



# The California Compatriot

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

## The President's Message

Compatriots,

Our California State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution continues on its steady advance under the guidance of the harmonious and dedicated Compatriots who are very capable and well qualified state officers and committee chairmen.

After visiting our chapters throughout the state in recent years, I see that all, even those that have not been present at state meetings, are actively supporting the programs of the SAR in their communities. Also, it is plain to see that the state leadership has an admirable record of diligent and thoughtfully planned administration. It has been a pleasure to benefit from their advice and example as I take up the job as your state president.

Your support provided at the chapter level for many of the national SAR programs is very commendable. I encourage all chapter presidents to make up a list of NSSAR programs supported to see if there is one more that could benefit both the chapter and the SAR. Perhaps there is someone in your chapter who would be interested in taking a leadership role in a new program for your chapter.

To make meetings more interesting and appealing to prospective members, I suggest that you make it a point to make all strangers feel welcome at your chapter meetings. Chapters can learn and support each other by visiting with neighboring chapters to share fellowship and to share information about available programs on patriotism, history and education related to the Revolutionary War.

From my personal experience at the

state level, I can tell you that present line up of leaders progressing to the next levels are well qualified and will lead us well into the future. I support and encourage our outstanding California Compatriots who are now seeking offices at the National Level. Each chapter should seek out members who are interested in additional responsibilities at the local and state level so our organization can grow and prosper. We should keep in mind that every chapter, state and national leader of the SAR began his climb to higher SAR office as a member of his local chapter.

Finally, I deeply appreciate the trust that you have placed in me to lead the CASSAR this year. I will need your support and I look forward to serving you and the best interest of the SAR in the State of California.

Thank You,  
Steve Hurst  
President  
California State Society  
Sons of the American Revolution



122nd President, CASSAR  
Steve Hurst

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**NEW MEMBER APPLICATION FEES, DUES**

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

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

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

**SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FEES**

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

**JUNIOR MEMBER APPLICATION FEES, DUES**

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

**JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP ADVANTAGES**

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



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

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Next Deadline: 30 December 2013





## 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. ❖

The membership of our Society began the year with 1,492 members. We have added 98 new members as of June 6, 2013. During this same time we have added 53 reinstatements, and one transfer in from NC, David Carlton Morse. We have had two deaths so far this year, Charles Edward Anderson of Redding Chapter and Morris Lawlor Rinehart of San Diego Chapter. We have also had 4 transfers out of CA to WY. At this time we have 1,649 members.



Do not forget that the 123rd Annual Congress is being held in Kansas City, MO July 5th through the 11th. Registration forms are available in the latest issue of The SAR Magazine or online at the SAR website.

CASSAR will be holding its' Fall BOM in El Segundo Nov. 1-3, 2013.

*Douglas Bergtholdt*

CASSAR State Secretary

## COMING EVENTS

**5-10 July 2013 – 123rd Annual Congress**  
Kansas City, MO

**27-28 September 2013 – Fall Leadership Meeting**  
Louisville, KY

**1-2 November 2013 – Fall Board of Managers Meeting**  
The Hacienda Hotel at LAX - El Segundo, CA  
(registration form attached or on line)

