



# MUSKETS & BROADSWORD

Orange County Chapter Sons of the American Revolution

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## MEETING INFORMATION

When November 14, 2015

Where: Sizzler Restaurant  
1401 N. Harbor Blvd.

Fullerton, CA

Time: Social Begins at 11:00am

Meeting: Called to Order at 11:30am

Website: [www.orangecountysar.org](http://www.orangecountysar.org)

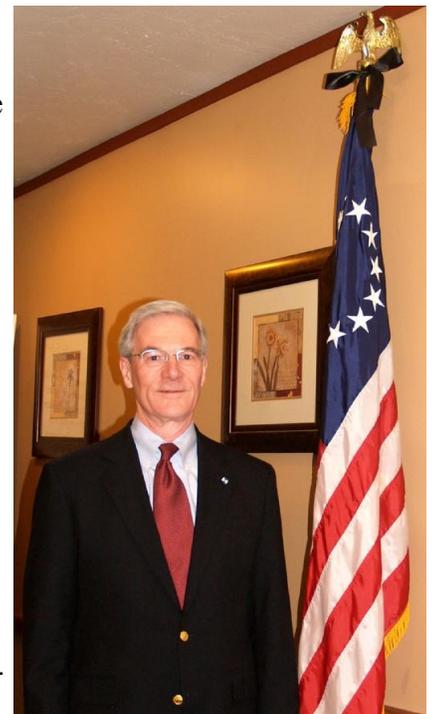
## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fellow Compatriots,

I am looking forward to our next chapter meeting on Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, when we will have an interesting speaker and the nomination of our chapter officers for next year.

Our speaker will be Donald Peter Moriarty who is a retired artillery officer and systems engineer. His Army service (1957-80) encompassed seven years in Germany, two years in Viet Nam, and four years at NATO headquarters in Brussels, Belgium. He retired from active service in the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He will speak about the influence and effects of the French in the Province of Louisiana on the British, the Indians and the Colonists. The period he discusses is from approximately 1700-1815, which includes the French and Indian War, the War of Independence and the Second War of Independence.

In addition, our Chapter Nominating Committee will be presenting their slate of recommendations for elective Chapter officers for 2016. As stated in the Chapter By-Laws, the elective officer positions are: President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar, Chaplain, and Chancellor. If you are interested in serving as a Chapter Officer, please review the requirements for the positions in our Chapter By-Laws, which are linked on our Chapter web-site, and contact a member of the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee is composed of the three most recent past Chapter Presidents.



Also, I want to call your attention to the new SAR Veterans Corp. page on our Chapter web-site. The SAR Veterans Corp. provides recognition to living SAR Veterans by awarding medals and Certificates of Patriotism to honor their service to our country. Our Chapter currently has 10 members of the SAR Veterans Corp., and I urge other veterans in our Chapter to apply for membership in the Veterans Corp. The application is linked to the Veterans Corp website, which is linked to our Chapter website.

On November 6-7, the California Society of the SAR will be holding its 140<sup>th</sup> Board of Managers meeting at the Mission Inn in Riverside. A number of our Chapter members will be attending the meeting, and SAR members are welcome. Please see the link on our Chapter web-site under events for information on registration.

Finally, on November 11, our country honors all military veterans with various events around the area. Please plan to attend one of these events if you can.

I look forward to seeing you at the next Chapter meeting on November 14th.

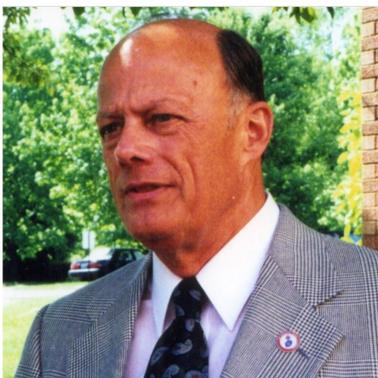
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*Jim Klingler*

#### NOVEMBER SPEAKER

LIEUTENANT COLONEL DONALD PETER (PETE) MORIARTY, (USA, Ret.)

Donald Peter Moriarty is a retired artillery officer and systems engineer. His Army service (1957-80) encompassed seven years in Germany, two years in Viet Nam, and four years at NATO headquarters in Brussels, Belgium. He retired from active service in the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.



