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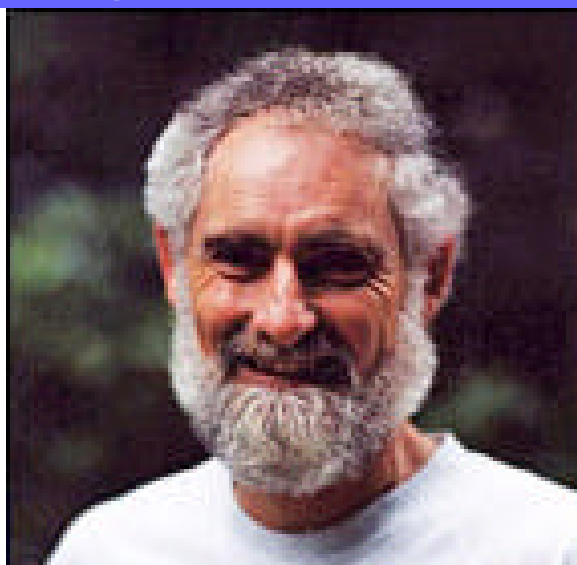
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Program for May 15, 2009

Did you ever wonder what happened to the ground water problem at Aerojet? Our May speaker, **Dr. John Wallace**, has all the answers. Dr. Wallace is a Research Scientist with the California Department of Public Health. He earned his Ph.D. in Chemistry from the University of Cincinnati and an M.B.A. from the University of Utah.

Dr. Wallace was appointed to the Carmichael Water District Board in 1999, elected to the Board in 2000, and has served as President and Vice-President. Since 2000, he has served as the District's representative on the Regional Water Forum Successor Effort.

Dr. Wallace has spent a lifetime working with youth. He has been a Boy Scout leader since 1971, and a youth advisor for his church, Carmichael Presbyterian, since moving to California in 1991. He has been a part of sixteen mission trips to Mexico involving youth in building homes, and has participated in nine 50-mile backpacking trips with Scouts. Because of his dedication to Sacramento area youth, Director Wallace received the Sacramento County Sheriff Department's Heart Of A Hero award in 2005. Dr. Wallace is a member of the Sacramento Presbytery's "Joining Hands" partnership with India. This partnership is working to empower the Dalits, women, and marginalized farmers to fight for their human dignity.



May 15th at
The Buggy Whip Restaurant

2737 Fulton Avenue,
between El Camino and
Marconi, Sacramento, CA.

Menu Selections

- Sirloin Steak \$24.00
- Chicken Mexicali \$24.00
- Vegetarian \$24.00
- Includes beverage, dessert, tax and tip.



If the telephone committee has not taken your menu selection(s) by May 13th, please call Don Littlefield at (916) 985-6544 for reservations. Payments must be guaranteed for each reservation made. Wives, guests and visiting compatriots are always welcome.

Come socialize with us at 6:15 PM. The meeting and dinner start at 7:00 PM.

President's Corner - by Jeff Goodwin

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Program

Vacant

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Hal Lawson

Ernie Garcia

Doug Cross

It is with a great sense of honor that I represented the Sacramento Chapter at the California Society Sons of the American Revolution's April meeting in Costa Mesa, California. It was a great pleasure to witness the swearing in of the CASSAR officers, including Jim Faulkinbury as Secretary, and Tom Chilton as Registrar. I don't know how they are going to do all the work ahead of them.

It was also a great honor to receive, on behalf of the Sacramento Chapter, the winning CASSAR certificates for: (1) most guests at meetings, (2) best website, (3) most new life members, (4) most Congress and leadership meetings, and (5) most new members. Congratulations go to all of you that have participated in SAR functions because, like in school, attendance counts. I am still trying to understand why, with approximately 150 members, I still see the same thirty faces at our monthly meetings. So, as your president, I would respectfully request that **ALL** members attend at least two functions a year.

The first function I would like **EVERYONE** to attend is the Fourth of July parade. If you cannot walk or ride in the parade for health reasons, you can at least attend the picnic at the Elk's Club. If you have access to a convertible car, please volunteer to give a ride to those that cannot walk the whole route of approximately two miles along Fair Oaks Blvd. At the end of the parade we will all gather in the back yard under the trees of the Carmichael Elk's Club for a picnic. Please feel free to bring picnic food to share.

