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MEETING INFORMATION

When: September 19, 2009

Where: S. S. Lane Victory
Berth 94,
San Pedro, CA

Time: Social begins at 12:00 am.

Meeting: Called to Order at 1:00pm.

Website: www.orangecountysar.org

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From the scorching desert heat to the cool waters of the Pacific, greetings and salutations to all compatriot's of the Orange County Chapter. I hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable summer. Since our last meeting, some of our members have been busy through the summer months with chapter activities. The Lee's Legion marched in the July 4th Huntington Beach Parade, accompanied by drummer Andrew Endsley and fifers Kurt Owens, Matthew Noell, and Tim Riley. On July 18th, Jim , Kent , and Jim participated in the USS Bennington Memorial Service at Fort Rosecrans, San Diego . Kent Gregory proudly represented the Lee's Legion in July at the 119th NSSAR Congress in Atlanta , and Jim Fosdyck has been busy awarding SAR Flag Certificates to citizens in our community. As you all know, Lou Carlson fell and injured his knee in Atlanta . His surgery was successful and with God's help, he is on his way back to full recovery. Paul Moore has been appointed to be our chapter Knight Essay Chair for 2009-2010. Paul is a retired school teacher who has many years of teaching experience and will make a fine chairman. Our 5th Annual Summer BBQ and Potluck, hosted by John and Karen Dodd on August 1st, was another success and was represented by various chapters from around the southland.

On September 19th, our chapter will be attending a joint meeting at 1 p.m. with the Harbor and Sons of Liberty Chapters aboard the SS Lane Victory, a World War II Liberty Ship docked in San Pedro. Our speaker that day will be Mr. Kerry Bartels from the National Archives in Laguna Niguel. As of last count, we have about 45 members and family attending from all 3 chapters. Lunch will be served and we will have the use of the ship until 5 p.m. Please see the email that I sent out on August 2nd(Page 6) with the attachment explaining all the details(See Flyers at end of this newsletter). I will also be sending out a reminder to everyone as the time approaches. I sincerely hope that all of you and your family members can join us on Saturday, September 19th for a nostalgic day aboard the SS Lane Victory. And now, a vignette for September. On September 21, 1776, Captain Nathan Hale, volunteered to spy behind enemy lines for General George Washington. Disguised as a Dutch schoolmaster, he crossed into Long Island to gather information on the British. He was apprehended and arrested as a spy on his way back to Manhattan Island and was sentenced to be hung the next day. On the following morning, he stood at the gallows and gave his last words---- "I only regret that I have but one

life to lose for my country"----. General Washington wept when he heard the story. Nathan Hale became a martyr and a hero, and inspired the colonists across the land fighting for independence.

David R. Siler

KERRY BARTELS--SPEAKER

Kerry Bartels' love for family history and genealogy at an early age are what drove him to become a professional archivist. After receiving his undergraduate degree in History from the University of Oregon, he went on to graduate work and earned a Masters Degree in Library Science from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio. A Family History and Genealogical practitioner since 1962 and a Professional Archivist since 1977, he has worked for many years in all aspects of genealogical research, county records, state records, federal records, records of private organizations, personal papers, oral history, preservation of materials, microfilming, and many other associated fields. His career has taken him to the Indiana State Archives as an Archivist, and as a University Archivist at the University of Washington and Washington State University . Since 2008, he has held the position of Archives Specialist at the National Archives regional center in Laguna Niguel, where he spends much of his time instructing and assisting people with their family history research. His resume also includes historical societies, manuscript repositories, rare book rooms and museums. He will be speaking to us aboard the SS Lane Victory on September 19th all about the National Archives and how to locate your records. Kerry resides with his family in Orange County .

DANNY COX BIOGRAPHY

After graduating from Southern Illinois University and receiving his commission in the United States Air Force, Danny entered primary pilot training and flew the T-34 and the T-28. Graduating from "primary," he flew the T-33 in basic training and there received his wings.

