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MEETING INFORMATION

When September 12, 2015
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 SEPTEMBER SPEAKER

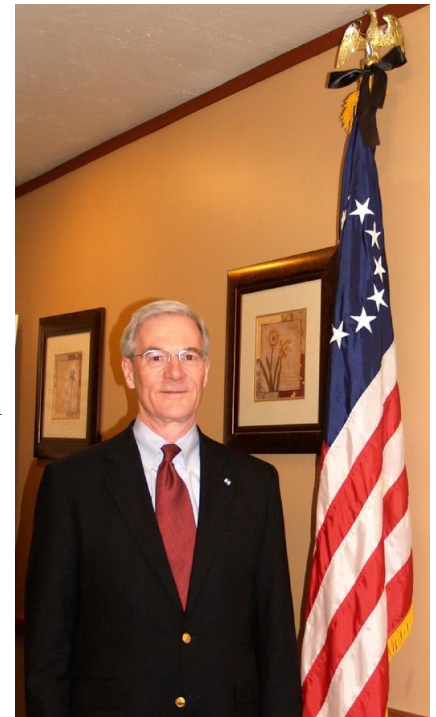
Fellow Compatriots,

I extend a warm welcome back to all our compatriots as our monthly Orange County Chapter meetings resume on September 12th at the Sizzler Restaurant in Fullerton. The guest speaker for our September meeting is Sharon Meigs who is a member of DAR. She will be making a presentation on the Star Spangled Banner, its history and its recent restoration at the Smithsonian.

As we look forward to the fall, I urge all of you to participate in one of our activities and programs if you are not already involved. One of the most visible activities we offer is the Lee's Legion Color Guard. The color guard was very active during the summer months participating in a number of events, including the Let Freedom Ring event in Cerritos on July 4th, and in the 65th anniversary of the Colonel William Cabell Chapter of the DAR in August. If you have an interest in joining the color guard and representing the SAR at public patriotic events, please contact Commander Jim Fosdyck.

The SAR also sponsors a number of interesting and educational programs for students. Now is a great time get involved as students start the new school year. Please consider joining one of the committees to increase our chapter's participation in these student programs:

American History Poster Contest for 5th Grade Students. This year's theme is "Fort Ticonderoga's Cannons & the Henry Knox Trail". There are awards for winners at the Chapter, State and National levels. Please contact Compatriot



Hugh Richards to get involved in this contest.
Middle School Brochure Contest for 8th Grade

Students. This year's theme is "The Foundational Documents of the United States". There are awards for winners at the Chapter, State and National levels. Please contact Compatriot David Beall to get involved in this contest.

Knight Essay Contest for 9th – 12th Grade Students. The topic of the essay shall deal with an event, person, philosophy, or ideal associated with the American Revolution, Declaration of Independence or the framing of the United States Constitution. Please contact one of the chapter officers to get involved in this contest.

Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest for 9th - 12th Grade Students. The topic of the speech shall deal with an event, personality, or a document pertaining to the American Revolutionary War and show a relationship to America today. Please contact one of the chapter officers to get involved in this contest.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Chapter meeting on September 12th.

In Patriotism,
Jim Klingler

SPEAKER—SHARON MEIGS

Our guest speaker for September is Sharon Meigs who is a member of the DAR. She will presenting a PowerPoint Program on the Star Spangled Banner, its history and its recent restoration over at the Smithsonian.

Sharon Meigs is a native Californian and graduate from California State University, Long Beach. She retired after working 34 years for the Internal Revenue Service where she managed a group of international tax accountants. Sharon is an enthusiast and a long-time member of the DAR. She joined the Susan B. Anthony DAR Chapter as a junior member in 1975 and has served in many capacities during the past 40 years. Having served four years as a state officer, first as state historian and then as state treasurer, she now enjoys her less time-consuming role of chapter treasurer. In addition to the DAR, Sharon is also a long-time member of the National Society Women Descendants of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts and a member of the Mayflower Society.

ANCESTOR BIOGRAPHIES

One of the President General's initiatives is to write up a bio on your ancestor(s) of 500 words or less and they will be placed on the SAR website. This is an effort to have information on our ancestors out to the viewing public, so that should someone be interested and find an ancestor of theirs we may be able to increase our membership.

