

May 2022

Final

San Diego Chapter

Sons of the American Revolution

Monthly Digest



House of USA July 4th Event Now Three Days!

Our participation in the July 4th Coronado Parade has been canceled. With this change we now plan on participating with House of the USA and many other Houses in Balboa Park for a three day Independence Day Celebration.

More on the last page.

May Meeting Canceled

We are working on having **Dennis Carlos** who brings to life **Don Bernardo de Galvez** in both words and dress make his presentation to SDSAR later this year.

Our next scheduled meeting will be in August as we do not normally meet in June and July.

SDSAR Mission San Diego de Alcalá Tour



SDSAR and SDDAR Plaque

L to R, Fred Hall, Andrew Sara, Peter Fagen, Jim , Judy McAdory



Compatriot Fred Hall led a small group of San Diego Chapter members on a tour of the historic Mission San Diego de Alcalá. The mission was first established in 1769 by Fr. Junipero Serra at the Presidio near present day Old Town but was moved to its current location in 1774. The original mission was destroyed by fire in 1775 and rebuilt only to be destroyed by again by an earthquake in 1803 and rebuilt again. In 1931 the Mission was rebuilt and restored and in 1950 the front of the church was restored. Compatriot Hall's tour was both informative and entertaining, we urge anyone that has not visited the Mission to visit and take a tour guided by one of the Docents.



Fagen Presents Award at Army-Navy Academy

Compatriot Peter Fagen shared with us: “I was honored to participate in the Army and Navy Academy Awards Ceremony today (May 1, 2022) presenting the Sons of the American Revolution Bronze Medal with Ribbon and Certificate to Cadet Deng for his outstanding work. It was a great experience to be invited on the field to review the cadets as they all marched by.”

Our Chapter’s programs are going strong. We will be revising our “Programs” web pages in the coming weeks with updates as well as adding a single source for all of the documents or re-



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.

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.

Newton Presents JROTC Bronze Medal at Vista High School



Compatriot Gary Newton presented Cadet Grace Ann Dacula the SAR Bronze ROTC Medal while Major General (USAF Ret) Scott A. Vander Hamm and Colonel (USAF RET) Vincent J. Lostetter look on.

Vista High School AFJROTC End-of-Year Awards Ceremony
May 13, 2022.



More Dates!

This is a *tentative* list of events that we plan to participate in this year in addition to normal SAR meetings.

July 2nd, 3rd & 4th, House of USA in Balboa Park.
SDSAR will have a booth open both days.

~~July 4th, Independence Day Parade - Canceled.~~

September 10th, Clairmont Family Day (booth)

House of USA, July 2, 3 & 4

From Inki Welch, President of the House of the USA

The House of USA received a great deal positive feedback about our American Revolutionary War Heroes.

This year, in addition to the houses of Spain, France, Poland and Germany the House of **Ireland**, House of **Scotland** and House of **England** have been invited to share their American Revolutionary War heroes.

House of Scotland already volunteered to feature at least a couple of heroes including John Paul Jones, a naval commander. The House of England might also feature a few generals who led successful campaigns in the early part of the Revolutionary War.. What say you? Let's join our efforts to make the 2022 Independence Celebration a more colorful and more rounded educational program on U.S. History for the general public.

SDSAR will have a booth for this Event



America 250

The “250 Minute” refers to brief presentations given by members on topics related to the Revolutionary War Period. These are short, one to five minute presentations and can be longer if needed. Visual aids such as a PowerPoint presentation are not required. Members earn points for each presentation which are accumulated for America 250 medals and awards (see the link below for more information).

Here are some guidelines from CASSAR.

- Celebrate and draw attention to colonial ancestors.
- Increase awareness of challenges, struggles, sacrifices
- [Revolutionary War Master List](#)

We recently added a new “America 250” page on our website where we will post more details and recent activity. The link to the page now appears on the Main

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.