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The President's Message

I am pleased to report our membership numbers have held steady, despite the continuing economic troubles. We all have other commitments for both our funds and our time. The fact our members devote some of each to our society is a testament to the hard work of all those who strive to keep meeting programs interesting and foster a welcoming atmosphere so members and guests look forward to getting together regularly and take time out of their busy lives to join us in honoring the Founders of our Nation. I realize many of you are unable to attend your local chapter meetings as often as you would like. If you have not attended for a while, I urge you to set aside some time and join your fellow Compatriots at a meeting. I am sure you will enjoy the company, and want to return for more!

Those who immigrated voluntarily to the colonies came for two primary reasons: religious freedom and economic opportunity, both important components of individual liberty. Liberty is preserved through vigilance. By remaining circumspect of efforts encroaching on that liberty, we continue to honor the sacrifices of our Patriot ancestors who sacrificed so much over 200 years ago. Lest their hardships be forgotten or – almost worse – regarded as irrelevant in this “modern” age, the National Society several years ago embarked on the effort to greatly expand the educational outreach mission of the Society through the Center for Advancing America’s Heritage. That effort has taken shape with the completion of the first construction phase of the building in the heart of “museum row” on Main Street in Louisville and the completion of the genealogical library. For more complete information please review the materials under the “SAR FOUNDATION” tab on the NSSAR website.

We in California are doing our part to advance this important project. When meeting with foundations and others who may be interested in making sizeable donations to the Center, one of the questions which arises is: “What percentage of SAR members have donated to the project?” After all, we can’t expect others to donate to the project if our individual members do not support it themselves.



The nationwide goal is to have at least 20% of our approximately 28,000 members donate at least \$250.00. To further that goal, every CASSAR member who donates \$250.00 or more will receive a “California 250” pin, demonstrating your commitment to our common goal. Even in these trying economic times, this is “doable.” If we set aside \$2.50 a week for two years, this totals \$260.00, so it meets the goal with \$10 to spare! For about the same price as one cup of coffee a week, you can make a difference in our shared mission of increasing civic literacy and spreading the message of pride in our American heritage. If you can afford more, great! If this amount is a stretch for you right now, even a one-time contribution of \$25 helps because it increases the percentage of members who have donated. You can donate on line at the Foundation’s website or fill out the pledge form and send it in. Please do so soon.

Those of you who were not able to join us at the Sacramento Congress a few years ago will have the opportunity this summer to get a glimpse of the S.A.R. at the national level and meet Compatriots from around the country

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NEW MEMBER APPLICATION FEES, DUES

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

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

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

SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FEES

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

JUNIOR MEMBER APPLICATION FEES, DUES

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

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP ADVANTAGES

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



Alert!

The CASSAR needs a fine gentleman to accept the distinguished position as Editor of the California Compatriot.

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The Secretary's Report

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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.

CALIFORNIA SOCIETY LIFE MEMBERS

The California Society's Life Membership program covers a member's National Society, California Society, and Chapter dues for as long as he remains in the California Society, SAR. The program is open to all regular members 18 years of age. The fee structure is based on the member's age and is posted in the members section of the California Society's website.

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 want to thank all of the chapters for getting in their 2012 Reconciliation Reports so the State report could be submitted to National. If you maintain your chapter records on a regular basis, it will be much easier next year.

We began the year with 1401 CASSAR members. We had 177 new members, 5 transfers in and 36 reinstatements. We had 30 reported deaths, 8 resignations, 3 transfers out and 189 dropped. That left us with a net loss of 12 and a total CASSAR membership of 1389.

At national, the backlog of new member applications is down to 6 weeks. That is probably why we already have 35 new members this year.

I want to remind the chapters to file their **IRS 990** and **California 199** reports and send a copy to me. If they are not filed you could lose your non-profit status. In fact, some chapters have lost this status in other states.

The chapter officers should have access to the Compatriot Data Base for your chapters. You can make updates and check membership, but please **always** copy me on any compatriot's address change so I can update the CASSAR roster.

When your chapter is advising me of the death of a compatriot, please make sure to give his name and National number, date of death and the address of the next of kin, so our chaplain can give our condolences as a Society.

There has been some confusion about reinstatement procedures. If you are reinstating a member, please send in two checks, one for \$30 made out to NSSAR and \$20 made out to CASSAR. Please include the name, national number and address and whether that is a new address.

I will be sending out Whistleblower and Conflict of Interest forms for CASSAR Officers, trustees and Chapter Presidents to sign and return to me. They will also be available at the State Meeting.

Ronald Barker
Secretary CASSAR



Ronald J. Barker
California Secretary

Coming Events

April 13-15, 2012 – 137th Spring Meeting of the Membership of the California Society, Sons of the American Revolution. Embassy Suites Hotel – Riverfront Promenade, Old Sacramento, 916-326-5000. Information on page 15.

July 7-11, 2012 – 122nd National Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution. Arizona Biltmore Resort & Spa, 2400 East Missouri Road, Phoenix, Arizona. 800/950-0086. Information and Registration Forms are at www.sar.org.



Greetings Compatriots and welcome to a great beginning of the 2012 registration season. Already we have 75 applications in the pipeline and it is looking like this year will be better than last. Fifty-three of the applications are for new members, nineteen supplementals, and three are Junior Members.

