

The Courier



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PRESIDENTS CORNER



Greetings Compatriots & Friends

I do hope this letter finds you well and in good spirits. Last month we met for the first time at the Old Spaghetti Factory off of Watt Avenue to honor the memory of one of our very own Tom Chilton, aka The God Father. Our goal was to be blessing to Marilyn and the Chilton Family as well as honor Tom's life & contributions to the SAR. I am proud to say we accomplished our mission. As special thank you to our Chaplin, Jeff Goodwin, for giving the eulogy, our Color Guard for posting the colors, Russ Kaiser, for officiating the End of

Watch for Tom, our emcee, Don Littlefield, who did an excellent job of officiating the memorial, and everyone else who attended and shared.

The month of February we will meet again at the Old Spaghetti Factory on the corner of Watt Avenue and Arden Way. This is the month we will honor our volunteers and elect new officers. If you have an interest in getting involved now is the time. And if you do have an interest in serving let us know we have a spot for you! I look forward to seeing you soon!

Michael L. Hull - President

MEETING MINUTES



Sacramento Chapter SAR Meeting Notes

Tom Chilton Memorial Meeting Wednesday January 19, 2022 Old Spaghetti Factory Wednesday, January 19, 2022

7:00 PM – Mike Hull, President called the meeting to order. President Hull Introduced the Emcee – Don Littlefield. Invocation – **Jeff Goodwin**, Past President Sacramento Chapter.

Presentation of the Colors – **Sacramento Chapter Color Guard Commander David Beach**Pledge of Allegiance – Steven Chilton, Grandson of Tom Chilton, Jr.
Posting of the Colors – Sacramento Chapter Color Guard Commander David Beach
SAR Recital – Tom Chilton, Son of Tom Chilton Jr.

Don Littlefield –Don presented to Marilyn Chilton on behalf of the Sacramento Chapter a dozen Red Roses.

Don Littlefield introduced VIPs, Special Guests.

Brian and Diane Stephens, Brian is currently President of the California Society and Diane is President of the Ladies Auxiliary CSSAR.

Derek and Janet Brown, Derek is from the Thomas Jefferson Chapter and is currently serving the National Society as Inspector General, Derek is past President of the California Society in 2018-2019 and past President of the Thomas Jefferson Chapter. His wife Janet is recent Past President of the Ladies Auxiliary CSSAR.

Jim and Karen Faulkinbury, Jim just finished his service as Genealogist General for the National Society. Jim was the California Society President 2014-2015 and Sacramento Chapter President in 2004 and 2005. In 2019 Jim received the SAR Minuteman Award, the highest recognition an SAR member can receive from the National Society. I think he is only the 2nd Sacramento member to receive this award. Craig and Sandy Anderson, Craig is Executive Vice President of the California Society and President Elect for the 2022-2023 term. Craig served as Sacramento Chapter President in 2015 and 2016. Craig is the "Jack-of-all-trades" holding the Sacramento Chapter together.

Dr. Matthew Bowdish graciously serves as Surgeon for the California Society since 2018. Matt's family lines have him in just about every lineage society in America. Dr. Matt Bowdish is a board certified allergist & clinical immunologist with the Allergy Center at Sacramento Ear, Nose & Throat.

Russ and Donna Kaiser, Russ was a Sacramento Chapter Color Guard Commander for nearly a decade after joining the SAR in 2010, served as Sacramento Chapter President 2013,2014, and is currently serving as California Society Color Guard Adjutant North since 2018. He is a dual member with the Mother Lode Chapter. Russ is Division Commander, Auxiliary Unit Coordinator (AUC) Air Station Sacramento, Division 113-03, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Tom Douglas and Tom Adams and Ann Adams, join us from the Mother Lode Chapter. Tom Douglas, along with Tom Chilton, Wayne Griswold SR., and Jim Young, were founding members of the Mother Lode Chapter in 2008 and Tom Douglas served as its first President in 2008.

Mark and Teresa Stevenson, Mark served as President of the Sacramento Chapter in 2003. Mark joined the SAR in 1996.