His topic for our meeting will be: “*The Other Side of the Mountains: The French Province of Louisiana*”

This presentation is on the influence and effects of the French in the Province of Louisiana on the British, the Indians and the Colonists. The period is from approximately 1700-1815; touching the French and Indian War, the War of Independence and the Second War of Independence.

#### WALTER DAVIS PASSES AWAY

On September 27th we lost a dear Friend, Compatriot, Patriot and Veteran. Walter Davis was 90 years young at his passing. He now joins his wife Helen in the House of the Lord. Services were held on October 6th at Fairhaven Memorial Park where Walter was interred in a crypt next to Helen.

Thanks go out to Compatriot Lou Carlson who presided over the service. He did a beautiful job. Thanks also go to all of Walter’s fellow Compatriots and Brothers from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War who attended and for those who bore the duty of being pallbearers.

Finally a big thank you to Compatriot Dan Henry who looked after Walter, first on a weekly then on a daily basis as was necessitated.

Walter Davis, You will be missed!!!



#### COUPONS FOR MILITARY FAMILIES

At our October meeting several of our members brought in coupons to send to our military overseas. Thank you. We had over \$5,000 worth I was able to send out after the meeting. Please keep the coupons coming as they are an essential part of defraying expenses for our military overseas.

Remember the coupons can be used by our military for up to 6 months past the expiration date. You can bring them to the meetings or mail them

to Jim Blauer, 594 Hamilton St. #E, Costa Mesa, CA 92627-2656.

Thank you for helping to make this a successful program.

### MILITARY COMPATRIOTS

Gentlemen,

With Veteran's Day fast approaching your chapter is making an effort to try and identify all our members who have served in our military. If you have not been contacted on this it is requested that all who have served send information on their branch, years in which they served and whether you served in a War or if not, gave Service. So far we have 18 members listed and would like to get this completed by Veteran's Day. Contact Jim Blauer at; [jblauer@pacbell.net](mailto:jblauer@pacbell.net) with the information.

Your help in this matter is greatly appreciated as is your service to our country.

### LEMUEL COOK

In our series on the last survivors of the American Revolution we come to the third of six installments. This month we learn about Lemuel Cook.

It is interesting that no one is sure how old Lemuel Cook was when he died. Guesses or estimates have been from 100-107 years of age.. The closest that has been figure is that he enlisted at the time he was 16 years of age. Given his enlistment date it would appear he was born in 1764. E.B. Hilliard who interviewed Lemuel Cook in 1864 notes that from that interview Mr. Cook was born on September 10, 1759 in Norhtbury, Litchfield County, Connecticut. This does not work with his enlistment date so the best guess is 1764.

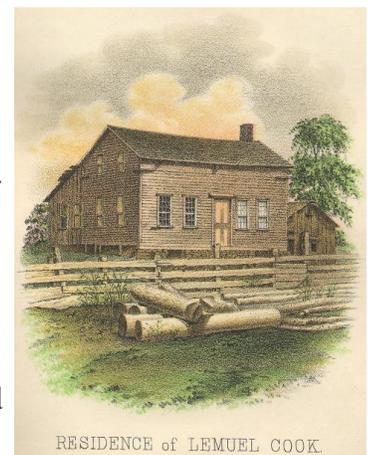
In speaking with E. B. Hiliard, Lemuel Cook's recollection of his service is as follows;

"When I applied to enlist, Captain Hallibud told me I was so small he couldn't take me unless I would enlist for the war. The first time I smelt gunpowder was at Valentine's

Hill (West Chester, New York). A troop of British horse were coming. 'Mount your horses in a minute' cried the colonel. I was on mine as quick as a squirrel. There were two fires-crash! (two volleys of gunfire). Up came Darrow (Ebenezer), good old sole! And said, 'Lem, what do you think of gunpowder? Smell good to you?'

