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The President's Message

My Fellow Compatriots,

It is my great honor to address you as president of the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. I follow a long line of dedicated, faithful men who served well to ensure this Society would become what it has today. I recognize the importance of this office and will do my best to fulfill your expectations.

We share a great heritage! We celebrate the accomplishments of those patriots who fought tyranny and oppression against dreadful odds; those lovers of liberty who sacrificed lives, fortunes, and sacred honor to give us our inheritance of freedom. As the last of those venerated heroes passed away, their real sons and grandsons, remembering the greatness of their fathers' deeds, united to form the Sons of Revolutionary Sires, originators of the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Thus, the first organization in America's history was formed to honor all those who took part in achieving American independence!

If this freedom is to survive, America must remember its history. As today's sons of Revolutionary sires we must

tell their story. We must tell our children and grandchildren, our neighbors, our family and our friends the story of a *legacy of freedom* and of the *valiant men and women* who gave their all to make it a reality.

As your president, I am acutely aware of the many compatriots who are doing this today. They work diligently to promote patriotism, respect for national symbols, the memory of our patriot ancestors, and the love of God and country. They are active in their communities, make civic contributions, provide leadership to Boy Scout troops, Little League teams, other youth organizations, and in neighborhood schools and churches. They look for and take advantage of opportunities to teach young people the value and the real meaning of America's freedom and independence.

As a Society, the Sons of the American Revolution is doing its part. It has provided opportunities to tell this story and has a variety of programs designed to reach this goal. There are many areas to serve and once you become active you, too, will reap some rewards. I encourage you to get involved.

Rewards? You better believe it! Involving yourself in an SAR program is not only fun, but also rewarding! It allows you the opportunity to witness the sparkle in a young person's eye when he or she discovers the importance of a significant event in America's history.

The National Society's Americanism Poster Contest is one example. It allows you to assist fifth grade teachers by connecting with students who anxiously listen to the historical presentations you'll share with them in the classroom. Then there is the Americanism Middle School Brochure Contest. Developed just last year by California Compatriot Tom Adams, this program provides the opportunity to share with older youths in the eight-grade setting. The Brochure Contest is a transition between the poster contest and the essay contest.

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Wayne A. Griswold, Sr.
President, CASSAR

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Application Fees & Dues



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	NSSAR Fee	\$80.00
NEW NSSAR	NSSAR Dues	\$30.00
APPLICANT	CASSAR Fee	\$20.00
	Chapter Dues	varies

The National Society discounts its application fee for additional family members who file on the same lineage and at the same time as the above New NSSAR Applicant. This discounted fee is shown in the table below.

	NSSAR Fee	\$30.00
THE NSSAR FAMILY	NSSAR Dues	\$30.00
DISCOUNT	CASSAR Fee	\$20.00
	Chapter Dues	varies
SUPPLEMENTAL	NSSAR Fee	\$40.00
APPLICATION	CASSAR Fee	\$10.00
JUNIOR MEMBER	NSSAR Fee	\$80.00
APPLICATION	Nat'l Dues	\$5.00
	CASSAR Fee	- 0 -
	Chapter	- 0 -

Junior Members receive a State and National SAR Membership Number at the time their application is approved. They pay the designated Junior Member annual dues and upon reaching 18 years of age they can become a Regular Member by paying Regular Member dues. The National Fee for Junior Members using a previously approved and acceptable SAR, DAR or CAR application is \$30.00.

	NSSAR Fee	\$30.00
YOUTH	CASSAR Fee	- 0 -
REGISTRANTS	Chapter	- 0 -

Youth Registrants do not receive a National Number at the time their application is approved. However, they do not pay dues and have until age 29 to apply for Regular Membership based on their Youth Registrant application.



Report your chapter news in the next California Compatriot. Email the final draft of your chapter news prior to the deadline posted at the lower right corner of this page. Include the identities of all individual appearing in your photos. Remember, space is limited. The Editor reserves the right to edit your submission. Thank you!

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The State Secretary's Report

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ANNUAL DUES, REGULAR MEMBERS

National Society	\$30.00
California Society	\$18.00
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.

CALIFORNIA SOCIETY LIFE MEMBERS

The California Society's Life Membership program covers a member's National, California Society, and Chapter dues for as long as he remains in the California Society, SAR.

The California Society Life Membership program is open to all Regular Members over 18 years of age. The fee structure is based on the member's age as follows:

Age 18 to 54	\$1000.00
Age 55 to 74	\$750.00
Age 75 and over	\$500.00

The California Society Life Membership payments may be paid in a single lump sum or in \$250.00 annual installments until the State Life Membership fee has been paid in full.

NATIONAL SOCIETY LIFE MEMBERS

The National Society Life Membership program covers a member's National Dues only. Members participating in this program are responsible for paying their California Society State and Chapter dues to remain active in the National Society.

I'm pleased to report that the work to finish the CASSAR history is beginning to near completion. It is my goal to have this completed before my term of office ends in April. Of the 8,719 CASSAR numbers assigned since No. 1 was issued in December 1890, we have scanned Record Copies for all but 133. There are also a few duplicate numbers that need to be resolved and about 35 CASSAR numbers for which corresponding names and National numbers are being researched. I am asking Chapters to send me any missing Record Copies they may have in their Chapter records.

President Griswold has created a Records Committee that is going through the documents that have been transferred to the Secretary. Among those items now re-discovered are the 1910 CASSAR official seal stamp, the 1916 letter signed by Theodore Roosevelt expressing regrets for not being able to attend a Board of Managers Meeting, and early handwritten BOM minute books from 1906-1923, 1931-1935, and 1943-1944. The minutes prior to the San Francisco earthquake were lost in the conflagration, and the first entry was one month later in May 1906.

We began the calendar year with 1,428 CASSAR members. Thus far, we have had 96 new members and 26 reinstatements. Ten (10) members have passed away and 5 have transferred to other State Societies for a net gain in membership of 108.

Thanks to the new NSSAR reconciliation report and its use by several CASSAR chapters, we were able to submit 2010 dues on schedule and received kudos from the NSSAR staff who indicated our reconciliation was one of the easiest they've had to finish in several years; even easier than the Alaska Society's. I hope all Chapter secretaries continue to use this form as the year progresses for the 2011 dues process. If entries are made as changes occur, the only outstanding items needed to complete the annual dues process will be the inclusion of drops and resignations on that worksheet.

Submitted by Jim L. W. Faulkinbury
Secretary, California Society, SAR



Jim L. W. Faulkinbury
California Secretary

President Theodore Roosevelt letter found!

New Records Committee will inventory, organize and safely store State property and records. It will create and maintain a inventory of all property in the possession of members.

Chapters' use of the National Society's reconciliation report proves to be of great advantage.

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State Meeting Recap

2010 SPRING MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP

17-year-old youth, Todd McHugh, saves lives of three and receives SAR Medal for Heroism during Friday's Public Service Luncheon!

JROTC Cadet Laura Esquivel receives a \$1500 U.S. Savings Bond during Saturday's Youth Awards Luncheon. \$1500 U.S. Savings Bonds were also awarded to Eagle Scout, Brady Baldwin, and Knight Essay winner, Miriam Million.

Don Gurley beautifully entertained guests aboard the Delta King during Friday evening's President's Dinner in honor of CASSAR President Lou Carlson and first lady, Karen.

The Gold Country Chapter hosted the 135th Spring Meeting of the Membership at Embassy Suites, Sacramento Riverfront Promenade in Old Sacramento. President Lou Carlson opened the business meeting on Friday, 9 April 2010. After introductions, the state officers gave their reports, followed by national officers. Then committee chairmen and chapter presidents gave their reports. Friday's public service luncheon followed on the hotel's terrace. Officer Richard Kawasaki and Sergeant John Zwolinski received the SAR Law Enforcement Medal. Todd McHugh received the SAR Medal for Heroism. His heroic deed occurred



when he witnessed a woman's car swerve and stop upon railroad tracks. As he ran to the car he found her asleep at the wheel, with two small children in the back seat. He then helped the woman and her children out of the car just seconds before a light rail train struck the car and destroyed it. The young man's quick actions averted three deaths.

