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MEETING INFORMATION

When February 10, 2018
Where: Sizzler Restaurant
1401 N. Harbor Blvd.
Fullerton, CA
Time: Social Begins at 11:00am
Meeting: Called to Order at 11:30am
Website: www.orangecountysar.org

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings To All-

February traditionally is the last month of Winter. As the month progresses, everyone looks forward to celebrating Valentine's Day & President's Day. February 2018 is the 240th anniversary of General Washington's winter encampment at Valley Forge where he spent his 46th birthday. February 13, 2018 also marks the start of my 5th year of membership in this outstanding organization.

As I write this message on this mid-January day, it is 75 degrees outside. I'm sitting at my computer dressed in a T-shirt, Bermuda shorts & tennis shoes. I can't help but think about our ancestors who were camped at Valley Forge during that cold, bitter winter in December 1777 thru February 1778.

My wife Marie & I visited the Valley Forge Historical Monument several years ago. Taking the driving tour, we could view all of the open areas & crude shelters that were built to house the 12,000 troops. We could only image how it felt to suffer the bitter cold, the winds & snow. There was barely enough food. The shelters were crowded with people trying to huddle for body warmth to stay warm. Most had worn & tattered clothing. 1 in 4 had no shoes. Blankets were hard to come by. These were truly dedicated and committed individuals who believed in the cause they were fighting for.

By the end of February 1778, over 2,000 gallant souls perished from starvation, disease, malnutrition & exposure. Sylvanus Ames, one of Jim Blauer's patriot ancestors, was one who did not survive Valley Forge.



The survivors of Valley Forge were tested to the ultimate. They persevered, met the challenge & overcame extreme adversity. They went on to establish this great country and a government that guarantees all of the freedoms people today take for granted.

Our chapter is one of hundreds nationwide. Each chapter's primary mission & challenge in today's society & culture is to ensure the continued remembrance of past sacrifices, to promote our nation's history through education & to defend the principles of our government for our children & grandchildren.

As I have taken up new challenges in our chapter that are outside of my comfort zone, I ask members young & old who have wanted to get involved to do so. We have several programs that could use your special skills, talents and enthusiasm. We have a boundless pool of individuals that are willing to assist.

I look forward to a fantastic 2018. With your continued support and participation, we will keep the excellent tradition of the chapter moving forward into the 21st century!

Enjoy your President's Day holiday and if you want to stay on your better half's good side, don't forget the card, flowers and dinner on Valentine's Day!

I welcome any questions, comments or suggestions. Send an e-mail to ocgladiator@gmail.com.

Gus Fischer

SPEAKER—DON PAGELER

Don Pageler is a survivor of the attack on the USS Liberty back on June 8, 1967. Here is his story.

On June 8, 1967 the USS Liberty was attacked by the Israeli Air Force and Navy. The Liberty was a converted WWII transport (Victory class) ship armed with 4-50 caliber machine guns. She was traveling at 5 knots 13 miles from shore off the Gaza Strip. Without warning, the Israeli Air Force Mirage fighters strafed her resulting in 820+ rocket and cannon holes topside (not to mention over 3000 machine gun hits). After the

fighters came Mystere bombers dropping napalm. While the Liberty crew attempted to fight the fires, the Israeli Navy sent 3 torpedo boats after her. They fired 5 torpedoes leaving the Liberty with a 40 foot hole on her starboard side.

When the smoke cleared, 34 Liberty sailors were dead and 174 were wounded including myself. This represented 70% of the 294 crew members. Those topside said the torpedo boats machine gunned holes in the life rafts that were dropped in the water after the "prepare to abandon ship" order was issued.

The attack started at 2pm local time. At 2:05 the 6th Fleet received a distress call from the Liberty. At 2:09 the USS Saratoga's Captain, Joseph Tulley, Jr. Scrambled a squadron of fighters to come to her aid. Half way through the estimated flight the White House (Robert McNamara-Secretary of Defense) ordered the planes recalled. Admiral Geis sent a second flight from both the Saratoga and the America 90 minutes later. These flights were also recalled by McNamara. Geis then challenged this order by asking him to authenticate his message. President Lyndon Johnson told Geis to recall the planes. "I do not care if everyone dies; I am not going to embarrass my allies. Nine sailors died from the air attack." The torpedo struck the Liberty at 2:35pm when 25-30 sailors died.