**11-12 April 2014 – 139th Annual Meeting**  
Sacramento, CA

# Welcome New Members

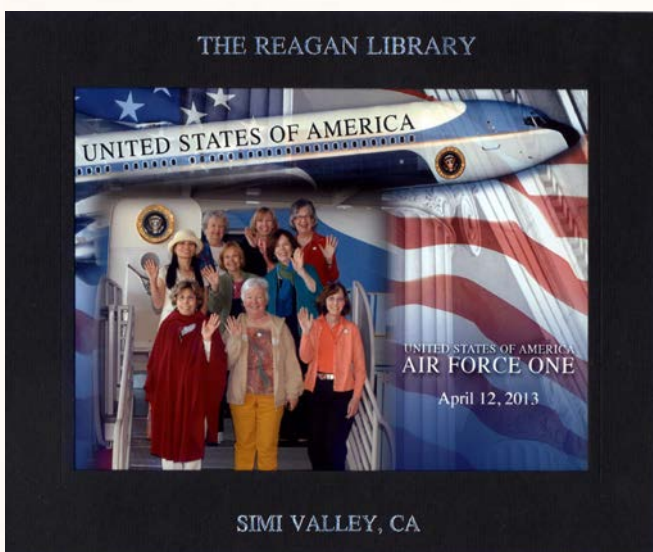


<b>Nat'l #</b>	<b>CASSAR</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Nat'l #</b>	<b>CASSAR</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Chapter</b>
186223	9288	Austyn Stanley Sawyer	Central Coast	186224	9289	Frederic Charles Selby	San Diego
186817	9314	Dalton Beverley Pittman, Jr.	Central Coast	186719	9309	Ryan Alexander DeLong	San Diego
186678	9306	William Myers Haines	Coachella Valley	186720	9310	William SmithDeLong	San Diego
187118	9337	Orlando Emil Peters	Coachella Valley	186815	9312	Thomas Dow Johnson	San Diego
186970	9328	Joseph Albert Cox	Delta	186867	9320	Guy Kenneth Schmidt	San Diego
186154	9272	Robert Jay Bates	General George Washington	187377	9352	Jonah Cochrane Raser	San Diego
186314	9293	Brenton Michael Hughes	General George Washington	187378	9353	Luke Emmanuel Raser	San Diego
186315	9294	Michael Lee Burkman	General George Washington	186034	9269	David Joseph Diewert	San Francisco
187288	9340	William Allen Sannar	General George Washington	186109	9271	Frank Gerald Rhodes	San Francisco
187324	9341	Terrence William Farley	General George Washington	186754	9311	Robert Jerry Walker	San Francisco
186398	9298	Heyward Lewis Osteen, Jr.	Gold Country	186816	9313	Walter Roy Lynam	San Francisco
186400	9300	Philip John Cameron	Gold Country	186903	9324	Charles Arthur Cruff	San Francisco
186624	9304	William Leo Gould	Gold Country	186903	9325	Todd Charles Cruff	San Francisco
186968	9326	Michael James Bunten	Gold Country	187327	9344	Joseph Charles Kresse, Jr.	San Francisco
187325	9342	Richard Andrew Carson	Harbor	187328	9345	David Lawton Kresse	San Francisco
185945	9264	Arnold Howard Burr	Kern	187329	9346	Michael Harry Kresse	San Francisco
187116	9335	Robert Owen Bell, III	Monterey Bay	187376	9351	Alexander Eugene Brown	San Francisco
187286	9338	Charles Arnold Smith	Mother Lode	186562	9303	Robert Dean Niehaus	Santa Barbara
187287	9339	Robert Arnold Smith	Mother Lode	185947	9266	James Robert Lentfer	Silicon Valley
186219	9284	John Phillip Prigmore	Redding	186222	9287	Gary Paul Ratts	Silicon Valley
186220	9285	Nathaniel Lee Prigmore	Redding	186225	9290	Gregory John Stahler	Silicon Valley
186221	9286	Brian Patrick Prigmore	Redding	186226	9291	David Leonard Stahler	Silicon Valley
186210	9275	Henry Charles Cox, II	Riverside	186316	9295	Bryan Forbes McCollam	Silicon Valley
186211	9276	Brandon Scott Vlahos	Riverside	186317	9296	Ian Forbes McCollam	Silicon Valley
186212	9277	Henry Charles Cox, III	Riverside	186318	9297	William Weber McCollam	Silicon Valley
186213	9278	Henry Charles Cox, IV	Riverside	186399	9299	Matthew Burke Buesing	Silicon Valley
186214	9279	Corbin James Cox	Riverside	186401	9301	Richard Alvin DuBridge	Silicon Valley
186402	9302	Mark Wesley Kramer	Riverside	186679	9307	Jason Michael Panick	Silicon Valley
186677	9305	James Joseph England	Riverside	187019	9331	William Eugene Jennings	Silicon Valley
186862	9315	Walter Newman Halderman, II	Riverside	187061	9334	Lawrence Ernest Holland	Silicon Valley
186868	9321	James William Sizer	Riverside	187326	9343	Todd Lloyd Gilman	Silicon Valley
187018	9330	Douglas Lincoln Henstridge	Riverside	187330	9347	Cole Calvin Limbach	Silicon Valley
187021	9333	Steven Roger Stallings	Riverside	186218	9283	Anthony Raymond LaMarca	Sons of Liberty
187117	9336	Arthur Leonard Nelson	Riverside	185902	9323	Frank Bennet Huntley, Jr.	Sons of Liberty
187331	9348	Lowell Russell Morris	Riverside	187374	9349	Andrew Max Barnes	Sons of Liberty
186083	9270	William Joseph La Plante	Sacramento	187375	9350	Steven Paul Barnes	Sons of Liberty
186271	9292	Neil Henry Elvick	Sacramento	186033	9268	Timothy James McGinley	South Coast
186718	9308	Evan Griffin Jonas	Sacramento	186865	9318	Richard Seybolt McLaughlin	South Coast
187017	9329	Kirk Jeffrey Gillles	Sacramento	186866	9319	Cail Malcolm McLaughlin-Cheng	South Coast
187020	9332	Scott Poole Krieger	Sacramento	185946	9265	Allan Mark Hays	Thomas Jefferson
185948	9267	Silas Mathew Raser	San Diego	186209	9274	Jonathan Andrew Short	Thomas Jefferson
186208	9273	Bryce Ryan Guzzetta	San Diego	186863	9316	James Earl Lambertus	Thomas Jefferson
186215	9280	Charles Horace Craig	San Diego	186864	9317	John Albert Lambertus, II	Thomas Jefferson
182216	9281	Gregory James Cuddeback	San Diego	186969	9327	James Clark Cleveland	Thomas Jefferson
186217	9282	Bryce WilliamCuddeback	San Diego				

# *138th Annual CASSAR Meeting*

The General George Patton Chapter hosted the 138th Annual CASSAR Meeting on 11-13 April 2013 at the Four Points by Sheraton Ventura Harbor Resort in Ventura, California. On Thursday, April 11, 2013, there was a dinner for national and state officers at the Rhumb Line Restaurant. Secretary General Joe Dooley (VA) attended the dinner with CASSAR officers.

The 138th Annual CASSAR Meeting was convened by President Keith Bigbee. Following opening ceremonies and the declaration of a quorum, the national officers, Secretary General Joe Dooley, and Vice President General Gene Butler gave us a report of national matters. California Society officers followed with their reports, and then the reports from the committee chairmen. NSSAR Trustee for Spain Stephen Renouf reported that the national premium medals committee is working on a premium ribbon for the premium medals, and also creating premium cufflinks that would soon be available. President Bigbee appointed an audit committee to review the 2012 financial records consisting of Executive Vice President Steve Hurst (chairman), William Bays (President of the General Patton Chapter), Gary Bohannon (President of the Sons of Liberty Chapter), Stephen Renouf (CASSAR Trustee of the Invested Funds) and Jim Faulkinbury (CASSAR Vice President North). After the committee reports, the presidents reported on their chapters. The meeting was recessed for lunch as the Ladies Auxiliary returned from their trip to the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation & Library in Simi Valley, California.



*LAUX Reagan Library*

The CASSAR Public Service Awards luncheon was held. Following lunch, CASSAR President

Bigbee presented the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Mayor Mike Tracy of the City of Ventura, the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Colonel Robert Colbern of the General Patton Chapter for his many years of service to the community, the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Chief Jeri Williams of the Oxnard Police Department, the Fire Safety Commendation Medal to Chief Mark Lorenzen of the Ventura County Fire Department, and the Emergency Medical Services Medal to firefighter Brian Kinsley of the Ventura County Fire Department.

