



Muskets & Broadsword

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MEETING INFORMATION

When: APRIL 14, 2007

Where: The Sizzler Restaurant
1401 North Harbor Blvd.
Fullerton, CA

Time: Set up and Social begins at 11:00am

Meeting: Called to Order at 11:30am

Website: www.orangecountysar.org

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Compatriots, here we are again approaching our April meeting. Let me first report that our chapter did indeed man the booth for the American Heritage Education Foundation (AHEF) at the Association for Supervision & Curriculum Development (ASCD) conference on March 17th & 18th at the Anaheim Convention Center. On Saturday the 17th we had a good turnout with Jim & Sue Shadwick including Jim in full uniform, John Dodd, Jim Oakes, Jim Blauer & myself. The afternoon shift was covered by Jim Blauer & myself but as the afternoon was much slower it was an easy task. Sunday I covered it by myself most of the day although my daughters Kathryn & Candice helped out for a couple of hours. Again it was much slower than we had on Saturday morning so it was an easy day. I should also add that Al Bayse & Jim Wallace had also signed up to help as back up but we were able to handle the flow and let them relax & enjoy their weekend. Thank you all. We passed out well over 500 Early American Educational CD's for educators to use to enhance & add to their lesson plans. Jack & Angela Kamrath from the AHEF sent word of their thanks for our participation & efforts. We also handed out 200 flyers of SAR educational & youth contests as well.

April has several notable dates to remember of which I am only mentioning a few such as the midnight ride of Paul Revere & friends & the call to arms & the short but courageous stand at Lexington & Concord on April 19th 1775. On April 7, 1776. Captain John Barry, commander of the sloop of war *Lexington*, makes the first U.S. Navy capture of a British warship, the sloop *Edward*, under battle conditions. On April 22 & 23 1778 John Paul Jones leads a detachment from the U.S.S. Ranger on an American naval raid on Whitehaven, England

setting 3 ships on fire while also spiking the guns of two forts protecting the port. Later in the day, Jones attempts to capture the Earl of Selkirk at St. Mary's Isle, but fails. These only American assaults during the Revolution on the British Isles lead to consternation in Parliament. Last but not least, The Battle of Camden, S.C. on April 25th 1781 & more.

Remember the upcoming 132nd Spring Annual Meeting of the California State Society at the Hacienda Hotel at LAX on April 20th & 21st. Late registration is \$125.00 so you can still sign up as that is still only \$10.00 more than the early registration deadline back on March 15th.

This chapter enjoys a fairly large membership and I'd like to encourage all of us who are able to attend or participate in our various activities & experience at least one or two activities a year besides our monthly meetings. Have you ever marched or rode in a car in a parade representing our ancestors as SAR participants with flags waving & people cheering not just for us being there but for who we represent, those that went before who by their patriotic service & support gave us this great nation. Think about it and just try it once & experience the Massing of the Colors event or the 4th of July parade. You can even ride & don't have to walk it, you actually might enjoy it. If you allow yourself to, you just might sense the pride, the spirit of your ancestors nodding in humble appreciation as thankful & proud Americans line up to show their thanks through their cheers & flag waving & attendance. Most of us have not done anything specifically to earn the right to ride & march just because we are SAR but its that we march for them so they & their accomplishments are not forgotten well over 200 years after they lived, struggled & bled to lay the groundwork.

Respectfully.

Dan Henry

SPEAKER BILL NELSON

I am pleased to introduce Bill Nelson as our April meeting speaker. Bill will be presenting the story of his ancestor Pvt. Jacob Jackson who served in both the Heavy & also the Light Colored Artillery during the Civil War. Of course this has no relation to the American Revolution but it will give us an intriguing insight to a part of our history that we rarely give thought to. Black patriots served in large numbers in the Civil War & it made me look a little closer at blacks who came to the aid of our patriot cause. They were not always eager participants since most were enslaved & served as labor troops. Some did fight under arms, some even as freedmen. I've read that at least 5,000 to as many as 15,000 African-Americans served in the American Revolution. Vastly more in the Civil War. I've heard & seen Bill's presentation and I know he'll be well received & very interesting.

