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MEETING INFORMATION

When June 8, 2019
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 Compatriots,

June 8th is our next meeting. The month of June had many memorable events leading up to and during the Revolutionary War. June 29, 1767 Charles Townshend presented a series of acts to Parliament to raise revenue on the British colonies. The Seven Years War had left the crown struggling with war debt. June 9, 1772 The Sons of Liberty burned the HMS Gaspee tasked with enforcing customs laws for the crown in Rhode Island. 1775, on June 17 the British took the field in Boston and attacked Continental forces on Breed's Hill. Continental forces moved from Bunker Hill to Breed's Hill after learning of the British plan to take the high ground in Boston. The battle that ensued became known as the Battle of Bunker Hill.

June 29, 1776 the Battle of Turtle Gut Inlet occurred. The Continental brig Nancy was cornered by three British ships in Turtle Gut Inlet with a cargo of gunpowder and other supplies. The Nancy was unloaded and blown up on orders of Captain John Barry "Father of the American Navy." The Battle of Short Hills took place on June 26, 1777. Howe marched two columns of troops out in an attempt to cut Washington off from the high ground. These troops skirmished with Lord Stirling's (Brigadier General William Alexander) troops, and eventually engaged in close combat at Scotch Plains, New Jersey. Stirling's outnumbered force retreated, but Washington, alerted to the British movement, had by then retreated back into the hills. June 1778 the British leave Philadelphia and on the 28th the Battle of Monmouth took place. 1780, June 6th -23rd the Battles of Connecticut farms and Springfield stopped the British invasion of New Jersey ending major fighting in the North.



On May 25th your Chapter Color Guard marched in the City of Garden Grove

Strawberry Festival Parade. Upon its conclusion as is tradition the color guard had lunch together. While at lunch members of a high school ROTC that had participated in the parade came into the restaurant. One of these gentlemen proudly wore a Bronze ROTC Medal he received from the Orange County Chapter SAR on his uniform. Thank you to all of our members who make the youth programs so successful.

I have sent out an email about the SAR Foundation Ad on behalf of compatriot John Dodd. The SAR Foundation Ad is a worthy endeavor if you are able to contribute please due, no amount is too small, and you can also stretch it out and make monthly payments. I know many compatriots are on a fixed income, myself included.

The speaker for our next meeting is Jill Colleen Sinclair Belanger; her Presentation is “Alexander Hamilton & Mrs.”

2019 will be an exciting year for our chapter with the 129th National Congress in July. We will need help from everyone to make it a success. Please volunteer as much time as you can spare, who knows you might make new friends or meet relatives you never knew you had. There will be a complimentary volunteer lunch on Friday the 5th and all volunteers will receive a special polo shirt. If you wish to volunteer please contact Dr. Kent Gregory for more information. drkentgregory@earthlink.net

If you are interested in joining the color guard let myself or Jim Fosdyck know and we will give you all the information to put to gather uniform or period clothing. You can start out inexpensively and add to your wardrobe slowly. The chapter color guard attends numerous events throughout the year please show your support and plan on attending an event this year. Color guard information is listed on the Chapter website. orangecountysar.org

We are also looking for several Chairman Positions to be filled. The Publicity Chair & Spirit of America Award Chair if you are interested please contact me.

There are no meetings during the months of July and August. Please plan on attending a color guard event in July and the Chapter Picnic in August.

Yours in patriotism your humble servant,
Mark Torres

SPEAKER

JILL COLLEEN SINCLAIR BELANGER

Our speaker for our June meeting will be Jill Colleen Sinclair Belanger. Her Presentation will be on Alexander Hamilton and Mrs. She has been a member of the DAR since 2002.



She has compiled and published a booklet titled “DAR Committees - National, State, and Chapter Societies.” Her DAR involvement has been as chair of Flag of USA, American History Essay Contest, Historian, Mojave Chapter 85th Anniversary, DAR magazine, Mojave Monitor newsletter, Programs, 1st Vice Regent, Mojave Chapter, Regent for two terms, Parliamentarian, State Speakers Staff, VIS Chairman, setting up and maintaining the Mojave chapter web site, Facebook public & closed group pages; and is currently the CMR – Chapter Master Report / Chapter Achievement Award Chair for the State of California.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For the month of June we send out birthday greeting to the following Compatriots; Dwight Bew, Ted Carlson, Mark Estrada, James Harde- man, Terry Hodgden, Robert Kazabee, Phillip Mitchell, Harry Pettibone, Billy Utley and Jon

Vreeland.

