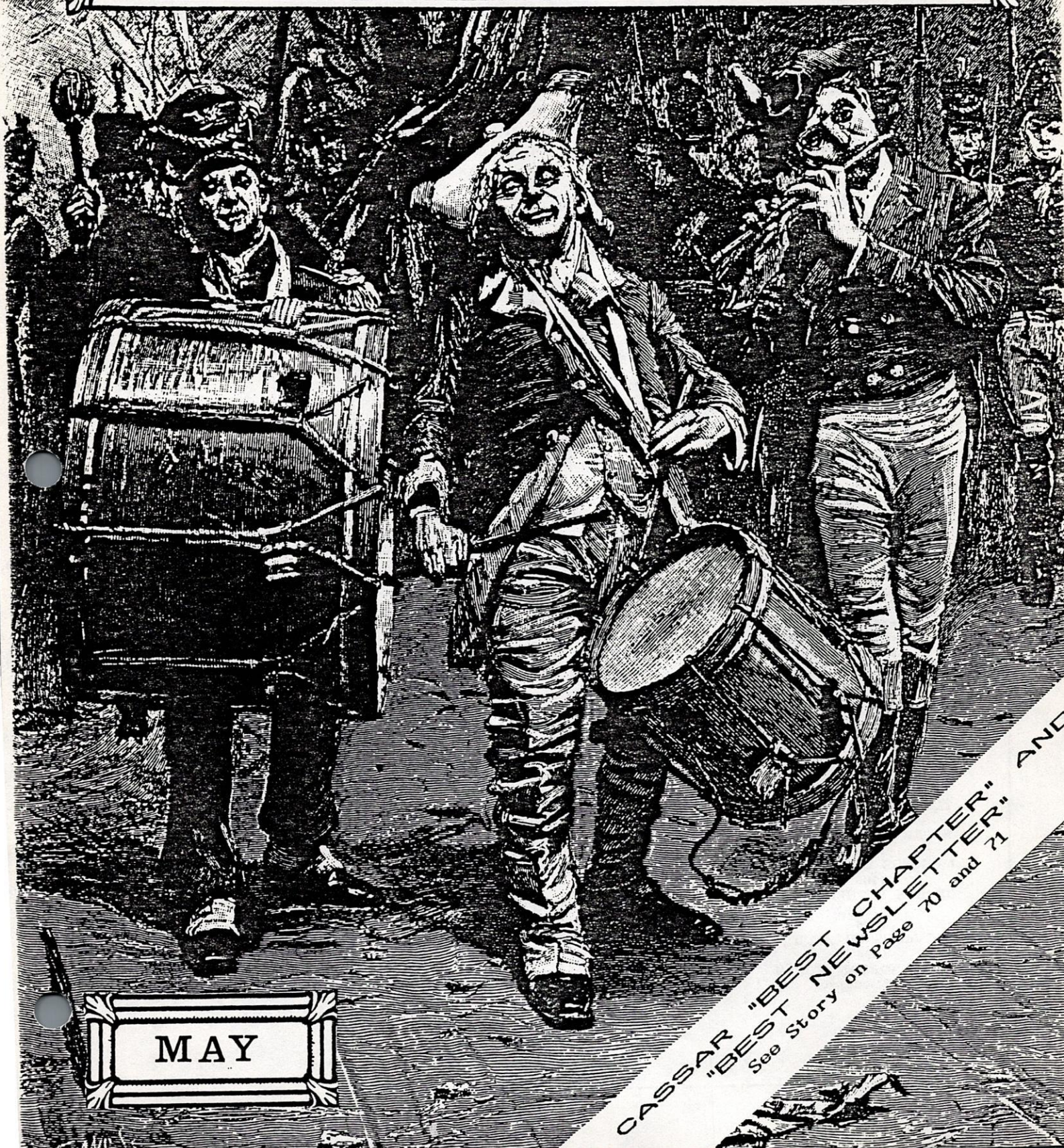


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A 19TH CENTURY PARADE - APPROPRIATE FOR THIS MONTHS ISSUE OF THE VALLEY COMPATRIOT, SINCE WE HAVE MUCH TO CELEBRATE - "BEST MID-SIZED CHAPTER" AND "BEST NEWSLETTER" IN THE STATE

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MEETING NOTICE

**THE ANNUAL
MEMORIAL DAY
DINNER**

MONDAY, MAY 30th, 1988



At 6:30 P.M. on Monday, May 30th, 1988 the Annual Memorial Day 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

THE NATIONAL CONGRESS

Planning the Chapter's participation at the 1988 National Congress in Washington D.C. and the 1989 Congress, which will be hosted by the California Society, S.A.R. in San Francisco.

