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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY CHAPTER PRESIDENT
DALE ROSS



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Dear Gold Country Compatriots, Associates, and Friends,

I would like to thank Past President, Ron Barker, and the Executive Board of Directors for doing a great job with the Gold Country Chapter.

I am greatly humbled to have been chosen as your chapter president. I have some very big shoes to fill and I hope that I can live up to the chapter members expectations.

Our new chapter officers have been chosen and I would like to personally thank them for helping with the Gold Country Chapter and I am looking forward to an exciting year with the chapter officers.

I would like to thank Dave Gilliard, Ron and Conni Barker, Barry Hopkins, for helping with the Poster Contest presentations at the different schools. This is a major undertaking for our chapter and I am always amazed at the variety of posters we get to judge. The March meeting will be our Chapter Poster Judging Contest.

Our February guest speaker is Placer County Public Defender, David Tellman. He is going to speak about the Janet Kovacich murder case. The murder case went unsolved for over 26 years until new DNA techniques were discovered. David Tellman and Suzanne Gazzaniga are co-recipients of the prestigious Prosecutor of the Year Award.

In April there will be the California State Society Meeting. California State Society Vice-President South, Steve Hurst, will be sworn in as president. The meeting will be held in Ventura, California. I am looking forward to going to the meeting. I look forward to getting together with the other state chapters. This is always an enjoyable event.

I look forward to seeing everybody at the February meeting.

Yours in Patriotic Service,

President Dale Ross

The California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

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Calendar of Events

National

SAR.org

February 28-March 1, 2013
Spring Leadership Meeting
Brown Hotel
Louisville, KY

State

CaliforniaSAR.org

April 12-13, 2013
138th Spring Meeting
Sheraton Hotel
Ventura, CA

Chapter

GoldCountrySAR.com

February 16, 2013
Speaker: Dave Tellman
Placer County Cold Case

March 16, 2013
Poster Contest Judging

April 20, 2013
Speaker: Juli Longtin
Boston Teaching America Trip

**The next Gold Country Chapter meeting is
Saturday, February 16th at 9:00 AM
Lou La Bonte's Restaurant, Auburn**

The Gold Country Chapter's 2013 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 La Bonte's Restaurant, 13460 Lincoln Way, Auburn, (530) 885-9193, at 9:00AM. See you there!

Visit our Chapter, State and National Websites

GoldCountrySAR.com ♦ CaliforniaSAR.org ♦ SAR.org

**The submission deadline for the February edition of
The Forty-Niner is February 23rd 2013.**



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From http://www.sar.org/youth/americanism_poster_contest

Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest

The National Society SAR Americanism Committee is pleased to announce the National Americanism Poster Contest. The aim of this contest is to stimulate interest in American History in support of the established school curriculum.

This contest is directed at students in the 3rd, 4th or 5th grades, depending on which year the American Revolution is taught in their educational system - including ecumenical and home schooled students.

The contest is also open to members of the Cub Scouts and Brownies and CAR (Children of the American Revolution) who are in the same grades but whose school system may not be participating in the contest. In the case where the local school system, or its equivalent, is participating, the young person must enter the contest through the school and not as a separate entry.

The topic for the Poster Contest is set by the NSSAR Americanism Committee annually at the Spring Leadership Meeting for the upcoming school year. The topic is announced at the Annual NSSAR Congress after the winning poster for the current year is recognized.

The contest entries from the preceding academic year are judged at the NSSAR Annual Congress by members of the NSSAR Americanism Committee. A representative of the National Art Education Association (NAEA) is invited to participate in the poster judging.

How the posters are judged

Posters will be judged on the following criteria:

1. Does the poster express the annual theme?
2. Does the poster show originality by the student?
3. Does the poster show evidence of research?
4. Does the poster show artistic merit and creativity?
5. Does the poster accurately reflect the historical event?
6. Is the poster neat and visually pleasing?

