



The 135th Annual Meeting of the Membership
of the
California Society
Sons of the American Revolution
April 9th - 10th, 2010
Hosted by the
Gold Country Chapter
at the
Embassy Suites Hotel - Sacramento Riverfront Promenade

100 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, California 95814 -- Reservations: 1.916.326.5000

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 Towe Ford Museum - 3 blocks

California State Railroad Museum - .2 miles
 Downtown Plaza Mall - .2 miles
 Hard Rock Cafe - 6 blocks
 Sutter's Fort & Indian Museum - 1 miles

For more information contact Wayne Griswold at wagris@att.net or call 1.916.985.3756

Also see additional updates posted online at www.California SAR.org

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Phone No. _____ E-mail: _____

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☐ My Registration for \$130.00 ☐ Spouse/Guest Registration for \$130.00 ☐ Other Registration for \$130.00

Total Amount Enclosed: \$_____ Make your check payable to **Gold Country Chapter, SAR**

Mail completed Registration to: **Wayne A. Griswold, 283 Randall Drive, Folsom, California 95630-4926**
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Mark your Friday Luncheon Meal Selection Below:

Chicken Caesar Salad ☐ Roast Beef Sandwich ☐ Vegetarian ☐

Mark your Saturday Luncheon Meal Selection Below:

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Mark your Saturday Banquet Meal Selection Below:

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Meal Prices for Non-Registered Members and Guests are listed below:

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Total cost of non-Registered meals \$_____

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Sons of the American Revolution



SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
Gold Country Chapter
P.O. Box 742
Applegate, CA 95703-0742

Dear Compatriots and Distinguished Guests,

The Gold Country Chapter, California Society, Sons of the American Revolution would like to welcome you to the 135th Spring Meeting in Sacramento, California. As part of our welcome, we have assembled a list of nearby historical sites and museums in and about the host hotel and Old Sacramento. In addition, some of these have opened their arms to you with special coupon, ticket, and pass offers.

To make your trip more meaningful and increase your opportunities, they have been based on an "Arrive Early / Stay Late" format from Thursday through Sunday, April 8th to 11th, 2010. This allows you two days beyond your meeting dates (9th and 10th). So, relax from your traveling and make a little more of your time. If you've come this far, look further than the hotel lobby and the scheduled locations!

In addition, we will have limited shuttle (three seats) service to see the Museums and to deliver your discount tickets to you before the Gold Country Chapter opens their hospitality suite. This will be available beginning 9:00 am, Thursday, April 8th. Write this number down for your special delivery: (916) 782-6322. It's free, no tips or contributions allowed!

For your enjoyment, please visit your Old Sacramento neighbors during your stay:

Old Sacramento State Historic Park

Sacramento History Museum

The California State Railroad Museum

The Old Sacramento Wells Fargo Museum

The Old Sacramento Schoolhouse

The California Automobile Museum

Crocker Art Museum – Invitation on REVERSE of THIS PAGE

California State Military Museum (currently under extensive remodeling)

As General Lafayette would say, Bon Voyage!

California Society, Sons of the American Revolution *135th Spring Meeting of the Membership*

Schedule of Events

Friday, April 9th

CASSAR Business Session	9:00am - 11:30am	Central Pacific / Steamboat	1st floor
Ladies Auxiliary Officers Meetings	9:00am - 11:00am	Tower Bridge	1st floor
Community Service Luncheon	12:00pm - 1:30pm	Terrace	2nd floor
Ladies Crocker Art Gallery tour	1:45pm - 4:30pm	Meet in main lobby	1st floor
Business Session	1:45pm - 4:00pm	Central Pacific / Steamboat	1st floor
President's Banquet aboard the Delta King	5:15pm - 9:30pm	Meet in mail lobby	Walk to Delta King

Saturday, April 10th

CASSAR Business Session	9:00am - 11:30am	Central Pacific / Steamboat	1st floor
Ladies Auxiliary Business Session	9:00am - 11:00am	Tower Bridge	1st floor
Youth Recognition Luncheon	12:00pm - 1:30pm	Terrace	2nd floor
Memorial Service	2:00pm - 3:00pm	Central Pacific / Steamboat	1st floor
Business Session	1:45pm - 4:00pm	Central Pacific / Steamboat	1st floor
Inaugural Banquet - No Host Bar	6:00pm - 7:00pm	Central Pacific / Steamboat	1st floor
Inaugural Banquet	7:00pm - 9:30pm	Central Pacific / Steamboat	1st floor

Thursday, Hospitality Suite

Registration / Social hour

Dale & Coreena Ross

Friday, Hospitality Suite

Registration

Cell: 530-263-2827

Social hour

Cyndy Bigbee

Saturday, Hospitality Suite

Social hour

Cell: 530-368-9358

Social hour

Keith Bigbee

530-368-9359

9:30pm - 12:00am

Host Chapter President:

3:00pm - 8:00pm

Hospitality Chair:

8:00pm - 9:30am

2:00pm - 5:00pm

Decorations:

3:00pm - 5:30pm

135th CASSAR Annual Spring Meeting
April 9-10, 2010 – Sacramento, California

AGENDA

Call to Order – Rt. Rev. Louis V. Carlson, President

(Saturday Only) Presentation of Colors – Jim Faulkinbury
“Color Guard Commander, Present the Colors.”

Invocation – Dr. Phillip Dodson, Chaplain

Pledge of Allegiance of the Flag – Karl Jacobs, VPG Western District

(Saturday Only) National Anthem – Jim Blauer

Pledge to the SAR – Larry Magerkurth, NSSAR Treasurer General

(Saturday Only) Retire the Colors
“Color Guard Commander, Retire the Color Guard”

Introduction of Distinguished Guests – Rt. Rev. Louis V. Carlson, President

Secretary General – J. David Simpson
Treasurer General – Larry Magerkurth
VPG Western District – Karl Jacobs

Introduction of California Society Former Presidents – Rt. Rev. Louis V. Carlson, Pres.

