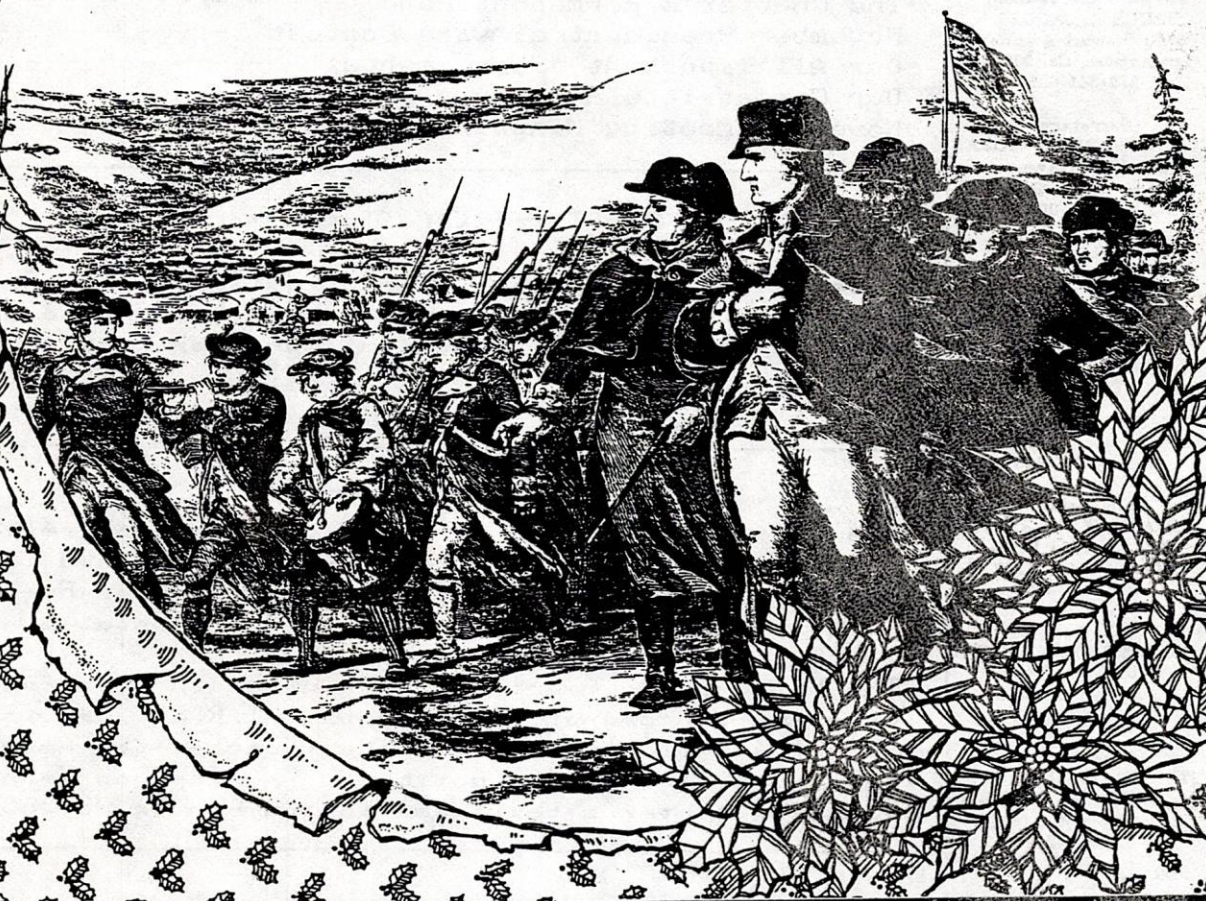


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THE FRONT COVER

After setting up winter camp at Valley Forge, George Washington, Commander-in-Chief and Major General, Baron Von Steuben review the Continental Army on Christmas Day, 1777.

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Donald Norman Moran - 1981 - 83 * LtC James Bellah, II - 1984 * George Sutherland Van Dorn - 1985
 Col. George A. Eckert, Jr. - 1986 * Roger E. Robertson - 1986 * DeWillo F. Bill Semerau - 1988
 Robert C. Emrey - 1989

MEETING NOTICE



Robert and Virginia Emrey
cordially invite you
to the
Ninth Annual
President's
Christmas Open House

Sunday
December 10th
2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
at
171 Wonderview Drive
Glendale
r.s.v.p. 1-818-241-9665

**COMPATRIOTS
 IN THE NEWS**



ompatriot Audel H. Hicks our newly elected Chap- President, has also been elected to the office of Governor of the State Society of the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America. This hereditary Society requires that you be a descendent in the male line of either parent from an ancestor who settled in the Colonies prior to May 13, 1657 and that one or all of whose immediate ancestors in the same line, who lived in the period of the American Revolution adhered to the Patriots cause.