Following lunch, the minutes of the November Board of Managers Meeting in Seaside, California were approved. President Bigbee announced his proposal to have the Executive Vice President and the Immediate Past State President be joint editors of the California Compatriot. They will provide information to Keith's nephew, who will create the issue, and return it to the joint editors for final review. President Bigbee then reported on the 2013 SAR Congress in Kansas City, Missouri. The California Society is entitled to about 30 delegates, so all members were encouraged to attend. Executive Vice President Steve Hurst announced that the Harbor Chapter would host the CASSAR Board of Managers meeting in El Segundo on October 31 through November 3, 2013. John Dodd asked if the members present would want to meet in Santa Rosa or Burlingame for the November 2014 board of managers meeting. A majority requested Santa Rosa, so the CASSAR officers will help the Redwood Empire Chapter to host the meeting in the California wine country. Historian Jim Blauer discussed a program to provide coupons for soldiers. They have a website – [www.couponstotroops.com](http://www.couponstotroops.com). John Dodd presented proposed national bylaws revisions. The Texas Society proposed changing bylaws 18 and 23 to remove the requirement to have 50% of NSSAR investments in government bonds. The investment mix should not be set by bylaws (that may only be changed once a year), and should be set by the investment committee. CASSAR voted unanimously to support the proposal at the National Congress. John Dodd also presented a bylaws proposal to change bylaws 17 and 18 to formalize the procedure for dealing with ethics violations. CASSAR voted unanimously to propose this bylaws change at the National Congress. The meeting recessed for the day.

The hospitality room opened following the business meeting and at 6 PM, the CASSAR Officers Dinner was held at the Tower Club at the top of the Morgan Stanley Building in Oxnard.

On Saturday, April 13, the Ladies Auxiliary attended a presentation of Korean dance presented by Sua White (wife of Ward White), Un Hui Fosdyck (wife of Jim Fosdyck), and another dancer. They





*LAUX with Sua's Traditional Korean Dance Troupe*

performed several historical Korean dances for the ladies. The CASSAR meeting reconvened in the morning. Roy Schneider from Schneider & Associates, LLP, of Oxnard, California, presented a program about the liability of directors and officers of 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organizations. He covered the fiduciary duties required of officers of SAR chapters and societies. He also covered Sarbanes-Oxley, and its impact on tax-exempt organizations. Currently the law is not mandatory for tax-exempt organizations, but that could change at any time. He recommended getting policies in place for compliance – even though it is not mandatory, you must disclose where you are not in compliance, and it could be a red flag for scrutiny. He explained the necessity for a conflict of interest policy, ensuring you are following the organization's mission statement, avoid partisanship and substantial lobbying activities, and establish ethical guidelines.

Chairman John Dodd announced the report of the CASSAR Nominating Committee – President J. Stephen Hurst, Executive Vice President Jim L. Faulkinbury, Vice President North Ronald J. Barker, Vice President South M. Kent Gregory, Vice President Membership Phillip L. Hinshaw, Secretary Douglas Bergthold, Treasurer Michael J. Howard, Registrar Owen Stiles, Chancellor J. Jeffries Goodwin, Esq., Genealogist Terry L. Briggs, Historian James F. Blauer, Chaplain Rev. Louis V. Carlson, Surgeon Ernest F. Latham, MD, Invested Fund Trustee (2013-2015) Curtis M. Porter, Invested Fund Trustee (2012-2014) Stephen Renouf, Invested Fund Trustee (2011-2013) Richard S. Hawley, National Trustee Keith L. Bigbee, and Alternate National Trustee J. Stephen Hurst. There were no nominations from the floor, so the slate of officers was elected unanimously. J. Stephen Hurst, chairman of the audit committee, reported that the audit was completed for 2012, and there were no substantial issues found.

John Dodd spoke on a proposal to raise supplemental fees from \$40 to \$80. There was a time study showing that the average cost to approve an

application was \$83, so we are heavily subsidizing the cost of supplementals. There was a friendly amendment that we recommend that the extra money be allocated to hiring additional staff to improve the approval time for supplementals. The proposal was recommended by the California Society to the National Congress by a narrow vote of 26-24. Wayne Rogers and Ray Raser then submitted a proposal to the California Society to charter a new chapter in the southern Riverside/northern San Diego area to be known as the Eagle Chapter. The CASSAR Executive Committee would review the proposal. Stephen Renouf presented a proposal to establish the cost to do a limited full-color run of the California Compatriot newsletter, and establish a subscription rate for those who are unable to download copies from the website, or who want printed copies. Once the rate is established, if a minimum number of compatriots subscribe, the state society will produce a printed edition for them. The chapters will need to collect the subscription fee as part of the dues collection process, but it will remove the burden of the chapters having to provide their members who cannot get the electronic edition with a printed copy. The proposal was approved by the board of managers. There was no further business, so the annual meeting was adjourned.

CASSAR President-elect J. Stephen Hurst convened the Board of Managers meeting. Compatriot Bob Ebert from the San Francisco Chapter was proposed by Lou Carlson, and seconded by Stephen Renouf for election as Vice President General of the Western District. Bob Ebert was unanimously endorsed for office, and he also has the endorsement of Hawaii and Nevada. President-elect Hurst then adjourned the board of managers meeting. Vice President General Gene Butler convened a meeting of the Western District (California/Nevada/Hawaii), and the district voted to support Bob Ebert for election as Vice President General. VPG Butler then adjourned the meeting.

The Youth Awards Luncheon was held in the banquet room. President Bigbee presented the California Society of the Children of the American Revolution with a check for \$500 to further the patriotic and community service purposes of the CAR. He then presented the Outstanding Citizenship Award to Andrew Buxton, John Buxton, William Buxton, and Lauren Stover for their service as pages at the California Society Meeting. Commander Jim Fosdyck presented the Outstanding JROTC Medallion to Jordan Villar-Cayabyab. Jim Blauer presented the CASSAR Eagle Scout Award to Timothy Maas. Peter Nystrom, Assistant Scout Executive for the Ventura Council of the Boy Scouts of America, presented the North Star Award to Ron Risley for his many years of distinguished service to the Boy Scouts. Dr. Kent Gregory presented the Knight Essay Medallion to



*CAR Representatives at Youth Award Banquet*



*JROTC Contest Winner*



*Eagle Scout Essay Contest Winner*



*Knight Essay Contest Winner*

Ryland Talamo for winning the state competition of the Knight Essay Contest. The Gold Country Chapter won first place in the state SAR Poster Contest, on the theme of the Declaration of Independence. The Orange County Chapter won first place in the state SAR Brochure Contest. Dr. Kent Gregory presented the medal to Annabelle Tague for winning the state competition for the Rumbaugh Oration Contest.