How the contest works:

- Each local school winner will compete at the Chapter level.
- Each Chapter winner will compete at the State level.
- Once the State Society has selected a winner, that poster will compete at the National level. ***Only one (1) entry from each State Society will be accepted.***

The State Society winners will be displayed during the National Contest. The Americanism Committee will announce 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Winners during the Youth Awards Luncheon at the National Congress. The National winners will receive a Rosette Ribbon with the 1st Place, 2nd Place and 3rd place winners receiving a monetary award funded from the Americanism Trust Fund.

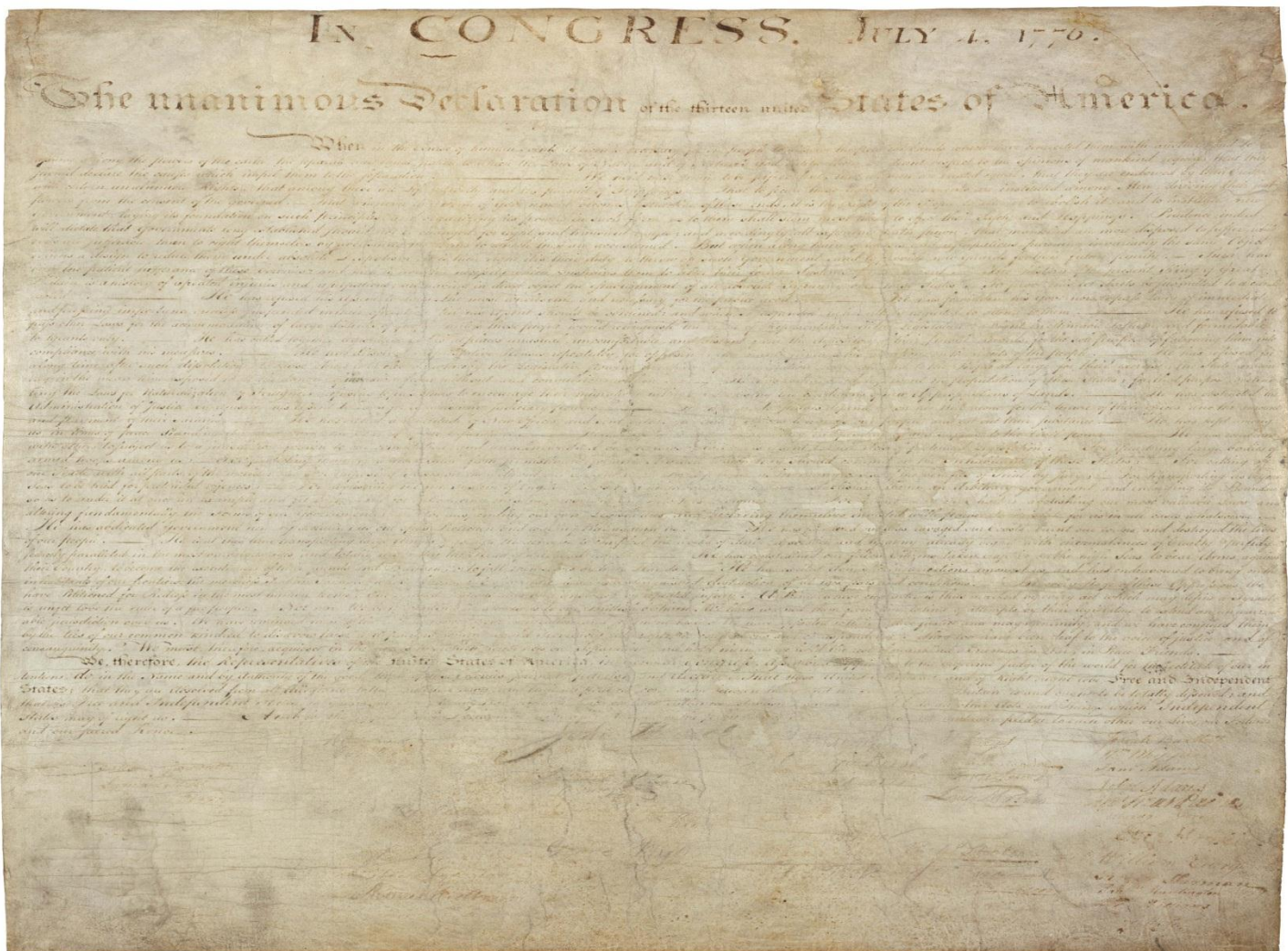
Rules and Regulations:

