

The Americans' Creed

I believe in the United States of America as a Government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its Constitution; to obey its Laws; to respect its Flag; and to defend it against all its enemies.

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, with liberty and justice for all.

This Memorial is supported solely through tax deductible donations. Maintenance and storage of equipment are necessary expenses. Donations to the Veterans Memorial are greatly appreciated and needed. Please call David Olivet, (858)735-6121, for more information.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

Our sincere thanks go to all members of BSA Troop 685, San Diego, for presenting the flags of the 13 original colonies during the Bell Ringing Ceremony and for their generous assistance in setting up and taking down the equipment. Thanks also to Westview H.S. NJROTC for participating in today's ceremony as the Color Guard. Thanks to Mr. Rossi Rizzo of the Rancho Bernardo Winery for supplying the bell, and of course, to LT and Mrs. Bill May for ringing the bell in colonial attire. And our gratitude goes to The Pearl Restaurant for allowing us the use of their patio.

Independence Day

July 4, 2016

IN CONGRESS, JULY 4, 1776.

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America.

Ceremonies Held At Rancho Bernardo Veterans Memorial (Located in Webb Lake Park)

Presented by the
R.B. Veterans Memorial Association
through the combined efforts of

The Military Order
Of the World Wars
General J.P. Holland Chapter
And the
Veterans of Foreign Wars
Major Abraham J. Baum
Post 7766



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**Guest Speaker:
Mr. Lou Scanlon**

President/CEO Mt. Soledad National Veterans Memorial Assn.

Lou was born and raised in Massachusetts. After graduating from Boston College in June of 1967, he reported to Naval Air Station Pensacola in September, where he was commissioned and underwent flight training. After receiving his wings, he reported to VF 103 where he flew the F4 Phantom from the aircraft carrier USS Saratoga. He was discharged in San Diego in 1972, where he remained in the Naval Reserve, eventually retiring at the rank of Commander. He is a Cold War and Vietnam Era veteran.



After leaving active duty, he joined the San Diego Police Department. He served in Patrol, Investigations, SWAT, Air Support, Public Affairs and many other units. He rose to the rank of Assistant Chief, where he oversaw Operations, which included all operational units, including all patrol officers and detectives assigned to the 9 police area stations. He retired from the Department in 2007 and two weeks later, was selected to head the Coronado Police Department. He served as their Chief until retirement in 2013, culminating a Law Enforcement Career of over 38 years.

He has been very active civically, and in January of this year he was elected president of the Mt. Soledad National Veterans Memorial Association.

INDEPENDENCE DAY 2016

10:45 AM Introduction by Master of Ceremonies

Colonel Paul Atterbury, Lt. Col., USMC (ret.)

Major Abraham J. Baum VFW Post 7766

Invocation

Bruce Charnov Rabbi Ph. D J.D. FRAeS

Captain CHC USN (Ret)

Presentation of the Colors

Color Guard, Westview High School NJROTC

Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Eileen Baum

*Widow of Major Abraham J. Baum,
WWII DSC recipient, POW, Legion of Valor member*

National Anthem

Miss Samantha Belgum, Soloist, Biola University

RB H.S. Alumna, RB Idol finalist 2013

Retire the Colors

Color Guard, Westview High School NJROTC

National Bell Ringing Ceremony

Lieutenant Bill May, USN (Ret) and his wife, Rose, in Colonial attire

*Past Commander, Constitution Camp, Heroes of '76, National Sojourners, Inc.,
Flag bearers are from BSA Troop 685*

Speaker

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Spirit of the Fourth Chairman

David Brooks

Benediction

Chaplain Bruce Charnov