The business meeting continued in the afternoon. The membership voted to endorse David Sympson for President General, Larry Magerkurth for Secretary General, and Chuck Lampman for Historian General. It also provisionally endorsed John Dodd for Chancellor General, should he choose to run. That evening, members walked the short distance to the Delta King for the President's Dinner, where a wonderful meal was served aboard the antique riverboat. Don Gurley sang a song in honor of outgoing President Lou Carlson.



The CASSAR meeting continued on Saturday. The budget and audit committee retired to audit the 2009 records, and further refine the 2010 budget. The membership voted to provide a hardcopy of the *California Compatriot* to all members, and established a budget to cover two printed issues each year. Executive Vice President Wayne Griswold

announced the audit results, and presented amendments to the 2010 budget that was adopted last November.

Saturday's youth awards luncheon again followed on the terrace. Brady Baldwin was presented the Eagle Scout Trophy as the state winner. Marine Cadet 1st Lieutenant Laura Esquivel was awarded the JROTC Medal. Miriam Million won the Knight Essay Contest and her father accepted the award, since Miriam was busy taking a college placement exam. Gold Country Chapter Compatriot Dale Ross received the Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Medal. The Redwood Empire Chapter won the Best Small Chapter Award, a fitting tribute to our late compatriot Jamieson Bates. The Orange County Chapter won the Best Mid-Sized Chapter Award, and the Gold Country Chapter won the Best Large Chapter Award.

The memorial service was held in the meeting room after lunch, led by CASSAR Chaplain Phil Dodson. President Don Gurley memorialized late compatriots David Stevenson and Garry Grover. Redwood Empire Chapter President Grant Noah memorialized Jamieson Bates. Also among those memorialized was CASSAR Past President Travis Spears, who had recently passed away. The business meeting continued in the afternoon. Chancellor Jeff Goodwin presented two bylaws changes – one to add the immediate past president and treasurer as voting members of the executive committee, and the other to waive annual state dues for members who have paid 50 years of regular dues to CASSAR. Both amendments were approved.

Past President Stephen Renouf, the chairman of the CASSAR nominating committee conducted elections for the 2010-2011 officers. The slate of officers recommended by the nominating committee were Wayne Griswold (Gold Country) for President, John Dodd (Orange County) for Execu-



The San Diego Chapter's

CENTENNIAL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

tive Vice President, Keith Bigbee (Gold Country) for Vice President North, Stephen Hurst (General Patton) for Vice President South, Jim Faulkinbury (Sacramento) for Secretary, Michael Howard (San Diego) for Treasurer, Thomas Chilton (Sacramento) for Registrar, Jeff Goodwin (Sacramento) for Chancellor, Terry Briggs (Silicon Valley) for Genealogist, James Blauer (Orange County) for Historian, Rev. Phillip Dodson (Kern) for Chaplain, Captain Ernest Latham (San Diego) for Surgeon, John Dodd (Orange County) for Trustee of the Invested Funds, Rev. Lou Carlson for National Trustee, and Wayne Griswold for Alternate National Trustee. John Dodd withdrew his name from consideration for Trustee of the Invested Funds. A motion was made to elect the slate of officers (except Trustee of the Invested Funds) by acclamation, which passed unanimously. John Dodd then nominated Richard Hawley (General Patton) for Trustee of the Invested Funds, and Richard Hawley consented to serve, and was then elected.

Following the elections, Outgoing President Lou Carlson adjourned the Annual Meeting of the membership.

President-Elect Wayne Griswold convened the Board of Managers Meeting. John Dodd made a motion to endorse Stephen Renouf for Vice President General, Western District, which was seconded by Lou Carlson. The CASSAR Board of Managers voted unanimously to endorse Compatriot Renouf for Vice President General at the 2010 National Congress in Cleveland. President-Elect Wayne Griswold then adjourned the Board of Managers Meeting.

Outgoing President Lou Carlson opened the Installation Banquet. After a wonderful meal, those present were treated to songs of the 1940's by *The Fondettes*, a trio of songstresses, which included *Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy*, *Bei Mir Bis Du Shoem*, *Rum and Coca Cola*, and *Apple Blossom Time*. After the sentimental journey, President Carlson presented awards, including the Patriot Medal to Robert "Larry" Wynne of the San Francisco Chapter. President Lou Carlson gave his outgoing remarks. NSSAR Secretary General J. David Sympson of Kentucky then installed the 2010-2011 CASSAR Officers, and turned over the gavel to Incoming President Wayne Griswold. President Griswold gave his inaugural speech, which is available online, and then closed the 135th Spring Meeting of the Membership. ❖

Submitted by Stephen R. Renouf
Vice President General, Western District

The San Diego Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution celebrated the 100th anniversary of the granting of its charter by the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution at a Black Tie dinner on Saturday, June 19, 2010. The gala event, held at the Country Club of Rancho Bernardo, San Diego, California, was attended by 69 members, wives and guests. Chapter President G. Alan Ludwig presided at the dinner event and was joined at the head table by Mrs. Joan Ludwig, Mr. Wayne Griswold, Sr., President of the California Society, Sons of the American Revolution, Mrs. Maria Angeles O'Donnell de Olson, Honorary Consul of Spain in San Diego, and her husband Mr. Quentin Olson, Past Chapter President Reverend Dr. Stanley De Long and Mrs. Joan De Long, Past Chapter President Mr. Michael Howard and Mrs. Cate Howard.

Today's San Diego Chapter was originally formed as *The Southern California Society*, a branch of the California Society, which was organized July 4, 1894. Membership was open to descendants of Revolutionary War Patriots residing in the nine southern counties of the state. San Diego Chapter #2 was chartered June 9, 1910 with 15 original members. Today the San Diego Chapter is the largest CASSAR Chapter with 172 members.

Following the posting of the National Colors by the Chapter Color Guard, Joan Kurland, the event's pianist, led the assembly in the singing of the *National Anthem*. President Ludwig's opening remarks began with the presentation of a Proclamation from the City of San Diego declaring June 8, 2010 to be *San Diego Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution Day*.

Mrs. Maria Angeles O'Donnell de Olson, a friend and supporter of



CASSAR President Wayne Griswold extends greetings to San Diego in behalf of all members of the California Society, SAR.

Below San Diego Chapter President Al Ludwig with Proclamation declaring June 8, 2010 as San Diego Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution Day!





In addition to President Al Ludwig, the following San Diego Chapter Presidents were also in attendance, L-R, Mike Howard, 2008-09, Dennis Cushman, 2007, Jim Mattern, 2006, Will Tisch, 2005, Phil Hinshaw, 2004, John Wetter, 2003, Stan De Long, 1998, and Robert

the Chapter's efforts in recognizing SAR's endeavors to honor Spain's contribution to the Revolutionary War, brought greetings from the Spanish Counsel in Los Angeles.

Following Mrs. Olson's remarks, CASSAR President Griswold commended the Chapter for its long history of supporting the State and National Society and encouraged the current and future members to continue fostering the goals of SAR so Chapter members can celebrate the Chapter's 200th anniversary in June 2110. At the conclusion of his remarks President Griswold presented President Ludwig with a framed SAR certificate commemorating the Chapter's 100th anniversary.

A highlight of the evening was the ceremonial cutting of the Chapter's 100th Anniversary Birthday cake. Color Guard Commander, William E. Tisch invited the two most senior Past Presidents - Robert Dodge, Col., USAF (Ret.) (1989) and Rev. Dr. Stanley W. De Long CDR, USN, (Ret.) (1998) - to come forward. Color Guard Commander William E. Tisch presented them his sword to make the first cut of the three-tiered birthday cake.

Past Chapter President Michael J. Howard (2008-09) introduced the keynote speaker of the evening - Reverend Dr. Stanley W. De Long, Chapter Chaplain (1996-Present), Chapter President (1998), CASSAR President (2003), Vice President General of the Western District (2005) and NSSAR Chaplain General (2006-08). Past President De

Long presented a historical review of the Chapter activities and well known prominent San Diego citizens that have served as Chapter Presidents. These include Daniel Cleveland who served as President of the Southern California Society (1894-1909), Judge W.J. Mossholder, the first President of the San Diego Chapter (1910-13), George W. Marston (1915-16), who preserved the ruins of the San Diego Presidio, and U.S. Marine Corps Major General J.H. Pendleton (1929-30). A commemorative *San Diego Chapter NSSAR Centennial Historical Record* was presented to each family in attendance.