1. The entry from (see attached form below) must be filed with the Americanism Committee Chairman, with a copy to the NSSAR Executive Director, no later than June 1st prior to the Congress where the judging will occur.
2. The poster must be submitted to the Headquarters Office at the Annual Congress no later than 10:00 am of the Sunday of Congress. This is the day prior to the Youth Awards Luncheon.
3. All posters must have a copy of the entry form affixed to the back of the poster. You may redact the SSN on the copy of the entry form affixed to the poster. This will allow a representative from the State Society to retrieve the poster after judging.
4. The posters will be displayed and the Americanism Committee members will judge the posters before the National Memorial Service.
5. The 1st Place Winner's poster will be displayed at the NSSAR headquarters for one year following the contest. At the conclusion of that year, the poster will be returned to the State Society that entered it. All other posters will be made available for return to the State Society that entered it by the conclusion of the Congress.

The topic for 2012 - 2013 year's contest is:

"The Declaration of Independence"

http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/charters_downloads.html





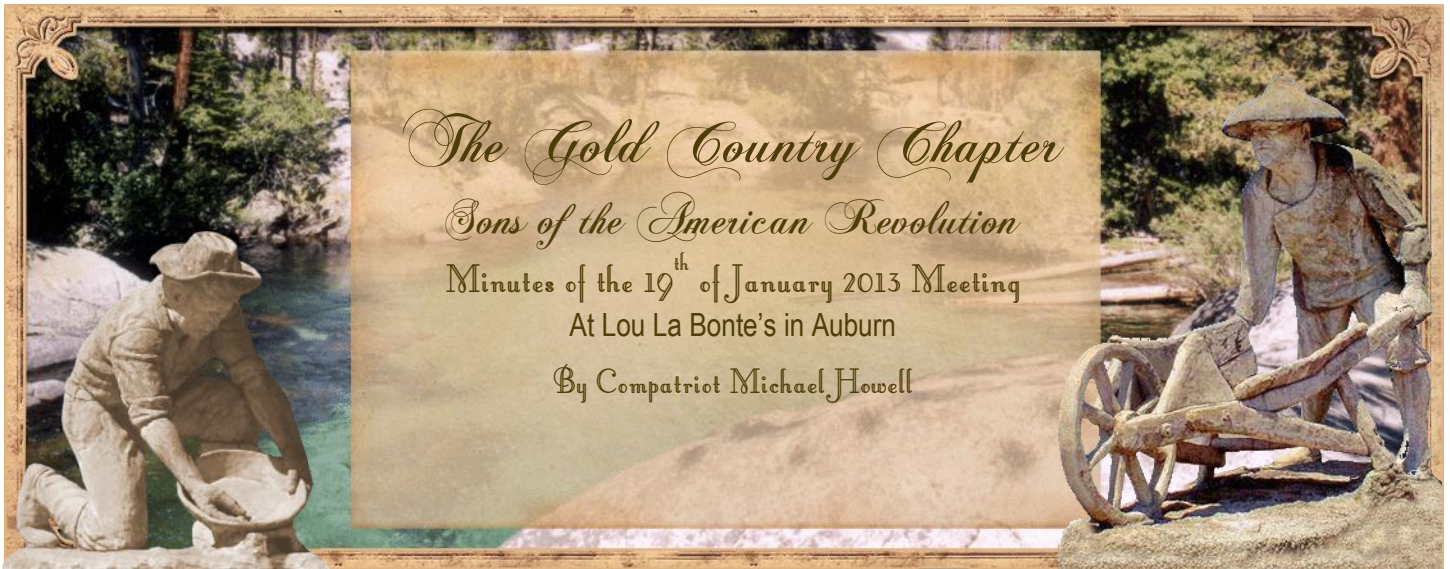
Who Was the 1st Signer?

