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Our keynote speaker for the Community Awards Banquet will be US Marshall Albert Najera, Eastern District of California. Albert Nájera was sworn in on October 28, 2010 to be the United States Marshal for the Eastern District of California. Albert Nájera rose through the ranks of the City of Sacramento Police Department to become the Chief of Police, a position he held from 2003 to 2008. He grew up in Sacramento, and has traveled around the world to lead anti-terrorist and emergency operations training sessions. He was also deployed to New Orleans in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina to assist local law enforcement there. Mr. Nájera holds a Bachelors degree from California State University—Sacramento and a Masters degree from California Poly Pomona.



**US Marshall Albert Najera**

Two local law enforcement officers will be honored at this year's event. The representative from the CHP will be Officer Patrick Talley who will receive an award for actions he took when he encountered a fire in a home as he was passing by. He entered the home at his own great risk to investigate and rescue and prevent further spread of the fire.

The representative from the Sacramento Sheriff's Department will be Detective Kevin Warren who is being honored because of his leadership role during his years of service in the department during which he is described as being an outstanding resource in helping others in the department in managing complex cases and for his dogged determination in following up troubled individuals he comes across in the course of his duties .

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## Cattlemens Meal Selections

Sirloin Steak	\$25.
Grilled Salmon	\$25.
Lemon Chicken	\$25.
Pesto Spinach/Cheese Ravioli (vegetarian)	\$25.

**Friday, October 16, 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, October 14**, please call Alan Brooking at (916) 315-3799 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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**President's Corner**

Our October meeting is our annual community awards dinner, and Ernie Garcia has a great program lined up for us. We will have a nominee from the California Highway Patrol and one from the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department. Additionally, we will be presenting our 2015 Americanism Poster winner, Ryan Yi, with the 1st place National Society SAR prize that he was awarded in the recent 125th Congress.



**Craig Anderson**

Compatriot, Jack Pefley, will be celebrating his 40th year as a Sacramento SAR member in October. Jack is a veteran of WW2 and was a US Navy Commander on the staff of the Sixth Fleet. Please join me in thanking Jack, for his support of the Sacramento Chapter these many years and his service to our country.

2016 dues notices were mailed to the membership last week; if you haven't received yours, please contact our Secretary, Carl Ahlberg, or myself as soon as possible. We need to have the 2016 dues returned to us by November 1<sup>st</sup> in order to allow us time to prepare the dues reconciliation for the State Society. We appreciate your attention to this. Make sure you update the personal information on the notice when you send it back; it's our opportunity to update your phone numbers, email addresses, and personal addresses.

I have received several inquiries about life memberships, and I hope that I've addressed everyone's questions. I will bring a few of the life membership forms to the October meeting and I will be happy to discuss any other questions you may have, before or after the program.

I hope to see you on October 16<sup>th</sup>.

## Minutes of September 18, 2015 Meeting

### Sons of the American Revolution – Sacramento Chapter

#### Meeting Minutes September 18, 2015

President Craig Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and Jeff Goodwin gave the invocation Tal Norwood led the Pledge of Allegiance and Evan Jonas led the membership in the pledge to the SAR.

President Anderson introduced the following:

#### **CASSAR Officers and Past Presidents:**

- ♦ Derek Brown, CA Society VP North and past president of the Thomas Jefferson Chapter 2012, 2013, 2014.
- ♦ Jim Faulkinbury, NSSAR National Trustee, CASSAR Past President and Sacramento Chapter Past President 2005 and 2006
- ♦ Tom Chilton, Past President 2000, 2001, 2002, 2004, and 2012
- ♦ Don Littlefield, Past President 2010 and 2011, current Executive Vice President, Treasurer, Webmaster, and CASSAR Chairman of the Wreaths Across America Program
- ♦ Jeff Goodwin Past President 2009
- ♦ Carl Ahlberg, Chapter Secretary
- ♦ Alan Brooking Registrar, Calling Committee Chairman, and CA Society DAR Liaison
- ♦ Ernie Garcia, Chairman Activities
- ♦ Don Spradling, SAR Photographer
- ♦ Roy Adkins, Chairman JROTC/ ROTC Program

#### **DAR members:**

- ♦ Sacramento Chapter: Marilyn Chilton; Medora Allen
- ♦ Gold Trail Chapter: Susan Brooking, Regent; Karen Faulkinbury
- ♦ John A. Sutter Chapter: Susan Broderick