The second meeting I would like everyone to attend is the most important, and if you can only attend one occasion, I would request that you attend the October Awards Dinner at the Dante Club. This will be a dress up affair where the ladies are requested to wear their finest. Gentlemen are requested to wear black tie or dark business suit. Since we will be raising money to send a teacher to either Valley Forge or Williamsburg, Virginia, you will be asked to buy raffle tickets and participate in a silent auction. It is time to start thinking about donations for the silent auction. I ask all of you to consider either a personal donation or, if you would rather, solicit a donation from a local merchant. Remember all donations are tax deductible, and the merchant making donations will receive notice and advertising in our program.

May your May be memorable.

(Jeff can be reached at jeffriesgoodwin@gmail.com)

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Report on the 134th Annual CASSAR Meeting in Costa Mesa, California

by Jim Faulkinbury

The 134th Annual Meeting of the CASSAR was held in Costa Mesa at the Wyndham Hotel on April 17th and 18th. Representing of the Sacramento Chapter were President Jeff Goodwin with his wife, Mary Ann, acting CASSAR and Sacramento Chapter Registrar Tom Chilton with his wife, Marilyn, and acting CASSAR and Sacramento Chapter Secretary Jim Faulkinbury with his wife, Karen.

The 1st session of the General Business Meeting began at 9:00 AM on Friday morning. The State Officer and Chapter reports were the 1st order of business followed by the National Officer Reports for those present (most National Officers were in Lexington, MA, for the Patriots Day celebration). NSSAR Inspector General Larry Magerkurth, gave an update of the revised plans to build out a new NSSAR Library in the building adjoining the Fulton-Conway Bldg. in Louisville. The Fulton-Conway Bldg. will be the new NSSAR Headquarters building. The revised plans are to build out the library first, but only if the funds are available. He also talked about the actions that the state societies must make under the new requirements for non-profits to comply with the Sarbanes-Oxley Legislation. The Sarbanes-Oxley Legislation (hereafter referred to as S-O) was passed as a result of the Enron failure. It includes certain reporting requirements for corporations to follow in order to avoid an Enron type failure from happening again. It went into effect for non-profits as well on January 20, 2009. Bylaw changes regarding ethics, conflicts of interest statements, whistleblowing policies, all with more transparency, were discussed.



Representing the Sacramento Chapter were Tom and Marilyn Chilton, Karen and Jim Faulkinbury, and Jeff and Mary Ann Goodwin.

The booklet of Chapter and Officer Reports that was prepared for the meeting meets one of the requirements. All chapter and officer reports will be needed for full compliance. One chapter was missing from this year's reports. *[The Sacramento Chapter's report was submitted on time.]* Larry Magerkurth announced that the 1st SAR Pacific/International Society Regional Conference will be held on the Norwegian Cruise Line's "Pride of America" during a 7-day Hawaii Cruise on September 5th. He mentioned that the NSSAR trip to Spain will be in May 2010. Larry encouraged all attendees to go to the 2009 National Congress in Atlanta. Based on membership, CASSAR is authorized to have 31 delegates, and we would like to have all delegate positions represented.

Among the significant report items mentioned was that as part of S-O requirements, the State website will have a "member" section to include items such as the CASSAR Bylaws. Tour brochures will also be posted on the "upcoming events" page of the website.

The Nomination Committee then made its recommendations for the 2009/10 State Officers: President - Rev. Louis Carlson, Exec VP - Wayne Griswold, VP South - John Dodd, VP North - Keith Bigbee, VP Membership - open, Secretary - Jim Faulkinbury, Treasurer - Michael Howard, Registrar - Thomas Chilton, Genealogist - Earl Young, Historian - James Blauer, Chancellor - Richard Hawley, Surgeon - Ernest Latham, MD, and Chaplain - Rev. Phil Dodson. Other nominations included National Trustee - Steve Renouf, Alternate Trustee - Rev. Louis Carlson, Trustee of the Investment Fund - Marston Watson.

Curtis Porter, the Valley Forge chairman discussed a change in the programs offered at the Valley Forge Foundation. This year they will not have any programs on the American Revolution, but instead will have a program on the French and Indian War. As a result, we were asked to consider how to address this change in focus since we desire the program to educate the selected teachers about the Revolution.