We then sailed the ship 1000 miles for six days and put her in dry-dock in Malta. We recovered the bodies from the torpedo spaces and civilians repaired the ship for return to Little Creek, Virginia.

During the attack I was assigned to repair party III on the mess decks. In that this was my first duty station after school in Pensacola, my assigned job was to be in charge of a submergible pump. There was no need for a submergible pump during the air attack, so someone told me to go to the bridge and retrieve wounded. I am not sure how many trips I made with wounded.

After the torpedoes hit I took the submergible pump forward to the torpedo spaces. Of course with a 40 foot hole in the side a submergible pump was of no use. After the order to seal the compartment, I returned to the mess deck to help with the badly wounded. The only real memory I have of this time was when Dr. Keipfer told me to lie down next to a man he was going to oper-

ate on. They stuck a needle in me and ran a tube to my shipmate for a transfusion. Later that day or the next I remember helping take the body bags of the 9 killed topside to the refrigerator.

Of my duties on the way to Malta 2 things stand out. I stood duty in the passage way on the starboard side of the torpedoed spaces. I was given a little one battery flashlight which put out very little light. The room smelled of fuel oil. I was told to watch the K shoring to make sure none of it gave way. The other duty I remember was down in the shaft alley where the drive shaft runs from the engine room back to the screw. If we exceeded 5 knots the ship began to shake. I was told to watch and see if any cracks developed in the ship. If we started taking on water I was told to use the head phones and tell the bridge to order abandon ship. I thought that's fine for everyone else, but I will be stuck here in the bottom of the ship.

The torpedo hit where I worked in the research spaces (commonly called the spook shack). When we reached Malta and put the ship into dry-dock, having the top secret crypto security clearance, I was one of the first to go down into the torpedoed spaces to clean up. Within the first 15-20 minutes, I picked up a piece of equipment. Under it was an arm. I knew whose arm it was. Although it had been soaked in salt water, for a week, Phil Tiedke was a body builder and I could tell by the muscle structure it was his. It was like having an out of body experience. One of me said, "you have to find the rest of the pieces of his body and make sure they all get in the same body bag." Another one of me was saying "they are all blown apart, just put it in a bag and get on with it." Of the two days I spent down there cleaning up, that is all I remember. I went on liberty for a day or two and was then flown back to Norfolk. When I arrived at Norfolk I was debriefed. I was told, "you have the highest security clearance anyone can get in this country. Never speak about this to anyone, including your family." 2 days later I was home in Kansas on 30 day leave wondering, what the hell happened to me.

Still today the crew has many unanswered questions. The Israelis admit they had identified the Liberty at their control center 6 hours earlier. The Liberty was in International waters. The Liberty was flying the U.S. Flag, had its name largely printed on the stern and its letter designation

on the bow of the ship. During the attack when the flag was shot down, the Holiday flag (7x13ft) was raised in its place. The Israelis claim to have mistaken the ship for the El Quseir which is only 1/4 the displacement of the Liberty. The topside configuration of the old tramp steamer (El Quseir) and the intelligence ship (The Liberty) loaded with communications antennas did not look alike at all. The then Secretary of State (Dean Rusk) cannot believe this was a mistake because it involved combined (air and naval) forces. The Israelis say they came out to find the ship that shelled the shore the previous day. Even a cub scout can tell you can not shell the shore 13 miles away with 4-50 caliber machine guns. The Israelis say they thought they had us on radar traveling at 30 knots. The top speed of the Liberty was 18 knots and the El Quseir was 14 knots. In fact the Liberty had not exceeded 5 knots while on its station. In addition a top secret State Department report (obtained through the Freedom of Information Act) claims the attack was not mistake. A Lt. Commander in the Judge Advocate Generals Office has written a paper seriously questioning the court of inquiry. The Israelis say no flag was flying. All the Liberty sailors topside claim it was. The Court found the flag must have hung limp on a windless day. The ships log (windage logged every half hour) stated there was 12 knots of wind. Only 8 knots are needed to fly a flag. Why did the White House deny the 6th fleet the opportunity to come to our aid?

