

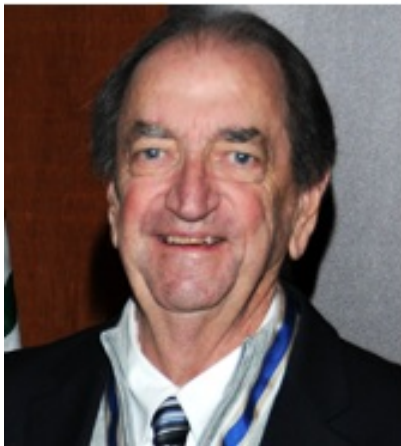


The Courier



Sacramento Chapter Sons of the American Revolution July 2020

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Compatriots and Friends

Well just as we thought it was safe to go out and socialize, apparently covid19 had other ideas. So once again we are keeping our distance and wearing masks where appropriate to keep everyone safe. Maybe we can once again enjoy social contact in the future, we sure hope so.

A small group of our compatriots will gather in Folsom on the 4th to commemorate our Independence. If you would like to join or just watch, the group is meeting at the parking garage and will present the colors at the

Farmer's Market adjacent to the garage. This is an area near Riley and Sutter streets. It's an informal gathering as most events have been canceled due to the virus. Please wear a mask if you attend. **We will meet in the parking garage at 9:30AM.**

Our succession-planning group of past presidents is still looking for a few compatriots to fill volunteer positions within our chapter. Please consider helping and volunteering a few hours a month, it sure helps when more of our members are involved. New ideas float in and we can build on our previous success.

Finally, for those of you "dialing in" for our Zoom meetings, thank you for your participation. For those compatriots who haven't tried our new meeting system, give it a shot. Its worth it and we think you'll enjoy the fellowship and social interaction with your chapter members. Until then, I'll see you on the cellphone!

Del Hanson

JUNE 2020 MEETING MINUTES

President Del Hanson called the Zoom meeting to order:



Invocation: George Taylor
Pledge of Allegiance: Del Hanson
Pledge to the SAR: Michael Hull

President Hanson recognized CASSAR Officers along with Chapter Past Presidents: Don Littlefield, Craig Anderson, Jim Faulkinbury, Tom Chilton, Russ Kaiser.

Del introduced guest Marilyn Chilton of the DAR.

Chapter President Del Hanson suggested that we do something positive during these unsettling times and have an informal patriotic gathering in Old Folsom on the 4th of July. We will meet at 10am at the parking garage on Riley and Sutter Street. If anyone wants to bring some canned goods we will deliver them to churches that will distribute them to the needy. Craig Anderson presented to Ron Hollis the "Military Service Veterans Corps" award for his service in the Military.

New Business: 2021 Chapter dues will increase in from the current \$10 to \$20 in October. A discussion was had on Guest Speakers and if any members would like to give a presentation based on their Ancestors service. If any members are interested send Del or Craig an email. A discussion was had on Re-opening the Chapter. It was agreed that a survey would be created and sent out to the membership. Ideas are meeting for breakfast, lunch, dinner, sporting events, etc... New member Larry Brasher, volunteered to create the survey with input from the executive board.

Chapter Committee Reports: David Cofer gave a report on Chapter Registrar Membership.

Currently we have 188 members 20 new applications. We currently have six applications in headquarters: two of these have been approved: Larry Brasher, and William Henderson.

Public Safety Awards – Presentations are were given on June 9, 2020

West Sacramento PD – Don Littlefield, Russ Kaiser

Woodland PD – Craig Anderson, Michael Hull

Yolo County Sheriff's Dept. - Craig Anderson, Michael Hull

Don Littlefield gave us an update on **Succession Nomination Planning Committee.**

George Taylor has agreed to take over as Chaplin. Compatriot Pete Hefler, Jim Faulkinbury's Son-in-Law, has agreed to take over as Web Master. Ernie Garcia has agreed to take over the Medals and Awards. The position of Chapter President 2021-2022 is open. The chapter has several open program chairmanship positions: our main need is for a chairman of the Americanism Poster contest.

Guest Speaker: Bill George, Sacramento Historical Society. Bill gave a great presentation on the current state of affairs in regards to the removal of the John Sutter Statue at Sutter Hospital owtown. Sutter Hospital decided to have the Statue removed ahead of the expected 250 protesters who were planning on removing the statue. Most of these young protesters were not aware of John Sutter's background. Bill noted that we have our work cut out. We need to meet with our City, County and State legislature and educate them about the history of our Founding Fathers of California. Bill also noted that the protesters also damaged the Police Statue. We need to get ahead of this and save these historical artifacts/statues.