The Spanish Patriot Committee is preparing a recommendation for the Fall Board of Managers Meeting (BOM) to make a proposal to NSSAR regarding acceptable service for the Spanish soldiers who served during the period of the American Revolution. The DAR has adopted a more restrictive policy, and NSSAR is looking into adopting it at the next National Congress.

The dates of the next meetings in April and November were discussed as was a proposal to have the next annual meeting in Yosemite. The Fall BOM will be held in Riverside at the Mission Inn on November 13-14, 2009.

Report on the 134th Annual CASSAR Meeting in Costa Mesa, California

by Jim Faulkinbury
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After the Law Enforcement luncheon, the CASSAR general meeting reconvened, and the ladies took a tour of the Sherman Gardens.

A major discussion item was how to address very large increases in the publication of the State magazine, *The California Compatriot*. The cost is now \$3500 per issue and will go up again with increased duplication, postage, and postal requirements for special bar-coding software. A straw poll was held to see how to best handle this without increasing dues. The straw poll recommended that we go online only with some provisions for those who don't have computer access to read or download their issues from the CASSAR website.

Following the general meeting, the Audit and Budget meetings were held and as Acting Secretary, I attended both of these meetings. One of the major items to come out of the Audit Committee, and to be in compliance with S-O legislation, was the need to have a formal "Check Request" form online so all requests to the Treasurer would have adequate backup. The form would go by email to both the Treasurer and President (and a committee chairman if appropriate) and the President would email authorization for the expenditure back to the Treasurer. If not properly submitted the form or request would be returned to the submitter for proper resubmission.

The Budget Committee decided to limit this year's number of Valley Forge registrations to two in view of their change in the program, and then see what the teachers we send have to say about the program. *[This year's program will be limited to the French and Indian War, and does not cover the Revolutionary War period.]* In the meantime, we can look into other programs as an alternative. The committee also decided to support a change in the publication of *The California Compatriot*. The next issue will be the last printed issue and will contain information on how future issues can be obtained electronically.

On Saturday morning, the General Session was reconvened. The Ladies Auxillary Meeting was also convened. At the General Session, Color Guard Commander Don Moran stated that based on the inputs for the Best Color Guard Contest, the various chapter Color Guards were averaging four events per week statewide. The report of the Budget and Audit Committee was given, and another item suggested was the creation of a new position of "Inspector" to serve as backup to the Secretary and Treasurer, and to be responsible for inventorying the CASSAR's property which is now scattered in different places. This will be looked into for the BOM in November. A motion was made to drop the CASSAR application fee (\$20) for Junior Members to be in line with our policy on Youth Registrants. The motion passed. Phil Hinshaw, the chairman of the Best Chapter Contest, indicated that he has had several recommendations for modification of the contest rules and asked that those interested get in touch with him to form a committee to make recommendations for changes. Next, the proposed policy changes to address S-O legislation were voted on. There was a discussion regarding the policy on retention and destruction of records and that policy was modified to drop the sentences regarding application supporting materials. The six policies addressed were: 1) a Conflict of Interest Code, 2) a Whistleblower policy, 3) a document retention and destruction policy, 4) website enhancement for inclusion of governing documents for members, 5) a requirement that the State Secretary maintain a list of the EINs for each Chapter and to insure that each Chapter complies with the Form 990-N requirements annually, and 6) the naming of the Executive Committee as the Governing Body for review and approval of IRS forms. All were passed.

Two proposed Bylaw changes were next addressed. First was a revision of the duties of State Registrar to address the concerns raised by Registrar Tom Chilton regarding the usefulness and/or acceptability of some supporting documentation packages, and how to handle applications deemed inadequate by the Registrar. The proposed Bylaw was voted on and passed by the delegates. The 2nd ByLaw change, requiring the Secretary to digitally image all documentation associated with applications was tabled until the BOM in November to allow time to determine why this requirement would benefit CASSAR.