His next assignment was Advanced All-Weather Fighter Interceptor Training where he checked out in the F-86L Sabre. It was in this training that he

broke the sound barrier for the first time. That required a vertical dive in that airplane at full throttle in afterburner flying from 43,000 feet. Clark Air Base in the Philippines was his next assignment. He flew the F-86D Sabre transitioning later into the F-102 Delta Dagger in the 509th Fighter Interceptor Squadron.

During this two and one-half year assignment he was assigned to temporary duty with the Royal Australian Air Force flying out of Guiuan, Samar, Philippines and also with the Nationalist Chinese Air Force based in Tainan and Chia-Yi, Taiwan. The next assignment was Davis-Monthan Air Force Base in Tucson, Arizona where his next fighter was the high performance all-weather fighter F-101B Voodoo. This airplane held the world speed record for the time at 1200-MPH (Mach 1.75). It climbed from take-off at sea level to 35,000 feet in 1 minute and 32 seconds.

During this three and one-half year assignment he did maintenance test flights on the F-101 and flew high-speed ultra low level (25 feet) across the desert to help locate holes in the radar net. Danny also flew in air shows demonstrating the power of the Voodoo.

Another unique distinction that Danny has is that he encountered the deadly "pitch up" that was a design flaw of the Voodoo. From 56,000 feet he violently tumbled out of control losing 30,000 feet of altitude before recovering. This was the ninth "pitch-up" the Air Force had had since they bought the airplane and only three pilots ahead of him had survived.

An additional duty while in Tucson was Public Relations for his squadron, the 15th Fighter Inceptor Squadron. This entailed radio and television interviews as well as being the lead pilot in a locally produced television special called "Voodoo Rendezvous."

The next assignment was the 87th Fighter Interceptor Squadron at Lockbourne AFB in Columbus, Ohio. There he continued to fly the F-101B as a line pilot, doing maintenance testing and flying in air shows. Additionally he spoke to civilian groups in surrounding communities that

were often hit by frequent sonic booms. He was known throughout the Air Force as the "Sonic Boom Salesman."

After ten years of service, 2400 hours of high performance fighter time and breaking the sound barrier almost 2000 times he left the Air Force to enter the business world. Joining a large sales company, he built two record-breaking, industry leading sales teams that resulted in an 800% increase in production over a five-year period including two recession years.

As a full time business speaker and author, he was inducted into the National Speakers Association's Hall of Fame and is a member of the elite 20 member Speakers Roundtable. His best selling books are, *Leadership When the Heat's On*, *Seize the Day* and *There Are No Limits*, now in 28 languages.

Being a descendant of the early American families such as Wiley, Shelby and Cox who fought in the Revolution, War of 1812, Mexican--American War and Civil War, he has been accepted into the Sons of American Revolution and Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War. As a point of interest, his great-grandfather was a POW at Andersonville.

JUNE MEETING(Recap)

At our June meeting we had Mr. George Hill speak to us about the history of locks. he had a wonderful display of locks he has collected that go back to the early colonial times. Quite interesting.

Since our Summer Hiatus began we have three new members. On August 13, Gregory, Joseph and Phillip Marshall were approved. They are descended through Joshua Hardy, a private and drum major from Massachusetts.

We have two new applications that are still



Walter Davis gives a program on the Declaration of Independence at the Carehouse Healthcare Center in Santa Ana, where wife, Helen, is a resident.

waiting their approval at National and two supplementals as well. Other applicants are still in preparation of their applications. Thanks to Kent Gregory for doing such a splendid job as Chapter Registrar.

EAGLE SCOUT HONORED

At our June Meeting Eagle Scout Chairman, Jim Blauer introduced our chapter winner in the Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest, Kevin Griffith. Kevin read his essay and was presented his participation patch and winners medal. Compatriot Blauer called on Kevin's dad, Jim Griffith to do the honors of pinning the medal on his son.

FLAG CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Compatriot Jim Fosdyck was appointed by President David Siler to oversee our Flag Certificate Program. Jim has created a nomination form for those who know of someone, an institution or place of business who flies the flag properly and you would like to see them recognized. You can contact Jim at jfosdyck@sbcglobal.net and he can send you a form to fill out and return to him. Jim has presented several this past Summer in his own neighborhood in Garden Grove.