Stephen Renouf
Karl Jacobs
Bob Ebert
Larry Magerkurth
Rev. Dr. Stan De Long
Charles Lampman
Ronald Risley
Marston Watson
Richard Andriano-Moore

Roll Call – Jim Blauer - Historian

Establishing a Quorum – Jim Faulkinbury, Secretary

Elected CASSAR Officers Reports

President – Rt. Rev. Louis V. Carlson
Executive Vice President – Wayne Griswold

Vice President South – John Dodd
Vice President North – Keith Bigbee
Vice President Membership – Phillip Hinshaw
Secretary – Jim Faulkinbury
Treasurer – Michael Howard
Registrar – Thomas Chilton
Genealogist – Terry Briggs
Historian – James Blauer
Chancellor – J. Jeffries Goodwin
Surgeon – Ernest Latham, MD
Chaplain – Dr. Phillip Dodson
National Trustee – Stephen Renouf
Trustee of the Permanent Fund – Ronald Risley

National Officer Reports

NSSAR Secretary General – J. David Sympson
NSSAR Treasurer General – Larry Magerkurth
NSSAR VPG Western District – Karl Jacobs

Committee Reports

Budget & Planning – Wayne Griswold
California Compatriot – Wayne Griswold
Nominations – Steve Renouf
Compliance Committee (IRS Form 990) – Karl Jacobs
Chapter Activity Contest – Phil Hinshaw
Valley Forge Project – Curtis Porter
Information Technology – Wayne Griswold
Wreaths Across America – Marston Watson
Medals & Awards – Kent Gregory
Youth Activities – Tom Adams (New NSSAR Brochure Contest)
Poster Contest – David Guilliard
ROTC/JROTC – Jim Fosdyck
Knight Essay Contest – David Siler

CASSAR Chapter Reports

Butte	Central Coast
Coachella Valley	Delta
Gen. George S. Patton	Gen George Washington
Gold Country	Harbor
Kern	Monterey Bay
Mother Lode	Orange County
Redding	Redlands
Redwood Empire	Riverside

Sacramento
San Francisco
Silicon Valley
South Coast

San Diego
Santa Barbara
Sons of Liberty
Thomas Jefferson

Old Business:

Motion to Approve Minutes from November Board of Managers Meeting in
Riverside (corrections??)

California Compatriot – Paperless?? B&W on paper?? Color On-Line??

Other Old Business?

New Business:

By-Laws Changes – J. Jeffries Goodwin

2009 Audit Report – Wayne Griswold

2010 CASSAR Budget – Wayne Griswold

CASSAR Board of Managers Meeting, November 2010 – Wayne Griswold

France / SAR Exchange Program – John Dodd

Other New Business:

Name Delegates to Cleveland Congress (Requests sent to Secretary, fwd to
CASSAR President for appointment)

Provisional Endorsement of Candidates for National Office 2011

Larry Magerkurth – President General

Chuck Lampman – Historian General

John Dodd – Chancellor General

Election of 2010-2011 CASSAR Officers – Steve Renouf

Call for Motion to Adjourn Annual Meeting.

Convene Board of Managers Meeting – President Elect Wayne Griswold

Old Business

New Business

Motion to Endorse Steve Renouf for VPG - Western District

Best Chapter Contest – Phil Hinshaw

Announcement of Special Meeting in November 2010 to revise bylaws.

Benediction – Rev. Dr. Phillip Dodson, Chaplain

Recessional – Keith Bigbee, VP North

Call for Motion to Adjourn Board of Managers Meeting

Dismissal

**CALIFORNIA SOCIETY
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
Annual Spring Membership Meeting
April 9-10, 2010
Sacramento, California**

Session I: Friday April 9, 2010

The meeting was opened by President Lou Carlson at 9:07am. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Rev. Phil Dodson. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Karl Jacobs. The SAR Pledge was led by Larry Magerkurth. President Carlson introduced the distinguished guests in attendance. They included; Secretary General J. David Sympson, Treasurer General Larry J. Magerkurth, and Vice-President General Western District Karl Jacobs. The former State Presidents in attendance were introduced. They were; Stephen Renouf, Karl Jacobs, Larry Magerkurth, Chuck Lampman and Ron Risley.

The roll call was taken by Historian Jim Blauer. Those officers in attendance included; President Lou Carlson, Executive Vice-President Wayne Griswold, Vice-President North Keith Bigbee, Vice-President South John Dodd. Vice-President Membership Phil Hinshaw, Secretary Jim Faulkinbury, Registrar Tom Chilton, Historian Jim Blauer Chancellor J. Jeffries Goodwin, Chaplain Rev. Phil Dodson, Surgeon Ernest Latham, MD, Fund Trustee Ron Risley, and National Trustee Stephen Renouf. Chapters in Attendance were; Coachella Valley, General George S. Patton, Gold Country, Harbor, Kern, Mother Lode, Orange County, Redwood Empire, Riverside, Sacramento, San Diego, Sons of Liberty, and Thomas Jefferson. with 26 of 41 in attendance a quorum was established. (Exhibit A)

Officer Reports

President Carlson noted his report is in the book.

Executive Vice- President Wayne Griswold noted his report was in the book. He added an apology to the past State Presidents as they did not have a Past State President's Breakfast. There will be special seating at the luncheons and banquet.

Vice-President South John Dodd noted his report is in the book. He also reported that the Orange County SAR Barbecue will be held at his home on July 17 if anyone from other chapters want to come.

Vice-President North Keith Bigbee noted his report is in the book.

Vice-President Membership Phil Hinshaw noted his report is in the book.

Secretary Jim Faulkinbury noted his report is in the book. He also reported the great job the State did in getting the dues to national. National made note of this to Jim.

