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### Our Speaker for June 20, 2014 is Timothy Sandefur, Esq.

Timothy Sandefur is a principal attorney at the Pacific Legal Foundation, and heads the Foundation's Economic Liberty Project, which protects entrepreneurs against intrusive government regulation. He has won important legal victories for economic freedom in California, Oregon, Missouri, Kentucky, and other states, and represented the plaintiffs in *Merrifield v. Lockyer*, a major economic liberty decision in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

In late 2011, he was named "Appellate Lawyer of The Week" for his work challenging the constitutionality of the Patient Protection And Affordable Care Act. He is the author of three books, *Cornerstone of Liberty: Property Rights in 21st Century America* (2006), *The Right to Earn A Living: Economic Freedom And The Law* (2010), and *The Conscience of The Constitution* (2014), as well as some 50 scholarly articles on subjects ranging from eminent domain and economic liberty to copyright, evolution and creationism, slavery and the Civil War, and legal issues in Shakespeare and ancient Greek drama.

His articles have appeared in *The Harvard Journal of Law & Public Policy*, *The NYU Journal of Law & Liberty*, *National Review*, *The Claremont Review of Books*, *The San Francisco Chronicle*, *The Washington Times*, and other places. He is an adjunct scholar with the Cato Institute and a frequent guest on radio and television programs, including John Stossel, The Armstrong and Getty Show, and the Jim Lehrer News Hour. He is a graduate of Chapman University School of Law and Hillsdale College.



### Cattlemens Meal Selections:

10 oz. Rib Eye Steak	\$24.
Grilled Salmon	\$24.
Teriyaki Chicken	\$24.
Pesto Spinach/Cheese Ravioli	\$24.
(vegetarian)	

**Friday, June 20, 2014, 7:00 PM**

**Cattlemens Restaurant**

**12409 Folsom Blvd., Rancho Cordova**

If the telephone committee has not taken your reservation and menu selection(s) by **Wednesday evening, June 18**, please call Don Littlefield at (916) 985-6544 **directly and leave a message** by noon on Thursday. We strongly encourage reservations be made in advance. All reservations are guaranteed. Don't be a "no show."

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

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Treasurer and Webmaster**Craig Anderson**

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Chaplain

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Roy Adkins

**President's Corner****June President's Message**

I hope you all had a safe and happy Memorial Day. Jim Faulkinbury, Vince Gant, Ernie Garcia, Ford Osborne and I attended the services and Sylvan Cemetery as honor guard once again this year. I believe this made the third year doing so. It should be noted that every year, SARSAC is well received at these functions.

The year is half over and it is already time to look ahead to next year. Especially when it comes to next year's officers. We fell short this year on filling several positions and it is vital that we fill these next year. These positions include: President, Executive VP, Secretary and perhaps a few more. As it is, the people filling them (except for my commitment to a two year term), have more than extended their commitment to SACSAR. These positions are vital to the organization and quite frankly, we cannot move forward without them being filled.

To this end, the Board is calling for a special 2015 planning meeting on August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from 10AM-12PM to be held at Cattleman's Rancho Cordova. It is vital that everyone attend this planning meeting as we cannot continue next year without these positions being filled. We will also discuss the direction we want to take in the coming years and how to increase participation in such things as our school programs and the Color Guard.

You will be contacted again before the meeting to make sure that you will be there. We will not have any regular meetings in July and August so the reminders will come in the way of the phone committee and this newsletter.

Once again, it is imperative that you all attend this meeting. The SARSAC serves a vital purpose to both the youth of today and the future of tomorrow. It is through our youth programs, the presence of our Color Guard, and our monthly meetings that we insure the ideals held so dear by all of us continue. Be assured that, without greater involvement from the membership in these activities and offices, the future of our Chapter is in jeopardy.

Yours in Service

Russ Kaiser

President



Russ Kaiser, President

**SAR 2015 Planning Meeting** on August 9, 2014, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at Cattlemens, Rancho Cordova.

## **Sons of the American Revolution—Sacramento Chapter**

### **Meeting Minutes May 16, 2013**

President Russ Kaiser called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

President Russ Kaiser gave the invocation. Tal Norwood led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance, and Eric Neilson led the Pledge to the SAR.