Have you read the Registrar's Application Preparation Manual? If not, I encourage you to take a look at it. Compatriot Faulkinbury has done an outstanding job providing us with a tool from which we can continue to lead the nation in quality applications.

The SAR Registrar's Application Preparation Manual is at www.sar.org, linked to the Genealogy Committee

May I make a suggestion on preparing a quality application? It was shown to me that as you prepare each generation's supporting documents you annotate in the upper right hand corner the generations to which the document refers: generation 1 – 2, generation 2-3, and so on. This allows you to focus on having all the generations covered. Then you can annotate the documents on the reverse side of the application. Also underline in a red pen the generations of the document to facilitate finding and reading. Note also, the application must be on SAR watermarked paper.

1940 U.S. Federal Census is scheduled for release in April

Finally, Compatriots, I encourage you to work with the potential applicants as they begin their journey down the road of qualification for membership. It cannot be emphasized too strongly that our strength in membership begins with the little steps we take. Hold their hand if necessary and allow them to feel a part of our great organization from day one.

Owen Stiles
CASSAR Registrar



Owen R. Stiles
California Registrar

1940 U.S. Census to be Free on Ancestry.com

Ancestry.com, the world's largest online family history resource, has announced that both the images and indexes to the 1940 U.S. Federal Census will be made free to search, browse, and explore in the United States when this important collection commences streaming onto the website in mid-April 2012. When complete, more than 3.8 million original document images containing 130 million plus records will be available to search by more than 45 fields, including name, gender, race, street address, county and state. It will be Ancestry.com's most comprehensively indexed set of historical records to date.

Ancestry.com is committing to make the 1940 Census **free** from release through to the end of 2013, and by doing so hopes to help more people get started exploring their family history. As this census will be the most recent to be made publicly available, it represents the best chance for those new to family history to make that all-important first discovery.



*Tom Adams,
Vice President
Keith Bigbee,
and CAR
President
DiCesare at the
CAR 82nd State
Conference in
Monterey-
Seaside*

NSSAR Leadership Conference

March 1 - 3, 2012
Louisville, Kentucky

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The Spring 2012 NSSAR Leadership Conference was held on 1-3 March 2012 at the Brown Hotel in Louisville. The California Society was represented by President General Larry Magerkurth, Vice President General Lou Carlson, Historian General Chuck Lampman, California National Trustee Wayne Griswold, Spain National Trustee Steve Renouf, Mexico Alternate Trustee Bob Ebert, CASSAR President John Dodd, CASSAR Executive Vice President Keith Bigbee, CASSAR Secretary Ron Barker, CASSAR Vice President North Jim Faulkinbury, CASSAR Past President Karl Jacobs, CASSAR Past President Stan De Long, and Dr. Kent Gregory. On Thursday night, President General Magerkurth and members of the Germany Society had dinner at the Gasthaus German Restaurant in Louisville for an evening of German food and accordion music.

The NSSAR Committees met on Friday, 2 March 2012. Vice Chairman Stephen Renouf attended the **Medals and Awards Committee** meeting. The committee approved the Alabama Society Medal, the National Von Steuben Medal for continuing service in the color guard, the South Carolina 2014 NSSAR Congress Medal, and the Germany Society Blazer Patch. They tabled a revision of the criteria for the NSSAR Color Guard Medals, and referred the Patriot Grave Marking Medal back to the Patriot Index Committee to correct perceived flaws in the criteria. The committee approved the Gold Good Citizenship Medal for Leslie Greene Bowman of the Thomas Jefferson Foundation, which runs Monticello.

Chairman John Dodd convened the **Handbook Committee** meeting, which considered input from Compatriots concerning possible changes to the Handbook. As CASSAR President, John Dodd, along with Executive Vice President Bigbee, also attended the meeting of the **Council of State Presidents**, at which presidents from various state societies shared their concerns and ideas for improving our Society.

Chairman Stephen Renouf convened the **Premium Membership Medals Committee** meeting. Chairman Renouf reported that 63 people submitted donations for the new membership medal. The dies and molds for the new medal have been ordered, and the prototype should be ready within weeks. Once the prototype is approved, Chairman



*Larry J. Magerkurth
President General, 2011-2012*

Renouf will contact those who subscribed to the new medal to confirm their name, address, NSSAR number and the price of the medal. A motion was approved to empower the chairman to get a quote for a watered silk ribbon from a manufacturer in England that provides ribbon to the British military and Society of Colonial Wars, and to obtain ribbon in the original white, buff and blue color used with the Tiffany medals. Under new business, the committee discussed doing a miniature membership medal. The die for the miniature medal could also be used to produce cuff links and tie tacks. The committee also discussed a replacement for the SAR State President's Medal. Since this would be a replacement rather than a reproduction of an earlier medal, the design would need to be submitted to the Medals and Awards Committee for approval.

CASSAR President John Dodd attended the **Nominating Committee**. The committee interviewed candidates for national office, and approved the following slate of officers for the 2012-13 year: President General - Stephen A. Leishman, Secretary General - Joseph W. Dooley, Treasurer General - Lindsey C. Brock, Chancellor General - Judge Thomas Lawrence, Genealogist General - Larry P. Cornwell, Registrar General - J. Michael Tomme, Historian General - Robert L. Bowen, Librarian General - Michael C. Wells, Surgeon General - Dr. Abraham R. Byrd, and Chaplain General - Rev. Randy D. Moody.