THE LAFAYEETE VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD

At a recent meeting Compatriot Clifford Hope was presented the Lafayette Volunteer Service Award. This was earned by Clifford having assisted in the editing of the Patriot Biographies for the National website.

It started in late 2017 when I submitted a biography of an ancestor for publication in the Patriot Research System. After viewing the submitted biography, I wasn't completely pleased with the way it was formatted; it was formatted differently than my original document, and being a stickler for detail, especially in writing, I asked Dennis Boyer or Fred Olive if I could edit it. Since I wasn't in the system, I couldn't gain access. Dennis asked me how I wanted it edited and went ahead and fixed it up somewhat to my liking. We, Dennis Boyer, Fred Olive, and myself communicated via email several times, and it appeared that they could use some help editing Patriot biographies for submission in the Patriot Research System.

Being a retired English teacher with a lot of editing experience, I offered my assistance, and it was accepted. I was eventually entered into the system, after some glitches, and began editing Patriot biographies beginning around December, 2017. I currently edit and submit on average about one biography a day.

And that explains how Compatriot Hope was awarded this honor.

If you are interested in helping out with this project contact Dennis Boyer (deboyer39@gmail.com) and let him know you wish to help with this project.

SAR Foundation

Due to the importance of getting the word out with Congress fast approaching your editor

has decided to repeat this article from last month. Please give this serious consideration.

Compatriots: We are requesting assistance with a special project for the SAR Foundation in preparation for Congress. One of the goals for the Foundation is to seek support from individuals, corporations and foundations outside our SAR family. We are seeking to identify those who would be interested in current donations and, almost more importantly, to raise awareness among those who may wish to leave a bequest in a will or trust to the Foundation to achieve the long-term goal of funding the endowment for the SAR Educational Center and Museum. It is important we educate the public at large concerning the important work we are doing.

To that end, the Foundation is placing the attached ad (see page 7) in the Daily Pilot in June to bring this important project to the public's attention. This will require in the neighborhood of \$4,000, depending on the number of weeks and if we also fund an associated "banner ad" in the Times. We have chosen the Pilot because of the financial demographic of the beach communities. We are doing this now because the national officers and Foundation board members all will be in Orange County in July for Congress, available to meet with prospective donors.

Your executive committee has authorized up to \$1,000.00 to support this effort. Other O. C. Chapter members have pledged an additional \$1,000, and we secured \$1,700 in pledges from other SAR members from around the state at the recent meeting in Ventura. Please consider adding your contribution to this effort, whether that be \$50, \$100, \$250, \$500, or any amount. If we raise more than the minimum required, we will add weeks to the ad placement. To that end, the attached pledge form (page 8) will be circulated at the May chapter meeting. Feel free to fill it out ahead of time. You are also welcome to keep the amount of your donation confidential; just include your email address and add, "email me" for the amount.

I will not be at the meeting as I will be on the way to the SAR Scotland trip. The funds will be collected in May, most probably by checks made payable to the SAR Foundation, but we are exploring credit card contributions via the Foundation website. For more information on the Foundation and the Education Center, please check the link below. Thank you for considering this important request.

John Dodd, Foundation Board

<https://www.sarfoundation.org>

COLOR GUARD ACTIVITIES

The month of May was a busy month for our Color Guard. Below you will find the events we participated in

FIELD OF HONOR

On May 17th and 18th your Lee's Legion Color Guard as well as some from other chapters joined us for the Field of Honor ceremonies on these days.

The first day the 17th your Lee's Legion Color Guard presented the Colors for those in attendance to do the Pledge of Allegiance.

This was a special day as children were bussed in from local elementary schools for this program.

Those in attendance on Friday the 17th were; Jim Blauer, Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, Jim Klingler, John Ferris, Kenny Brining (Bunker Hill Group), Mark & Brenda Torres, John Blake, Matt Noell, Brian Stephens (Riverside Chapter), Christopher Keene, Dan, Sloane and Blythe Shippey, Dan McMillan, Jonathan Martin (Bunker Hill Group), and Bob Taylor (Gen. George Patton, Jr. Chapter).

On Saturday the 18th they had the Marines present the Colors and our Color Guard was the Honor Guard. They had several speakers that day.

Those who attended the Saturday event were; Jim Blauer, Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, John Blake, Julie Bruton, Dan McMillan, Paul Garcia, Mark & Brenda Torres, Mark & Joann Kra-

mer (Riverside Chapter), Bob & Darian Taylor (Gen. George S. Patton Chapter), and Larry Wood.

The event always starts on the Friday of Armed Forces Weekend and goes through Memorial Day, so you have plenty of chances to get out and see the display of 1776 flags the Newport Harbor Exchange Club has put up.