He also noted the two Past Chapter Presidents were awarded the Minuteman

Medal - Carl H. Lamb, CDR, USN (Ret.) (Class of 2000) and Travis E. Spears (Class of 2005). Rev. Dr. De Long is a selectee for the Minuteman Medal (Class of 2010).

Following the keynote speech, President Ludwig thanked the decorating committee that provided the room decorations and table centerpieces. A special thank you was extended to Mrs. Mary-Anne McCullough of the Ladies Auxiliary for chairing the decorating committee. The Past Chapter Presidents then presented roses to all the ladies in attendance.

Commander William E. Tisch and Chapter Color Guard members Ernest P. McCullough, Tyler J. Sherer, LaFayette W. Grover, and Brian R.ingham retired the colors. In closing the Anniversary Dinner event pianist Joan Kurland led the assembly in singing *God Bless America*. ❖

Submitted by G. Alan Ludwig
President, San Diego Chapter, SAR



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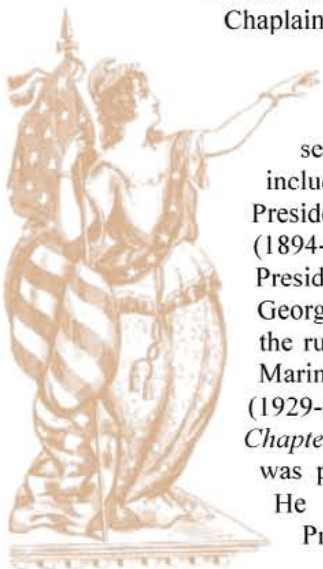
For teenagers and over there are the Knight Essay Contest, the JROTC Program, the Eagle Scout Scholarship & Recognition Program, Outstanding Teacher in American History Award, and the SAR Color Guard.

Color Guard volunteers participate in one of the most important components of community service offered by the SAR. As a color guardsman you not only represent your patriot ancestor in the classroom, but also at chapter, state, and national activities. The uniform draws the attention of young and old alike, providing many opportunities to share and to create interest in our national heritage.

Will you join us? I strongly encourage you to become active in the SAR. There are many areas to serve. Read this newsletter, visit our state website, and you, too, will discover those areas of service I know you will enjoy. Or, call me at 916-985-3756. I welcome every opportunity to speak with you.

I am looking forward to an incredible year of service with you in the Sons of the American Revolution. ❖

Wayne A. Griswold, Sr.
President, California Society, SAR



Welcome New Members

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Nat'l #	CA #	Name	Chapter	Nat'l #	CA #	Name	Chapter
161375	8618	William Eugene Springer	Butte	176025	8628	Jeffrey Allen Herbert	Sacramento
176029	8632	Keith Manton Nightingale	Geo. S. Patton, Jr.	176026	8629	Jeremy Allen Herbert	Sacramento
176030	8633	Michael Evan Nightingale	Geo. S. Patton, Jr.	176027	8630	Nikolas Eric Herbert	Sacramento
176031	8634	Christopher Manton Nightingale	Geo. S. Patton, Jr.	176633	8662	Kevin Nolan Jones	Sacramento
176032	8635	Andrew Manton Nightingale	Geo. S. Patton, Jr.	177322	8714	Alexander Henry King	Sacramento
176033	8636	Henry Porter Nightingale*	Geo. S. Patton, Jr.	177323	8715	Phillip Lucas King	Sacramento
176396	8650	Leslie Earl Howell	Geo. S. Patton, Jr.	126491	8660	Stephan Lane Swager	San Diego
176668	8670	David Mark Wyers	Geo. S. Patton, Jr.	175723	8612	Mark Adams Rowland	San Diego
176669	8671	Gene Alfred Cooper	Geo. S. Patton, Jr.	175851	8622	Bruce Michael Gray	San Diego
175804	8616	Zachary Justin Bay	Geo. Washington	176028	8631	Ernest Benjamin Bray	San Diego
175805	8617	Jason Levi Bay	Geo. Washington	176151	8637	Larry William Lasky	San Diego
176774	8681	Joseph Gorham Berger	Geo. Washington	176248	8640	Forrest Wade Ringsage	San Diego
176775	8682	Matthew Joseph Berger	Geo. Washington	176249	8641	Hunter Wilson Ringsage	San Diego
176776	8683	Michael John Berger	Geo. Washington	177153	8705	Patrick Allan Riley	San Diego
176777	8684	Ryan Matthew Berger	Geo. Washington	177154	8706	Warren Dean Osborn	San Diego
177022	8701	William Woodrow Lee, Jr.	Kern	177155	8707	Jacob Brian Raser	San Diego
177023	8702	Geo. William Hoppus	Kern	175850	8621	Paul Rogers Gill	San Francisco
177021	8700	William Baxter Pendleton, III*	Kern Chapter	175920	8623	John William Gordon	San Francisco
176664	8666	Peter Jude Tansil	Monterey Bay	175921	8624	William Ashe Gordon	San Francisco
176673	8675	Casey Kyle Low*	Monterey Bay	176674	8676	Chase Bradley Young	San Francisco
176772	8679	Jimmie Welborn Mather	Monterey Bay	177010	8689	Charles Henry Mahnken	San Francisco
176780	8687	Linn William Malaznik	Monterey Bay	177011	8690	Michael Charles Tarr Mahnken	San Francisco
177224	8708	Thomas Washington Tedrick	Monterey Bay	177012	8691	Richard Tarr Mahnken	San Francisco
177417	8716	Cleveland Lee Smith	Monterey Bay	177013	8692	Alexander Charles Tarr Mahnken	San Francisco
176155	8638	Chad Daniel Blauer	Orange County	177014	8693	Jonathan Thomas Tarr Mahnken*	San Francisco
176391	8645	Larry Alden Gentry	Orange County	177015	8694	Walter Jeffrey Tarr Mahnken*	San Francisco
176392	8646	Bryan Paul Partridge	Orange County	177018	8697	Laurence Anthony Lopez	San Francisco
176393	8647	Mark Robert Partridge	Orange County	177019	8698	Alexander Philip Lopez	San Francisco
176515	8654	Larry Richard Wood	Orange County	177020	8699	Nathan Forrest Lopez	San Francisco
176516	8655	David Wiley Winsor	Orange County	175724	8613	Robert Boyd Block	Santa Barbara
176517	8656	Travis Wayne Winsor	Orange County	176663	8665	Robert Allan Bowser*	Santa Barbara
176518	8657	Davis Raymond Winsor	Orange County	176024	8627	James DeChant Long	Silicon Valley
176914	8688	Allen Watkins Richard	Orange County	176520	8659	Walter Herbert Blomquist	Silicon Valley
177228	8712	Jesse David Knowles	Orange County	176634	8663	Curtis Charles Jones	Silicon Valley
176389	8643	Richard Earl Stultz	Redding	176635	8664	Casey Cyle Jones	Silicon Valley
176675	8677	Kyle Robert Hudson Clark	Redding	177225	8709	Michael Shawn Malone	Silicon Valley
176390	8644	Kenneth Wayne Snowden	Redlands	177226	8710	Patrick Talmadge Malone	Silicon Valley
176513	8652	Richard Spear Kimball	Redlands	177227	8711	Timothy Collins Malone	Silicon Valley
176519	8658	Alex Gilbert Rivera	Redlands	176665	8667	Franklin David Gondok	Sons of Liberty
176670	8672	Dennis Brent Croyle	Redlands	176666	8668	Nicholas Paul Anduze	Sons of Liberty
176671	8673	Kyle Brenner Oswalt	Redlands	176667	8669	Gary Allan Harris	Sons of Liberty
176672	8674	Jared Dylan Croyle	Redlands	176778	8685	Harrell Jonathan William*	Sons of Liberty
176779	8686	Joshua Rick Fletcher*	Redlands	176250	8642	Kendall Lamar Witt*	South Coast
176771	8678	James Stephen Beatty*	Redwood Empire	176512	8651	Gary Mike Blackburn	South Coast
177152	8704	Robert John Bissiri	Redwood Empire	176514	8653	Robinson Hubert Jones	South Coast
177017	8696	Richard Dean DeMario	Riverside	176773	8680	James Norris Gibson	South Coast
177418	8717	James English Vaughn, Jr.	Riverside	177016	8695	Scott Rockwell Carpenter*	South Coast
177419	8718	Anthony Daniel Stolfa	Riverside	177151	8703	Ryan Dana Blakely	South Coast
177420	8719	Brody Christopher Stolfa*	Riverside	177321	8713	Jeffrey Geo. Paul Carr	South Coast
162464	8614	Eugene David Melvin	Sacramento	176154	8639	Howard Brown Jeffrey	Thomas Jefferson
176022	8625	John Thomas Vawter, Sr.	Sacramento	176394	8648	Gregory Lawrence Silva	Thomas Jefferson
176023	8626	John Thomas Vawter, Jr.	Sacramento	176395	8649	Matthew Lawrence Silva	Thomas Jefferson

The names followed by an asterisk () represent the California Society's newest Junior Members.*

Parades are fun! Invite Junior Members & Youth Registrants to participate in your next chapter activity!

