The Liberty Tree Newsletter

Sons of Liberty Chapter CASSAR
January 2019

SPECIAL Meeting reminder - Sunday, January 27, 2019 – We are pleased and honored to announce that CASSAR Past President and Current National Trustee, Mr. James C. Fosdyck will officiate the installation and swearing in of our chapter’s new Board! The occasion will take place at our annual joint meeting, hosted by the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of California, and co-hosted by the Sons of Liberty, Los Angeles Chapter of CASSAR. This meeting will be held at the beautiful Valley Hunt Club in Pasadena and the program, “The First Battle for New England”, will be presented by Professor Peter C. Mancall, (University of Southern California).

Reservations must be made and paid for in advance for this event and received by Sunday, Jan 20th, so don’t delay getting your RSVP mailed in! RSVP form, dress code and all other details for the event can be found in the attached pages.

Meet your new Sons of Liberty, Los Angeles Chapter Officers!

- President - Tom Perkins (tom.perkins@sons-of-liberty-sar.org)
- 1st Vice President – Troy Munday (troymunday@live.com)
- 2nd Vice President – David Smith (david.smith@sons-of-liberty-sar.org)
- Secretary – Mark Ladd (mark.ladd@sons-of-liberty-sar.org)
- Treasurer – John Kuzma (john.kuzma@sons-of-liberty-sar.org)
- Registrar – Tom Perkins (tom.perkins@sons-of-liberty-sar.org)
- Genealogist – William “Bill” Kruzykowski (bill.kruzykowski@sons-of-liberty-sar.org)
- Chancellor - Don Jones (donjustinjones@gmail.com)

Regular Meeting dates scheduled for 2019 - March 23rd, May 18th, July – TBD, September 28th & November 23rd. We meet for lunch (noon until 2) at the marvelous Tam O’Shanter Restaurant located at 2980 Los Feliz Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90039. Come join us as we honor and share stories about our patriot ancestors, enjoy good food, camaraderie and interesting presentations (to be announced).

All Compatriots, their guests and Associate Members are highly encouraged to attend!

Genealogy Workshop Dates - Hit a brick wall in your search for records on your Patriot Ancestor? The Sons of Liberty is pleased to host four Genealogy Workshops annually at the Los Angeles Family History Library, 10741 Santa Monica Blvd, Los Angeles. All workshops are held on Saturday morning’s from 9am till 10:30am. Our schedule of dates for 2019 is: February 9th, April 13th, September 14th and November 16th. Contact our brilliant Chapter Genealogist, Bill Kruzykowski at bill.kruzykowski@sons-of-liberty-sar.org with any questions about these workshops.

Massing of the Colors & Salute to Our Armed Forces

The largest celebration of its kind in the western United States, 2019 will be the 37th annual celebration of George Washington’s birth sponsored by the Sons of Liberty Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution!

This upcoming event will be held at 3:00 PM, Sunday, February 17, 2019, at Hall of Liberty, Forest Lawn Hollywood Hills, 6300 Forest Lawn Drive, Los Angeles. All
participants are requested to arrive at least an hour early.

Previous Massing’s of the Colors have been a great success. Over 600 people and fifty color guards participate each year, including over ten of our brother SAR Chapters. Many greater Los Angeles area high school and college color guards take part in this celebration. If you would like to be part of this event, contact us for details on how you can participate.

Forest Lawn might initially seem a strange place for our event, but it offers an area that showcases a collection of American architecture and artworks that honor our country. There’s the world’s largest historical mosaic, The Birth of Liberty, a faithful reproduction of Boston’s Old North Church, and larger-than-life-sized bronze statues of Washington and Jefferson. You can watch a free 26-minute movie about the American Revolution as well.

**The Southern California Genealogical Society 2019 Jamboree** - we are excited to announce that we will once again have a table at the 2019 Southern California Genealogical Society Jamboree! The show will be held May 30th – June 2nd 2019 at the Los Angeles Marriott Burbank Airport Hotel, 2500 Hollywood Way in Burbank. We have enjoyed a presence at this annual show for many years now, but this year is special – come join us as we help celebrate the Southern California Genealogical Society’s 50TH BIRTHDAY BASH! We will send out a special email blast with details and a call for volunteers to man our table, once the details are set.

**2018-2019 California SAR Youth Programs Update** - We are pleased to announce that our own Bill Kruzykowski was asked to represent our Chapter and participate as a judge for the 2018 California Eagle Scout Essay Contest. There are five Statewide Candidates that we are in the middle of judging, one will be chosen to represent the state in the final stage of selecting a national winner. Bill’s wish is to see that our statewide participation doubles for the 2019 Eagle Scout Essay submissions. And on another Bill is happy to report that we had a banner 2018 Eagle Scout Certificate of Recognition requests, which totaled 31 for our Chapter. Please contact Bill at bill.kruzykowski@sons-of-liberty-sar.org with any questions you may have about this exciting scholarship program.
Society of Colonial Wars in the State of California, host society
Sons of Liberty Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, co-host society
The Order of First Families of Maryland
Society of the War of 1812 in the State of California
Southern California Branch National Society Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims
California Commandery Military Order of Foreign Wars

124th General Court, January 27, 2019
Valley Hunt Club
520 Orange Grove Boulevard
Pasadena, California 91105

Individual group meetings 10 am; cocktails 11 am; luncheon 12 noon.