Bill Nelson is the 2007 President of the Pacific West Association of REALTORS®, with over 15,000 members it is the largest REALTORS® association in California and the fifth largest in the country. Currently a REALTOR® with Signature Properties of Orange County in Orange, Nelson began his real estate career seven years ago after more than 25 years as senior financial manager for ARCO and Southern California Gas Company. Nelson has served as a Director of the Pacific West Association of REALTORS since 2004, serving as the organization's Secretary/Treasurer in 2005 and as President-Elect in 2006. He serves in a number of key regional, state and national real estate leadership positions including director of the California Association of REALTORS® (CAR) and the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR).

Nelson serves as a trustee of the Orange County Cemetery District, is a director of the Grand Jurors Association of Orange County and member of the Villa Park Investment Advisory Committee. He also previously served as a member of the Orange County Grand Jury from 2002-2003.

A graduate of California State University, Dominguez Hills, Nelson holds a B.A. in Economics and an M.B.A. in finance from the University of Southern California. Bill and his wife Eula reside in Villa Park, CA and they have four adult children.

LAGUNA BEACH PATRIOT'S DAY PARADE

The Laguna Beach Patriot's Day Parade was attended by Jim Blauer, Dan Henry and Lou & Karen Carlson. Though short on bodies we were filled with the spirit. Lou obtained a very nice convertible which we decorated with bows and some of the flags. President Dan Henry led off our entry(#19) carrying the Banner. He was followed by Jim Blauer, who in his Revolutionary War Uniform carried the American Flag. Bringing up the rear were Lou and Karen. Lou drove the convertible and Karen sat on the top of the back seat surrounded with flags. It was a perfect day for the parade as the sun was shining and there was a slight breeze off the ocean that would catch the flags and make them flutter in the wind. We missed our Antique Auto this year and so did the judges, who made note of the missing 1931 Model A. The down hill walk went very quickly. The parade started at 11am and since we were early in the parade at #19 we were finished by 11:35am. We hope that there are members out there and their spouses and children who may wish to join us next year. Note on your calendars that is the first Saturday of March.

AMERICAN HERITAGE EDUCATION FOUNDATION

In late February we learned of the American Heritage Education Foundation (AHEF) and the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD), when President Dan Henry was contacted by them. This is a conference for educators at every level from school staff, teachers, principals, superintendents and anyone in the field of education to use the workshops provided to enhance their skills and tools to better educate our youth. The AHEF and the National Society Sons of the American Revolution are working together to better educate our youth regarding our country's heritage. You can click on to the National site (www.sar.org) under Education/ Youth and locate the American Heritage CD offer.

We were asked to man a booth and provide pamphlets about the AHEF and ASCD and hand out their CD on teaching Early American History from the Jamestown era(1607) to the Constitutional period. We were sent the CDs to be handed out free to anyone who wanted one.

We also had our own SAR materials there to try and promote SAR. We had copies from the website on the Poster Contest, Essay and Oration Contests and Valley Forge Project. We put packets together with the CDs and the literature and handed them out to whoever wanted the CDs. We had 2 sets of books there to show that on these CDs were lesson plans and suggestions for projects for all three grade levels of U.S. History--Elementary, Middle and High School.

This was a 3 day conference, March 17-19. On Saturday the 17, Dan Henry, Jim & Sue Shadwick, John Dodd, Jim Blauer and Jim Oakes showed up to help man the booth and hand out the free CDs and

materials. On Sunday, Dan and his daughter held down the fort. Unfortunately we were unable to get anyone to man the booth on Monday.

This seems to be a world wide conference as some of the educators we spoke to were from Canada, Ireland, Italy and New Zealand. Then there were those from all over the country. From Georgia, Nebraska, Washington State, Kentucky, Pennsylvania and Virginia to name a few.