The last item of business was the election of the 2009/10 Officers. The slate proposed by the Nominating Committee was elected as was the election of Phil Hinshaw to fill the open position of VP Membership. Travis Spears announced his resignation as one of the Trustees of the Investment Fund and recommended that Curtis Porter be elected to fill the remaining two years of his term. Curtis was also elected. The General Session was adjourned and the Youth Awards Luncheon held. The Sacramento Chapter's winning entry for the Outstanding JROTC Cadet, Christopher Windley, was recognized as the CASSAR Outstanding JROTC Cadet. The Sacramento Chapter's winning entry for the Americanism Poster Contest, Adian Willett, received "honorable mention" in that CASSAR contest.

Report on the 134th Annual CASSAR Meeting

by Jim Faulkinbury
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The General Session was adjourned and the Youth Awards Luncheon held. The Sacramento Chapter's winning entry for the Americanism Poster Contest, by Adian Willett, received Honorable Mentioned in the CASSAR contest. She received a ribbon and a check for \$50.00 for her entry. Mia attends the Holy Trinity School in El Dorado.

After the Youth Awards Luncheon, the members and guests assembled outside the hotel at lakeside for a Memorial Service for those compatriots who passed away during the last year. Sacramento Chapter Compatriots Charlie Audet, Paul Eckles, Robert Morgan, Ralph Wallace, and former Sacramento Chapter member, Lee Wolary, were all remembered at that time.

The Annual Inauguration Banquet was held at 7:00 PM with entertainment provided by the "Catch the Spirit" performers. Awards were made, and Tom Chilton was recognized by Color Guard Commander Don Moran as this year's "Guardsmen of the Year" receiving the CASSAR Gold Baron Von Stueben Medal. The Sacramento Chapter was also presented the 2009 streamer for "Best Large Chapter Color Guard". Following the awards, the 2009/10 slate of CASSAR Officers was sworn in followed by the Ladies Auxiliary slate of officers. Following the raffle, the 2009 Annual Meeting adjourned.



"Catch the Spirit" performers sang and danced for our entertainment.



Larry Magerkurth swears in the new officers.



Don Gurley played "Taps" at the Memorial Service.



ROTC Chairman Jim Faulkinbury presents the SAR ROTC Certificate and a check to C/Lt. Christopher Windley

Color Guard Commander Don Moran presents Tom Chilton with the Color Guardsman of the Year award.



More Photos from the CASSAR Meeting.



Executive Vice-President Lou Carlson and Vice-President South John Dodd with the Law Enforcement guests.



Jim Faulkinbury, Marilyn Chilton, and Karen Faulkinbury



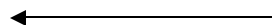
L-R: Jeff and Mary Ann Goodwin, and Marilyn and Tom Chilton



Jim Faulkinbury, C/Lt. Christopher Windley, and his father, Mel Windley.



Jim Faulkinbury in the Commander-in-Chief's Guard uniform.



Executive Vice-President Lou Carlson (speaking) as CASSAR Chaplain Phillip Dodson stands in silence.



More Photos from the CASSAR Meeting.



"Catch the Spirit" performers sang and danced for our entertainment.



Children of all ages performed traditional and patriotic songs.



CASSAR Color Guard Commander Don Moran presents Jim Faulkinbury with the CASSAR Best Color Guard award for large chapters as CASSAR President Steve Renouf looks on.



Mother Lode Chapter won the Best Small Chapter Award. Congratulations to Tom Douglas and Jim Young!!



Jeff Goodwin accepts the Honorable Mention Ribbon from Earl Young for the Sacramento entry submitted Adian Willett .



Jeff Goodwin, Melvin Harrell (Sons of Liberty), and Wayne Griswold (Gold Country) receive their Chapter's awards from President Steve Renouf.

The American Revolution – Month By Month - May 1779

by Andrew J. Stough III, Edited by Harold Rogers

Spring finally came to Washington's army after a cold winter attended by the usual shortages and reduction of force as in previous years. The big difference was that the usual strong influx of recruits and veterans was not occurring. Even so, the main army had many battle tested veterans capable of maintaining the watch over Clinton in New York. It was difficult, sometimes impossible, to purchase needed supplies locally due to the downward spiral of the Continental dollar. The plight of Continental paper was so severe that it eventually became worthless. With such a shortage of both supplies and men, Washington lacked the ability to attack Clinton. On the other hand, Clinton was tied down by the constant demand of London to supply men and materiel for the growing war in the South, and the expanding war around the globe.