"The first time I was ordered on sentry was at Dobbs' Ferry. A man came out of a barn and leveled his piece and fired. I felt the wind of the ball. A soldier near me said, 'Lem, they mean you; go on the other side of the road.' So, I went over; and pretty soon another man came out of the barn and aimed and fired. He didn't come near me. Soon another came out and fired. His ball lodged in my hat. By this time the firing had roused the camp; and a company of our troops came on one side and a party of the French on the other; and they took the men in the barn prisoners, and brought them in. They were Cow Boys (Loyalist cavalry in West Chester). This was the first time I saw the French in operation. They stepped as though on edge. They were a dreadful proud nation. When they brought the men in, one of them had the impudence to ask, 'Is the man here we just fired at just now?' 'Yes' said Major Tallmadge, 'there he is, that boy.' Then he told how they had each laid out a crown, and agreed that the one who brought me down should have the three. When he got through with his story, I stepped to my holster and took out my pistol, and walked up to him and said, 'If I've been a mark to you for money, I'll take my turn now. So, deliver your money, or your life!' He handed over four crowns, and I got three more from the other two."

He was at Yorktown when Cornwallis surrendered and recalled, "It was reported Washington was going to storm New York. We made a by-law in our regiment that every man should stick to his horse: if his horse went, he should go with him. I was waiter for the quartermaster; and so had a chance to keep my horse in good condition. Baron Steuben was muster-master. He had us called



out to select men and horses for fit service. When he came to me he said, 'Young man, how old are you?' I told him. 'Be on the ground to-morrow morning at nine o'clock,' said he. My colonel did not like to have me go. 'You'll see,' said he 'they'll call for him to-morrow morning.' But they said if we had a law we must abide by it. Next morning, old Steuben had got my name. There were 18 out on the regiment. 'Be on the ground,' said he, 'to-morrow morning with two days provisions.' 'You're a fool' said the rest; 'They're going to storm New York.' No more idea of it than going to Flanders. My horse was a bay, and pretty. Next morning I was the second on parade. We marched towards White Plains. Then, 'left wheel' and struck right north. Got to King's Ferry below Tarrytown. There were boats, scows, &c. We went right across to the Jerseys. That night I stood with my back to a tree (he slept standing up leaning on a tree). Then we went on to the head of Elk. There the French were. It was dusty; 'peared to me I should have choked to death. One of them handed me a canteen; 'Lem,' said he, 'take a good horn we're going to be marching all night.' I did not know what it was, so I took a full drink. It like to have strangled me. Then we were in Virginia. There wasn't much fighting. Cornwallis tried to force his way north to New York; but fell into the arms of Lafayette and he drove him back. Old Rochambeau told 'em, 'I'll land five hundred from the fleet, against your eight hundred.' But they darsn't. We were on a kind of side hill. We had plaguey little to eat and nothing to drink under heaven. We hove up some brush to keep the flies off. Washington ordered that there should be no laughing at the British; said it was bad enough to have to surrender without being insulted. The army came out with guns clubbed on their backs ( muskets held upside down, a show of surrender) They were paraded on a great smooth lot, and there they stacked their arms. Then came the devil-old women, and all (camp followers). One said, 'I wonder if the d\_\_\_d Yankees will give me any bread.' The horses were starved out. Washington turned out with his horses and helped 'em up the hill. When they see the artillery, they said, 'there, them the very artillery that belonged to Burgoyne.' Greene came from the southward; the awfulest set your ever see. Some, I should presume, had a pint of lice on 'em. No boots, no shoes.

He received an honorable discharge from Gen-

eral Washington on June 12, 1784.

At the close of the war he married Hannah Curtis of Cheshire, Connecticut and lived in that area before making the move to Utica, New York. Here there were frequent encounters with Indians from the area. He had his own run in one time where he grabbed a chair to protect himself from the knife wielding attacker. He said he had never known fear until that attack and that no man should take him prisoner alive.

He and Hannah had seven sons and three daughters.

This interview with Lemuel Cook took place in 1864 during the Civil War. When asked about the war, he said, "Its is terrible; but a terrible as it is, *the rebellion must be put down!*"

Upon his death, May 20, 1866, he was laid to rest with full military and masonic honors.

Though he may not have been the last of the Revolution to die he was the last pensioner.

#### SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON'S ARMY AT VALLEY FORGE

In our continuing series of various hereditary societies that are out there, we focus this month on the Society of Washington's Army at Valley Forge.