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

**THE MEMORIAL DAY
SERVICES**



The San Fernando Valley Chapter, S.A.R.'s Inter-Service Continental Color Guard will be participating in the La Canada Memorial Park Services at 9:00 A.M. Memorial Day (Corner of La Canada and Foothill Blvd.)

**MEMORIAL DAY
PARADE**



Following the Memorial Day Services the Color Guard will be marching in the La Canada - Flintridge 15th Annual Memorial Day Parade, which starts at 10:30 A.M. The Color Guard will have the addition of

the newly aquired "Parade Banner" which will be carried by two musicians dressed in the uniforms of Washington's Life Guard's Drum and Fife Corps. This addition will insure the recognition the Chapter is seeking.

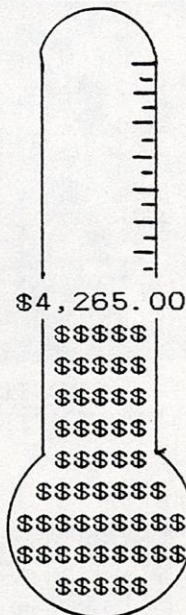
The Memorial Day Parade will start at 10:30 A.M. from the La Canada Memorial Park. As of this writing the Parade will have over 120 entries and should be a very good way to commemorate Memorial Day and honor all those who have fallen to keep America free.

**OUR CHAPTER'S
PERMANENT FUND**

THE DONORS

- Anonymous
- Fr. John Bartke
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- Robert C. Emrey
- Col. Thomas D. Gillis
- Audel H. Hicks
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- Charles M. Pitchford
- Roger E. Robertson
- D.F. "Bill" Semerau
- Jeffery L. Towery
- Walter G. Turnell
- Walter H. Walley
- Augustus de Zerega

THE FUND



Contributions to the Chapter's Permanent fund are Tax Deductible and an excellent way to assist the Chapter in continuing it's 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.

THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER
NAMED
"BEST MID-SIZED CHAPTER"



PRESIDENT-GENERAL NOLAN CARSON and STATE PRESIDENT DONALD MORAN
PRESENTING THE "BEST CHAPTER" PLAQUE AND BATTLE STREAMER TO CHAPTER
PRESIDENT D.F. "BILL" SEMERAU



Chapter President D.F. Bill Semerau accepted the much coveted Best Chapter plaque and newly created battle streamer for the Chapter at the State Annual Meeting in Monterey on April 29th. The honor is WON by participating in the State President's Chapter Award Contest. The Chapter finished the year with 28,960 points, which put it ahead of all of the other twenty-two chapters within the California Society, S.A.R. Publicity, thanks to the Color Guard, and participation in ALL the S.A.R.'s programs and a few

excellant programs that were started and continue to be part of the Chapter's programs.

In 1983 and again in 1985 the San Fernando Valley Chapter won best "Small" Chapter, and in 1983 we won the National Society's "Best Small Chapter" receiving a Battle Streamer from President-General Hamilton. A great deal of hard work goes into winning this award. Special thanks to the leadership provided by Immediate Past-President Roger E. Robertson and President D.F. "Bill" Semerau.

THE VALLEY COMPATRIOT
NAMED
"BEST NEWSLETTER IN THE CASSAR"



PRESIDENT-GENERAL NOLAN CARSON AND STATE PRESIDENT DONALD MORAN
PRESENTING THE CASSAR'S "BEST NEWSLETTER" PLAQUE TO
PRESIDENT D.F. "BILL" SEMERAU

Chapter President D.F. Bill Semerau accepted the Best Chapter Publication Plaque from President-General Nolan W. Carson and State President Donald Norman Moran at the Annual Meeting held in Monterey on April 29th. The Plaque, which was established by the late "Bud" Scott is much coveted by the editors of the various Chapter newsletters. The Chairman of the State's Publications Committee, choose the Valley Compatriot for the honor. At the urging of several members of the Society the Valley Compatriot entered the

State wide contest for the first time this year. In the past our Chapter's newsletter has received several awards, including the "Carl F. Bessent" award for best NSSAR Chapter Newsletter, the "Charlotte Lund Woodward" award for best publication in the NSSAR and the "Stephen Taylor" award for it's Historical content. The Editor wishes to express his appreciation to all of the contributors of articles to the Valley Compatriot and in particular to Compatriot Berni K. Campbell who's production assistance makes it all possible.

