# California Society Annual Report 2021

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#### NEVADA SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

#### President's Report

#### Western District Meeting

March 29, 2022

Even though the Pandemic has curtailed our normal activities, the Nevada Society has not missed a state meeting during the time. Our Spring, 2021 meeting, was conducted via Zoom allowing many to participate from across Nevada, Utah, Arizona, and California. Our April 2, 2022, physical state meeting in Las Vegas, expects exceptional attendance with Compatriots and their guests coming from Nevada, Utah, Arizona, and California. There have also been many chapter meetings and social activities held virtually, and both chapters have moved back into physical meetings.

As some of the Covid Pandemic restrictions are being relaxed with regard to indoor and outdoor activities, our two chapters held Memorial, Boy Scout/America 250 and other outdoor events, including Wreaths Across America.

Both chapters participated in Scholarship programs and the Battle Born Patriots Chapter had a robust Color Guard that participated in many community activities.

We are optimistic that in the coming period we will continue with our Youth Programs and our Educational Programs and other areas consistent with the goals of SAR. I was sworn in as the Nevada Society President on April 10, 2021. Some of the activities that I have had the honor to represent NVSSAR and to participate in since that time are:

- NSSAR 131<sup>st</sup> Congress, Renton, WA, July 8-10, 2021
- Battle Born Patriots Chapter Executive Officers Meeting, Reno, NV, July 19, 2021
- Signers Chapter Regular Meeting, Las Vegas, NV, August 7, 2021
- Signers Chapter Constitution Day Dinner, Las Vegas, NV, September 18, 2021
- Fall Leadership Meeting, Louisville, KY, September 22-26, 2021
- Signers Chapter Executive Committee Meeting and Compatriots' Muster, Las Vegas, NV, October 6,
   2021

- Victory at Yorktown Celebration, Battle Born Patriots Chapter, Reno, NV, October 16, 2021
- CASSAR 146<sup>th</sup> BOM Meeting, Riverside, CA, November 4-7, 2021.
- Signers Chapter Christmas Party, Henderson, NV, December 18, 2021
- Signers Chapter Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV, January 8, 2022
- Signers Chapter George Washington Dinner, Las Vegas, NV, February 19, 2021
- Spring Leadership Meeting, Louisville, KY, March 3-5, 2022
- Signers Chapter Executive Committee Meeting and Compatriots Muster, Las Vegas, NV, March 17,
   2022

When attending Chapter and State events, I discussed the George Washington Endowment Fund, and the America 250 effort. I also briefed the Admiral Furlong Award and provided resources. Finally, I discussed member retention. Key to that member retention is personal contact. Besides the usual email reminder, chapter officers should reach out via phone, letter, and even home visits to members who are teetering on renewal. It is a good way to increase the personal involvement of chapter members and to keep the chapter roster updated.

Five new regular members and two new junior members were added in 2021. Sixteen members were dropped due to non-payment of dues and two members resigned this year and two members were deceased. Once dues collection was completed, the Nevada Society ended 2021 with 165 members, a decrease of twelve members. There were eleven Supplemental Applications approved for current members.

During 2021 the Nevada Society became 100% compliant in the PRS System.

Working together with CASSAR PRS Coordinator Terry Briggs, Compatriot Michael Gravitt, the NVSSAR PRS Coordinator, entered 405 California Record Copies into the California PRS.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles Burroughs Smith V

President, Nevada Society



# Hawaii Society, Sons of the American Revolution 745 Fort Street, Suite 311 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813