Treasurer Mike Howard will be heard from tomorrow. his report is in the book and an update has been passed out.

Registrar Tom Chilton noted his report is in the book. He also reported that the quality of applications sent on to national has gone up.

Genealogist Terry Briggs was absent. His report is in the book.

Historian Jim Blauer's report (Exhibit B) is the minutes from the Fall Board of Manager's Meeting. He had copies of the written minutes passed out for review and will be voted on tomorrow with any additions and corrections to be noted. He also reported that for those who wished to view the exhibits, (supporting documentation of items noted in the report), they could be viewed in the master copy he had at the front table.

Chancellor Goodwin noted his report is in the book on page 15.

Surgeon Ernest Latham reported that there was no report as there were no surgeries.

Chaplain Phil Dodson noted his report was in the book.

National Trustee Steve Renouf noted his report is in the book on page 19.

Fund Trustee Ron Risley noted his report (Exhibit C) is on Page 21. He noted that at the end of 2009 we were at \$302,000. We had earned around \$52,000 on our investments. He has managed our portfolio for 6 years. He noted 2007-2009 were trying times as we lost 25% of our portfolio in the economic crash. Rather than sell off he decided to stick with it, so it is now worth over 302,000. With earnings of \$12,000 and \$52,000 we have an increase of \$64,000 since January 1, 2009. He believes that because of governments actions with bailouts and excessive spending we may see high inflation in our future. Talk of investing in gold is not practical. He feels that we should keep our funds invested as they are, but does not envy his successor. He noted he has given 20 years of service to the society and is encouraged by the younger members coming along who are now giving service to our society. President Carlson thanked Ron for his service.

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National Officer Reports

Secretary General J. David Sympson thanked the society for the hospitality it has shown him over the many years he has been coming to our meetings. He reported that because he lives in Louisville, he is able to get by the headquarters several times a week. Phase 1 & 2 of the building of the new library, museum and offices is in progress. They have the progress on the website on a weekly basis. Due to the weather there has been some delay in the ribbon cutting. As a result they have pushed it back from June to the Fall Trustees meeting in September. It will be an major opportunity to showcase the new building and to raise funds. He is hoping to get an on-line page for the National officers.

As President General he has three objectives. 1) continue the fund raising for the building as well as the operating costs/budget. 2) We need to work on the retention of members. Go after those who have dropped. 3) create a nationalism of our society. We are losing WWII Veterans at an alarming rate and need to find these men and women and recognize their service.

Treasurer General Larry Magerkurth reported that this is a wonderful time in the society. He noted the dedication of the membership in the local chapters and the tough job they had with the raising of the National Dues by \$5.00 to keep members coming back. On the budget he reported that they had a complete internal audit as mandated by Sarbanes/Oxley. With internal controls we saved \$9,000. When the audit was completed in December it found we were better or equal to other societies. He encouraged states to get a copy of the report. There is a new Chief Compliant Officer, Jim Jones of Texas. There is a new Inspector General William Brodus. He reported that there was a new budgetary model he created which can look into the future up to 2014. Here he can look at the impact on the budget for inflation and other events. We can hold the line for 4-5 years with both buildings and hold fees for 5 years. He hopes to keep this model alive while he is in service at National. Lastly Larry reported on the Conference on the American Revolution. It will be at West Point this year. There have been 14 Papers submitted from the academic community. They will accept 10. This will be held the week before the Congress in Cleveland. The selected papers will be published in book form. Next year it will be held in Louisville and in 2012 it will be at the University of Virginia. President Carlson noted that while Larry has been Treasurer General, he has prevented overspending and independent spending, created the model for predicting our needs in the future and has brought order to chaos in Louisville's spending.

Vice-President General Western District Karl Jacobs noted he covers the states of California, Hawaii and Nevada. He works to oversee and communicate with the state societies. He receives many emails answering and asking questions. The Trustees

Meeting has had a name change. It is now called the Leadership Meeting. Of the 300 who attend these meetings 1/3 are Trustees and General officers. The remaining 2/3 are general membership. He noted how he took his wife one year and en route home asked when the next one was. He helped in the celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the SAR and DAR in Nevada. With 20 people in attendance the ceremony took only 42 minutes. He attended the Pacific International Conference in Hawaii last Fall. He also attended the Presidio Proclamation and the Plaque dedication in San Francisco. He reminded members of the pin he had created and passed out when he became State President in 2007, said ME. Membership begins with ME. California has 24 chapters. Nevada has two and they have both increased their membership. Hawaii with one chapter is down. He thanked the officers for a job well done.

Committee Reports

Budget and Planning report will have to wait until tomorrow as the Treasurer is not present.

The California Compatriot will be moved to New Business. Lou noted there were budget concerns and learned at the Trustees meeting that there were problems with going only electronic. There will be a proposal to restore the budget for the Compatriot to get printed copies into the hands of the membership.

Nominating Committee's Report is on page 85(Exhibit D) in the book and we will have the elections tomorrow.

Compliance Committee. There have been 9 chapters that have sent in their 990 forms out of 24 chapters. These include; General George Patton, Harbor, Monterey, San Diego, Silicon Valley, Orange County.....President Carlson noted his disappointment and asked the chapters to check with the Secretary or Treasurer to get this done. Use the Chapter EIN. Takes only 3 minutes to fill out at most. May 15th is the deadline.

Activity Contest Chairman Phil Hinshaw announced awards would be presented at the banquet. He reported that in 2009 there was participation by 3 of 11 small chapters, 5 of 7 medium chapters and 5 of 6 large chapters. At the Fall Board of Managers Meeting a new set of rules were adopted. 14 categories have been cut down to 7 as several have been combined. The Newsletter and website categories have been removed and made as separate contests. Final submittals must be in by January 15, 2011. There will be information forthcoming on the newsletter and website contests.