BIRTHDAYS

AUDEL H. HICKS, Jr. - - - 12/09
 TROY A. REED - - - - - 12/11
 AUGUSTUS di ZEREGA - - - 12/19

ANNIVERSARIES

BILL and JACQUELINE SEMERAU
 02 December 1960

RANDALL and ANOUCHKA POTT
 08 December 1972

JOHN and MARGE VAN WAGONER
 19 December 1948

TOM and BILLIE GILLIS
 28 December 1935

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**IMPORTANT DATES
 TO REMEMBER**

1990 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS
 DINNER
 27 Janaury 1989

GEORGE WASHINGTON COMMEMORATIVE
 MASSING OF THE COLORS
 19 February 1989

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DUES ARE DUE



ou will shortly be receiving the annual dues notice. As information, the \$34.00 dues covers only a minimum of the Chapter's, or the States's or the National Society's expenses. We therefore include a list of "Special Funds" with the dues notice that help support some of these very important programs. The following is a explanation of those "Special Funds".

**THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER
 PERMANENT FUND**

The interest from this fund is placed in our general operating fund. In 1989 that interest equalled the dues of 30 members.

**THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER
 COLOR GUARD FUND**

Donations to this fund assist in up-grading and adding to the Color Guard, as well as deferring it's operating expenses. As information, dry cleaning of the uniforms costs about \$50.00.

**THE NATIONAL SOCIETY'S
 WASHINGTON FUND**

This fund serves the same purposes as does the Chapter's Permanent fund, with the interest exclusively funding the various National Committee work.

**THE CALIFORNIA SOCIETY'S
 PERMANENT FUND**

This fund is exactly the same as our Chapter Permanent Fund but is for the State Society.

**THE CALIFORNIA SOCIETY'S
 EDUCATION FUND**

The interest from this fund provides a scholarship to a post graduate student of early or colonial American history.

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OUR VETERAN'S BOOK DRIVE



Chairman **BERNI K. CAMPBELL** of our Veteran's Affairs Committee reports that he delivered 75 paperback books and 26 Picture Puzzles to the Brentwood Veteran's Administration Hospital in November. As you have read, we have enhanced this V.A. Hospital support program to include the donation of "picture puzzles" which the hospital patients have expressed a great desire for.

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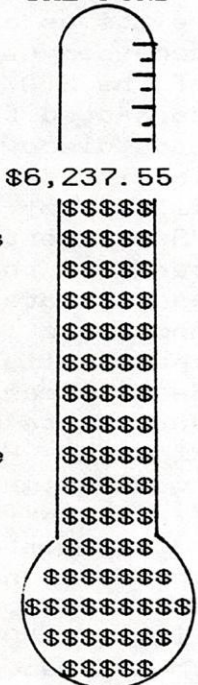
SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER'S PERMANENT FUND

Donations to the Chapter's Permanent Fund are Tax deductible and the interest earned from the fund will greatly assist the Chapter.

THE DONORS

- Charles D. Barnard
- Arthur Wm. Barrett
- John Bartke
- Berni K. Campbell
- Robert C. Emrey
- Leslie L. Fleming
- Col. Thomas D. Gillis
- Philip R. Giltmier
- Audel H. Hicks, Sr.
- Audel H. Hicks, Jr.
- Richard W. Marston
- Donald R. McDowell
- James A. McKellep
- Robert Sterling Moore
- Donald Norman Moran
- Norman Philip Moran
- Roger E. Robertson
- D.F. "Bill" Semerau
- Walter G. Turnell
- Walter H. Walley
- Augustus de Zerega

