



The President's Message

By Chapter President Wayne A. Griswold

I sincerely appreciate the honor of representing the chapter at the 134th California Society Spring Meeting in Costa Mesa. Gold Country is a great chapter and being your president has provided me with memories that will last forever. The chapter did terrific in the state competition. We walked away with 9 awards, including The Best Large Chapter in the State of California. Several of our members were also present, including First VP David Gilliard, Second VP Bill A. Welch, Past President Keith Bigbee and his wife Cyndy, Color Guard Captain Dale Ross and his wife, California Ladies Auxiliary President, Coreena, and Genealogist Earl Young. I want to thank each of these individuals for their dedicated service to the chapter.

The Friday morning session began with the California Society's Officer and Chapter reports. The National Society's Inspector General Larry Magerkurth was in attendance and provided details about the revised plan to build out the SAR library on our new property which was purchased last year in historic Louisville, Kentucky. IG Magerkurth also explained the Sarbanes-Oxley Legislation that will affect all non-profit organizations. Bylaw changes were discussed that will bring the society into full compliance with this legislation. These changes addressed topics such as ethics, conflict of interest statements, whistleblowing policies, and increased transparency. The CASSAR booklet that contained officer and chapter reports will assist the state society in meeting these requirements.

During the budget portion of the meeting members entered a discussion about how to address the financial expenses involved in printing the state magazine, *The California Compatriot*. Each issue costs the society about \$3,500 and this cost continues to rise with increasing prices and postal service requirements. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to print one last copy of the magazine to mail to the membership explaining we can no longer afford this expense. The next issue of *The California Compatriot* will be the last hard copy mailed by the state society. All future editions will be available online by visiting CaliforniaSAR.org. One budgetary item that I am very excited about concern the awards to be presented to winning contestant of the state society's Eagle Scout, Knight Essay, and ROTC programs. These awards were increased from \$500 to \$1000!

The last order of business on Saturday was to elect the California Society's new slate of officers for the 2009/10 term. Our new CASSAR President is Rev. Louis Carlson of the Orange County Chapter. Gold Country members elected to state office were Wayne A. Griswold as Executive Vice President, Keith L. Bigbee as Vice President North, and Earl L. Young as the state's new Genealogist. David A. Gilliard will continue as the state society's Americanism

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Calendar of Events

Thursday, May 7th

National Day of Prayer - Fly the Flag!

Friday, May 8th

V-E Day - Fly the Flag!

Friday, May 8th

SAR Awards Presentation, South Tahoe High School Navy ROTC Ball.

Sunday, May 10th

Mother's Day - Fly the Flag!

Friday, May 15th

Peace Officers' Memorial Day - Fly the Flag at half staff!

Saturday, May 16th

Armed Forces Day - Fly the Flag!

Sunday, May 17th

Gold Country Chapter Meeting. See information below.

Tuesday, May 19th

Chapter volunteers work the polls. Thanks for your help!

Monday, May 25th

Memorial Day - Fly the Flag!

Saturday, June 6th

D-Day - Fly the Flag!

Sunday, June 14th

Flag Day - Fly the Flag!

Wednesday, June 17th

Bunker Hill Day - Fly the Flag!

Saturday, June 20th

Regular Meeting, 9:00 A.M., LDS Church, Nevada City.

Sunday, June 21st

Father's Day - Fly the Flag!



The next Gold Country Chapter meeting is
Sunday, May 17th at 2:00 P.M.

Auburn-Placer Library, 350 Nevada Street, Auburn

The Gold Country Chapter's 2009 regular meetings will be held on the 3rd Saturday of each month except in May, September, and December. During these months special meeting dates occur in order to accommodate other Chapter or California Society activities. All regular meetings are held in the banquet room of Lou LaBonte's Restaurant, 13460 Lincoln Way, Auburn, (530) 885-9193, at 9:00AM. See you there!

Visit our Chapter, State and National Websites
GoldCountrySAR.org ♦ CaliforniaSAR.org ♦ SAR.org
The submission deadline for the June edition of
The Forty-Niner is Friday, May 22, 2009.

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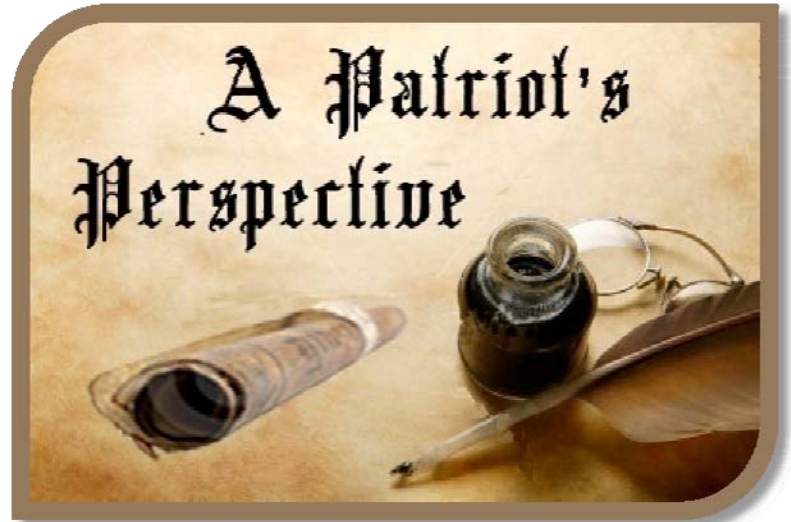
Don't Get Mad, Get Even

By Michael G. Lucas

An often quoted German proverb states, "Don't get mad, get even." Even though on the surface it sounds vengeful, history has proven its wisdom. I'd like to interpret its meaning by combining it with a French proverb which says, "Success is the best revenge." I think we can usually bring about maximum justice not by remaining angry, but by moving on successfully. We may have been undeservedly wronged by our enemies, but we don't have to remain in a defeated state. We can move on and, by our success, turn the tables on our enemies. We can transform negative experiences into motivation for success. Following are the stories of three distinguished patriots who did not deserve their enemies' abuse; they responded by not getting mad, instead they got even.