It was unfortunate that we had such short notice on this as we could have had the CD from National also available for handing out. Hopefully if they do this again in our area we will have more notice, so that we can plan accordingly.

132nd ANNUAL STATE MEETING

Hopefully by now you have made your room reservations and sent in your registration for the State Meeting on April 20-21 in El Segundo. Your chapter is working to have a good turnout due to the close proximity of the meeting to Orange County. Also we want to show our support to our fellow Compatriots just north of us. If you have not done so yet, but want to, pull out the insert from last months newsletter fill it out and send it in with your fees. Compatriot Karl Jacobs has informed us he is keeping it open till the 31st. There is a breakdown on the form so that if you can not make all of the meetings and meals you can attend the ones you can and pay accordingly. You will also find the Registration form in the most recent edition of the California Compatriot in case you misplaced the one sent with your newsletter last month. Hope to see you there.

NEW MEMBERS

At our March meeting we presented new Membership Certificates and Rosettes to several of our new members. Kent Gregory accepted his and

his son Andrew, Don Webb and son Cameron received theirs and Don accepted for his other son Don Webb III, and Compatriot David Siler accepted the Certificate and Rosette on behalf of his father, Paul Arnold Siler, who is 91 years young.

Congratulations to all and Welcome. We hope you will continue to attend our meetings and become more involved in our chapter and its activities.

AMERICANISM POSTER CONTEST

At our March 10th meeting four posters from Whittmann Elementary School were entered in the chapter judging. The winning poster was submitted by Lancelot Chu. Second place went to Brandon Canete, Third place to Paul Lee and fourth to Elizabeth Krueger. Each will receive a special certificate for their participation in the contest and Lancelot will receive a special Thank you from the chapter and his poster will now head to the State level to be judged in El Segundo at the State Meeting in April(20-21). Another good reason to attend the meeting, so you can vote for our entry. In the last two years Orange County has taken 1st place(2005) and 2nd Place(2006) at National having won the State Competition both years.

GENERAL JOHN GLOVER

John Glover was born November 5, 1732 in Salem, Massachusetts. His family moved to Marblehead after his father's death while he was still a young child and grew up in these surroundings. Part of his growing up was the sea and he became an expert and wealthy fisherman. He married Hannah Gale and had nine children by her.

Within a couple years of his marriage to Hannah, John was appointed an ensign in the Third Military Foot Company of Marblehead. A militia unit of 1000 men. He served in the French and Indian War,



John Glover

which would be very helpful in the eventual fight for Independence. By 1773 he was a Captain in the Massachusetts Militia. In 1775 he joined the Marblehead Committee of Correspondence. With the death of Colonel Jeremiah Lee in May 1775, He was given command of the Marblehead Militia Regiment which he had originally joined in 1759. He was able to enlist some 1000 men with the outbreak of the war.

In June he and his regiment were ordered to join the Continental Army at Cambridge. Here Glover met the newly appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army, George Washington. Taking note of Colonel Glover's "leadership skills and resourcefulness", Washington ordered him and his regiment to Beverly, Massachusetts to protect the port from three British Warships that were off the coast preparing to attack.

During the seige of Boston, Washington ordered Colonel Glover and his men to man two small naval vessels to protect the Northern Massachusetts seaports from the British. This became the fore-runner to the American Navy. Colonel Glover is credited with sailing America's first Warship, which was called "*Hannah*". He and his men are also considered the first Marines.

His Marblehead regiment was rechristened the 14th Continental Regiment, also known as the

"amphibious regiment" following the end of the Siege of Boston on March 19, 1776. In July the 14th received orders to march to New York and eventually to Long Island. Following the Battle of Long Island, it was his regiment that was given the task of evacuating 9,000 Continental troops with all their gear, guns, horses and artillery. He organized and supervised the August 29th and 30th nighttime evacuation in miserable weather conditions. His men ferried back and forth the troops to New York with General Washington taking his place on the last boat to leave the island. All this under the nose of the British.