President Kaiser recognized Past Presidents of the Sacramento Chapter and guests: Jim Faulkinbury, CASSAR President and Sacramento Chapter Past President 2005 and 2006 and his wife Karen; Tom Chilton, Sacramento Chapter Past President in 2000, 2001, 2002, 2004, and 2012, and his wife Marilyn; and Don Littlefield, Sacramento Past President 2010 and 2011, current Executive Vice President, Treasurer, Webmaster, and CASSAR Chairman of the Wreaths Across America Program and his wife Mary Ann. He also recognized Ernie Garcia, Chairman Activities, Craig Anderson, Chapter Secretary, Carl Alhberg, SAR Calling Committee Chairman, and Don Spradling, SAR Photographer.

President Kaiser recognized and welcomed DAR members present: Marilyn Chilton from the Sacramento Chapter, Susan Broderick, Regent of the Gen John Sutter Chapter; Ann Taylor and Ruth Edmunson-Johnson from the Amador-Sierra Chapter, and Susan Brooking, Vice Regent, of the Gold Trail Chapter.

President Kaiser introduced his guest Donna Baca and new member James Strickland who will be inducted during the meeting. James Strickland is a cousin of Compatriot Philip Goold. President Kaiser also introduced guests Stuart and Nancy MacKenzie; Stuart MacKenzie is with the California Veterans Administration.

President Kaiser asked our new member, James Strickland, to come forward. Tom Chilton introduced him and read his biography; President Kaiser administered the SAR oath and presented him with his membership certificate. Tom Chilton pinned the SAR Rosette on him. All members were invited to come forward to offer the customary welcoming handshake.

CASSAR President Faulkinbury pointed out that the key to our Society's success with these programs is its membership; the active participation of volunteers is essential, not only to take on the leadership roles within the chapters - the offices of Presidents, Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, and Registrars, but also to participate in the many committees that interface with our youth and public service programs. He pointed out that it is only through the efforts of our member volunteers that we can continue to provide these valuable contributions to our community, to our youth, and to our nation. The Society needs its members not only to be the dues paying members that provide the financial support to fund these important programs, but just as importantly, to actively help us keep these programs going.

President Kaiser also addressed the meaning of Memorial Day and encouraged the membership to get out and participate in a Memorial Day event.

Alan Brooking and President Kaiser conducted the raffle. President Kaiser thanked those who brought gifts: Don and Mary Ann Littlefield, Tal and Sue Norwood, Susan and Alan Brooking, John and Agnes Vawter, Craig and Sandy Anderson, Ernie and Helen Garcia, Ron and Luann Hollis, Marilyn and Tom Chilton, Jim and Karen Faulkinbury, Eric Neilson, and George and Ann Taylor.

Vice-President Programs, Joe Mohamed, announced the guest speaker for June would be Timothy Sandefur, Principal Attorney for the Pacific Legal Foundation

President Kaiser thanked Susan Brooking for her assistance selling the raffle tickets, Allan Brooking for being the Cashier, Don Spradling for taking pictures and maintaining the flags, Carl Alhberg for chairing the Calling committee, and Neil Elvick for editing the newsletter. A motion to adjourn was made and seconded.

Ernie Garcia led the Recessional and President Kaiser gave the Benediction. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.



Craig Anderson

Respectfully Submitted

Craig Anderson, Chapter Secretary



## Photos from the May 16th Regular Meeting

Photos by Don Spradling



The evening's program was presented by Joe Mohamed (on the left) and Jim Faulkinbury (on the right). Joe covered topics concerned with how our organization is affected by current circumstances in our society and government. Jim gave an overview of the history of the SAR from its origins over a hundred years ago to the present day.



**Don Littlefield and Russ Kaiser displaying check from the Intel Corporation**



**Craig Anderson and his son-in-law, Al Annis**



**Susan and Alan Brooking**



**Stuart and Nancy MacKenzie  
California Veterans Administration**



**Stuart MacKenzie and Russ Kaiser**

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**New member, James Strickland, taking the membership oath**

### James Raymond Strickland

James Raymond Strickland was born in Gilroy, CA, spent his childhood in Gilroy, and graduated from Gilroy Union High School. He served in the United States Air Force from 1961 through 1965.