Daniel Morgan accompanied British General Braddock's army as a wagoner in the French and Indian War. During the march Morgan responded sharply to an insulting British officer. The officer tried to run him through with his sword. Morgan defended himself and punched the officer. For this action Morgan was condemned to receive five hundred lashes on his bare back. After four hundred and fifty, Morgan passed out and the punishment ended. The officer knew all along that he was in the wrong. He later apologized, but well after the damage was done. It wasn't uncommon for a man to die under the lash. Morgan's back was left a mangled mess. Daniel Morgan may have been beaten but he was not defeated. Once the scars healed, he possessed a valuable visual aid that would eventually prove useful to him. Later in the Revolutionary War, General Daniel Morgan fought the British at Cambridge, participated in the attack on Quebec, and fought at Saratoga. He played a major part in defeating the British at Freeman's Farm and Bemis Heights. Morgan devised the cunning plan to defeat British Colonel Banastre Tarleton at Cowpens, which has been widely viewed to be the tactical masterpiece of the entire war. In 1755 Morgan was beaten but later he won victory over his enemies. Daniel Morgan didn't get mad, he got even.

In late 1780, Tarleton's well-trained and well-armed Tories took control of a settlement on Waxhaw Creek in the Carolinas. The Tories unleashed ruthless atrocities upon the



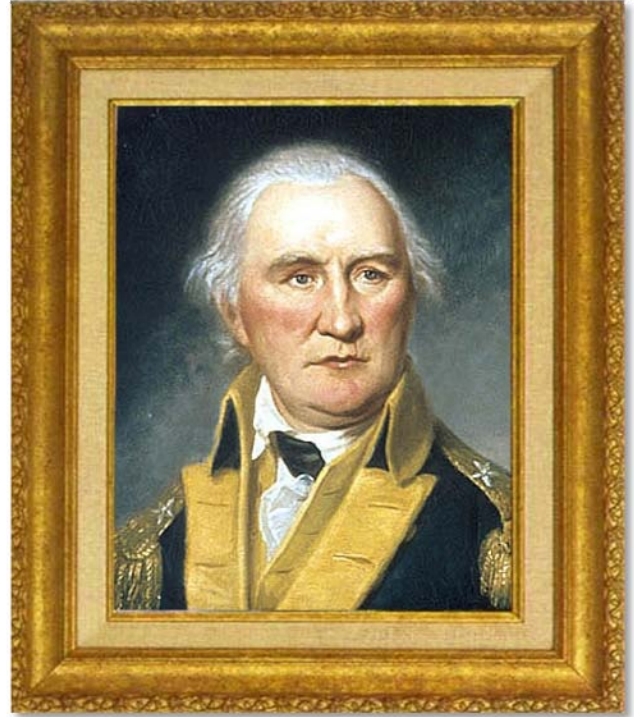
patriots after Colonel Abraham Buford refused to surrender. None of the soldiers were spared. The old men, small children, and women were herded into a meetinghouse. One of Tarleton's dragoons saw a fourteen year old boy among the captives. He demanded that the boy clean his boots. The boy refused, claiming that he was a prisoner of war and should be treated as such. The Tory drew his sword and aimed for the boy's head. The boy used his arm to protect his head. He was seriously wounded and bleeding profusely, but even so he was forced to march to Camden where he was imprisoned. This young boy, named Andrew Jackson, was beaten but not defeated. Thirty five years later, General Andrew Jackson won a smashing victory over the British in the Battle of New Orleans, the final major battle of the War of 1812. He had been beaten earlier, but had finally risen to victory against his enemies. Andrew Jackson didn't get mad, he got even.

On January 29, 1774, Benjamin Franklin was accused before the Privy Council in London of being a "true incendiary" and a "prime conductor" in the agitation against the British government. Franklin was accused of illegally obtaining copies of Massachusetts Governor Thomas Hutchinson's letters which provided the British with advice on how to restrict America's liberties. Franklin was falsely accused because he received the letters anonymously and he was not the one who leaked them to the press. The sixty-eight year old Franklin, wearing a blue Manchester velvet suit, was humiliated, laughed at, and accused of being a thief. For an hour Franklin listened to a tirade so severe that most of it was deemed unfit for print. Franklin, throughout the entire unjustified censure, never uttered a word or showed any emotion. Walter Isaacson, in his *Benjamin Franklin An American Life*, states, "Silence had often been his best weapon, making him seem wise or benign or serene. On this occasion, it made him look stronger than his powerful adversaries, contemptuous rather than contrite, condescending rather than cowed." The next day he was stripped of his deputy