#### **Our Guests:**

- ♦ Speaker Mindi Russell, Executive Director and Senior Chaplain with Law Enforcement Chaplaincy Sacramento
- ♦ New members Glen Cline and Tom Jones and his daughters, Lauren and Morgan;
- ♦ Prospective members: Woodrow Hinkle, Larry Stovall and Stewart Arthur Dalie III
- ♦ Special recognition was given to Jack Pefley as a member of the CA Society's California Company. The California Company is made up of compatriots who served during WW2. Jack was a Commander in the USN and was stationed on the Sixth Fleet Staff. On October 21, 2015, Jack will celebrate 40 years as a member of the SAR. Jack's application was approved on 21-Oct-1975. His patriot ancestor was Horation Turpin, Ens, Virginia. President Anderson thanked Jack for his service to our country and his long time support of the SAR.

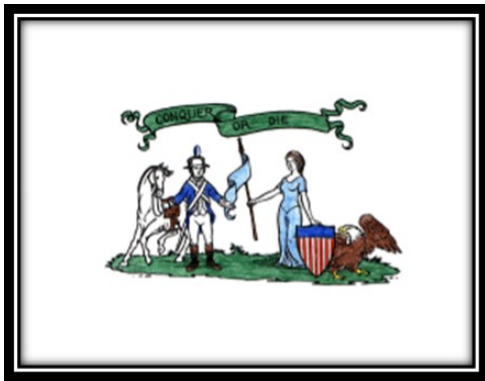


**Carl Ahlberg, Secretary**

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## Minutes from September Meeting Continued

CASSAR Past President Jim Faulkinbury presented a historical overview of the Commander in Chiefs Guard Flag. This flag was for the Commander in Chief where a special Guard was put together with soldiers from each colony to protect George Washington's headquarters. They wore a special uniform that was similar to what George Washington wore. The second flag presented, the 11<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment Flag, was sometimes referred to as Morgan's Rifle Corps Flag because the Regiment was commanded by Daniel Morgan, cousin to Daniel Boone. Morgan's men had lighter, more accurate rifles and targeted British officers and artillery. Their success at the Battle of Cowpens was instrumental in bringing the war to a close at Yorktown.



CASSAR Past President Jim Faulkinbury presented a Certificate of Distinguished Service and Patriot Medal to Jeff Goodwin for his support and work with the SAR. He also presented to President Anderson a Certificate of Appreciation for our Color Guard's presentation of the Colors at the Daughters of the American Revolution Northern Council meeting.

President Anderson shared with our attendees that on July 29<sup>th</sup> Compatriot Vince Gantt passed away. Vince was a National Society SAR life member. He was approved for membership on May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009. He was an active member of the Sacramento Chapter's Color Guard and an expert on Revolutionary War firearms. President Anderson called for a moment of Silence for Vince Gantt and struck 8 bells on the chapter bell in his honor.

President Anderson presented Carl Ahlberg a certificate indicating compatriot Ahlberg is now a member of the Vietnam War Veterans Corps and thanked him for his service.

President Anderson asked Alan Brooking to come forward to introduce new members Glenn Cline and Tom Jones. Compatriot Brooking introduced our new members, read their biographies and pinned the SAR Rosette on each. Our new members were asked to say a few words and then all members were asked to come forward to offer the customary welcoming handshake.

Dinner was served.

After dinner President Anderson introduced our speaker, Mindi Russell, a career Law Enforcement Chaplain. She manages four programs: Law Enforcement Chaplains Program, Community Chaplains Program, Outreach Chaplains Program, and the Office of Transportation Safety Program. She is the author of two books: *'New Beginnings Journal'* and co-author of *'Chaplains Crisis Manual'*. In addition, she is a national disaster responder and works with first responders and victims. In April 2002, Chaplain Russell received the National Crime Victim Service Award from President George W. Bush and Attorney General John Ashcroft. This prestigious award is the highest federal honor for victim advocacy given by serving at Ground Zero on Sept 11, 2001.

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## Minutes from September Meeting Continued & Photos from September 18, 2015 Meeting

Chaplin Russell shared stories about being at Ground Zero on 9-11 and her passion for serving law enforcement and schools. She is an ardent supporter of the Constitution and history, not wanting children to forget how America came to be. She shared how she is afraid children are not knowledgeable about important points of history. As someone who is called to help people right after a traumatic event she has been asked why so much bad stuff happens. She feels it all starts in the home or lack of home and we need families to be more like they were years ago. In 25 years she has never seen such hatred toward law enforcement or how there is such a lack of respect for parents, teachers and law enforcement.