March 30, 2022

MEMORANDUM FOR: Western District SAR VPG Charles B. Smith V

SUBJECT: Annual Report from the Hawaii Society SAR

Semi quincentennial Celebration. Hawaii Compatriot Rep. Matt LoPresti presented House and Senate concurrent resolutions to go to the Governor to approve the establishment of a State committee, commission, or Task Force to plan and carry out the States 250<sup>th</sup> activities. The Senate is the first to take it up, and has asked for testimony to be submitted by the public not later than Friday April 1<sup>st</sup>. The Hawaii SAR 250<sup>th</sup> Committee has coordinated with several Veterans and Civic organizations, issuing a CALL TO ACTION to encourage them to submit testimony via the on-line system at <a href="http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/measure\_indiv.aspx?billtype=SR&billnumber=205&year=2022">http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/measure\_indiv.aspx?billtype=SR&billnumber=205&year=2022</a>. The Hawaii Society SAR is partnering with the Hawaii Daughters of the American Revolution to provide meaningful commemoration events and activities. One such example is honoring Revolutionary War Ship Captain John Kendrick, who served in the Continental Navy on the privateer ships Fanny, 'Count D'estaing, and Marianne. Captain Kendrick died on December 12, 1794 in Honolulu Harbor while on a trans-Pacific after being the first official American delegation to visit Japan after the establishment of the United States. Just five months before his death. Margaret Russo of the DAR, is leading this project.

50<sup>th</sup> Vietnam War Commemoration. The Hawaii Society nominated Compatriot Jack Miller, CDR, USN, for recognition of his Vietnam War Service and many decades of volunteer service to the community in the SAR and the Military Officers Assn. of America (MOAA). The award was presented at his home on March 6, 2021. Compatriot Tulak participated in recognition of Major Ed Green, USMC for his wartime service in Vietnam, and subsequent decade of service to the Hawaii Civil Air Patrol on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022, on the occasion of his change of command of the CAP Squadron. Compatriot Tulak participated in the March 29 Vietnam Veteran Day event at the National Military Cemetery of the Pacific, as a wreath presenter, at a ceremony at Fort DeRussy later that day, and processed in the parade through Waikiki. He also participated in the March 30, 2022 Vietnam Veterans Day luncheon at the Oahu Veterans Center, where Vietnam Veterans received certificates from the Hawaii DAR Regent.

ROTC and JROTC Awards. For the 2021 Awards Ceremonies, COVID 19 prevented in-person presentations. However, the SAR was able to make two presentations of the medal virtually to Army and Air Force Cadet Meares and Cadet Sagapolutele.at the University of Hawaii, on June 5<sup>th</sup> 2021. For 2022, the SAR awards program has expanded to support the newly established Naval ROTC program at the University of Hawaii, commanded by CAPT William Ellis. All the medals have been delivered to the 3 ROTC programs and 26 JROTC programs in Hawaii, and the first ceremony will be held on 20 April. The Hawaii SAR works with the DAR to coordinate for medal presentations to ensure that cadets receive the medal from a descendant of a revolutionary war patriot.

Flag Committee. The Hawaii Society presented flag certificates for proper display and proper destruction. The HISSAR presented the NSSAR Patriotic Flag Display certificate to the American Veterans at the West Oahu Veterans Center on February 7, 2021. A certificate for flag destruction was presented to American Legion, Dept. of Hawaii and Post 17 on October 30<sup>th</sup> and to Boy Scout Troop 304 on November10, 2021,. The Hawaii Society earned to Furlong Awards for its Flag Committee at the 2021 Congress.

Public Relations. The Hawaii Society SAR Newsletter won the Jennings Flathers Award in 2021, and the Society is issuing Newsletters on at least an annual basis. The next newsletter is scheduled for June 2022. The Hawaii Society maintains a website: <a href="https://hawaiisar.org/">https://hawaiisar.org/</a> and a Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/1559651440970900/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/1559651440970900/</a>

**Visitors**. Charles Smith V., from the Western Region of the National Society and Nevada Society Registrar had lunch with Society officers on Dec 6, 2021, to discuss plans for our Hawaii Society 250<sup>th</sup> commemoration activities.

Meetings. The Hawaii Society held Executive Board meetings on April 4, 2021, July 30, 2021, October 15, 2021, January 22, 2022, and held its last General Meeting on April 24, 2021. The 2022 General Meeting is scheduled for April 15, 2022 at the Hale Ikena Club on Fort Shafter HI.

I may be reached at <a href="mailto:hawaiisar.president@gmail.com">hawaiisar.president@gmail.com</a>

Respectfully,

Dr. Arthur N. Tulak, Ed.D.

President

Hawaii Society.

Sons of the American Revolution

# Nevada Society Sons of the American Revolution Calendar Year 2021 Treasurer's Report

I, Albert E. Conant, Treasurer for the Nevada Society SAR, am pleased to report the following activities for the Calendar Year 2021 for the State of Nevada Society.