NECROLOGY, Farewell Beloved Compatriots

Nat'l #	CA #	Name	Chapter	Nat'l #	CA #	Name	Chapter
153090	7056	Raymond Victor Whiteley	Butte	109689		John L. Mahoney, Jr.	Sacramento
143271	6269	Harry Wallace Williams	Coachella Valley	138743	5967	King Ollie Golden	San Diego
151249	6896	David Seth Parrett	Coachella Valley	135973	5809	Travis Edmond Spears	San Diego
167076	8086	Loren Carlos Whitney	Coachella Valley	147158	6525	Richard Gardner Hunter	Santa Barbara
153705	7098	Robert Edgar Cutler	Delta	80324	2980	Willis Sherman Clayton, III	Silicon Valley
162484	7765	Franklin Burton Payne	Gold Country	144842	6358	Frederick Hanford Phillips	Sons of Liberty
153640	7096	Arthur Wayne Adams	Kern	124404	5142	Lee Edward Bishop, Jr.	Sons of Liberty
142305	6191	Floyd James Shadwick	Orange County	153080	7046	William E. Beam	South Coast
90196	3502	George W. Turner	Orange County	122971	5061	Thomas Lee Johns	South Coast
133488	5656	Jamieson Bitzer Bates	Redwood Empire	102631	4037	David Luhr Stevenson	Thomas Jefferson
174884	8532	Forrest Clark Hewitt	Sacramento				

Almighty Father, thank you for the privilege of knowing these departed compatriots. They have now passed into your greater light, which we cannot receive here in this body. Please watch over their families. Give them peace and continued blessings, now and forevermore. May our patriots' souls rest in your everlasting love. Amen.





Leroy Frank Martinez, descendant of Revolutionary War patriot Juan Antonio Benavides, is Chairman of the California Society Spanish Patriot Committee.

CELEBRATES JUNE 27TH AT SAN FRANCISCO PRESIDIO

The San Francisco Presidio was settled more than 230 years ago. In 1776, a group of soldiers and pioneering families completed their long trip from Nueva España, current day Mexico, to the bay of Alta, California. Here they settled and built El Presidio, a

fortified settlement. From this, the City of San Francisco would be founded.

Every year Los Californianos celebrate "San Francisco's birthday" and the founding of the Presidio. The first colonizing party, consisting of over 240 men, women and children, arrived on June 27, 1776 to establish the Presidio of San Francisco and Mission Dolores, occurring before the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The Presidio of San Francisco was officially dedicated on September 17, 1776.

Last year SAR National Officer, Karl Jacobs, presented an SAR Proclamation to celebrate the event. This year Vice President North, Keith Bigbee, represented California SAR at the ceremony. Speaking at the following luncheon, SAR Ernest Garcia, assisted by SAR Leroy Martinez, added Spain's California role in the American Revolution. Also present was SAR Tom Silva.

SAR was represented because Spain, before the Declaration of Independence, aided the American colonies. From 1781 to 1783, Spain took a more active role in the war strategy because it was able to contribute more financially. Spain's aid continued until the Treaty of Paris, 1783. Presidio officers were told that English Captain James Cook would try to spy and find a way to penetrate the Pacific side of North America. Ships were built in the Spanish Naval Base of San Blas, Nueva España, now located on the coast just west of the city of Tepic, in the state of Nayarit, for the purpose of possible Pacific coast vessel battles. Spanish exploration and trade in the Pacific stopped from



1779 to 1783. This meant that the San Francisco Presidio and residents would have to rely on the dangerous land trips that led to less supplies and loss of lives. British ships were off the coast of Asia. British ships were not allowed aid or assistance during 1779 to 1783. Only the Spanish Coast Guard went up and down the Pacific coast from South America to North America in case of a threat from England. Russians at first suggested an alliance with England and was yet another threat, but the Russians later rejected England's alliance after complaints from Spain. But most important is the "Donativo," the one-time war donation. King Carlos III asked all Spanish colonies and Native Americans under Spanish rule for a donation which partially went to the Continental military, along with supplies, medicine, and arms, and more. Spaniards were asked for two pesos and Native Americans were asked for one peso donations. Records of this can be found in the Library of Congress, Washington, D. C., Bancroft Library, University of California, Berkeley, and other archives.

One issue sometimes raised is why the Spanish Colonies, being so poor themselves, would allow themselves to be taxed and donate to the Continental Colony cause when the American Colonies themselves were complaining of "Taxation without Representation." First, because of Loyalty to the King of Spain, who requested the donations. Second, because the Spanish in today's America were neighbors to the colonies and the fear that British invasion was imminent. Third, Spain wished to regain the Spanish territories lost to England because of assisting France, in their last year of the French



and Indian war against England. These are the primary reasons for the aid, along with other factors, such as English occupying Spanish possessions, high ranking Colonial military leaders assuring of Colonies being a friend to Spain, and English attacking Spanish ships before Spain's Declaration of War with England during 1779. The end result for the Colonies, France, and Spain being on the losing side, meant England could rule all three. Spain had much to lose once it entered the war against England and allied with the American Colonies.

The Spanish military were under orders to pursue and fight the English, wherever and whenever possible. Part of that pursuit was on our American soil and seas. Thus, we recognize and appreciate that contribution at this San Francisco Presidio. ❖

Article contributors: Boyd de Larios, Ernest Garcia, Tom Silva, and Leroy Martinez

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The Online California Compatriot has so much more! Read about Past California Society President, the Rev. Dr. Stanley De Long, who received the highest honor the NSSAR can bestow upon one of its members, the Minuteman Award! The Summer 2010 Compatriot also includes a report on the recent National Congress held in Cleveland, Ohio, newly formed California Committees and what they are designed to accomplish, and of the following California Compatriots who were elected to National SAR Office!

- Larry J. Magerkurth, Secretary General
- CDR. Chuck R. Lampman, USN (Ret), Historian General
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- Wayne A. Griswold, Sr., Alt. Nat'l Trustee & Nat'l Nominating Committee

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The Americanism Middle School Tri-fold Brochure Contest

The Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest was designed for 4th and 5th grade elementary school students. The Knight Essay Contest is geared for high school students in the 10th, 11th and 12th grades. So what about the students in the middle school system? Has the SAR overlooked them? This question prompted Past President Lou Carlson to charge the State's Youth Activities Director, Tom Adams, to create a new and exciting program with middle school students in mind.

Shortly afterwards, Tom discovered that after being exposed to American history in the 5th grade, the topic was not studied again until a student reached the 8th grade. This made it obvious 8th graders needed to become the target audience. He then considered several options, from short essays to new technology communications, such as YouTube videos. After careful analysis, he selected the brochure idea because it did a very good job bridging the 5th grade poster contest to the high school essay contest.

The Brochure Contest is a good intermediary program. It combines drawing and writing. The student's task is to create a brochure using an ordinary 8½" x 11" sheet of paper folded twice to create a tri-fold design having 6 panels to fill with drawings and text. Past President Lou Carlson and his Executive Committee quickly approved the idea as the new middle school contest. Wayne Griswold was the State's Executive Vice President at the time. He liked the program so much that he promoted it at National where he made presentations to

the Americanism and Patriotic Education Committees. Members of these committees liked the program too and adopted it as the National Society Middle School Program to be implemented nationwide once funding becomes available.