By mid October Glover and his 750 men were able to hold off a British Force of 4,000 regulars. It was at Pell's Point, which overlooks Eastchester Bay, that Colonel Glover combined three regiments and held off the British while General Washington and his troops withdrew from Harlem Heights. This delaying tactic kept General Howe from catching and destroying the American Army. He also made a "good account of himself" at the Battle of White Plains.

His most famous exploit was on Christmas night 1776 when he and his 14th Regiment ferried Washington and 2400 soldiers, 18 cannon, horses and equipment across the Delaware River. They then marched nine miles to Trenton where that Battle ensued against the Hessian and was a decisive win for the Americans. Following the battle Glover and his men then ferried the 900 Hessian captives and the captured supplies back across the river.

A couple months after this victory and the subsequent victory at Princeton, General Glover and his regiment disbanded. Their enlistment up, the men and Glover returned to their homes to support and raise their families.

By Summer General Washington was able to

coax Brigadier General Glover to return to service. First was with General Gates at Saratoga on October 17, 1777 where the Americans defeated the British and "Gentleman" Johnny Burgoyne in what is called by many as the turning point of the war. It was Glover and his men who were given the task of escorting the British to Boston where they boarded ships and sailed for Britain.

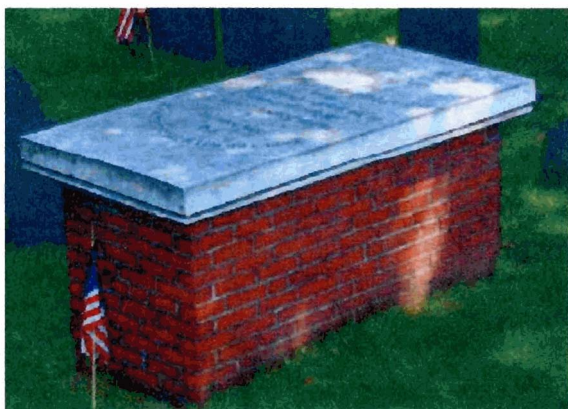
In 1778 he was in Newport, Rhode Island. Here under the command of Major General Lafayette, he commanded a brigade that supported General John Sullivan's Franco-American attack on the British position in Rhode Island.

In 1779 he was given command as successor to General Sullivan and shortly thereafter rejoined the main American Army under General Washington.

Shortly after the Battle of Yorktown in October 1781, General Glover returned to Massachusetts to get new enlistees signed up. In 1782, though, due to ill health, he decided to retire. He returned to Marblehead where he rebuilt his business. He went on to serve two terms in the Massachusetts Legislature and six terms on the Marblehead Board of Selectmen.

He died on January 30, 1797, at age 64. He is buried on Burial Hill in Marblehead. The stone reads, "Erected with Filial Respect

To
The Memory



of
The Hon. John Glover Esq.
Brigadier General
of the late Continental Army
Died
January 30, 1797
age 64"

14th CONTINENTAL REGIMENT

The 14th Continental Regiment, also known as the Marblehead Regiment or the Amphibious Regiment, was raised as a Massachusetts Militia Regiment on April 23, 1775 at Marblehead and was under the command of John Glover. In June 1775 they joined the Continental Army. These seafaring men became quite valuable during the New York Campaign and the withdrawal of American troops and supplies from Long Island and in the famous Crossing of the Delaware that led to the Battle of Trenton. It was General Glover and his men of the 14th Regiment that ferried these men in boats.

These men only had an eighteen month enlistment. On December 31, 1776, the regiment was disbanded in Eastern Pennsylvania. The men went home to raise their families, but many would return in the more profitable trade of Privateering during the remainder of the War.

Photo Album

April 2007



On March 3rd, Dan Henry and Jim Blauer, left and Lou & Karen Carlson, right had a grand old time as part of the Laguna Beach Patriot's Day Parade.