You may want to make a note so that you can place it on your calendar for next year.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL PARADE

On May 25th your Lee's Legion Color Guard members appeared in the Strawberry Festival Parade.

Kent Gregory, Mark Torres, Jim Klingler, John Blake and Larry Hansen marched in the parade. Kent & Larry were the rifle men while Mark carried the American Flag, Jim carried the California Flag and John carried the SAR Flag. You will find a photo of this parade on page 14, at the bottom.

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

On May 27, 2019 your SAR Chapter was out in full force to honor our war dead.

The Tri-City Memorial Day Observance is hosted by the cities of Santa Ana, Orange and Tustin. Civic groups and veteran organization come together for this observance every year.

Those from our chapter who attended either as Color Guard or as support were; Jim Blauer, Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, Jim Klingler, Charles Beal, Mark & Brenda Torres, John Blake, Julie Bruton, Larry Hansen, Kent Gregory, Larry & Sharon Wood, Dan & Karen McKelvie and Eugene & Charmella Secrest.

The Color Guard posted the Colors with the other service groups who participate in this ceremony.

The Orange High School Chamber Singers were there to add music to the ceremonies. The Civil War battery was there and shot off several rounds of cannon fire during the ceremo-

nies. There were several members from local cities who spoke. You had the recitation or reading of General Order #11 by General John Logan that established Memorial Day Observance on May 30th in 1868, the poem "In Flanders Fields" from WWI, and the Gettysburg Address.

We also had the wreath laying. The Color Guard escorted Compatriot Eugene & Charmella Secrest to the Civil War Monument where they placed the wreath from our chapter. See page 16 for photos of this event.

NHHS MEMORIAL SERVICE

For 29 years the Newport Harbor High School has held a memorial service to recognize those alumni who died in service to our country. From WWII to present there are now 39 men who are recognized this year.

For almost 20 years Compatriot Jim Blauer, who is from the class of 1970, has been doing the National Anthem at this ceremony. He was asked to do this once again.

Many of the students are let out of class to go to this service which is held in the front of the auditorium by the School Flag Pole. The ceremonies include a speaker from the military and a reading of the names and a ringing of the bell after each name is read. They also have a bagpiper, Kevin Weed, who plays "Amazing Grace".

This year a new name was added to that list. It was recently found that Stephen Wayne Lucia who graduated from the class of 1966 was killed in Vietnam. He will now be remembered by his fellow Sailors at Newport Harbor High School.

The public came out to attend and ceremonies began at 10am. Members of the Newport Beach Police and Fire were on hand for the ceremonies as were many alumni and service men and women. There were also 6 graduating seniors who will be reporting for duty after graduation. One for the Navy and the other 5 for the Marines.

JROTC AWARD PRESENTATIONS

There were several presentations this month and they included the following;

May 2nd Gus Fischer attended the Anaheim High School JROTC Awards ceremonies. Cadet Joseph Rocha was absent, but a photo was sent. See page 10.

Also on May 2nd Gus presented Brandon Bae from the Troy High School Navy JROTC his award.

On May 7th Seth Kronick of the Sonora High School Army JROTC received the award.

On May 8th Frank Alfaro received our Award. Gus Fischer had planned to make the presentation but could not find any parking and had to return home. In his place Glen Roosevelt from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War made the presentation for us. See page 10 photos.

On May 10th Gus presented Angel Cruz of the Orange High School Marine JROTC his award.

Also on May 10th Ehren Smith of the Fullerton High School Army JROTC received his Award.

On May 16th Isaac Cabrera from the La Habra High School Navy JROTC received our award.

On May 17th David Martinez of the Santiago High School Army JROTC received our award. Photo on page 11.

The last one for the month of May was presented on May 24th to Joshua Cobena of the Pacifica High School Navy JROTC.

We are still waiting for photos from the schools for the presentations made to Ehren Smith, Isaac Cabrera and Joshua Cabena. Your editor hopes to have them for the September newsletter.

So, as you can see May was a very busy month for the chapter.

CONGRESS REGISTRATION

For those of you who plan to attend and actively participate in the upcoming Congress, the Registration form is now on line.

Go to www.sar.org. Hit the "Menu" and follow the drop down to "Events", click on "Congress information". That takes you to the Congress screen. Follow the sidebar of items down to Con-

gress Registration. Hit the “**Registration is Open**” at the top above **Users guide to Registering for Congress**.

This will take you into the Registration page. Start by filling out your National # and then go down to fill in the Registrant Information.

Fill in any information in the boxes that follow that are pertinent.