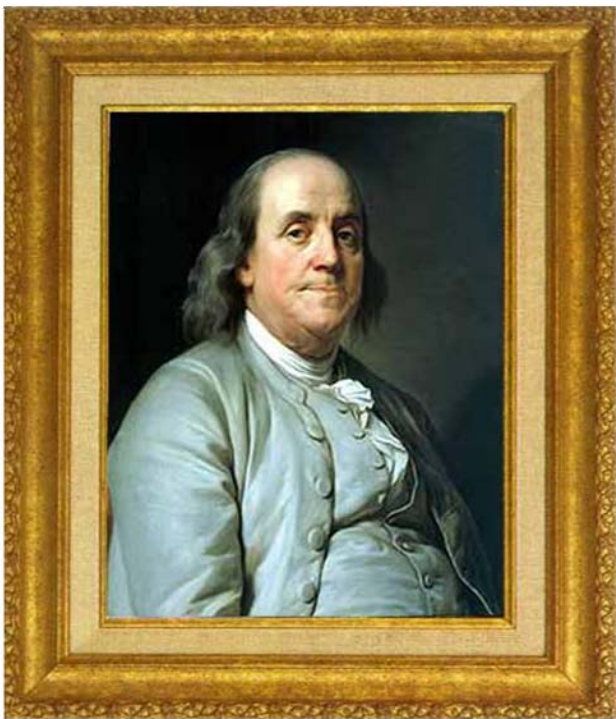
postmaster position, even though he had made the colonial system efficient and profitable. Later, however, Benjamin Franklin became one of the key players in the success of the Revolutionary War. He spent eight years in France as ambassador to King Louis XVI. Franklin leveraged his international fame to make important connections. He patiently built a bridge of trust between himself and the French government. He finally forged an alliance with the mighty French government on behalf of the struggling colonies. Finally, on February 6, 1778, Franklin appeared before King Louis XVI to sign papers of alliance. To make a statement, Dr. Franklin wore the same Manchester velvet suit he had worn when he endured the tongue lashing before the Privy Council four years earlier. Franklin typically wore his brown coat and Silas Deane inquired about it. Franklin responded, "To give it a little revenge. I wore this coat the day Wedderburn abused me at Whitehall." Afterwards, he retired the suit and never wore it again. He had succeeded in bringing France into the war and in extracting loan after loan for America. Franklin had tipped the scales in favor of America. His appearance at Versailles was the beginning of the end for the British in America. Now with France as an ally, American victory was finally achievable. Yale historian, Edmund Morgan, called it "the greatest diplomatic victory the United States has ever achieved." Benjamin Franklin didn't get mad, he got even.

Many of our patriot founders received undeserved abuse, but they didn't let it stop them. By not wallowing in self-pity, they were able to remain focused on building a nation. In the years ahead Americans undoubtedly will face new challenges from their enemies. Like Daniel Morgan, Andrew Jackson,

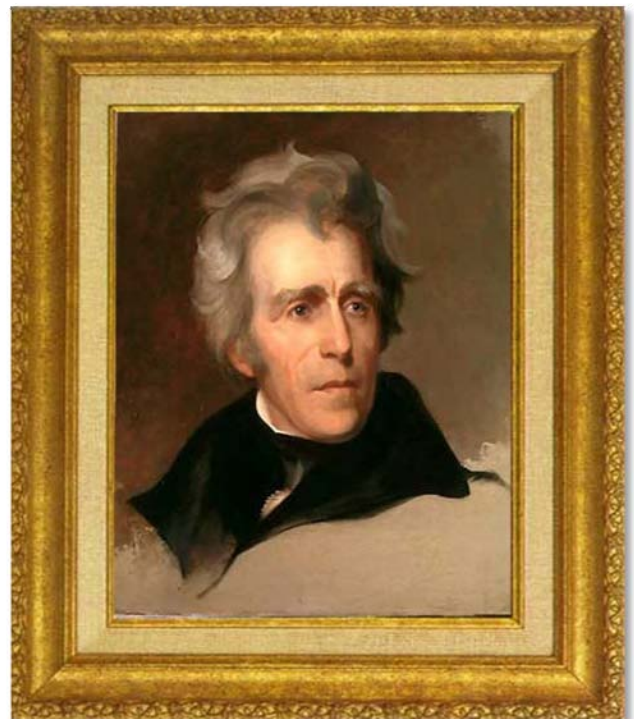
and Benjamin Franklin, Americans will be the victims of undeserved attacks. But I am confident that each new generation of Americans, like those early patriots, will not waste effort getting mad. They will confidently recover with success over their enemies. They won't get mad, they'll get even. ∞



General Daniel Morgan



Dr. Benjamin Franklin



President Andrew Jackson

The American Revolution Month-by-Month

May 1775

Capture of Fort Ticonderoga Second Continental Congress

By Michael G. Lucas



The outstanding eight year long Month-by-Month Revolutionary War Series, written by our late Gold Country Chapter Compatriot Andy Stough, has a few missing segments. This month's installment was written by the editor to fill the gap for May 1775.

The events at Lexington and Concord brought about some big changes in America. Militia units from surrounding colonies flooded into the Boston area. Thousands of militiamen encircled the city and cut it off from the countryside. Recruitment into the volunteer militia units across all the colonies intensified. Loyalists felt compelled to suppress their enthusiasm for the Crown, whereas the Patriots were itching for action. Thomas Jefferson wrote that a "phrenzy [sic] of revenge seems to have seized all ranks of people." Retaliation against the British may have played a part in the Patriots looking northward to the capture of Fort Ticonderoga.

Fort Ticonderoga was positioned on the southwestern side of Lake Champlain at its entrance from Lake George. The French built the fort in 1755 and named it Fort Carillon. It was a massive fortification which came into play during the Seven Years War. Its location was important because it controlled the commonly-used trade routes between the English-controlled Hudson River Valley and the French-controlled Saint Lawrence River Valley. Early in the war the French fort held up against the British assaults but it eventually fell in 1758. The British took possession of the fort, repaired the damage, and renamed it Fort Ticonderoga. The name "Ticonderoga" came from an Iroquois word meaning "it is at the junction of two waterways."

But by 1775 the fort was dilapidated and needed significant reconstruction. The garrison was manned by only two British officers and forty-eight soldiers, an inadequate force to provide much defense. Fort Ticonderoga remained a concern for the New England colonists. The colonists were desirous of the fort's heavy guns and mortars placed there by the French. The Americans were also worried that Major General Guy Carleton, the British commander in Quebec, would use the fort to cut the colonies in half. Ethan Allen and Benedict Arnold were determined to block the British and prevent them from using the fortification against the Americans.