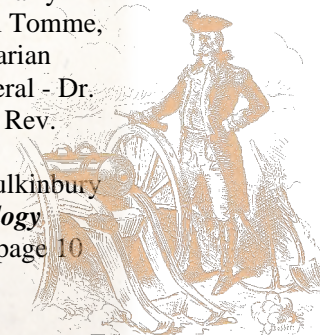
CASSAR Vice President North Jim Faulkinbury and Dr. Kent Gregory attended the **Genealogy Committee** meeting, which is reported on page 10

*CASSAR had
12 members at
the Leadership
Conference*

*Sixty-three
SAR members
ordered the
premium
membership
medals.*

*Nominating
Committee
approved slate
of officers for
2012-2013*

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of this newsletter.

Wayne Griswold, Rev. Lou Carlson, and Dr. Kent Gregory attended the **Museum Board of Directors** meeting. The Museum staff reported on gifts from the Illinois Society, including two original payroll certificates, and the removal of the George Rogers Clark painting in the headquarters to be restored at Indiana University. Other gifts being negotiated include the Ritter drum from Valley Forge and a Chaplain's vestment chest. New exhibits will be designed around them. The committee voted to decline an offer to purchase an 1830 letter regarding the internment of one of Gen. Washington's guards.

Museum Board seeks artifact donations

Patriot and Graves on-line database has been updated

Chairman Lou Carlson convened the **Council of Vice Presidents General**, and discussed the responsibilities of vice presidents general serving as intermediaries between the state societies and the national society.

Vice Chairman Stephen Renouf attended the **Spanish Patriots Committee** meeting. The committee reviewed the draft mission statement: *Research and document the names and service of Spanish soldiers who served in the Spanish Presidios, defended against British expansion in the territories surrounding the United States, and helped finance the American Revolutionary efforts.*

Trustees approve creation of design plans for Main Street Headquarters and Museum

Chairman Ed Karr provided copies of the documents available in the NSSAR Library, and state SAR resources. The Spanish Ambassador to the United States Jorge Dezcallar has agreed to help and provided the SAR with a list of the soldiers and sailors with General Bernardo de Gálvez. President General Magerkurth spoke of a joint task force on Spanish Patriots with the DAR. Paul Hays of the DC Society will be the liaison with the DAR on this task force.

Senate Resolution 376 recognizes the 225th Anniversary of the US Constitution

The **Patriot and Graves Committee** announced that the patriot information and graves registry has now been combined into one database, which is accessible at <http://patriot.sar.org>. There are currently 200,000 names in the database, with more added as new members join the SAR. The next phase of the project will be to add lineage data, and to link to photos of the gravestones of the patriot ancestors.

On Saturday morning, CASSAR President Dodd attended the NSSAR **Executive Committee** meeting. Later that morning, the **Trustees Meeting** was held in the Crystal Ballroom. Voting trustees from California included Wayne Griswold, John Dodd, and Stephen Renouf. National officers and committee chairmen presented their reports to the

Trustees. President General Magerkurth announced that the \$500,000 loan for the construction of the SAR Library has been fully repaid.

Under new business, the Trustees were informed that a group of 35 doctors desires to lease the old SAR headquarters building on Fourth Street. If the building is leased for 10 years instead of being sold for \$1.4 million, the SAR will net \$1.4 million after 10 years, and still own the building. The President General asked for the authority to negotiate a lease with the group of doctors so he can present a proposal at the National Congress in July in Phoenix. The trustees unanimously granted the enabling authority.

The President General asked for approval to have a preliminary design created for the new headquarters on West Main Street. The design will cost \$100,000, and needs to be spent prior to the final renovations. The trustees voted unanimously to approve the expense. The President General asked for approval to keep the line of credit open now that it has been paid off. The trustees unanimously approved.

The building that is next to the new headquarters on West Main Street is currently in a bad state of repair. A distillery has expressed interest in renting the neighboring building for a demonstration distillery and tourist destination, but they would need one of the parking spots behind the SAR building. They have proposed paying the SAR \$50,000 for the parking spot. The trustees approved the authority to negotiate the sale of the parking space.

The **Congress Planning Committee** reported on the SAR Congress in Phoenix, Arizona hosted by the Arizona and New Mexico State Societies. The weather will be quite hot, so the dress code will be casual, except at the formal banquets. Future SAR Congresses will be held in 2013 in St. Louis, Missouri, in 2014 in Columbia, South Carolina, and in 2015 in Louisville, Kentucky. The Massachusetts Society has proposed hosting the 2016 SAR Congress in Boston. The sense of the trustees was to agree in principle to the selection of Boston.

Senator Roger Wicker of Mississippi has sponsored **Senate Resolution No. 376 to commemorate the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States**, and recognizing the contributions of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Daughters of the American Revolution. Compatriots are requested to contact their senators to recommend co-sponsoring the resolution.

Following the Trustees Meeting, the **Germany Society** met in the Louis XVI Room.