The Society began the year with a Balance of \$10,035.16 in the checking account of which \$535.15 was earmarked for the Paul Jones Scholarship Fund. The Paul Jones Scholarship Savings account Contained \$26,271.23.

The Society Received Dues, Applications and Donations in the amount of \$12,111.24, and Paid out to the National Society and the Two Nevada Chapters, Signers and Battle Born Patriots, \$9,612.00 for these purposes.

Additional Expenses for Awards, Scholarships, Postage, and Miscellaneous amounted to \$1,874.64

Thus leaving and ending Checking Account balance of \$10,659.76.

The Paul Jones Scholarship Savings account earned \$2.40 in Interest which led to an ending balance of \$26,273.63.

A copy of the account coversheet will be included for your approval.

Thank You

Albert E. Conant

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Treasurer

**Nevada Society** 

One Attachment 2021 Nevada Society Treasurers Report Coversheet

# STATE OF NEVADA NEVADA SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

# 2021 CALENDAR YEAR TREASURERS REPORT

AS OF 10-Mar-22

## **Operating Account**

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Beginning Balance	\$10,035.16	
Dues Received	\$9,828.24	
Applications Received	\$2,198.00	
Reinstatements	\$0.00	
Ladies Auxillary Fund Raisers	\$0.00	
Paul Jones Scholarship Donations	\$85.00	
Book Sales	\$0.00	
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	
Dues Out National	(\$5,560.00)	
Dues Out Chapter	(\$2,122.00)	
Applications Sent to National	(\$1,930.00)	
Reinstatements Sent to National	\$0.00	
Ladies Auxillary Scholarship	\$0.00	
Society Supplies and Awards	(\$414.00)	
Paul Jones Scholarship Expenses	(\$500.00)	
Bank Charge	\$0.00	
Postage	(\$665.25)	
Miscellaneous	(\$295.39)	
Outstanding Checks	\$0.00	Check for Errors
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# State Registrar Richard Dalton Registrar's Report for 2021 Statewide

Began 2021 with 179 members

New Members approved: 5

New Junior Members approved: 2

Total Junior Members: 7

Supplemental applications approved: 7

**Emeritus Members: 1** 

National Life Members: 11

Members reinstated: 0

Transfers In: 0

Transfers Out: 0

Members dropped non-payment of dues: 16 [3 juniors]

Members resigned: 2

Members deceased: 3

Ended 2021 with Total Active Members: 165

## Partial Breakdown:

# **Battle Born Patriots Chapter:**

New Members approved: 4

New Junior Members approved: 2

Emeritus Members: 0

Supplemental applications approved: 5

Members deceased: 2

# **Signers Chapter:**

New Members approved: 1

New Junior Members approved: 0

Supplemental applications approved: 2

Emeritus Members: 1

Members deceased: 1

# BATTLE BORN PATRIOTS CHAPTER NEVADA SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

#### **CHAPTER PRESIDENTS ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2021**



his was an another challenging year not just for the Battle Born Patriots Chapter, but for the entire nation. The Covid-19 pandemic again brought many of our plans to a total standstill. Yet we were determined to pursue our mission as best as we could. This report will account for what we were able to accomplish. Most importantly, this report will chronicle the enthusiasm and dedication of our members. It is nothing short of a miracle that we achieved anything this year, but what we were able to achieve speaks volumes about our members and their embodiment of the Spirit of '76. It is to them that I dedicate this report.

# Thank You To The Officers Who Made It Happen:

Roger Linscott - Secretary, Color Guard Commander, DAR Liaison

Jim McLane – Treasurer

Richard Dalton -- Registrar

**Rob Stoecklin** – Vice President-Membership

**Stephen Schroder** – Vice President-Program

Jay Dickey - Counselor, Victory At Yorktown Committee Chairman

## What Did We Do In 2021?

#### Ne Welcomed New Members:

We were pleased to welcome the following compatriots to the Battle Born Patriots Chapter:

#### REGULAR MEMBERS:

Michael Howard Juckett, Patriot Ancestor: Christian Heinrich Schick II, Names of Foreigners Who Took the Oath of Allegiance to the Province and State of Pennsylvania, 1727-1775.