"This accident [Lexington and Concord] has cut off our last hope of reconciliation, and a phrenzy [sic] of revenge seems to have seized all ranks of people."

**--- Thomas Jefferson to William Small
May 7, 1775**

Ethan Allen was an enigma; he was a very rough backwoodsman but he also had a cultured side, enjoying reading and writing. Benedict Arnold was a very ambitious man who was bright and charming. His ability to inspire and lead men on the battlefield was unparalleled.

A group of influential business leaders from the colony of Connecticut encouraged Ethan Allen to capture the fortress. At the same time, the colony of Massachusetts, in an uncoordinated effort, sponsored Benedict Arnold to capture the fort. In early May, Allen's Vermont volunteer militia, the Green Mountain Boys, along with some Connecticut troops, a force totaling about two hundred men, converged on the British fortress. Arnold arrived single handedly to capture Ticonderoga with no troops. Arnold and Allen both laid claim to the leadership role. Neither relented, but, fortunately, they cooperated and easily captured Fort Ticonderoga on May 10, 1775. The Americans surprised the garrison soldiers before sunrise while they were still in their beds. Ticonderoga's commander

inquired of Arnold upon whose authority he was acting. Arnold responded, "in the name of the Great Jehovah and the Continental Congress." The nearby Fort Crown Point fell two days later. There were no casualties on either side resulting from these actions.

On the same day that Fort Ticonderoga fell to the Americans, the Second Continental Congress met in Philadelphia. Its predecessor, the First Continental Congress, had sent entreaties to King George III to repeal the Coercive Acts and it had created the Continental Association to establish a coordinated protest of the Coercive Acts. A resulting boycott on British goods was invoked across America. The First Congress provided that the Second Congress would meet on May 10, 1775, to plan further responses if the British government had not repealed or eased the Coercive Acts. The Continental Congress delegates were treated like honored dignitaries. Parades and military escorts welcomed George Washington, John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, John Hancock, Thomas Jefferson, Peyton Randolph, and the rest of the delegation. Enthusiasm for war raged throughout the colonies but initially there was no unanimity of purpose among the delegates. Early on they chose to keep their options open and avoided taking intransigent positions. It would be more than a year before Congress coalesced to declare independence. However, the capture of Fort Ticonderoga became one more piece in the puzzle which would later force Congress's hand in taking a more aggressive stand towards the Crown. Ironically, Congress recommended


that cannon and the military stores of Ticonderoga be removed and stored at the south end of Lake George so that "they may be safely returned when the restoration of the former harmony between Great Britain and these colonies so ardently wished for by the latter shall render it prudent and consistent with the overruling law of self-preservation." However, it would not be long before all the delegates agreed with Thomas Jefferson that the escalation of events had finally "cut off our last hope of reconciliation."

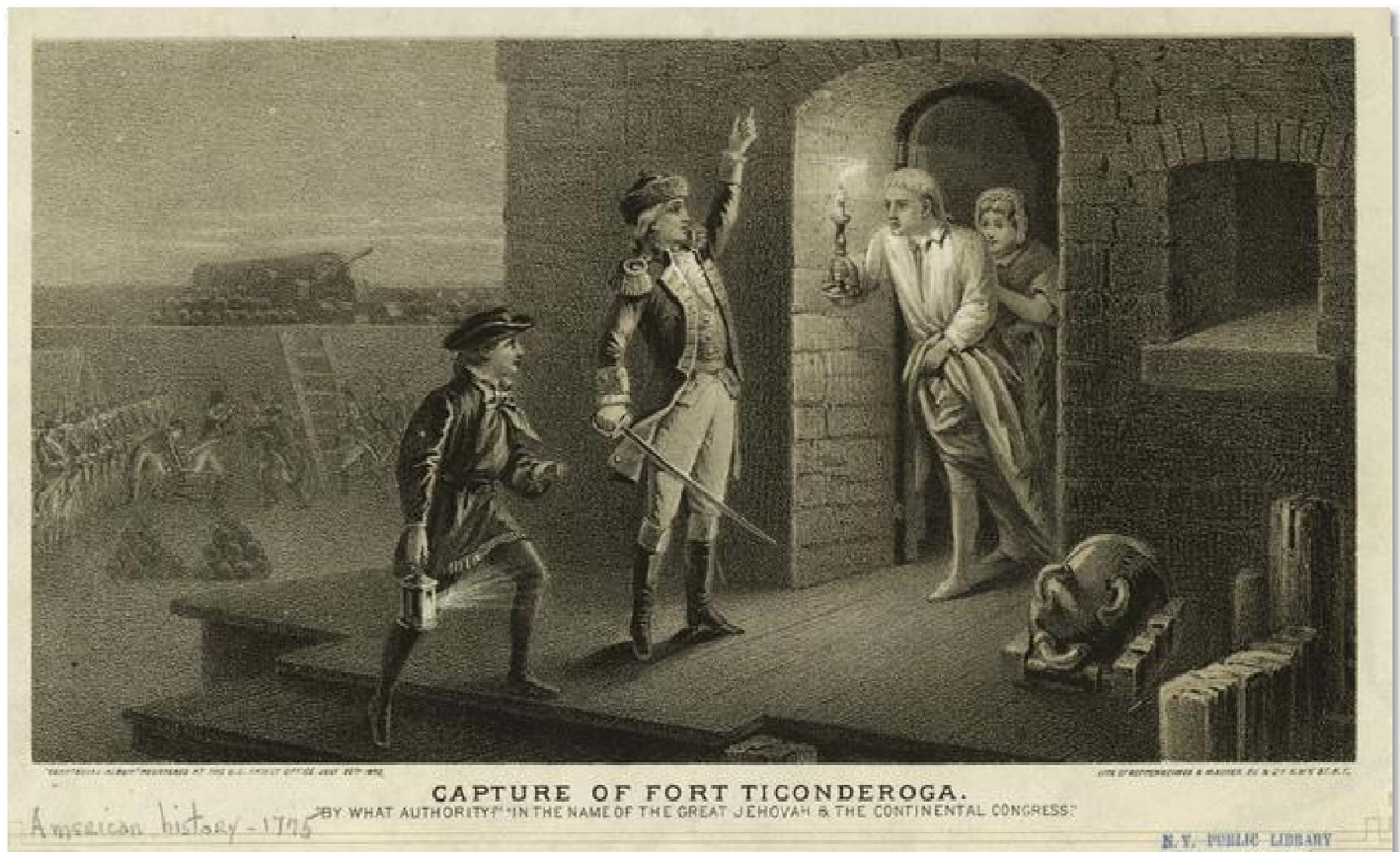
Fort Ticonderoga became a patriot base of operations for the invasion of Canada in the winter of 1775-76. On July 6, 1777, it was recaptured by Major General John Burgoyne. As the British were abandoning it several months later, they destroyed a large portion of the fort.