Your editor has decided that if members wish to submit their ancestor's bios to him, he will gladly publish them here. Our second is by Compatriot Jim Fosdyck on his ancestor Luke Robinson.

LUKE ROBINSON

My 5th great grandfather Luke Robinson is identified as a patriot in "*Interesting Revolutionary Incidents and Sketches of Character, Chiefly in the Old North State*" by Reverend Eli Washington Caruthers (1793-1865). Reverend Caruthers travelled the region and interviewed living witnesses to the various incidents he recorded in his book. This Luke Robinson is the father of John Robinson (SAR Record Copy 171977 – John Robinson).

About 1753 Luke Robinson married Christian/Christina Ussery daughter of William Ussery. William Ussery, and probably Luke Robinson, resided in Lunenburg County, Virginia prior to moving to North Carolina.

Luke Robinson engaged in patriotic service in Anson and Montgomery Counties, North Carolina during the American Revolutionary War:

In 1768 Luke Robinson took a land grant at the confluence of Cheek's Creek and Little River. He was a mill owner, a Whig, active in regulator affairs. A conservative leader at the riots at Anson Courthouse and Hillsboro County. He raised petitions and personally presented them to Governor Tryon. In 1771 he served in Captain Lawrence Thompson's Company of Regulators. On 15 Sep 1781 Robinson's farm was the rendezvous for the militia call up of Brigadier General Griffith Rutherford. Nine hundred fifty (950) infantrymen and two hundred (200) cavalry reported. Two troops assigned to Captain Richard Simmons of Rowan County and Major Joseph Graham of Mecklenburg County. Cavalry to Major Robert Smith of Mecklenburg County. A few days at Robinson's, then two

weeks training at Monroe Bridge. Then down Drowning Creek to McPhaul's Mill in Bladen County (presently Robeson County) and the famous Hacking Battle of Raft Swamp, aka: The Battle of Raft Swamp, (15 Oct 1781).

In 1764, even before the American Revolution, in the frontier counties of North Carolina, settlers threatened to rebel against unfair and oppressive practices on the part of corrupt government officials. They demanded that officeholders be held to a stricter account, and in 1768, formed a group known as the Regulation. In 1771, an armed rebellion of backcountry farmers called Regulators battled with North Carolina royal governor William Tryon's militia. The spark for this conflict was growing resentment in the Carolina colony against the taxes, dishonest sheriffs, and illegal fees imposed by the British Crown. In response, the Regulators were formed and began to fight back. Though the rebellion was crushed, a few years later their tactics became a model for the colonists fighting the British in the American Revolutionary War.

The name of Luke Robinson is among the more than 250 signers of the "*North Carolina Regulator's Petition*," October 9, 1769. During May and June 1771 Luke Robinson served in Captain Lawrence Thompson's Regulator's Company. On May 16, 1771, on a field in Piedmont Region of North Carolina, Regulators clashed with North Carolina Governor William Tryon's militia.

At a point after the American Revolutionary War, a Loyalist Major named James Cotton filed a claim against the British government "for his losses during the Revolution." The claim includes a list of those owing him debts and obligations. Cotton alleged his accounts book fell into the hands of the enemy (American forces) in February, 1776. Luke Robinson is on the list. A random check of Cotton's debtors reveals there are at least a dozen patriots on his list. Undoubtedly these men, including Luke Robinson, were more than financial enemies of the Loyalist James Cotton, they were American patriots. Like Luke Robinson, these men also signed the "*North Carolina Regulator's Petition*," October 9, 1769.

As early as 1764 Luke Robinson and many of his contemporaries opposed (occasionally in open hostility) taxes, dishonest government officials, and illegal fees imposed by the British Crown. Luke and many of those same men joined in continued opposition to the British Crown during the American Revolutionary War.

Submitted by:

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DUES INCREASE

The 2015 Congress voted to increase dues from \$30 to \$35 for 2016.

The addition of the date January 1, 2016 in the motion may have caused confusion. That means 2016 dues are \$35. Thus when submitting 2016 dues, they need to reflect the increase. This is for regular members.

Junior member dues remain at \$5 and all other fees remain the same except for Memorial.

The cost for Memorial applications will increase from \$380 to \$430 because under Bylaw 1, Section 6 (1) that amount is the application fee (\$80, no change) plus 10 times the dues.

New Life Member dues will be published soon.

