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President's Corner

January Meeting: Chapter Volunteer Recognition

On January 18, 2019, we will recognize those members whose volunteer efforts have helped the Sacramento Chapter fulfill our goals during 2018. I cannot thank each of these individuals enough for the time, effort, inspiration, and sacrifice they have given to the Sacramento Chapter throughout 2018 to make us shine!



Sometime things have to break... to move forward

The Sons of the American Revolution is not only a male lineage society, it is also a service organization. We have reaped the rewards of having a core group of dedicated members who are active. We have been working since August to fill open positions within the Sacramento Chapter leadership ranks. While we have succeeded in temporarily filling a couple of positions, we have failed in our efforts to recruit members to lead the Sacramento Chapter as Officers, Program Chairmen, or Committee Members.

To deliver our many programs across the greater Sacramento metropolitan area, we need motivated, active, and involved members. We have a few, but we need more of you, especially our newer members to help make the Sacramento Chapter yours.

Our Chapter needs you!

Cattlemens Meal Selections:

Ribeye Steak \$30.
Sirloin Steak \$25.
Grilled Salmon \$25.
Teriyaki Chicken \$25.
Pesto Spinach/Cheese Ravioli \$25. (Vegan)

Next meeting

Friday, January 18, 2019, 7:00 PM

Cattlemens Restaurant

12409 Folsom Blvd., Rancho Cordova

Make a reservation and meal choice when a member of the telephone committee calls. Or, contact Chair Phil Noble at email phil7476@aol.com or (916) 402-3041 by noon on Thursday before the Meeting.

Payment accepted at the door. We accept cash or personal checks. We do not accept credit cards,

Wives, guests and visiting compatriots are always welcome.

Come and socialize at 6:00 PM. The meeting will start promptly at 7:00 PM.

We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization, EIN # 68-0004288

Photos courtesy of Don Spradling

Heartfelt 'Thank you' for your support!

We could not accomplish our Mission and Goals without the dedicated support of our members and friends.

Grants:

Robert S. and Star Pepper Foundation
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A testimonial we received from Cameron's mother...

Thank you for being a part of Cameron Hoover's education! He was the 2013-14 National Essay Contest winner! He graduates from USAFA this May. ☺

Keep up the great work you do for all the youth!





Let's be clear...

Your Sacramento Chapter is facing critical leadership gaps going into 2019.

The list below outlines our current status of officers and Program Chairmen for 2019.

Many of these positions do not require huge amounts of time, but are critical to our mission if we are to continue with our existing programs.

We need motivated members to simply answer the call with:

"Yes, I can help! What do you need me to do?"

Anyone having questions regarding any of these positions may contact any current officer or contact Craig Anderson directly at craigandersonsar@gmail.com or by telephone at (916)257-7892.

President – Vacant (Craig Anderson will become acting-President and can mentor you.)

Executive VP – Vacant (We can mentor you)

Secretary – Vacant (We will chunk this position into 2 or 3 positions, and we can mentor you)

Treasurer – Don Littlefield

Registrar – Scott Brooks (Jim Faulkinbury is the mentor)

Program Chairman – Vacant (We can mentor you)

Color Guard Commander – David Beach will become Color Guard Commander

Courier Newsletter Editor – Vacant (Don Littlefield can mentor)

Calling Committee Chairman – Phil Noble

Meeting Cashier – Phil Noble

Web Master – Vacant (Don Littlefield can mentor)

Law Enforcement Program Chairman – Del Hanson and Michael Hull

Veterans Program Chairman – Carl Ahlberg can mentor

JROTC Chairman – Roy Adkins

Poster Contest Chairman – Vacant (Don Littlefield can mentor)

Brochure Contest Chairman – Vacant (Carl Ahlberg can mentor)

School Guard – Carl Ahlberg will be Commander

Eagle Scout Program Chairman – David Reid

Flag Chairman – Mike Hull

Guardian of the Flags – Craig Anderson

Knight Essay Program Chairman – Vacant (Jim Faulkinbury can mentor)

Chapter Photographer – Don Spradling

November Meeting — Salute to Veterans



L-R: Bill Hansen, Jim Miranda, Tom Boyer, Dan Mosley, D'Ann Mosley, Kevin Boyer, Harry Beach, Tim Spoon, Vic Victorino, David Allmuth

A huge "Thank you" to Carl Ahlberg who has singlehandedly planned and executed our Annual Salute to Veterans the past several years.

Congratulations!



Craig Anderson receives the SAR Patriot Medal.

The Patriot Medal is the highest award presented to a Compatriot by a State Society and recognizes long, faithful, outstanding, and distinguished service at the state and/or chapter level. The Patriot Medal is awarded only by a State Society and may be presented only to an individual.

The Patriot Medal has a silver finish and bears the portrait of Compatriot General of the Army Douglas MacArthur on the obverse within the inscription, "The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution." The reverse is inscribed "Awarded to for Patriotic Service by the Society SAR, 2018."

WREATHS across AMERICA— December 15. 2018



L-R: Color Guard Commander Russ Kaiser, David Beach, Jim Faulkinbury



L-R: Russ Kaiser, David Beach, Jim Faulkinbury, Ernie Garcia, Don Littlefield, Phil Noble

New Members

Terrence Wayne Conklin, Biography

Terrence Wayne Conklin was born in San Francisco, California on October 11th, 1965 and he currently lives in Sacramento.

