

# The Courier



## **MAY 2021**

# PRESIDENTS CORNER



Compatriots & Friends

Greetings, as we enter into the month of May I hope this message finds you well and "living the dream." With warmer and longer days I pray you are taking the opportunity to enjoy the California sun before it really heats up.

The month of May is unique because we take time out to honor Mothers and Motherhood on the Second Sunday of every May and we also take time to pray for peace and remember those have sacrificed their very lives for our freedoms – Memorial Day. Mother's Day which is celebrated around the world, just not on the same date, began in 1907 and has one unique distinction

more telephone calls are made on this one day than any other day of the year. I can remember as a child attempting to call grandma and not being able to get through because the lines were jammed with so many callers. Let me take this opportunity to wish ALL of our mom's a very happy and joyous day celebrating with children, grandchildren, and maybe even great grandchildren.

Memorial Day is an American holiday, observed on the last Monday of May, honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. Memorial Day 2021 will occur on Monday, May 31. Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971. Many Americans observe Memorial Day by visiting cemeteries or memorials, holding family gatherings and participating in parades. Unofficially, it marks the beginning of the summer season. Tradition has it that at 3:00pm local time we pause to pray for peace. I hope you will join me this Memorial Day and pray for peace our nation and of course the world.

Last month our guest speaker was once again Charles E. Frye, Secretary of the Redlands Chapter and once again he hit a home run. Charlie has written two novels featuring his patriot ancestor. The two novels are "The War has Begun" and "Honor and Valor." I have purchased my copies and I hope you will too. Both books are available on Amazon. If you order both books like I have you can receive FREE shipping. Please show your support by ordering these books today.

If you haven't heard the news on April 15, 2021 Sacramento County will allow for gatherings of up to (50) people without restrictions and according to a recent press release the entire State will re-open on Jun 15, 2021. The executive meeting has been very busy planning our return to in person meetings and this may happen next month. Because of some scheduling conflicts I am preparing this before we know for sure IF

we will meet in person in the month of May or possibly in June. Keep your fingers crossed and say your prayers we will let you know ASAP. For now have a great day and I look forward to seeing you soon.

# **MEETING MINUTES**



Sacramento Chapter SAR Meeting Agenda Monday, April 19, 2021 Zoom Technology

Attendees: 19
Called the Meeting To Order: 6:40 PM
Invocation: Don Littlefield
Pledge Allegiance: Craig Anderson
Pledge to the SAR: Jim Faulkinbury

Introduced National and State Officers, Past Presidents – Jim Faulkinbury: Past President, Sacramento Chapter, Genealogist General, National Society, Minuteman Class of 2019; Don Littlefield: California Society Past President, Past President of the Sacramento Chapter; Craig Anderson: CASSAR Executive Vice President, Past President Sacramento Chapter; Tom Chilton: Past President Sacramento Chapter, Former California Society Registrar for four years; Russ Kaiser: Past President Sacramento Chapter, Northern California Color Guard Adjutant; Del Hanson: Past President Sacramento Chapter (not Present), William Van Vaulkenburg: CASSAR VP-North and Past President of the Redwood Empire Chapter.

**Introduce Guests** – Marilyn Chilton: Sacramento DAR, California Society Ladies Auxiliary Member and former treasurer for the Ladies Auxiliary; Charlie Frye: Our guest speaker.and Secretary of the Redlands Chapter

**Meeting in Person Update** - President Michael Hull found out that beginning on April 15<sup>th</sup> that we can begin meeting in person for up to 50 people. Don Littlefield called the Cattleman's restaurant (twice) to see if we can begin meeting there again and has not received a response back from them. Don Littlefield called the Spaghetti Factory on Hazel Ave. and found they have a banquet room that could accommodate us. We will wait and see if we hear back from Cattleman's before making a decision on where to meet.

California Society Annual Meeting (Zoom Meeting) Saturday April 17 2021 - Don Littlefield and Michael Hull gave a brief overview of the meeting and who the attendees were from our Chapter. Don Littlefield, Michael Hull, Phil Noble and Mark Mozdy attended.

Don Littlefield - Gave an update on Contest Winners & Awards at the meeting as follows:

- Youth Program Winners.
- Col. Richard F. Locke Awards to six Chapters for increased growth.
- Roger Sherman Medals to Jim Klinger, Charlie Frye and Matt Bowdish.
- Meritorious Service Medals for work on the Patriot Research System. Jim Sylvan entered the most patriots in the system.
- Certificates of Appreciation were also awarded.

**Craig Anders**on - At this Chapter meeting was presented a beautiful quilt for his service in the Navy by the Ladies Quilt Reaction Force.

Michael Hull - Introduced Charlie Frye our guest speaker.

Charlie Frye - Presented the story of Paul Dudley Sargent and the Siege of Boston.

**Michael Hull -** Called for the meeting to adjourn at 7:40 PM First – Russ Kaiser Second – Don Littlefield

Recessional - Phil Noble

Benediction - Don Littlefield

God Bless America - Tom Chilton

Respectfully Submitted, Mark Mozdy Secretary



Floyd F. "Hank" Henderson Jr. 1924-2021

We just recently were informed that Floyd Henderson Jr., a Life Member of the Sacramento Chapter, passed away on April 4, 2021. Floyd's application to SAR was approved on June 9, 2006. He was a Navy veteran of WWII.