Elliot Parker, Patriot Ancestor: Lowe Brown, Private Virginia, In 1774, he was in Captain Russell's Company at the Battle of Point Pleasant. Brown enlisted in 1779 for 18 months of service in Captain Jesse Evans' Company of Colonel George Rogers Clark's Virginia State Regiment. Part of this service was in Captain Todd's artillery company of that regiment.

Floyd William Rathbun, Patriot Ancestor: Job Rathbun, Private in Capt. Eliphalet Holmes Company. 1st Connecticut Regiment.

**Stephen Arthur Sidells,** Patriot Ancestor: Thomas C. Frederick, Private: PA 1) Capt Koppenhoffer, Col Green's Hanover Rifle Battalion 2) Ranger on Frontiers, 1778-1783, Capts George Obermier & Patrick Watson

#### JUNIOR MEMBERS:

Braden Schroder, Patriot Ancestor: James Beasley, Private in Virginia

Caleb Schroder, Patriot Ancestor: James Beasley, Private in Virginia

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We mourn the passing of the following Chapter Compatriots.

Bernard Leroy Hardesty
Warren Robert Hibbard
Gregory Roush

# We Participated In Some Great Events:

--Dedication of A Memorial To Civil War Veterans. One of the pillars of the SAR is to honor our veterans both living and dead so that we will never forget that the price of freedom is never free. Members of the Battle Born Patriots Chapter, SAR joined with the General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to install and dedicate a worthy memorial to veterans who served in the Civil War and whose remains rest in the Reno Grand Army of The Republic (GAR) Cemetery.

--American Roots Celebration – July 3rd. Joining with other heritage and historical societies, the Battle Born Patriots participated in a day of demonstrations, lectures, storytelling and displays. It was fitting that this first-of-its-kind effort take place in Nevada's oldest town. Genoa. Against the backdrop of the Sierra Nevada the participating organizations put their best feet forward to tell the real story of America's founding. In addition to the Battle Born Patriots, participating organizations included: Daughters of The American Revolution, Nevada Mayflower Society. The Jamestowne Society. Colonial Dames XVII Century, TMCC Genealogical Library, Sons of Union Veterans of The Civil War, Daughters of Union Veterans of The Civil War, Carson Valley Historical Society, The Holland Society of New York, Children of The American Revolution, Nevada State Genealogical Society and Flagon & Trencher.

--ROTC/JROTC Cadet Awards Ceremonies. Under the leadership of Roger Linscott, the Battle Born Patriots Chapter awarded Bronze ROTC/JROTC Medal. The medal endeavors to foster the principle of "citizen-soldier" exemplified by the Minutemen and recipients should be selected by the commanding officer of the ROTC unit based on their leadership qualities, military bearing and general excellence. The Battle Born Patriots Chapter presented the Bronze Medal to a qualifying ROTC Cadet attending the University of Nevada, Reno, twelve Washoe County School District High Schools, Carson High School, Churchill County High School and Storey County High School.

--Independence Day Liberty Bell Ringing.
Every July 4<sup>th</sup> the members of the BBP chapter\*
gather at the Nevada State Museum in Carson
City to ring the replica of the Liberty Bell. This
event is held in conjunction with similar
ceremonies in every state capital. The original
program has expanded to include a reenactment of the reading of the entire
Declaration of Independence to the assembled
regiments of the Continental Army as ordered
by Gen. George Washington on July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1776.
This is followed by an invitation for all to ring
the Liberty Bell.



--Victory At Yorktown—October 16<sup>th</sup>. We did not let the pandemic to slow down our determination to launch an important pillar of our Educational Outreach Initiative. The Educational Outreach Initiative is composed of two separate but complimentary components—For adults, there is . Of that adult component, a principal pillar is the Author Lecture Series meant to highlight recent authors whose works have illuminated our understanding of the Revolution and this nation's founding. This year we were honored to host New York Times award winning author Bob Drury. In his presentation of his latest book Blood And Treasure: Daniel Boone and The Fight For America's First Frontier. Drury vividly connected the bloody and often barbarous Revolutionary War in the west and how it contributed to our ultimate victory.