The procedures followed by National Staff are not changed from prior years in receipt, or registering of new applications.

Larry T. Guzy

Treasurer General 2015-2016

Ed. Note—Look for this change to show up when the corresponding secretary send's out the dues notices for 2016.

FLAG CERTIFICATE PRESENTATION

On 15 Jul 2015 a flag raising ceremony was conducted by our JROTC Cadets from Sonora High School. There was a large gathering from the city of La Habra as they honored Bob Sivertsen, a WWII Veteran and pilot. They had the American Legion, Post 267, City Council, City Commissioners, 15 La Habra Police Officers, various Veterans as well as our JROTC Cadets present. We conducted the flag raising ceremony as well as leading the group in the Pledge

of Allegiance as they honored this WWII Veteran Pilot. This is a monthly event and I felt this was most appropriate to recognize Chick-Fil-A, who sponsors this event on a monthly basis in recognizing our Veterans. On a side note: Sonora JROTC conducts the



majority of the flag raising ceremonies throughout the year. Occasionally, La Habra HS JROTC is asked to conduct the flag raising ceremony.

Hans Hunt, Flag Certificate Chairman

Our SAR Flag Certificate was awarded to Chick-Fil-A and is accepted by the manager Tyler Poe from Flag Certificate Chairman, Hans Hunt.

COUPONS FOR MILITARY FAMILIES

A couple years ago your editor started a program to help our military families reduce their spending by sending coupons to them. We were put in touch with a contact at Fort Buchanan in Puerto Rico where we sent manila envelopes every month or so with a bunch of coupons for their use.

Then about a year ago we had two of the packets returned and I was unable to reach the people in charge to see if our contact had moved back to the states.

Those in charge of Coupons For Troops had closed down and when our contact moved, we lost our chance to help our military.

In mid July I was contacted by Coupons for Military Families. They have taken over from the other group and have assigned us a base in Japan.

Here is a brief synopsis I received from them;

Our overseas military families can use manufacturer coupons, including printable coupons that are up to 6 months expired, as well as current coupons- so for instance today July 15, 2015, is the last date they could use a coupon dated February 17, 2015. Also worth mentioning is that all of the families on our list share their extras with other families on base, so even though you'll only be mailing to one family, your coupons will be helping many, many families!

Sending your coupons overseas is very easy. Sorting them into categories isn't required (although if you're sending a large quantity of coupons, it can definitely be helpful to your assigned family - categories

suggestions are either Food vs Non-Food, or Food, Health & Beauty, Household, Pets & Baby). And if time is an issue for you, cutting the coupons isn't required either -our families love receiving full inserts... It reminds them of home!

How often you mail is completely up to you. Some of our senders mail a small envelope once a week, others mail a larger envelope every two weeks, others hold off and mail a large box once a month. Whatever works best for you! I do ask that if you decide that you will no longer be mailing to your assigned family, to please let me know so that I can assign them a new sender.

For more information about this group you can go to the website below.

www.CouponsForMilitaryFamilies.com

For our participation I would ask that you mail your extra coupons to me or bring them to the meetings. I am hopeful that I will be able to send a batch once a month. I would suggest that we send the booklets as they will be easier to mail and the families will be able to sort through them and cut out what they can use. If you find other coupons in other publications, you can cut them out and we can send them along with the booklets we get from our members who get the Sunday paper.

I hope you will participate in this worthy program. In 2013 we sent over \$6,000 worth of Coupons to our military base in Puerto Rico. For every \$250 worth we send to our military we get the benefit of 25 points in our Chapter Activity Contest.

The real point is that we will be helping our military families make ends meet. Many of our military families are living on under \$2,000 per month. That is not a lot, so whatever we can do to help them is greatly appreciated.

You can send your coupon booklets and loose ones to me, Jim Blauer, 594 Hamilton St. #E, Costa Mesa, CA 92627-2656. If you would prefer, you can drop them off at our monthly meetings at the Sizzler in Fullerton, which will save on postage for you.

I thank you for your help in this worthwhile endeavor to help our military families with their daily expenses.

In the month of August I, so far, have been able to send over \$3,000 worth of coupons between what I and a couple friends have saved from the Sunday newspaper.

COLONIAL WARS UPDATE

Back in our April newsletter I wrote about the Society of Colonial Wars as a part of the Hereditary

Society series your editor is doing in our newsletter. This is just a quick update.