This society is for those who can show they have a Revolutionary War soldier who was encamped at Valley forge during the winter of 1777-1778.

#### HONOR FLIGHT

By Un Hui Yi Fosdyck

During the Saturday, September 26, 2015 SAR Fall Leadership Ladies Auxiliary Luncheon First Lady Mickey Jo Lawrence issued a challenge to the ladies to get involved in programs to benefit Veterans and their families. SAR Ladies Auxiliary member Un Hui Yi accepted the challenge. Un Hui, her husband Compatriot Jim Fosdyck, SAR Ladies Auxiliary member Gail Raser and her husband Compatriot Ray Raser participated in a welcome home greeting of ninety-one World War II Veterans by Honor Flight in San Diego, California, Sunday, October 4, 2015.



Honor Flight San Diego (HFSD) is a non-profit branch of the nationwide Honor Flight Network which consists of over 130 independent “hubs” across America. HFSD escorts vet-

erans to Washington D.C. to see their memorials using monies donated by individuals, foundations, associations, business owners and corporations who wish to recognize their contributions and thank them for their service and sacrifice to the United States and its citizens.

For additional information about Honor Flight San Diego see their webpage at: <http://www.honorflightsandiego.org/>

There was an Honor Flight greeting on Sunday October 25, 2015 at LAX. The flight arrived at 3:00 pm. The Veterans were welcomed home by Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck and Dan & Annette Henry.

#### COMPATRIOT BIO

In the past we have entertained that those members who wish to put a bio together on themselves may do so and we will print it in the newsletter as a way for our compatriots to get to know one another. Our subject this time is Compatriot Hans Fritz Hunt.

Here is the bio of our Flag Chairman...

#### HANS FRITZ HUNT

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret), U.S. Army Military Police Corps, now serves as the Senior Army Instructor at Sonora High School, La Habra, CA

Compatriot Hunt hails from Syracuse, New York. Enlisted in the United States Air Force Reserves in March 1986 as a Security Policeman. After serving 18 months with the Air Force Reserves, he then joined the Utah Army National Guard. Received a Regular Army commission in 1989 through the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) at Weber State University, Ogden, Utah and graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice. He is a member of the ROTC National Military Honor Society of Scabbard and Blade. He graduated as a Distinguished Military Graduate and is a recipient of

the George C. Marshall National ROTC Leadership Award. He was commissioned as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Infantry and entered active duty in August 1989. In 1993 branched transferred from Infantry to the Military Police Corps.

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He served 23 years, 8 months, 12 days, retiring on November 30, 2009.

His military training/education included; USAF Basic Training, USAF Security Police School (Honor Graduate), Ranger School, Infantry Officer Basic Course, Army Airborne School, Bradley Fighting Vehicle Commander Course, Infantry Mortar Platoon Course, Military Police Officer Advance Course, Protective Service Training Course, Company Commander Course, Combined Arms Service Staff School (CAS3), Anti Terrorism/Force Protection Course, Army Safety Officer Course, Graduate from the German Language Course at the Defense Language Institute, German NATO Feldjäger (Military Police) Course in Germany and graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff Officer Course (CGSOC).

His positions in the military included; Platoon Leader, executive officer—A Company, 2nd Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, Schweinfurt, Germany.

Mortar Platoon Leader—Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion 15th Infantry Regiment,

Schweinfurt, Germany.

Battalion Liaison Officer - Headquarters Company, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion 15<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, Schweinfurt, Germany.

Commander – Platoon Run Integrated Maneuver Exercise System, 280th Base Support Battalion, Schweinfurt, Germany.

Law Enforcement Operations Officer/ Installation Detention Facility Commander – Fort Clayton, Panama.

Commander, 549<sup>th</sup> Military Police Company – Fort Davis/Fort Clayton, Panama.

Executive Officer, 5<sup>th</sup> Military Police Battalion, Criminal Investigations Division (CID), Kaiserslautern, Germany.

Provost Marshal (Chief of Military Police), 6<sup>th</sup> Area Support Group, Stuttgart, Germany.