Bill will keep us in the loop with updates. If anyone is interested in joining the historical society, here is the link: <https://www.sachistoricalsociety.org/>

Respectfully Submitted,
Mark Mozdy, Secretary

JUNE 2020 REGISTRAR'S REPORT

The Sacramento Chapter currently has six applications submitted to National:

Applications Under National Review

1. Allec, Kevin - Supplemental - Current Status: Received - 16 Mar 20
2. Brasher, Larry - New - Current Status: **Approved** - 10 Jun 20
3. Cofer, David - Supplemental - Current Status: Approved - 4 Jun 20
4. Uchida, Justin - New - Current Status: **Received** - 3 Jun 20
5. Uchida, Nathan - New - Current Status: **Received** - 3 Jun 20
6. Henderson, William David - New - Current Status: **Approved** - 10 Jun 20

SAR Public Service Awards

Each year, the Sacramento Chapter presents Public Service Awards to members of our Law Enforcement, Fire Safety, and Emergency Medical community recommended by their departments for this recognition. These awards are coordinated by Compatriots Michael Hull and Del Hanson, Co-Chairment of our recognition committee.



Life Saving Medal



Heroism Medal



Law Enforcement Medal

Woodland, CA. Police Department
Officer Nolan McManus SAR Life Saving Medal



On July 3, 2019 Officer McManus responded to Crawford Park for a report of a male subject walking towards the park with a rope or “shoelace” around his neck. Officer McManus responded and found a 22 year old Woodland resident attempting to hang himself. Officer McManus, called for code-3 medical aid, an additional unit for assistance, and safely cut the wire from the troubled citizen’s throat. Officer McManus detained the young man, had medical personnel tend to his injuries, and took him to Woodland Memorial Hospital for a psychological evaluation. Officer McManus single-handedly saved the life of citizen of Woodland. Nolan’s level of professionalism and preparedness allowed him to evaluate the situation, call for appropriate resources, and take immediate life saving measures.

Yolo County, CA. Sheriff’s Department
Detective Dirk Keonard SAR Law Enforcement Medal



In March of 2019, Detective Leonard began an investigation into a cold case homicide that stemmed from a 2007 investigation where a fisherman located an ice chest in a canal that contained the remains of an infant. The baby was not identified at the time and was listed as “Baby Doe. In 2019, through DNA analysis, the father of Baby Doe was identified. After taking on the investigation, Detective Leonard dedicated himself to this investigation which included a lot of travelling from northern California to Southern California where family members of Baby Doe were now living. It was determined that the father murdered all five of the deceased/missing children. The father was arrested for these murders in Late January of 2020. Throughout this investigation, Detective Leonard remained dedicated to finding out the truth regarding the unthinkable brutality that was inflicted on the most innocent of human beings imaginable.

**West Sacramento, CA. Police Department
Officer Chis Cobb and K9 Officer Scott Farnsworth
SAR Heroism Medal**



On May 12, 2019, Officer Chris Cobb and K9 Officer Scott Farnsworth responded to a call involving an at-risk 6-year-old male juvenile who had walked away from his residence. After several minutes of searching, police dispatch was advised that an adult female was swimming towards the middle of the Reservoir Basin waterway where the male juvenile was floating.

Officers Chris Cobb and K-9 Officer Scott Farnsworth responded to the Reservoir Basin and observed the male juvenile struggling to stay afloat. Without hesitation both Officers quickly removed their firearms and at great risk to their lives, jumped into the basin still wearing their 20lbs of safety gear, and reached both victims, assisting them in staying afloat. With the added assistance of the West Sacramento Fire Department both the victim and his mother were safely removed from the waterway.

West Sacramento, CA. Police Department
Detective Louis Cameron SAR Law Enforcement Medal



West Sacramento Detective Louis Cameron was awarded the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal based on multiple examples of the courage and dedication displayed by him in the performance of his duties. Detective Cameron is regarded as one of the hardest working employees in the Department. His tenured experience and expertise make him a tremendous asset to the investigation's unit, the West Sacramento Police Department, and the community he serves.

We Need Your Help

The SAR is creating a "Patriot Research System (SAR PRS) - a free online searchable database (SARpatriots.sar.org) that displays information about SAR approved Revolutionary War patriot ancestors and the direct ancestral lineages of post 1984 approved SAR members to their Revolutionary War patriot ancestors (for protection of privacy, information about the SAR members, their parents and grandparents is not displayed by the system).

Currently, the CASSAR SAR Patriot Research System (SAR PRS) volunteers have published 2,836 (36.4% of the 7,788) post 1984 CASSAR record copies in the SAR PRS. This is the result of about 30 CASSAR SAR PRS volunteers performing work since the Spring of 2018.