THE FUND



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THE CASSAR PRESIDENT'S AWARD CONTEST CHAPTER STATUS NOVEMBER

- .1. Publicity.....1,620
- .2. TV or Radio.....0
- .3. New Members.....0
- .4. Compatriot reinstated.....0
- .5. Supplemental applicants.....0
- .6. NSSAR Delegates.....0
- .7. CSSAR Delegates.....0
- .8. Social/Business meeting....15
- .9. Each SAR attending.....110
- 10. Prospective member.....15
- 11. Each Lady attending.....48
- 12. Each Aux. attending.....14
- 13. Each DAR attending.....6
- 14. Two + Chapter function.....0
- 15. Hosting State Meeting.....0
- 16. Organizing new Chapter.....0
- 17. SAR Program or Talk.....0
- 18. Gifts to V.A. Hospital.....0
- 19. Each book donated.....300
- 20. Historical site marked.....0
- 21. SAR Medals presented.....0
- 22. Presented in person.....0
- 23. Chapter roster.....0
- 24. Each issue of newsletter...25
- 25. Granting a scholarship.....0
- 26. Meeting with DAR/CAR.....0
- 27. Oration Contest.....0
- 28. Eagle Scout Nominee.....0
- 29. Manning a Community table...0
- 30. Donations to SAR/CAR.....926
- 31. Each new citizen.....0
- 32. Participating in Parade.....0
- 33. Report on time.....50

Monthly Totals (November)...3,119
Year to date totals.....29,498



The month of November was another good month for the Chapter. 1,620 points were earned for publicity in the the Lucerne Valley Leader newspaper and the S.A.R. Magazine. Our Veteran's Book Drive Committee Chairman, Berni K. Campbell delivered 75 books to the Brentwood Veteran's Hospital.

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OUR ALL IMPORTANT "SUPPLEMENTALS"



Our proud Society, the Sons of the American Revolution, is dedicated to preserving the memory of those Patriots who, by their sacrifices, established this great Nation of a Free People. At no time is their achievement more appropriately honored and preserved than when one of their descendents joins the S.A.R.

Unfortunately, there are far fewer members of the S.A.R. and/or the D.A.R. than there are veterans of the Revolutionary War. True, many died in that long conflict and left no children and still others have seen their lines die out after a few generations. But, even more tragic is that veteran who's war service was never recorded, or has been lost or forgotten.

Consider, that the S.A.R. has fewer than 100,000 Revolutionary War Soldiers listed in their "Ancestor" files.

To correct this problem and to fulfill our stated objectives, the S.A.R. created the "supplemental". In addition to your ancestor on whose record you were admitted to membership in the S.A.R., you may and are encouraged to submit additional ancestors, documented in the same manner as your original application (on a special form) at a substantially reduced cost.

Since many of the records of the Revolutionary War have been lost, or never existed in the first place, identifying a veteran of that conflict can be difficult. In many instances, the only record is in an obscure dusty volume, or in a family owned letter, Bible or other heirloom. In our Chapter we have a member who's ancestors served in the Pennsylvania

Militia. The only mention of his service is in an obscure county record which stated that he was fined 6 pence for failing to appear for drill. It is proof of service. If that record had not found, that veteran would never have had his name listed on the Rolls of Honor.

For the genealogist, who spends countless hours "digging" through dusty archives, finds a long lost service record and then simply records it in his or her personal file, and promptly relegates it again to obscurity. Would it not be better to permanently preserve that ancestors contribution to America by joining the S.A.R. or if already a member, filing that all important "supplemental".

In addition to preserving the War record of an ancestor, the "Supplementals" also preserve that entire lineage. Not many years ago, a gentleman took up genealogy. He contacted a few relatives and learned that his deceased uncle had been a member of the S.A.R. Our new researcher contacted the National Society, and discovered to his everlasting delight, his uncle had filed a total of fourteen "Supplementals". In genealogical terms that translates to approximately ninety-six proven ancestors obtained for only a few dollars in photocopying fees. Imagine if his uncle was our State Genealogist, Colonel Richard F. Locke with his twenty-eight "Supplementals"?

The benefits of filing "Supplementals" is obvious and their are no negatives. So, my fellow Compatriots, let's start filing YOUR "Supplementals" them. We owe it to the memory of our honored ancestors and we owe it to our posterity.

OUR COMPATRIOTS AND THEIR
"SUPPLEMENTALS"

COMPATRIOT ROBERT C. EMREY
Supplemental Ancestor:

Paymaster LEVI PATTERSON - Capt. John Patterson's Co, Col. Lyon's
15th Vermont Regiment of Militia.

