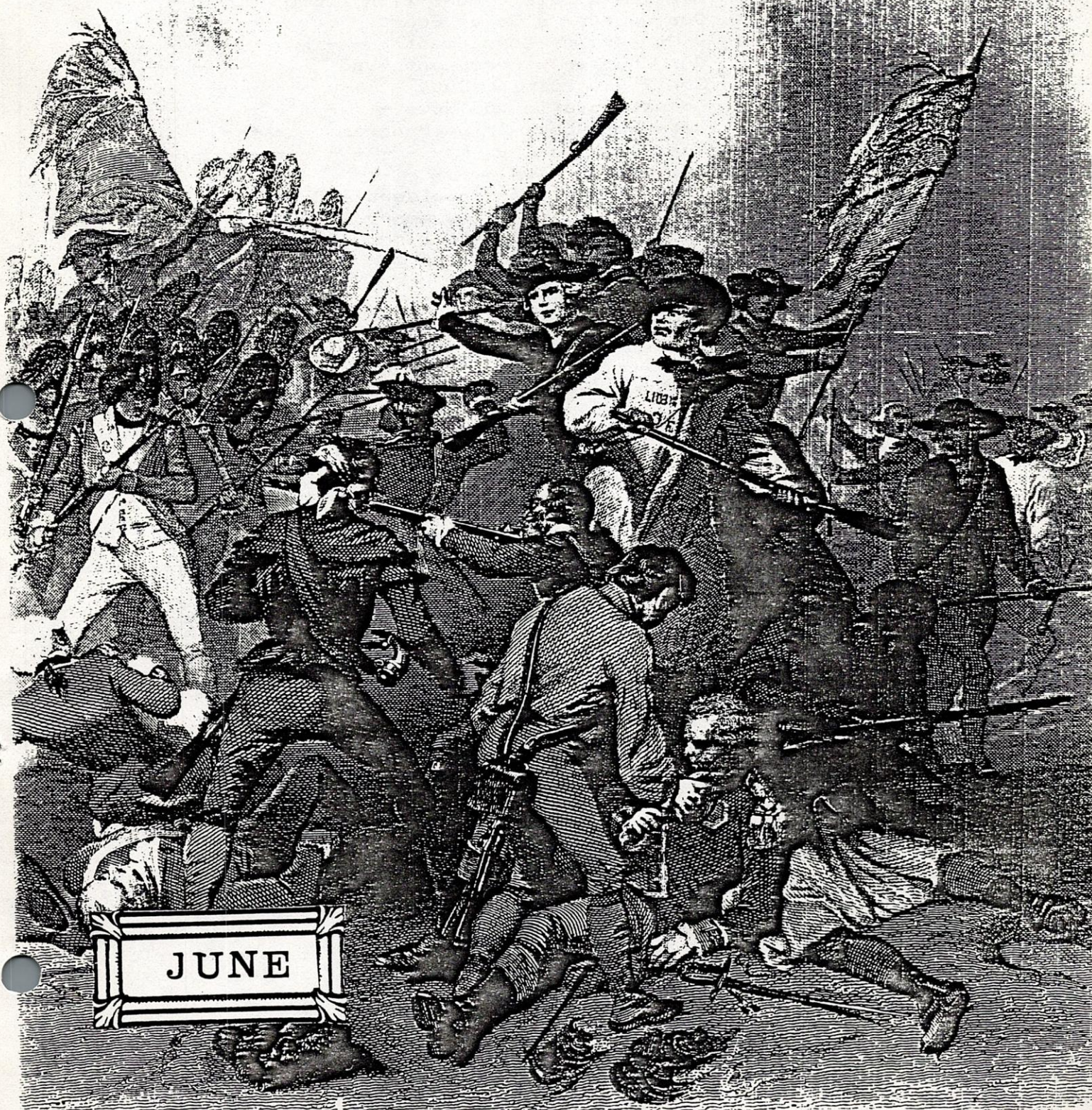


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MEETING NOTICE

MONDAY, JUNE 27th, 1988



At 6:30 P.M. on Monday, June 27th, 1988 the Monthly Dinner meeting of the San Fernando Valley Chapter will be held at LEON'S STEAK HOUSE, 10945 Victory Blvd. North Hollywood, Ca. (Corner of Victory and Vineland.)

PROGRAM

Sergeant-Major Terry Lee
Van Nuys High School Army ROTC

Applicants, the ladies and guests are most welcome. Please notify our Secretary if you plan on attending.

THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER COLOR GUARD



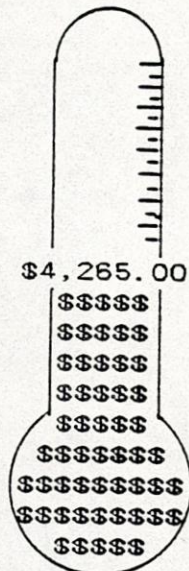
The San Fernando Valley Chapter, S.A.R.'s Inter-Service Continental Color Guard will be participating at the National Congress being held this year in Washington D.C. The Color Guard will be representing the California Society, S.A.R. and manned by members from all over the State.