On July 25th the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of California held their Summer Court. They were joined by members of the Sons & Daughters of the Pilgrims(March Issue), Society of the War of 1812(April Issue), First Families of Maryland, Founders & Patriots, Military Order of Foreign Wars, and many members from the Society of Mayflower Descendants.



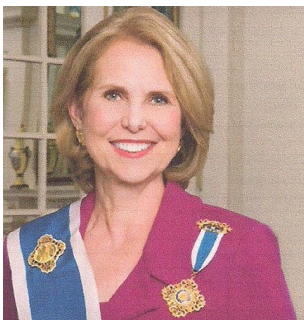
Members of the Society of Colonial Wars participate as Color Guard. Jim Blauer (OC), Robert Taylor (General Patton-Ventura), Steve Renouf (Thomas Jefferson-Northern California) and Commander Jim Fosdyck (OC). Like the SAR Color Guards, they presented the colors at the beginning of the meeting.

The Uniforms are those worn by the Virginia Militia and George Washington during the French & Indian War (Seven Years War), 1756-1763.

DAR POSTING

A recent posting on the DAR website (<http://youngblog.dar.org/celebrating-sars-125th-congress>) had a message from the President General, Lynn

Young, who attended the SAR Congress. In the posting the President General notes on her stay at Congress...*"Entertainment was provided by Un Hui Yi, a Korean Traditional Dancer and wife of Jim Fosdyck, CAS-SAR. I had met the Fosdycks earlier in the year at the Nevada State Conference and it was delightful to watch Un Hui dance in her beautiful costumes."*



DAR President General Lynn Young

Congrats to Un Hui Yi and Jim Fosdyck for being mentioned in the President General's message.

DAR CELEBRATES 65TH ANNIVERSARY

On August 1st the Colonel William Cabell chap-

ter of the DAR of Newport Beach Celebrated its 65th anniversary with a picnic at Estancia Park by the Diego Sepulveda Adobe.

There was a wonderful display of food to lunch on. A 12 foot long sandwich, salads, fruits and vegetables, 2 cakes and an assortment of desserts. A good time was had by all. Paul Apodoca was the guest speaker and spoke to the attendees about Diego Sepulveda, the history behind the Mexican land grants and the missions in our state.

Other chapter members who were in attendance included: Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, David Beall, Andrew Beall, Elizabeth Beall, Kathleen Beall and Ashley Beall, and new members Richard Price and James Townsend.

Your Orange County Chapter and Lee's Legion Color Guard were invited to attend and present the Colors.



Kent Gregory, Jim Blauer and Jim Klingler form the Color Guard. In front there is General Washington (Dan Shippey) and his flag Bearer Karl Jacobs (Harbor Chapter). To the right is Commander Jim Fosdyck.

SAMUEL DOWNING

The Last Revolutionary War Soldier

The article below was written by Sharon Hall and appeared in the **Military History Monday** entitled *Monday Meanderings*.

Samuel Downing was born in Newburyport, Massachusetts to David and Susannah (Beechem) Downing on November 30, 1761. He must have been an adventurous sort of child. At the age of nine Samuel was left alone while his parents were away for the day. A stranger walked up to him and asked if he would like to learn how to make spinning wheels. Samuel left with the man and traveled that day to Haverhill, Massachusetts and the next day on to Londonderry, New Hampshire where they spent the Sabbath. On Monday the pair continued to An-

trim, New Hampshire.

The man who had brought Samuel to Antrim was Thomas Aiken, a manufacturer of spinning wheels. Aiken put Samuel to work and although he did well for the first few days, Samuel became homesick and threatened to run away. According to Samuel's interview with Reverend Hillard, Aiken had promised him an education, an outfit of clothes and a kit of tools when he completed his service.

Back at home Samuel's parents mourned and assumed he was dead, perhaps falling off the dock and drowning. Mr. Aiken did write to them a year or so after Samuel "disappeared" to let them know he was alive and well and promised to send him to school if he could remain. His parents, poor and having a large family, agreed to let Samuel stay since he appeared to be doing well and was learning a trade. Aiken never kept his promise and Samuel threatened again to run away. He never carried out the threat and remained with the Aikens family almost seven years. He referred to Mrs. Aikens as "Aunty" and Thomas as "Uncle."

