



El Redondo Chapter Chatter

In case you missed our November meeting, here it all is in pictorial form. Thanks go to Helen Provine, our Historian and several other ladies who just happened to have their cameras along.



Donna Rider, 1st Vice-Regent with our speaker, Gary Pat Macha, Aircraft Archeologist and his sister, Cynthia Macha. Cynthia is head of the Aviation Museum at the Torrance Airport, the detective of the history of war planes. This is truly an airplane history oriented family.”



Opening prayer by **Francine Bostrom**, Chaplain.



Our Regent, **Donna Grogan**, bringing the meeting to order.



Packed house for the “Airplane Archeologist.”



Donna Grogan, Regent, awarding a 25 year certificate to **Zora Selliken** a prominent member of our Chapter. We celebrated her 100th birthday last May. It was a paparazzi moment!



Donna Rider, 1st Vice Regent, introducing Gary Pat Macha with his exciting program for the afternoon.



Another pic of **Zora** and Regent **Donna Grogan**



Very animated and engaging speaker who never used notes. Kudos, Mr. Macha.



Pat Macha narrating while his wife, Mary Jane, showed us the pictures of the faces and the planes of people who were lost.



Meeting adjourned. Thank you, both **Donnas!**



A Marker was placed where a plane had crashed and only remnants were found.



Donna Grogan, Regent, Gary Pat Macha, Aircraft Archeologist, Writer and Host on History Channel, **Donna Rider**, 1st Vice-Regent and Program Chair and Mary Jane Macha, wife of Pat Macha.



Questions and answers after the presentation.



November Hostesses **Ann Scholz**, **Cappy Green** and **Nancy Wagoner** with past Regent **Mary Haag**



Our speaker, Pat Macha with our past Regent **Nancy Guenther** who was Principal of the school where Pat Macha taught for three years. Reunion time!!



Albertine Bellows, past Regent and **Zora Selliken** enjoying an after meeting chat.



Our lovely refreshments after our program with the many people that attended.



Coffee, tea and refreshments for all. Hopefully **Dottie Agronick** (in the red jacket) is reminding **Nancy Wagoner** to bring her Taco Salad to the Colonial Luncheon. And is that HODAR Pat Grogan glancing this way?



Everybody is chatting about the exciting program!



Enjoying refreshments and camaraderie after the program.



Still more!!

The printed State Directory 2010-2011 has now been posted online in full context (photographs omitted). It has been formatted in landscape layout with 1" margins for easy printing and compiling.
<http://www.californiadar.org/membersonly/directory/directory.html>

TREASURER'S REQUEST: Mary Haag
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Position Available: Treasurer's Assistant

What would an assistant do? The next intense period is mid-January thru March 1. During that period there will be many checks to process; endorse the checks (it's done with an inked stamp), record the bank numbers on the deposit slip, total the deposit, photo-copy the checks. It is then ready to take to the bank for deposit.. The Treasurer could go to the bank if the Deposit Slip is filled out.

Monday following the Colonial Luncheon the cash proceeds need to be counted and the amount recorded on the deposit slip for the Treasurer to deposit.

Any volunteers?

COLONIAL LUNCHEON Silent Auction Item: Fran Bock

Scenic Flight around the Palos Verdes Peninsula
For one person with pilot – Date to be scheduled
Donated by the Western Museum of Flight at the Torrance Airport- Zamperini Field
PLUS One-Year Membership to the Western Museum of Flight

Value: \$250



Fran Bock, 2nd Vice-Regent showing off her newly purchased and signed book from Gary Pat Macha which will be on the Silent Auction table at our upcoming Colonial Luncheon.



More gabbing!!



District IX attendees getting ready to start the meeting.



The attendees to the District IX meeting on Halloween Day from El Redondo Chapter NSDAR. **Sandy Bourassa**, Parliamentarian; **Francine Bostrom**, Chaplain; **Helen Provine**, Historian; **Mary Haag**, Treasurer; **Gene Hassan**, District IX Historian; Debra Jamison, California State Vice-Regent; **Nancy Guenther**, Assistant District IX Director, 2nd Vice-Regent, **Fran Bock**; Recording Secretary and Past District IX Director, **Beth Collier**; and our Regent **Donna Grogan**



District IX Director, Carol Jackson and Assistant District IX Director, **Nancy Guenther** starting the meeting with a "meow". They each had cat ears and a long tail tucked under. Very cute kitties for Halloween!



Chaplain Patti Scroggins from the Malibu Chapter for District IX gave a beautiful Memorial Service for Deborah Palmer, the District IX Secretary and Regent of Los Angeles-Eschscholtzia Chapter. She will be sorely missed by all who knew her.



Refreshments being served. Thanks **Nancy** for the yummy cupcakes!



District IX Director, Carol Jackson enjoying refreshments with our Regent, **Donna Grogan**, Treasurer, **Mary Haag** and Chaplain, **Francine Bostrom**.

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1st Vice-Regent **Donna Rider** and others preparing to leave after a successful and fun meeting.