He has a BA in Industrial Design from San Francisco State University and works as the Creative Director at Six1 Design.

His hobbies include traveling, gardening, architecture and art.

His application to join the Sons of the American Revolution was approved on October 12th 2018. His patriot ancestor, Matthew McClaughry, was a soldier in Col. Alex Webster's Regiment of Militia for Charlotte County, New York.



Terrence Conklin, New Member

Michael Donovan Potter, Biography

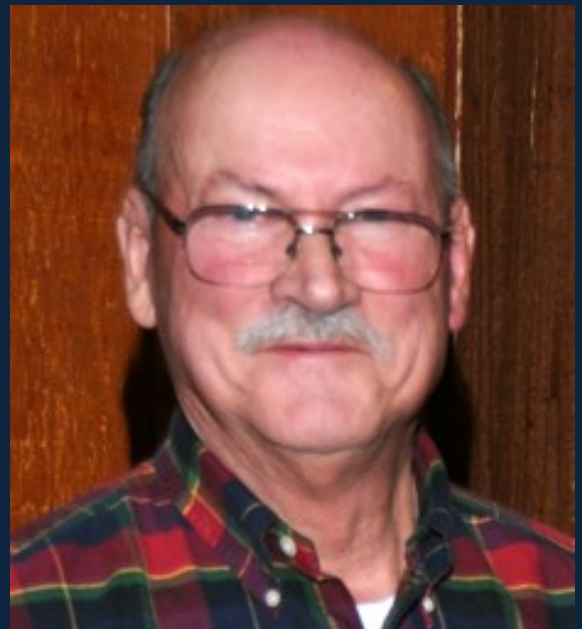
Michael Donovan Potter was born in Bakersfield, California on October 24th, 1942 and he currently lives in Rocklin.

He earned a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from California State University Chico and is now a retired Professional Engineer from General Electric's Nuclear Energy Division.

He served in the US Army Reserve 1964-1970.

His hobbies include model airplanes and gardening.

His application to join the Sons of the American Revolution was approved on March 23rd, 2018. His patriot ancestor, Mark Whitaker, served as an express rider in North Carolina.



Michael Potter, New Member

November Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2018

President Littlefield called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. **Invocation** delivered by Jeff Goodwin. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Derek Brown. **Pledge to the SAR** led by Mike Smith.

Introductions:

Don welcomed the Honored Veterans. California Society President Derek Brown and his lady Janet. Jim Faulkinbury, Genealogist General for our National Society and past California Society President and Sacramento Chapter President. Gene Melvin, Past President Oregon Society, Past President Mexico Society, Past Western District VPG National Society. Past presidents of the Sacramento Chapter: Tom Chilton, Craig Anderson, Russ Kaiser, Jeff Goodwin. DAR guests: D'Ann Moseley, Past Regent Sacramento Chapter, Marilyn Chilton (Sacramento DAR), Karen Faulkinbury (Gold Trail Chapter), Anne Taylor, Regent, (Sierra Amador Chapter). And last, our speaker: Bill Hansen.

Business:

Wreaths across America will be held on Saturday, December 15, 9:00 a.m.
2019 Congress, Hilton Costa Mesa, CA—July 5-10, 2019; Book now!

Sacramento Chapter Business:

Thoughts and prayers were asked for Alan Brooking and Don Clark.

Memorial Service

An End of Watch ceremony was conducted by Russ Kaiser for Michael Melvin and Doug Cross.

Induction of New Members

Terrence Conklin and Michael Potter were sworn in as new members of the Sacramento Chapter, and pinned.

Special Presentation – The Patriot Medal

Derek Brown presented the CASSAR Patriot Medal to Craig Anderson. Congratulations to Craig.

California Ladies Auxiliary

Janet Brown presented a short summary of the role and contributions made by the CALAUX. Don Littlefield entertained a motion for the Sacramento Chapter to give \$250 to the CALAUX which was then revised to \$500, seconded, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Bill Hansen Speaker

Our speaker served in the USMC from 1986 - 1996. After 9-11, Bill joined the California National Guard. He was a combat veteran in Heavy Weapons Infantry, where he suffered fractures in his neck and spine and several concussions when his convoy was hit by an improvised explosive device (IED). Since 2013 he does PTSD counseling through fitness for Wounded Warriors and in January 2014 he started the Warriors Reborn team which allows Wounded Veterans to compete in CrossFit, Power lifting, Strongman and Olympic lifting events.

The Chapter awarded Bill Hansen with a Certificate of Appreciation, Liberty Bell, Limited Edition Challenge Coin, and a check for the Wounded Warrior Project in the amount of \$500.

Carl Ahlberg presented our Salute to Veterans

We invited the Veterans being honored to come forward and take a seat. Carl played a video entitled "Common Soldier" Carl read short bio of each veteran's service, Don presented the Certificate, Russ presented a Challenge Coin.

Recessional: led by Scott Brooks. **Benediction:** Jeff Goodwin. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM. A bag pipe version of "Amazing Grace" closed out the meeting.

Coming Events

Next Meeting:
7:00 PM, Friday, January 18, 2019

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**Sacramento Chapter Volunteer Recognition
Chapter Elections and Officer Induction Ceremony**

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