Leadership Conference, cont.

SAR Ambassador to Germany Stephen Renouf reported on the SAR Trip to Germany in April 2012. Final arrangements are being made with the mayors of Zweibruecken and Forbach. Marian Freiherr von Gravenreuth has agreed to have the SAR delegation visit Schloss Affing outside of Munich, and he will attend the wreath laying in Munich to honor his ancestor, Count Christian de Forbach, Commander of the Regiment Royal Deux-Ponts at Yorktown.

The Germany Society blazer patch was approved by the NSSAR Medals & Awards Committee, and the design was distributed to the attendees. The patch will be available to the Germany Society members and those going on the trip to Germany. The President General will be given a supply of the patches to distribute during the trip. The patch will be sold for \$10. The Germany Society voted to approve purchasing the minimum order of 100. There was a motion to support the Heidelberg ROTC Unit, provided that no other SAR society was currently supporting them, which was unanimously approved. Finally, elections were held for 2012 Germany Society officers. Elected to office were: President Bill Stone, Vice President Bruce Buehler, Secretary Michael Foster, Treasurer Lindsey Brock, Registrar Gerald McCoy, NSSAR Trustee Steve Baldwin, and Alternate NSSAR Trustee Bill Stone.

Stephen Renouf

NSSAR Trustee-Spain Society



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Rev. Louis and Karen Carlson recognized on their 39th Wedding Anniversary at the NSSAR Trustees Banquet

President's Message, cont.

when the National Congress comes to nearby Phoenix July 6 through 11. "Phoenix in July?" you ask. "But it's a dry heat," they respond. The Arizona Society pledges to us this will be a "casual Congress" with suits and formal wear only *de rigueur* for the banquets, but a comfortable dress code the order of the day for the other functions. Congress will be held at the historic Frank Lloyd Wright designed Arizona Biltmore, with many enjoyable activities planned. Since Congress is so close, California has the opportunity to have a sizeable delegation. All Compatriots and their spouses are welcome. Please let President-to-be Keith Bigbee and Secretary Barker know if you are interested.

And speaking of Compatriot Bigbee, I hope many of you will join us in Sacramento April 13 through 15 to see him sworn in as CASSAR president. We return to the Embassy Suites adjacent to Old Town for our Annual Meeting. All CASSAR members are welcome to attend and provide input into the governance of our society, whether or not you are a chapter delegate. It has been an honor serving as CASSAR president this last year, and I wish Keith success in his year. May God bless America, and God bless the S.A.R.!