OUR CHAPTER'S PERMANENT FUND

THE DONORS

THE FUND

- Anonymous
- Fr. John Bartke
- Berni K. Campbell
- Robert C. Emrey
- Col. Thomas D. Gillis
- Audel H. Hicks
- Donald R. McDowell
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- Walter H. Walley
- Augustus de Zerega



Contributions to the Chapter's Permanent fund are Tax Deductible and an excellent way to assist the Chapter in continuing its many valuable and patriotic programs. The interest earned on the permanent fund in 1987 was equivalent to twenty (20) members, without the usual membership related expenses. Please consider making a contribution to this fund and help assure that our Chapter continues the goals of the S.A.R.

1889 - 1989

A CENTURY OF COMMITMENT



TO OUR NATION'S HERITAGE

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER, S.A.R.
PARTICIPATES IN THE NINETEENTH
ANNUAL GENEALOGICAL JAMBOREE



+ + + OUR DISPLAY AT THE 19TH ANNUAL GENEALOGICAL JAMBOREE + + +



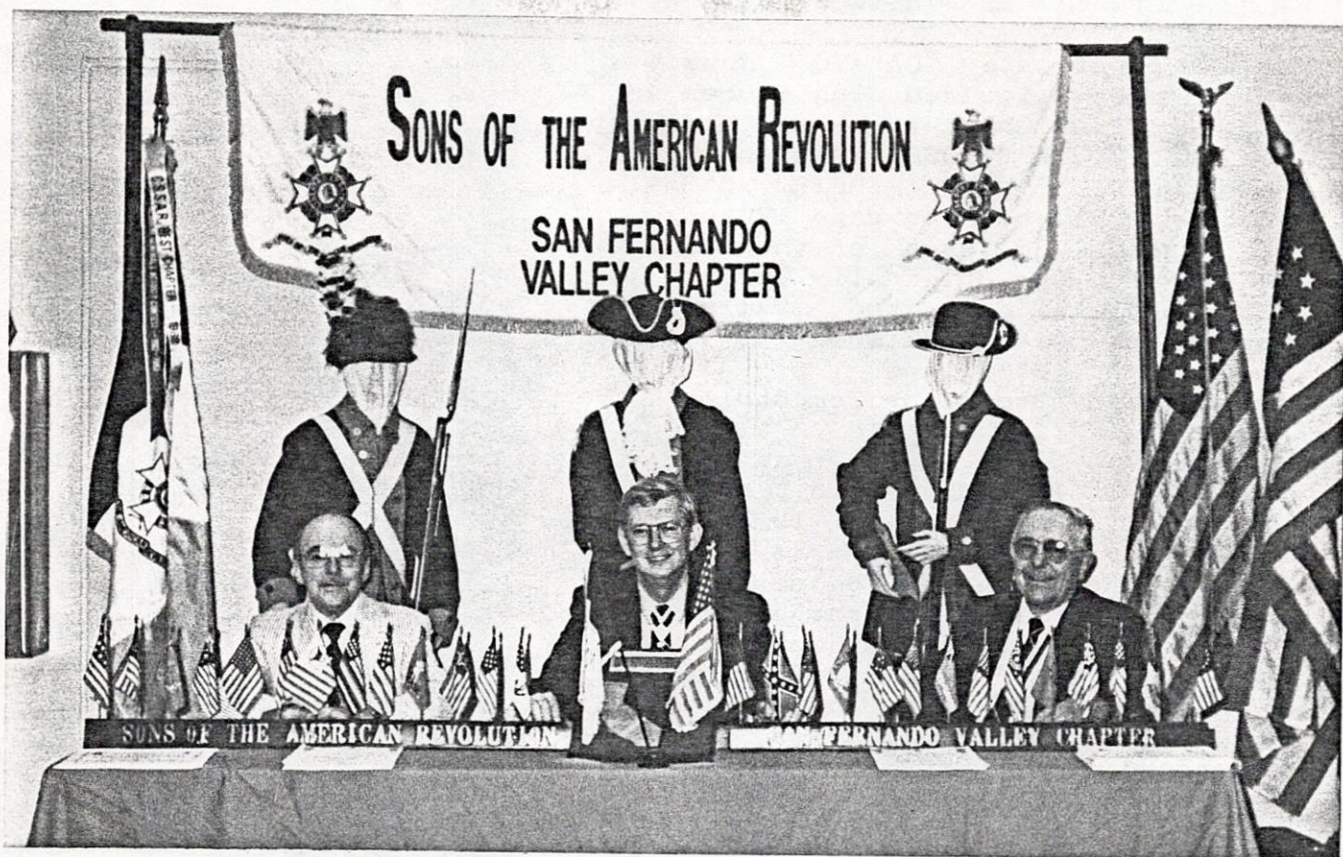
very year for the past 19 years the Southern California Genealogical Society has held the annual Genealogical Jamboree. The Chapter has participated in many of them as it is a futile recruiting ground. This year was no exception.