Jim's application to join the Sons of the American Revolution was approved on March 11, 2014. His patriot ancestor, Stephen Twitchell, was a Private under Capt. Smith, Capt. Mellen, and Col. Hale. He signed the Association Test in Dublin, NH, in 1776.



**Russ Kaiser and James Strickland**



**Russ Kaiser, James Strickland and Tom Chilton**



**Ann and James Strickland**



**From left to right:  
Philip Goold, Mary McKinnon,  
Ann and James Strickland**



## Photos from the May 16th Regular Meeting

Photos by Don Spradling



**Don Littlefield (left)**

**Mary Ann Littlefield  
(Right)**

**The flowers were their  
donation for the raffle.**



**Ernie and Helen Garcia**



**John Vawter**



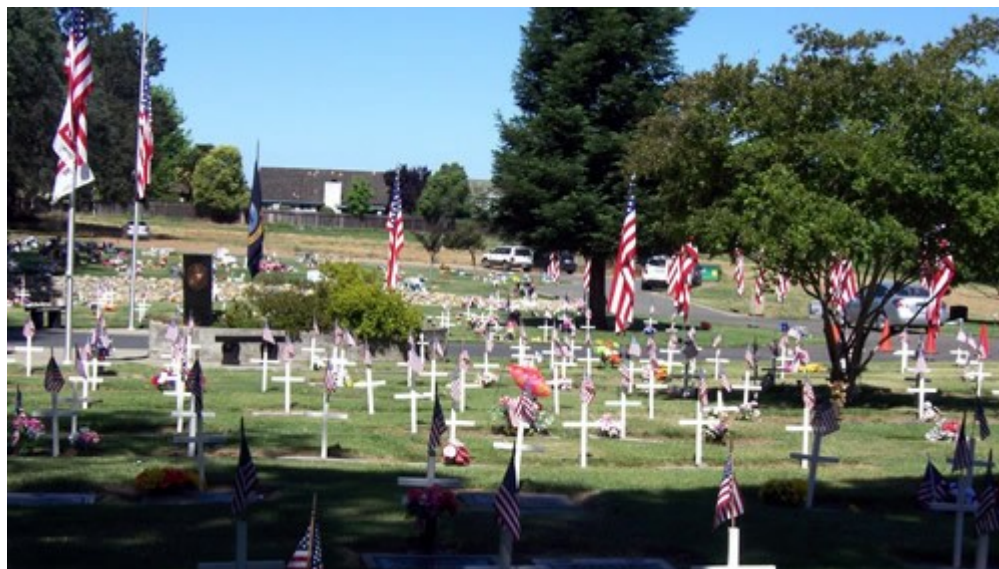
**George Taylor**



**Sue and Tal Norwood**

# Photos from the May 26th Memorial Day Commemoration

Photos by Neil Elvick



**The military section of Sylvan Cemetery in Citrus Heights, California**



**Sacramento Chapter Color Guard  
Ernie Garcia, Vince Gannt, Jim Faulkinbury,  
Ford Osborne, and Russ Kaiser**

The photos on this page were taken during the May 26 Memorial Day Commemoration Service and Parade at the Sylvan Cemetery in Citrus Heights. For the third straight year the Sacramento Chapter's Color Guard marched in the parade and took part in the service where Jim Faulkinbury also gave a short address. The color guard is shown at left and marching in the parade below.





## Cameron Hoover wins NSSAR Enhanced ROTC Contest

In addition to presenting medals to deserving ROTC, JROTC, and U. S. Naval Sea Cadets Corps, our chapter also supports the “Enhanced ROTC Program.” This is a contest in which cadets submit an application describing their academic achievements, extra-circular activities, and JROTC accomplishments, along with a 500-word essay on how ROTC has affected their lives. This year’s Sacramento Chapter winner was Cameron Hoover, a junior at Vanden High School in Fairfield. Not only was he the chapter winner – he won the CASSAR contest, and the NSSAR contest. Cameron and his mother will fly to Greenville, South Carolina, to attend the NSSAR Congress in July, where he will be recognized as the National winner. Congratulations, Cameron!!!