Valley Forge Project. Curtis Porter is absent. His report is on page 99 in the book.

Information Technology Committee report is in the book as per Wayne Griswold.

The Wreaths Across America will be reported on tomorrow when Marston Watson is present. This year is scheduled for December 7, 2010. Have your chapters provide a Color Guard at the event. Jim Fosdyck noted that in speaking with Joe Dooley the National Color Guard Commander, this is a National Event.

Medals & Awards will be given tomorrow when Kent Gregory arrives.

Youth Activities Chairman Tom Adams noted his report is in the book on page 93. He spoke on the new Brochure Contest for Middle(Jr. High) Schools. (Exhibit E) He reported there is a handout with a description of the Contest and it will be judged by someone else and not the teacher. The winner will be place on the website. The theme will be the same as the Poster Contest. Need to speak to schools in the Spring for the Fall program when they are teaching early U.S. History. Awards are in Savings bonds in the amount of \$600 for first place, and \$400 for second place. He will get guidelines to the chapters.

Chairman Adams also noted the Living History Program where both Color Guards and the women in period clothing go to schools and talk to the students about the period in which our ancestors lived. There was a question on how to deal with those who are home schooled. Need o contact the Home School Coordinator for the district and have them arrange with the campus for a day to use one of the district facilities to give the presentation. They can also be alerted to a presentation at the public school and make arrangements for the Home Schooled to attend it also.

Ron Risley noted that we also have the Spirit of America Program with a presentation at the Jr. High Graduation ceremonies. One boy and one Girl will each receive the award. Ron will share the information about this program to anyone who wishes it.

The Poster Contest will be discussed tomorrow when Compatriot Gilliard is present.

Jim Fosdyck reported the JROTC Report is in the Book on page 98.

The Knight Essay Report is on page 97 as David Siler was not able to make the meeting.

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Chapter Reports

Secretary Jim Faulkinbury reported that all the chapters had a report in the book.

General George Patton Chapter noted a correction on Page 3 of the addendum Dick Hawley is the Chapter Trustee not the Treasurer.

Gold Country Chapter noted they had three more JROTC recipients than when the report was made.

Harbor Chapter reported that on Thursday April 22 at Middle school in Carson, there will be an original copy of the Declaration of Independence owned by Producer Norman Lear. This will be an all day event. From 9am to 2:30 for the children and from the afternoon to the evening for the adults/Public. Color Guards from any chapters that wish to participate are welcome to come for all or any part of the day.

Mother Lode Chapter on Page 25 reported that they have \$1,253 in their checking and \$501.00 in their savings account.

Redwood Empire Chapter is on page 55. They did note the loss of Jamison Bates and of Charles McDermon, a fifty year member. Their essay winner placed third in the State Contest. They gave out 944 Flag Certificates last year. They also had a veteran's Recognition night, invited the DAR and presented 17 Certificates. Chuck Lampman noted that if 51% of the chapters in the state gives out at least one Flag Certificate the State will receive a streamer from National.

San Diego Chapter reported they were the sponsoring chapter of the winner in the Knight Essay Contest that will now go to National for consideration.

President Carlson noted that this is probably the first time in his recollection that all the chapters had submitted reports.

President Carlson asked for the approval of the minutes which was moved and seconded to accept. Members noted they had not had a chance to read them and that The Historian had stated they would come up for approval tomorrow.

John Dodd moved that the vote be postponed to a time certain at 9:15am on Saturday. The motion passed.

The Newsletter issue was brought up. President Carlson reported that at the

Trustees Meeting it was discussed that without the hard copy there was a loss of members who felt they were not getting any information from the society. Executive Vice-President Wayne Griswold reported that he had found a company to print collate, stamp and mail them for approximately \$1250 per issue. That being an eight page issue. There could be a reference to an on line copy in color on the website with more extensive articles., but the hard copy would be in black and white. Members need to have contact with the State of California or we will continue to lose members.

Wayne noted they needed to do a budget revision for this. It would be produced by MSI Inc and they would do 1500 copies. For 12 pages it goes to \$1500/ issue and 16 pages goes to \$1600/per issue. It was suggested we start at 2 per year.

New Business

Karl Jacobs as Vice-President General Western District was asked by the Silicon Valley Chapter to seek permission to allow them to present the Silver Good Citizenship Award(Medal & Certificate) to Physician Dr. Lionel Nelson for his outstanding and unusual military service in his late 60s. He lived in the San Francisco area and was on the Board of the Stanford Medical School as well as having a private practice. He has patents on surgical devises and served in the military in Southeast Asia. At age 64 he closed his practice and responded to the need for medical service in Iraq in 2009. He served a 90 day deployment to Iraq. The Chapter presented him with the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal & Certificate. Karl moved that we allow the chapter to present Dr. Nelson with the Silver Good Citizenship medal. There was a second and the motion passed. John Dodd moved that we make an application to National to get the Gold Good Citizenship Medal & Certificate for Dr. Nelson. This was seconded by Ron Risley. The Motion passed.

Chuck Lampman spoke on Newport Beach Field of Honor 2010. This event(Exhibit F) that is being hosted by the Newport Harbor Exchange Club will occur on May 14-17 at the Bob Henry(Castaways) Park on Dover Drive in Newport Beach. They plan to erect 1776 Flags on 8' poles in honor of our military men and women. One may sponsor a flag in honor of a member of the military for \$45.00. After the closing ceremonies at 12 Noon on May 17th, you may pick up the flag and the pole or for an additional \$10.00 have it delivered to your home. It will begin at 11am on Friday Morning with opening ceremonies. The Mayor of Newport Beach and State representatives will be present. Would like to get Color Guard members there in uniform to talk with the kids and adults. Have members with their Brown Besses there to fire their guns. and Handout SAR Brochures. It is possible there will be more on Saturday and Sunday as well.