The California Society has elected to launch the program during the coming 2010-11 School Year! In California, 8th grade American History is taught the first month of the school year so it is going to be challenging to get the word out.

WE NEED TEACHERS NOW!

All California chapters are encouraged to find an 8th grade middle school teacher interested in including the Tri-fold Brochure Contest in their classroom curriculum. This program will actually lighten a teacher's workload since it is chapter members that make historical presentations in the classroom.

Great Prizes will be awarded during CASSAR 2011 Spring Meeting! The First Place Prize is a \$600 U.S. Savings Bond and the Runner-up will receive a \$400 U.S. Savings Bond.

Contact California's Middle School Tri-fold Brochure Contest Chairman Tom Adams with your questions. He is ready to assist any chapter seeking to introduce this program in its local area. Tom can be reached by calling 916-600-7211, or by email at tomadams@iname.com

RESEARCH MATERIAL IS AVAILABLE

Visit CaliforniaSAR.org/brochure/

U.S. history is studied in the grade eight to help students understand the ideas, issues and events leading from the framing of the Constitution up to World War I. The study of events relating to the American Revolution begins in the first part of the school year.



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120th National Society Congress

RENAISSANCE CLEVELAND HOTEL, OHIO



The Ohio Society hosted the 120th Congress of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution at the Renaissance Cleveland Hotel in Ohio, June 26 to July 1. The beautiful hotel, built in 1918, is conveniently located at Public Square in downtown Cleveland, and is attached to a mall with restaurants and boutique shops.

On Sunday, June 27, a meeting of the Trustees of 2009-2010 was held. The minutes of the trustees meeting held during the Spring 2010 Leadership Meeting in Louisville were approved as amended. There was no old or new business and the meeting was adjourned. Immediately thereafter, the Germany Society met, chaired by Steve Baldwin of Missouri. Larry Magerkurth announced the creation of the Germany Society flag, based upon the Zweibrücken flag, and announced that the Germany Society would develop a uniform coat for its color guard. Steve Baldwin obtain the cost for the uniform coat, and let interested parties know. Steve Baldwin will be the chairman for Larry Magerkurth's trip to Germany when he is President General. He hopes to get a US Senate proclamation to recognize Revolutionary War patriots buried in the Zweibrücken Cemetery. It was announced that a further meeting of the Germany Society would be held Tuesday at 2PM.

Chairman Stephen Renouf convened the Internal Audit Committee following the Germany Society meeting. The meeting was attended by Treasurer General Larry Magerkurth, Secretary General David Sympson, incoming chairman of the Internal Audit Committee Bill Broadus, SAR Accountant Craig Johnson, and visitors Jim Jones and Mike Fishbein. Bill Broadus outlined his goals for the coming year. He wants to find local

Kentucky and Indiana compatriots who will serve on the internal audit committee, and be able to visit headquarters to conduct audits. Bill will develop an audit calendar for the upcoming year. Larry Magerkurth would like the committee to review employee and officer reimbursements to be certain they comply with SAR and IRS rules. He would also like the committee to review the purchasing practices of the SAR, so it can identify conflicts of

interest or sole source bidding. The committee needs to make certain 1099s are being filed for all service expenses over \$600. Larry Magerkurth recommended a task force to look at the computer system and website, to see if the SAR is getting everything it needs from the system. Craig Johnson presented

the management letter and audit from Montjoy Chilton Medley. He said the firm conducted the audit for the 2009 and 2008 years, and gave an unqualified report. The firm recommended the SAR reviews the value of long-term assets and get new appraisals. David Sympson, who served on the museum board, noted we only have about a dozen valuable items. Many are unique and difficult to accurately appraise. Little seems to be gained by appraising the entire collection, and the valuable items should only be appraised if there is a known impairment of their value. Craig noted that when we decide to change independent auditing firms, we would have difficulty. The two main competing firms merged to Montjoy Chilton Medley. The other firms in Louisville are too big or too small for our needs. David Sympson outlined his plans for the financial committees – Internal Audit, Independent Audit, Budget, and Finance. He announced Jim Jones would chair the Independent Audit Committee, and Stephen Renouf would be vice chairman.

After lunch the memorial service was held across the street at the Old Stone Church. Following service, the ladies attended the First Lady's Tea in the Presidential Suite. After dinner, the Rumbaugh Orations Contest finals were held in the Gold Room.

On Monday, the Council of State Presidents Breakfast meeting was held. The officers of the council were Chairman Terry Manning of Georgia, Vice Chairman Stephen Renouf of California, Secretary-Treasurer Tim Ward of Ohio, Assistant Sec-



J. David Sympson
NSSAR President General
2010/2011



The California Delegation 2010 Cleveland Congress

Front row, left to right: Anne Lampman, Karen Faulkinbury, Joy Javellana, Francis Spears, Barbara Magerkurth, Sandra Jacobs, Conni Barker, Karen Carlson; Back row, left to right: Chuck Lampman, Ron Barker, Jim Faulkinbury, Eugene Melvin, Stephen Renouf, John Dodd, Wayne Griswold, Larry Magerkurth, Don Gurley, Stan De Long, Marston Watson, Lou Carlson, Karl Jacobs, Bob Ebert.



retary-Treasurer Frank Horton of North Carolina, and Parliamentarian Jim Say of Illinois. President Terry Manning was presented with the Gold Council of State Presidents Medal for serving as an officer of the council. The council is composed of former, current and incoming presidents of the state societies. Members of the council who attend two annual meetings of the council are eligible to purchase the Silver Council of State Presidents Medal. Chairman Manning announced members of the council who volunteered for election to the national nominating committee. To serve, the volunteer must be the current state president at the Leadership Meeting in Louisville in Spring 2011. Chairman Manning then asked for nominations from the floor. He also went over the rules for the election at the Council of State Presidents Meeting the following day.

Following breakfast, the 120th NSSAR Congress continued with reports of officers and committee chairmen. At Noon, there was the Youth Awards Luncheon in the Gold Room, where the winners of the youth contests were announced: Mackenzie Simpson of California (Americanism poster contest), Army JROTC Cadet Caitlyn Craig of Missouri (JROTC program), Cody Nager of New York (Knight essay contest), Kristin Bowers of Virginia (Rumbaugh oration contest), and David B. Pelgado of New York (Eagle Scout scholarship award).

After lunch, the SAR Congress continued with officer and committee reports. Following the afternoon session, the California Society's Executive Committee met in the California Suite. Members present were President Wayne Griswold, Past President Lou Carlson, Executive VP John Dodd, and Secretary Jim Faulkinbury. A quorum was not present, so items could only be debated and not voted upon. Treasurer General Larry Magerkurth, Vice President General Karl Jacobs, and Trustee Stephen Renouf also attended the meeting. President Griswold announced that Registrar Tom Chilton had reported a drop in new and supplemental

applications, which comes at a time when the national numbers for the same period are higher. He also announced that Invested Funds Trustee Marston Watson had resigned, and that he had made an interim appointment of Stephen Renouf, which will require a vote to ratify in November. The committee discussed the need to audit the invested funds, since this is the first changeover of the committee chairman, and the funds have not been properly audited in recent years. The need to follow all the new safeguards recently approved was also discussed. Lou Carlson proposed increasing the number of invested funds trustees from three to five, and John Dodd suggested the two additional members be the past president and the treasurer. The committee discussed the conflicting deadlines for the Eagle Scout Contest, and the need to reconcile these dates. Finally, the committee also discussed the use of the Sons of Revolutionary Sires booklets President Griswold had printed for personal gifts and fundraising purposes.

After dinner, Minuteman Medals were presented to Rev. Stanley W. De Long of California, John C. Ellingson, Sr. of Washington, David A. Hockensmith of Vermont, Thomas E. Jacks of Louisiana, Lawrence E. McKinley of Virginia and M. Hall Worthington of Maryland. The Minuteman Medal is the most prestigious award that can be presented by the National Society, SAR. Minuteman Chuck Lampman escorted the Rev. Dr. Stan De Long. Following the Minuteman Ceremony, the outgoing President General presented gifts and awards to compatriots who assisted him most during the year. National awards to state societies were also pre-



CASSAR President Wayne Griswold and CASSAR Youth Activities Director Tom Adams with the 1st place poster submitted by Gold Country Chapter contestant Mackenzie Simpson. This 2010 submission was the 2nd consecutive year a CASSAR contestant won the 1st place NSSAR award.