The change in the war brought a change in the duties of both Clinton and Washington. Each had served in a dual capacity as tactical heads of an army as well as being Commander-in Chief of all forces in North America. Washington being the more aggressive of the two generals probably felt acutely his inability to take an active role in both leading and directing the forces in combat. Clinton probably was happy with his role as a Director of Armies, instead of the leader of an army. You may remember him as the General in New York who sortied up the Hudson, but failed to move further to support Burgoyne.

With the two main armies tied down in the New York area, any major actions in North America would be in the Southern Theater of Operations. For the British, it meant reliance upon seasoned leaders and troops backed by the Royal Navy to convoy merchant ships supplying the Southern Army. For the Patriots, it meant for the most part, dependence on less well trained troops and untried commanders who had been appointed by Congress, not by the military hierarchy. Supplies were scarcer than ever, but despite the lack of clothing and foodstuff, there always seemed to be an ample supply of weapons, powder, and ball - and resolute men to use that powder and ball.

The struggling Southern Patriot Army was a boon for the British and disastrous for the Revolution until more capable leaders emerged. Such follow-on leadership did not yield apparent victories, however, their losses were minimal while British victories were Pyrrhic, bleeding the British Southern Army.

Virginia had furnished men and supplies to the Continental Army in both the North and the South, which had drained the state of its most qualified men. There had been no hostile action in the state since the Norfolk invasion, and most Virginians thought they had done their duty to Congress. The result was a state of apathetic peacefulness.

Thomas Jefferson, writer of the Declaration of Independence, succeeded Patrick Henry as Governor early in 1779. Washington had delivered several messages to Jefferson alerting him of a possible move by Clinton to make a second front in the South with Virginia as a likely target. Jefferson was a man of ideas, not a leader, therefore he was not a particularly successful political administrator or warrior. He had problems with the Legislature, and was not successful in training militia recruits or organizing and deploying what he had. Therefore, when the British came, there was no organized resistance. Virginia was ripe for plucking.

Clinton and his staff were aware that the state of Virginia was a prime supplier of provisions to Washington, and the origin of foreign trade which brought in cash and supplies to support the Continental Congress. They also knew that Virginia had escaped most ravages of the war and was weak militarily, in fact almost helpless. It was decided as a matter of strategy that it would be easier to defeat the Southern army logistically than in battle. Clinton and his second in command, General Lord Charles Cornwallis, had different opinions on what should be done to cut off this source of supplies and revenue.

Cornwallis felt it would be wise to occupy the state as the center of British power in America - abandoning New York to the Continental Army. Clinton disagreed, he would not abandon New York forsaking the possibility of a strike up the Hudson that could cut the rebellious colonies in two. As an alternative he could afford a raiding expedition to loot and destroy any worthwhile target in Virginia with little, if any, resistance. Success of such an expedition might starve the rebels into submission as well as afford the King's advisors a political victory over their opponents in Parliament.

The American Revolution – Month By Month - May 1779

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May 5, 1779, 22 transports convoyed by the Royal Navy sailed from Sandy Hook with 1800 soldiers. The expedition landed on May 10th at Portsmouth* and took possession of the undefended town. Detachments then moved on to capture Suffolk, Gosport, and other small towns without opposition - except at Gosport where a garrison of 100 held out for awhile in Fort Nelson. Every nearby town was invaded as well as neighboring plantations. All were pillaged and burned. Ward states, that in all, "the expedition destroyed or carried off 130 vessels, 130 hogsheads of tobacco valued at 2,000,000 Pounds Sterling, and then sailed away without the loss of a single man".

Some sources do not mention Norfolk immediately across the Elizabeth River from Portsmouth. Norfolk, a bustling sea port, was laid out in 1682 as a center of trade with ship building as one of its major works. New Year's day in 1776, the town was bombarded by the Royal Navy, followed by an invading force led by Lord Dunmore, the Royal Governor of Virginia Colony from 1771 to 1776. Following the bombardment, sailors set fire to warehouses along the waterfront resulting in fires that burned the town for three days. Every building except St. Paul's church was destroyed. Saint Paul's still stands today. Built in 1739, it has a British cannon ball embedded in its walls from the bombardment. Historically, Norfolk was rebuilt after the Revolution. Therefore, restoration may not have advanced sufficiently to warrant any major attention in the documentation of the 1779 Expedition.