Our table located on the ground floor was without a doubt the most colorful and patriotic of the 124 booths. Flanked by flags and with our new parade banner, plus three of our mannequins, dressed in the uniforms of Washington's Life Guards, Continental Navy and Continental Marines drew crowds like a magnet. The Chapter passed out over two hundred packets of membership data.

Since the S.C.G.S.'s Genealogical Jamboree is the biggest, best attended "Genealogical happening" in the west, the Chapter not only recruited for the San Fernando Valley Chapter, S.A.R. but gave out names and addresses of chapters close to the requestors home. To our surprise, that included Florida and New York!

In the early afternoon, a television crew from a local station asked to do an interview with one of our members. Com-patriot Donald N. Moran was volunteered. In addition to providing them with a detailed description of the S.A.R., it's genealogical importance, time was spent describing the Revolutionary war uniforms of the Color Guard.

THE CHAPTER'S RECRUITING EFFORT AT
THE GENEALOGICAL JAMBOREE
CONTINUED



THE CHAPTER'S RECRUITING TABLE AT THE GENEALOGICAL JAMBOREE
Manned by (L-R): Audel Hicks, Donald N. Moran, D.F. "Bill" Semerau

Manning the recruiting table at the Genealogical Jamboree were Compatriots Audel Hicks, Chapter President D. F. "Bill" Semerau, Charles Pitchford, Walter Walley, Donald N. Moran. During the course of the day the following Compatriots stopped by the table and either to see how we were doing: Arden Brame and Willard Hope of the Pasadena Chapter, Bruce Jagger, Charles Barnard, Eugene Dick, Donald McDowell, Bill Dunwoody, Bob Steele and Troy Reed. A very good turn out to say the least.

The Chapter passed out a questionnaire which asked three questions: 1 - Do you have a proven Revolutionary War Ancestor? 2 - Do you have a

close relative who is a member of the S.A.R., D.A.R., S/R, or C.A.R.? 3 - Will you require genealogical assistance to attain membership?

When the questionnaires are returned to us (via mail), we send a copy of our "THE S.A.R. WANTS YOU!", a copy of the "VALLEY COMPATRIOT", a copy of the "CALIFORNIA COMPATRIOT" and a copy of the "SAR MAGAZINE". (all saved for this purpose). To date we have received four completed questionnaires and these applicants look promising.

The answer for most of the problems faced by the S.A.R. and for it to meet it's objectives is membership growth. The Chapter is doing it's part.

COMPATRIOTS
IN THE NEWS



ompatriots Donald Ross McDowell, a founding member of our Chapter has had his article "THOSE TALL AMERICAN PATRIOTS AND THEIR LONG RIFLES" published on page 20 of the Spring 1988 issue of the SAR MAGAZINE. Don originally wrote the article for the Valley Compatriot which published it in the August 1986 issue. A "Well done" is in order for Compatriot McDowell.

Vice President and Mrs. Robert C. Emrey will lead a delegation from the Chapter to the National Congress being held in Washington D.C. over the July 4th holiday. The delegation will include Former President George Sutherland Van Dorn and wife Mary, Treasurer Charles M. Pitchford and wife Toni and Former President Donald Norman Moran and wife Linda.

BIRTHDAYS

PHILO VAN WAGONER - - - - 06/10
WILLIAM DAVID TULLIS - - - 06/15

ANNIVERSARY

GLEN & CLAIRE ROBERTSON- 06/20/81
CLIFF & AGNES BROOKS - - 06/21/47
GUS & DOTTI Di ZERAGA - 06/24/46

VETERAN'S BOOK
DRIVE



hairman Berni K. Campbell has advised that the Chapters efforts to collect books continues to exceed all expectations. We have delivered 1,000 paperbacks to the Sawtelle and Sepulveda Veterans Hospitals since May 1st. At the suggestion of Compatriot Del Hicks it is likely that the program will be expanded to include the "U.S.O." which has a growing need for our assistance.

FOR FATHER'S DAY



nn Landers published this Father's Day item that was submitted by one of her readers in Washington D.C. We saw ourselves in every line and we are certain others will too.



At 4 years: My Daddy can do anything.

At 7 years: My Dad knows a lot, a whole lot.

At 9 years: My Father doesn't know quite everything.

At 11 years: Oh, well, naturally Father doesn't know either.

At 14 years: Father? Hopelessly old-fashioned.

At 21 years: Oh, that man is out of date.

At 25 years: He knows a little bit about it, but not much.

At 30 years: A little patience. Let's get Dad's assessment before we do anything.