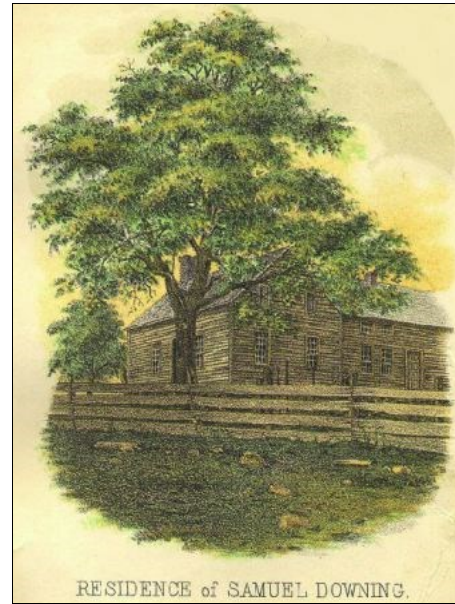
When the war broke out Aiken joined the militia as an officer. He would gather his men to meet in his shop to discuss the war. The talks that Samuel overheard fueled his passions, deciding himself to run away and enlist. In June of 1777 while the Aikens were away he slipped away and walked eighteen miles to Hopkinton, Massachusetts where a recruiting station was located. Samuel, only fifteen years old and of small frame, was refused.

Undeterred, Samuel continued on to Charlestown where he was introduced to Colonel Fifield. In need of men, Fifield accepted Samuel for service. His first duty was to guard wagons traveling from Exeter to Springfield. About a year into his service, Samuel met his father, the first time the two had seen each other in seven years. Eventually he was stationed in the Mohawk Valley of New York, scene of dozens of key battles, including the Battle of Saratoga when General Burgoyne was defeated by the patriots, a turning point in the war. He also claimed to have been a body guard for George Washington.

After the war, Samuel returned to Antrim, in his words, "too big for Aunty to whip." During the war he had made the acquaintance with members of the George family of Antrim. Upon his return he soon married Eunice George and to their marriage were born thirteen children. Samuel began to farm and eventually learned to read. He and Eunice were faithful members of the Center Church and when they departed in 1794 to New York, they took with them the highest recommendation for membership "where

Providence is pleased to fix them."

At that time, "York State" was considered "out West". A company of twenty men from Antrim decided to form a settlement there; however, Samuel was the only one who ventured out. He was said to have regretted stepping out by himself because he had sold his farm for a "trifle" and didn't have enough to buy another. But, he was able to locate land in Saratoga County, New York which he could afford and set out to make living for his family. He remained there seventy-three years.



In 1846 Eunice passed away at the age of eighty-one and many of Samuel's children preceded him in death. On November 30, 1861, Samuel celebrated his one hundredth birthday. According to *History of the Town of Antrim, New Hampshire*, one thousand persons attended his celebration and one hundred guns were fired. The highlight of the celebration:

On this anniversary Mr. Downing was hale and hearty, seeming young as a man of seventy. To show his vigor he cut down in the presence of the company a hemlock tree five feet in circumference. This tree was sold on the spot, and was cut up into canes and keepsakes, and carried off by the multitude. The ax he used was sold for seven dollars and a half!

His vigor at that advanced age was also noted by Reverend Hillard:

At the age of one hundred, Mr. Downing had never worn glasses, or used a cane. The fall before, he had pulled, trimmed, and deposited in the cellar, in one day, fifteen bushels of carrots.

At the time of his interview, he was living with his son James. His health had always been good, he paid "no particular attention to his diet; drinks tea and coffee, and smokes tobacco." His son indicated that he tired sometimes but at night he slept well. Curiously, however, although his hair had turned silvery-white



years before, it had begun to turn black.

Samuel's faith remained strong to the end. After moving to Saratoga County he joined the Methodist church. In the words of Reverend Hillard, "[H]e is as staunch in his religious belief as he is in his personal character; expounds his faith intelligently and forcibly; believes thoroughly what he believes, and

rejects earnestly what he rejects."