Assistant Professor of Military Science, University of New Mexico Army ROTC Department, Albuquerque, NM.

Chief Operations Branch, Lessons Learned Division, Center for Army Lessons Learned, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Provost Marshal (Chief of Military Police)/ Director of Emergency Services, 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division, Camp Casey, Dongducheon, Republic of South Korea.

Senior Army Instructor, Seminole Ridge High School, JROTC Academy, Loxahatchee, FL.

His overseas assignments included; Germany – 8 years, Panama – 3 years, Korea – 13 months.

The military operations he was in included; Operation Desert Storm-Saudi Arabia, Operation Safe Haven – Panama, Task Force Timberwolf – Guatemala, Military Observer Mission Ecuador/ Peru (MOMEPE), Operation Joint Forge – Bosnia, Operation Joint Guardian – Kosovo, and Korean Defense – Republic of South Korea.

The military Awards and Recognitions he has received include; Meritorious Service Medal (4 OLC), Army Commendation Medal (2 OLC), Army Achievement Medal (2 OLC), National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star Device, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korean Defense Medal, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Air Force Basic Training Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (5), Kuwait Liberation

Medal (SA), Kuwait Liberation Medal (KU), Ranger Tab, Parachutist Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge, USAF Security Police Qualification Badge, German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge (GOLD), German Schutzenschnur (GOLD), German Parachutist Badge (Bronze), and the European Military Parachutist Badge (Bronze).

His Volunteer work and Organizational Memberships include; Boy Scouts of America Volunteer: Served as BSA Venturing Crew Leader, Crew 2100, Loxahatchee, FL. Former BSA Assistant Varsity Scout Coach, Team 110, Wellington, FL. Served as Assistant Scout Master for the Boy Scouts of America, Heart of America Council, Troop 3, Leavenworth, KS. Former Scout Master and Assistant Scout Master Troop 465, Great Southwest Council, Edgewood, New Mexico. Former Cub Master/Committee Chairman for Pack 84, Trans-Atlantic Council, Kaiserslautern, Germany. Eagle Scout and member of the BSA National Honor Society of the Order of the Arrow.

He belongs to the Massachusetts Society of the Cincinnati; National Society Sons of the American Revolution, Orange County Chapter, CA; Military Order of Foreign Wars of the United States; Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge; 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division Association; National Military Honor Society of Scabbard and Blade (Alumni); Blue Knights International Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, Military Officer Association of America (MOAA), Patriot Guard Riders, California Teachers Association (CTA).

Hans is married to the former Sabrina Rose Drenk of Temple City, CA and between them they have 10 children: Hans-Fritz II, 24 years; Madyson, 22 years; Montana, 21 years; Connor, 19 years; Boston, 18 years; Jacklyn, 16 years; Ledger, 14 years; Keely-Ross, 11 years; Chase Mattsson, 22 years; and Tanner Mattsson, 19 years.

#### FINAL THOUGHTS

You may have noticed for this November Newsletter there was a specific theme—Veterans.

With Veterans Day quickly approaching a big thank you goes out to all those who have served our country. We understand as did our Ancestors, that “Freedom isn’t Free”. THANK YOU!!!

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**HONOR FLIGHTS**  
**San Diego and LAX**  
**October 2015**



Un Hui Yi, Gail & Ray Taser meet with Sonny Weyman from the San Diego Honor Flight



The Los Angeles Fife and Drum Corps joins the Torrance High School Cheerleaders at Los Angeles Airport for the Flight of Honor Southland on October 25th to welcome veterans home. Compatriot Matt Noell is fourth from left in back



At left Jim & Un Hui Yi Fosdyck and Dan & Annette Henry are there to welcome these Veterans home.

At right Dan meets up with a fellow Marine.

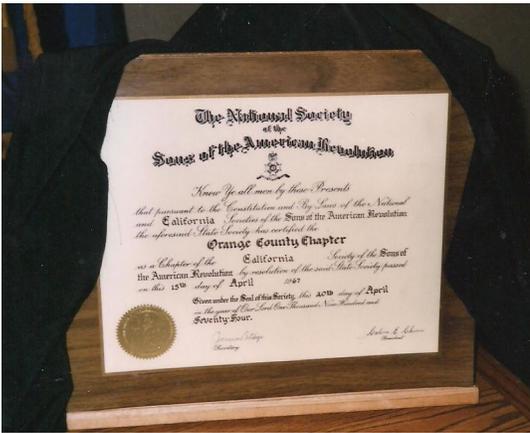


At left Veterans and family await the arrival of Honor Flight Southland. Below Dan Henry and Jim Fosdyck join other veterans awaiting the flight.