At 50 years: I wonder what Dad would have thought about that, He was pretty smart.

At 60 years: My Dad knew absolutely everything.

At 65 years: I'd give anything if Dad were here so I could talk this over with him. I really miss that man.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER,
CALIFORNIA SOCIETY
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
BY-LAWS

APPROVED 30 MAY 1988

Bylaw No. 1 - MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the San Fernando Valley Chapter, S.A.R. shall be as set forth in the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (NSSAR) Bylaw Number 1, "Membership", Sections 1 through 5.

The prior designation shall not change until the incumbent has been replaced. They shall all serve without stipend. The Officers shall be elected in November of each year and assume office in January of the following year.

Bylaw No. 2 - MEETINGS

The Chapter should hold not less than four (4) meetings each year. The Chapter will elect its Officers in November of each Year and hold an Installation of Officers meeting in January of each year.

If an officer resigns or becomes incapacitated while in office the Chapter may replace him by holding an election at any duly called meeting.

Bylaw No. 3 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1 - The Board of Directors of the San Fernando Valley Chapter shall have management and control of the property and affairs of this Chapter and be responsible for the promotion of its objectives.

Each of the trustees of the Permanent Fund shall be elected for a three year term, staggered such that one expires each year, except when there is more than one vacancy, different terms are required so that only one Trustee term expires each year.

SECTION 2 - The Board of Directors shall comprise the elected officers of the Chapter who are in good standing.

SECTION 2 PRESIDENT - The President shall preside at all meetings of this Chapter and of the Board of Directors and have a casting vote. He shall exercise the usual functions of a presiding officer, and shall enforce strict observance of the Society's Articles of Incorporation, NSSAR, CASSAR and Chapter Bylaws. He shall appoint all Committees not otherwise provided for.

Bylaw No. 4 - OFFICERS, POWERS AND DUTIES

SECTION 1 - The Officers of this Chapter shall be the:

President,
First Vice-President,
Second Vice-President,
Secretary,
Treasurer,
Registrar,
Historian,
Genealogist,
Chancellor,
Chaplain,
Three Trustees of the
Permanent Fund

In the absence of the President at any meeting or his incapacity to continue in service for any reason, his duties shall be assumed by other officers in the following order: First Vice President, Second Vice President and other elected officers in the order listed in Section 1 above.

SECTION 3 - FIRST VICE PRESIDENT - The First Vice President shall assist the President in

BYLAWS - Continued:

the operations of the Chapter and preform such duties as assigned him by the President.

SECTION 4 - SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT: The Second Vice-President shall serve as Program Chairman and perform such other duties as assigned him by the President.

SECTION 5 - SECRETARY. The Secretary shall conduct the general correspondence of the Chapter and such other matters as may be directed by the Board of Directors or the President. He shall have charge of the Bylaws and records of the Chapter and, together with the presiding officers, shall certify all acts of the Chapter. He shall keep fair and accurate records of all memberships, proceedings and orders of the Society, and shall give notice to the several officers of all votes, orders, resolves and proceedings of the Chapter affecting them or appertaining to their respective duties. He shall notify all members of their election, and shall, under direction of the president, give due notice of the time, place and agenda of all meetings of the Chapter or Board of Directors and shall attend the same. He shall send or mail a copy of the minutes of the Board of Directors to each of its members when directed so to do by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 6 - TREASURER - The Treasurer shall collect and keep the general operation funds of the Chapter. They shall be deposited in a banking institution approved by the Board of Directors and shall be placed to the credit of the SAN

FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER, S. A. R. The Treasurer shall expend funds of the Chapter only as directed by the Board of Directors through adoption of a budget or by specific direction for a particular item. Funds shall be expended by checks signed by two (2) officers so authorized. He shall keep a true account of his receipts and distursements and at each meeting render the same to the Chapter. He shall also make such other reports as may be requested by the Board of Directors or President. The Treasurer shall also administer and manage any special fund other than the Chapter's Permanent Fund in accordance with Bylaw Number 9.

SECTION 7 - REGISTRAR - The Registrar shall examine and prepare all applications for membership in this Society and for those found eligible shall report to the Board of Directors or agent it may designate. If further documentation is required, he may refer the application to the Genealogist. If the research is extensive, the Registrar shall be allowed to negotiate appropriate fees, without cost to the Chapter. Supplemental Applications shall be handled in a simular manner.

SECTION 8 - HISTORIAN - The Historian shall obtain and preserve material relating to the history of this Chapter, including but not limited to medals and awards presented, news clippings, records of historical and commemorative meetings, minutes of meetings, names of officers, biographical and genealogical materials and obituaries. He shall from time to time forward appropriate materials to the Editor of the California Compatriot, the NSSAR

BYLAWS - Continued

Magazine or the NSSAR Historian-General. He shall supervise the preparation and printing of any Chapter historial publications, other than those of membership rolls, which may be authorized by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 9 - GENEALOGIST - The Genealogist shall assist the Registrar and the Board of Directors and any member of the Chapter who may appeal to him for help in preparing application papers for membership. If the research is extensive the Genealogist shall be allowed to negotiate appropriate fees, without cost to the Chapter. He shall examine all appeals from decisions or lack of action be the Registrar. He shall report to the Board of Directors on all matters that come before him.

