
March
2022
Final

San Diego Chapter

Sons of the American Revolution

Monthly Digest



WE NEED YOU!



Volunteers Needed!

Our Chapter is strong but we have been impacted by Covid and need more members to become involved in our organization. No experience is necessary, and we encourage new members to take up a leadership position. You will find our Board members to be quite helpful when you take on a position. We currently have the following vacant positions:

- **Secretary-** Keeps fair and accurate records of all memberships, proceedings and orders of the chapter as well as current listing of current chapter officers, addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses.
- **2nd Vice President-** Is the Chairman of the education committee and is a member of the finance committee. This position has a lot of interaction with local schools.
- **Communications Director-** responsible for preparing and distributing press releases concerning upcoming chapter meetings and activities as well as preparing content for the website's new Digest.

Detailed descriptions of these positions can be found in our Chapter Handbook in the chapter "[Officer Responsibilities](#)". This can be found in the Members Area link on our website under the "What We Do" main menu option.

If you have an interest in being more involved with our Chapter please email our President, Michael Hirman (president@sarsandiego.org).

San Diego Nominee is CASSAR Outstanding Sea Cadet of the Year

Great news for SDSAR. Our nominee, PO2 Lina A. Vo from Chief (MCM-14) Division, has been selected as the **CASSAR Outstanding Sea Cadet of the Year**. She has been invited to receive her award at the CASSAR Annual Meeting Youth Luncheon in Sacramento on Saturday, April 23, 2022. This is two years in a row that SDSAR submitted the winning nominee.

CASSAR will present a \$1,000.00 award to PO2 Vo. Last year the SDSAR Board established a \$250.00 award to the SDSAR nominee.

Andrew Fagen awarded the Bronze Color Guard Medal at March Meeting



Figure 1. L to R, Michael Hirman Chapter President, Andrew Fagen and Peter Fagen

Compatriot Andrew Fagen was awarded the Bronze Color Guard Medal and is well on his way to earning the Silver Color Guard medal.



Figure 2- Compatriot Duncan Campbell's presentation on the Battle of Bunker Hill

Bunker Hill. His presentation is brought to life with maps, including animated maps, that show the distribution and alignment of forces. We look forward to more of these in the future.



Captain Daniel Chatham of our local Civil Air Patrol gave an excellent presentation on the history and current activities of the CAP.

Figure 3-Captain Daniel Chatham of CAP

We would like to welcome our newest member Gianni Campbell. We hope to meet you at a future meeting.

We have had a lot of interest recently about the reinstatement process for former members. It is a pretty simple process that only requires completing a Reinstatement/Transfer form and requesting a member "Record Copy" from NSSAR to go with the form. The information, form and link for the NSSAR can be found on our website under the "What We Do" menu option then select the "Members Area" option.

We are working on a number of exciting events for our Chapter this year and invite those interested the SAR to join us. We welcome anyone that is considering joining SAR to join us at a monthly meeting and past members that are no longer active are always welcome as well.

Lawrence Harden

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of longtime SAR member Lawrence E. Harden. There will be a service at the Miramar National Cemetery on Monday, April 18, 2022 at 9:00 AM. Lawrence was an avid SAR member and we hope to be able to honor his memory with our Color Guard at the ceremony. We could use more Color Guard members for this, please contact our Color Guard Commander, Duncan Campbell, if you are able to participate.

Website Updates

You will find a big red button on our “Members Area” page. This will allow you to upload any SAR related photos directly to the website. The photos are not automatically available for viewing as they must be reviewed first. If you have any questions or encounter an issue contact the webmaster at webmaster@sarsandiego.org

There are a lot of changes to the website that will be published soon. A new section has been added for “Recent Posts” that has short articles on recent SDSAR events and future plans. You will find on the “Members Area” page. Look for more changes to come.

San Diego Color Guard Marches in Patriots Day Parade



On the first Saturday of March, a hundred marching units assembled in Laguna Beach to step off in the annual Laguna Beach Patriots Day Parade.

Duncan and Carolyn Campbell represented the San Diego Chapter in the Parade.

Our Chapter has one of the most, if not the most, active Color Guards in the state. They are in need of more members to participate in events they support. You are not *required* to attend all of the events however additional participants are always needed. If you are interested in joining the Color Guard contact our Color Guard Commander, Duncan Campbell at colorguard@sarsandiego.org.

[Video \(skip to 15:30\)](#)

SDSAR Outstanding NJROTC Cadet Awarded to Cadet Ensign Jon Carlo Miranda

The SARSD Chapter Outstanding Cadet Award and Bronze ROTC Medal awarded to Cadet Ensign Jon Carlo Miranda NJROTC San Ysidro High School before the school’s entire Battalion.

The award was presented by our chapter Sargent at Arms, Gary Newton on March 4, 2022.



San Ysidro High School NJROTC Battalion.

SDSAR Eagle Scout Outstanding Scholar Award open for nominations.

SDSAR Sargent-at-Arms, Gary Newton, announced the Eagle Scout Outstanding Scholar Award competition is open for nominations. Due date for nominations April 20, 2022. Contact Gary at sergeant-at-arms@sarsandiego.org for information and the application.

Monthly Board Meeting Date Change

The monthly Board of Directors meetings will now be held on the third Wednesday of the Month. The change is due to conflicts for a number of the members.

April Meeting Date Change

The April Chapter meeting has been moved to April 30th. Our normal third Saturday date fell over Easter Weekend and the following week has much of our Board at the California Society annual meeting in Sacramento.

America 250



SAR Celebrates Americas 250th Anniversary

San Diego SAR will be active in the celebration of our country's 250th Anniversary. If you are interested in planning activities and participating please contact our Color Guard Commander, Duncan Campbell.
colorguard@sarsandiego.org.

From our NSSAR President General, Davis Lee Wright:

“Other organizations are counting down to July 4, 2026. While July 4, 2026 will be an essential celebration for the SAR, celebrating that singular event is not our charge. Our charge is for a broader in scope and much longer in time. It is not a short term or one time project. Our mission is to plan – and execute – a celebration of our Patriot ancestors and the entirety of their contributions to the United States. Our Patriot ancestors struggled and rebelled for over a decade and actively engaged in open warfare for eight years – to guarantee our liberty.

We owe them nothing less. Our mission, therefore, is to celebrate and commemorate the entirety of the American Revolution period from the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party in 2023 to the 250th Anniversary of the British Army's departure from New York City in 2033.

Do you have period clothing that you no longer use?

If you have Revolutionary War period clothing that you no longer use please consider donating or lending your items to the Chapter.

Our Color Guard competes each year for the California Color Guard of the Year award. Each member that attends in period dress will earn points for our Color Guard whether they march or not. We have non-marching members that are willing to use period dress and attend events and for those members we need “loaner” clothing.

In addition to adult sizes we are also in need of smaller sizes for ages 10-18.

If you can help, please contact our Color Guard Commander, Duncan Campbell.
colorguard@sarsandiego.org

Contribute to the SDSAR Digest

With our activities moving back to pre-pandemic levels we have initiated this digest to keep our members informed. It is likely that the form and format will change during the course of the year to coincide with pending updates to the website.

If you have any SAR related information that you would like published in the Digest, please forward it to
webmaster@sarsandiego.org
Photos or other images are encouraged. You do not need to format the text as that will be done during the creation of the Digest.