



Silicon Valley Chapter Sons of the American Revolution



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Each one of us joined the Silicon Valley Chapter of the Sons of the American revolution (SVSAR) in order to recognize our fellow citizens, patriots and youth for their patriotic accomplishments, community service, and support for the SVSAR. It is by these acts that we affirm our faith in the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a nation of free citizens. Please join us for the fourth chapter meeting of 2007.

All SAR, DAR, CAR and guests are welcome. All ladies will receive a single rose as a guest of the Silicon Valley Chapter.

Time: 9:30 am (Breakfast at 9:00 am)
Date: April 21, 2007
Type: Chapter Meeting
Location: The Forum at Rancho San Antonio
23500 Cristo Rey Drive
Cupertino, California, 95014



Important Events

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May 26, 2007
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New Membership

Craig Thomas Elrod will be inducted as a new Associate Member of the SVSAR Chapter.

Book Report

Compatriot Robert K. Loudon will present a book report on "War Made New: Technology, Warfare and the Course of History from 1500 to Today" by Max Boot.

Recognition

Compatriot Gerard LeStrang Cook will receive the NSSAR War Service Medal & Certificate with the War Service Bar - World War II from Compatriot Allen Breed.

Compatriot Rodney Lewis Mindling will posthumously receive the NSSAR War Service Medal & Certificate with the War Service Bar - World War II from Compatriot John A. Thompson.





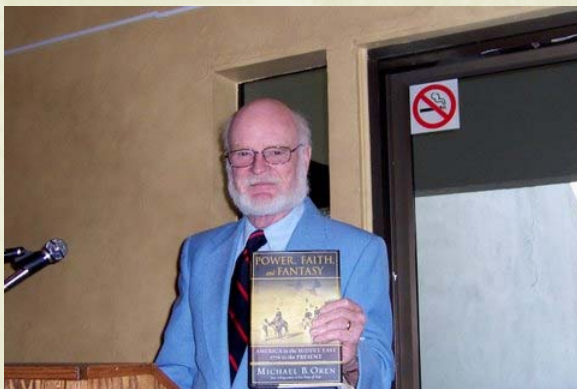
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Compatriot Membership



Above is a photograph of Compatriot Christopher A. Kirkpatrick after he received the NSSAR Compatriot Membership Certificate and Rosette from Charles A. Smart, III, SVSAR President. After his induction Compatriot Chris commented on his genealogical research.

Book Report



Above is a photograph of Compatriot Robert K. Loudon who presented a fascinating book report on "Power, Faith, and Fantasy: America in the Middle East from 1776 to the Present" by Michael B.

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Veterans Remembered Flag



Above is a photograph of Compatriot Russell S. Breed (right) and Compatriot Charles A. Smart, III (left), SVSAR President, holding the Veterans Remembered Flag.

Compatriot Russell S. Breed presented both his father, Compatriot Allen Breed, and the SVSAR membership the "Veterans Remembered Flag", which has been approved by the California American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Compatriot Russell S. Breed also presented both his father, Compatriot Allen Breed, and the SVSAR membership a copy of Joint Resolution 48 of the California Assembly and California Senate, which was unanimously approved requesting that the President and Congress of the United States adopt this Veterans Remembered Flag to memorialize and honor all past, present and future veterans and to provide an enduring symbol of support.





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War Service Medal



Above is a photograph of Compatriot Charles A. Smart, III (right), SVSAR President, and Compatriot Allen Breed (left), SVSAR Vice President of Programs, who received the War Service Medal with World War II Bar and Certificate.

After the award Compatriot Allen regaled the membership with humorous recollections of his service in the Navy in the Pacific theater.



Above is a photograph of Compatriot Charles A. Smart, III (right), SVSAR President, and Compatriot John A. Thompson (left), SVSAR

Treasurer, who received the War Service medal with World War II Bar and Certificate.

After the award Compatriot John A. Thompson also regaled the membership with humorous anecdotes of his service in the Army Air Corps in the India-Burma-China theater.

Guest Speaker



Above is a photograph of Dr. Robert Craig (right) and Compatriot William (Howard) H. Jones, SVSAR Chairman of Guest Speakers (left), holding an authentic Apache doll. Dr. Robert Craig presented "My Experiences as a Commissioner on the Apache Indian Reservation".

Dr. Craig has been a Director of the Westborough Water District in South San Francisco since 1982, and has served as the President of the district on four occasions. He also serves as a Director on the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency. In addition, Bob currently serves as a Commissioner on San Mateo County's Local Agency Formation Commission.