SECTION 10 - CHANCELLOR - The Chancellor shall be an Attorney-at-Law and it shall be his duty to give opinions on all legal matters affecting the Chapter when such questions are referred to him by proper officers or by the Board of Directors. He shall act as Parliamentarian at meetings of the Chapters and the Board of Directors. Should he not so serve, the President may appoint a substitute to act as Parliamentarian.

SECTION 11 - CHAPLAIN - The Chaplain shall open and close meetings of the Chapter and Board of Directors with religious services usual and proper on such occasions, when so directed by the President or by the Chairman of the meeting.

SECTION 12 - TRUSTEES OF THE PERMANENT FUND - They shall select one of their members as Chairman and he shall have

charge of all records and have the power to call a meeting of the Trustees whenever he deems it necessary. They shall manage and invest moneys, securities or property which may accrue to the Permanent Fund in the name of the PERMANENT FUND OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, in accordance with the prudent man rule. A bank account shall be opened in the name of the TRUSTEES OF THE PERMANENT FUND OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, in a bank approved by the Board of Directors, in which all funds received by the Trustees shall be deposited. Any such funds deposited therein may be withdrawn only on the signiture of at least two Trustees. Withdrawals of income from their investments and bank account may be made only as provided in Bylaw Number 9. Status reports shall be presented to the Board of Directors at least quarterly and to the Chapter Secretary at least ten days before the Annual Meeting of the Chapter.

SECTION 13 - FORMER PRESIDENTS Former Presidents of the Chapter who are in good standing shall be voting members of the Board of Directors.

Bylaw No. 5 COMMITTEES

SECTION 1 - NOMINATING COMMITTEE - It shall comprise the Former Presidents of the Chapter who are in good standing, with the most recent Former President serving as Chairman. At least 30 days prior to the November meeting it shall provide the Secretary with a list of proposed nominations for each elected office.

SECTION 2 - STANDING COMMITTEES - The following are required Committees for which the President shall appoint a

BYLAWS Continued

Chairman when one is not otherwise indicated, and may appoint directly or with the Chairman's recommendations, other members to the Committee.

2a - FINANCE COMMITTEE

The First Vice President shall be Chairman, the Treasurer an ex-officio member. They shall estimate the income and expenditures, and recommend such fiscal actions as they consider in the best interest of the Chapter. One of their main duties is to prepare a recommended annual budget for the following year.

2b - AUDIT COMMITTEE

It shall comprise at least three members, two of whom shall be other than elected officers. It shall audit the books and records of the Treasurer and shall report to the President.

2c - MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Second Vice President shall serve as Chairman of the Membership Committee. It shall solicit and encourage candidates for membership to file applications and join the Society. A member of this committee should serve on the CASSAR Membership Committee.

2d - BYLAWS COMMITTEE

The Chancellor shall serve as Chairman of this Committee. It shall review all proposed amendments to the Bylaws and submit the final wording to the Secretary who will distribute the proposed changes to the membership of the Chapter thirty (30) days prior to the meeting at which they will be considered.

SECTION 3 - SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Special Committees as deemed appropriate by the President, may be appointed by him for his

term in office. The President, shall be an ex-officio member of all Standing and Special Committees.

BYLAW NO 6. - NEWSLETTER

The President shall appoint a member of the Chapter to be the Editor of the VALLEY COMPATRIOT, the monthly newsletter of the Chapter.

BYLAW NO. 7. - FEES AND DUES

SECTION 1 - The admission fee for membership shall be that currently declared by the NSSAR and by the CASSAR, plus that fee currently declared by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 2 - The fiscal year of this Society is from April 1 through March 31 of the following year. The dues for each member of the Chapter shall be that amount due to the NSSAR and due the CASSAR, plus the amount of Chapter dues declared by the Board of Directors. New members approved and registered by the NSSAR and the CASSAR on or after April 1 do not pay NSSAR dues for the balance of that calendar year per NSSAR Bylaw No. 19. A member delinquent in payment of annual dues after March 31st is automatically suspended and shall be dropped from membership.

SECTION 4 - Any member whose membership has been terminated for non-payment of annual dues may be reinstated by payment of the current dues to the treasurer, provided that his request for reinstatement be approved by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 5 - When there is evidence that hardship or misfortune may cause the lapse of payment of dues, the Board of Directors may grant to any

BYLAWS - Continued:

member an exemption for that year's dues. The NSSAR and CASSAR dues are to be paid from the Special WALTER H. WALLEY fund established for that expressed purpose.