Check your neighborhoods to see if the flags that are being flown are in good shape(no tears or fading), have a light on them at night(if flown at dark), and when it rains are not left out. If they meet these requirements, you have a nominee.

CERTIFICATES PRESENTED

Former President John Dodd was presented his Past President's Certificate by President Davis Siler.

Presentation of new member Certificates included; Neil Stenton, Paul A. Moore, Paul F. Moore and Wesley Fosdyck. Wesley's Certificate was accepted by his father Jim Fosdyck. Wesley passed away while his application was in process. Paul accepted for his son Paul who is currently stationed in Iraq. We still have supplementals waiting to be acted on by National for Compatriots Fosdyck, the Shannons, and Eldon Miller.

Jim Blauer presented the Massing of the Colors Participation Certificate to several members who were present. Others were mailed out.

KARL JACOBS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Karl Jacobs, past State President and member of the Harbor Chapter attended our June meeting. He announced that after several starts and stops we would be meeting on the S.S. Lane Victory on for a joint meeting of our chapters.

He reported that the San Francisco Presidio had now had their proclamation by the SAR delivered as a Revolutionary War Site in California. This completes the four Presidio designations at San Francisco, Monterey, Santa Barbara and San Diego.

He also reported that the November State Meeting will be on the 12-14th and not on the weekend of the 7th. Details on this can be found in the Spring issue of your California Compatriot and in your upcoming Summer issue as well.

JULY 4TH ACTIVITIES

For the 22nd consecutive year the Orange County Chapter participated in the Huntington Beach July 4th Parade. This is the largest July 4th celebration West of the Mississippi River. Compatriots Jim Blauer, Jim Fosdyck and Kent Gregory were deck out in their uniforms as were Lisa Gregory and Un Hui Fosdyck in their colonial dress. We were joined by our fifers Kurt Owens, Matthew Noell and Tim Riley and drummer Andrew Endsley. We also had our Model A Deluxe Coupe driven by Dave Manning. The parade was broadcast on KOCE Channel 50 as well as HBTV Channel 3 of Huntington Beach. The latter had 16 showings during July. Your editor only knows of three showings on channel 50, though there were probably more.

Meanwhile, Walter Davis was busy at the Carehouse Healthcare facility where his wife, Helen resides, giving a program to about 45 residents, staff and families on the Declaration of Independence. He was in uniform for the presentation.

Arthur Koehler was also busy as he was at the Independence Hall at Knott's Berry Farm giving

tours of the building and the historic events leading to July 4, 1776.

On July 3rd Bill Campbell, wife Mary and family attended the July 3rd celebration in the city of Orange. On July 4th Bill Mary and three grandchildren were in the Orange Park Acres Parade. Later that day Bill participated in the Anaheim Hills Parade.

NATIONAL CONGRESS

This year's Congress was attended by several of our chapter members. Larry & Barbara Magerkurth, Lou & Karen Carlson, John Dodd & his son Will, and Kent Gregory all attended the Atlanta Congress.

Larry was nominated for Treasurer General. He was challenged from the floor by two nominees. There was a run off. Larry Won!!! We now have a member on the National Board.

Kent served as part of the Color guard and carried the California Flag in the opening ceremonies. He also participated in the Color Guard at the two banquets.

The most harrowing moment was when Lou Carlson was walking down the stairs following the Memorial Service and fell. He wrenched the ligaments in his knee and damaged his kneecap and shoulder. He was taken to the hospital but returned to the Congress on crutches and in a knee brace. Since his return he has had knee surgery and is on the mend. Get well Lou. We have a trip to Hawai'i to attend.

BENNINGTON MEMORIAL

On July 18, Jim Blauer, Jim & Un Hui Fosdyck and John Dodd attended the Bennington Memorial conducted by the San Diego Chapter. John Dodd as Vice-President South welcomed all those in attendance. Jim Blauer and Jim Fosdyck wore their uniforms and participated in the Color Guard activities of the ceremonies. Here we remembered the men who lost their lives in 1905 when the U.S.S. Bennington exploded in San Diego Harbor. For more information on this go to our September 2008 issue of *Muskets & Broadsword*.