Lyndon Johnson's book "The Vantage Point Perspectives of the Presidency 1963-1969" left the reader with the idea the attack resulted in 10 dead and a few wounded. This is a long way from 2/3 of the crew. Why was Captain McGonagle's Congressional Medal of Honor given to him in the Washington Naval Shipyard by the Secretary of the Navy instead of at the White House by the President like other recipients? Why did the headstone on our Mass Grave in Arlington (where six of my shipmates are buried) read, "Died in the Eastern Mediterranean". Only after confrontation was it changed to, "Killed aboard the USS Liberty". Political groups in Milwaukee, Wisconsin said that bringing up the name of the Liberty was anti-Semitic and the town of Grafton was wrong for naming a library after the ship.

This is Mr. Pageler's statement on this event. A compelling story that will continue when Mr. Pageler speaks to us at our February meeting.

EAGLE SCOUT SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST WINNER

Last November we had two entries in our Eagle Scout Scholarship contest. Davis Winsor was selected as the chapter winner. Davis will be attending our meeting this month to receive his medal and patches. February is Boy Scout Month as it was founded on February 8, 1910. So it is only appropriate that we celebrate by honoring Davis Winsor for this achievement during this month.

MASSING OF THE COLORS

Here is a message from our Commander, Jim Fosdyck.

Gentlemen,

The Massing of the Colors and Salute to our Armed Forces is a National Color Guard event. It is the largest celebration of its kind in the Western United States. This year's event(2018) will be the 36th annual celebration of George Washington's Birth and is sponsored by the Sons of Liberty Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution.

This upcoming event will begin at 3pm on Sunday February 18,2018 at the Hall of Liberty at Forest Lawn, Hollywood Hills, 6300 Forest Lawn Drive, Los Angeles.

All participants are requested to arrive one hour early (2pm.). NSSAR Color Guard Commander Mark Anthony will be in attendance. Please contact CASSAR Color Guard Commander Mark Kramer if you have any questions or concerns.

We look forward to your participation.

Jim Fosdyck

NSSAR Color Guard Vice-Commander



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Your editor has recently received a copy of the reconciliation report and has updated his lists,

which includes the list of birthdays for each month.

There are a few Compatriots that were missed and they are for December, Cameron Kazabee, Ethan Noell, Thomas Noell and Spencer Torres.

For January those missed included; Paul Garcia and Brett Benson.

My apologies for not having this information for those newsletters and the announcements contained therein.

For February we wish to recognize the following birthday boys. They are; Leonard Chapman, John Dodd, Paull Fellman, Mark Anthony, Douglas Crandall and Brandon Secrest. Happy Birthday one and all.

A NOTE FROM COMPATRIOT DAN HENRY

Hi gentlemen,

We are settling in our new apartment and adapting well to Tennessee weather. It was single digits the first few days and chilly even on the other days mixed with some snow days and a little rain but we are having a nice stretch of sunshine right now and very much enjoying it.

We are only maybe 3 miles off Interstate 40 just off 70S. Coming here our exit is the first exit at the edge of the city. You would not suspect it as until you exit you are driving through miles & miles of woods and farmland. But when exiting onto the 70S instantly you come into the western fringes of Nashville.

I attended the Lt. Andrew Crockett Chapter SAR meeting in nearby Franklin, TN. last Sunday. They seem to have a pretty active chapter, maybe not quite as the OC but pretty good. I already met the color guard commander and will begin participating in that soon. Most of their color guard events are in the spring and summer with the summer events done early in the day, gratefully.

They meet during 9 months of the year taking June, July, and August off.

I am uncertain who to contact at your end but I was told that you (chapter) need to send some form stating I was a member in good standing to either me that I can forward to the chapter president or whoever will process it. Of course I am a Life Member in the Calif.

Society so I will opt to be a dual chapter member. We got side tracked during the meeting but I would imaging that they will generate the dual member form for me.

Let me know if I should be contacting another person at the OCCSAR regarding the member status form.