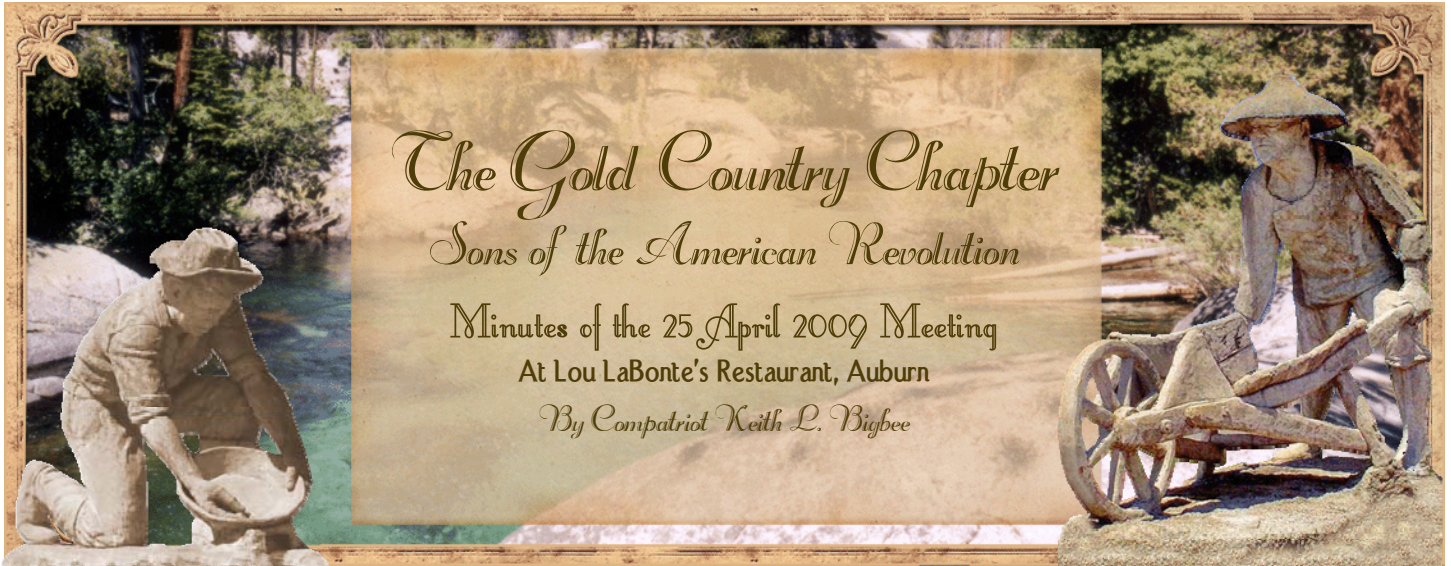
Fort Ticonderoga lacked strategic importance but the patriot capture of the fort provided them a large supply of cannon and other armaments. Henry Knox directed the transportation of much of this weaponry to Boston later in 1775, where it was used in the Siege of Boston; the armament was instrumental in forcing the British to evacuate the city.

Next month we return to the continuing hostilities surrounding Boston.

Reference: *The Glorious Cause* by Robert Middlekauff

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President Wayne A. Griswold called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. Earl Young gave the Invocation. Smith Virgil led the Pledge of Allegiance and Dale Ross led the SAR Pledge.

Attendance: Twelve members and eleven guests attended the meeting.

Guests Recognized: President Griswold recognized guest speaker Jack Duncan and his wife. Also in attendance were DAR members Coreena Ross and Ann Young from the Capt. John Oldham Chapter; Io Beyer and Winona Virgil from the Emigrant Trails Chapter.

General Business: President Griswold asked for a motion approving the March meeting minutes as published in the chapter's newsletter. Dave Gilliard so moved, Bob McClurg seconded, all in favor, the motion was carried.

Repts:

Treasurer: Bruce Choate reported the chapter had a current balance of \$15,935.93 in our Vanguard account and \$832.25 in our checking account. He also reported that voluntary pledges are coming in and he will have a more detailed account in the near future. He noted the primary expense this period was for the poster contest awards.

Secretary: Keith Bigbee thanked Compatriot Young for taking the minutes in March and reported that two letters were received from Travis USO thanking the chapter for its generous support. President Griswold inquired as to how much we had donated to Travis USO this year. The treasurer reported that \$392 has been donated thus far. Compatriot Wayne Ford spoke about his personal experiences in using the USO and what a valuable service it is. Compatriot Dave Perkins then shared that he had

recently received the inaugural issue of the USO magazine *On Patrol* which illustrates all they do for our service members and their families. He also shared his personal experiences with using these services and noted that, in his opinion, there is no better program to support. He handed the magazine to President Griswold to review and to make available to other chapter members who would like to see it.