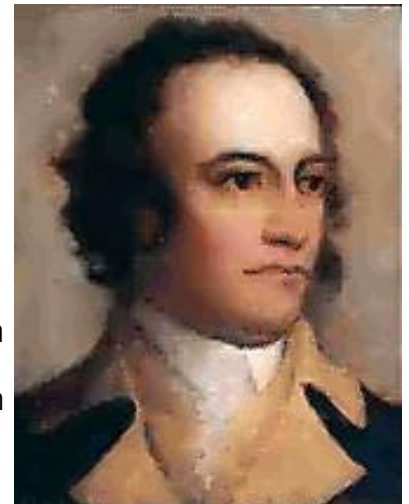
On February 25, 1779, Congress directed Washington to take action to "Chastise the savages" on the western frontiers of New York and Pennsylvania. Major General John Sullivan was placed in command of an expedition to not only over-run but to destroy the country of the Six Nations, which extended (beyond the mountains) from Pennsylvania north to Lake Ontario. The Nations were quite civilized living in permanent houses of wood or stone. Men were warriors who participated only in forays against other Indians and European settlers. Women tended large orchards as well as growing many kinds of vegetables for the nation's year round sustenance.

Sullivan arrived at his departure point in Pennsylvania on May 7th and began to assemble a force of 1400 men, supported by a detachment of artillery. Sullivan remained east of the mountains until late May, not reaching Indian country until early June.

* "Portsmouth, a city of southeastern Virginia on the Elizabeth River (an estuary of Hampton Roads) opposite Norfolk, was established in 1752 by act of the Virginia Assembly. The navy yard established by the British Navy shortly before the Revolution, was confiscated by Virginia during the war. Trinity Church built in 1762 is the oldest building in the city." (BRIT V18, PG 272 C&D)

References: Ency Britannica, Ward's "The War Of The Revolution", Schlessinger's "Almanac of American History."

See Ward on condition of Washington's army in fall of 1780 and spring of 1781. (WARD PG 866) The present City of Norfolk has 50 miles of water front on Hampton Roads in Chesapeake Bay; the Elizabeth River is actually a tidal estuary, not a river. The Lafayette River is also an estuary. Immediately opposite is Portsmouth. While not mentioned in the raid of 1779, it is probable that Norfolk shared the same fate as Portsmouth.



Major General John Sullivan

1740-1795

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Photos from the April 24, 2009 Meeting

photos by Don Spradling.



President Jeff Goodwin presents the SAR Certificate to Margaret "Peg" Wilson, the April speaker.



Jim Faulkinbury, Don Littlefield, and Tom Chilton display the Certificates awarded to our Chapter.



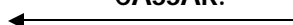
L-R: Mary Ann Littlefield, Doug Cross, Don Littlefield, Medora Allen, Donna Spradling, and Clair Allen.



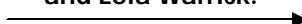
Tom Chilton displays his CASSAR Color Guardsman of the Year Certificate and Medal awarded to him at the CASSAR meeting as Jim Faulkinbury looks on.



Jim Faulkinbury displays the Best Chapter Color Guard streamer awarded to our Chapter's Color Guard by the CASSAR.



Jim Warrick, and his mother, and Lola Warrick.



Minutes of the meeting held on April 24, 2009.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Jeff Goodwin. Jim Warrick gave the Invocation followed by Claire Allen who led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance, and Jeff Goodwin who led the Pledge to the SAR.

Jim Faulkinbury and Tom Chilton were recognized as Past-Presidents. President Goodwin then announced that Jim Faulkinbury had been elected CASSAR Secretary and Tom Chilton CASSAR Registrar at the Annual State Meeting held on April 17 and 18th in Costa Mesa. Then the DAR members present, Medora Allen, and Marilyn Chilton of the Sacramento Chapter, and Margaret "Peg" Wilson and Lola Warrick, both Past Regents of the Gen. John A. Sutter Chapter, were introduced. Guests introduced were our speaker, Peg Wilson, prospective member John Vawter, and Vince Gantt with his wife, Jennie. Vince's application is currently at National awaiting approval.