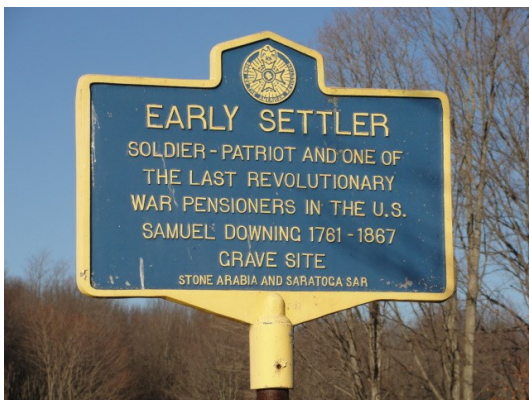
On February 18, 1867, at the age of 105 years, 2 months and 21 days, Samuel Downing passed away, the last of the Revolutionary War veterans. According to an obituary captioned "The Last Link Broken" and published in the Rome *Roman Citizen*, his death was announced in Congress on the 19th and entered into the records of the House. "He gave his first vote for Washington and his last for Lincoln. In the late war he sympathized heartily with the national cause. He was strictly temperate, but not a teetotaler."

I'm always amused at the tone and content of obituaries at that time in history. Another one, worthy of note from the *Albany Journal*, elaborated on his "temperance" and personal habits:

As his age would indicate, he was a man of an iron constitution, the result of regular habits and a religious life. Both himself and his wife were exemplary members of the Methodist Church, and his Bible was his constant companion.

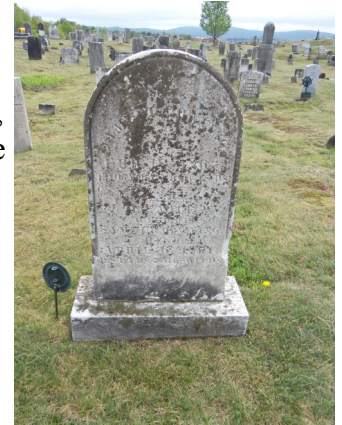
Although a temperate man, he was not a tee-totaller. He took a glass of liquor occasionally but was never intoxicated. He had not a very high opinion of the quality of the rum of the present day, and thought if what people drank was as pure as that made in the good old times, there would be less evil resulting from the habit. He also

used tobacco, and tea was his favorite beverage. We are afraid some of our dietarian friends will be disappointed at this revelation of Mr. Downing's habits –



Whisky [sic] occasionally and tobacco and tea all the time, and yet lived to be 105 years! This is not the modern theory. But perhaps if he had used neither he might have lived to a hundred and fifty!

Samuel Downing is buried at Clarksville Cemetery in Edinburg, Saratoga County in the State of New York.



CONSTITUTION DAY

The month of September is known as the month in which the Star-Spangled Banner was composed in 1814.

Years earlier on September 17, 1787 the Constitution of the United States was ratified by the ninth required state putting this document into effect.

Delaware ratified Dec. 7, 1787, Vote 30-0
 Pennsylvania ratified Dec. 12, 1787, Vote 46-23
 New Jersey ratified Dec. 18, 1787, Vote 38-0
 Georgia ratified Dec. 31, 1787, Vote 26-0
 Connecticut ratified Jan. 9, 1787, Vote 128-40
 Massachusetts ratified Feb. 6, 1788, Vote 187-168
 Maryland ratified Apr. 26, 1788, Vote 63-11
 South Carolina ratified May 23, 1788, Vote 149-73

New Hampshire ratified June 21, 1788, 57-47

Thus new Hampshire as the ninth state to ratify the Constitution put it into effect as that was the number of states that were needed to do so.

The other states in order were;
 Virginia June 25, 1788, 89-79,
 New York July 26, 1788, 30-27,
 North Carolina November 21, 1789, and
 Rhode Island May 29, 1790, 34-32

It should be noted that Virginia delayed in voting for approval in hopes it would be the ninth state and thus putting the document into operation.

Due to the slowness in which news traveled in those days, they delayed to long and by four days lost out to New Hampshire!!!

Photo Album

JROTC & Flag Certificate Awards



At Left, Santiago High School JROTC Cadet Jacob Gomez is presented the Bronze JROTC medal and Certificate by JROTC Chairman Gus Fischer on May 29, 2015.

At right, Fullerton High School Cadet Hayden Will is presented the Bronze JROTC medal & Certificate by Chairman Gus Fischer.



Below, Anaheim High School Cadet Mario Sanchez receives the Bronze JROTC Medal & Certificate from Chairman Gus Fischer.



La Habra High School Cadet Christopher Ramirez receives our JROTC Bronze Medal and Certificate from Chairman Gus Fischer.