John L. Dodd, Esq.
CASSAR President

2011

Nat #	CA#	Name	Chapter				
180867	8876	Jason A. Sawyer	Central Coast	180872	8881	Jake C. Mack	San Diego
180868	8877	Nathan L. Sawyer	Central Coast	139993	8882	Richard B. Hodgman	San Diego
181187	8897	Andrew M. Allen	Central Coast	181113	8891	Michael D. Stys	San Diego
180471	8852	Edward J. Hurley	Coachella Valley	181114	8892	Simon Fobes	San Diego
180862	8871	Jerald M. Ferrell	Coachella Valley	181115	8893	Joseph R. Raser	San Diego
181589	8918	John A. Martino	Coachella Valley	181185	8895	Paul G. Crocker	San Diego
181616	8929	Leonard E. Lyon	Coachella Valley	171824	8898	Ian D. Beed	San Diego
181733	8942	Thomas R. Moore	Coachella Valley	181308	8905	Robert L. Fagaly	San Diego
180476	8857	Douglas M. Lawson	Delta	181412	8911	Kenneth C. Briggs	San Diego
180477	8858	Robert S. Clark	Delta	181502	8915	Frank L. Kebelman III	San Diego
180864	8873	Bobby A. Bartlett	Delta	181504	8917	Calvin U. Whiffen III	San Diego
180988	8883	Byron D. Kelly Jr.	Gen. George Patton	181597	8926	John M. Green	San Diego
181501	8914	Paul D. Davis	Gen. G. Washington	181734	8943	Jason M. Hayden	San Diego
180991	8886	Cameron J. Baxley	Gold Country	181112	8890	David W. Allen Jr.	San Francisco
181307	8904	Michael L. Howell	Gold Country	181309	8906	Wesley L. Harrigan	San Francisco
181596	8925	Donn A. Dancer	Gold Country	181310	8907	Cole C. Harrigan	San Francisco
181590	8919	James R. Gill	Harbor	181664	8936	Robert T. Nelson, Jr.	San Francisco
181599	8928	Harry G. Jacoby, Jr.	Harbor	180989	8884	Jeffrey A. Harrison	San Francisco
180727	8863	Edwin H. Waldron Jr.	Kern	180359	8853	George J. Moore	Silicon Valley
181306	8903	Gary G. Kern	Kern	180360	8851	John V. Moore	Silicon Valley
180994	8889	Peter P. Malaznik III	Monterey Bay	180860	8869	Carlisle J. Percival	Silicon Valley
181665	8937	David D. Lambing	Monterey Bay	180861	8870	Kevin R. Coyne	Silicon Valley
181666	8938	Daniel R. Lambing	Monterey Bay	180990	8885	Mark R. Loftus	Silicon Valley
181667	8939	Colin D. Lambing	Monterey Bay	181503	8916	Jerry P. McMillan	Silicon Valley
180859	8868	William S. Bradley	Mother Lode	180358	8849	John G. Mohler	Sons of Liberty
180123	8844	Daniel H. Shippey	Orange County	181283	8901	Richard L. Humphrey	Sons of Liberty
180472	8853	Robert W. Thompson	Orange County	181284	8902	Richard H. Humphrey	Sons of Liberty
180473	8854	John Cl. Hoganson	Orange County	181595	8924	Robert K. Pearce	Sons of Liberty
180474	8855	John Ch. Hoganson	Orange County	181668	8940	Robert A. Aquaro	Sons of Liberty
180475	8856	Michael C. Hoganson	Orange County	181669	8941	Henry M. Troxell	Sons of Liberty
180785	8866	Paul F. Magerkurth	Orange County	181348	8908	Eric W. Peirce	South Coast
180786	8867	Paul A. Magerkurth	Orange County	181349	8909	Garrett S. Peirce	South Coast
159735	8899	John Michael Tomme, Sr	Orange County	181591	8920	Barry A. Mancebo	Thomas Jefferson
154354	8900	Robert L. Bowen	Orange County	181878	8947	Joseph S. McGuire III	Thomas Jefferson
181350	8910	Dirk S. Bauman	Orange County				
181414	8913	Roger S. Marsh	Orange County	2012			
181592	8921	James F. Steelman, Jr.	Orange County	181936	8948	Gary N. Overby	Delta
181598	8927	Robert C. Welham	Orange County	181937	8949	Mathew N. Overby	Delta
181413	8912	Patrick J. Lyons	Redlands	182069	8954	Richard G. Callistro	Delta
181593	8922	Daniel F. Piedlow	Redlands	182070	8955	Charles R. Callistro	Delta
180124	8845	Joseph D Winnicki	Riverside	182234	8969	Bradley W. Hart	Delta
181594	8923	Brian R. Stephens	Riverside	181980	8950	Bruce M. Babcock	Gen. G. Washington
180268	8847	Hunter L. De May	Sacramento	182116	8962	Ted D. Spring	Gold Country
180688	8860	Wesley C. Anderson	Sacramento	182239	8974	William C. Adams	Gold Country
180690	8862	David S. Lawson	Sacramento	182244	8979	Dennis D. Goble	Harbor
180687	8864	Dennis C. Anderson	Sacramento	182245	8980	Walter E. Holt, Jr.	Harbor
		Christopher J.		182242	8977	Spencer R. Joice	Kern Chapter
180689	8861	Stephenson	Sacramento	181983	8953	Kevin L. McInemey	Mother Lode
180863	8872	James K. Nester	Sacramento	181981	8951	DeLoy C. Baker	Orange County
180992	8887	Christian Vives	Sacramento	182247	8982	Robert E. Kazebee	Orange County
180993	8888	Issac T. Rex	Sacramento	182241	8976	Evan R. Bridgham	Riverside
181116	8894	Michael S. Trimberger	Sacramento	182240	8975	Dennis C. Bridgham	Riverside
181186	8896	Michael D. Dismukes II	Sacramento	181982	8952	Paul E. Smith	San Diego
181617	8930	Hollis	Sacramento	182238	8973	Christopher R. Beck	San Diego
181618	8931	Robert J. Hollis	Sacramento	182236	8971	Lewis P. Champion	San Francisco
181619	8932	Daniel J. Hollis	Sacramento	182114	8960	Justin W. Caulfield	Silicon Valley
181620	8933	Daniel R. Hollis	Sacramento	182115	8961	James R. Smaltz	Silicon Valley
181621	8934	John L. Hollis	Sacramento	182228	8963	Thomas D. McCubbin	Silicon Valley
181622	8935	Michael A. Hollis	Sacramento	182229	8964	Carl A. Schneider	Silicon Valley
181735	8944	William E. Gunn	Sacramento	182230	8965	David R. Schneider	Silicon Valley
181736	8945	Gary A. Nelson	Sacramento	182231	8966	Daniel E. Schneider	Silicon Valley
181783	8946	Judd B. Strong	Sacramento	182071	8956	Richard P. Merritt	South Coast
180267	8846	Louis T. Marxer	San Diego	182072	8957	Ronald P. Merritt	South Coast
180644	8859	Robert M. Hayden	San Diego	182073	8958	Perry W. Merritt	South Coast
180865	8874	Robert F. Preston	San Diego	182074	8959	Brett A. Merritt	South Coast
180869	8878	Carey P. Mack	San Diego	182232	8967	Rajiv J. Pal	South Coast
180870	8879	William M. Woolman	San Diego	182233	8968	Anil M. Pal	South Coast
180871	8880	Luke A. Mack	San Diego	182237	8972	Michael S. Bull	South Coast
				182246	8981	Charles D. Brockett	South Coast
				182243	8978	Jonathan W. Kassoff	Thomas Jefferson
				182235	8970	Thomas R. Williamson	Thomas Jefferson

Life Membership

Tired of annual dues bills? Want to demonstrate your full commitment to the S.A.R.? Need to find that unique gift for a son or grandson? How about another nifty label pin? Then Life Membership is for you!