President General Ed Butler congratulating the Rev. Dr. Stan De Long (above right) following the presentation of Compatriot De Long's Minuteman Award.

ter for Advancing America's Heritage Flag Streamer for its \$2000 contribution to the Center. The Silicon Valley Chapter was awarded the Partners in Patriotism Certificate. Michael G. Lucas of the Gold Country Chapter received honorable mention in the Carl F. Bessent Newsletter Contest. The Liberty Medal was awarded to California Compatriots Thomas H. Chilton, Jr., Smith Virgil, Richard M. Small, Edward L. Rudisill, Ronald D. Risley, Stanley G. Henderson, Marston Watson, Donald H. Gurley, and Jim L.W. Faulkinbury.

On Tuesday, 29 June, the Congress continued. There were several amendments proposed to the Congress.

First, the Tennessee Society proposed an amendment to change the guidelines of the genealogy department to accept as proof of service or lineage any approved DAR application approved in 1986 or later, except those citing a line closed by the DAR, on the DAR short form, or "legacy" applications. This amendment had been presented to the trustees earlier in the year and rejected because the genealogy department had found DAR center check mark applications that traced back to applications prior to 1986 that were incomplete or erroneous. This amendment was tabled indefinitely by the Congress.

Second, there was a proposed amendment to Bylaw No. 1 to grant posthumous membership and waive application fees for qualified candidates who are killed by hostile action in the line of duty while serving on active duty in the US armed forces. President General Nathan White objected to the language of the amendment for several reasons: if we are flooded with applications and do not charge a fee, this will hamper the approval of active members; also the language is vague and would permit men killed in wars going back hundreds of years to become members. The Congress voted to table the amendment to a time certain the following day, so it could be re-written.

Third, there was a proposed amendment to Bylaw No. 5 regarding vice presidents general to sever France from the European District, make the France Society a semi-autonomous society affiliated with the SAR, have the President of the France Society serve as Honorary President General of the SAR, and have the President General serve as an Honorary President of the France Society. The France Society would nominate a dual member of the SAR and France SAR to serve as trustee and alternate trustee at NSSAR meetings, and the President General will nominate a dual member of the SAR and France SAR to serve as trustee and alternate trustee at France Society meetings. This proposal led to many protocol questions, and the Congress voted to table it indefinitely.

Fourth, there was a proposed amendment to revise Bylaw No. 18 to increase the number of members of the Independent Audit Committee from three to five, and to have the President General nominate two members each year to serve for a two-year term. This was adopted unanimously by Congress.

Fifth, there was a proposed amendment to Bylaw No. 19 regarding emeritus members (members of the SAR for fifty years). It added a requirement to pay NSSAR regular dues for fifty years (not necessarily consecutive), and prohibited counting junior membership dues. The emeritus member, or his state society, may petition the SAR executive director for approval of emeritus status, in which NSSAR dues will be waived for the remainder of his lifetime. This was adopted by Congress.

SAR Ambassador to Spain Stephen Renouf reported on the SAR trip to Spain. In May, President General Ed Butler led a delegation of 34 people to Spain. It met with Don Felipe, the Crown Prince of Spain, who requested President General Butler pin the Spain Society Medal on his coat. Prince Felipe was very supportive of the SAR honoring the contribution of Spain to the Revolutionary War. A wreath was laid at the tomb of Spanish King Carlos III who helped fund the American Revolution. The SAR Spain Society in Madrid received its charter, with the Duke of Sevilla as its charter president. There are 16 members of the Spain Society who live in Spain, 33 dual members, and 11 members of the ladies auxiliary.

The Congress then voted for general officers for the 2010-2011 year. All of the compatriots listed on the slate of officers recommended by the nominating committee were elected, with the exception of the genealogist general. There was a candidate nominated from the floor for that office, so there was a ballot in the afternoon between Joseph Doolley of Virginia (recommended by the nominating



Stephen R. Renouf was elected Vice President General, Western District. The above picture was taken during the Installation Banquet held the last night of Congress.

committee) and Paul Hayes of the District of Columbia (nominated from the floor). Nominating and seconding speeches were delivered on behalf of both candidates. California's Lou Carlson spoke in behalf of Joseph Dooley.

In the afternoon, the Council of State Presidents met to hold elections for four slots on the national nominating committee, and four alternates. Following the nomination speeches, the current state presidents voted for the nominees to the nominating committee. While the results were being tabulated, Chairman Terry Manning opened the floor to debate issues of concern to state societies. The results of the election were as follows: four members of the nominating committee are Bill Battles (MA), John Thornhill (NC), George Thompson (OK), and Wayne Griswold (CA). The four alternates are John Franklin (OH), Lance Carter (WV), Ted Morton, Jr. (SC), and Harold Klubertanz (WI). At the Spring 2011 Leadership Meeting in Louisville, Wayne Griswold and other nominating committee members will recommend a slate of national officers for the 2011-2012 term. After adjourning the meeting, Chairman Terry Manning turned over the gavel to the new chairman, John Franklin from Ohio. Terry Manning becomes vice chairman, succeeding Stephen Renouf.

The Council of Vice Presidents General met in the afternoon, led by Tom Jacks of Louisiana. He announced the chairman for 2010-2011 would be Harry Fife of Texas, and the vice chairman would be Stephen Renouf of California. Tom Jacks distributed copies of the Guide to the Office of Vice President General to all incoming vice presidents general. He noted all vice presidents general should visit all the states in their district at least once during the coming year.

After the committee meetings, balloting was held for the office of genealogist general. President General Ed Butler held a reception in the Presidential Suite for general officers, ambassadors, and attendees of the SAR Trip to Spain. Ambassador Stephen Renouf and Historian General Lindsey Brock displayed pictures from the trip on their laptops.

Tuesday night's banquet featured a video report of Ed Butler's year as president general. There were two speakers, Scott Fisher (President of the Fort Laurens Foundation) and Tom Peeper (author of a book about Fort Laurens), who spoke about Fort Laurens, a ruined Revolutionary War fort in Ohio. In 1778, General Lachlan McIntosh led an army of 1200 soldiers with Delaware Indian guides along an Indian trail from Fort Pitt, Pennsylvania, through the Ohio Territory. Their goal was to attack British-allied Indian towns along Lake Erie.

As winter approached, McIntosh decided to build a fort where the Indian trail crossed the Tuscarawas River near present-day Bolivar, Ohio. He ordered a wooden stockade to be built with wooden logs split in

two. General McIntosh named the fort in honor of his friend and mentor Henry Laurens, the President of the Continental Congress. McIntosh left a small force behind to guard the fort, while he withdrew his force until the end of winter. The British, threatened by the strategic location of the fort, ordered the fort to be attacked by British, loyalist and Indian forces. In the ensuing attacks, 20 Americans were killed, and were buried a short distance from the fort. The fort was abandoned in August 1779, and was later dismantled for building supplies. In 1915, the Ohio General Assembly passed a law to purchase the site of Fort Laurens, and to rebuild the fort. After more than 80 years of inaction, the Friends of Fort Laurens Foundation was formed to raise money to fulfill the promise to restore the fort. The restored fort will showcase the role of Ohio in the Revolutionary War, and honor the 20 Americans killed there during the war. They are raising funds with their Sponsor-A-Log program. More information is available at friendsoffortlaurens.org. President General Butler presented special awards, including one for Treasurer General Larry Magerkurth.

On Wednesday, the final session of the 120th Congress convened. The Congress revisited the amendment for the posthumous membership for applicants who were killed in the line of duty during the past few years. They must be proposed by a state society, and must be approved by the president general. There was also a deferred motion on approving the sale of the old headquarters building and the adjacent lot. It was determined that the approval of the sale had already been authorized, and did not require another vote. Any deal to sell the building and the lot will need to come before the trustees for final approval. There was a motion to reverse the dues increase for junior members during the 2009 Congress from \$10 back to \$5 per year. Some compatriots expressed concern that grandpar-



President General Ed Butler presents Chuck Lampson with the Winston C. Williams SAR Magazine Award for submitting the most useable SAR Magazine material. Compatriot Lampman was later elected NSSAR Historian General.