Jeff and Ursula Sylvan, Jeff is a founding Member of the Delta Chapter and Past Delta Chapter President. He has been a dual member of the Sacramento Chapter until this year when he made the Sacramento Chapter his home.

Don and Mary Ann Littlefield, Don is the immediate Past President of the California Society, 2020-2021, also known as the COVID or ZOOM President. He is currently Chairman of the Compliance Committee for the CASSAR. Don joined he SAR in 2007with the sponsorship of Tom Chilton and rose through the ranks to serve as Chapter President in 2010, 2011, 2017, and 2018. He is currently Treasurer of the Sacramento Chapter and Chairman of the Americanism Poster Contest. Mary Ann is currently serving as Historian for the LACASSAR.

Memorial Service Rite – Jeff Goodwin, Past President Sacramento Chapter (2009). Jeff said that Tom was the Bee-Keeper of the Chapter. He kept the Organization together.

Homily – Chaplain Jeff Goodwin

Comments – Marilyn Chilton

End of Watch Ceremony – Russ Kaiser (8 Bells)

7:30 PM – Break for Dinner

8:00 PM – Speakers

Dee Highbaugh – Wife of Past President Chuck Highbaugh - 1990s

Mark Stevenson – Past President Sacramento Chapter 2003

Jim Faulkinbury – Past President Sacramento Chapter 2005

Derek Brown – Inspector General NSSAR; CASSAR 2018-2019

Brian Stephens – President California Society SAR 2021-2022

Tom Douglas – Founder/Past President Mother Lode Chapter 2008

Craig Anderson – Exec Vice President CASSAR 2021-2022

Open Mic remembrances (All were invited to share a memory)

Several members gave memories of Tom.

9:15PM President Hull Called the Memorial SAR Meeting to an end.

SAR Recessional – Ron Barker, President California Society 2016-2017 Benediction – Jeff Goodwin, Past President Sacramento Chapter 2009 Singing of *God Bless America* – Scott Brooks, Sacramento Chapter

From the Editor

As the meeting notes above recite, the January meeting was a SAR Sacramento Chapter Memorial Meeting for Tom Chilton. One of the handouts provided this information about the Celebration of Life to be held May 13, 2022, 1:00-3:00 PM at the Folsom Community Center, 52 Natoma St., Folsom, CA 95630

FEBRUARY 2022 CHAPTER MEETING INFORMATION



SACRAMENTO CHAPTER SAR FEBRUARY MEETING

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 16, 2022 OLD SPAGHETTI FACTORY, 1625 WATT AVE.

6:00 - 7:00 CHECK-IN AND SOCIAL HOUR MEETING BEGINS PROMPTLY AT 7:00PM

Our February, 2022 Sacramento Chapter meeting will be held at 6:00 PM on **Wednesday February 16th** at the Old Spaghetti Factory, 1625 Watt Ave., Sacramento. (Near Arden) The Old Spaghetti Factory is offering us a great meeting facility, convenient parking, and competitive pricing.

Dinners include crisp salad, hot fresh baked bread, entrée, and spumoni ice cream for dessert. Entree choices are: Baked Lasagna, Fettuccine Alfredo, or Sicilian Meatballs. Please contact Craig Anderson for reservations: Phone (916)257-7892 or email craigandersonsar@gmail.com.

Meal prices remain at \$30 per person, cash or check payable at the door. For those who wish to reserve and pay by credit card, **Click on the Button below to make**

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THANK YOU COMPATRIOTS

In February, Donald Littlefield celebrates 15 years and Josef Moorehead celebrates 10 years as Chapter members of the Sacramento Chapter of SAR. Thank you compatriots, for your support of the SAR.

Color Guard Calendar



Color Guard Commander David Beach

UPCOMING COLOR GUARD EVENTS

The latest issue of the SAR Colorguardsmen Magazine can be found here: https://www.sar.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/32-colorguardsman_v9-i4.pdf

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COMING SAR EVENTS

Chapter

Chapter Meeting Wednesday, February 16, 2022 Old Spaghetti Factory

State Society

147th Annual CASSAR Meeting April 22nd and 23rd Sacramento

National Society

NSSAR Spring Leadership Meeting March 3rd-5th

NSSAR Annual Congress
July 10th-15th

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