Consider becoming a Life member of CASSAR

CASSAR life membership pays National, State and Chapter dues for the duration of your life. See the schedule in the Members section of the CASSAR website for the fee schedule. While other organizations have eliminated life membership, CASSAR's program is based on sound actuarial accounting. Please consider becoming a CASSAR life member, thereby relieving yourself of the hassles of annual dues payments.



CASSAR Polo Shirts

Last year CASSAR Past President Karl Jacobs applied his incredible artistic skills to design a whimsical California bear logo for polo shirts for California Society members. CASSAR members who attended the National Congress in Winston-Salem, NC were often seen wearing their black polo shirts with the bear logo. It made the California delegation more noticeable.

If you are interested in purchasing a black polo shirt with the logo in white thread, contact Karl Jacobs. The shirts are \$25 each, and are available in small, medium, large, X-large, or XX-large.



What is a Cogswell Sire?

Our Society maintains a "permanent fund" to receive gifts and donations. One-half the annual income of this fund is used to help pay for CASSAR's patriotic, historical and educational activities. Each compatriot who donates \$250.00 or more receives a Cogswell Sires pin, named after Dr. James L. Cogswell, in whose office a group of men met on October 22, 1875, formulating plans to form a society composed of the descendants of Revolutionary War Patriots. Additionally, please consider naming the CASSAR permanent fund as one of the beneficiaries in your estate plan. "Consult your legal and tax advisor," as they say.

Become a Cogswell Sire with a \$250 donation



The Genealogy Committee met on March 1st in Louisville, KY. I chaired sub-committees on the use of direct evidence or proof arguments when direct evidence is not available to support applications, and also the sub-committee to maintain the “Registrar’s Manual”, now renamed the “Application Preparation Manual”. I also served on the sub-committee to look at Policy 2003-01 regarding New Spain. During the meeting the following new or revised policies were adopted:

- 2003-01 - Guidelines for Acceptance of Residents of New Spain as Patriots
This policy was modified to clarify language and no significant changes were made at this time. However, there is a suggested policy submitted by the Membership Committee that would be more restrictive and this sub-committee, on which I participate, has requested that the final report be delayed until the Fall Leadership Meeting so more input can be solicited regarding why some members wish to make the policy more restrictive.

Any member of the Army or Navy of Spain or of a Spanish colonial militia, who served in the Spanish territories of North America after December 24, 1776, may be considered to have performed qualifying military service in support of the Patriot cause. Any resident of the Spanish territories of North America who contributed to the donativo requested by King Carlos III in 1780 to fund Spanish involvement in the war effort, may be considered to have performed qualifying patriotic service.

- 2005-01 – renamed “Acceptance of Direct Evidence or Proof Arguments In a Lineage”
This revision of the policy which allowed only one use of “preponderance of evidence” in an application, is a significant change now allowing multiple uses of proof arguments to establish lineage.

*On any given application, direct evidence or a compelling proof argument meeting all of the elements of a standard genealogical proof is required for each genealogical link between any two generations. Any link in an application may be accepted by the SAR Genealogy Staff if they determine that the link has been sufficiently established based on primary evidence or by a genealogical proof argument for that link. A genealogical proof argument can be made to build a case using indirect evidence of lineage, to resolve inconsistencies in available evidence, or to differentiate between persons of the same name and should include the following elements:
1) a reasonable search of available evidence,*

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CASSAR Vice President
- North*

2) complete and accurate source citations, 3) an analysis and correlation of the collected evidence, 4) resolution of any conflicting evidence, and 5) a soundly reasoned, coherently written conclusion. A discussion of the reliability of any evidence that is open to question or in conflict with other evidence is needed as part of the proof argument

- 2005-06 – renamed “Militia Fines” from the previous Policy named “Acceptance of Pennsylvania Fines List as evidence of Patriotic Service” covers more than just the Pennsylvania fines list.
 1. *The payment of a fine in itself shall not be considered evidence of service.*
 2. *A militia fine, whether or not there is record payment, shall be considered as evidence of service if the record shows that (a) the soldier must have been on duty in order to commit the offense for which the fine was imposed, and (b) the offense was not one that SAR deems so great that it amounts to disloyalty or an egregious failure of duty, i.e., of sufficient gravity to flag previous service as no longer qualifying a descendant for SAR membership.*
 3. *Prior service that is acceptable on its own merits shall not be disqualified by a subsequent militia fine where the offense for which the fine was imposed cannot be determined.*
 4. *Appearing as a defendant in a court-martial shall not be deemed return to service if the defendant is found guilty.*
 5. *Records regarding the exoneration of a fine may be considered on a case by case basis.*

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.