BYLAW NO. 8 - MEETINGS OF THE CHAPTER

SECTION 1 - MEETINGS

1a - Meetings of the Chapter shall comprise all the members of the Chapter who are in good standing; The right to vote shall be limited to one vote for each such member who is present. There shall be no proxy or absentee voting permitted at any meeting of this Chapter.

1b - Notice of meetings shall be sent by the Secretary no less than seven days prior to the meeting.

1c - Pursuant to the duly sent meeting notice, a quorum at any meeting of the Chapter shall be five members in good standing that are present.

1d - The following Order of Business is suggested for the meetings of the Chapter:

1. Call to order
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. The S.A.R. opening ritual
5. Presentation of previous meeting minutes.
6. Reports of the Officers
7. Reports of the Standing Committees
8. Reports of the Special Committees
9. Old and Unfinished Business
10. New Business
11. Program
12. Closing Ritual & Adjournment

SECTION 2 - MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2a - Special meetings of the

Board of Directors may be called from time-to-time by the President or by three members of the Board of Directors and in either case, the Secretary shall give notice thereof in accordance with Section 1b.

2b - A Quorum at the Board of Directors meeting shall be three members present.

2c - All meetings of the Board of Directors shall be open to the General membership. Voting rights are limited to the members of the Board.

SECTION 3 - CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

All meetings of the Chapter, of the Board of Directors and Committees shall be conducted in accordance with these Bylaws, or where they are silent, by the provisions of Robert's Rules of Order, Revised.

SECTION 4 - ELECTIONS -

Elections of Officers shall be by ballot provided that by unanimous consent of the electing body, election by ballot may be waived as to any office, if, after nominations for that office are declared closed and only one member has been nominated for that office. There shall be no cumulative, absentee or proxy voting.

SECTION 5 - CASSAR AND

NSSAR MEETINGS - Delegates and Alternates to the CASSAR Meetings shall be elected. Delegates and alternates to the NSSAR Congress shall be appointed by the CASSAR President.

BYLAW No. 9 THE PERMANENT FUND

SECTION 1 - This Chapter shall maintain a Permanent Fund to insure the stability and perpetuity of this Chapter. Management of the Permanent Fund

BYLAWS Continued:

shall be the responsibility of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 2 - The corpus of the Permanent Fund shall comprise all the moneys or property, real and personal, which may accrue to this Chapter by donation, gift, devise, bequest or otherwise for this purpose and all sums of money or property as the Chapter may, by action of the Board of Directors apply to this purpose. The corpus shall not be impaired or diminished but may be increased as provided herein.

SECTION 3 - The income from the Permanent Fund shall be accumulated and added to the corpus at the end of each fiscal year of this Chapter, provided that any part not exceeding one-half of the income for any fiscal year may, by vote of a majority of all of the Board of Directors, be used for the general purposes of this Chapter.

These Bylaws were approved by the Membership of the San Fernando Valley Chapter, California Society, Sons of the American Revolution, on the 30th day of May, 1988.

Signed; D. F. "BILL" SEMERAU
President

Signed: ROGER E. ROBERTSON
Legal Counsel

Signed: DONALD NORMAN MORAN
Secretary

Distributed to the membership of the San Fernando Valley Chapter, S.A.R. and to the California Society, S.A.R. in the June Issue of the Valley Compatriot.

THE CASSAR
PRESIDENT'S AWARD
CONTEST
CHAPTER STATUS
APRIL and MAY

Our State President, Jess T. Wolfe is continuing the traditional "President's Award Contest" this year, and as in the past, The San Fernando Valley will be participating. We will be running this "STATUS" report in each months issue of the Valley Compatriot to keep our members closely advised. In addition a copy of the monthly report will be distributed to the members with their programs at the monthly meetings.

- 1. Publicity - - - - - 900
- 2. TV or Radio - - - - - 150
- 3. New Members - - - - - 1000
- 4. 50% attendance - - - - - 0
- 5. Supplementals - - - - - 0
- 6. NSSAR Delegates - - - - - 0
- 7. CSSAR Delegates - - - - - 45
- 8. Reinstated members - - - - - 0
- 9. Ladies attending - - - - - 13
- 10. Auxiliary members - - - - - 130
- 11. 2 chapter functions - - - - - 30
- 12. Hosting state meeting - - - - - 0
- 13. Organizing new chapter - - - - - 0
- 14. Program/talk given - - - - - 100
- 15. Gifts to V.A. Hospital - - - - - 0
- 16. Books donated - - - - - 5000
- 17. Historical Site marked - - - - - 0
- 18. Awarding Medals - - - - - 90
- 18a. Personally presented - - - - - 200
- 19. Printing a Roster - - - - - 0
- 20. Each Newsletter - - - - - 50
- 21. College Scholarship - - - - - 0
- 22a. Social gathering - - - - - 30
- 22b. With a prospective member - - - - - 0
- 23. DAR/CAR Meeting - - - - - 0
- 24. Speech Contest - - - - - 0
- 25. Eagle Scout Nominee - - - - - 0
- 26. SAR Table - - - - - 25
- 27. Donations to SAR - - - - - 365
- 28. Meeting report date - - - - - 0
- 29. Report filed on time - - - - - 100