Fort Laurens, the only Revolutionary War fort in the State of Ohio, was built by order of General Lachlan McIntosh in 1778.



The California Society's favorite son, Larry J. Magerkurth, was elected Secretary General of the National Society, SAR, 2010/2011.

ents may stop paying the dues of their grandchildren due to the doubling of dues. The motion passed by a vote of 113 to 93.

The national trustees for 2010-2011 were elected and sworn into office. Lou Carlson was elected national trustee for California, Wayne Griswold alternate national trustee for California, and Stephen Renouf national trustee for the Spain Society. A trustees meeting was then convened with the new trustees to ratify President General-elect David Sympson's nominees to the executive committee: William Allerton III (LA),

David G. Boring (DC), PG Larry D. McClanahan (TN), PG Edward F. Butler, Sr. (TX), and Lanny R. Patten (PA). The 120th Congress

was then adjourned. The meeting attendees were free to relax, or go on the Cleveland Tour in the afternoon.

In the evening was the installation banquet. Former Chancellor General James Say inducted the new national general officers for 2010-2011:

- President General: J. David Sympson, KY
- Secretary General: Larry J. Magerkurth, CA
- Treasurer General: Stephen A. Leishman, DE
- Chancellor General: Thomas E. Lawrence, TX
- Genealogist General: Joseph W. Dooley, VA
- Registrar General: Lindsey C. Brock, FL
- Historian General: Charles R. Lampman, CA
- Librarian General: Miles K. Dechant, PA
- Surgeon General: Lee C. Parkm, MD
- Chaplain General: Rev. A. Clark Wiser, NC

President General Ed Butler turned over the gavel to President General J. David Sympson, and the new president general was presented with the George Washington ring. President General Sympson then installed the new Vice Presidents General for 2010-2011:

- Charles J. McGillicuddy, New England
- William J. Woodworth, North Atlantic
- Davis L. Wright, Mid-Atlantic
- Redding I. Corbett, South Atlantic
- Raymond A. Clapsadle, Southern
- Paul M. Wilke, Central
- Gerald J. Burkland, Great Lakes
- Dean Swearingen, North Central
- Harry M. Fife, Jr., South Central
- Daniel H. Heller, Rocky Mountain
- John T. Bancroft, Inter-Mountain

- Stephen R. Renouf, Western
- Donald B. Thomas, Pacific
- Jacques de Trentinian, Europe
- William Allerton III, International

President General Sympson delivered his inaugural address, which outlined his plans for the coming year, including reforming the national committee structure to groom future leaders of the society. Following the banquet, President General J. David Sympson hosted a Hospitality Room open to all members to celebrate his election as president general. The 121st Annual SAR Congress will be held in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in the Twin City Quarter, near the downtown arts district. ❖

Submitted by Stephen R. Renouf
Vice President General, Western District

California 250 Campaign

The goal of the California 250 Campaign is to recognize and encourage Compatriots who are members of the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution who contribute to the Center for Advancing America's Heritage in Louisville, Kentucky. The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution provides special pins and medals recognizing donors who contribute \$1,000.00 or more to the Foundation. However, there is less formal recognition for those who contribute lesser amounts. The California Society desires to recognize those California Compatriots who have contributed less than \$1,000 to the Foundation, but have contributed an amount that may be no less significant to that Compatriot.

Every California Compatriot, i.e., his primary S.A.R. membership number is a California number, who contributes the sum of \$250 in a calendar year shall receive a "California 250" pin. Compatriots who have donated \$250 or more in the past also shall receive the pin. Compatriots shall be entitled to only one pin, regardless of the total amount of money donated.

In order to obtain the pin, the member shall submit a request to the chair of the California 250 Committee in writing, with email being a sufficient writing, preferably along with proof of a completed qualifying donation. The request shall set forth the amount and date of the contribution. Only a completed donation, rather than a pledge, shall qualify. The Committee shall then verify the contribution with the SAR Foundation, Inc., after which the pin shall be awarded to the Compatriot. In order to provide suitable recognition for the donation, as

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New California Committees

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Working Together to Preserve a Precious Heritage!

AMERICANISM COMMITTEE

The California Society's Americanism Committee was formed to encourage and assist chapters and the State Society in reporting activities for competition in the National Society President General's State and Chapter Activities Competition Awards, the President General's Cup Award, the Liberty Bell Award, the Allene Wilson Groves Award, and the President General's Streamer Awards.

The Allene Wilson Groves Award (state level) and the Liberty Bell Award (chapter level) measures points for publicizing state and chapter activities.

The President General Contests measure how a chapter or state society meets the stated NSSAR goals in terms of administrative functions or support of collateral organizations.

The President General's Cup is awarded to the chapter that demonstrates the best overall program with respect to the Americanism and President General Streamer contests measured on a per capita basis.

The current California Society Americanism Chairman is Thomas A. Douglas.

CA 250 CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

The California 250 Campaign Committee was formed to reward members and encourage contributions of \$250 or more to the National Society's Center for Advancing America's Heritage (CAAH). This Committee also seeks to recognize California Compatriots who have already made CAAH contributions.

The Committee prepares guidelines and informational material for distribution to members, to be posted on the web, printed in the California Compatriot, or for flyers or brochures that may become available to chapters and/or at state meetings. Such informational material will include an explanation of how members who have made CAAH contributions can obtain a California 250 Campaign pin.

The California 250 Campaign Committee will remain in operation as long as the California 250 Campaign exists. The committee will maintain a supply of California 250 Campaign pins for the duration of the program.

The current California 250 Campaign Committee Chairman is CASSAR Executive Vice President John Dodd. He is assisted by committee members, the Rt. Rev. Louis V. Carlson, Jr., and Karl W. Jacobs.

GOOD CITIZENSHIP COMMITTEE

The Good Citizenship Committee will consist of

three (3) Past CASSAR Presidents appointed by the current President, who will also select the committee chairman.

At the request of the CASSAR President, the Good Citizenship Committee will review all nominations for the Silver or Gold Good Citizenship Awards to determine if nominees meet the qualifications established by the National Society, SAR.

Nominations should be submitted to the CASSAR President who, after a cursory review, will transfer them to the committee chairman for committee review. After review, the Good Citizenship Committee will report its conclusions and recommendations to the CASSAR President within 21 days of receipt of the nomination. The CASSAR President's decision is final and is based upon the recommendations received from the committee.

In the case of the Gold Good Citizenship Award, and upon approval by the CASSAR President, the Committee will prepare the required NSSAR application and submit it to the NSSAR Executive Director.

Before submitting nominations, CASSAR members should review the requirements of the Silver and Gold Good Citizenship Award as described in the NSSAR Handbook, Volume III, revised August 2009, pages 15 and 16.

The Good Citizenship Committee consists of Past CASSAR Presidents Karl W. Jacobs (2007/2008), Chairman, the Rt. Rev. Louis V. Carlson, Jr. (2009/2010), and Robert D. Ebert (2005/2006).

RECORDS COMMITTEE

The Records Committee (RC) was formed to inventory, organize, and store the records and personal property of the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. This committee is charged with developing a method for checking in or out items belonging to the State Society as a means of tracking items in the possession of members.

- The RC will maintain close contact with the CASSAR Historian to ensure all minutes, records, and items in the Historian's possession are part of the CASSAR permanent record.

- The RC inventories will include items assigned to the CASSAR Color Guard Commander and other members of the CASSAR Color Guard.

- The RC will develop a strategy for locating materials, records, and/or other personal property that may be in the possession of CASSAR members.

- The RC will conduct annual updates to inventories to ensure recent acquisitions are included in the permanent record.



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The Service to Veterans Medal may be awarded to SAR members who have given long and exemplary service to veterans. The medal is awarded for 5000 USS Stark Award points accrued by an SAR member.

- The CASSAR Secretary will serve as the Committee Chairman.

The current Records Committee consists of CASSAR Secretary Jim Faulkinbury, Chairman, and committee members Tom Douglas and Jim Young.

VETERANS COMMITTEE

The California Society's Veterans Committee was formed to support chapters in developing regular veterans programs and to encourage them to select a Chapter Veterans Committee Chairman.

