



150th Board of Managers Meeting California Sons of the American Revolution

Orange County Hilton,
Costa Mesa, California
October 24-25, 2025

Agenda

9:00 AM Friday

Call to Order

President John R Ferris

Invocation

Chaplain Rev. Scott Elliott

Advance and Presentation of the Colors

Color Guard Cdr. Brandon Villardi

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Executive VP Randy Dhindsa

Posting of the Colors

California SAR Color Guard

SAR Pledge

Secretary Chris Cerrillo

Greetings and Introduction of Invited Guests

President John R Ferris

Remarks by SAR National Officers

President John R Ferris

- Michael J. Elston, Esq., President General
- James W. Klingler, VPG Western District
- John Dodd, Esq., President General (2023-2024)
- Joe Dooley, President General (2013-2014)
- William A. Greenly, Secretary General
- Keith A. Weissinger, Registrar General
- James Osbourn, Librarian General

- Stephen Renouf, Spain Trustee
- Dan McKelvie, California, Trustee

Remarks by Other National SAR Guests

President John R Ferris

- James W. Klingler, President, SAR Foundation
- Dan McKelvie, Chairman Education Center & Museum Construction
- Derek Brown, Vice Chair (West), GWEF

Introduction of California Society Past Presidents

President John R Ferris

- Robert D. Ebert (2006-07)
- Stephen R. Renouf (2008-09)
- Lou Carlson (2009-2010)
- John L. Dodd, Esq. (2011-12)
- Jim L. W. Faulkinbury (2014-15)
- Dr. M. Kent Gregory (2015-16)
- Ron Barker (2016-2017)
- Derek J. Brown (2018-2019)
- Robert L. Taylor (2019-2020)
- Donald B. Littlefield (2020-2021)
- Brian Stephens (2021-2022)
- James W. Klingler (2022-2024)
- Donald B. Littlefield (2024-2025)

Break

Roll Call/Quorum

Executive VP Randy Dhindsa

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Historian Steve Belden

Elected California Society Officer Reports

President

John R Ferris

Executive Vice President

Randy Dhindsa

Vice President South

Brandon Villardi

Vice President North

Dan Shurtz

Vice President Membership

Scott Whitman

Secretary

Chris Cerillo

Treasurer	Kevin Bidenkap
Chancellor	Michael Hirman
Genealogist	David Morrow
Registrar	Terry Briggs
Historian	Steve Belden
Chaplain	Rev. Scott Elliott
Surgeon	Dr. Matthew Bowdish
Investment Fund Trustees	Stephen Renouf – Chairman (2023-2026) Kevin Bidenkap (2025-2028) John Dodd, Esq. (2024-2027)

California Society, SAR Chapter Reports

Central Coast – Nathaniel Maas	Coachella Valley – Chris Cerillo
Delta – Andrew McClure	Eagle – Benny White
Gen. George Patton Jr. – Stephen Andrews	Gold Country – David Gilliard
Harbor – James Bunker	Kern – Chris Scott
Monterey Bay – Jack Franke	Orange County – Lawrence Stratton
Redlands – Shawn Price	Redwood Empire – Bill Van Valkenburg
Riverside – Michael Mann	Sacramento – Nic Gauthier
San Diego – Jim McAdory	San Francisco – John Dedo
Santa Barbara – Jeff Weinbender	Silicon Valley – Terry Briggs
Sons of Liberty – Mark Cross	South Coast – Barry Michaels
Thomas Jefferson – Dan Shurtz	Yosemite – Scott Nichols

NSSAR Candidate Forum “Part One”

President John R Ferris

- Michael J. Elston, Esq., President General
- William A . Greenly, Secretary General

Youth Program Reports

Youth Activities	Daniel McKelvie
Poster Contest	David Gilliard
Brochure Contest	Dan Shurtz
Eagle Scout	Bill Nay
Knight Essay	Patrick Cecil
Orations Contest	Mark Torres
Patriot Chest Program	Mark Torres
NSCC/ NLCC	Kevin Forrest
ROTC/ JROTC	Kevin Forrest
Spirit of America – High School Program	Craig Anderson
Spirit of America – Middle School Program	Robert Taylor
Valley Forge Teacher Program	Larry Brasher
Tom and Betty Lawrence Teacher Program	David Gilliard

Committee Reports

America 250	John Ferris
Americanism Program	Duncan Campbell
Audit Committee	Randy Dhindsa
Budget and Planning	Randy Dhindsa
By-Laws Committee	Michael Hirman, Chris Cerillo, Stephen Renouf

California Compatriot	Randy Dhindsa
C.A.R. Liaison	Randy Dhindsa and Brandon Villardi
Chapter Activities	Brandon Villardi
Chief of Protocol	Brandon Villardi
Color Guard	Brandon Villardi
Color Guard Adjutant North	Scott Nichols
Color Guard Adjutant South	Kevin Forrest
Compliance Committee	Michael Hirman
D.A.R. Liaison	Brian Stephens
Ethics	Rev. Scott Elliott
Flag Committee Chairman	Brandon Villardi & Dan Shurtz
Handbook Committee	Derek Brown
Information Technology	Greg Hill
Medals and Awards	Greg Owens
Media and Public Relations	David Gilliard
Membership Committee	Scott Whitman
Nominations Committee	James W. Klingler
Operation Ancestor Search	Open
Public Service and Heroism Committee	Brian Stephens
Patriot Research Project	David Arthurs
Spanish Patriot Research Project	Open
Veterans Programs	Philip Mitchell
Wreaths Across America	Philip Mitchell

Recess the 150th Board of Managers Meeting until Saturday Morning 9 a.m.

Saturday, October 25, 2025
9:00 AM

Agenda, Day 2

Call to Order	President John R Ferris
Invocation	Chaplain, Rev. Scott Elliott
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag	VP South Brandon Villardi
SAR Pledge	Treasurer, Kevin Bidekap
Roll Call/Quorum	VP Membership Scott Whitman
Remaining Officer, Chapter, and Committee reports	President John R Ferris

Old Business

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New Business

2025 Budget Adoption	Budget Committee Chair, Randy Dhindsa
Nominating Committee Report – 2026-2027 Officer Slate	Chairman, Jim W. Klingler
CA SAR Annual and BOM Meetings Format	President John R Ferris
Ethics Committee	Rev. Scott Elliott, Michael Hirman, Stephen Renouf
Membership – Recruit/Retain/Recover	NSSAR Membership Chairman Derek Brown

NSSAR Candidate Forum “Part Two”

President John R Ferris

- Keith Weissenger
- James Osbourn
- Derek Brown

- Scott Collins
- Tracy Pounders

NSSAR Candidate Endorsements	President John R Ferris
New Business from the Floor	President John R Ferris
2026 Spring Leadership (March 5-7, 2026)	President John R Ferris
151st CA SAR Annual Meeting Spring	Yosemite President Scott Nichols
136th SAR Congress	President General John Dodd (2023-24)
Motion to adjourn 150th Board of Mangers Meeting	President John R Ferris
Recessional	President Donald B. Littlefield 2024- 2025
Benediction	Chaplain Rev. Scott Elliot Retire the
Colors	Color Guard Cdr. Brandon Villardi

Western District Meeting

Call to Order	VPG Western District Jim Klingler
Business Agenda	VPG Western District Jim Klingler
Old Business	VPG Western District Jim Klingler
New Business from the Floor	VPG Western District Jim Klingler
Motion to adjourn Western District Meeting	VPG Western District Jim Klingler
Benediction	
Recessional	

Extra-Curricular Activity

Cheddar Up	Brandon Villardi/James Bunker
Round Table Discussion	