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OCTOBER 2011 NEWS FROM THE FOUNDING CHAPTER OF THE SAR



Come one, come all!
First drink FREE for new attendees!
Next SFSAR lunch meeting –
12:00 noon, Thurs., OCTOBER 27 at Sinbad's, Pier 2

MARTHA WASHINGTON AWARD TO BE GIVEN AT SFSAR MEETING 12 NOON OCT. 27 AT SINBAD'S

Martha Whittaker, retired Oct. 1 as Senior Reference Librarian of the Sutro Library, California's largest genealogical library, will receive the Martha Washington Award during the Oct. 27 SFSAR's luncheon at Sinbad's. Over the years, Martha has given invaluable help to many SAR and DAR members in the search of documentation for Revolutionary lineage. Martha also curated the only extant copies of early historical documents of Sons of the American Revolution, founded July 4, 1876 in San Francisco as Sons of Revolutionary Sires now held in the Sutro's rare manuscript collection. **Thomas A. Perkins**, former CASSAR president and historian general, placed some of the early records of the San Francisco group that has evolved into today's worldwide SAR. "She will be missed as a valuable source and guide to material not otherwise easily found," says Compatriot **Larry Wynne**, who nominated Ms. Whittaker for the Martha Washington Award.



At right, Compatriot Jim Schuyler receives Certificate of Patriotism from Ed Sebree, Chapter Awards Chair.



RAVE REVIEWS FOR CAPT. ROOS AT SFSAR MEETING

Capt. Philip H. Roos, USN, gave an outstanding program, ranging from Continental Navy wartime operations to current U.S. Navy worldwide missions, at the Sept. 22 meeting of SFSAR. A Netherlands native who came to the United States in 1974 and became a U.S. citizen in 1978, he was commissioned through NROTC at the University of San Diego in 1988. He is Commanding Officer, NROTC at UC Berkeley, also supporting affiliate programs at California Maritime Academy, UC Davis, and Stanford. **Fred Bothwell**, SFSAR Vice President for Programs, sent Captain Roos the naval signal for "Well Done," usually conveyed by flaghoist or voice radio – "Bravo Zulu!"

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At left, Treasurer Tim Boddy presides over the September meeting.

SCHOLAR WHO WROTE ON SOUTH'S LOYALISTS RETURNS FROM GRADUATE INSTITUTE

Steve Schmidt, who wrote a UC Berkeley thesis on Patriots and Southern Loyalists in the Revolutionary War, has returned from American Revolution South field studies under the auspices of SAR. Nominated by SFSAR, the Lowell High School teacher won a CASSAR scholarship to attend the 2011 Valley Forge Freedoms Foundation graduate institute. The June 25 - July 1 program included seminars and site visits at Alamance, Cowpens and Kings Mountain battlefields, Guilford Court House, Monticello, Green Springs, the University of Virginia, Colonial Williamsburg, Yorktown, and Mount Vernon. He'll show pictures and tell our Nov. 17 meeting how he won the scholarship and how the program affected his perceptions of the war that gave birth to our Nation.

RESOLUTIONS WON'T CHANGE TOTAL LIFE FUND DUES

Two resolutions offered by the SFSAR Executive Committee are on the agenda of CASSAR's Board of Managers meeting set for Nov. 3-6 in San Diego. Resolution No. 3 would "rescind the November 2010 resolution that reduced Life Membership Fund payment of dues to chapters by 33.3 percent from \$15 to \$10 per member and left payment of dues to the State Society unchanged at \$18 per member." Resolution No. 4 would "reduce Life Membership Fund payment of dues to chapters by 15 percent from \$15.00 to \$12.70 per member and payment of dues to the State Society by 15 percent from \$18.00 to \$15.30 per member and to make these changes effective January 1, 2011." If approved, the measures' net effect on total Life Membership Fund payment of dues would be zero. "The intent of the dual proposal is to reduce fund payments to CASSAR and chapters by the same percentage instead of placing all the burden on chapters," said **Tony Bothwell Sr.**, SFSAR president. Other resolutions on the agenda address public school curricula, youth members' application fees, and proposed technical updates of the NSSAR Constitution.