(<http://www.sar.org/news/who-was-1st-signer>)



John Hancock, a Harvard educated merchant from Massachusetts, was a member of the Massachusetts Legislature in 1769 and a very vocal in his opposition of the British. In 1775, he was elected president of the Second Continental Congress. He later was elected as the first governor of the state of Massachusetts, a position which he was re-elected to eight times.





1. Opening Ceremonies

*The Gold Country Chapter
Sons of the American Revolution
Minutes of the January 19th 2013 Meeting*

At Lou La Bonte's Restaurant, Auburn

By Compatriot Michael Howell



President Ron Barker called the meeting to order at 9:15 AM.

Invocation was given by Barry Hopkins.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mike Holmes.

The SAR Pledge was led by Greg Hill.

Introductions: There were nine members, three guests and one DAR member, Coreena Ross, from the Captain John Oldham Chapter.

Approval of Minutes: California State Society President, Keith Bigbee, made the motion to approve December's chapter meeting minutes as published on the website. The motion was seconded by Mike Holmes. The motion was passed to accept the minutes as published on the website.

Guest Speaker: California State Society Vice-President of Southern California, Steve Hurst, was scheduled to speak; but, could not attend due to an illness. He was replaced with our club's school presentation team who were all dressed in period costume. The team consisted of Dave Gillard, Mike Holmes, Barry Hopkins, Ron Barker, and Conni Barker. This year's poster contest rules were explained. The group displayed revolutionary items that they also take to the schools.

Reports

President's Report: President Ron Barker presented the Bronze Color Guard Medal to Barry Hopkins and

David Gilliard. Next, he presented the Daughters of Liberty Medals to Coreena Ross and Conni Barker.

Secretary's Report: There was no secretary's report given at this meeting.

Treasurer's Report: There was no treasurer's report given at this meeting.

Membership Report: President Barker reported that the club membership is at 61, down 2 from last year.

Genealogy/ Registrar Report: Four membership applications are in different stages of the approval process. One was recently approved; one is at national; and, two are in the works.

JROTC Report: First Vice-President Mike Holmes will be presenting a Bronze R.O.T.C. Medal to Cadet Shania L. Morrill next week.

Valley Forge Teacher's Report: First Vice-President Mike Holmes mentioned that the Valley Forge teacher program application is due very soon.

Colorguard Report: Colorguard Captain Dale Ross said the next color guard activity is not until the July parades.

Eagle Scout Report: Eagle Scout Chairman said one Eagle Scout certificate was sent out.

Second V.P.
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Ron Barker
Gregory Hill
Michael Howell
Craig Hopkins
Dave Gilliard
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President Ron Barker announced the donation of \$100 from Wally Herger.

President Ron Barker mentioned the need for a decision as to whether to continue the practice of the chapter paying for the Lady's Auxiliary dues at the state level. California State Society President, Keith Bigbee, said we should consult with the California Lady's Auxiliary President, Cyndy Bigbee, before we proceed on this topic.

Newly sworn in President Dale Ross then took over the meeting.

Jeanette Clark who is the wife of member Gordon Clark, was introduced. She explained how she is working on a major family tree project involving the Bacon family in Massachusetts and is getting support from her friend Coreena Ross.

The donation helmet was passed around with a total collection of \$22.00.

New Business

New Business: President Ron Barker opened nominations for the open position of Registrar/Genealogists. President Barker then volunteered to fill this position. Keith Bigbee moved to elect President Barker for this position, which was then seconded, and passed by voice vote.

California State Society President, Keith Bigbee, swore in the new chapter officers.

President	Dale Ross
Registrar/Genealogist	Ron Barker
First V.P.	Michael Holmes
Historian/Chaplain	Barry Hopkins

Adjournment

The SAR Recessional was led by Michael Howell.

The benediction was given by Barry Hopkins

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

Officer's Meeting

A short officers' meeting was held after the regular meeting by President Dale Ross.

The major topic was the bank account and changing over authorized signers. Dave Gilliard and Michael Howell are to look into this and up-date the account at the Community First Bank.

