December 2022 *Final* 

# San Diego Chapter Sons of the American Revolution Monthly Digest



## December Birthdays

Merideth Campbell	3
Peter Fagen	5
Welbourne Sanford	5
David Roberts	8
Ricco Jay Buhay	10
Mitchell Lathrop	15
William Mitchell	17
Frederic Selby	20
Gregory Cuddeback	21
Trevor Shea	21
Edward Stotler	21
Wesley Daniels	22
Dean Rogers	23
Joseph Miller	24
John Raser	24



# Laying of Wreaths



The annual "Laying of Wreaths" was held Saturday, December 17 at Ft. Rosecrans and Miramar National Cemeteries. Our Color Guard led the procession at Ft. Rosecrans,

We had planned a fire a three round salute however last minute conflicts caused us to cancel that.













# La Jolla Christmas Parade







Our chapter's Color Guard marched in the annual La Jolla Christmas Parade on December 4th. We were joined by members of the La Jolla Chapter of DAR. The San Diego Jeep Club provided two Jeeps so that members could ride behind the Color Guard.

Our Color Guard participants were Duncn Campbell, Guard Commander (Adjutant South), Carolyn Campbell, Jim McAdory and Jen Kay along with her five year old daughter, Evangeline, marched with our Color Guard. In addition to Jen, DAR members Marcie Lukasik, Terri Kidd, Joy Gordon, Barbara Chenault and Kareen Stipp either marched or rode in a Jeep. SDSAR President, Michael Hirman rode in a Jeep.

> (below; DAR members (from the left; Regent Terri Kidd, Barbara Chenault, Kareen Stipp and Jen Kaye)



## **Dues Report**

Dues collection was slow until the last few days of the collection period. We had 25 current members that did not renew for 2023 which is just below our 2022 loss of 32. A "Sorry to see you go" letter was sent to each person that did not renew which got us six more renewals.

On the positive side we added 4 Junior and 3 Regular members this year. Our net loss was 14 and we have 4 reinstatements plus 1 dual that will be filed the first week of 2023.

We should also have 5 new member application at NSSAR in January.

## **Email List Cleanup in January**

In January we plan to purge our current email list of those emails that are linked to former Chapter members. The email list has not been cleaned in quite some time and we do not want to send unwanted emails to anyone that is no longer interested in SAR or our Chapter.

We will send notices to alert anyone scheduled to be dropped. There will also be information provided on how to remain on the list for anyone that wants to keep current on our Chapters activities.

We do not have the ability to select the types of emails to send or not send such as meeting and event notices or Digest notification. All of our announcements and news is available on our website which is open to all.

## **Flag Certificate Presentations**



San Diego Chapter President, Michael Hirman, spoke at the Alpine Unified School District about America 250 and presented them with a flag certification on behalf of the Sons of the American Revolution.

# **Volunteer Needed**

We have a few members that do not have email or a phone or computer to access our website. In 2022 all of our member communications was preformed electronically which leaves some of our members "out of the loop". We would like to correct that but we need someone to take on this role. The initial role would be to convert the monthly Digest (this) to a printed form and mail it to selected members. Please contact <u>communications@sarsandiego.org</u> if willing to help.

# Welcome! New Members

Our Chapter has added seven new members during the last 30 days and we have seven applications at CASSAR. We plan to induct our new members at the January Business Meeting on January 21, 2023. Here are our newest members:

- David Sexton, he may be a transfer, we don't have much info on him just a CASSAR notification.
- Mark Munoz.
- Mark Goodman
- Three new Junior Members; Joseph (12), Alexander (14) and Gregory Flores (17). Their mother, Jennifer, is a DAR member.
- One new Junior Member, David Reardon (5) is the son of our WAA coordinator, Kristine Reardon.

*Welcome* to the San Diego Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution.

# **January Business Meeting**

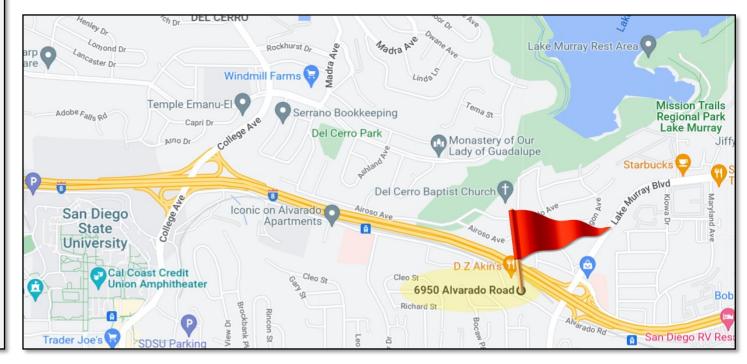
Our annual business meeting includes awards (lots of awards) and introduction of our 2023 Board of Directors.

We have seven new members, including four Juniors that we plan to induct into our Chapter at this meeting.

We will meet at Marie Callenders in the Lake Murray/SDSU area. This will be a breakfast (buffet) meeting with the doors open at 8:30 and the meeting starting at 9:00. The meeting fee will be \$25 per person. Signups will begin January 10th. Pay at the venue will be an option at this meeting.

The address is: 6950 Alvarado Rd, San Diego, CA 92120

Those with Junior or children that will attend, please contact our Treasurer for lower price for the children. <u>treasurer@sarsandiego.org</u>



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

January 21, 2023, Annual Business Meeting. Marie Callender's near SDSU. Breakfast buffet.

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

#### **2023 Info Booth Schedule** July 2-4, Balboa Park September, Clairemont Family Day October, Columbus Day, Balboa Park November, Veterans Day, Balboa Park





# America 250

The **"250 Minute"** refers to brief presentations given by members on topics related to the <u>Revolutionary War Period</u>. 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
- <u>Revolutionary War Master List</u>

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 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party in 2023 to the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the British Army's departure from New York City in 2033.