Floyd Frank "Hank" Henderson was born on April 1, 1924, in New Franklin, Missouri, and spent his childhood in Sedalia, where he graduated from the Smith-Cotton High School. Hank married Dorothy Domenici in 1943. They had three children, David Lee Henderson, Gerald Wayne Henderson, and Sheri Lin Henderson. Hank joined the United States Navy in 1941, and served through 1950. He was at the battles of Coral Sea, Midway, Santa Cruz, the Gilbert Islands, Savo Islands, Eastern Solomons, Tarawa, Marianas, Apanema, Kiska, and the Philippine Campaign. He served on the USS Cummings (DD-365), USS Portland (CA-33), USS Steamer



Bay (CVE-87), USS Bexar (APA-237), USS Montrose (APA-212), and other ships as a ship fitter and carpenter. He also participated in both Bikini Atoll bomb tests.

Hank retired from the Pacific Telephone Company in 1982, after 35 years of service. His last assignment was that of Security Manager, specializing in corporate civil, criminal, and security matters for and against the company.

His hobbies include music, genealogy, serving as an adult leader for the Boy Scouts of America. He is or has been a member of the VFW, American Legion, IBEW, Musicians Union, Pioneers of America, Sacramento Jazz Society, the Caledonian Club, and the Citrus Heights Church of Christ.

While in high school, Hank learned to play the trumpet. He was first chair trumpet in the HS band, orchestra, and served as their drillmaster. He organized and played in numerous local and church orchestras, as well as the Salvation Army Band. While in the Navy, he graduated from the Navy Music School, and was assigned to the Fleet Band aboard the USS Portland. After leaving the Navy, Hank continued to play professionally in numerous bands and orchestras.

He has been active in the Boy Scouts of America, and in the late 1950's was awarded their Alligator's Head and Scouter's Key for outstanding leadership. In 2001, he established Boy Scout Cub Pack 635 with the Citrus Heights Church of Christ. In 2002, he was awarded the BSA Faithful Servant Award.

Hank's patriot ancestor, was John Wilcoxson, who was a patriot, Indian fighter, and soldier from Virginia.

## THANK YOU COMPATRIOTS

Congratulations to Compatriots and Life Members **Paul Terrance Elliott** and **John Wesley Presnall** who on May 14th, celebrate their 20th year as members of the Sons of the American Revolution, Sacramento Chapter. On May 26th, **Joseph Lucien Lucas** celebrates his 5th year as a member the Sacramento Chapter.

The Sacramento Chapter has emerged stronger because of our loyal membership. Thank you for your support!

#### JOHN ADAMS ACADEMY RECEIVES HISTORICAL DONATION

On April 23<sup>rd</sup>, Sacramento Chapter members Don Littlefield, Jim Faulkinbury, Russ Kaiser, Ernie Garcia and Craig Anderson participated in an event at the Lincoln Campus of John Adams Academy. Jeff Von Molt donated a collection of his father's historical books to the John Adams Academy. Receiving the donation was Dr. Dean Forman, founder of the school. Those present included members of Jeff Von Molt's family, school students and staff.



Jeff Von Molt and Dr. Dean Forman, founder of John Adams Academy



(L-R) Russ Kaiser, Craig Anderson, Jeff Von Molt, Don Littlefield, Jim Faulkinbury, Ernie Garcia

#### **OUR LADIES AUXILIARY PROGRAM**

LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE OF THE CALIFORNIA SOCIETY

#### SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

When the Sons of the Revolutionary Sires was organized July 4, 1876, in San Francisco, it authorized a ladies auxiliary. In 1889, the Sires were re-organized and re-named the Sons of the American Revolution, but there was no mention of a ladies auxiliary. On April 23, 1983, an organizing meeting was held and the California Society SAR Ladies Auxiliary was officially reactivated at an annual membership meeting in Burbank, CA..The membership grew to 100 members and then up to 200 members. But today, 2021, there are only 37 dues paying members of the CASSAR LAUX.

In 1989, the California SAR passed a resolution for national recognition of the Ladies Auxiliary closely collaborating, but operating independently of one another. To this day, the Ladies Auxiliary of CASSAR meets twice a year in April and November along with the CASSAR. Our last Ladies Auxiliary meeting was Friday, April 16, 2021, at 2 PM via Zoom led by President Janet (Derek) Brown.

Our own Sacramento Chapter Past President and now Past CASSAR President, Don Littlefield, installed the new and returning board for the following year. More LAUX history and information will continue next month.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Chilton marilyntom482@comcast.net with questions

# MEETING LINK, ID, AND PASSWORD

Our May meeting will be held via Zoom at 6:30 PM May 17, 2021.

Copy and paste the link below into your browser or simply click on the link below to access the meeting

Sacramento Chapter Meeting May 17, 2021 06:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86595421975?pwd=TVBqV2IvY0Q1OWFyc1NvM1V4RmExQT09

Meeting ID: 865 9542 1975

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**Click to Join the Meeting** 

# Color Guard Calendar



**Color Guard Commander David Beach** 

The Sacramento Chapter has registered to participate in Historic Folsom's Hometown Parade on June 26th, 2021.

No other events are scheduled at this time.

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

The next Chapter meeting will be held on May 17th, 2021 at 6:30 PM via Zoom Video Conference.

# **State Society**

146th Fall Board of Managers Meeting Riverside, California November 4, 2021 David Cofer sarsacregistrar@gmail.com

Treasurer
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# **National Society**

The Spring Leadership Meeting will be held via Zoom video-conference.

July 10, 2021 131st Congress Renton, WA.

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