Monthly total: April 4,355
 Monthly total: May 3,867
 Year-to-date total: 8,222

THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER,
CALIFORNIA SOCIETY
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 25th, 1988



The San Fernando Valley Chapter, S.A.R. held it's April Meeting at Leon's Steak House in North Hollywood, California at 6:30 P.M. on April 25th, 1988. the presiding officer: President D.F. "Bill" Semerau.

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEEETING

IT WAS MOVED by Compatriot George A. Eckert, Jr. and SECONDED by Compatriot Audel H. Hicks that the Minutes of the March 26th, 1988 meeting be approved as submitted.
THE MOTION CARRIED.

2. The REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Treasurer Charles M. Pitchford advised that the Chapter is in excellant shape. The Permanent fund continues to grow, The Chapter has paid for the Parade Banner and has no outstanding debts. A donation has been recieved to cover the cost of the Banner carriers uniforms.
THE REPORT WAS ACCEPTED.

3. REPORT ON THE COLOR GUARD

Secretary Donald Norman Moran reported parade banner for the the 'Color Guard has been completed and will be available for the La Canada Memorial Day Parade (Monday, May 30th). A reasonably priced source for the uniforms for the banner carriers has been indentified and have been ordered. Both the banner and the two additional uniforms have been paid for from donations rather than from the Color Guard's operating fund. THE REPORT WAS ACCEPTED.

4. REPORT ON THE CHAPTER'S VETERAN'S BOOK DRIVE

Compatriot Berni K. Campbell, Chairman of the Veteran's Committee, advises that several hundred pocketbooks have been collected and that he will be making another delivery to the Sepulveda and Sawtelle Veteran's Hospitals this forthcoming month. Additionally, at the suggestion of Compatriot Audel H. Hicks, he is investigating the possible need for our supprt of the famed Hollywood U.S.O.
THE REPORT WAS ACCEPTED.

5. REPORT OF THE CHAPTER'S MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Chapter Registrar and Chairman of the Membership Committee advised that the special incentives for young members has worked well and that the Chapter has received numerous applications.

Compatriot Campbell MOVED and Compatriot James A. McKellep SECONDED the motion to accept the following men who have submitted their applications and admission fees to the Chapter, be approved for membership.

- 1.....MATTHEW BROWN
- 2.....JAMES EMREY
- 3.....ROBERT EMREY
- 4.....THOMAS EMREY
- 5.....AUDEL HICKS, JR.
- 6.....CRAIG HICKS
- 7.....JUSTIN B. KAWABORI
- 8.....JAMES LAUGHLIN
- 9.....JOHN B. VAN WAGONER
- 10.....JON R. VAN WAGONER
- 11.....ROBERT B. WARWICK, III

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APRIL MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED

6. THE CHAPTER'S APPRECIATION

President D. F. "Bill" Semerau thanked Vice-President Robert C. Emrey for conducting the April meeting and the Douglas G. High Oration Contest and Compatriot Audel H. Hicks for representing the Sons of the American Revolution at the funeral of Commander Authur Bruner.

7. HEATHER CONSOLI WON THE STATE DOUGLAS HIGH CONTEST.

President D. F. "Bill" Semerau advised the Chapter that Miss Heather Consoli, who won our Chapter's Oration Contest won the State contest and will be going to Washington, D.C. to compete in the National Contest to be held at the National Congress.

8. JACKIE SEMERAU RECEIVES A UNIQUE HONOR.

President D. F. "Bill" Semerau advised the Chapter that his wife, Jackie, has become the only woman in the Country today that is certified to operate a Steam Locomotive.

9. THE CHAPTERS NEW BY-LAWS

The By-laws Committee Chairman, Compatriot Roger E. Robertson advised that the new By-laws are in the final stages of preparation and will be presented at the May business meeting for consideration and adoption. These badly needed By-laws are patterned after the newly adopted State By-laws, which have placed our present By-laws in a non-compliance status. It is manadory that each Chapter have By-laws on file with the State Society, and that these By-laws conform to the States and National Society Requirements.