6th ANNUAL BARBECUE

For the sixth time we held our annual barbecue at the home of John & Karen Dodd. There were 30-40 members and guests present. A good time was had by all.

Larry Magerkurth reported that at the next Congress he will be running for Secretary General of the National Society. He also told us of a company that has some 1,000 rare documents and wants to display some of them at our new headquarters in Louisville, Kentucky. He also talked of the possibility of a traveling display of historic artifacts owned by the National Society.

Chuck Lampman reported that he was going to run for Historian General. He wants to see a History site on the web and work on our scholar program. He hopes to get the by-laws changed so that not only SARs but historians can have articles on our history website.

Applications are planned to go on line in the future. The entire application packet is to be digitized.

There is a Memorial Membership available. This is only at National. State by-laws do not address this. It has only one years dues.

We were also informed that there would be a change in application fees at National. Regular dues is going from \$25.00 to \$35.00. National Junior Membership fees are going from \$5.00 to \$10.00. New Application Fees are going from \$60.00 to \$80.00.

EAGLE SCOUT CERTIFICATES

Earlier this year we reported that we had finally received the final listings of Eagles for 2008 and had processed their certificates.

In mid-July your Eagle Scout Chairman, Jim Blauer, finally received the first batch for 2009. It consisted of over 300 new Eagles from January through early June. Over half were processed in July with the remainder being done in early August. We are currently just above the 8,450 mark. We found subsequently that some of the certificates went to the wrong district as in some cases a given troop was listed in two different districts. Most of these have been rerouted. There are just four, that

Chairman Blauer will have to get information from the Scout offices on. This year we have done over 520 Eagle Certificates with over half the year to go.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Our meeting this month has changed considerably. Though we normally meet at the Sizzler in Fullerton on the second Saturday of the month several events are occurring which has resulted in some changes. The first event is the Multi-District cruise to Hawai'i, which many of our members are going on. This cruise will be from September 2-12. Because the 12th would be our normal meeting date we moved it back to the 19th. Then an invitation came from the Harbor Chapter for a joint meeting with them and the Sons of Liberty Chapter on the S.S. Lane Victory in San Pedro.

Originally it had been planned for July 25th, then August, but there were problems. Finally it was decided to have it on our revised meeting day of September 19th(See enclosed flyer for details). We realize that for some members this will not be convenient, but for those who are able to attend we feel it will be a fun and exciting experience. There will be a tour of the ship after our luncheon and we will discuss business as we do at every meeting. We will also find out what these other chapters are doing as they will find out what we have and are doing. Hope to see you there.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please keep the following Compatriots in your prayers. Jim Shadwick, Jim Fosdyck, Walter Davis & his wife, Helen, and Lou Carlson. Each has been experiencing health problems of one sort or another and we ask you to keep them in your thoughts and prayers for better health and recovery.

YOU ARE INVITED

The Southern California Branch Sons & Daughters of the Pilgrims, the Order of Founders & Patriots-CA, the Flagon & Trencher, the Order of First Families of Maryland and the California Society of the War of 1812 all meet three times a year with the host society, the California Society of Colonial Wars, at the Los Angeles Athletic Club, located in downtown Los Angeles. Myself and a

few other of our OCCSAR Compatriots, already attend regularly because of our affiliation with the Colonial Wars and/or one or more of the aforementioned groups. **Our chapter members and their wives have been extended an invitation by the California Society of Colonial Wars to join them for a social and luncheon with a guest speaker in an elegant banquet room of the Athletic Club on January 16, 2010.** This is the General Court that is held every January. It is well attended and is a great place to meet the other groups and for the wives to get to know each other. It is business attire in a very elegant atmosphere in the oldest private club in Los Angeles.