Following the introductions, Color Guard Commander Jim Faulkinbury came forward and described the flags tonight: the Green Mountain Boys and the Rhode Island Regiment. He also announced that the Sacramento Chapter had won the "Best Large Chapter Color Guard" streamer at the Annual Meeting, and that Tom Chilton was named the "CASSAR Color Guardsman of the Year." Tom was awarded the Gold Von Steuben Medal in recognition of his long and dedicated service to the Color Guard at both the Chapter and State level. The 2009 Color Guard Streamer was presented to President Goodwin to add to our Chapter SAR flag.

President Goodwin then announced the awards that the Chapter received at the Annual Meeting in the Best Large Chapter Contest. They were: 1) Most Guests Attending Meetings, 2) Most New Life Members, 3) Most New Members, 4) Most Attendee to Congress & Leadership Meetings, and 5) Best Website. Webmaster/Exec VP/Treasurer Don Littlefield was asked to come up to be recognized as the reason we have the Best Website.

Don Littlefield then gave the Treasurers report. We currently have \$9,295.29 in our treasury. Jim Faulkinbury told of the decision made at the Annual Meeting that would make future issues of the CASSAR magazine, *The California Compatriot*, as an online only publication. The next issue of the California Compatriot will be the last issue to be printed. Future issues will be posted to the CASSAR website, www.californiasar.org, where they will be archived for reading or downloading at any time. Email announcements will be made to all members with valid email addresses notifying them when a new issue is posted. Chapters will make provisions for those members who don't have email access.

Jeff Goodwin next announced that the 2009 NSSAR Congress would be held in Atlanta, Georgia, this year and that the California Society is trying to fill all 31 authorized delegate slots for the election of National officers. Anyone interested in attending the Congress this coming July should check out the registration form, which may be found in the Winter Edition of the SAR Magazine, or on line. He also announced that the next CASSAR Board of Managers Meeting would be held at the Mission Inn in Riverside this coming November, and that the next Annual Meeting may be in Yosemite next April.

Under concerns for our members, Tom Chilton repeated the comments he made at the Annual Meeting's Memorial Service, where our departed Chapter members, Charles Audet, Paul Eckles, Robert Morgan, and Ralph Wallace were all remembered.

After dinner, Vice President Jim Warrick introduced the speaker for the evening, Peg Wilson, who gave an interesting description of the American Coats of Arms published in the Gore Rolls in the early 1700s using slides of the original drawings. She told of the different ways colors are described, and the various devices and differences that are used in armorial bearings. Following Peg's talk, President Goodwin presented her with a Certificate of Appreciation for being the speaker at our meeting.

First Lady Mary Ann Goodwin then conducted the raffle. Those bringing gifts were Doug Cross, Jim & Karen Faulkinbury, David Hillsman, Woody & Patricia Robertshaw, Mary Ann & Don Littlefield, Clair & Medora Allen, Mary Ann & Jeff Goodwin, Marilyn & Tom Chilton, and Don & Donna Spradling.

President Goodwin thanked Mary Ann for conducting the raffle, and thanked Don Spradling for taking the pictures at the meeting. The motion to adjourn was made. The Recessional was led by Tom Chilton and the Benediction was given by Jim Warrick followed by the singing of God Bless America.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Faulkinbury, Secretary





The judging for this year's CASSAR Americanism Poster Contest was very competitive. There were a total of eight entries, two each from four chapters. All were very well done. Adian Willett, Sacramento Chapter's winner, received an Honorable Mention Ribbon for her poster, the Ride of Paul Revere. **Congratulations, Adian!!**

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We Need Your Help!!

Those of you who attend our meetings regularly know that the quality of the food served, and the service at the Buggy Whip have both deteriorated over the last two or three years. We have met with the staff and management of the Buggy Whip on several occasions, asking that they improve both. Unfortunately, things seem to have gotten worse.

We now need your help. We need to find a new venue for our meetings. That will not be easy, as there are very few restaurants that have separate meeting rooms, and the cost of banquets in the hotels is prohibitively expensive. We would like to continue charging the same price for the meals, but that may not be possible. You might be interested to know that in 2000 the cost of meals at the Buggy Whip was \$18.00. Today they are \$24.00. That equates to a 3.25% increase each year. I know gasoline has increased much faster than that.

If you have any suggestions on a new venue for our Chapter meetings, please contact one of your officers. Thank you for your help in this matter.