Dan carried the Banner, followed by Jim who carried the American Flag. Jim was followed by Lou and Karen Carlson. Lou drove the convertible while Karen sat on top of the back seat waving to the crowd along the route. It is interesting to note that since we



did not have enough Flag bearers we were able to find slots in the convertible that held the flags quite nicely. The Parade started at 11am and as #19 in the program we were finished by 11:35. It is a short downhill parade, the weather was beautiful as was the view of the ocean from



atop the hill as we marched down to the city hall area.

We had a good turn out at our March 10 meeting. Below members enjoy a wonderful meal at the Sizzler where we meet.



Photo Album

April 2007-2



Dan Henry, Jim & Sue Shadwick, Lou & Karen Carlson and Jim Blauer receive their Certificates for their participation in the Massing of the Colors.



Above Kent Gregory receives his Certificate of Membership and rosette and accepts his son, Andrew's, as well.



Above, David Siler accepts Certificate of Membership and rosette on behalf of his 91 year old father, Paul Arnold Siler. David is a transfer from Delaware and we welcome them both.



Above Dan Henry presents new members Cameron and Don Webb, Jr. with their membership Certificates. Below left Jim Blauer pins on their rosettes. Below Dan Henry is busy handing out free CDs at the Anaheim Convention Center.

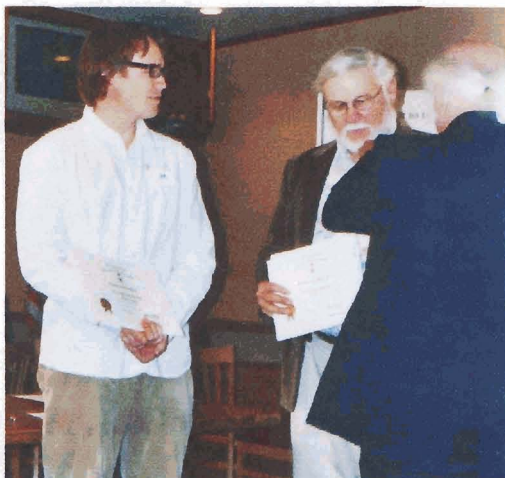


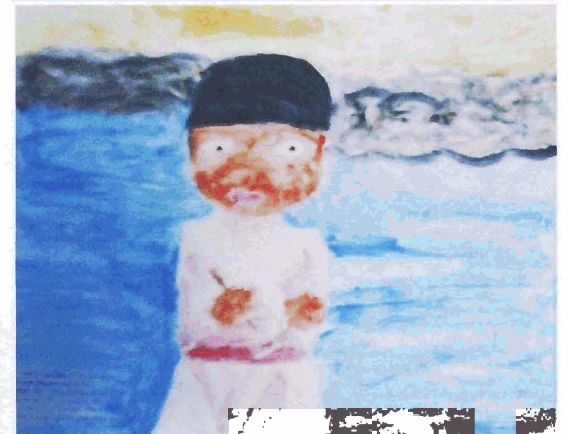
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April 2007-3



Members of your Orange County Chapter were at the Anaheim Convention Center on March 17 & 18 to pass out free CDs for aiding teachers in teaching early American History. This was sponsored by the American Heritage Education Foundation. Below Jim & Sue Shadwick, John Dodd and Dan Henry.

Here are the entries into the Poster Contest. The top left by Lancelot Chu was voted the Chapter winner. Brandon Canete's entry was second (top right), Paul Lee's was Third (center left) and Elizabeth Krueger came in fourth (center right). Our thanks to all the student who entered. Lancelot Chu's will now go on to State for judging at that level.



The bulletin board at left was set up in case we were able to obtain prospective members. Pamphlets were made available. Below those helping out at the booth were Jim Shadwick, John Dodd, Jim Blauer, Jim Oakes and Dan Henry. Sue Shadwick who took the photo was also there helping out. Over 500 CDs were handed out.