Rev. Lou Carlson led the Memorial Service, dedicated to the memory of those compatriots who died in the past year. Past CASSAR President Stephen Renouf spoke in remembrance of Joseph W. McLark, who served as CASSAR President (1980) and as Vice President General of the Western District (1982). Lisa Gregory played the violin for the service.

The Saturday Evening Banquet was held in the hotel ballroom. Daniel Slosberg presented a program on Dr. Beanes & the Star Spangled Banner. He explained the origin of the music in the Anacreonic Song written in the 1770's by John Stafford Smith. In 1814, Francis Scott Key wrote the poem, Defence of Fort McHenry, after witnessing the British bombardment of Fort McHenry during the War of



*Orations Contest Winner*

1812. Key's poem was set to the Anacreonic Song music, and it became the Star Spangled Banner and Compatriot President Herbert Hoover signed a congressional resolution in 1931 to make the Star Spangled Banner the national anthem.



Following dinner, Dr. Jarrell Jackman, the Executive Director of the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation, spoke about the Santa Barbara Presidio. The trust operates El Presidio de Santa Barbara State Historic Park, the most fully restored Spanish Presidio in the United States. The trust also maintains Spanish Era grist and fulling mills. The presidio was established by the Spanish in 1782, the fourth and final presidio in Alta California, under the command of Lieutenant José Francisco de Ortega. Dr. Jackman said that the original bronze 4-pounder cannon from the presidio are missing, captured by the Americans during the War with Mexico. The US Naval Academy at Annapolis has cannon taken from California during the war, and it is likely that two of the cannon are from the Santa Barbara Presidio – cannon named El Gallard (The Gallant) and El Dromedario (The Dromedary). Dr. Jackman had all of the Spanish cannon at Annapolis photographed and cataloged.

Following the presentation, Phil Hinshaw presented the chapter best contest awards for 2012 – the Best Small Chapter was the Delta Chapter, the Best Medium Small Chapter was the Riverside Chapter, the Best Medium Large Chapter was the Thomas Jefferson Chapter, the Best Large Chapter was the Orange County Chapter, and the Best Very Large Chapter was the San Diego Chapter. Secretary General Joe Dooley presented the Flag Streamer Award 2012 for support of CAAH to CASSAR, and CASSAR Chapters that donated to the CAAH. Secretary General Dooley also presented the CAAH Fundraising Medal to James Klingler, Daniel McKelvie, James Olds, Brian Stephens, Gary Bohannon, Alan Brooking, and Michael Emmett. President Bigbee presented the Delta Chapter, Riverside Chapter, Sons of Liberty Chapter, Thomas Jefferson Chapter, and San Diego Chapter with the Col. Richard F. Locke, Jr. Membership Award for the most new members in 2012. Commander Jim Fosdyck presented the Bronze Von Steuben Color Guard Medal to Dale Ross and Ron Barker. He presented the Silver Color Guard Medal and the Silver Von Steuben Color Guard Medal to Stephen Renouf, Larry Wood and Dave Siler. Commander Fosdyck handed out the 2012 Wreaths Across America and 2013 Massing of the Colors Streamers to the chapters that participated. President Keith Bigbee announced that the CASSAR Executive Committee had approved the request for charter for the Eagle Chapter – it will be the 25th chapter. President Bigbee presented certificates of appreciation to Bob and Darian Taylor and all the General Patton compatriots and ladies who assisted in the hosting of the CASSAR Meeting. Ladies Auxiliary President Cyndy Bigbee presented a certificate of appreciation to Un Hui Fosdyck for her extraordinary service to the Ladies Auxiliary. President Bigbee presented certificates of appreciation to all the 2012



*CASSAR Chaplain and CAR Chaplain at the Memorial Service*



*Presentation of the Colors at the Banquet*



*President Bigbee presenting Ron Barker the Patriots Medal*



CASSAR officers and committee chairmen in recognition of their service to CASSAR. He presented the SAR Meritorious Service Medal to Compatriot Bob Taylor. CASSAR Color Guardsmen Stephen Renouf and Bob Ebert assisted Outgoing President Keith Bigbee in presenting the Patriot Medal to Secretary Ron Barker for his assistance to President Bigbee during the previous year. President Bigbee delivered his farewell address before calling upon Secretary General Joe Dooley to swear in the new 2013 officers of the California Society. The gavel was presented to President J. Stephen Hurst. The Ladies Auxiliary officers for 2013 were sworn into office, and the gavel was presented to President Cyndy Bigbee. Incoming President Stephen Hurst presented Past President Keith Bigbee with the Past State President's Pin. The CASSAR Color Guard then retired the colors, led by bagpiper Jim Beatty.

Stephen Renouf, Trustee  
CASSAR Invested Funds



*Secretary General Joe Dooley swearing in the 2013 CASSAR officers*



*Secretary General Joe Dooley swearing in the LAUX Officers*



*Secretary General Joe Dooley presenting President Hurst the Gavel of Office*



*Secretary General Dooley Swearing in Cyndy Bigbee as LAUX President*

## MY LIFE AS PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE SOCIETY OF THE CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (C.A.R.)

C.A.R. is a patriotic organization that promotes patriotism and learning about American history, while instilling leadership values. C.A.R. teaches its members about the political process, like campaign speeches and voting for offices and positions. We are broken up into three different levels: the national level, state levels, and society levels, which are groups in small areas. This past year I served as the State President of California, and I chose to support Canine Companions for Independence (CCI) as my state project.

CCI was one of many organizations I was interested in supporting, but what especially drew me in was CCI's Veterans Initiative. My main goal in picking my project was to give back to veterans. Service men and women risk their lives every day for



*C.A.R. Jr. State President, Marissa, with her CCI Dog.*

our wellbeing. Many of those that serve come home as wounded warriors. It only seems appropriate that when they come home and find challenges due to disabilities, that we help them as they have helped us. I'm honored to have this opportunity to give back.