Chaplin Russell shared that there are 87 schools in 16 districts that are begging for Chaplin support and help. Her organization helped with 4500 callouts last year, 24/7/365. They respond to 4-8 deaths a week, children in abusive situations and people who have attempted suicide. They are always looking for people who want to volunteer and encouraged our members to do so. Most chaplains are volunteers. Chaplains bring HOPE was her message. Chaplain Russell shared several heartwarming stories and was an inspiration to all who heard her. Past President Jeff Goodwin shared that after hearing Chaplin Russell speak in 2002 he was inspired to join the program.

President Anderson presented Chaplain Russell with a Certificate of Appreciation and a Liberty Bell.

President Anderson then thanked Alan Brooking, Don Clark and Eric Hanson for making calls inviting members to this meeting. He then conducted the raffle and thanked the following for bringing gifts for the raffle: Helen and Ernie Garcia, Sandy and Craig Anderson, Susan and Alan Brooking, Inga and Carl Ahlberg, Harlan and Sidney Ann Tougaw, Evan Jonas, Ron and Patty Proffer and Marilyn and Tom Chilton.

President Anderson thanked Mindi Russell for a great presentation, Susan Brooking for selling raffle tickets, Don Spradling for taking pictures and maintaining the flags, Alan Brooking for chairing the Calling Committee, acting as cashier and helping with the raffle and Neil Elvick for editing the newsletter.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. President Anderson led the Recessional, Jeff Goodwin gave the Benediction and Mindi Russell led the Chapter in singing "God Bless America." The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Carl E Ahlberg,  
Chapter Secretary

### Photos by Don Spradling



**New member, Glenn Cline  
and his wife, Victoria**



**Allan Brooking introducing the two new  
members, Tom Jones and Glenn Cline who are  
standing behind Jeff Goodwin, who is seated**

## Photos from the September 18, 2015 Meeting

Photos by Don Spradling



Our speaker for the evening was Mindi Russell, pictured above receiving Certificate of Appreciation and Liberty Bell replica from President Craig Anderson. Mindi is a Law Enforcement Chaplain and she has an extensive educational and practical background in this field and has authored two books on the subject.



**Derek Brown, California "North" VP  
& past president of the  
Thomas Jefferson Chapter**



**Roy Adkins and Derek Brown**



**Susan Broderick &  
Susan Brooking  
selling the raffle  
tickets**



## Induction of New Members

Photos by Don Spradling



**Thomas E. Jones**

Tom was born in Illinois and spent most of his childhood in Dallas, TX. He attended the University of Florida on a Navy ROTC scholarship and after graduation started Navy Aviation Flight School in Pensacola, Florida. Tom served as a Naval Aviator flying worldwide missions in helicopters and then in the mighty C-130 "Hercules." He later attended and graduated from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, CA earning a Master's Degree in Systems Analysis. In his final tour of duty he served as Commanding Officer of Navy Operational Support Center Sacramento, CA. Tom retired from the Navy in July 2011 after 25 years of service. Today he serves as the Senior Naval Science Instructor at Luther Burbank Navy JROC in Sacramento, CA. He primarily teaches cadets about our Charters of Freedom: The Declaration of Independence, and U.S. Constitution.

Tom and his wife Karen have been married for 16 years and have three children: One Son; Tristan, and two daughters: Lauren and Morgan. Tom's hobbies include: hiking, biking, camping and traveling with his family.

His application to join the Sons of the American Revolution was approved on 08 July 2015. His patriot ancestor was Kimbrough Tinsley Ogilvie who fought in the Revolutionary War as a member of the North Carolina Mili-



**Glenn Leslie Cline**

Glenn Leslie Cline was born in Torrance, California and spent his childhood in Little Rock, California. He graduated from Palmdale High School and California State College. Glenn is married to Victoria S. Cline. They have two children, Heather and Jonathan.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam Conflict as a Clinical Spec E-6.

Glenn is retired and his hobbies include woodworking, finish carpentry, and fishing.

Glenn's application to join the Sons of the American Revolution was approved on 2 July 2015. His Patriot ancestor, Joel Humiston was a Private in Captain



**Tom Jones and Glenn Cline taking the oath administered by President Craig Anderson**



**On the left: Tom Jones and his two daughters, Lauren and Morgan. On the right: Glenn Cline**

## News from Color/School Guard Chairman

The calendar year for SAR is winding down for the most part but for the Color Guard, things are just getting started. November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veterans Day and once again we are being asked to participate in the various parades around town. We don't have enough people to adequately represent SARSAC in more than one parade so we will be once again, focusing on the down town Sacramento parade. The parade begins at 11 AM sharp so we must all meet up no later than 9:30 to properly stage and prepare the trailer and vehicle.