COMPATRIOT AUDEL H. HICKS, SR.
Supplemental Ancestors

Captain JOHN THOMAS, Sr. - Virginia Continental Line
Captain ROBERT THOMAS - Orange County, Virginia Militia
AARON QUISENBERRY, Sr. - Performed Public Service in Virginia
Col. FRANCIS MOORE - Orange County, Virginia Militia
Private ABRAHAM SWANGO - Virginia Contential Line
Private WILLIAM BURRIS - Wm. Washington's 3rd Virginia Regiment
Private JAMES T. QUISENBERRY - Capt. Timothy Dalton's Co. 5th Va. Rgt

COMPATRIOT REGINALD H. HUMPHREYS
Supplemental Ancestors

Private OBADIAH HOLT- Col. Nichols Regiment, fought at the Cedars
Ticonderoga and Bennington.
JOHN HUMPHREYS - Performed Public Service in Massachusetts
Cpl. ASA LIBBY - Capt. Nathan Merrill's Co. Massachusetts Militia
Private MOSES STRICKNEY - Capt. Wm. Thurio's Co. Col. Josiah
Whitney's Regiment, Massachusetts Militia
Minuteman SIMON STRICKNEY - Capt. James Davis Co. Col. Doolittle's
Regiment, Massachusetts Militia.

COMPATRIOT ROBERT STERLING MOORE
Supplemental Ancestors

Captain NATHANIEL GILBERT - 6th Middletown Company, Col. Comfort
Sayes's Regiment, Connecticut Militia.
(Six additional supplemental submitted as of this date)

COMPATRIOT ROGER E. ROBERTSON
Supplemental Ancestors

Private ZURIEL ALBEE - Capt. John Albee's Co. New Hampshire Militia
Private ALEXANDER PARKMAN DAVIS - Captain Josiah Wilder's Co. Col.
Nathan Speerhawk's Regiment, New Ham shire Militia

COMPATRIOT GEORGE SUTHERLAND VAN DORN
Supplemental Ancestors

Private NICHOLAS DORN - Captain Samuel Carhart's Co. 1st Regiment
New Jersey Continental Line.
Minuteman WILLIAM VAN DORN - Somerset County, New Jersey Militia

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NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES

27 November 1989



The San Fernando Valley Chapter, SAR, held it's monthly meeting on the 27th of November, 1989 at Leon's Steak House in North Hollywood, California.

The presiding Officer was President Robert C. Emrey.

GUEST SPEAKERS

State President Arthur Wm. Barrett addressed the Chapter on the subject of membership growth within the State Society and what the San Fernando Valley Chapter can do to assist the effort.

Compatriot Robert S. Moore assisted by his wife Laura and daughter Jacqueline gave a delightful and informative talk on their recent trip to Africa. Supported by colorful slides and numerous artifacts the members of the chapter learned a great deal about the Africa.

Compatriot Moore, who is an archeologist, ably provided an in depth cultural and historical background to the slides he showed. Because of Robert's influential contacts in Africa he and his family were able to visit remote villages, film rarely seen ceremonies, and on one occasion, his wife Laura actually joined in the dancing and singing. In addition to the cultural and historical aspects of their trip, the presentation and slides included a marvelous array of wild life. When showing a slide of a rhinoceros, a comment was made stating "He was a little to close for comfort". A special thanks to Compatriot Moore and his family for sharing this unusual experience with us.

1. THE OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES

IT WAS MOVED by Compatriot Berni K. Campbell and SECONDED by Col. George A. Eckert, Sr., that the Minutes of the October Meeting be accepted as published in the Valley Compatriot.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

2. REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Treasurer Audel H. Hicks, Sr. reported that a deposit has been made for the January Installation Dinner and that the medals the Chapter will need for 1990 have been paid for and received. A year-end financial statement will be published in the January issue of the Valley Compatriot.

3. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Berni K. Campbell reported that three (3) eligible men have contacted the Chapter regarding membership. They are: John L. Tullis, James W. Tullis and Fred Lichti. In addition Compatriot Robert S. Moore has submitted seven (7) new supplementals.

4. BOOK DRIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Berni K. Campbell reported that seventy-five (75) paperbacks were delivered to the Brentwood V.A. Hospital along with twenty-six (26) puzzles. Approximately five-hundred (500) paperbacks have been collected and will be distributed in December.

5. REPORT OF THE VETERAN'S AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Chairman Audel H. Hicks reported on the possibility of a tour of

MEETING MINUTES
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5. REPORT OF THE VETERAN'S
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (cont.)

the Sepulveda Veteran's Hospital can be arranged, After seeing the hospital, first hand, the Chapter can better determine how we can enhance our Veteran's programs.