I already miss my association you all at OC and emphatically remind all of you that if any of you make it out this way to Nashville to please let me know and I'll do my best to show you the best sights and enjoy some good Nashville BBQ.

Most Sincerely,

Dan Henry

CITIZENSHIP CERTIFICATE

At our December meeting Chaplain Richard Adams noted that the owner of his local donut shop was a Naturalized Citizen. I requested he get me (Jim Blauer) his name and date of Citizenship so that we could have him presented with the SAR Citizenship Certificate.

Sear Cheng was born February 1, 1961 in Phnom Penh, Cambodia to mother Pich Leng and father Cheng Lim Huot. He was the seventh among 10 children. In 1975, history took a tragic event that changed millions of lives, including Sear and his family.

A communist group known as the Khmer Kohom led by Pol Pot took control of the country, forced families out of their own homes, and traveled by foot into labor camps. It was a war zone. Doctors, lawyers, artists, educators, anyone who were deemed to be more educated were executed, others were tortured.

Those who managed to hide their true identity or occupation survived, but were forced amongst the rest of the people into hard labor, surviving with little or no food..

After four long years of war, as it was coming to an end, Sear Cheng and his family escaped to Chorom Thmey and eventually ended up in Kavvadang, Thailand. Unfortunately his father did not survive and was not able to join them. The family then got transferred to Myrot, then Chunburry, and finally ended up in the Philipines for three months, learning English before traveling as refugees into the United States.

In 1983 he arrived in Orange County California. He was a survivor, now in a completely new

country where he had to start his life from scratch. After such endeavors, Sear Cheng managed to work extremely hard, saved money, got married and opened a donut shop business with his wife, all the while taking care of his mother. He had two daughters and ran the business successfully enough to provide a nice home in a nice neighborhood for his family. His family never had to worry if there would be enough food on the table or a place to stay, because all his sacrifices and hard work paid off.

Because he was so focused on taking care of his family first, he finally became a citizen of the United States on September 26, 2008.

Sear Cheng is a very honest, genuine, and humanitarian person. He always puts others before him and always gives his best effort in anything he does.

He survived the Khmer Rouge, survived being in a new country starting out with nothing, and was able to create success for himself and his family and is now a proud grandfather of two little girls.

Amazing is an understatement. Sear Cheng is the epitome of great character, and is a true hero and role model for his family and those who know him.



LAGUNA BEACH PATRIOT'S DAY PARADE.

For over 20 years we have been in the Patriot's Day parade in Laguna Beach. We will continue this tradition as we walk down the streets of Laguna Beach with our 1931 Model A deluxe coupe driven by Dave Manning.

This will be on March 3, 2018. The parade begins at 11am so we need to be there between 10 and 10:30am. All Color Guards and members are welcome to join in this walk as it is mostly downhill. We do have a couple spaces in the car for those who would like to ride in the rumble seat to wave to the crowd.

This year as we have been in the past we are #24 in the line up. We will congregate in the Laguna Beach High School parking lot and will be at the parking space #24 as they are marked for this event.

For those planning to attend it is best you park in the Pepper tree parking lot, between Forest and Ocean streets. There are usually shuttles or just friendly locals who will give you a ride to the top where the high school and its parking lot are located. It is suggested if you can arrive by 10am and get parked you should have enough time to catch a ride to the parking lot. There is no parking up there for participants. If you have someone to drive you up they can then return to the parking lot below and see the parade from the parking lot.

You will find a map at the back of this newsletter for your use in figuring out your directions for getting there.

Those Color Guardsmen who will not be attending the Trustees meeting in Louisville that weekend are welcome to join us. If we have enough men with flags and rifles we might win one of the three places in the Color Guard Category.

Here is hoping for a good turnout and a fun day in Laguna Beach.

143rd ANNUAL SPRING MEETING

The 143rd Annual Spring Meeting of the California Society Sons of the American Revolution will take place April 19-21 at the Concord Hilton Hotel in Concord, California. It is being hosted by the Thomas Jefferson Chapter and the hotel is located at 1970 Diamond Blvd., Concord California 94520.