Karl Jacobs noted we would be discussing the CAAH at a later time.

We recessed at 11:10am.

The Community Luncheon will begin at 12 Noon on the terrace on the second floor.

COMMUNITY SERVICE LUNCHEON

The Community Service Luncheon(Exhibit G) was opened by State President Lou Carlson at 12:05pm. The Color Guard presented the Colors. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Keith Bigbee. The Invocation was given by the Rev. Phil Dodson. Lunch was served.

We reconvened at 12:45pm. The Law Enforcement Commendation Medal was presented to Officers Richard Kawasaki and Matthew Suehowicz. Police Chief Rick Braziel read the citation. While on patrol on December 22, 2009 they came upon a crash site and pulled a 17 year old from a burning car.

Another Law Enforcement Commendation Medal was presented to Sgt. John Zwolinski, from the County Sheriff's Department. His citation was read by Sheriff John P. McGuinness. On December 8, 2009 he responded to a family dispute between a mother and son. He was forced to shoot the son.

The Fire Safety Commendation Medal went to Captain Ray Winsor. A 26 year veteran of the department who was recently promoted to Captain, he is known for mentoring youth both inside and outside the department. He also serves as a Water Rescue Instructor.

The Heroism Award was presented by Ernie Garcia to Todd McHugh. Todd had been behind this one car that went off the road and on to the railroad tracks where it stopped. There was a woman and 2 small children in the car. The lady appeared to be asleep. Todd woke her up and helped get the children out as well as a train approached the car on the tracks.

After a couple announcements, Chaplain Dodson gave the benediction.

The SAR Recessional was led by J. David Sympson.

The luncheon was adjourned at 1:15pm.

SESSION II

The second session was opened by President Lou Carlson at 1:40pm. It was determined that a quorum was present.(Exhibit A)

Wayne Griswold noted they needed the Treasurer for discussing the Budget.

Larry Magerkurth announced that plans are in the works for the Coachella Valley Chapter to host the Fall Board of Managers Meeting in 2011.

It was announced that the Silicon Valley Chapter would be the host of the this years Fall Board of Managers Meeting. The exact location has yet to be set, but somewhere near the San Jose area.

Under New Business, John Dodd spoke on the Exchange Program with the French Society. The child must be between 12 and 20 years of age. They are trying to arrange having 2 French kids to come over and arrange for a host family. It is a three week period that they visit for. During the Summer when school is out. They can both be done in the same year or one can come one year and the other reciprocate the next year.

It was determined by a raising of hands that there were at least ten members planning to attend Congress in June. They were asked to contact the State Secretary, Jim Faulkinbury, to be designated a delegate from our state. It was reported that the Tennessee Society has come up with an amendment to the by-laws. It would make any application that is backed by a DAR Application and is accompanied by a birth certificate to be accepted. This is not endorsed by National.

Ron Risley moved "that all future issues of the California Compatriot be printed and mailed to every member of the California Society who is in good Standing with the California Society". This was seconded by Bob Ebert. The reason for the printed copy is that many do not see it on line and feel left out. Marston Watson noted that we meet twice a year and get a very low response from the on-line publication. President Carlson asked that we defer this until Saturday when the Treasurer would be here to discuss the budgeting of this item.

Wayne Griswold reported that to do a printed copy 4 times per year would run \$5,000. Though there is a \$5,100 contingency Fund, we will have to see how they might be able to tweak the budget. John Dodd moved that the discussion be postponed to a time certain at 10:30am tomorrow Morning. This was seconded by Marston Watson. Chuck Lampman noted that National gets about 740 hits a month from their website, but 95% of

all questions are non electronic.

A recess of 10 minutes was called for at 2:02pm.

At 2:20pm the meeting resumed. A roll call was made of those in attendance and a quorum was established with 27 of 41 in attendance. (Exhibit A) It was then moved once again that we postpone the motion to a time certain at 10:30am tomorrow. It was seconded and approved.

The Center for Advancing America's Heritage (CAAH) was up for discussion. The National Fund raiser for this is something that California Society wants to get members involved in giving to. It was suggested that we institute a program called California 250. Here, one whose main membership is with the California Society may receive a pin if he donates \$250 to the CAAH Fund. It was noted that when National goes out to Foundations asking for money, they come back and ask what percentage of the membership has given to this project. National wants to set the goal at 20% of each society's membership to donate to the cause. Chuck Lampman noted that the Cogswell Sires has a separate Fund. The permanent Fund we can distribute ½ of the earnings towards projects or budgetary items. Could use to help finance the pins. Jim Blauer noted that members do not have to donate the \$250 all at once but can do it in an installment plan of \$50 for 5 years. It was moved by John Dodd that the society endorse this program and produce 100 pins, creating the California 250 project. The motion was seconded and passed. John Dodd then moved that money be taken from the permanent Fund as seed money for this project. This was seconded by Steve Renouf. The motion passed.

Provisional endorsements for 2011 National offices was placed before those in attendance. Larry Magerkurth for President General, Chuck Lampman for Historian General and John Dodd for Chancellor General. The endorsements were passed.

We recessed at 2:47pm

PRESIDENT'S BANQUET

The President's Banquet (Exhibit H) was held on the Delta Queen on the Sacramento River. Toasts were made. Wayne Griswold toasted Lou and Karen Carlson. Larry Magerkurth toasted the incoming State President (Wayne Griswold) and ask we recognize all past and present leaders of the California Society. Keith Bigbee toasted the Ladies who work hard at raising money to help support our state society and its various projects. President Carlson toasted the team of CASSAR who have contributed to the success of his term as president. He gave compliments to both the Executive Committee

as well as the Chapter Presidents. John Dodd toasted the National Officers that were present. J. David Sympton, Secretary General. Karl Jacobs, Vice-President General Western District, and Larry Magerkurth, Treasurer General. Dinner was served.(Exhibit I)

For our entertainment, Don Gurley sang a couple songs for us. The dinner was finished by 7:45pm.