As you scroll down to the Choose Your Tickets and Functions, click on the Registration ticket. A drop down will appear and list those items included in the \$325 registration fee.

To the right you will find a list of the items for the Congress that you may wish to participate in besides what is included in the main ticket. Select the items you wish to participate in. They are as follows;

- 1) Congress Reports Booklet \$20.00
- 2) Huntington Library Tour \$60.00
- 3) Air Museum/Nixon Library \$80.00
- 4) Host Society Reception included
- 5) Color Guard Breakfast \$45.00
- 6) Memorial Service included
- 7) First Lady’s Tea \$0.00
- 8) Council of State
Presidents Breakfast \$45.00
- 9) Youth Awards Luncheon included
- 10)—15) regional breakfasts
- 16) Ladies Luncheon \$65.00
- 17) GWEF & VPGs Luncheon \$71.00
- 18) PGs Luncheon(PGs Only)
- 19) Pres. General’s Banquet included
- 20) Donors Recognition Breakfast \$45.00
- 21) Capistrano Mission Tour \$90.00
- 22) Installation Banquet included
- 23) Reagan Library Tour \$80.00

You do not have to add anything to the original four items when you register. So your base price if you register will be \$325.00

All your selections will total up at the bottom. You should read the “Cancellation & Reimbursement Policy”, click the box at the bottom of the page and confirm.

Once confirmed it will take you into the payment form where you will enter your credit card to pay for the items you have selected.

I would suggest you print out a copy of the final tally for your selections. That way if they miss something you can show them from your copy.

SUMMER PICNIC

On page 7 you will find the flyer for this years Summer Picnic.

This our 3rd annual Barbeque/picnic will once again be held at shelter #1 at Mile Square park. This year it will be on Saturday August 10th and will run from 10:30am to 5pm. If you wish to arrive early to help with set up that would be appreciated.

Please advise Jim & Un Hui Fosdyck (jfosdyck@sbcglobal.net) what you plan to bring so we do not get too much of one item. Hot dogs, burgers, buns, condiments and beverages will be provided by the chapter.

Bring your chairs, blankets, umbrellas or Gazeboes (to keep the hot sun at bay) and your dish and join us for a fun day with our Compatriots and their families.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES



We have covered the Congress and the picnic in detail, but there is still more.

On Friday June 28th the Color Guard will present the Colors at the Garden Grove Car Show on Main Street at 5pm.

On the 3rd of July there is the city of Orange Patriotic Program. That will begin at 7pm on Wednesday night.


On July 4th there will be three activities and we may be joined by Compatriots from other parts of the country for the parades. Some will arrive early for Congress to join us in one or more of these events.

There is the Lake Forest July 4th Parade, the July 4th Huntington Beach Parade which is locally televised and the evening has the Let Freedom Ring ceremonies in Cerritos where our Color Guard presents the Colors for the opening ceremonies. Let’s get out and have a fun Summer.




Orange County Chapter
Sons of the American
Revolution OCCSAR

3rd Annual Picnic
Saturday August 10, 2019
10:30AM - 5:00PM



Mile Square Park Shelter #1
(Enter from Euclid Blvd. at
Whitney St.)



Parking Fee \$5:00
Bring your favorite dish.
Hamburgers, Hotdogs, condiments
& beverages will be provided



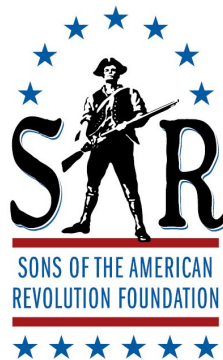
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Become an
Uncommon Word?
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Sons of the American Revolution
and the SAR Foundation
are working to change that.

We Need Your Help.

Join us as we complete and endow the
SAR Education Center and Museum.
The SAR Education Center and Museum
will safeguard the future, and honor America's
revolutionary past for generations to come.

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JROTC Awards



JROTC Awards season is here. On May 2nd awards were presented to At left, Joseph Rocha from Anaheim High School Navy JROTC Program.

At right, on May 2nd, Brandon Bae from Troy High School Navy JROTC received our SAR JROTC Award.



Below left, On May 7 at Sonora High School, Seth Kronick received our SAR JROTC Award.

At right, Lt Col Hans Hunt presented the chapter with a Certificate of Appreciation



At left, on May 8th Frank Alfaro from Santa Ana High School Navy JROTC Program received our medal and Certificate. Glen Roosevelt made the presentation for Gus Fischer.

At Right, On May 10th JROTC Chairman Gus Fischer presented Angel Cruz, Orange HS Marine Corps, with our SAR JROTC Award.