The Veteran's Day Wreath



A happy group!





Veteran's Day Memorial Service: **Francine Bostrom**, Chaplain, placing the wreath and opening the ceremony with prayer.



Helen Provine, Fran Bock, Virda Chappell, Mary Haag, Donna Rider, Francine Bostrom and Carole Callies



Point Vicente Chapter Members. **Debbie Amaro**, Regent; **Mary Hardy** and **Mary Sheridan**, Registrar.



Regent **Debbie Amaro**, Pt. Vicente Chapter and **Donna Rider**, 1st. Vice Regent, El Redondo Chapter NSDAR with representatives from St. John Fishers's Cub Scout Troop #436, **Stephen Lathrop, Matthew Kymn, and Neil Hoffmann.**



The wreath placed at the Veteran's Memorial from Point Vicente Chapter and El Redondo Chapter, NSDAR

US Flag Folding Ceremony performed by Cub Scouts Stephen Lathrop and Matthew Kymn.

The flag folding ceremony represents the same religious principles on which our country was originally founded. The portion of the flag denoting honor is the canton of blue containing the stars representing the states our veterans served in uniform. The canton field of blue dresses from left to right and is inverted when draped as a pall on a casket of a veteran who has served our country in uniform.



The sixth fold is for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



The seventh fold is a tribute to our Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that we protect our country and our flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of our republic.



The first fold of our flag is a symbol of life.



Mr. and Mrs. Gainey, parents of new member **Jeanette Hoffmann**, and grandparents of Neil Hoffmann with Stephen Lathrop, Neil Hoffmann and Matthew Kymm, our wonderful Cub Scout helpers.

The eighth fold is a tribute to the one who entered in to the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day, and to honor mother, for whom it flies on Mother's Day. When the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost, reminding us of our national motto, "In God we Trust."

After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington and the sailors and marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for us the rights, privileges, and freedoms we enjoy today.

http://www.usa-patriotism.com/reference/flag_folding.htm



Email Etiquette

Just as “snail-mail” comes with a host of etiquette, such as salutations and how to write a business letter, so does e-mail. This article will address some important dos and don’ts of using the internet to communicate with family, friends, colleagues, and acquaintances.

Writing the E-mail

Always remember that an e-mail is just like a letter. You should include a Salutation which matches the person you are e-mailing and what kind of e-mail it is (i.e. Dear X for a more formal letter or Hi X! for a more informal letter to a friend or family member). You should also sign-off (unless you have set-up your email to have a signature) just like you do in a regular letter and make sure it matches the person you are e-mailing (i.e. Sincerely, X for a more formal letter or Talk to you soon for a more in-formal letter).

When writing the e-mail, remember that writing in CAPS means that you are yelling at the individual or, if it is just one word that is in CAPS, you are putting heavy importance on that word. Some people find any words written in CAPS to be rude, so keep this in mind and use CAPS sparingly.

Replying to E-mail

A newer issue with e-mail is determining who you are replying to. Most e-mail clients today (yahoo, google, etc.) give you the option of only replying to the person who sent the e-mail to you, or replying to the person who sent the e-mail to you, PLUS all of the people the sender also sent the e-mail to. If you select the first option, only one person, usually the person intended, will receive your response. If you select the second option, everyone (including people you may not know) will receive the response. This can be problematic and also annoying for the yourself and the other people receiving the e-mail. If your response is a simple Thank You, there is no real harm to yourself, but the other people who are not intended to see that e-mail are instead getting what they might consider “junk mail” and you are adding to the list of emails they must delete that evening. If your response is a private one, and you select reply all, people you may not know (or know but don’t want privy to the information you are typing), will now have this information that you only intended for one person. Bottom line, be aware of who you are sending your email to before you press send. There is always a place to review who you are sending mail to before you actually hit the send button.

Forwarding

We all get them and we all want to believe in them, but, the truth is, that not everyone believes that if you forward the email to 15 of your closest internet buddies you will receive good luck, wealth, good health, etc. We need to be mindful of who we forward any e-mail to - whether it be a chain letter, a political stance, a blessing, a joke, or a cute poem (just to name a few). Some people find it appropriate to receive these types of e-mails, but those people are usually close family and friends, and almost always not acquaintances. When forwarding items, you should make sure that the person you send it to wants to receive these types of emails. There are a variety of ways you can do this, including:

1. This is the best approach - Asking the person next time you see them - “Do you mind if I forward you funny or cute e-mails?”
2. Forward ONE email, but in the beginning of the e-mail, before the forward appears, give the person the option to opt out of receiving future e-mails like this one - “I thought you would enjoy this joke, but if you don’t want me to forward you anymore mass e-mails, just let me know!”

Asking before forwarding is especially important for those polite conversation taboos, such as Politics, Religion, and Race. Be mindful of others’ opinions and beliefs and do not send anyone unsolicited mail without first asking. You want to maintain friendly relationships, not offend anyone or spam them unknowingly.