SESSION III April 10, 2010

The meeting was opened at 9am by President Lou Carlson. The Rev. Phil Dodson gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Karl Jacobs. The SAR Pledge was led by Stephen Renouf. The National officers in attendance were introduced. Secretary General J. David Sympton, Treasurer General Larry Magerkurth, Vice-President General Western District Karl Jacobs, and National Trustee Stephen Renouf.

The minutes from the November Fall Board of Managers Meeting were discussed(Exhibit B). There were two typos. On page 1 was Lindsey Brock and the other was Lou Carlson. The spellings would be corrected for the final minutes from that meeting. It was moved to accept the minutes as corrected and seconded. The motion passed.

Jim Blauer called the roll and, a quorum was established. (Exhibit J)

The Budget and Audit Committee were excused to go to their meeting.

With the vote on the California Compatriot postponed to 10:30, President Carlson gave a history for the discontinuing of the printed copy. He noted that there was a lack of use of the website to read the electronic version and feels that the state needs a printed version. He noted that to print one issue would run \$1,250 for a black & white copy. That is \$5,000 per year for four issues.

Compatriot Ron Risley moved that all issues of the California Compatriot be printed and sent to all members.

It was reported that we have a new fund raising program for the CAAH. It is the California 250 Pin. You give \$250 to the CAAH and you get a pin. This in an effort to get more donations from more of our members. Secretary General asked when the pins would be made available. He suggested that we send one to Sam Powell, Michelle Day Vaught and Bill Allerton as other states may wish to pick up on this idea. Secretary

Sympson noted that at www.sar.org a video is put up monthly on what's happening and it has a Youtube link as well.

Marston Watson spoke on the Wreaths Across America Program. He noted it is done by the Worcester Wreath Company in Maine. 15 years ago it began when they had extra wreaths and had them placed at Arlington Cemetery. The DAR first began to sponsor this program and three years ago we adopted to support this and finally it was accepted at National.

This year it will be on the second Saturday in December. For two years now they have had excellent coverage at Dixon. He would like to see more chapters participate. You can purchase 3 wreaths for \$30.

Kent Gregory the Awards and Medals Chairman noted his report is in the book.

Dave Gilliard reported on the Poster Contest. San Francisco is a new participant this year. They join Orange County, Gold Country and Mother Lode Chapters. They are on display at the back with ballots for voting.

Thor Wild from Silicon Valley spoke on the Fall Board of Managers Meeting. Registration fee will be \$130. It will be held in Santa Clara, and Bill Moore is working on the entertainment. Friday event will be seeing the Winchester House and wineries. The registration form will be put on line.

Dave Gilliard noted that Greg Hill is our website manager and that to place information on our site you need to contact Greg at ghill@gbasacramento.com.

At 10:05 there was a short break. The meeting reconvened at 10:25am.

As 10:30am approached, it was time to take up the California Compatriot issue. Ron Risley moved "that all future issues of the California Compatriot be printed and mailed to all members in Good Standing of the California Society". As a friendly amendment it was requested that the word "mail" be stricken and use "distributed" instead. This was accepted by Ron. So the motion reads; "That all future issues of the California Compatriot be printed and distributed to all members in good standing of the California Society". There was a call for the question and the motion passed.

John Dodd reported that the California 250 pin would be strictly for those whose primary membership is with the California Society. Not for dual members whose primary membership is with another State or member Society. For chapters who donate \$500 in

one year they will get a streamer. He also suggested that we might have a State Society page on Face book to post pictures, but would be restricted to CASSAR members use only.

Jim Blauer spoke on the Eagle Scout Request for Recognition form that he had created to send to Scout troops so that when they had an Eagle Scout they could contact him directly instead of having to go through the Scout Office and their red tape. He also noted the chapter activity report he does for the previous year. He gets all of the form filled out with all their activities. This to help the state society in competition with other states for awards at National.

Jim Faulkinbury reported that there was a new dues format that keeps the information in an ongoing basis so report will be there at the end of the year.

Karl Jacobs reported on the meeting held at the S.S. Lane Victory in September and that another gathering is being planned by the Harbor Chapter at the Los Angeles Airport Driving Museum in El Segundo. There are 250 Antique Automobiles that you can check out and even ride in.

Jim Fosdyck reported that chapters can start a Wounded Warrior Program by contacting a local Veteran's Affairs office. You can adopt a Medal of Honor recipient and present him and other wounded Warriors with a coin and certificate. Check and see if you have local Purple Heart recipient. There may even be a Purple Heart Association that can help.

Wayne Griswold and Mike Howard reported on the Budget(Exhibit K). The Audit was completed on last years books(Exhibit L). Did not see any problems. There were a couple items to mention. Valley Forge was \$3,000 and spent \$3,400. JROTC Spent \$237.00. These changes were approved by the President. The Secretary was under budget by \$4,000 and the Vice-President Membership was under budget by \$2000. Close to \$9,000 can be rolled over into the Contingency Funds. Chairs need to be sure the amounts will be sufficient this Fall. Valley Forge was upped. The Audit Committee accepted the overages. John Dodd moved that the society accept these overages. The motion was seconded and passed.