Registrar: Smith Virgil reported that no new applications or supplementals were submitted but he expects to receive two next week for submission.

Genealogist/Membership: Earl Young reported there were two applications out for signature and four more expected shortly. He noted the Junior Membership Committee would be receiving more information next week. President Griswold urged those members of the committee, who had not yet commented on Earl's email regarding the program, to submit their comments to him as soon as possible so we can move forward with this valuable program.

Chaplain: Ron Williams was not in attendance. Wayne Griswold commented there was nothing to report; however if someone has any knowledge of a member who was in need of a sympathy or get well card to please let Ron know.

Programs:

JROTC: President Griswold reported that Mike Holmes will be presenting Outstanding Cadet Awards at South Lake Tahoe May 8th and at Florin High School May 27th.

Color Guard: Dale Ross noted that there are three current requests for our Color Guard to join Color Guard members from other chapters: Wreaths across America in Dixon on Memorial Day, the opening ceremony for Sacramento County Veteran's Service Center at McClellan AFB on June



Julie Longtin, CASSAR winner of the Valley Forge Teacher Program.

1st, and a SAR Proclamation at the San Francisco Presidio, honoring our Spanish compatriots on June 27th. Interested members should contact Color Guard Captain Dale Ross. If you do not have a uniform, one can be secured for you.

Eagle Scout: Dale Ross said he has distributed four packets recently.

Valley Forge: Earl Young reported that our sponsored applicant, Julie Longtin of Meadow Vista, was selected for the Valley Forge Teacher Program. She is very excited and grateful for this opportunity. It was noted that Gold Country has sponsored six winning teachers for this insightful program, the most of any chapter in the state.

Poster Contest: Dave Gilliard reported that there were eight entrants at the state level and Gold County Chapter's entrants took 1st and 2nd place, with third place going to our sister chapter, Mother Lode.

CASSAR Meeting Report:

Several Gold Country members attended the CASSAR spring meeting last week and President Griswold asked them to share their experiences.

Compatriot Young spoke first noting that Gold Country Chapter again took the award for Best Large Chapter, as we have consistently done since we became a large chapter (72+ members.) In addition, Gold Country Chapter took first place in several chapter award categories. A listing of the awards is shown on page 9. (Editor's Note: A listing of chapter awards through the years can be viewed at <http://www.goldcountrysar.org/awards.html>.) Earl noted that the \$20 application fee for junior membership was abolished bringing the youth registrant and junior membership programs closer into alignment. Earl congratulated President Griswold on his receipt of the Distinguished Service Medal. This is the highest medal awarded by the State and each president may only award one during his term. Everyone acknowledged it was well deserved.

Compatriot Bigbee added that this was a very productive meeting. He noted that there were by-laws revisions including a new conflict of interest policy and there was discussion on new regulations for a 501(c)3 organization. A budget was approved which included increased amounts for the youth programs, and they are working on document retention. He then announced that he was elected VP North.

President Griswold then announced the other chapter members that were elected to state office at the meeting: Earl Young, State Genealogist; Dave Gilliard, State Poster Contest Chair; and Wayne Griswold as California Society Executive Vice President. President Griswold also pointed out that Keith Bigbee was awarded the Silver Von Steuben Color Guard medal and Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Medal.

David Perkins spoke concerning his pride in the growth of this chapter. As the only participating charter member, he recalled the days when the chapter was unknown at the state level; now hearing a report that we are the leading chapter in the state in the number of awards and officers is a wonderful accomplishment.

Cyndy Bigbee reported on the activities of the Ladies' Auxiliary, noting that in order to meet IRS guidelines the Life Membership program will be abolished; each Life Member will become a Founding Member and be offered the return of their \$100 fee. Yearly dues were raised from \$5 to \$10. She encouraged all ladies to join and to attend a state meeting if they ever have the opportunity.

Coreena Ross thanked the group for the opportunity to serve as CASSAR Ladies Auxiliary president. She noted that the auxiliary will be including recognition for the poster contest winner in future contests.

Unfinished Business: President Griswold said Special Election poll workers program is on target. There is still

need for a morning shift (6:00A.M.-Noon) worker in Roseville. Contact Wayne to volunteer.

So far there are eleven members signed up for the CALSTAR group plan. Four more are needed to get the group rate.

Guest Speaker: Dave Gilliard introduced Mr. Jack Duncan. Mr. Duncan was born in Sacramento and resides in Sterling City. He was an Air Force Navigator in WWII and has a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering. He retired from a career at Lawrence Livermore Labs in the design and testing of nuclear weapons. He has written two books; one is on highway locations in Placer County and the other on the construction of the railroad at Cape Horn. In his spare time he enjoys restoring antique automobiles.

Mr. Duncan had an extensive slide presentation documenting his research on the facts versus legends surrounding the construction of the thirteen miles of railroad encompassing Cape Horn. He addressed such questions as whether there were deaths, how sheer the cliff was, and tools used in carving out the track. Much of his information was gained through collaboration with Ed Strobridge, a direct descendant of the original superintendent of the project. He pointed out several inconsistencies in the historical reporting of this amazing feat. As he noted, there are no primary sources of information. All we know is anecdotal or second

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Jack Duncan presented a fascinating history of local railroad construction.