<u>Nat'l #</u>	<u>CASSAR</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Chapter</u>
164254	7878	Andrews W. Steven	Delta
155989	7306	David L. Carman	Gen G. Washington
163936	7872	Lawrence R. Bigbee	Gold Country
141399	6137	Harlan M. Cleaver	Gold Country
58640	5499	Douglas C. Luebben	Harbor
137182	5811	Raymond H. Glenn	Harbor
177224	8708	Thomas W. Tedrick	Monterey Bay
159310	7541	Dean R. Gabriel	Monterey Bay
172865	8407	Roy N. Tougaw	Mother Lode
152220	6991	Thomas W. Cooper	Orange County
118966	5758	Brace I. Knapp	Redwood Empire
170059	8268	Gale D. Moore	Redwood Empire
161193	7646	Lawrence H. Dewing	Riverside
115602	4636	Robert I. Lippman	Riverside
123721	5103	Robert C. Taylor	Riverside
163455	7828	Clifford P. Robertson	Sacramento
168289	8166	John R. Hessekbein	Sacramento
169295	8224	Norwood Robertshaw	Sacramento
129313	5440	Harold L. Worrell	San Diego
118480	4807	John M. Sandy	San Diego
113761	4542	Robert Klees	San Diego
144268	6325	Andrew J. Farrell	San Diego
101356	3987	Vernon C. Harp	San Francisco
177010	8689	Charles H. Mahnken	San Francisco
90194	3500	Eugene Robinson III	San Francisco
149475	6715	Robert M. Waite	San Francisco
170482	8283	Clyde L. Ross	Silicon Valley
124600	1862	Benjamin T. Pearman	Sons of Liberty
104169	7863	Edward G. Kasmar	Sons of Liberty
157697	7424	Eugene H. Arthur	Thomas Jefferson
130063	5470	Thomas W. Armour	Thomas Jefferson
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153082	7048	Donald W. Cooper	Kern
140275	6061	Jerry A. Baker	Sons of Liberty



Harbor, Orange County, and Sons of Liberty chapters participated in the Color Guard at Wreaths Across America in Brea, CA. Pictured are Compatriots Wood, Blauer, Gregory, Jacobs, McKelvie, Siler, Downer, and CASSAR Commander Fosdyck.

Thomas Jefferson Chapter

At the January 28, 2012 meeting of the Thomas Jefferson Chapter, CASSAR Executive Vice President Keith Bigbee installed the 2012 officers of the chapter, and presented the gavel to new chapter president Derek J. Brown. After three years as president, Don Gurley stepped down, but will continue as chapter registrar. President Derek Brown was presented with the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal for his two decades service as a reserve officer in the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Department. It is estimated that he has volunteered almost 5,000 hours. The Wounded Warrior Certificate was awarded to Steve Cram, a former helicopter pilot during the Vietnam War, and a former coroner/medical examiner in San Francisco.



Daniel, David, and Colin Lambing with Past President Spud Lambing

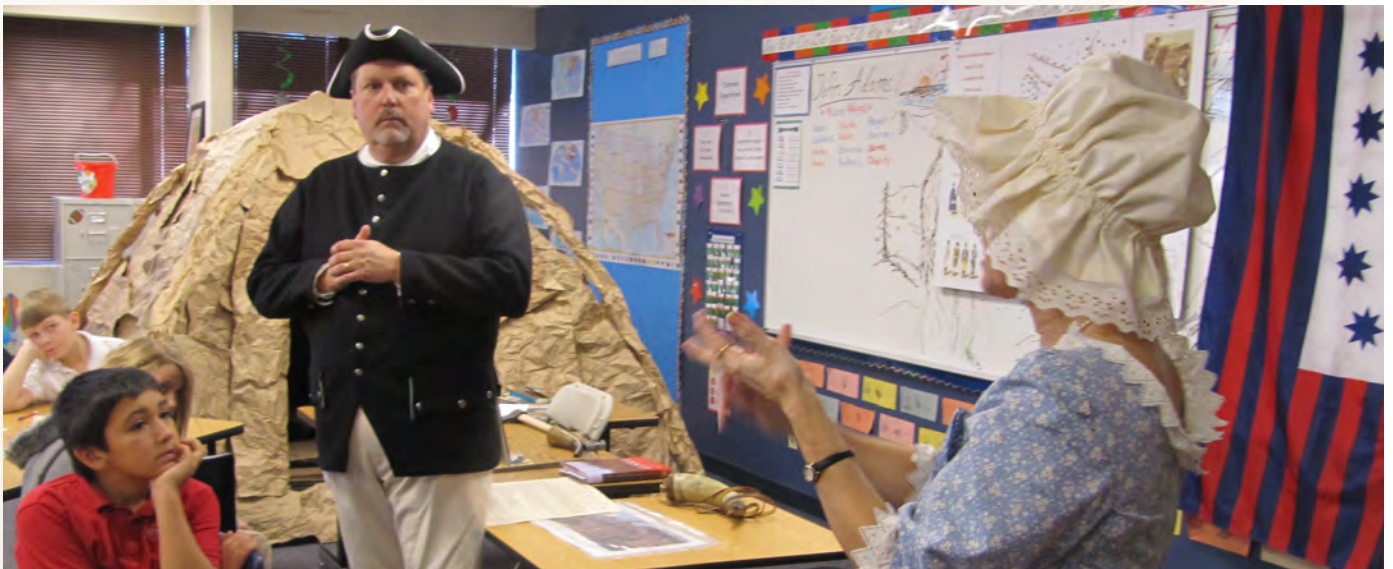
Gold Country Chapter

The Gold Country Chapter presented American Revolution programs in Placer County schools as part of the national poster contest. Their programs consisted of members and spouses going into 5th grade classes in period attire and sharing the causes of the American Revolution, woman's and children's roles in the colonies, and the story of the Battle of Guildford Court House. The students were told about the SAR poster contest, which has prizes at the class, school, chapter, state, and national levels. There have been three National winners of the SAR Poster Contest from Placer County and these three winners won over \$1000 each. *In the photo below, Dave Gilliard and Conni Barker are making a presentation at John Adams Charter School in Roseville.*