Gus Fischer makes the presentation of the SARJROTC Award to David Martinez, Santiago HS Army JROTC on May 17th.

At right—Mark Torres and Kent Gregory attended Carrillo Elementary School in Garden Grove on May 31st. They took the Patriot Chest and as you can see here Kent is putting his teaching skills to use.



Diane Stephens, wife of Brian the Executive Vice-President of the state, gives her program on Dolley Madison to our May Chapter meeting attendees.



Below Diane receives our Certificate of Appreciation from President Mark Torres for speaking to our chapter this month.

Clifford Hope is presented the Lafayette Volunteer Service Medal and Certificate.





John Blake is surprised by the QRF presentation of a Quilt for his service to our country.

At left Karen Richard and Un Hui Yi Fosdyck unfold the quilt to display it for John.



Above, the quilt is in full display with Karen and Un Hui holding up the sides as John displays his Certificate from the QRF.

Below John in all his excitement gives Karen Richards a thank you hug.



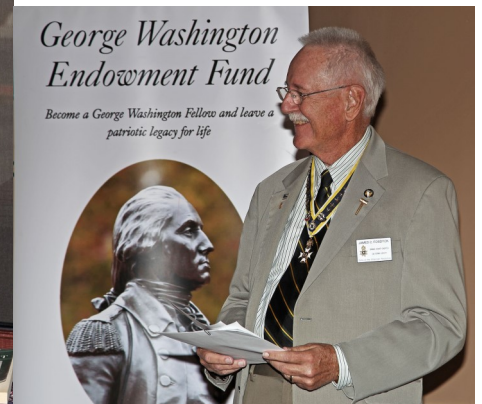
Below, with John Dodd and Kent Gregory over on the SAR Scotland Tour, Lou Carlson takes the reins and conducts the Ben Franklin Raffle. Members brought a lot of good prizes for the day.



Above—Commander Jim Fosdyck congratulates President Mark Torres on having been named California SAR Colorguardsman of the year.



Below Jim Fosdyck speaks about the George Washington Endowment Fund.





Above left—Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck received an invitation to attend the Air Force Academy graduation from soon to be 2nd Lieutenant Cameron Hoover. Cameron was the State Winner of our JROTC Enhanced contest several years ago and opted for the Air Force. Lt. Hoover will be attending flight school in Texas.

Above right—Lt. Hoover (Center) at graduation ceremonies.

Below left— Jim with Lt. Hoover

Below right—Cadet Hoover receives his Lt. shoulder emblems



California Colorguardsman of the Year Page



Compatriot Mark Torres Speaks at the Western Shores DAR Chapter Youth Awards ceremony on May 4th.

May 14th Compatriot Mark Torres presents the Outstanding Citizenship Award to Benjamin James at Cypress High School. Ben is an Eagle Scout and will be attending Notre Dame University in the fall, where he will be majoring in pre-med studies.



May 20th Compatriot Mark Torres presents the Outstanding Good Citizenship Award to Gladys Venegas at John F. Kennedy High School she will be attending Yale University in the Fall.



On Friday May 17th Orange County Chapter's Lee's Legion presented the colors at the opening ceremonies for the Field of Honor.

Above left— they march in.

Above right—They present the Colors

At Left—George Washington (Dan Shippey) with his Colors bearer(Dan McMillan).



Above—Saturday May 18th, Mark Kramer, State Commander, (Riverside), Jim Blauer. Bob Taylor (General George Patton, Jr.), Jim Klingler, Dan McMillan, Mark Torres and Jim Fosdyck acted as Honor Color Guard for the Marines who presented the Colors.

At left—May 25th The Strawberry Festival Parade. We have Kent Gregory, Mark Torres, Jim Klingler, John Blake and Larry Hansen participating.

MEMORIAL DAY
MAY 27, 2019



On Monday May 27th our Color Guard once again appeared at the Old Santa Ana Cemetery for the Tri-Cities Memorial Day services.

At left Jim Klingler and Jim Blauer prepare to present the Colors

At right Lee's Legion is lined up ready to go. Kent Gregory, Dan McKelvie, Mark Torres, Jim Blauer, Jim mKlingler John Blake, Larry Wood and Larry Hansen.



Above Left— The Color Guard moves out to post the Colors. Above right Commander Fosdyck prepared the Color Guard to present the wreath from our chapter. Below left—The Color Guard proceeded to the Civil War Monument where Eugene and Charmella Secrest present the wreath as the Color Guard acts as escort. Below Right the Color Guard moves out after the presentation of the wreath.