December means the Wreaths Across America once again and once again, we need support. It would be great to find out now who will be interested in participating. If there was anything I have learned marching and drilling with the Delaware Regiment, it's that if you want to look sharp, it's practice, practice, practice and I would like to get some practice in before December.

Very soon I will be sending out the packets to the schools for the School Guard program. I am already getting requests from some new schools for participation and we hope to continue to grow this program. This of course means that we will need your support. Last year we visited 15 schools with basically the same folks each time. It is important that we grow this program and that we have more than the core of 4 or 5 folks to draw from. The current folks have done a great job with the program meaning that it's important that you contact me ASAP to talk about helping out this year.

I published some guidelines about uniforms several months ago but still continue to get questions about what is recommended and where to go to get them. This is great news because it looks like we are getting some interest and folks are heeding the advice to ask before you buy your uniforms.

The 2014-2015 year was a great one for the SACSAR Color Guard. We are hoping to make the next season even better. If you have any interest at all in any of the Color Guard programs, please don't hesitate to contact me and let's see how we can grow our Guard.

**Russ Kaiser, Color Guard Chairman**

Patriot biographies, such as the one below, are being solicited by the national organization. The purpose is to publish them online and so make it easier for potential SAR applicants to find the information they need in order to find potential ancestors and to complete their applications. The biographies should be about 500 words and should be submitted in Microsoft Word format to [patriotbios@sar.org](mailto:patriotbios@sar.org) as an email attachment. When you submit your entry, please include your name, Chapter and SAR Member number. If you have a patriot number assigned, include it with your submission. If not, one will be assigned. It would be appreciated if a copy could also be sent to [neilel@aol.com](mailto:neilel@aol.com) or to [craig@winfirst.com](mailto:craig@winfirst.com) so that the bios could also be pre-

### **James Jett - a Patriot of the American Revolution**

James Jett, the son of Peter and Ann Jett, was born in about 1742 in King George County, Virginia. Peter and Ann had at least five children, including James. James' great-grandfather, Peter Jett, migrated to this county in about 1663, and was in Rappahannock County, VA, in 1664.

James, while still a young man, moved to Culpeper County, VA, where he married Roxena Duncan about 1761. James and Roxena had at least seven children. James Jett served as a Private in the 11th Continental Line.

After the war, James Jett and his family continued to live in Culpeper County, VA. In an obituary dated 1805 one finds that "James Jett died at his seat in Culpeper on Thursday last, after a short disposition, which bore him with much fortitude. He was 63 years old" "The family, friends, and acquaintances of this gentleman have experienced a loss which cannot be repaired, and his death will be regretted by all, as long as his many virtues are held in remembrance." In an inventory of his estate dated November 1805, was recorded that he had 820 pounds, and 220 acres of land.

James Jett is the patriot ancestor of Thomas Hobert Chilton, Jr., Thomas Holly Chilton, Ste-



## Photos from September 18, 2015 Meeting

Photos by Don Spradling

**Five of our busiest gentlemen who do so much to keep our Chapter running.**

**From left to right: Tom Chilton, Jim Faulkinbury, President Craig Anderson, Don Littlefield and Jeff Goodwin.**



**Don Littlefield, Donna Spradling, Evan Jonas**



**Vietnam War Veterans Corps**

**Carl Ahlberg receiving the Certificate of Patriotism from President Craig Anderson for standing and defending the US**



**Harlan and Sidney Tougaw**



**Jeff Goodwin receives Certificate of Distinguished Service and Patriot Medal from Jim Faulkinbury**

## Coming Events

October 16, 2015 6:00 PM  
Sacramento Valley Nat'l Cemetery Support Committee  
Steak Dinner Fundraiser  
Veterans Memorial Building, Dixon, CA

October 16, 2015—Regular Meeting  
7:00 PM at the Cattlemens Restaurant  
Community Awards Banquet

November 20, 2015—Regular Meeting  
7:00 PM at the Cattlemens Restaurant  
Speaker Jennie Stocks, Valley Forge  
Contest Winner

### **WREATHS across AMERICA**

9:00 AM, Saturday, December 12, 2015  
Sacramento Valley National Cemetery  
Dixon, CA

December 18, 2015 -- Regular Meeting  
7:00 PM at the Cattlemens Restaurant  
Christmas Celebration  
Mother Lode Chapter will join with us.

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