Monterey Bay Chapter

The Monterey Bay Chapter had a great meeting on January 14, 2012. CASSAR Executive Vice President Keith Bigbee installed the 2012 chapter officers: President Sam Griffith, Vice President Joe McMahon, Secretary Bob Stephan, and Treasurer Peter Tansill. President Griffith has led an active life as an Eagle Scout, a USAF officer, corporate pilot, flight instructor, and high tech work in Silicon Valley.

Outgoing President Commander C. L. "Spud" Lambing USN (Ret.) presented a Supplemental Certificate to Compatriot Linn Malaznik and Membership Certificates to his son David and his grandsons Colin and Daniel. Elyse Lambing, Daniel's twin, has been accepted into the DAR.





Color Guards from South Coast, Orange County, Redlands, and Riverside chapters assemble at the Massing of the Colors in Burbank, sponsored by the Sons of Liberty Chapter

Jim Blauer sings the National Anthem at the Massing of the Colors.

Sons of Liberty Chapter President Gary Bohannon salutes the flag.



The remarkable members of the CASSAR Ladies Auxiliary at the Fall Board of Managers Meeting in San Diego

Genealogy Committee, cont.

- 2010-01 – “Desertion, Missed Muster, Absence Without Leave”. A clause was added to accept as qualifying, prior public service by persons who refused to perform military service for religious reasons. Subsequent public service is already considered qualifying service since the guideline is that the last record of service is used to determine eligibility.
Prior non-military service by members of religious denominations whose doctrine forbade the bearing of arms shall not be disallowed for failure to perform military service. If there is sufficient and compelling evidence that the soldier remained loyal to the American cause, even though he was absent from service.
 - 2011-03 – “Acceptable Service”. A clause was added to qualify POWs as having acceptable service.
Prisoners of war, including those on the British ship, “Old Jersey,” and other prison ships.
 - 2012-01 – “Administrative Requirements for Submitting Applications”. This policy formalizes a previously used requirement that was never in policy and only on Form 912.
NSSAR membership application forms must be prepared as follows:
 1. *Forms must be typed or computer-printed forms using black print. Handwritten applications will not be accepted. Application forms printed before 1990 will not be accepted.*
 2. *Applications must be a single-page form printed on both sides and printed on official, SAR watermarked, bond paper.*
 3. *Applicants must submit the original application form containing all necessary signatures. Photocopies of applications will not be accepted.*
 4. *Nothing may be attached to the application form by staple, glue, tape, pin, thread, or other means.*
 - 2012-02 – “Patriotic service by children taken as prisoners”. A new policy.
Determination of whether children taken prisoner with their Patriot parents also qualify as Patriots must be handled on a case by case basis and must include a proof argument (Policy 2005-01). Factors considered should include: At what a was the child taken and imprisoned? What was the child doing at the time? What was the time duration of the child’s imprisonment, and what was the child’s age at the time of release. These are just some of the several factors that should be looked at to determine whether the child performed overt acts of resistance as required by Article III, SAR Constitution.
 - 2012-03 – “Proof of Relationship Required to Link SAR Member to Grandchildren”. This policy formalizes a previously used requirement that was never in policy and only on Form 912.
The NSSAR shall require a birth certificate or other acceptable proof of relationship between a SAR member and his child through which one or more of his grandsons are applying for Membership.
 - 2012-04 – “Proof Documents in a Foreign Language”. A new policy.
English is the language of use for SAR applications. A document in a foreign language may be submitted provided that it is accompanied by an English translation, and attested to as an accurate translation by a competent translator.
 - 2012-05 – “Bible records and other original family documents used as proof documents”. A new policy
The Genealogist General will evaluate Bible records and other original family documents, such as old letters and journals, on a case-by-case basis. To prove lineage, the relationship between two generations must be explicit, or used with other documentation to reasonably prove a parent-child relationship. If possible, a photo or scanned image of all the pages showing the family information must be submitted, and in the case of a Bible, a photo of the Bible’s title page, to give an indication of the Bible’s age and genealogy presented. He will examine not only the apparent age of the document, but also the handwriting and ink used, and evidence that the events were recorded soon after they occurred. If the writer can be identified through the handwriting (through old letters, etc.), that proof should be included. Bible entries apparently entered long after the event will reduce their usefulness. The Genealogist General will also evaluate transcripts of Bible records, though having less value, on a case-by-case basis. As much as is known, the document’s provenance, to include its present location, should be cited in the “References” block on page 2 of the application.
- In addition to the policies amended or added, several changes were made to the Application Preparation Manual to clarify language, explain Jr. Membership Supplemental applications, and add more examples of proof arguments.

Jim Faulkinbury
CASSAR Vice President North



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*NSSAR President General Larry Magerkurth and Barbara
at the Fall Board of Managers Meeting in San Diego*