Supporting veterans was not the only reason I chose CCI. As I've mentioned before, C.A.R. is a children's organization. I wanted something that the kids could feel passionate about supporting, and for it to be something all ages could love. When I found CCI, I knew I had found the perfect project. The kids

*by Marissa,  
C.A.R. Jr. State President*

loved the idea that we were involved with dogs and puppies.

So with both of my main goals for picking a project accomplished my long journey as State President began. I was installed in Washington DC in April 2012 and went straight to work as soon as I got home. The word was out about my project, and I was getting compliments almost daily about how much the members loved my project.

Members all over California raised funds for the project, titled "Hounds for Heroes", by donations and pin sales. I created the Hounds for Heroes pin and sold them to members across the nation, as well as our parent organizations, the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Sons of the American Revolution, and the Sons of the Revolution.

Last summer I received my own CCI puppy, Genoa III, and it has been a crazy journey. When I first convinced my parents to let me puppy raise, I didn't realize how much you sacrifice, the main thing being sleep ... waking up to barking at 5 a.m. in the middle of the summer, or the morning puppy classes. It all adds up! Another thing I didn't realize was how much the puppy would mean to yourself as well as your family. There are times when we all get frustrated or annoyed, but in the end the love and good times always outweigh the bad. Sometimes you just have to step back and remember that they're just puppies, and they're not going to be perfect all the time. Play time can be just as important as cuddle time. Genoa and I like to nap together cuddling on the floor. All the struggles are 100% worth it. Being a volunteer puppy raiser helped me become even more dedicated to my project.

I traveled all over California throughout the year, until it all came to an end in February 2013.



I held my state conference in Los Angeles, and we celebrated the accomplishments of the members. CCI representatives along with a graduate dog and family came to our banquet to speak about their experience with CCI, and also got to see a short demonstration of some of the amazing things the graduate dog does daily to help its partner. It was my favorite part of my entire year, and a lot of the audience was tearing up.

In April this year I handed the presidency over to our new state president, and was officially deemed an Honorary State President. I was also installed as National Vice President, Western Region at Mount Vernon, George Washington's home. This past year has flown by too fast, and I got pretty emotional when I

realized it was over. I really never expected how attached I would become. It's hard to think that I dedicated an entire year of my life to this, and now it's over. I'd gotten used to flying somewhere every weekend, and now on Saturdays I'm thinking, "Oh. So this is what having free time is like." I have so many fond memories of the past year, and I'll hold them in my heart forever. CCI has forever changed my life.

Besides being an ambassador for CCI, I enjoy softball, basketball, umpiring and wakeboarding. I am currently working on my Girl Scout Gold Award. In the fall I will begin my junior year at Foothill High School in Pleasanton. I have been a member of the Children of the American Revolution for ten years.



## NECROLOGY

### Farewell Beloved Compatriots

We, the Descendants  
of the Heroes  
of the American Revolution,  
**SALUTE**  
A Life Well Lived,  
in honor of the memory of  
our patriot forefathers,  
by preserving their vision  
of the American Dream,  
for future generations.

Nat'l #	CASSAR	Name	Chapter
153082	7048	Donald William Cooper	Kern
182732		Charles Lucion Clements**	Orange County
123722	5104	Robert LeRoy Knepshield	Riverside
132545	5596	Eltweed George Pomeroy	Sacramento
61650	5552	Morris Lawler Rinehart	San Diego
165744	7989	James David Boyle	Sons of Liberty
161829	7715	William H. Tosh Jr.	South Coast

\*\* Memorial Member

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

## *CASSAR Joint Activities*

### 4TH ANNUAL FIELD OF HONOR IN NEWPORT BEACH MAY 17-19, 2013

CASSAR Color Guardsmen from Harbor Chapter (Karl Jacobs & James Gill), Orange County Chapter (Dan Shippey, Larry Wood & Jim Fosdyck), Riverside Chapter (Charlie Gentis) and Silicon Valley Chapter (Richard Knock) participated in the 4th Annual Field of Honor at Newport Beach. The Field of Honor is a NSSAR national color guard event. On Friday May 17th, The CASSAR Color Guard presented the Colors in front of a crowd of more than 300 including elementary thru middle school students and their teachers, Field of Honor staff and park guests. Dan Shippey as General George Washington was a popular addition to the group. On Saturday May 18th, the CASSAR was represented by color guardsmen and ladies from four chapters; General George Patton (Bob Taylor), Harbor (Karl Jacobs), Orange County (Kent Gregory, Dan & Karen McKelvie, Larry & Sharon Wood, Jim Fosdyck & Un Hui Yi) and Silicon Valley (Richard, Spencer & Linda Knock). The CASSAR Color Guardsmen formed a musket and flag bearing honor guard for a USMC Color Guard and the Orange County Fire Authority Pipes and Drum Corps. Both days included a recruitment/information table displaying common period items, and demonstrating the ins and outs of firearms.



*Color Guard led by CASSAR Color Guard Commander, Jim Fosdyck and accompanied by Dan Shippey (left) as Gen. Washington.*

### SUNDAY SERVICE HONORING MEMORIAL DAY; MAY 26, 2013 AT THE CRYSTAL CATHEDRAL

A joint Color Guard comprised of members of the Orange County, Harbor and Silicon Valley Chapters of the California Society SAR were given the honor of presenting and retiring the Colors for the Memorial Day Service, Sunday, May 26, 2013 at the world famous Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, California. The program will be televised worldwide on July 7, 2013. During the service, a giant American Flag was raised as the Hour of Power Choir and the orchestra presented inspirational and patriotic hymns and anthems. Special guest, retired US Air Force fighter and test pilot and SAR member, Danny Cox was interviewed about his patriotic lineage and fighter pilot experiences.