From 1965 to 1994 Bob was a professor of Design and Industry at San Francisco State Univer-





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sity. Prior to joining SFSU, he held various positions with the Lawrence Radiation Laboratory. Dr. Craig holds a Doctorate of Education at USC, a Masters Degree at SFSU, and a Bachelors degree at U.C. Santa Barbara. He also completed graduate studies in nuclear physics at UCLA.

One of Dr. Craig's most interesting assignments was serving as a Commissioner on the Apache Indian Reservation in Arizona. He discussed his experiences, and gave us valuable insight into the status of the Apache Nation and the effectiveness of the reservation system.



One of the guests was Gilbert Montano who is the son-in-law of Compatriot Charles A. Chicks and a descendant of the Chiricahua Apace, which included as its members Cochise and Geronimo. During the question and answer period following

Dr. Craig's presentation, Gilbert gave the membership the Chiricahua Apace perspective. Shown above is a photograph of a young women in ceremonial apache dress.





The American Revolution - Month by Month

Written by
Compatriot Andrew Jackson Stough, III

January of 1775



No battles were fought, and there were no nationally organized challenges to the Monarch's will in the month of January. His policies were playing into the hands of those who were building the thirteen colonies in the direction of unification. This in turn would lead to antagonisms, and slight encounters with his Majesty's troops. Such encounters would in turn bring the thirteen colonies into a closer alignment.

The division between king and colonies began with the quartering of troops and the imposition of taxes by Parliament. Winning of the French and Indian War placed Canada safely in the hands of the Empire. From Pennsylvania to the Canadian border only the Indian remained as a menace to the colonists. Stationing British regulars in Boston by the sea hardly represented a defense against the Indian along the western borders. If the British army was not there to defend against the Indian, then who was he there to defend?

Philadelphia and New York were the largest cities in the nation. While the inhabitants of the two cities had their share of dissidents, the bulk of the citizens were predominantly loyal to King and Parliament.

Smaller Boston was a hotbed of resentment toward the imposition of policies arriving from London after 1763. The most resented, was the stationing of troops in Boston, which was ostensibly for the protection of the people. The Yankee mind was not fooled. Troops in Boston could only be there for one reason, and that was to intimidate and oppress the people of that city and its surrounding communities. For over a century the King had ignored the colonies allowing them to prosper or die based on their ability to govern themselves and to regulate their own commerce. Why now was the Crown so concerned about their welfare? In Britain's past wars with France, the local militia had fought and died side by side with British regulars on the North American continent. How much more loyalty was required?

On its own New England had developed a thriving trade with the rest of the world, particularly the sugar islands of the West Indies. The plantation economy of the more southerly colonies did not impact as





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many individuals as did the small farm and sea-borne trading economy of New England. While still acknowledging its allegiance to the mother country and its monarch, the local New England populations were the strongest in their resentment against London's interference in daily affairs of government.

In the 12 years since 1763 the colonies had given the government in London ample warning that they did not intend to tolerate any interference in their overseas commerce or their internal affairs. They asked but one thing, which was that London return to the relationship enjoyed prior to 1763. Inherent in this insistence was the admitted fact that by British law Parliament could not tax or otherwise interfere with the colonies internal affairs. Whether true or not, the colonies insisted on Parliament asking for their permission to tax or to direct business and trade in the colonies.

There had been a desire by the Crown and Parliament to undo what had been done since 1763 but they found the colonies to be in denial of Parliament's right to govern the colonies under any circumstances. This caused a hardening of opinion in parliament who insisted that times had changed, and it now represented the colonies as well as the inhabitants of the British Isles, and were not only justified in their actions, but acted for the best interests of both the home islands and the colonies.

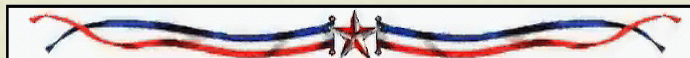
This bickering would continue for a few months before unplanned actions would lead to a war that would last from Lexington to Yorktown, almost seven years later.