The club's 12 story building was constructed in 1911 and opened in 1912. Since 1905 the club has been operated by the Garbutt-Hathaway family of Los Angeles. The club also established the Riviera Country Club, The California Yacht Club, and the Maple Ranch for duck hunters. This is a great opportunity for our gentlemen to escort their ladies back to an earlier time when good taste and quality was the norm. I know it is early, but the Society of Colonial Wars would like to get a consensus of our members now, so they can plan accordingly. Please RSVP to me as soon as possible. If you have any questions regarding this event, you may email me at dsiler3315@hotmail.com or call me at (714)742-7682. I look forward to hearing from you.
Respectfully Yours,
David R. Siler
President, OCCSAR.
Compatriots,

A LETTER FROM PRESIDENT
GENERAL ED BUTLER

Compatriots,

I wish to express my appreciation for being elected unanimously as your 106th President General at the 119th Congress in Atlanta. As Secretary General I led the Strategic Planning Committee in developing a comprehensive Long Range Plan. The 22 page document was approved by the new Executive Committee at its first meeting on July 9th in Atlanta. It will be posted on the SAR

web site as soon as possible. It will be my pleasure to lead our organization this year. My first objective is to negotiate a construction contract for our SAR Library on West Main Street in Louisville. Under the leadership of PG Wilcox we are well on our way. I have appointed PG Larry D. McClanahan to lead the Design Review and Construction Committee. Larry is a licensed engineer with decades of experience in dealing with architects and contractors. PG McClanahan plans to meet with the architect and contractor next week.

As I said in my acceptance speech on July 8th, I firmly believe that that we have the talented manpower to "walk and chew gum at the same time". The approved Long Range Plan is the blue print which will guide us for many years in the future.? From that plan I intend to concentrate on three areas:

MODERNIZE

PUBLICIZE

SOCIALIZE

Ian Toler of the Maryland Society is well on his way toward a new and innovative SAR web site. Members will be able to register for the SAR Congress and Leadership Meetings online using Pay Pal or a credit card. Online purchases will be available using either method. The new web site promises to be faster, with much greater storage capacity. For the first time, there will be a members only section, which can be accessed by your SAR membership number plus a secret code to be provided by the staff. In the members only section there will be several forums, where members can discuss genealogy, history, membership, etc. SAR financial statements, balance sheets and the budget will be available..

DVD's were passed out at Congress with a message from me directed toward prospective new members. The disc contained footage of our color guard at several functions and showed our members at work at Leadership meetings. Hopefully, this will be a great recruiting tool. We are already working on a new DVD which I plan to send to each chapter president with a request that it

be shown at a chapter meeting. This is designed to show chapter members how other chapters are engaged in SAR activities, with the hope that it will stimulate them to participate in programs for the first time.

As the First Lady and I travel around the country this year, we will be asking state presidents and Vice Presidents General to get us lined up to appear on morning TV talk shows, and to submit press releases to local media. In this manner we hope to focus attention on SAR activities.

I am asking each state, district and chapter to sponsor one new social event this year. This could be a picnic, cocktail party, ice cream social, swimming party, military ball or perhaps a sporting event. The key is to involve our wives and to invite prospects and their wives. By socializing, we get to know each other better, and this causes us to work together better. The support of our wives is very important to our society.

In conclusion, I plan to issue frequent updates to report our progress on the library, and the other programs that will be of interest to you. I am retired and plan to devote my full time and attention to your SAR business. I am thrilled to serve as President General. Robin and I look forward to visiting every district. So far, we are booked to be on SAR business 40 week-ends. We will be away from home over half of September, and will visit our home only a few days each in October, November, March, April and May.

Fraternally,

Ed Butler

President General

National Society Sons of the American Revolution

S.S.LANE VICTORY

In early 1942 with Liberty Ship construction well established, designs for a new emergency cargo ship were drawn up. It was apparent to both commercial and military operators that a faster and more efficient design would be more competitive and useful after the war.

In March 1943 the initial plans were complete and given the designator EC2-S-AP1. The E indicated

that it was a standard emergency design optimized for rapid production. C2 indicated a medium size cargo ship with a length between 450 and 500Ft. The S indicated single screw steam propulsion. AP1 indicated the design and revision number. In April 1943 the E was changed to V.

