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Sons of the American Revolution

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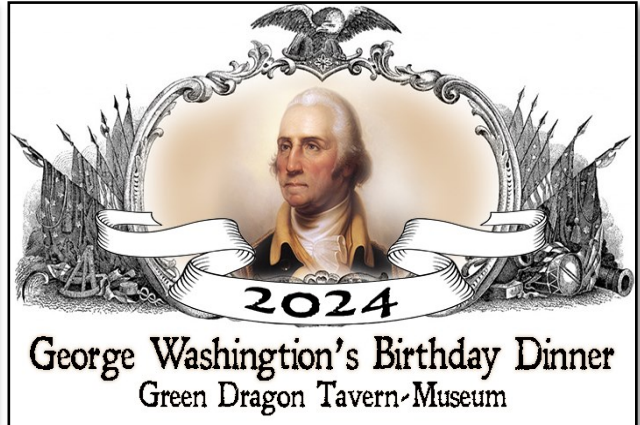


Birthdays

Joseph Raser	7
Kim Cox	8
John Gewalt	12
John Davis	14
Duane Wheeler	14
Miles Howson	17
Bryan Lewis	20
Jonah Raser	26

New Members

We have 3 new members in February: Richard Hansing and his brother Matthew. Zachary Hylton also became a member of our Chapter but sadly he has been transferred to the Washington D.C. area so we will lose him soon.



The San Diego Chapter held its annual George Washington Birthday Dinner at the Green Dragon Tavern and Museum in Carlsbad, CA on February 24th. A larger than anticipated crowd prompted the venue to open a second adjoining room to handle the turnout of 80 guests. On hand was our

President General, John Dodd, California Society President Jim Klingler, California Society Vice President-South John Ferris. Kent Gregory, Chairman of the S.A.R. Museum Board, provided our keynote address on the Art and Artifacts of the George Washington era. Joining our SAR state and national officers were the President of the San Diego Chapter, Jim McAdory and his wife Judy, CA State Society of DAR Corresponding Secretary Kristen Blackburn-Kaufman, California Society CAR President Sophia Kaufman and her husband Jordon and two CAR members.

The program kicked off with a three round musket volley outside the venue and the musket team and the Color Guard marched into the venue with the accompaniment of the San Diego Chapter's drummer and fifer, Gene and Claudine Moore. After the posting of the colors Gene and Claudine performed the National Anthem.

We enjoyed a significant turnout of DAR members who conducted a great door prize drawing and silent auction with the proceeds donated to our Chapter to help cover the cost of the event. Of particular note is the leadership of Brenda Kaesler, Regent of the Linares Chapter who organized the drawing with the assistance Michele Johnson, Regent of the San Diego Chapter, Terri Kidd, Regent of the La Jolla Chapter and Jennifer Halter, Regent of the Rincon Del Diablo.

Brenda Kaesler presented a DAR Certificate of Appreciation and Certificate of Recognition from Senator Brian Jones to Chapter members Michael Hirman, Duncan Campbell, Gene Moore and Jim McAdory for their efforts supporting the Boston Tea Part Reenactment in December.

Chapter Color Guard Commander presented awards to DAR members for their support of our activities. The Martha Washington medal to DAR members Brenda Kaesler, Terri Kidd and AnnaLisa Lauer-Hansing for their efforts on the Boston Tea Party reenactment. The America 250 Bronze medals to

Chapter President, Jim McAdory, presented a Certificate Appreciation to Tyler Jones of Endependence Financial for his sponsorship of the 2023 and 2024 dinner.



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George Washington Birthday Dinner



SAR-DAR Plaque Rededication at Mission San Diego de Alcalá



On the morning of February 3rd members of our Chapter and the San Diego Chapter of DAR joined forces for the rededication of the SAR-DAR plaque that was jointly funded and replaced the original 1932-3 plaque that was stolen.

We had a nice size crowd of both DAR and SDSAR members as well as many that had attended the Mass just prior to this program starting. Our Color guard began the program by leading the Mission's priest, Very Reverend Peter McGuine, to the entrance to the area of the new plaque. Kathleen Winchester led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and Judith Reale, Vice Chair Historic Preservation Committee, CSSDAR, Honorary Regent San Diego Chapter, NSDAR then provided welcome and dedication remarks. Jim McAdory of SDSAR followed and spoke on the historical significance of the Mission.



The group then moved to the front of the Mission where Reverend McGuine gave the Rededication of Marker Blessing. Afterwards the crowd moved indoors for a reception.



Left to right- Duncan Campbell, Rob Welch, Fred Hall, Rev. McGuine, Alan Winters, Jim McAdory, Karon Jarrard, Judith Reale, Darlene Cook.

This is a *tentative* list check our website Events page.

No Meeting in March

April-May Meeting, We are working on an exciting program and are negotiating with the speaker on a date. Venue and start time TBA.

Black Powder Training– We plan to hold a NRA Certified class this spring in our area. If you want to be able to join our musket team you must have SAR approved training and this is the first class in years in our area so signup today! Contact our Color Guard Commander at:

colorguard@sarsandiego.org

Elevator Pitch “The Sons of the American Revolution promotes patriotism, serves the community, and inspires and educates the public about the history of the American Revolution”.

Want to fire a musket?

We require anyone that fires a musket with us to have passed an NRA approved Black Powder safety course. To make attending this course easy for our members, our Color Guard Commander is working on holding this course in our area in 2024. If you would like to attend (you don't need to bring a musket) please contact

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America 250

Our Chapter Plans for America 250

Our Past President, Michael Hirman has been leading our America 250 committee and we have plans in place for an reenactment of the Boston Tea Party on December 16th this year. We are also actively contacting various civic leaders in our communities and at the county level.

Our goal is to have at least one major event each year during the America 250 program timeline. For 2024 we have a tentative plan to hold a program in Balboa Park centered around the first Continental Congress and in 2025 we will host a reenactment of the Battle of Lexington & Concord in the Laguna Mountains. Anyone that would like to participate in the planning and/or actual events please contact us at:

Membership@SarSanDiego.org

Queen Sofia Spanish Institute adds America 250 Commission



America&Spain250

Commission for the Celebration of Spain's Relationship with the United States, 1776 – 2026

About the Commission

The Commission's mission is to celebrate 250 years of the shared past, present and continued friendship between the United States, Spain, and the Spanish-speaking world.

Starting with the significant yet little-understood role of Spain in America's War of Independence, Spain's contributions to the history and development of the United States are many and diverse. They span numerous realms: science, medicine, agriculture and technology, along with language, literature, religion and the arts. The Commission aims to increase public awareness of these contributions and celebrate their importance over the course of 250 years of Spain's shared history with the United States.

The Commission also seeks to enrich the understanding of the complex, changing, yet enduring tripartite relationship between Spain, Spanish-speaking America and the United States.



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