

Philip Lee Hinshaw
November 14, 1934, February 10, 2023



It is with heavy hearts that we report the passing of our compatriot, Philip Hinshaw. Philip was a remarkable person and we considered him as our friend. Both officially and unofficially he was the historian of the San Diego Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Philip was born and raised in Indiana where he enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1952. He transferred to the Fleet Reserve as a Master Chief Electrician's Mate in 1971. During his Naval career he served aboard the: USS Severn, Midway, Salamonie, Wyandot, Neosho, Bennington, Bexar and Ranger. After his Naval retirement he enrolled at San Diego State University and graduated in 1975 with a master's degree in Geography. After working at the San Diego Association of Governments he became the Planning Director for the Rancho Santa Fe Association. In 1981 he entered the land use

and environmental consulting field and opened his own consulting firm in 1983.

He became a SAR member in 1996 and has served the San Diego Chapter as Historian, Treasurer, Secretary, 2nd Vice President, 1st Vice President and in 2004 he was elected as the Chapter's President. He and his wife Mary attended at least six National Congresses, 15 NSSAR Trustee/Leadership meetings at the National Society's Headquarters and in 2010 he and Mary travelled with a SAR group to Spain where they attended an audience with His Royal Highness Don Felipe, the Prince of Asturias at the Royal Palace of Zarzuela.

His work with the House of Spain and bringing the history of Spain's pivotal role in the Revolutionary War served as the inspiration for the San Diego's Chapter assembling educational content for teachers on the subject and regular collaboration with the House of Spain.

His SAR Awards include Good Citizen, Silver-Chapter (2) and Bronze-Chapter-(2), Meritorious Service Award- Chapter, Patriot- Silver, America250- Chapter Bronze

He will be missed by all that knew him.

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Spy Story! Our March 25th Meeting



We are pleased to announce that former U.S. Attorney (Southern District of California) Robert Brewer, Jr. will be the featured speaker at our March 25th Chapter meeting.

Mr. Brewer's presentation will focus on the 1981 prosecution of Marion Zacharski, a deeply embedded Soviet spy, who obtained Top Secret documents pertaining to radar systems from Hughes Aircraft Company. Mr. Brewer prosecuted the case and he will discuss the arrest, trial and later interview with *60 Minutes*. Zacharski was later traded for 23 Western spies and 26 years later the prosecutor and spy were reunited to discuss the trial.

Birthdays

Philip Hirman	2
Joseph Raser	7
Kim Cox	8
John Gewalt	12
John Davis	14
Duane Wheeler	14
Miles Howson	17
Jonah Raser	26

We are returning to the **Admiral Baker Clubhouse**! It has been years since we were last there but we are adding this great venue to our favorites in 2023! Recent reviews have been excellent concerning the facility, food and service and we are excited to be there.

This is a breakfast meeting with:

- Fluffy Scrambled Eggs
- Crispy Bacon and Sausage
- Home Fried Potatoes
- Warm, buttery biscuits with country gravy
- Assorted pastries
- Seasonal fruit
- Assorted chilled juices
- Freshly brewed coffee & tea

Welcome New Members

We welcome **Steven Berneberg** and **Ted Parsons** to our Chapter. Since last November we have added 18 members to our roster of which 8 were reinstatements! We have nine applications at CASSAR or in transit to NSSAR!

We will open the doors at 8:30 and begin the meeting at 9:00. Breakfast will be available during a short break in the meeting at 9:30. Signup will be available beginning March 13, see our **Events** page on our website for details.



Note this meeting was changed from our normal 3rd Saturday to the 4th due to a conflict with our Presidents schedule.

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The San Diego Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution enjoyed a sizable crowd of 68 attendees at our **George Washington Birthday Black-Tie Dinner**. We anticipated that our turnout was somewhat dampened by the inclement weather but that was not the case. Those that attended enjoyed a musket volley, nice dinner, raffle with astonishing prizes and a well-run program.





Left- Western District SAR Vice President General, Derick Brown was accompanied by his wife Janet



Right- California Society President, Jim Klingler was accompanied by his wife Lidia



Left- California Society Vice President -South, John Ferris was accompanied by his wife Liz.



Right- California Society Chaplin, Right Reverend Louis Carlson and his wife Karen.



Our featured speaker was Richard Lederer. His presentation was on “Fascinating Facts About George Washington and His Successors”. Richard is a *San Diego Union-Tribune* language columnist and the author of 60 books about language, history, and humor, including his best-selling *Anguished English* series and his current title, *Lederer’s Language & Laughter*.

Dr. Lederer has been named International Punster of the Year and Toastmasters International's Golden Gavel winner.

His presentation was both entertaining and fascinating.

This is a *tentative* list of future events, Check our website Events page for a full list.

March 3, 2023, Wreaths Across America Mobile display in San Diego. Our Color Guard will present the Colors at the opening of the Display. The Display will be at the San Diego Harley Davidson, 4645 Morena Blvd. in San Diego.

March 25, 2023, Chapter Meeting. Admiral Baker Clubhouse, 2400 Admiral Baker Dr, San Diego.

2023 Info Booth Schedule

July 2-4, Balboa Park

September
Clairemont Family Day

October
Columbus Day, Balboa Park

November
Veterans Day, Balboa Park

What is our news feed?

The home page of our website has a regularly updated list of short articles on current news of interest to our members. It is on the right side of the page.

The “feed” is updated about once a week on average but often will have multiple articles posted during a week. There is the option to scroll to earlier posts as well. **www.sarSanDiego.org**



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.



Join our Color Guard