COMPATRIOTS
IN THE NEWS



ompatriots Bill Semerau, Bob Emrey, George Van Dorn and Donald Moran attended the Annual Meeting of the California Society, S.A.R. in Monterey on April 29th and 30th. At the Meeting Compatriot Donald Moran transferred the State President's gavel to newly installed President Jess T. Wolfe, and accepted the State's nomination for Vice-President General.

Compatriot Clifton R. Brooks, M.D. has been honored with a fellowship to the American Occupational Medical Association.

BIRTHDAYS

- DICK MARSTON - - - - - 05/08
- CLIFF BROOKS - - - - - 05/08
- DAVID McINTIRE - - - - - 05/10
- GLEN ROBERTSON - - - - - 05/10
- BILL DUNWOODY - - - - - 05/17
- BOB WILEY - - - - - 05/18
- MARV HUTCHINS - - - - - 05/20
- JAMES BELLAH - - - - - 05/22
- JOHN BARTKE - - - - - 05/28
- LES FLEMING - - - - - 05/31

ANNIVERSARY

- BERNI & MARY CAMPBELL - 05/09/43
- MARV & GLORIA HUTCHINS- 05/20/72
- BOB & KITTY WARWICK - - 05/25/41
- WALT & DOROTHY WALLEY - 05/26/49

VETERAN'S BOOK
DRIVE



hairman Berni K. Campbell has advised that the Chapters efforts to collect books continues to exceed all expectations. 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.

OUR ROTC PROGRAM



he Chapter is already deeply involved in this years R.O.T.C. awards programs. The presentation of the R.O.T.C. Medal is very important to the cadets and midshipman. That presentation is much more effective when a member of the Chapter makes the presentation personally. The following High School R.O.T.C. presentation ceremonies are still open for volunteers to make the award:

ABRAHAM LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL
Los Angeles - 5:30 P.M. June 3rd.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL
Los Angeles - 1:30 P.M. May 12th

JAMES MONROE HIGH SCHOOL
Sepulveda - 6:00 P.M. May 26th

JOHN F. KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL
Granada Hills - 6:30 P.M. May 17

LOS ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL
Los Angeles - 6:00 P.M. May 27th

MANUAL ARTS HIGH SCHOOL
Los Angeles - 2:30 P.M. May 27th

VAN NUYS HIGH SCHOOL
Van Nuys - 1:30 P.M. May 26th

WOODROW WILSON HIGH SCHOOL
Los Angeles - 6:00 P.M. May 13th

As of this date we have not received the dates of the awards ceremony for these High Schools:

- BELMONT HIGH SCHOOL SCHOOL
- CRENSHAW HIGH SCHOOL
- DAVID S. JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL
- FAIRFAX HIGH SCHOOL
- GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL
- GEORGE WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL
- ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL
- THOMAS JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL

The Chapter will notify possible volunteers as soon as we receive the dates and times of these award ceremonies.

MISS HEATHER CONSOLI WINS THE CALIFORNIA SOCIETY ORATION CONTEST

At our March meeting the Chapter conducted an Douglas G. High Oration Contest. The winner was Miss Heather Consoli who was awarded the Bronze Good Citizenship medal and the Chapter's scholarship award.

On April 16th, Miss Consoli participated in the California Society, SAR's state wide contest which was sponsored by the San Diego Chapter, S.A.R. and held at the Admiral Kidd Club.