This new design was given the name "Victory Ship" by the Maritime Commission. It could reach speeds of 15-17 knots and had five cargo holds. Upgrades on these ships included electric winches, capstans and steering gear. The hull was designed for flexibility to eliminate cracking problems they had had with other Liberty Ships. It was designed so that it could accommodate a wide range of engine types (Turbine, diesel, or Lentz engine) due to uncertainty regarding available power plants.

Delays in production were the result of conflict between the Maritime Commission and the War Production Board. The first Victory ship was launched on February 28, 1944. They would eventually build 531 Victory ships before the end of the WWII.

The *S.S. Lane Victory* was launched on May 31, 1945. Following her sea trials she was delivered to the Maritime Commission, War Shipping Administration and American President Lines on June 27, 1945.

She began her career as a merchant ship, spending her days carrying military cargo in three wars, where she carried commercial cargo to ports all over the world.

During the Korean War she rescued over 7000 Korean refugees from Wonson and evacuated over 3800 U.S. troops, 1100 vehicles and 5 tons of supplies from Hungnam while under fire. She ferried ammunition and supplies to and from the war zone in Vietnam. During peace time, she traveled throughout the Far East Pacific ports,





crossed the Atlantic several times and circumnavigated the globe on one of her voyages.

During her service she became known as a model ship and was the standard others were judged by. As the Viet Nam War wound down she became the last operational Victory ship sent to Suisan Bay reserve fleet on April 29, 1970.

At this point it seemed that her career was over. Then came along John Vernick, John Smith and a group of feisty Merchant Marine Veterans. Had it not been for these men the *S.S. Lane Victory* might have continued to silently sit and decay until it was finally scrapped like her sister ships.

But, on October 18, 1988 President Ronald Reagan signed H.R. 2032 into law, conveying the S.S. Lane Victory to the United States Merchant Marine Veterans of WWII. On June 7, 1989, the ship was officially transferred to the organization, and she was towed to Los Angeles harbor on June 12.

For three years volunteers labored with donated materials to restore the ship. The cargo booms were rerigged, the winches reinstalled, water and electrical systems were restored and reactivated. The boilers and other machinery were overhauled and updated. Many of the upgrades were required to bring it up to modern Coast Guard standards.

She was dry-docked in 1992 at which time her hull was given a clean bill of health. With most of her restorations and upgrades completed, her sea trials were held on September 10, 1992. As with her first set of trials in 1945, the *S.S. Lane Victory* once again returned to the harbor with a broom flying at the main mast indicating a clean sweep! She

embarked passengers for her inaugural "**Victory At Sea**" cruise on October 3, 1992.

Today the S.S. Lane Victory serves as a maritime Museum and memorial honoring the achievements and sacrifices of the Merchant Marine sailors and Navy Armed Guardsmen in service tour nation. Her volunteered crew continues to keep her running and looking great.

She is in her own right a movie. She has served a set for many feature films, television shows and commercials.

She still sails on several Victory at Sea cruises every Summer, giving veterans a chance to relive their past adventures and permitting those of us too young to remember, to get a glimpse of what life was like during the war years on the high seas.

The S.S. Lane Victory has often been said to have been named after Isaac Lane, a former slave who later became a Methodist preacher and founded Lane College to educate other ministers. The Victory Ships were named after member countries of the United Nations, cities and towns in the United States, and after American colleges and universities. This does not in any way diminish the achievements and honors Isaac Lane deserves. To be historically accurate the Lane Victory was named after Lane College and therefore is indirectly named for its founder.

The S.S. Lane Victory is a National Historic Landmark.***

***The information for this article came from :
<http://www.lanevictory.org/laneVgeneral.php>
and

<http://www.hnsa.org/ships/lanevictory.htm>



Photo Album

September 2009

Presentations



At left Jim Blauer presented the SAR Naturalization Certificate to Roger Attalah. Roger(left) passed the test on May 14 and was sworn in as a new American Citizen on May 28th.