Below, Santa Ana High School Cadet Zachary Flatter receives the SAR Bronze JROTC Medal and Certificate from Chairman Gus Fischer.



Flag Certificate Chairman Hans Hunt presents Flag Certificate to the Mike Coyle family of Brea.



Photo Album

Awards and Events



At left, Saddleback High School Cadet Laryssa Ortiz receives the Bronze SAR JROTC Medal & Certificate from Chairman Gus Fischer.

At right, OC Fairgrounds Memorial Day Scottish Festival was attended by the Los Angeles Fife and Drum Corps which included our own Matthew Noell.



Above, Jim Fosdyck attends Genevieve M. Crosby Elementary School in Garden Grove. He discussed the American Revolution with the 5th grade classes.



Above, Community Roots Academy, Aliso Viejo, SAR Members participate in showing the kids how things might have been done back during the American Revolution.

Below, General Washington gets acquainted with his new recruits in the Continental Army.



Martha Washington talks to the new recruits.

Photo Album



Sloane Shippey tells students at the Roots Academy about the musket used in the American Revolution.



General Washington reviews the new recruits who have been drilled in their rifle usage in combat.



Pacifica High School NJROTC Cadet Robert Herrera received the Bronze JROTC Medal & Certificate from Chairman Gus Fischer.



Derek Abbey, our June speaker, tells about the Bent Prop Project to our members and guests in attendance.



At Left, Leonard Chapman is inducted by Jim Klingler and pinned here by his sponsor Jim Fosdyck.

At right, John Lawrence Beall is inducted, pinned and receives his membership certificate.

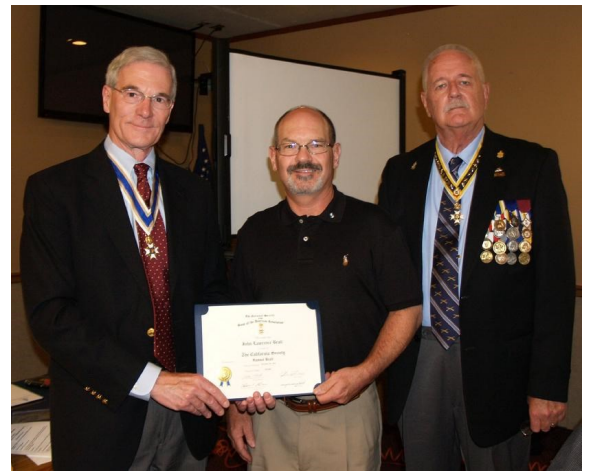


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Several Members of the Beall family are Eagle Scouts. Here John and Richard receive the SAR Eagle Pin from President Jim Klingler while proud fathers look on.



John Ferris receives Certificates for 2 more supplemental ancestors.



At left, President Klingler is presented the Bronze Baron Von Stueben Color Guard Medal from Commander Jim Fosdyck..



Marisol Rivera, who has been serving us for close to a decade, receives the Martha Washington Medal & Certificate from Ladies Auxiliary Past President Karen Carlson and President Jim Klingler.

Below, the Rt. Rev. Lou Carlson steps in for an absent John Dodd to conduct the raffle..



The California contingent at the Congress. Front, John Dodd, Steve Renouf, Jim Fosdyck. Back, Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, Ray & Gail Raser.



Photo Album



Jim Fosdyck, Larry Wood, Mark Kramer (Riverside), Henry Lucas (Riverside), Gary Jensen (Riverside), Dan Henry, Jim Klingler, John Ferris, Jim Olds (Harbor), Kent Gregory, Brian Merrell (Harbor), Kevin Schellman (Riverside), Dan McKelvie, Chris Keene (Riverside), Matthew Noell and Steve Andy.



In back row are; Liz Ferris, Un Hui Yi Fosdyck, Kyrin Keene, Sharon Wood, Joann Kramer, & Lisa Gregory. In front are Kali Keene, Mondai Keene..



At left Lou Carlson is recognized by Lanny Patten and Sam Powell for his contribution to the 1776 Fund raiser campaign.

At right the California Delegation and family at the National Congress.



At left, Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck and Kent & Lisa Gregory at Congress.

At right, on tour at Congress are Lou & Karen Carlson and PG Lindsey & Billie Brock seated in the front row of the bus.

