post between the coastal European settlements and the Indians of the interior, and was ninety-six miles from

the nearest Indian village. Loyalists garrisoned the fort at Ninety-Six. In 1781, General Nathanael Greene arrived and besieged the fort. When a British relief force was approaching, Greene decided he must take the fort or be caught in a vise. Greene was unable to take the fort, and both sides took heavy losses. Greene withdrew before the relief force arrived. The attack significantly weakened the fort, and the loyalist decided to abandon it and move their forces to the coast.

Wednesday evening was the Installation Banquet. Following dinner, Chancellor General Dodd swore in the new general officers and the Vice Presidents Generals. He swore in President General Lindsey Brock of Florida with Mike and Cilla Tomme performing the George Washington Ring Ceremony, when Past President General Dooley placed the George Washington signet ring on the finger of incoming President General Brock. PG Brock gave his inaugural speech outlining his plans for the coming year, and announced there would be a NSSAR cruise from Baltimore, Maryland; down to Cape Canaveral, Florida; across to Nassau, Bahamas; and then back to Baltimore. The theme of the cruise will be the last naval battle of the Revolutionary War off of Cape Canaveral, and the first foreign amphibious landing of the US Marines (which occurred in the Bahamas).



Photos from NSSAR Congress

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CASSAR members at 2014 national Congress



John Dodd swearing in PG Brock



Rev. Lou Carlson in Memorial Service

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JROTC Cadet Hoover sponsored by Sacramento Chapter



Jim Blauer singing National Anthem



Bob Taylor in Color Guard

Photos from NSSAR Congress (continued)



PG Dooley with hair



Going...Going....Gone



CDR Oliver & Pat Everette

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Stephen & Joy Renouf



Jim & Un Hui Fosdyck



Dave & Maryanne Gilliard

A Brief History of the Brochure Contest

In 2009 CASSAR President Lou Carlson appointed Tom Adams Youth Activities Director and at the same time charged him to: "... expand school based programs like the Knight Essay Contest into the lower grades." Since the SAR offers the Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest to elementary school 5th graders, the challenge was to create a contest for Middle School age children. (6th, 7th, 8th graders.) It turns out American History is not taught in middle school until the 8th grade in California. Therefore, **8th graders** became our target audience.

Adams, working the Rolling Hills Middle School history teacher, Kevin Tierney, conceived of the Tri-fold Brochure Contest. The tri-fold Brochure option was selected over several other ideas, ranging from short essays to new technology communications, such as YouTube videos. A proposal was submitted to CASSAR by Adams to pursue the American History Brochure Contest for Middle School children, and develop a plan for testing the concept in 2009-10 school year. Permission was granted to continue and further develop the program. Wayne Griswold presented the proposal to the NSSAR Americanism Committee in September of 2009. The committee was willing to accept the Brochure Contest as a National Middle School program for SAR after successful pilot testing in California.

In California, the program was launched in 2010 and was successful in: 2010-11, 2011-2012, 2012-13 and 2013-14. At the 2013 NSSAR Congress in Kansas City, Mike Tomme announced at the Youth Awards Luncheon that the national Brochure Contest would begin in 2013-14. He named Tom Adams to be the National Brochure Contest Chairman.

The 2014 Greenville Congress held the first national Middle School Brochure Contest judging and awards. Seven State Societies submitted entries: Alabama, California, Georgia, Kentucky, Kansas, North Carolina and Virginia. At the Youth Awards Luncheon the winners were announced. The winning entry was from California! The Middle School Brochure Contest has been formally named the ***Sgt. Moses Adams Memorial Brochure Contest*** (a patriot ancestor of Tom Adams) at the National level, but that's another story.



New Book by Bill Bays

A new book has been written and published by Bill Bays, President of the General George S. Patton Chapter in Ventura. Entitled **James Robertson, Father of Tennessee and Founder of Nashville**, it is about one of Bill Bay's ancestors. "The Tennessee region has been somewhat overlooked as America's first western frontier. It is important to fully understand the history that formed this great country to understand our current society," stated Bays.

James Robertson led the first group of settlers over the mountains and founded the first white settlement in what would later become East Tennessee. In the year before the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, British Indian agents began inciting the Cherokees, Shawnees, and other western tribes to confront the American settlers. The frontiersmen mobilized their militias and eventually defeated the Cherokees. Afterwards, James Robertson was appointed Indian Agent to keep the peace.

In 1779, Robertson entered into an agreement with Richard Henderson and John Donelson to settle the area around

French Lick, which would later become Nashville. After their arrival in 1780, Indian attacks soon commenced. Using large scale attacks and small ambushes, the protracted war against the settlers lasted for fifteen years. Richard Henderson fled and John Donelson was killed. James Robertson's determination and steadfast leadership was the glue that kept the infant settlement together.

George Washington appreciated Robertson's leadership and appointed him Brigadier General of the Western Militia. Andrew Jackson's military training began as a private in General Robertson's militia. Jackson learned well and years later replaced Robertson after his retirement. Daniel Boone, George Rogers Clark, John Sevier, Isaac Shelby, and Anthony Bledsoe were other western leaders who trusted James Robertson. Robertson's long military and civic leadership began before the American Revolutionary War and ended after the Battle of Talladega during the War of 1812.

The book **James Robertson, Father of Tennessee and Founder of Nashville** was published by WestBow Press and is available online through Amazon or Barnes and Noble. A copy has been accepted for the NSSAR Genealogical Library in Louisville, KY.



Books by other Compatriots

- Gary Beck wrote "**Das Beckhaus**" - **A Story of Beck Ancestry from Wurttemberg, Germany**. It is a family history of the Beck family going back to the 1400's.
- William Cordero published a family history of the Cordero Family - going back to his Patriot Ancestor Mariano Cordero, who was a Soldado in New Spain, serving in the California Missions. Mariano Cordero's name is on the first page of the Book of Bands at Mission Dolores in San Francisco.
- Danny Cox, a former supersonic fighter pilot, has written five books that are now in 28 languages. His most popular is **Leadership When the Heat's On**. It shows how to build a strong team, keep morale and motivation high, and turnover low.
- Peter Ford wrote **Glenn Ford: A Life**. This biography of the famous screen actor was written by his son Peter, and offers an intimate view of the star's private and public life.
- James Fosdyck wrote **History of the Fosdick/Fosdyck Family**. The book goes back to Stephen Fosdick of Great Wenham, Suffolk, England, and traces the family 360 years in England, America, and Canada, reconstructing the local, regional, national, and sometimes international events which had an impact on their lives.
- Kent Gregory wrote **William Simpson: Citizen Soldier**. It is the story of a boy, who at age 16 joined the Virginia Militia and fought in the Revolutionary War. After the war he migrated west and was one of the early pioneers in the Illinois Territory.
- Dan Henry wrote **A Mission of Honor: A Journey for Truth for Two Missing in Action Uncles**. Dan uncovered the true stories of how his great uncle Lawrence Hamblin and his wife's uncle Bradford Wikholm were each shot down during WWII, their military careers, and the villagers in Europe who remember their deaths.
- Karl Jacobs wrote **Explore, Dream, Discover - the Adventures of a Sea-faring Man**. It is a historical biography on his father's life on the sea. August Rudolph Jacobs went to sea as a 13 year-old cadet on the "Prinzess Eitel Fredrich." His career included three trips around the Horn, and nearly 50 years on the sea.
- Wayne Rogers wrote **Healthcare Sterilisation: Introduction and Standard Practices**. It provides an historic overview of sterilization and answers questions such as: How does environmental control and microbiology affect sterilization? What are the classical and standard methods? What are the most consistent and reliable methods?

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