Our Sunday Program

“The First Battle for New England”

Thanksgiving, our national harvest holiday, celebrates a moment when English colonists and New England’s native peoples got together and shared a feast. But before relations between them deteriorated in the 1630s, there was already a battle for New England. It pitted two groups of English against each other: The Pilgrims of American lore and a small group of English investors who believed that they had the only legitimate claim to establish a colony in the region. This lecture will focus on the central figure in this contest, an English lawyer named Thomas Morton who made four trips to New England, became an agent for those opposed to the Pilgrims, suffered three exiles, and wrote one of the most detailed narratives of the region in the colonial era. Morton saw it all, and bore witness to the troubled origins of English America.

Professor Peter C. Mancall
University of Southern California

Prof. Peter C. Mancall is the Andrew W. Mellon Professor of the Humanities and Professor of History and Anthropology at the University of Southern California and the Director of the USC-Huntington Early Modern Studies Institute. A graduate of Oberlin College and Harvard University, where he received his PhD, he is one of the foremost scholars on early American culture and history. The author of several books and numerous journal articles, he is the series editor for The Early Modern Americas, published by the University of Pennsylvania Press, and is currently working on American Origins, volume 1 of The Oxford History of the United States. In 2015 he was elected a member of the Royal Historical Society.

See page 3 for directions, parking, and dress code
You Are Cordially Invited to the
124th General Court of the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of California
Co-Host Sons of Liberty Chapter Sons of the American Revolution
Sunday, January 27, 2019

Professor Peter C. Mancall, University of Southern California
Andrew W. Mellon Professor of the Humanities and Professor of History and Anthropology, USC

"The First Battle for New England"
Cost: $48.00 per person.
Valley Hunt Club's Sunday Buffet
A variety of entrees, salads, side dishes, and special offerings
House Made Desserts
Coffee, Decaf, Tea and Iced Tea

No Host Cash Bar; Tokens will be available for purchase

Schedule of the Day:
10:00am Arrive time for the morning session of business meetings for our allied groups.
Upstairs in the Library of the Valley Hunt Club
11:15am Check-in table opens
Noon: Luncheon for Members and Guests
1:15pm Speaker's Presentation Begins, followed by a question and answer session
2:00pm Board Meeting, Officers and Gentlemen of the Council, Location TBD

No refunds after January 20, 2019. See back side for additional information.

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Reservations for Sunday, January 27, 2019
Reservation deadline is Sunday, January 20, 2019
Please make your check payable to:
Society of Colonial Wars in the State of California
Mail to: James C. McIlvaine
1471 Ridge Way
Los Angeles, California 90025-4325
Late reservation through Sunday night, January 20, 2019, telephone contact (213) 481-1690

Your Name: ________________________________ (Telephone) ____________________
Name of Guest(s): __________________________________________________________________

Number of Attendees @ $48 per person __________________ Amount enclosed __________________
No refunds after Sunday, January 20, 2019. Sorry, No walk-ins allowed.

Allied Groups:
Order of the First Families of Maryland; Society of the War of 1812-CA; Southern California Branch
National Society Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims; Military Order of Foreign Wars-CA
California Society Order of Founders and Patriots of America
Important Notice

The Luncheon and Meetings are located at:

Valley Hunt Club
520 Orange Grove Boulevard
Pasadena, California 91105

The Valley Hunt Club is an historic Colonial Revival building designed by architect Myron Hunt in 1907. Original California en plein air paintings are exhibited throughout the club. Members of the Valley Hunt Club founded the Rose Parade in 1890, and the club continues to participate with an historic coach decorated with flowers each year.

Parking:

Complimentary Parking is on site at VHC. Enter from Orange Grove Boulevard just south of Palmeto.

Dress Code:

The Valley Hunt Club is a private members-only club with a strict dress code. Men must wear dress pants, collared shirts, sport coat, blazer, or suit. Jackets must be worn at all times. Women are encouraged to wear dresses or dressy pants outfits with dress shoes. Dressy sandas are permitted. No one is allowed in the club house wearing sports attire of any kind, sneakers, or blue jeans.

Bar Service:

A no host bar will be made available and tokens for drinks may be purchased from someone connected to our event.

Please Note:

Our event will be hosted upstairs in the library. Other events for Valley Hunt Club members will be going on at the same time as our event. Visitors may not “tour” the club facility on their own.