A number of CASSAR Chapters are 100% or near 100% entered in the SAR PRS of their post 1984 record copies including the following chapters: Silicon Valley, Delta, Monterey Bay, Central Coast, Harbor, South Coast, Coachella Valley, Butte, Redding, General George Washington and Yosemite. Several other current CASSAR Chapters are near or over 50% entered in the SAR PRS including Redwood Empire, Mother Lode and Gold Country. Record copy data entry has been mostly performed for chapters who have SAR PRS volunteers.

The Sacramento Chapter has very little of their information entered, and volunteers among our membership would be greatly appreciated. If you can help us out, please contact the CASSAR Genealogist, Terry Briggs by email tlbaia@comcast.net. Details about the data entry process can be found by clicking the link below.

More About The SAR Patriot Research System

CHAPTER ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE July 20, 2020 6:30PM

CLICK TO ACCESS THE MEETING

July 2020 Sacramento Chapter Meeting

Time: Jul 20, 2020 06:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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2021 Sacramento Chapter Dues

Early in 2019, the Sacramento Chapter Executive Board voted to increase the chapter dues from \$10 to \$20 incrementally over a two year period. The 2020 dues were raised to \$15; we are reminding our members that the 2021 dues will be raised an additional \$5 to \$20.

SACRAMENTO CHAPTER CHALLENGE COINS

Last year, we created a Sacramento Chapter Challenge as a fund raiser to help defray the expenses of hosting the state meeting. Since this meeting has been cancelled, these coins are available for the donation amounts listed below, plus shipping. If interested contact Don Littlefield or Craig Anderson:

1 Coin - \$20; 3 Coins - \$52.50; 5 Coins - \$75.00; 10 Coins - \$125.00; 15 Coins - \$150.00; 25 Coins \$200.00

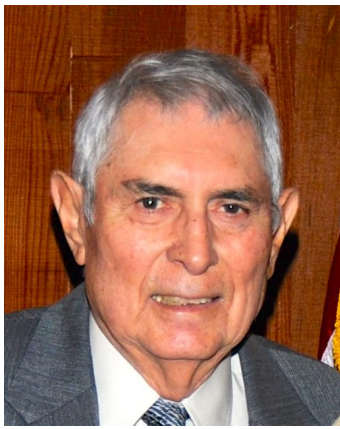
Side 1: Outer ring identifies the National Society Sons of the American Revolution. The inner ring identifies the California Society founded July 4, 1876, the 100th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, and the SAR Minuteman, accompanied by 13 stars representing the original 13 colonies, (7 on the left and 6 on the right).

Side 2: The predominant graphic feature is the dome of the State Capitol, symbolizing Sacramento County as the seat of the state government. The Capitol dome is superimposed upon a parchment scroll which signifies the early historical background of this community for which John Sutter received a Mexican land grant from Governor Alvarado at Monterey in 1841.

Two of the most important historical events in the county's history are denoted by the Pony Express rider on the right and the gold miner on the left. The Pony Express rider symbolizes the fact that Sacramento was the western terminus of the Pony Express. The gold miner signifies the discovery of gold which touched off one of the greatest mass migrations in the nation's history. The date of February, 18, 1850, written on the lower edge of the scroll is the date Sacramento County and the other original counties were created by an act of the state legislature.

The inner ring shows 31 stars symbolizing California as the 31st state admitted to the Union. Outer ring shows the Sacramento Chapter SAR received its Charter on October 30, 1922.





Our July guest speaker is Ernie Garcia. He will speak to us on "*Alta California's Support of the War Against England and the War for American Independence*". Ernie's patriot ancestor, Manual Valenzuela, was a Spanish soldier, stationed at the Royal Presidio in Santa Barbara, California. Ernie is a seventh generation Californian, with his Spanish ancestors being part of the first Spanish land expedition to California in 1769, and who were with the first discoverers of San Francisco Bay on October 31, 1769.

Ernie retired from the US Army as Chief Warrant Officer. Throughout his Army career Ernie was a counterintelligence officer, and served throughout the United States, Europe, Southeast Asia, Far East, Central and South America. Ernie is also retired from Federal civilian service.

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COMING SAR EVENTS

Chapter

Independence Day Flag Ceremony,
Old Town Folsom July 4th 10-11AM

July 20th 6:30PM Chapter
meeting video conference.

! No Meeting in August !

STATE SOCIETY

The Board of Managers Meeting of
the California Society Sons of the
American Revolution will be held
November 13 & 14, 2020, at the
DoubleTree by Hilton Sonoma Wine
Country, Rohnert Park, CA.

[Click for more information](#)

NATIONAL SOCIETY

**The NSSAR 2020 Congress has been
cancelled.**

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