A special SAR room rate of \$144.00 (plus tax) per night (single or double) is available until March 27th. You can make your hotel reservations by calling 1-800-826-2644 and ask for reservations. Provide your arrival and departure dates and let the agent know you are with the Sons of the American Revolution Conference. The group code assigned is "AME".

If you wish, you can book your room on line. **Your web page address is:** http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/C/CONCHHF-AME-20180419/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG, select the dates required, look for the group Code Box and enter the group code "AME", then click on the continue button in the lower left hand corner.

If you have any concerns you can contact Yanta Battle (convention services manager) at 925-349-2638 or via email at yanta.battle@hilton.com.

Registration for this event is \$175.00 per person by March 1st. After March 1st the Registration fee will be \$190. This includes admission to all business meetings, Hospitality Room, Friday and Saturday Luncheons and the Saturday Gala Banquet.

The Registration form can be found at the state website, <http://www.californiasar.org/wp-content/uploads/143rd-CASSAR-Spring-Mtg-Registration.pdf> or at the back of this newsletter.

Checks should be made payable to Thomas Jefferson Chapter and mailed with the registration form to Stephen Renouf, 16123 Paseo Del Campo, San Lorenzo, CA 94580. If you have any questions contact Derek Brown at DptyDeke@yahoo.com or call 925-285-4792.

Meal choices for the 2 luncheon and banquet are;

Friday Public Service Luncheon 1) Lemon Grilled Chicken or 2) Vegetarian Lasagna.

Saturday Youth Luncheon 1) Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad or 2) Vegetarian wrap.

Saturday Banquet 1) Beef, 2) Chicken, or 3) Vegetarian option.

We hope you will make plans to join your fellow Compatriots and their family members for this special CASSAR event.

Hope to see you there.

DONALD PETER "PETE" MORIARTY

January 26, 1935-February 4, 2017



Donald Peter "Pete" Moriarty was born on January 26, 1935 in Alexandria Virginia to Donald P. and Catherine G. (Stafford Moriarty). He earned a bachelor's degree in economics from Louisiana State University in 1957 and a master's degree in history from Florida Atlantic University, 1973, later indulging in additional study in patristics at Keble College of Oxford University in England. He received his diploma from the United States Army Commander and General Staff college in 1977.

Pete entered the United States Army in 1957 as a second Lieutenant. He advanced through the various grades so that at his retirement in 1980 he was a Lieutenant Colonel of Artillery. He served in Vietnam. He was an artillery officer from 1957 to 1974. He headed the tactical plans section of the Army Air Defense Command at Darmstadt, Federal Republic of Germany from 1975-1977. He served as Director of the Command, Control Communications & Intelligence Division, Army Air Defense Center, Fort Bliss, Texas, 1977-1980. He retired from this last station in 1980, returning to civilian life.

In civilian life Pete Moriarty became a senior system engineer for the Hughes Aircraft Company, Fullerton, California from 1980-1982. He was a manager engineer in the design department from 1982-1984. He was the lead system engineer, from 1980-1983. He was project manager from 1984-1990. He was coordinator strategic defense initiative program system division, 1985-1987. He was manager tactical defense and command control program system division, 1987-1995. He was

manager of advanced systems programs from 1990-1995. He retired in 1995. From 1977-79 he was the United States Army representative to tactical airpower committee North Atlantic Treaty Organization Headquarters, Brussels, Belgium. From 1978-1980 he worked with the tri-service group on air defense. During this same period he also worked with the air defense electronic equipmentcom.

An ardent genealogist, he has published a number of manuscripts in the Louisiana Genealogical Register. He became interested in the Orleans Light Horse in the late 1960s while compiling the story of his great-grandfather, William Ambrose Moriarty, a member of that cavalry troop. When he found it virtually impossible to locate any meaningful information on the Light Horse, he decided to compile that unit's history himself, coaxing from disparate sources a story hidden for 150 years.

His memberships included; Parade Chairman for the South Florida Fair Association, West Palm Beach, 1971. Was the Staff Commissioner of the Boy Scouts of America in Kaiserlautern, Federal Republic of Germany from 1974-1976. He served as senior warden of the Episcopal Church in Kaiserlautern in 1975, In Wiesbaden in 1977 and in Placentia, California from 1985-88.