Heather gave her her spirited oration and proved to be the best in the State. It wasn't an easy contest. The judges, all from the San Diego Chapter, had their work cutout for them. After deliberating for some time, Miss Heather Consoli, winner of the San Fernando Valley Chapter's contest was declared the winner of the State Contest. San Diego Chapter President W. James Switzer and State President Donald Moran presented her with the a check for the State scholarship and the chance to participate in the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution contest that will be held on Sunday evening, July 3rd, at the National Congress in Washington D.C. The State Society, S.A.R. provides this all expense paid trip to our nation's capitol which, in itself



MISS HEATHER CONSOLI AND STATE PRESIDENT DONALD N. MORAN AT THE SAN DIEGO FINALS

is a prize worth winning. The Douglas G. High contest was started in 1943 by Compatriot Douglas G. High of Cincinnati. In a short period of time it became a national contest and has been run everyyear since. The winner is presented with a nice size scholarship check. The speech given must be without notes, no more than 6 minutes in length and on an incident in American Revolutionary War that might be mirrored in life in America today. Good luck at the National finals Heather!

THE
CHAPTER'S
MEMBERSHIP
PROGRAM

At the March meeting of the Chapter it was unanimously decided that the Chapter's rate of growth was wholly unacceptable. The Chapter has seen continued growth since it was established in 1981, however, the annual attrition of members has offset any substantial growth.

We took positive action and one month later, at our April 25th meeting the Chapter approved the motion of Compatriot Registrar Berni K. Campbell to admit into membership the following men:

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

All of these men have had their applications approved by the Chapter Registrar and their fees paid. Once approved by the State and National they will join our ranks as full fledged members of the Sons of the American Revolution.

The San Fernando Valley Chapter finished the year 1987 with a membership of 45, hence the increase of 11 new members constitutes a 25% growth rate, which is acceptable.

On May 15th, the Chapter will have a recruiting table at the Southern California Genealogical Society's 19th Annual "GENEALOGICAL JAMBOREE". We will gain several more members there.

OUR
COLOR GUARD



At the Annual Meeting of the California Society, Sons of the American Revolution, the President General of the National Society, Nolan W. Carson invited the California Society, S.A.R. to again furnish a Color Guard to the National Congress.

In 1987 the San Fernando Valley Chapter Color Guard, manned by two members of our Chapter and the three additional members were volunteers from the California Society. It participated in the Memorial Services, the opening and closing ceremonies at the Valley Forge Congress. At Washington, D.C. it will be expected to participate in the same ceremonies.

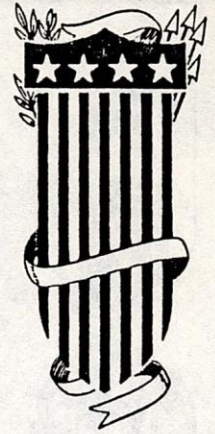
Any members of the Chapter who are considering going to the Washington Congress are encouraged to do so, and if possible, volunteer for COLOR GUARD duty!

It is a great experience and a lot of fun, plus, it puts California on the S.A.R. map.

MEMORIAL DAY



Memorial Day is a legal holiday observed annually on the last Monday of May in the United States in honor of the memory of the nation's war dead. Memorial Day was first observed on May 30th, 1868, by order of General John A. Logan for the purpose of decorating the graves of the Civil War dead. The following is General Order No. 11, establishing this day of tribute.



MEMORIAL DAY ORDER

Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic
Washington, D.C., May 5, 1868

GENERAL ORDER NUMBER 11

I. The 30th day of May, 1868 is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city village, and hamlet churchyard in the land. In this observance no form or ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.

We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose, among other things "of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound us together the soldiers, sailors and marines who united to suppress the late rebellion." What can aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foes? Their soldiers lives were the reveille of rebellious tyranny in arms. We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance, All that the consecrated wealth and taste of the nation can add to their adornment and security is but a fitting tribute to the memory of her slain defenders. Let no wanton foot tread rudely on such hallowed grounds. Let pleasant path incite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no vandalism of avarice or neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten, as a people, the cost of a free and undivided republic. If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack, and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remains in us. Let us, then, at the time appointed, gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with choicest flowers of springtime; let us raise above them the dear old flag they saved from dishonor; let us in this solemn presence renew our pledge to aid and assist those whom they have left among is as sacred charges upon the nation's gratitude - the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan.

II. It is the purpose of the commander in chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope that it will be kept up from year to year, while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades. He earnestly desires the public press to call attention to this order and lend its friendly aid in bringing it to the notice of comrades in all parts of the country in time for simultaneous compliance therewith.