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April Membership Information

Anniversary

Name: Sean Lachland McLean
Anniversary Date: April 1, 2005

Name: Howard McDowell Peters
Anniversary Date: April 16, 2001

Birthday

Name: Russell Stewart Breed
Birth Date: April 11, 1953

Name: Willis Sherman Clayton III
Birth Date: April 10, 1930

Name: James Olen Creech III
Birth Date: April 14, 1982

Name: Cray L. Foley
Birth Date: April 15, 1927

Name: Gerald A. Hill
Birth Date: April 18, 1947

Name: Donald Britton Miller
Birth Date: April 10, 1923

Name: Eugene S. Moses
Birth Date: April 21, 1948

Name: Robert A. Reid
Birth Date: April 9, 1945

Name: Roger P. Ware
Birth Date: April 2, 1942

Name: Matthew Thomas Watkins
Birth Date: April 28, 1991

Associate Membership

Name: Craig Thomas Elrod
Induction Date: April 21, 2007





2007 Chapter Meeting & Event Schedules

2007 Meeting Schedule

SVSAR Chapter Meetings are scheduled for 9:00am on the third Saturday of January, February, March, April, May, September and October. The December chapter meeting and Christmas social is generally scheduled for 9:00am on the second Saturday of December. The meetings will be convened at The Forum at Rancho San Antonio at 23500 Cristo Rey Drive, Cupertino, California, 95014. The telephone number is 650-944-0100. Please visit the SVSAR Website at www.svsar.com/Contact_Us for Driving Directions, Road Map and Building Map.

No regular chapter meetings are scheduled for the months of June, July, August and November. The Christmas Social follows the end of the December Meeting.

2007 Meeting Schedule

- January 20, 2007 (9:00am - Bay Café & Deli)
- February 17, 2007 (9:00am - Bay Café & Deli)
- March 17, 2007 (9:00am - Bay Café & Deli)
- April 21, 2007 (9:00am - The Forum)
- May 19, 2007 (9:00am - The Forum)
- June of 2007 – No Meeting
- July of 2007 – No Meeting
- August 2007 – No Meeting
- September 15, 2007 (9:00am - The Forum)
- October 20, 2007 (9:00am - The Forum)
- November of 2007 – No Meeting
- December 8, 2007 (9:00am - The Forum)

Please visit the SVSAR Website at www.svsar.com/Meetings for details about chapter meetings.

2007 Event Schedule

April 20 & 21, 2007

CASSAR 132nd Spring Annual Meeting



The 132nd Spring Annual Meeting of the California Society, Sons of the American Revolution (CASSAR) will be held on Friday & Saturday, April 20 & 21, 2007, at the Hacienda Hotel LAX, 525 North Sepulveda Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, 90245.

The meeting is an excellent opportunity for SVSAR members to attend a CASSAR Spring Annual Meeting. Major activities include the election of officers and the adoption of the Annual Budget. During the business meeting, the Officer and Chapter reports will be presented. The annual Youth Awards Luncheon will occur on Saturday, as will the annual evening banquet.

The Announcement Poster for this event is posted on the SVSAR Website at the following Internet address: www.svsar.com/Events.





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May 26, 2007

Military Vehicle Technology Foundation Tour



The Military Vehicle Technology Foundation (MVTF) tour will be held at 1:00pm on Saturday, May 26, 2007, at 3915 Alpine Road, Portola Valley, California, 94028.

The Military Vehicle Technology Foundation is one of the largest and most significant collections of historical military vehicles in the world. The goal of the foundation is to acquire, restore, and interpret the historical significance of 20th & 21st century military vehicles. Domestic and foreign combat vehicles such as tanks, armored cars, self-propelled artillery, and other technically interesting mobile platforms are the focus of the collection. The foundation also maintains an extensive technical library that describes many vehicles down to the part level. Aside from the vehicles, there are towed artillery, antitank, and anti-aircraft guns. Military support equipment, inert ordnance, and accessories round out the collection.

The Announcement Poster for this event is posted on the SVSAR Website at the following Internet address: www.svsar.com/Events.

May 28, 2007

Memorial Day Observance



The SVSAR Color Guard has been invited to participate in the 139th Memorial Day Observance at 10:30am on Monday, May 28, 2007, at the San Francisco National Cemetery located in The Presidio of San Francisco.

Color guardsmen from the San Francisco and Silicon Valley chapters, along with other SAR members and guests who wish to participate in the parade, will gather at the Parade Ground parking lot between 10:00am - 10:15am. The parade will begin at 10:30am at the corner of Sheridan Street and Montgomery Street, proceed along Sheridan Street, and end at the San Francisco National Cemetery. The formal ceremony will begin at 11:00am. Those who are not marching may go directly to the San Francisco National Cemetery to get a good seat.

The Announcement Poster for this event is posted on the SVSAR Website at the following Internet address: www.svsar.com/Events.