He was president of the Episcopal Synod of America since 1993. He was a National Trustee of St. Jude's Ranch for Children since 1994 and was a Fellow of the American College of Genealogists.

He was also a member of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, Association United States Army, Armed Forces Committee-Elect Association, American Electronics Association, Sons of the American Revolution, General Society of Mayflower Descendants, and Phi Alpha Theta.

He is survived by his wife Diana, son Donald P., III and daughter Erin.

Services are pending.

REST IN PEACE



ENTER LAGUNA BEACH from the north via Laguna Canyon Road/Broadway (CA 133) or via Coast Highway (CA 1). From the south go via Coast Highway. Your ASSEMBLY AREA is indicated in the enclosed letter. Enter STAGING AREA as early as possible—the Parade Route is closed at approximately 10:30 a.m.

To reach the FOOTBALL FIELD: (From south) Coast Highway to Thalia Street signal, go right to Wilson stop sign. Turn left on Wilson to unloading area. (From North) Coast Highway, turn left at Cleo Street signal, go via El Bosque to the Unloading Area. To reach the PARKING LOT: Coast Highway to Legion Street signal. Turn right one block to Glenneyre, turn left to Park Avenue, then turn right to the High School Parking Lot. AVOID LEGION STREET above Glenneyre; it will be congested with horses.

PREJUDGING for Autos at 8:30 a.m. in their staging areas.

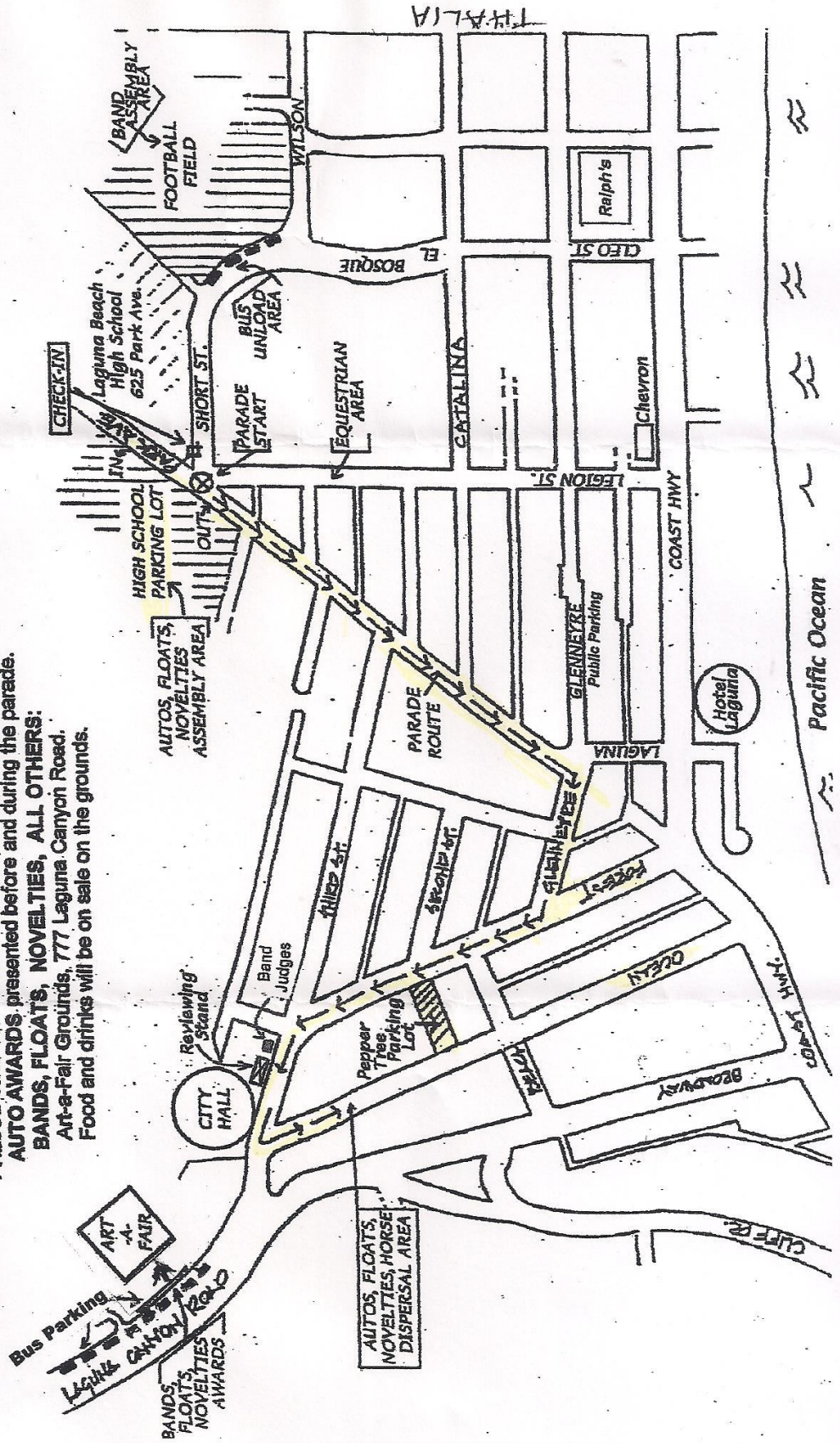
AUTO AWARDS presented before and during the parade.