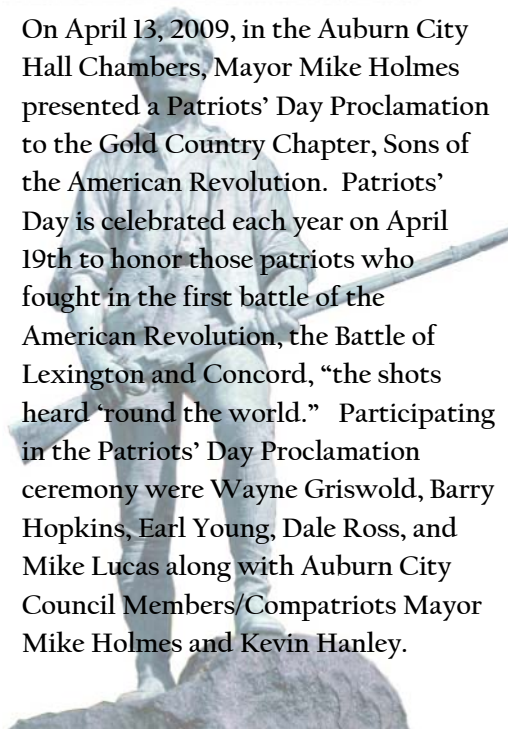
Gold Country Chapter CASSAR Awards, Spring 2009

- Best Large Chapter
- Most Joint Meetings
- Most Publications
- Best in Activities
- Most Medals and Certificates
- Most Youth Registrants and Supplementals
- Highest Percentage Members Attending
- Most Number of Meetings
- Best in CASSAR Programs



Patriots' Day Proclamation

On April 13, 2009, in the Auburn City Hall Chambers, Mayor Mike Holmes presented a Patriots' Day Proclamation to the Gold Country Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution. Patriots' Day is celebrated each year on April 19th to honor those patriots who fought in the first battle of the American Revolution, the Battle of Lexington and Concord, "the shots heard 'round the world." Participating in the Patriots' Day Proclamation ceremony were Wayne Griswold, Barry Hopkins, Earl Young, Dale Ross, and Mike Lucas along with Auburn City Council Members/Compatriots Mayor Mike Holmes and Kevin Hanley.



City of Auburn
Proclamation

PATRIOTS' DAY

WHEREAS, in the early hours of April 19, 1775, three patriots – Paul Revere, William Daves and Dr. Samuel Prescott – rode through the streets of Massachusetts to warn fellow colonists that British troops had been assembled and were advancing with the intention of capturing patriot leaders and military stores; and

WHEREAS, answering this alarm, 77 Lexington Minutemen boldly stood before 600-800 British troops who had gathered at Lexington Green; and

WHEREAS, Captain John Parker commanded his Minutemen, "Don't fire unless you are fired on; but if they want a war, let it begin here;" and

WHEREAS, British Redcoats formed battle lines and as they charged toward the outnumbered Minutemen with bayonets, a shot rang out and a volley came from the British claiming the lives of eight patriots; and

WHEREAS, when the British continued onto Concord, a battle ensued at the Old North Bridge, where Minutemen from every Middlesex village and town routed the British and forced them into retreat back to Boston; and

WHEREAS, Ralph Waldo Emerson immortalized this moment in American history as where "the embattled farmers stood and fired the shot heard 'round the world;" and

WHEREAS, the Gold Country Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution reminds us of the importance of recalling the extraordinary dedication of our nation's first patriots and honoring the courage and sacrifice of those patriots who gave their lives in defense of liberty and freedom during the earliest days of the Battle for Independence in April 1775.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. M. Holmes, Mayor of the City of Auburn, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim April 19, 2009 as

PATRIOTS' DAY

and urge all citizens to become more knowledgeable of the role of the Revolution played in the history of our great nation.

Issued this 13th of April 2009
J. M. Holmes
J. M. Holmes, Mayor



Gold Country Chapter at the Polls

Gold Country Chapter SAR will again be volunteering at the polls for the Statewide Special Election on May 19, 2009. This will be the eleventh consecutive election staffed by Gold Country Chapter. This program provides the funding for the vast majority of the Chapter's budget. We wish to thank our many volunteers who have worked faithfully over the years. However, we can still use more clerks and relief workers. If you can volunteer for even a few hours, it would be greatly appreciated. If you can help, please call Wayne Griswold at (916) 985-3756.


Gold Country Chapter Precinct Volunteers Statewide Special Election, May 19, 2009	
Precinct 140619	Impact Church 8330 Brady Lane, Roseville
Inspector	Wayne Griswold
Judge	Shannon Griswold
Clerk	Edward Beyer
Clerk	John Gwynn
Clerk	Julie Gwynn
Clerk	Frank Wandell
Precinct 240527	Twin Oaks School, 2835 Club Drive, Rocklin
Inspector	Ron Williams
Judge	William A. Welch
Clerk	William D. Welch
Clerk	Jeanette Welch
Clerk	Keith Bigbee
Clerk	Cyndy Bigbee
Precinct 345301	Placer County Office of Education, 360 Nevada St., Auburn
Inspector	Smith Virgil
Judge	Winona Virgil
Clerk	Barry Hopkins
Clerk	Patricia Hopkins
Clerk	William Anderson
Clerk	Christine Anderson
Clerk	Robert McClurg
Precinct 534506	Placer Hills Church, 17250 Placer Hills Road, Meadow Vista
Inspector	Earl Young
Judge	Ann Young
Clerk	Kevin Brown
Clerk	Bruce Choate
Clerk	Michael Lucas
Clerk	Richard Shepherd
Clerk	Kyle Young

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hand. As with all historical information, legends appear real as they are repeated through time. Mr. Duncan also presented information on how the Cape Horn area had been altered as engines became larger and heavier. It was a very insightful and interesting presentation. At the conclusion of his presentation, President Griswold presented Mr. Duncan with a Certificate of Appreciation.

New Business: Coreena Ross is the program director for the 2009 Cub Scout Day Camp in Nevada City. There is expected to be 400-450 youth and adult leaders there. They are seeking volunteer aid to prepare and serve the BBQ on June 20th. As this is a regular meeting day, she was hoping the chapter could meet prior at the LDS church where she has secured a room. Earl Young made a motion which was seconded by Keith Bigbee. The motion was approved and carried. More information will follow.