Our chapter presented fifteen (15) Bronze Medals to deserving high school JROTC cadets, two (2) Silver Medals to deserving college ROTC cadets, and one (1) Good Citizenship Medal to a deserving member of the U.S. Naval Sea Cadets Corps. The selection of who is to receive our medals is made by the commanding officer at each high school, college, or Sea Cadet Division. Those presenting medals, and receiving medals were:

<u>High School</u>	<u>SAR Presenter</u>	<u>Recipient:</u>
Kennedy High School	Russ Kaiser	Cadet GySgt Kenyatta Kimaru
Casa Robles High School	Don Littlefield	Deidre McAuliff
Highlands High School	Don Clark	Cadet Lt Col Bryce Sullins
Burbank High School	Tom Chilton	C/CMDR Boonleua Lee
Vanden High School		Cadet Michael Lopez
McClatchy High School	Russ Kaiser	Cadet Senior Master Sergeant Justin Conley
Hiram Johnson High School	Jim Faulkinbury	Khoi Dang
Valley High School	Roy Adkins	Cadet AIC Michael Fang
Del Campo High School	Tal Norwood	Cadet/Captain Austin Miller
Fairfield High School	Don Littlefield	Mittra Xayavongsa
Armijo High School	John Chiles	Cadet Captain Ethan Wilsoncook
Rio Linda High School	Tom Chilton	Cadet Dustin P. Lopez
UC Davis	John Chiles	Cadet PFC Brian Rath
Pacific High School	Craig Anderson	Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Anthony Davis
Sacramento State		Cadet Eric W. Dean
Cordova High School	Don Littlefield	Cadet 1Lt. Jordan McGuire
River City High School		Cadet 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Jeffrey Valazquez.
U.S. Naval Sea Cadets Corps	Tom Chilton	PO 1 Sean Kennedy

Each medal and the accompanying certificate were mailed to the school prior to their awards ceremony. Members of the Sacramento Chapter who represented our Chapter and made the presentations included: Roy Adkins, Craig Anderson, John Chiles, Don Clark, Jim Faulkinbury, Don Littlefield, Russ Kaiser, Tal Norwood, and myself. I want to thank these members for helping with this very important program. Every medal was engraved with the recipient’s name and the date of the ceremony. I feel that this was \$90.00 well spent. I want to thank Robert at **Champion Awards** in Rancho Cordova for helping us to make this possible.

Engrave 18 medals	\$90.00
Postage to mail the medals and certificates	\$66.96
18 Presentation folders	\$18.00
Chapter Enhanced Program Medallion	\$42.50
Total	\$217.46

Note that there are no costs for the medals this year. There was a adequate supply of medals from previous years, and no medals were purchased. This is a very important program, and our chapter funds were well spent.

Tom Chilton, ROTC Chairman





***Mark your calendar now!***

For the 140th Fall Board of Managers meeting  
*of the*

California Society

Sons of the American Revolution

**November 6th – 8th, 2014**

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Hosted by CASSAR and the Redwood Empire Chapter

Registration is \$135 and includes the Friday Luncheon, Saturday Luncheon and Saturday Banquet. Our special room rate is \$139 per night

The Sheraton Sonoma County is located at 745 Baywood Drive, Petaluma, CA 94954 just off US 101 and next to the Petaluma River. Airline service is available via Alaska Airlines from Los Angeles and San Diego to the Charles M. Schulz Airport in Santa Rosa.

**Please Look for Your Registration form On-Line at [www.CaliforniaSAR.org](http://www.CaliforniaSAR.org).**

## Coming Events

June 20, 2014—Regular Meeting  
7:00 PM at the Cattlemens Restaurant  
Speaker Timothy Sandefur, Esq.

August 9, 2014 - SAR 2015 Planning Meeting  
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM  
at Cattlemens, Rancho Cordova

November 6th-8th, 2014 - 140th Fall Board of  
Managers meeting of the CASSAR.  
Sheraton Sonoma County in Petaluma, CA

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