# Meeting

October 10, 2015



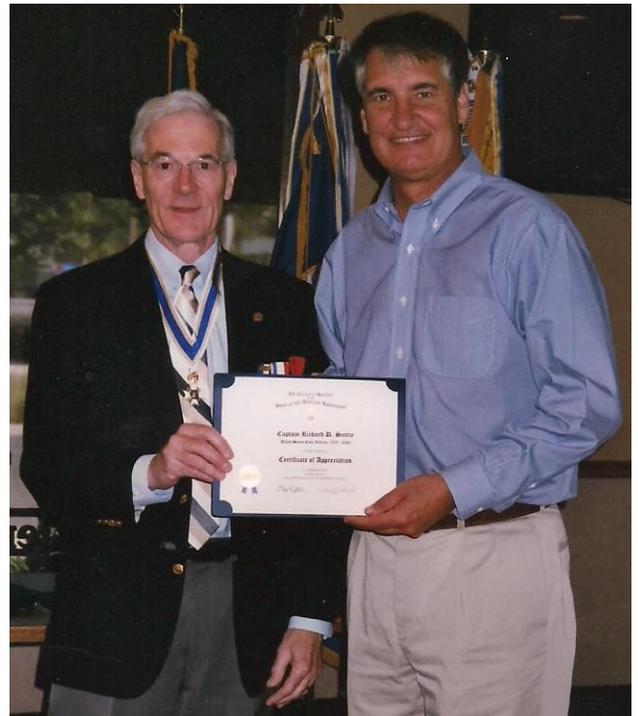
At left, the chapter charter is draped in black in honor of the passing of Compatriot Walter Davis.



At right Speakers DR. Biel and Rick Suttie talk about Dr. Biel's WWII experiences.



Both gentlemen receive our Certificate of Appreciation from President Jim Klinger for speaking to our chapter this day.



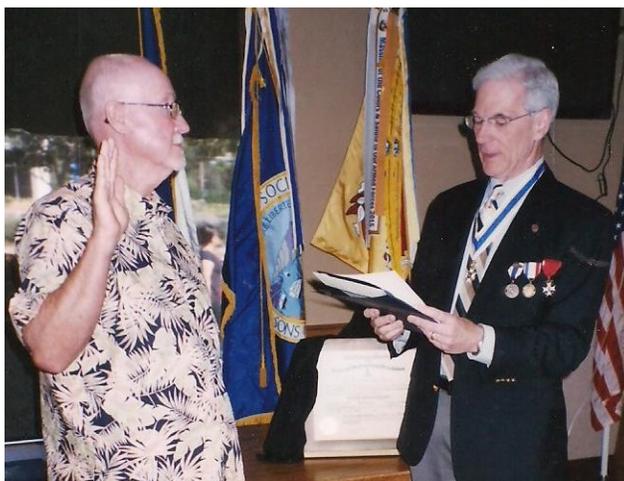
Our speakers are both veterans and as such Barbara Winkler was on hand from Quilts of Valor to present these veterans with a quilt to thank them for their service.





President Jim Klingler presents Compatriot Dan Shippey with a Certificate of Appreciation at left.

At right President Klingler swears in new member Dean Babcock. He was pinned with the society Rosette by his sponsor Kent Gregory and President Klingler presented Compatriot Babcock with his Certificate of Membership.



Phil Hoge, left is inducted as a new member. Kent Gregory places the lapel rosette on Phil.

At right Bill Hoge accepts the new Membership Certificate for his son-in-law, Daniel Shelton.



Below, Bill Hoge receives the Silver Good Citizenship Medal & Certificate from State President Kent Gregory. This for having served in the State Legislature.

The Santa Monica DAR Chapter celebrates the society's 125th anniversary below.