By Command of:
John A. Logan, Comander-in-Chief

OUR R.O.T.C.
NINETEEN-EIGHTY-EIGHT
PROGRAM



The San Fernando Valley Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution is justly proud of its wide range of service programs. The Reserve Officer's Training Corps (R.O.T.C.) is a shining example. Under the capable leadership of the program's former Chairman, Compatriot Walter G. Turnell, our support of the Nationally sponsored program has exceeded all expectations. The program is divided into two separate categories - - Junior R.O.T.C. (High School Level) and Senior R.O.T.C. (College). To the Senior R.O.T.C. the chapter has been presenting swords or the Silver R.O.T.C. medal. To the Junior R.O.T.C. units we present the Bronze R.O.T.C. Medal. Both medals are accompanied by an attractive certificate. The Swords or medals are given to the Cadet or Midshipman, selected by his Commanding Officer for "demonstrated leadership ability, soldierly bearing and overall excellence." The awards are much coveted and are presented to only one cadet in each unit per year.

COLLEGE R.O.T.C. UNITS

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA - ARMY R.O.T.C.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA - NAVY/MARINE R.O.T.C.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA - AIR FORCE R.O.T.C.

UNIVERSITY OF GUAM - ARMY R.O.T.C.

HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR R.O.T.C. UNITS

ABRAHAM LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL - ARMY Jr. R.O.T.C.

BELMONT HIGH SCHOOL - ARMY Jr. R.O.T.C.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL - ARMY Jr. R.O.T.C.

CANOGA PARK HIGH SCHOOL - AIR FORCE Jr. R.O.T.C.

CANYON COUNTRY HIGH SCHOOL - AIR FORCE Jr. R.O.T.C. (WINTER)

CANYON COUNTRY HIGH SCHOOL - AIR FORCE Jr. R.O.T.C. (SUMMER)

CRENSHAW HIGH SCHOOL - MARINE Jr. R.O.T.C.

DAVID S. JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL - ARMY Jr. R.O.T.C.

FAIRFAX HIGH SCHOOL - ARMY Jr. R.O.T.C.

GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL - ARMY Jr. R.O.T.C.

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SAN FERNANDO HIGH SCHOOL - NAVY JR. R. O. T. C.

SIMI VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL - AIR FORCE JR. R. O. T. C.

THOMAS JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL - ARMY JR. R. O. T. C.

VAN NUYS HIGH SCHOOL - ARMY JR. R. O. T. C.

WOODROW WILSON HIGH SCHOOL - ARMY JR. R. O. T. C.

The presentation of awards for overall excellence, such as the Sons of the American Revolution's R.O.T.C. medal means a great deal to the winning Cadet/Midshipman. It means even more when a representative of the S.A.R. can be present at the awards banquet and make the presentation of the medal. Obviously with twenty-two high schools and four colleges, we are spread very thin. If you can volunteer for this very enjoyable duty, please contact our secretary.



KOREA - 1952

Compatriot/General Dwight D. Eisenhower and Compatriot/M/Sgt Norman P. Moran of the San Fernando Valley Chapter, S.A.R.

WHAT THE S.A.R.
MEANT TO
COMPATRIOT
DWIGHT EISENHOWER



George Washington once spoke of the responsibility each citizen bears in the foundation of National policy. As the Sons of the American Revolution encourage a broad and intelligent concern for the problems which face our Nation and the World, they strengthen the basic traditions of the Republic"

Compatriot Dwight D. Eisenhower
President of the United States

(reprinted from the "South Coast Patriots" South Coast Chapter, California Society, S.A.R., Compatriot Ralph Cangson, Editor.)

WASHINGTON'S "PURPLE HEART"

By: Compatriot Audel H. Hicks



On February 22, 1932, Compatriot / General Douglas MacArthur, Army Chief of Staff, issued the following General Orders: "Purple Heart - - By order of the President of the United States, the Purple Heart, established by General George Washington at Newburgh, August 7th, 1782, during the War of the Revolution, is hereby revived out of respect of his memory and military achievements."

And so General George Washington had when he directed, "...that whenever any singular meritorious action is performed, the author of it shall be permitted to wear on his facings over his left breast, the figure of a heart in purple cloth or silkThe road to Glory in a Patriot Army and a Free Country is then open to all. This Order is to be considered as a 'permanent one' But it wasn't permanent!