BANDS, FLOATS, NOVELTIES, ALL OTHERS:

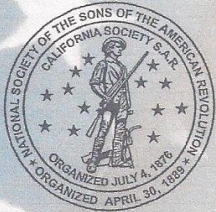
Art-a-Fair Grounds, 777 Laguna Canyon Road.

Food and drinks will be on sale on the grounds.

NOTES FOR BUS AND TRUCK DRIVERS:
Football Field routing OK for all long wheel base busses. After unloading, go via Parade Route to parking / reloading area along Laguna Canyon Road. **NO BACKING OR TURNAROUNDS ARE NECESSARY VIA THESE ROUTES.** Please comply with police and marshaler guidance.



Laguna Beach Patriots Day Parade



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of the

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April 19 – 21, 2018

Hosted by the Thomas Jefferson Chapter

Concord Hilton Hotel

1970 Diamond Blvd., Concord, CA 94520

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Meeting Reservation Form

Name: _____ Spouse/Guest: _____

Chapter: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

City/Zip: _____ Email: _____

Arriving: _____ Thurs, Apr 19 _____ Fri, Apr 20 _____ Sat, Apr 21

Registration is \$175.00 per person by March 1, 2018 or \$190 after March 1. The Registration Fee includes Admission to all Business Meetings, Hospitality Room, Friday and Saturday luncheons, and the Saturday Gala Dinner Banquet.

Number of Registrants: _____ @ \$175 Late Registrations _____ @ \$190 Total: _____

Non-registered Friday Luncheon: _____ @ \$55 each

Non-registered Saturday Luncheon: _____ @ \$55 each

Non-registered Gala Dinner Banquet _____ @ \$75 each

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

Checks should be payable to **THOMAS JEFFERSON CHAPTER** and mailed with this registration form to:

Stephen Renouf, 16123 Paseo del Campo, San Lorenzo, CA 94580

Questions? Contact Derek at DptyDeke@yahoo.com or 925-285-4792 (cell)

Please mark your meal choices:

Fri. Public Service Luncheon

- Lemon Grilled Chicken
- Vegetarian Lasagna

Sat. Youth Luncheon

- Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad
- Vegetarian Wrap

Sat. Gala Dinner Banquet

- Beef
- Chicken
- Vegetarian Option

Photo Album

January 13, 2018

Chapter Meeting



At our January meeting as is the custom, several awards were handed out. Above, Mark Torres, Gus Fischer, John Ferris and Dan McKelvie are presented the Bronze Roger Sherman medal for service to our chapter by President David Beall.



The next set of Awards was for years of Service. Kent Gregory—10 years, Danny Cox and Richard Adams—15 years and the Rt. Rev, Lou Carlson and Charles Beal—20 years. Presented by President David Beall.