Wayne reported that the budget(Exhibit K) in some areas was short. Phil Hinshaw needed and extra \$100 for the activity Contest. So that will give B-22 a total of \$200. B-60 Valley Forge was \$1,000/teacher but cost \$1,200/teacher There was a \$400 overage. It is now \$1,300. We are adding another \$150 to the overage to make Valley Forge \$3,600 budget. The Education Fund was not in the budget and has been allotted \$750 for Youth

Awards. This is \$250 each for Eagle Scouts, JROTC and Essay Contest. A motion was made to pass the budget as amended from last November. This was seconded and passed. There is a need for a line for the California Compatriot. It will run \$1,250 per issue. have 2 to 3 issues per year will mean \$2,500 to \$4,000 per year. John Dodd moved that we proceed with 2 issues at \$2,500 moving the money from the unrestricted funds to Compatriot C-45 so that Compatriot becomes \$2,750. B-41 the Spring meeting allowance needs to go from \$350 to \$1,502.40 for reimbursement of meals to winners of the community and youth awards. This will be accounted for down the road. Marston Watson moved that we accept the budget as amended. This was seconded by Kent Gregory. The motion passed.

The report from the Nominating Committee was presented(Exhibit D). Nominations were as follows; President--Wayne Griswold, Executive Vice-President--John Dodd, Vice-President South--J. Stephen Hurst, Vice-President North--Keith Bigbee, Vice-President Membership--Phil Hinshaw, Secretary--Jim Faulkinbury, Treasurer--Michael Howard, Registrar--Tom Chilton, Chancellor--J. Jeffries Goodwin, Genealogist-- Terry Briggs, Historian--Jim Blauer, Surgeon--Ernest Latham, MD, Chaplain--Rev. Phil Dodson, National Trustee--Lou Carlson. Trustee--John Dodd. It was requested by John Dodd that he be removed as a nominee for Trustee. John nominated Richard Hawley for Trustee. Compatriot Hawley accepted. With no further nominations from the floor, the slate was accepted. Marston Watson moved that all nominees be elected by acclamation. The motion passed and the slate was elected by acclamation.

Chuck Lampman reported that in May there would be a need for Color Guards at the Field of Honor(Exhibit F) Ceremony in Newport Beach. Anyone interested should contact him. Flyers were handed out on this event at the Castaways Park in Newport Beach.

Following lunch we will have the memorial service, then return to discuss the by-law proposals.

The meeting was recessed at 11:27am.

YOUTH RECOGNITION LUNCHEON

The Youth Recognition luncheon was opened at 12:03pm By Keith Bigbee, Gold Country Chapter President. The Color Guard presented the Colors. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Larry Magerkurth. The SAR Pledge was led by David Sympton. The invocation was given by the Rev. Dodson. The Colors were posted and the Color Guard retired.

Lunch was served at 12:10pm. We reconvened at 12:53pm.

It was announced that the Ladies Auxiliary raffle would be held at the banquet. Tickets are 12 for \$10, 24 for \$20 or \$1.00 each.

It was announced that Owen Stiles is the new Eagle Scout Chairman. He made the presentation of the State winner of the Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest to Brady Baldwin of the Sacramento Chapter. His Eagle project was the creating of a garden at a local middle school.

Jim Fosdyck, JROTC Chairman, presented the State JROTC Cadet of the year to 1st Lt. Laura Esquivel.

Tom Adams, the Youth Activities Chairman, presented the Knight Essay Contest winner Miriam Million. Miriam was not able to attend as she was studying for finals. Her father accepted the Certificate, medal and check on her behalf.

Dave Gilliard, Poster Contest Chair, reported that there were four chapters in this year's contest. Honorable mention went to San Francisco. Third place to Mother Lode. Second Place to Orange County's Lei Mei. First to Gold Country. Some 800-900 posters were entered at the local level this year.

Lou Carlson attended the National Leadership meeting in March. Here the Robert E. Burt Awards were announced. California had two recipients of this award. Dale Ross and Nathaniel Moss. Lou Presented Dale with his medal & Certificate. Nathaniel was not present.

Phil Hinshaw presented the Chapter Awards. In the Small Chapter Category Mother Lode took most publications, most publicity and State Programs. Redwood took most guests, most joint meetings, most medals & Certificates and most activities. Harbor Chapter took most meetings, best percentage in attendance, most new supplementals and new memberships, and most congress attendees. Harbor & Redwood tied for most new Life members. The Best Small Chapter was Redwood.

In the Medium Chapter Category, Redding had the most guests. Redlands had most new members, most new Life Members and most State Programs. Riverside had most meetings, most joint meetings and most publications. Orange County had most publicity, most medals & certificates, most chapter activities most congress attendees and best website. Orange County and South Coast chapters tied for best percentage of members at meetings and supplementals. Best Medium size chapter goes to Orange County.

In the Large Chapter Category, Sons of Liberty had most medals & certificates. Thomas Jefferson had most new life memberships. Sacramento had most joint meetings, publications and supplementals. Gold Country had best percentage of members in attendance, most meetings, most publicity, most chapter activities, most State Programs. They tied with Sacramento on best website and number of guests in attendance. Sons Of Liberty and Gold Country tied for most new members. Sacramento and Thomas Jefferson tied for most attendees at Congress. Best Large Chapter was Gold Country.

It was announced that the Memorial Service would be at 2pm. The meeting would reconvene at 3pm. Don Gurley sang God Bless America. The Rev. Dodson gave the benediction. Wayne Griswold led the recessional. The luncheon was adjourned at 1:35pm.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Memorial Service(Exhibit N) was opened at 2pm by The Reverend Dr. Phillip C. Dodson, State Chaplain. The Color Guard presented the Colors. Chaplain Dodson gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dale Ross. Don Gurley sang "God Bless America".

The Roll Call of Remembrance was performed. As each name of our deceased Compatriots was read, a bell was sounded and anyone who wished to say a few words about the deceased were welcomed to come forward and speak. Though there were thirty-two listed in the program, there were some add ons making for about 35 Compatriots from 17 chapters. When the roll call and eulogies were completed, taps was played by Grant Noah.

Chaplain Dodson gave the benediction, and the Colors were retired. The ceremony was concluded by 2:45pm.