*Crystal Cathedral, Memorial Day, Sunday, May 26, 2013 - presenting the Colors*



## *CASSAR Joint Activities* (continued)

### CALIFORNIA WELCOMES ROBERT E. BURT

Prepared by Steve Ludwiczak

CASSAR and NSSAR Compatriots involved with Scouting will recognize the name Robert E. Burt and the many contributions he has made to the scouting movement on a national basis. Mr. Burt and his wife, Gertrude M. Welshans Burt, moved to Calistoga from Missouri this past summer and is now an active member of the SAR Redwood Empire Chapter. He is a former Chapter President of the Kansas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

His life has been dedicated to community service on many levels. He was a Professional Scout for over 30 years; was awarded the SAR Minuteman Award for developing the Eagle Scout Scholarship and Awards Program for NSSAR. He went on to create the Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award Program which is designed to recognize the exemplary work of scout volunteers. Mr. Burt is an active CASSAR Redwood Chapter member serving as Eagle Scout Scholarship Chairman and Genealogy Chairman. Welcome to California, Mr. Burt!



## *Chapter Activities*

### GENERAL GEORGE S. PATTON CHAPTER

On Monday, May 6, 2013, immediate Past President of the Gen. George S. Patton Chapter, Bill Hurley, presented Mrs. Lolita G. Smith the SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal at a meeting of the Conejo Valley Chapter DAR. Mrs. Smith has been involved with the yearly Ventura County, CA "Stand Down" for Veterans for the last eight years through countless volunteer hours. She has been involved with planning, personally recruiting volunteers as well as making continued monetary donations and garnering contributions from others. Ventura County Stand Down, formed in 1993, provides a myriad of services to homeless veterans during the two day, three night event. She also works as a volunteer at the VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System's Sepulveda site, participates in various special activities in the Community Living Center, and functioned as the liaison between the Conejo Valley Chapter of the DAR and the Veteran's Home of CA-Ventura.



*Bill Hurley presenting Lolita Smith the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal as her daughter, Conejo Valley DAR member, Yvonne Smith Nelson looks on.*

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*Chapter Activities (continued)*

## REDWOOD EMPIRE CHAPTER

James Beatty, president of the Redwood Empire Chapter reported that Robert E Burt, Eagle Scout Chairman, presented Robert Marchionni the NSSAR congratulation certificate at the first Eagle Scout ceremony of Troop 9 Elim Lutheran Church. The new Eagle Scout received the pocket patch for his application for the Arthur M & Berdenna King Eagle Scout Scholarship. Grandfather Robert Wixom (on the left) is a 1951 Eagle Scout and a member of SAR. Robert, our new Eagle, will now join the SAR, Burt is a 1947 Eagle Scout and the developer of the NSAAR Eagle Scout Scholarship and Awards Program in 1980.



*Eagle Scout Chairman Robert E Burt (right) presents Robert Marchionni the NSSAR Eagle Scout Certificate of Recognition while his grandfather, Robert Wixom (left) looks on.*

## RIVERSIDE CHAPTER

On May 27, 2013, members of the Riverside Chapter, CASSAR gathered at the amphitheater adjacent to the Medal of Honor monument at the Riverside National Cemetery to render honors to those fallen in defense of our nation. As the name of each war since our national inception was read, the number of fallen warriors was given, a bell was rung, and a musket salute was fired. This ceremony has been performed for the last ten years by the Riverside Chapter. Members of other lineage groups were in attendance including representatives of the Aurantia Chapter DAR, the Luiseno Chapter DAR, the Order of Founders and Patriots, and the DeAnza Chapter of CAR. Days earlier, Riverside Chapter CASSAR members assisted in placing American flags on graves in the National Cemetery.



*Riverside Chapter Guardsmen at the Riverside National Cemetery.*

## SACRAMENTO CHAPTER

Members of the Sacramento Chapter Color Guard set up an information booth at California State Competition National History Fair held at the Woodlake Inn in Sacramento on April 26-27, 2013. Over 1,000 students with their families from all over California participated in this event. Color Guard members talked to many of those present who came to look at the period weapons, household items, flags, and artifacts on display. Chapter President, Russ Kaiser, demonstrated starting a fire using flint and steel.



*Sacramento Chapter Guardsmen at California State History Fair display (left to right) Tom Chilton, President Russ Kaiser, Vince Gantt, David Beach, and Jim Faulkinbury.*



## NOTICE

During the last 12 years, the CASSAR dues have only increased by \$2.00 to the current rate of \$20.00. During that time, the cost of printing and mailing the California Compatriot has increased each year, including a 40% increase in postal costs. It now costs about \$3,400 per issue to print and mail the Compatriot to all of the CASSAR members. It has become apparent to your CASSAR Board of Managers that we would either have to cut some of our programs, or stop delivering a printed copy of the Compatriot to the CASSAR members in order to hold the CASSAR dues at \$20.00.

At the Board of Managers Fall Meeting, a motion was approved by the Managers present to stop delivering a printed copy of the Compatriot to each CASSAR member. The on-line version of the Compatriot would continue to be available.

This is to notify you that this will be the final edition of the California Compatriot which will be mailed to all of the CASSAR membership. The online edition will continue to be posted at <http://www.californiasar.org/compatriot/>. However, to allow those members who wish to continue receiving a printed black-and-white hard copy of the California Compatriot, an additional subscription fee for USPS delivery will be required. Chapters are instructed to include an additional line item in their 2013 and future dues notices as **“USPS subscription to the CASSAR California Compatriot - \$5.00”** to allow members to elect to continue receiving two issues each year of the hard-copy editions. A list of the subscribing members, and any updates to their mailing addresses, would be forwarded with their additional CASSAR dues payment to the CASSAR Secretary as part of the annual dues reconciliation process. A hard-copy, black-and-white edition of the California Compatriot will only be mailed by CASSAR to those who subscribe. All CASSAR members can continue to view the color edition of the Compatriot online at the CASSAR website as part of their annual CASSAR dues.

## *Santa Barbara - Sprirt of 76 Foundation*

Members of the Harbor and Orange County Chapters joined the Santa Barbara Chapter at the old Presidio of Santa Barbara to celebrate Flag Day. The photographs show the SAR contingent along-side of the Sea Cadets.