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July 4, 2007

Independence Day Observance



The sixth annual Saratoga Independence Day Observance, the birth of America and our freedoms, will be celebrated from 10:15am to 12:00pm on Wednesday, July 4, 2007, at Saratoga's Azule City Park (behind Blue Hills School on Goleta Avenue near Sea Gull and across the freeway from Kevin Moran Park).

Children and adults are encouraged to decorate their bikes and their pets with red, white, and blue. Activities will include a band, singing, choir, dance, hand bells, Sons of American Revolution (SAR) in period dress, and the ringing our Liberty Bell thirteen (13) times to honor the colonies, our freedoms and our soldiers. Following the ringing of the bell there will be a Family Patriotic Parade around the park, which will include small bikes, pets, strollers, groups, adults, etc. After the parade children will receive an ice cream or an otter bar. The dress is patriotic casual, and there is no charge.

The Announcement Poster for this event is posted on the SVSAR Website at the following Internet address: www.svsar.com/Events.

September 19, 2007

Constitution Day



The Silicon Valley Chapter (SVSAR) has been invited by Veterans Administration (VA) Chaplain Marsha Davis (Palo Alto Chapter of the DAR) to assist with Constitution Day from 10:00am to 2:30pm on Wednesday, September 19, 2007, at the Veterans Administration Palo Alto Health Care System (VAPAHCS), 3801 Miranda Avenue, Palo Alto, California, 94304-1290.

Chaplain Marsha Davis will collaborate with the Volunteer Service and a Recreation Therapist for the Constitution Day, along with various lineage groups. Those in Colonial and Revolutionary costumes are welcome to join the SVSAR Color Guard for a hospital-wide photo at the American Eagle in front of Building 100 at approximately 1:00pm. On Constitution Day, September 17, 1787, only one item of business occupied the agenda of the Continental Congress, which was to sign and make official the Constitution of the United States of America.

The Announcement Poster for this event is posted on the SVSAR Website at the following Internet address: www.svsar.com/Events.





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November 1 & 2, 2007

CASSAR 132nd Fall Board of Managers Meeting



The 132nd Fall Board of Managers Meeting of the California Society, Sons of the American Revolution (CASSAR) will be held on Thursday and Friday, November 1 & 2, 2007, at the Hotel Mar Monte, 1111 East Cabrillo Boulevard, Santa Barbara, California 93103.

The tentative schedule includes a Hospitality get-together on Thursday evening, Breakfast Buffet on Friday morning followed by CASSAR and LAUX business meetings. Lunch will be on your own. The Presidio of Santa Barbara presentation will be at 3:00 pm on Friday. Closing out the Fall Meeting will be a Banquet on Friday evening

The Announcement Poster for this event is posted on the SVSAR Website at the following Internet address: www.svsar.com/Events.

November 11, 2007

Veterans Day Parade



The 89th Annual Veterans Day Parade will be held at 11:00am on Sunday, November 11, 2007 at Delmas Street, San Jose. The Parade begins at 12:00 noon in downtown San Jose on Delmas Street and ends at San Carlos Street.

Each year since 1919, the United Veterans Council of Santa Clara County (UVC) has conducted an Armistice Day Ceremony and produced a Veterans Day Parade with support from the City of San Jose and County of Santa Clara. This year's Parade, the largest Veterans Day Parade in Northern California, honors all those who have served, and those who are continuing to serve their country.

The Opening Ceremony for the Veterans Day Parade begins on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month with a memorial ceremony at Plaza Cesar de Chavez on Market Street in honor of the 1918 Armistice of the "War to End All Wars".

The Announcement Poster for this event is posted on the SVSAR Website at the following Internet address: www.svsar.com/Events.





2007 Chapter Meeting & Event Schedules

December 8, 2007
Christmas Social



The December SVSAR Chapter Meeting is our last meeting of the year and is immediately followed by the SVSAR Christmas Social.

The meeting is open to all SAR, DAR and CAR members, wives, children, friends and those interested in the SVSAR Chapter. The SVSAR Chapter Meeting will have a shortened agenda. The SVSAR Christmas Social will have non alcoholic eggnog and small hour d'oeuvres.

The Announcement Poster for this event is posted on the SVSAR Website at the following Internet address: www.svsar.com/Events.





2007 Chapter Information

2007 Officers

At the Chapter Meeting held on December 9, 2006, the following members were elected to the positions listed below by unanimous consent.

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