SESSION IV*

The meeting was reconvened at 3pm. by President Lou Carlson. The Roll call was taken(Exhibit J) and a quorum was established.

There were two by-laws(Exhibit O) up for consideration. The first was to amend 5A, Section 1. "There shall be a CASSAR Executive Committee with a total membership of 9. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the President, Immediate Past President, the four Vice-Presidents(Executive Vice-President, Vice-President North, Vice-President South, Vice-President Membership), the Secretary, the Treasurer, and the

Chancellor." This motion was seconded and passed.

The second by-law to amend was #7, adding Section 9. "An emeritus member is defined as a member of the CASSAR who has paid dues to the CASSAR for 50(fifty) years. Upon reaching emeritus member status, the member shall be exempt from paying all additional CASSAR dues." The motion was seconded and passed.

With business completed, Karl Jacobs moved that the 135th Annual Spring Membership meeting be adjourned. This was seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING

Following the adjournment of the Spring Annual Meeting, a Board of Managers meeting was called. It was opened by Wayne Griswold at 3:10pm. A quorum of eligible voting members was established(Exhibit J)The chair asked if there was any old business to conduct. Being none, the chair asked if there was any new business.

John Dodd moved that we endorse Steve Renouf for Vice-President General of the Western District. This motion was seconded and passed.

It was noted that a November meeting would be called to revise the by-laws. With no further business, the Rev. Dodson gave the benediction. Ron Risley led the recessional. There was a motion to adjourn and it was seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15pm.

BANQUET

The Banquet(Exhibit P)was opened by President Lou Carlson at 7:05pm. The Color Guard presented the Colors. Rev. Dodson gave the invocation. Steve Renouf led the Pledge of Allegiance. David Sympton led the SAR Pledge. Jim Blauer sang the National Anthem. The Color Guard posted the Colors.

Introductions of the head table were made. They included; Lou & Karen Carlson, Wayne and Yoncie Griswold, John Dodd, Keith & Cindy Bigbee, Karl & Sandra Jacobs, David Sympton, Larry & Barbara Magerkurth, and Phil Dodson.

Introduction of past state presidents included; Steve Renouf, Karl Jacobs, Bob Ebert, Larry Magerkurth, Chuck Lampman, Ron Risley, Marston Watson and Richard Adriano-Moore.

Dinner was served at 7:20 p.m.

As dinner concluded, we were entertained by the Fondettes, a female singing group, that did a variety of songs from the 1940s. Some of these songs included; Sing, Sing, Sing, Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy, Sentimental Journey, In the Mood, and Beer barrel Polka to name a few.

As we reconvened at 8:57 the presentation of awards took place. Certificates of Appreciation were presented to Wayne & Yoncie Griswold, Keith & Cindy Bigbee, Patricia & Barney Hopkins(absent), Coreena & Dale Ross, Ernie McPherson, Smith Virgil(absent), Ernie Garcia(absent), Eisley's Nursery(absent), Sacramento Visitor Center(absent), Embassy Suites(absent), California Welcome Center(absent), and the Delta King(absent).

Color Guard Awards were presented. Jim Blauer received the SAR Silver Color Guard Medal. Dale Ross received the Silver Von Steuben Medal.

Website master Gregory J. Hill received the Meritorious Service Medal & Certificate.

The Patriot Medal was presented to Robert Larry Wynne of the San Francisco Chapter.

President Lou Carlson gave some last thoughts. He noted his climb through the ranks. He began as Chaplain of the state and in 2006 became VP South. In 2008 became executive VP and in 2009 became State President. With his fall at the Atlanta Congress, he was out for several months and thanked Wayne and the members of the State Board who kept things running smoothly. He thanked Secretary Jim Faulkinbury, Keith Bigbee, John Dodd, Mike Howard, Tom Chilton, Phil Hinshaw, Steve Renouf, Terry Briggs and noted there were many others. He thanked the society for the privilege of serving as State President.

J. David Sympson, Secretary General of the SAR did the installation. The Ladies Auxiliary was first with Karen Carlson, Anne Lampman, Cindy Bigbee, Lisa Gregory, Sandra Jacobs, and Coreena Ross. Anne Lampman presented Karen Carlson with a gift. Larry Magerkurth reported that the Ladies Auxiliary donated \$1,000 to the Conference on the American Revolution and presented the check to Secretary General Sympson.

Secretary General Sympson then installed the officers of the State society. As Wayne Griswold was installed as President of the State Society, he was presented the

Gavel by Lou Carlson and received the neck ribbon of the State President. Gifts were exchanged.

President Griswold spoke to the members and guests(Exhibit Q). He thanked his wife and family for their support, about our ancestors, their sacrifices and struggles, the forming of a new government, and the beginning of our society and the need to educate our children with the true story of the American Revolution. He presented all members in attendance with a gift. A booklet of the Sons of Revolutionary Sires. They are numbered 1 to 250, a collectible.

The Ladies Auxiliary held their raffle. It was announced that from the proceeds they are donating \$1,000 to the Center for Advancing America's Heritage and \$1,000 for the war chest of the next Congress to be held here in California. The Ladies Auxiliary Raffle was conducted and winners included; Joy Renouf, Sue Shadwick, Coreena Ross, Mike Howard, Barbara Johnson, Renee Garcia, Jim Blauer, Cyndy Bigbee, Jim Faulkinbury, David Sympson, and Kent Gregory.

Larry Magerkurth put up for auction a Japanese Dinner at Indian Wells Country Club. It will be for 8. He, Barbara and 6 guests. The money will go to the Ladies Auxiliary. The bidding was a bit intense, but Lou Carlson took the prize with a bid of \$800.

Wayne thanked the ladies for their work and raising funds for the SAR. Chaplain Phil Dodson gave the benediction. John Dodd led the recessional.

The 135th Annual Spring Membership Meeting was adjourned at 10:24pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
November 6, 2010

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