**138<sup>TH</sup> FALL BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING OF  
THE CALIFORNIA SOCIETY, SAR  
NOV. 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2013**

**HOSTED BY THE HARBOR CHAPTER  
MEETING LOCATION IS THE**

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COMPATRIOT: \_\_\_\_\_ GUEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
CHAPTER: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
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THURS., OCT. 31  OR FRI., NOVEMBER 1  OR SAT., NOVEMBER 2

ARE YOU STAYING AT THE HACIENDA HOTEL? YES  - NO

**MEETING REGISTRATION IS \$140 PER PERSON BEFORE OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2013  
OR \$150 PER PERSON AFTER OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2013**

**REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES ALL MEETINGS, FRIDAY, SATURDAY LUNCHEONS, SATURDAY BANQUET, TAX AND GRATUITY – VEGETARIAN MEALS AVAILABLE WITH PRIOR NOTICE**

**# REGISTRANTS: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$140 # LATE REGISTRANTS: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$150 TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_  
(NON-REGISTRANTS MAY PURCHASE INDIVIDUAL MEALS AS SHOWN BELOW)**

**FRI. LUNCHEON (DELI BUFFET) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$33**

**SAT. LUNCHEON (HERB ROASTED CHICKEN) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$33**

**SAT. BANQUET (STEAK OR SALMON) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$45**

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_**

**PLEASE MARK YOUR SATURDAY BANQUET MEAL SELECTIONS:**

**NUMBER PEPPER SEARED TOP SIRLOIN STEAK W/ ROASTED GARLIC BORDELAISE \_\_\_\_\_**

**NUMBER HERB CRUSTED SALMON W/ WHITE WINE SHALLOT BUTTER \_\_\_\_\_**

**NUMBER VEGETARIAN MEAL \_\_\_\_\_**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 1-310-562-0614 OR EMAIL KARSAR@EARTHLINK.NET.**



# *Spain in the American Revolution and the Battle of San Diego Bay*

Casa de España (House of Spain) in San Diego celebrated the 210th anniversary of the Battle of San Diego Bay on April 21, 2013. Master of ceremonies Jesus B. Benayas, President of Casa de España in San Diego, presided over the event. Other program participants included Captain Scott F. Adams, Commanding Officer Naval Base Point Loma, Captain Paul C. Ward, Chair of Fort Guijarros Museum, D. Enrique Ruiz Molero, Consul General of Spain in Los Angeles and Maria Angeles O'Donnell Olson, Honorary Consul of Spain in San Diego. The keynote speaker was Compatriot Philip L. Hinshaw, California State SAR Society Vice President for Membership. Representatives of the Spanish Army, Navy and Air Force, and the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution San Diego participated in the celebration. Mayor Bob Filner, the 35th Mayor of San Diego, later addressed the audience and reflected on his appreciation of early California history gained during his 20 years as a history professor at San Diego State University.

The Battle of San Diego Bay occurred on March 17th, 1803 when Captain William Shale and Captain Richard Cleveland sailed into San Diego Bay on the American brig Lelia Byrd to buy sea otter pelts. The Spanish government forbade such trading, but the Americans persisted. Some crewmen were captured at the beach, but were able to escape or were released. An hour later, Fort Guijarros fired its nine-pound cannons to prevent the Lelia Byrd from sailing out of San Diego Bay. The Leila Byrd crew mounted six three-pound swivel guns and fired several shots at the fort. A hat was waved and both parties ceased firing, bringing the battle to a peaceful ending.

Compatriot Hinshaw's presentation focused on Spain's involvement in, and contribution to, the American Revolution. The role of the San Diego Presidio in Spain's war against Great Britain is recognized by a plaque in Presidio Park commemorating the financial contribution of the Presidio Soldados and Native Americans to Spain's war effort. In 1778, Father Serra, founder of the San Diego



*Seated left to right: Philip Hinshaw, Capt. Paul Ward (USN, ret.), Lt. Bryan Dove, Chaplain, Enrique Ruiz Molero, Consul General of Spain in Los Angeles, Jesus Benayas, President, Fort Guijarros Museum Foundation, Capt. Scott Adams, Commanding Officer, Naval Base Point Loma. (Photographs courtesy of Richard Barck, San Diego Chapter Photographer)*

Mission, wrote “We prayed fervently last evening for the success of the colonists under one George Washington, because we believe their cause is just and that the Great Redeemer is on their side”.

The uniforms worn by Compatriots Hinshaw, McCullough, Ludwiczak and Smith attracted much attention and many questions about SAR. Compatriot Smith's patriot ancestor was Lt. José Francisco de Ortega, Commandant of the Presidio of San Diego during the American Revolution. Following the ceremony, Spanish classical guitar music and flamenco dance performances provided the background for the enjoyment of paella, flan and drinks.



*Compatriots Robert Smith & Philip Hinshaw*



*Consul General of Spain in Los Angeles Enrique Ruiz Molero and Captain Scott Adams raise the flags of Spain and the United States*



# California Youth Activities Report

WRITTEN BY STEVE LUDWICZAK

*The California Compatriot p.19*

Fellow Compatriots...

As your new CASSAR Youth Activities Director I have been climbing a very steep learning curve these past several months. The supremely knowledgeable, Tom Adams, former CASSAR Youth Director, in addition to many others, have been most generous in sharing essential information and suggestions to implement the numerous SAR Youth Activities and Recognition Programs. You are invited to check out the CASSAR website to review information on the Youth Programs.

Time has also been spent with Jim Fosdyck, Philip Hinshaw and Tom Adams in upgrading the Navy Sea Cadet Corps and Navy League Cadet Corps information to provide the Corps Units their appropriate place of significance on the website. The greater visibility of information and SAR communication with the 86 Cadet Corps Units in California equates to improved recognition opportunities for these worthy young persons. Chapter Presidents and Committee Chairman, you may be receiving recognition requests from the Cadet Corps Units because of the greater visibility. State Chairman, Jim Fosdyck, stands ready to assist you with procedures and answer questions that may have.

In February, I had the honor of attending The California Society Children of the American Revolution (C.S.S.C.A.R.) 83rd Annual State Conference. What an amazing group of young Patriots they are! Their positive demeanor, commitment and leadership abilities was expressed during the ambitious schedule of events.