At left, Brenda Torres and at right, Elizabeth Beall receive the Martha Washington Medal and Certificate.

This for their service to the chapter.



At right, Lee's Legion Commander Jim Fosdyck presents Mark Torres and Larry Hansen with the Bronze Baron Von Steuben Color Guard Medal.

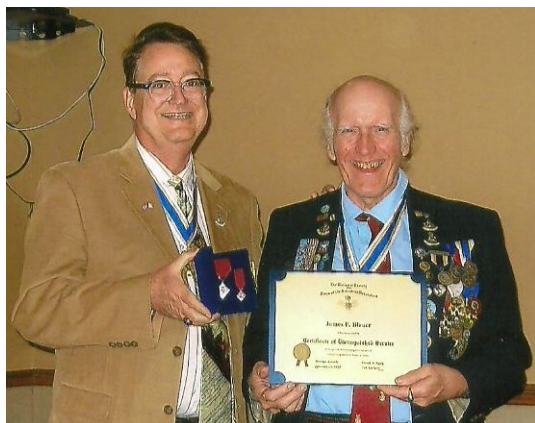


Jim Fosdyck presents Dan McMillan with the Military Service Medal.

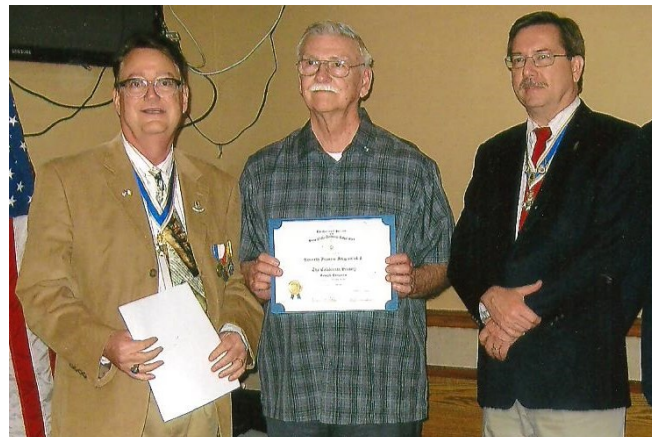
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January 13, 2018

Meeting



President David Beall presented Jim Blauer the chapter's Distinguished Service medal and Certificate for his over 35 years of service to the chapter.



Our newest member Kenneth Fitzpatrick (center) was installed by President David Beall. The rosette was pinned on by Kent Gregory who sponsored Kenneth into the society.



Compatriot Clifford Hope received two supplemental certificates for ancestors Captain Joseph Blew and Edward Blump.



Compatriot John Ferris received a supplemental for his ancestor Arthur Beatty.

At our meeting on the 10th our chapter's charter will be draped as it is at the right to remember fellow Compatriot Donald Peter "Pete" Moriarty.

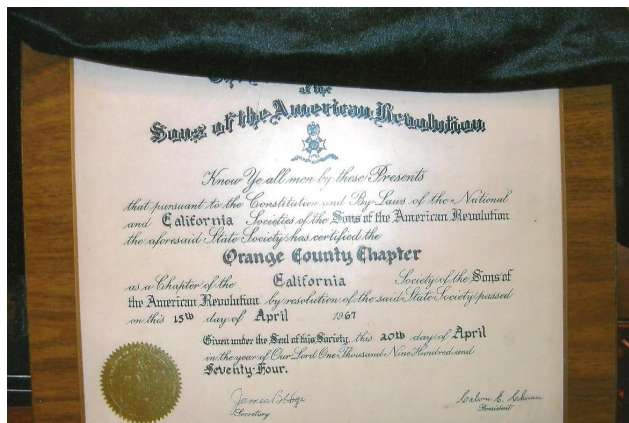


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Meeting



Having already sworn in the chapter officers, State President Jim Fosdyck swore in Gus Fischer as the President of the chapter for 2018.



As part of the inaugural ceremonies, outgoing president David Beall presents incoming President Gus Fischer with the gavel of authority.



As the newly installed President, Gus Fisher then presented David Beall with the Past President's Pin and Certificate.