At right Kent Gregory presented the Eagle Certificate to A.J. Meyer & Matthew Arakaki



JROTC Chairman Jim Fosdyck made the rounds in April, May and June to local high schools where he presented our JROTC Award to outstanding cadets. Above left, Joshua Hudekoffer, Orange H.S., above right, David Myers, Anaheim H.S., below left, Nancy Vargas, Valley H. S. in Santa Ana and below right, Kevin Tlaxcalteca, Santiago H. S. in Garden Grove.



Photo Album

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July 4th Parade



At left Lisa & Kent Gregory, Jim Blauer & Jim & Un Hui Fosdyck.

At right our troop is joined by the fifers and drummer.



At left Lisa Gregory and Un Hui Fosdyck carry our banner in the parade.

Below Kent Gregory (Obscured by the SAR Flag), Jim Blauer & Jim Fosdyck march down Main Street in Huntington Beach. Notice they are all in step with each other. The sign of a good color guard unit.



Above our troop of fifers--Matthew Noell, Kurt Owens and Tim Riley. Our Drummer Andrew Endsley. They really add a spark to our entry.



Photo Album

September 2009-3

Bennington Memorial



At left, Jim Blauer, John Dodd, Jim & Un Hui Fosdyck pose in front of the Bennington Memorial Obelisk.



At right the San Diego and Orange County Color Guards join forces for this memorial service on July 18.

Middle left Jim Blauer & Jim Fosdyck salute. Middle right, the Color Guard unit for the service stands at attention.

Below left the color guard uncovers and bows their heads during a prayer.

Below right, Jim Blauer & Jim Fosdyck perform the Flag Folding Ceremony as John Dodd looks on.



Photo Album

September 2009-4
6th Annual Barbecue



Above Un Hui Fosdyck & Lacy Dodd work on the guacamole dip. At right top and middle members and guests gather around the big table to eat and enjoy the company. Below Larry Magerkuth spoke about things going on at National. Barbara Magerkurth and Dave Siler have a moment. Chuck Lampman talks about why he's running for Historian General.



Photo Album

September 2009-5

Congress & Flag Certificate Presentation



At left, the California Delegation to the Congress in Atlanta. Front & Center are Barbara & Larry Magerkurth.

Also in the Orange County delegation, middle left, Kent Gregory, John Dodd and Lou and Karen Carlson, Middle right John with son Will Dodd, who joined his dad on this trip.



Every year Frank Nickuls changes his old Flag and puts up a new one. Having put the new one up Jim Fosdyck assisted in folding the old Flag.