President Griswold announced that, as he will become CASSAR President in April of 2010, the chapter will be hosting the spring meeting. This will be discussed further at the Executive Board Meeting immediately following today's meeting. President Griswold invited any interested members to attend.

Closing: There was a moment of Silence in Remembrance of Passed Chapter Compatriots. Earl Young gave the Benediction and Dave Perkins led the SAR Recessional. The helmet was passed around for contributions to the Travis USO. The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 A.M. 

Genealogist's Report for May 1, 2009												
Contributed by Chapter Genealogist Earl L. Young												
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POTENTIAL MEMBERS						MEMBER SUPPLEMENTALS						
NAME	1	2	3	4	5	6	NAME	3	4	5	6	
Baker, Malcolm E. (Thomas Baker)	X	X	X				Gilliard, David A. (John Hoagland)	X				
Blackburn, Thomas	X	X	X				McClurg, Robert (Isaiah Bowker)	X				
Bohmfolk, Fred (Silas Joy)	X	X	X				McClurg, Robert (Rev. Benjamin Stone)	X				
Davey, Steve	X	X	X				Ross, Dale (Nicolas Bieber)	X				
Gaines, Ted	X	X	X				Ross, David (Thomas Lane)	X	X	X	X	
Hanley, Kenneth (Clark)	X	X	X				Rowe, Andrew (Henry Allshouse)	X	X	X		
Hill, James (Andrew Hartsfield)	X	X	X	X			Virgil, Smith (Keziah Mealman)	X				
Hines, Tony	X	X	X				Welch, John D. & William A. (Jeremiah Phillips)	X	X	X	A	
Holland, Steve	X						Welch, John D. & William A. (George Russell)	X	X	X	A	
Kopp, Aaron & Jerold (James Reed)	X	X	X	X	X							
LaPlante, William J. (Simon Kenton)	X											
Lawson, Michael (William Dawes)	X	X	X	X			JUNIOR MEMBERS					
Lawson, Todd (William Dawes)	X	X	X	X	X	X	Baker, Cameron C. (George Eskridge)	X	X	X	X	
Lawton, George M.	X	X	X				Bell, Jackson R. (Daniel Singleton)	X	X	X	X	
Liedstrand, David	X						Brown, Jordan D. (Josiah Smith)	X	X	X	X	
Manifor, B., M., R., & S. (Martin Severance)	X	X	X				Brown, Joshua A. (Josiah Smith)	X	X	X	X	
Murphy, Thomas & Sean (Thomas Jarnagin)	X	X	X	X	X	X	Crismore, Braxton L. (Abel Estabrook)	X	X	X	X	
Ruth, Rex	X						Hopkins, Conner F. (Philemon Monroe)	X	X	X	X	
Rogers, Michael (Charles Talbot)	X						Lawson, Jake (William Dawes, Jr.)	X	X	X	X	
Singleton, Eric (Daniel Singleton)	X	X	X	X	X	X	Longtin, John P. (Adam Yager, Sr.)	X	X	X	X	
White, George (Isaac Tillotson)	X	X	X	X			Morgan, Devin T. (George Eskridge)	X	X	X	X	
							Puls, Edward J. (Edward Burnap)	X	X	X	X	
							Schuck, Brody W. (Josiah Seely)	X	X	X	X	
							Stowells, C. Nathaniel (George Eskridge)	X	X	X	X	
							Virgil, Michael J. (Abijah Virgil)	X	X	X	X	
							Welch, Aaden D. (Josiah Seely)	X	X	X		
							Wright, Robert P. (Solomon Langston)	X	X	X	X	
							Young, Aaron E. (George Eskridge)	X	X	X	X	
							Young, Kyle W. (George Eskridge)	X	X	X	X	

(1) Worksheet Sent To Individual
 (2) Worksheet Returned
 (3) Application Being Prepared

(4) Application Out for Signature
 (5) Application Submitted
 (6) Application Approved

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President's Message – Concluded from Page 1

Poster Contest Chairman and Greg Hill as the state society's webmaster. All CASSAR officers were sworn in during the Installation Banquet on Saturday evening. You will find the complete list of officers on the state website. Once again Gold Country finds itself well represented at the state level.

Now I'd like to take a moment to remind all of you about the chapter Community Awards Ceremony. This annual event will be held in the Beecher Room of the Auburn-Placer Library in Auburn. This ceremony gives the chapter the opportunity to recognize outstanding citizens and service personnel in the community. Please join us and listen to the many fantastic true stories about how people give and risk their all to care for others. Be there to show your appreciation to the many fine people who serve their community. The Community Awards Ceremony will replace our regular meeting for the month of May. Setup begins at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 17th at the Auburn Placer Library, 350 Nevada Street in Auburn. Everyone is welcome!

Mark your calendars! On June 20th the chapter is going to prepare a BBQ for approximately 250 Cub Scouts and 150 adult scout leaders. This will be in lieu of our June meeting and will take place at Camp Beckwourth at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 615 Hollow Way in Nevada City. Gold Country Chapter will have a short meeting beginning at 10:00 a.m. on site before adjourning to set up the BBQ. I have been told that this will be a very exciting event for all of us. Please plan to be there!

Want to take a cruise? The first Pacific/International SAR Society Regional Conference will be held aboard the Norwegian Cruise Line's "Pride of America" during a 7-day Hawaii Cruise beginning September 5, 2009. Though a few meetings will be held on board the cruise liner, many opportunities will be available for fellowship and enjoyment in this beautiful Hawaiian paradise. Interested members should download the brochure from the state society's website. Members were also encouraged to attend the 2009 National Congress in Atlanta. Our state society is allowed 31 delegates, making this an excellent opportunity for you to see the national society in action and to become a part of its decision making process.

In Liberty and Patriotism,