10. OUR R. O. T. C. PROGRAM

Our Secretary presented the following report on the status of our R. O. T. C. program:

1. ABRAHAM LINCOLN HIGH (ARMY)
Presentation to be made on June 3rd to Cadet LtC Eva Gonzales
2. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN HIGH (ARMY)
presentation to be made May 12th
3. BELMONT HIGH (ARMY)
Presentation to be made on June 2
4. CRENSHAW HIGH (MARINE)
Presentation date to be announced
5. CANYON COUNTRY HIGH (AIR FORCE)
Presentation to be made on May 7th to Cadet 2nd Lt. Joseph Cedillo by Donald Moran.
6. CANYON COUNTRY HIGH (AIR FORCE - SUMMERT SESSION)
Presentation to be made in July
7. DAVID JORDAN HIGH (ARMY)
Presentation to be made on May 27
8. FAIRFAX HIGH (ARMY)
Presentation date to be announced
9. GARFIELD HIGH (ARMY)
Presentation date to be announced
10. GEORGE WASHINGTON HIGH (ARMY)
Presentation date to be announced
11. JAMES MONROE HIGH (ARMY)
Presentation on May 26th to Cadet Sgt. Jonathan J. Anuran.
12. JOHN F. KENNEDY HIGH (NAVY)
Presentation to be made on May 17th to C/Lt.jg Forrest Stobbe.
13. JOHN MUIR HIGH (AIR FORCE)
Presentation date to be announced
14. LOS ANGELES HIGH (ARMY)
Presentation to be made to Cadet Capt. Julio Tario on May 27th.

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15. MANUAL ARTS HIGH (ARMY)
Presentation to be made on May 27th, to C/1st Lt. John Quintero
 16. ROOSEVELT HIGH (ARMY)
Presentation to be made on June 3
 17. SAN FERNANDO HIGH (NAVY)
Presentation was made on April 29th by Jeffrey L. Towery
 18. THOMAS JEFFERSON HIGH (ARMY)
Presentation date to be announced
 19. VAN NUYS HIGH (ARMY)
Presentation to be made on May 26, by Charles M. Pitchford
 20. WOODROW WILSON HIGH (ARMY)
Presentation to be made on May 13th, to C/M/Sgt. Martin Cerda.
 21. UNIVERSITY OF GUAM
Presentation made on April 27th by the Professor of Military Science.
 22. UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (AIR FORCE)
Presentation made on behalf of the Chapter by Mrs. Joann Allenbaugh (DAR) to Cadet Brian Kehl.
 23. UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (ARMY)
Presentation of Sabre to be made by Compatriot Stephen W. Gregory.
 24. UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (NAVY)
Presentation date to be announced
 25. UNIVESITY OF CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES (AIR FORCE)
Presentation date to be announced
- At the Request of the George S. Patton Chapter, S.A.R., we have turned over the presentation of the R.O.T.C. medals to the following High Schools: SIMI VALLEY HIGH, CANOGA PARK HIGH and TOPANGA CANYON HIGH

MEETING PROGRAM

President D. F. "Bill" Semerau presented a video on the United States Park Service's effort to reproduce exact replicas of the two steam engines that participated in the famous Promontory Point meeting in 1869, united the east and west coast by rail road.

Some of the unique problems the Park Service encountered was the total lack of engineering drawings of the two locomotives, except for one drawing of a boiler. The Engineering firm that did the research, engineering and construction worked almost entirely from photographs!

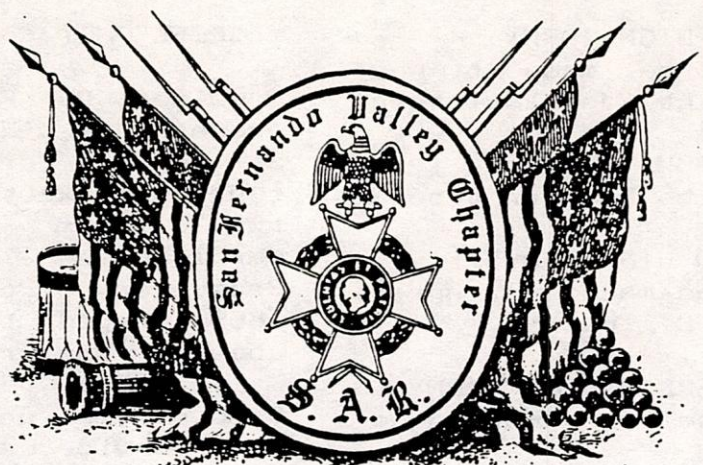
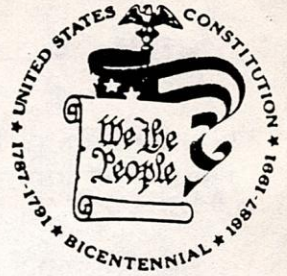
The next problem they encountered was duplicating the methods used to build the engines. Most of the skills used then are lost today. But, with that American know how, all these major difficulties were overcome and the exact replia engines were built.

Today the Engines are on display at Promotory Point, Utah, and on special occasions run from their museum to the site of the driving of the Golden Spike.

President Semerau advised that he and Jackie were privileged to have taken a ride in one of these marvelous steam engines.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER, S.A.R. President D.F. Bill Semerau declared the Meeting Adjourned.

Donald Norman Moran
Secretary



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