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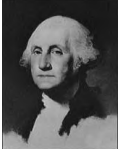


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November 2013 Newsletter

NEXT MEETING:

THURSDAY, November 21, 2013

11:30 A.M. SOCIAL, 12:00 NOON PLENARY—SINBAD'S RESTAURANT

NOV. 21st S.A.R. PROGRAM: SUPERINTENDANT AND COLOR GUARD OF OAKLAND MILITARY INSTITUTE!

Mark P. Ryan, Ph.D., superintendent of Oakland Military Institute, will be guest of honor and speaker at the Nov. 21 meeting of Sons of the American Revolution, San Francisco chapter. The OMI Color Guard will march in at 12 noon to commence our plenary meeting. Guests are welcome to assemble at 11:30 a.m. for social interaction. The OMI mission statement affirms the "singular purpose" of "academic excellence" and says: "By participating in a military learning environment, cadets will develop personal discipline and leadership skills." The stated aim



is "to graduate cadets who are capable

of meeting the academic requirements for any university in the nation and who are prepared for their roles as future leaders." OMI alumni have been recruited to preeminent institutions of higher learning including the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.



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OUR CHAPTER LEADS THE STATE, CALIFORNIA SOCIETY LEADS THE NATION, IN NEW MEMBERS AND SUPPLEMENTALS

The San Francisco chapter added more new members and supplemental last year than any other chapter in California. And CASSAR added more than any other S.A.R. state society. That's according to announcements made at the CASSAR Board of Managers meeting Nov. 1 in El Segundo. SFSAR data shows that our chapter added 32 during 2012 and another 31 thus far in 2013. Compatriots Dr. Stephen Born, Jack Kewin, John Kewin and Thomas Kewin, Keith Schuerholz, and Clark Vilas were inducted on Oct. 24. Compatriots Christopher Born, Chris DeNoia and Joe Kresse are to be inducted in our Nov. 21 meeting. In addition, SFSAR applications of compatriots Tony Fretty, David Goerss and Justin Goerss are expected to be approved by National this month. Chapter Registrar Grant Noah reports that yet another six SFSAR applications now are in process.

NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORY AND DANCE PRESENTED BY S.F. STATE FACULTY MEMBER

“Your words are enlightening and your dance is inspiring,” our chapter president told Edwardo F. Madril after the famed Pascua Yaqui Indian educator’s presentation at the Oct. 24 SFSAR meeting. He discussed First Americans’ history and culture – and alluded to Native American influences on some of the Founders’ ideas about federalism and freedom. Before leaving to teach a class at San Francisco State University, Madril performed a traditional dance in which large rings looped around his torso, arms and legs. One observer perceived that the dance transformed the dancer variously into a praying shaman, a man by campfire, a hawk, and an eagle. Madril earned his B.A. and M.A. degrees at SFSU, where he teaches courses on Indian literature, dance and music, and on urban Indians. He was introduced to us by Patricia Pasco, regent of the Puerta de Oro chapter, D.A.R.

SEXTON LEADS SFSAR DONATIONS FOR WREATHS

Compatriot William Sexton made a generous donation to SFSAR for the Wreaths Across America program led by Compatriot Marston Watson. An anonymous member of our chapter also made a direct donation to the program. Individual donations may be sent by Nov. 30, care of Compatriot Marston Watson, or care of SFSAR Treasurer Jeff Harrison. Wreaths Across America Day at all U.S. national cemeteries will take place Dec. 14, 2013. Donations may be designated for either the Presidio or the Golden Gate national cemetery.

AWARDS FOR NOAH, MITCHELL, KIMBALL, PATTEN

Grant Noah, SFSAR registrar, is receiving the Liberty Medal with gold leaf cluster, announced at the CASSAR meeting Nov. 2 in El Segundo, for his outstanding achievements in bringing new members into S.A.R. Alexander Mitchell, SFSAR immediate-past president, is receiving the Lamplighter Award for outstanding support for the Center for Advancing America’s Heritage, as are compatriots Chuck Kimball and Deslar Kyn Patten. The awards will be presented on Nov. 21 to the honored recipients by Chapter President Tony Bothwell, who also accepted the NSSAR Partners in Patriotism certificate in recognition of SFSAR’s participation in Wreaths Across America programs. The CASSAR meeting also honored teachers Steve Schmidt of San Francisco’s famed Lowell High School, who represented SFSAR in the 2013 Valley Forge Freedoms Foundation graduate institute, and co-winner Renee Cavanaugh from Silver Strand Elementary School in Coronado.

Bob Ebert, Vice President-General for NSSAR’s Western District, represented SFSAR in most of the sessions of the CASSAR Board of Managers meeting in El Segundo Nov. 1-2. Chapter President Tony Bothwell and First Lady Cindy Bothwell took part in Friday evening and Saturday CASSAR and LAUX activities after flight delays due to the terror incident that morning at LAX.