The CASSAR Veterans Committee will assist the Chapter Veterans Committee Chairman in submitting a chapter veterans related activities to the National Society to compete in the USS Stark Memorial Award. This award recognizes outstanding Chapters and the most outstanding State Society for participation in NSSAR Veterans Committee activities.

Activities recorded by the Chapter Chairman are reported to the CASSAR Chairman who submits a report to the CASSAR President. The CASSAR Veterans Committee Chairman then reports all Chapter and State activities to the NSSAR Executive Director and to the NSSAR Veterans Committee Chairman. To date, the California Society has not participated in the USS Stark Memorial Award competition.

The CASSAR Veterans Committee Chairman will also assist CASSAR members to participate in the General William C. Westmoreland individual award. Many chapters are not aware that one of

their members might be eligible for this award. The CASSAR Veterans Committee Chairman is prepared to assist them in submitting the name of a member along with a short story of the member's work with veterans, which is judged by the NSSAR Veterans Committee. The award is given each year in recognition to an outstanding NSSAR Veterans Volunteer. To date, the California Society has not participated in the General William C. Westmoreland individual award.

The CASSAR Veterans Committee Chairman will encourage and assist chapters in starting a Veterans Administration Voluntary Service (VAVS) at their local Veteran Administration Center by becoming a certified representative on a local VAVS Committee. Local and National VA

Voluntary Service programs are through these committees and it is important CASSAR is represented at both levels. Being on these committees creates awareness of what is happening locally for more effective member participation.

The current Veterans Committee Chairman is Ronald J. Barker.

Members interested in an appointment to a California Society Committee or Youth Program should contact CASSAR President Wayne Griswold at 916-985-3756/wagris@att.net. ❖

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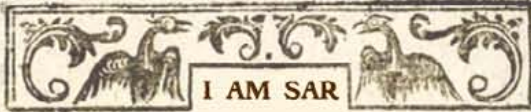
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well as to save the labor and postage expense of mailing individual pins, the pin shall be presented at a state or chapter meeting, unless the Compatriot is unable to attend a meeting, in which case the pin shall be mailed to the Compatriot. The committee shall maintain the pin inventory, not the CASSAR medals and awards chairman.

Qualifying donations shall be made directly to the SAR Foundation, not processed through CASSAR or the donor's chapter. For more details on methods of giving, please see: <http://www.sarfoundation.org/>. ❖

Submitted by John I. Dodd, Esq.
Executive Vice President, CASSAR





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The "Elevator" Speech

The SAR is a Society of men who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution. Its goals are to promote patriotism, true American history and heritage, through educational programs for people of all ages. Special programs honor outstanding Eagle Scouts, JROTC cadets, grade school, middle school, and high school scholars and artists.

Submitted by the
Rt. Rev. Louis V. Carlson, Jr

The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

The California Compatriot, p. 19

BY JACOB LEVY, 8TH GRADE, EL SEGUNDO MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier is a special and unique tomb in Arlington National Cemetery, Washington D.C. The Tomb is actually comprised of three tombs. Each represents a different war: the first, World War I; the second, World War II and Korea; and the third, all of America's missing servicemen. A military official stands guard marching back and forth guarding the tomb. The guard carries a rifle and wears no rank insignia. This lack of rank is out of respect to show he does not outrank the soldier in the tomb. Depending on the season, the guard is changed in intervals ranging from thirty minutes to two hours. Fewer than twenty percent of all soldiers that volunteer for this solemn duty are accepted for training. Of those, only a small percentage passes the necessary training to become Tomb Guards. The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier has been guarded continuously, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, since July 2, 1937. Even through severe weather the guards carry out this most important and honorable duty.

During World War I, the Reverend David Railton first conceived the idea of "The Unknown Soldier." He was inspired by a grave he came across marked by a cross, which had a written title, "An Unknown British Soldier." He proposed a similar grave should exist in England as a national monument. His idea received a large amount of support and soon after his idea was realized. Other countries such as France, the United States, Portugal, and Italy, caught on to this idea and made their versions of the tomb. In the United States further tombs have been created to represent different wars in history. The tombs typically contain the remains of a dead soldier who is thought to be impossible to identify, so he might serve as a symbol for all unknown dead soldiers. The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier was established on Armistice Day, 1921.

The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier means a lot of things. It represents democratic equality, as well as the importance of soldiers in defense of our country and other nations. The Tomb shows the equality every man and woman enjoy in society. By showing all soldiers of the military, no matter what race or gender, and no matter what rank or importance, the Tomb symbolizes everyone is important in the defense of our nation. Every member of our military has a common set of goals, to preserve the freedom of our United States by defending our Constitution, to help defend our allies and to defend freedom and democracy. The Tomb shows we make a difference one way or another. This tomb shows the importance of the military. All soldiers the tomb represents fought to protect

our country. They kept democracy in our own country, while helping spread it to others. I would like to be a part of the tradition of honoring soldiers that fought for us. Without them I would not be enjoying the freedom I have now.

I have many relatives who served in the military. I have two that exemplify the tradition of keeping peace. My Great Grandfather, Jay Sogg, served in the army during World War II fighting the Nazis in Europe from 1942 to 1944. He was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received during the liberation of a French village. During that time he helped stop the dictatorship of Adolf Hitler and made sure freedom stayed in Europe. Another relative, Carlton Camp, fought in the Civil War for the Union. He fought at the battle of Petersburg and was awarded The Medal of Honor for dragging his wounded comrade off the battlefield. Both of these men helped make sure peace was kept and that freedom and democracy would remain. I think both men and all of my relatives who served would be proud to have me be part of the ceremony of The Unknown Soldier. I am glad the United States recognizes all soldiers that could not be recovered, so the families of those soldiers have a way to remember their loved ones.

The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier is a very symbolic and important monument in our nation. The Tomb is a collective last resting place that represents all our fallen soldiers who could not be recovered. It shows we respect all servicemen and make sure they are always kept in our memory. It helps us remember that in times of peace it is the men and women of the United States military that make all of this possible. It is good to know that there are those citizens who will come to the aid of our country.

For me to be a part of this ceremony, it would mean honoring and paying tribute to all people that fought and died to protect our nation as well as many nations around the world. They were protecting the rights and privileges we have today. More precisely, they were protecting the Constitution, and all of the power it gives us as citizens. I feel I am in debt to all of our fallen soldiers, and this ceremony would be a way to repay that debt. If I took part in this ceremony I would feel proud and more connected to the most important principles of the Constitution of the United States of America. ❖



Jacob Levy at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Arlington National Cemetery. Jacob's original paper was submitted for publication in The California Compatriot by Past CASSAR President Karl W. Jacobs of the Harbor Chapter, SAR.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

17 September 2010, Constitution Day Celebrate Life, Liberty, Freedom, & Prosperity while commemorating the formation and signing of the U.S. Constitution on 17 September 1787.

23-25 September 2010, NSSAR Fall Leadership, Trustees Meeting, Brown Hotel, Louisville, KY.

25 September 2010, New NSSAR Library Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. The Grand Opening of Phase I of The Center for Advancing America's Heritage to be held during the NSSAR Fall Leadership, Trustees Meeting, 809 W. Main St., Louisville, KY.

5-6 November 2010, CASSAR 136th Fall Board of Managers Meeting, Embassy Suites Santa Clara-Silicon Valley. See p.11 for the registration form or visit CaliforniaSAR.org.

11 November 2010, Veterans Day

1 December 2010, CASSAR Eagle Scout Con-

test Deadline for Chapters to submit Eagle Scout entries to the State Chairman.

11 December 2010, Wreaths Across America wreath laying ceremony at a location near you. Remember the fallen; Honor those who serve; Teach children the value of Freedom!

20 February 2011, George Washington Massing of the Colors, sponsored by the Sons of Liberty Chapter, Forest Lawn Memorial Park, 6300 Forest Lawn Dr, Los Angeles.

10-12 March 2011, NSSAR Spring Leadership, Trustees Meeting, Brown Hotel, Louisville, KY.

9-10 April 2011, CASSAR 135th Spring Meeting of the Membership, hosted by the Orange County Chapter, The Crowne Plaza, Irvine.

4 July 2011, Independence Day

9-13 July 2011, 121st NSSAR Congress, Winston-Salem, NC.