--Wreaths Across America. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of December an event to honor fallen veterans takes place across the nation. In Northern Nevada, the largest observance of this tradition takes place at the National Veterans Cemetery in Fernley. A number of us appear in full Revolutionary War era Continental Army uniforms and occasionally, Civil War uniforms and have participated in the presentation of the colors of the branches of the armed services. The Chapter also sponsors 15 wreaths and Chapter members another 8.



Boys Night Out. Every odd numbered month the lads get together for an evening that has grown from a justfor-fun evening into a much anticipated get together. The idea is based on the historical tradition that many of the ideas and events that lead to our independence were conceived and planned in taverns. The thought is, if it worked for our ancestors why not for us. BNO is intentionally convened with no agenda, but somehow plans are laid and decisions are made. In 2021, despite Covid-19, average attendance was just under 18 members. On the non-agenda is new member recruitment. Our Vice President. Membership, Rob Stoecklin and our Registrar, Richard Dalton have done an excellent jobs of following up with guests who are considering applying or whose applications are in the works.



# Signers Chapter 2022 Annual Report

Presented by Chapter President Tim Hagan for the Nevada Society 2022 Annual Meeting.

#### **Chapter Meetings**

At the beginning of 2021, monthly meetings were held via Zoom. Dr. Jim Martin, Emeritus Professor of History at the University of Houston, spoke on George Washington at the March meeting.

In-person breakfast bimonthly meetings resumed in June 2021. The meeting locations have moved around due to facilities changing their meeting room policies and having staffing shortages.

The breakfast meetings were supplemented with Compatriots' Musters at a local tavern on the months without meetings or other events.

#### **Scholarships**

The John Harney, Jr., Educational Scholarship Fund awarded scholarships of \$500 each to Bethany Blakely. Nathaniel Ohlinger, and Petra Ohlonger.

At the end of the year, the fund had \$13,381.48 in the endowment savings account plus \$4,819.63 in the checking account.

#### **ROTC/JROTC Awards Presentations**

ROTC Awards Chair David Bently has 29 ROTC/JROTC programs that the chapter provides awards to.

#### Flag Certificates

Awards Chair Patrick Wright and Chapter President Tim Hagan presented certificates of commendation to St. Viator Parish School and JT4. Inc. in recognition of exemplary patriotism in the display of the flag of the United States of America. The school and the company were appreciative of receiving the flag certificates.

#### Flag Day Ceremony

Chapter President Tim Hagan brought greetings from the SAR to the Francisco Garces Chapter, DAR, Flag Day Ceremony held at Lorenzi Park in Las Vegas.

#### Fireworks Booth Fundraiser

The Signers Chapter ran a fireworks booth the week leading up to Independence Day. A small Field Howitzer was on display at the booth. The booth raised \$6008. Part of the funds is earmarked to go into the John Harney, Jr., Educational Scholarship Fund for 2022 scholarships.

### George Washington Birthday Dinner

The 2021 George Washington Birthday Dinner was canceled due to the pandemic.

#### **Constitution Day Dinner**

The Signers Chapter and the Silver State-Chapter of the DAR conducted a formal dinner on September 18 at the Las Vegas National Golf Club. The speaker was Lt. Col. Mike Richmond, Ret., Department Chair of the Rancho High School AFJROTC. The Silver State Chapter spearheaded a silent auction, with the proceeds going to the John Harney, Jr., Educational Scholarship Fund.

#### Wreaths Across America

The Signers Chapter sold a record 111 wreaths during the Wreaths Across America at the Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Boulder City. The chapter receives \$5 per wreath, which got paid in 2022.

### Christmas Holiday Party

A friend and supporter of the chapter hosted a holiday party in Henderson for the Signers Chapter on December 18. The potluck dinner brought in great food, drinks, and comradeship. Carolers from Green Valley High School provided the evening's entertainment.

#### **Finances**

The Signers Chapter stared 2021 with \$10,032.83 in the checking account. Revenues were \$12,531.00. Main revenues were \$1212 from dues, \$6008 from the fireworks booth, and \$260 from the 2020 Wreaths Across America. Expenditures were \$8,457.53. The checking account had \$14,106.30 at the end of 2021.

The John Harney, Jr., Educational Scholarship Fund had a total of \$18,174.34 at the beginning of 2021 and \$18,201.11 at the end of the year. The fund paid out \$1500 in scholarships, and received \$1526.77 in funding and interest.