During the War of the American Revolution, General George Washington devised two "badges" of distinction to be worn by enlisted men and noncommissioned officers - - a chevron and a badge. The chevron was a service stripe and came to be known today as the "hash mark"! The service stripe was to be worn on the left sleeve of the coat as a symbol of loyal military service. Three years for service with



NEWBURGH, NEW YORK - MAY 1783

General George Washington presenting the first two badges of Military Merit to Sergeants Elijah Churchill of the 2nd Legionary Corps, and William Brown of the 2nd Connecticut Regiment, Continental Line. Painting by H. Charles McBarron, U.S. Army Art Collection

"bravery, fidelity and good conduct" were the criteria for earning the chervon. The second was a Badge of Military Merit. It was designed to be of purple cloth or silk in the form of a heart edged with narrow lace or binding. The recipients' names were to be inscribed in a Book of Merit.

General Washington awarded his Badge of Military Merit three times only! Two of those badges exist today - - one in Washington, D.C. at the Society of Cincinnati's Anderson House and the other at the New Windsor Cantonment, New York. All other records, references and physical evidence relating to the Badges during the Revolutionary War have long vanished.

After the Revolution and through World War One, the Badge lay in disuse and was not awarded contrary to General Washington's orders, although private efforts from time to time had been made to reactivate it. As the Bicentennial of the birth of Washington was drawing near, Army Chief of Staff, General Charles P. Summerall drafted a bill in 1927 for Congress to revive it. The bill floundered so the Army withdrew it in 1928 but prepared to do battle at a later date. That date came when Douglas MacArthur succeeded General Summerall!

Initially Miss Elizabeth Will of the Army Office of the Quartermaster created a design for the new badge which would thereafter be called the "Purple Heart". John R. Sinnock, Chief

Engraver of the United States Mint in Philadelphia, was commissioned to refine the design and mold a plaster model in May of 1931.

In 1926 Sinnock had designed a half dollar coin which commemorated the Sesqui-centennial of American Independence. For the first time a living President, Calvin Coolidge, was depicted on a coin. On the obverse side Sinnock placed George Washington in the forefront and Coolidge behind. On the reverse was an accurate model of our famous Liberty Bell! Later John Sinnock created the Roosevelt dime and the Benjamin Franklin half dollar. When redesigning Miss Will's creation he replaced a leaf in the center of the medal with the profile of George Washington.



THE
"PURPLE HEART"

On February 22nd 1932, General Douglas MacArthur was ready and introduced his newly reinstated Badge of Military Merit - "The Purple Heart" At the same time, he issued guide-lines to the Army defining the conditions under which the award would be made: "[For] a wound which necessitates treatment by a medical officer and which is received in action with an enemy, [and] may in the judgement of the commander authorized to make the award be construed as resulting from a singularly meritorious act of essential service."

On the reverse side of the Medal. Sinnock put: "FOR MILITARY MERIT"!

Compatriot Audel H. Hicks,
San Fernando Valley Chapter

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

MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 26th, 1988



The San Fernando Valley Chapter, S.A.R. held it's March Meeting at Bage's Family Restaurant in Van Nuys, California at 12:00 Noon on March 26th, 1988. the presiding officer: President D.F. "Bill" Semerau.

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

IT WAS MOVED by Compatriot Roger E. Robertson and SECONDED by Compatriot Charles M. Pitchford that the Minutes of the February 27th, 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 dues for state and National have been paid as well as all bills.

3. REPORT ON THE COLOR GUARD

Secretary Donald Norman Moran reported parade banner for the the Color Guard has been ordered and should be available for the Memorial Day Parade (May 30th). A resonible priced source for the uniforms for the banner carriers has been indentified and we will be ordering them this month. Both the banner and the two additional uniforms have been paid for from donations rather than from the Color Guard's operating fund.

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

President Bill Semerau reported that several hundred more paper-back books have been collected.

Compatriot Berni K. Campbell will be making another delivery to the Sepulveda and Sawtelle Veteran's Hospitals this forthcoming month.

5. C.A.S.S.A.R. ANNUAL MEETING

Secretary Donald N. Moran reported that the Annual Meeting of the California Society, S.A.R. will be held in Monterey on April 29th and 30th. Donald N. Moran, as State President and Roger E. Robertson as State Chancellor, will not be able to represent the Chapter, hence three delegates are needed.

6. ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO THE C.A.S.S.A.R. ANNUAL MEETING.

In accordance with C.A.S.S.A.R. By-law Number 8, Section 1, paragraph 1a, all delegates to the State meeting MUST BE ELECTED. IT WAS MOVED by Compatriot Roger E. Robertson and SECONDED by Compatriot James A. McKellep that all members of the San Fernando Valley Chapter who are in good standing be elected to serve as delegates at the discretion of the President. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. OUR R.O.T.C. PROGRAM

We have enhanced our ROTC program to TWENTY High Schools and FOUR Universitys. The presentation of Swords, medals and certificates is even more effective when represented by the providing Society. We need Compatriots to act as presentors. We will Publish a complete list of Schools, times and dates. It would be appreciated if members of the Chapter would volunteer.

MARCH MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED

8. LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT

Ladies Auxiliary President Linda R. Moran reported on the activities of the Ladies Auxiliary and the raffle to be held at the Monterey State meeting. So far the Ladies have sold \$650.00 in tickets for the original painting. The Ladies are raising money for their usual projects and to assist the State Society when it hosts the 1989 National Congress.

9. NEW CHAPTER FOR LANCASTER

Secretary Donald Norman Moran addressed the Antelope Valley Genealogical Society and was questioned by several members about membership in the Sons of the American Revolution and if it was possible to form a Chapter in the Antelope Valley (60 miles north of the San Fernando Valley). The number of interested men makes the prospects for a successful Chapter appear very good. The city of Lancaster being the most logical location for an S.A.R. Chapter. Our Secretary went on to say that it would be necessary for an existing Chapter to sponsor the formation of a new Chapter. The majority of this effort would be in processing the applications for membership for their first ten (10) members - the required number to form a new Chapter. The proposed Chapter could be Chartered as early as November 1988.

IT WAS MOVED by Compatriot Charles M. Pitchford and SECONDED by Compatriot Robert B. Warwick that the San Fernando Valley Chapter Sponsor a new Chapter in Lancaster. Said Chapter to be comprised of ALL NEW MEMBERS, (no dual members in the original ten members).
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. THE CHAPTER'S NEW BY-LAWS

Compatriot Roger E. Robertson, The princible author of the newly approved State By-laws advised that a completely revised set of By-laws for the Chapter is in final preparation. These By-laws are based on the State's By-laws and will put the Chapter in Complete agreement with the State and National By-laws as well as the State of California's Corporate code. We will furnishing copies at a meeting this spring.

11. THE APRIL MEETING

The next meeting of the Chapter will be held on Monday evening, April 23rd, 1988 at LEON'S STEAKHOUSE, in North Hollywood. This change is required because of the conflict with the State's Annual Meeting in North Hollywood. The meeting will be primarily business.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS before the San Fernando Valley Chapter, California Society, Sons of the American Revolution, President D.F. "Bill" Semerau declared the meeting ADJOURNED.

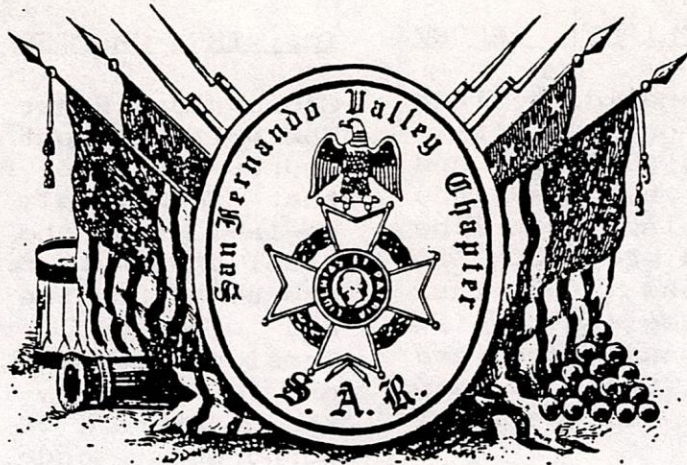
Donald Norman Moran
Secretary



THE PATRIOT'S VOW

"...the love of my country will be the ruling influence of my conduct."

George Washington
November 3rd, 1789



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