6. REPORT ON ADVERTIZING IN
THE S.C.G.S'S SEARCHER

Compatriot Berni K. Campbell reported that the proposed advertizement in the Southern California Society's monthly newsletter should be resolved in January.

7. THE 1989 CRISTMAS PARADE

President Robert C. Emrey reported that the Chapter's Color Guard will be participating in the Montrose Christmas Parade on the evening of December 2nd. The Parade starts at 6:30 P.M. and the route of march is Fothill Boulevard.

8. MANNING THE COLOR GUARD

President Robert C. Emrey has arranged for the Crescenta Valley Junior R.O.T.C. to man our Color Guard. This Air Force R.O.T.C. unit will be in our Continental uniforms at the Christmas Parade.

9. THE 9TH ANNUAL PRESIDENT'S
CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

President Robert C. Emrey and our first lady, Virginia, advised the Chapter that the ninth annual President's Open house will be held at his home at 2:00 P.M. until 6:00 P.M.

on Sunday, December 10th, 1989. Special invitations have been mailed to our Compatriots.

10. ELECTION OF 1990 OFFICERS

Secretary Donald N. Moran read the report of the Nominations Committee, submitted by Chairman D.F. "Bill" Semerau.

For President:
AUDEL H. HICKS, SR.

For First Vice President:
ROBERT STERLING MOORE

For Second Vice President:
JAMES A. MCKELLEP

For Secretary:
DONALD NORMAN MORAN

For Treasurer:
ROBERT CHARLES EMREY

For Registrar:
BERNI KEITH CAMPBELL

For Chancellor:
RICHARD W. MARSTON

For Chaplain:
LtC JAMES BELLAH, II

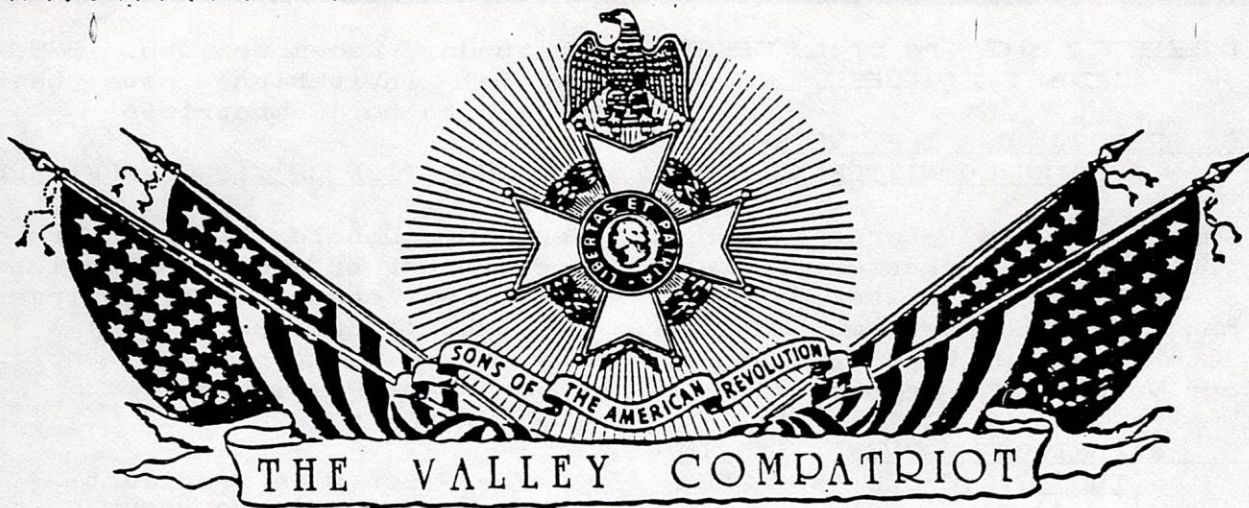
For Genealogist:
STEPHEN W. GREGORY

For Historian:
ROBERT BRECKENRIDGE WARWICK

For Trustee
AUDEL H. HICKS, SR.

IT WAS MOVED by Compatriot Robert S. Moore and SECONDED by Compatriot Donald H. McLaughlin that the proposed slate of officers be unanimously elected.
THE MOTION CARRIED.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS,
THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.
Donald Norman Moran, Secretary



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