

HELP!

We are in dire need of a volunteer to take on the duties of the Chapter Secretary for the next few months. We have *required* annual reporting that must be filed with our state and national societies and we need help to complete these. Typically, the “reconciliation” process is the most labor intensive report but we do not anticipate that for this year as our “changes” are minimal for 2022.

**If you are willing to help our chapter
please email our President,
Michael Hirman
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San Diego Chapter

Sons of the American Revolution

Monthly Digest



September Birthdays

Clyde Myers Jr. 2
Eric Richards 5
Bryce Guzzetta 6
Milton Styron Jr. 8
Rolf Ziesing 8
Silas Raser 10
Andrew Ludwiczak 11
Jeffrey Reid 17
Erich Riedel 19
Alva Smithson 20
Aaron Johnson 21
Gary Newton 21
Carroll Moore 23
Thomas Welch Jr. 24



**THE HOUSE OF SPAIN
LAWN PROGRAM**
SUNDAY
OCTOBER 9 | 11:30AM - 03:30PM
2358 PAN AMERICA RD. E SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

Join us for live music, paella, and more!

Maestro David De Alva, Spanish born Classical and Flamenco guitarist, will be performing @ 2:00 PM! Don't miss his special and unforgettable performance!!

FREE PABELLA FOR MEMBERS OF HOUSE OF SPAIN (starting @ 11:30 AM):

- Individual Membership: 1 Paella
- Family Membership: 2 Pabellas



House of Spain Lawn Program

The San Diego Chapter Color Guard will participate in the House of Spain's Lawn Program in Balboa Park on **October 9**. The program will take place in the "cottages" area. We will have our booth in the area and members are always welcome to help man our booth.

This is a great opportunity to enjoy a paella luncheon. The paella containers include lids and can be taken home and heated in the microwave. Paella is free to House of Spain members, non-member servings are \$12 each.

The program starts at 11:30 and runs through 3:30 and will feature the music of Maestro David De Alva. He is a Spanish born Classical and Flamenco guitarist. His performance begins at 2:00. The Lawn Programs typically attract many park visitors. We plan to focus our display on our numerous Youth programs with our recently updated display materials and handouts.

Massing of the Colors



Our "Massing of the Colors" event will take place in San Diego this year on **October 15**. You should plan to arrive at the [Mormon Battalion Historic Site](#) in Old Town on Juan St, by 9:30AM.

The Parade of the Colors will begin at 10:30AM.

It is expected that there could be up to 50 color guards present. Parking is free and nearby.

USS Iowa Dinner

The Harbor Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution invites you to attend a dinner event and patriotic celebration of the United States Navy's 247th birthday on **October 13** starting at **6:00pm** on board the United States Battleship USS IOWA. The USS IOWA served our county proudly in WWII, Korea, and the Cold War. Today the historic U.S. Navy ship is an iconic Los Angeles landmark and considered one of the region's best outdoor museums for families and visitors of all ages.

Celebrate the United States Navy and join the Harbor Chapter for a catered dinner and full-program complete with SAR Color Guard and our featured speaker, the CIO, and former veteran of the Iowa, David Canfield. Guests will be treated to an overview of the ship's service history, the creation of the museum, and its lease with the Port of Los Angeles.



September Meeting in Balboa Park



Our Constitution Day Meeting will be remembered by all that attended not only for the parking challenge created by a “walk-run” event in Balboa Park but for our outstanding speaker. Our guest speaker was Jon Paul LaBruzzo, Capt., USN. His topic was: *“American Exceptionalism: why I am thankful to be an American, why the USA and the Constitution matter, and what should we do today as citizens if we care about our nation”*.

Capt. LaBruzzo did not read a scripted speech rather he spoke with the knowledge of a well-read person and the passion of an American Patriot. His engaging style kept the members and visitors engaged throughout his presentation.

We were pleased to welcome a number of DAR members as well as prospective members and visitors. It was a sizable post-Covid turnout of 24 but we had another 10 that had indicated they would attend but were not present. We know that some probably gave up finding a parking spot in the Park. *All* of the information we were given about timeframes and suggested parking locations turned out to be wrong. It became clear that the walk-run event was not on schedule which kept the easy access and parking options blocked until much later in the morning.

Thank you to those that were able to make their way to the meeting.



This is a **tentative** list of events that are planned for the next few months.

October 9, House of Spain Lawn Program. 11:30-3:30 pm. Music and paella. SDSAR will a booth near the House of USA.

October 15, Our statewide "Massing of the Colors" event will take place in San Diego this year. You should plan to arrive at the [Mormon Battalion Historic Site](#) in Old Town on Juan St, by 9:30AM. The Parade of the Colors will begin at 10:30AM.

November 11, Veterans Day. We have tentative plans to have our outdoor booth at the House of USA in Balboa Park.

November 12, Final Chapter Meeting, TBA, most likely at the Green Dragon in Carlsbad.

January 21, 2023, Annual Business Meeting. TBA

February 2023, Washington's Birthday **Black Tie** dinner at the Green Dragon in Carlsbad.



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.

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.