An excerpt from the C.A.R. Creed reads..."As a descendent of the Founders of my country, I believe that my birthright brings a responsibility to carry on their work, and that as the boys and girls of 1776 took an active role in the War for Independence, so the boys and girls of today have a definite work to do for their country." The power of the message was visible through the reported events shared for the past year. Many good deeds have been achieved by these energetic young persons.

A prime example is the remarkable accomplishments of C.A.R. youth through the able leadership of President Marissa. The "Hounds for Heroes" State Project has been the focus of her term in office. Throughout this past year, 700 C.A.R. youth representing the 29 Societies in California raised funds for the Canine Companions for Independence (CCI) Veterans Initiative Program. C.A.R. and CCI partnered to support matches between dogs and returning Wounded Warriors.

I encourage all CASSAR Chapters to examine their current work with the local C.A.R. Societies. Without question, there are many successful cooperative efforts already occurring, but I also believe there are new opportunities yet to be explored. One of my priorities will be to contact all CASSAR Chapters in the coming weeks to learn as well as offer support for increased communication to the benefit of all.

Our youth are our most valuable resource. C.A.R. brings forth the best in solid values, patriotism and work ethic. These youth are tomorrow's leaders and will carry the banner of the SAR and DAR legacy that we all so dearly cherish.

Note: Adjoining this article is an article from C.A.R. Student President Marissa describing her leadership and the many events in her busy life during her presidency. Please take a moment to read the article.

# *SAR Youth Education and Teacher Recognition*

## *Reaching Out to the Community*

WRITTEN BY STEVE LUDWICZAK

### **MEET THE TEAM:**

SAR California has selected Compatriot Leaders committed to supporting all Chapters in reaching out to the youth of California and to the dedicated teachers of American History

Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest  
Middle School Brochure Contest  
Knight Essay Contest  
Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest  
ROTC/JROTC Recognition Program (Medals and Enhanced)  
Navy Sea Cadet Corps/Navy League Corps Award Program  
Eagle Scout Certificate of Recognition  
Eagle Scout Scholarship Program  
Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award  
Valley Forge Teacher Recognition Program  
Spirit of America Award  
Children of the American Revolution Liaison  
California Youth Activities Director

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Dr. Kent Gregory  
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James Fosdyck  
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Gary Jensen  
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Robert Taylor  
Robert Taylor  
Brian Stephens  
Steve Ludwiczak

### **SEE THE NUMBERS:**

- 38** Million California Population (approx.)
  - 6.2** Million School Age Children (ages 5 to 18)\*
  - 10,296** Number of Public Schools (plus private and home schools)\*
- \*Per CalEdFacts for 2011-2012

### **REVIEW THE FACTS:**

- 2012 Chapter Participation during this Contest/Recognition Year...
- 25 Number of CASSAR Chapters
  - 5 Chapters Americanism Poster Contest
  - 3 Chapters Middle School Brochure Contest
  - 9 Chapters Essay Contest
  - 1 Chapter Oration Contest
  - 2 Chapters Valley Forge Teacher Recognition Program

### **DEVELOP A PLAN:**

Obviously, there is significant room for improvement for Chapter Participation. Please consider discussing these statistics with your Executive Boards and membership in order to develop a strategy to better tell the SAR/American History story in your community. It is recognized that a Chapter may not be able to do "everything," but make it a goal to start with just one or two of the Contest/Recognition categories. Remember, its one school and one teacher at a time!

Those Chapters that have active programs will verify there are many eager youth wanting information and

desiring to participate in our contests/recognition programs. Certainly the photo accompanying this article demonstrates one young man's exuberance and expresses the joy that can be given to others. Use your Youth Education and Teacher Recognition Team to help you get started and/or to improve upon what you are currently doing!

Important Note: For the Poster Contest and the Brochure Contest, C.A.R. children and Scouts may now enter these contests directly if their schools choose not to participate.



*SAR San Diego Representative Steve Ludwiczak and Jack, local poster contest winner*



# California Scouting A Bright Future with CASSAR

PREPARED BY GARY JENSEN, EAGLE SCOUT PROGRAM CHAIRMAN

Compatriots,

I would like to introduce myself; I have recently taken on the responsibility as CASSAR Eagle Scout Program Chairman. I am a retired professional scouter of 35 years, an Eagle Scout class of 1963, currently registered with the BSA for over 55 years, and a member of the SAR in Riverside, CA.

Since my appointment as Eagle Scout Program Chairman I have been updating the CASSAR website, creating current flyers and communicating with SAR Chapters.



*Eagle Scout Timothy W. Maas - Troop 308-Los Padres Council  
2013 California Society Scholarship Winner*

## NEWLY UPDATED FOR 2013

The Eagle Scout Scholarship Program and The Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award Program. Detailed information can be found on the CASSAR website. Note: The operational dates for both programs is from January 1, 2013 with the **Deadlines being December 1, 2013**. Thus Chapters should already be reaching out to local scout troops so candidates can start the application process now. Waiting until the Fall is too late!

Eagle Scout Scholarship Application Packets need to be received on or before December 1, 2013.

Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award Applications need to be received on or before December 1, 2013.

## TO BETTER SUPPORT CHAPTERS

Chapter Presidents are asked to add **and/or replace** outdated information on your Chapter's website with the current contact information and deadlines.

Please send me your current Chapter Eagle Scout Chapter contact information (Chapter, Name, phone, e-mail). Also, as requests arrive for Eagle Scout Certificates from Scouters in your area, I will support the local Chapters by forwarding the requests to the Chapter so the Chapter can prepare the Certificate and make the presentation to the Eagle Scout.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

I am looking for SAR members to serve on the CASSAR Eagle Scout Program Committee. These 3-5 committee members will participate in the evaluation and selection of the Eagle Scout Scholarship Candidates and the Burt Volunteer Award Candidates. If you have a Chapter member that might be interested in serving, I would like to develop a list of CASSAR members across the state that could be called upon. My hope would be to have new members on the committee each year giving each of the Chapters an opportunity to help in selecting our State Winners.

I look forward to seeing all of our Chapters submitting Eagle Scout Scholarship packets and Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award applications this fall.

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