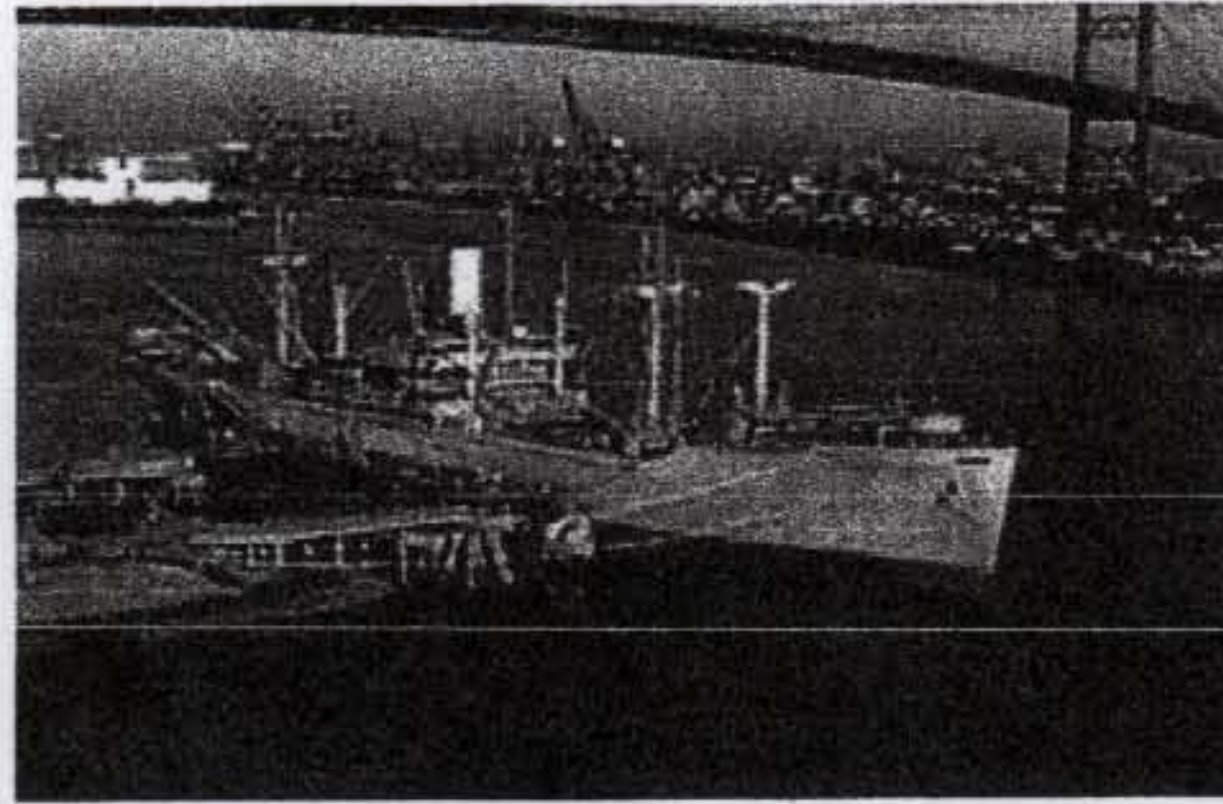
At right, Jim Blauer presents Frank with a Flag Certificate while Kent & Lisa Gregory and Jim Fosdyck look on.





HARBOR CHAPTER - SONS OF AMERICAN REVOLUTION

INVITES ALL LOCAL SAR MEMBERS AND THEIR FRIENDS AND FAMILIES TO A JOINT SUMMER MEETING AND SOCIAL ABOARD THE FAMOUS LIBERTY SHIP "LANE VICTORY"



*Ahoy!
Now Hear
This!!!*

*All Hands
On Deck!*

SATURDAY SEPT. 19, 2009

1 PM

PROGRAM SPEAKER: KERRY BARTELLS FROM THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES, LAGUNA NIGUEL

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED ABOARD IN THE SHIP MUSEUM

**COST: \$25
INCLUDES FREE SHIP ADMISSION AND DOCENT-LED TOURS**

PLEASE RSVP TO YOUR CHAPTER PRESIDENT BY SEPT. 12 TO ALLOW US TO ORDER THE PROPER FOOD. PLEASE LET US KNOW OF ANY DIETARY RESTRICTIONS AND WE WILL TRY TO ACCOMMODATE YOU.

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT JIM OLDS, HARBOR CHAPTER PRESIDENT, AT 310-378-8916 EVE OR VIA EMAIL TO JOLDS@PORTLA.ORG

Directions:

Take the 110 Freeway south, follow signs to the Vincent Thomas Bridge, HWY. 47 exit and stay to the right. The first and only off ramp before the bridge is HARBOR BLVD. Do not miss it or you will be forced to cross the bridge into Long Beach and turn around to come back!

If you are going west on Ocean Blvd. from the 710 Freeway or Long Beach, simply cross the Vincent Thomas Bridge and stay in the right lane. Take the HARBOR BLVD. off ramp.

Once on the Harbor Blvd. off ramp you need to be in the center lane. You drive across HARBOR BLVD. You are now on Swinford, go straight through the next little intersection and drive until you get to the toll gate. Press the button and take a ticket, the arm will raise and you can enter the parking area for the Catalina terminal and the S.S. Lane Victory. At the second stop sign make a right (if it is blocked by cones ignore them), then a quick left into the parking lot and follow the Palm trees to the big gray ship, that is the

S.S. Lane Victory...

