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## Sons of the American Revolution honor U. S. Naval Sea Cadets

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Robert Taylor, George S. Patton, Jr. Chapter of The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, presents the Bronze Good Citizenship medal to Chief Petty Officer Craig Johnson, U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps Trident Patrol Squadron 65.

The General George S. Patton, Jr. Chapter of The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) paid a special visit to the U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps (USNSCC) and Navy League Cadet Corps (NLCC) at Point Mugu, Calif., Mar. 9, 2008.

Robert Taylor, chapter secretary, dressed in the SAR chapters formal Continental Army officers uniform said to the cadets standing at attention in their dress blues, I have come here to recognize two cadets because they have distinguished themselves by demonstrating exemplary citizenship.

Chief Petty Officer (CPO) Craig Johnson, USNSCC Trident Patrol Squadron 65, received the SAR Bronze Good Citizenship medal. The medal is awarded to a USNSCC cadet who has attained the rate of Petty Officer Second Class or above and is in good standing militarily and scholastically at the time of selection and presentation. The cadet must demonstrate a high degree of merit with respect to leadership qualities, military

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bearing, and excellence in the performance of duties and should have the potential for greater leadership responsibilities.

Promoted to CPO, June 2007, Johnson has been a cadet since December 2002. He is a senior at Westlake High School, Westlake Village, Calif. He has maintained a B average and played varsity football with the Warriors. Next year, he will be attending the California Maritime Academy, Vallejo, Calif., majoring in marine transportation. He plans to become a U. S. Coast Guard officer.

Johnson said, Receiving the SAR Bronze Good Citizenship medal is a great honor. The USNSCC program has allowed me to obtain my goal and prepare me for whats ahead.

Ships Leading Petty Officer Yun Smith, NLCC Training Ship Minutemen, received the SAR Outstanding Citizenship Award and pin. Smith has been a cadet since November 2005. She received the units highest honor, Cadet of the Year, in 2007. She has only been in the United States for six years and is a seventh grade honor student at Hillside Middle School, Simi Valley, Calif.

Smith said, You learn to listen to the people ahead of you. The Outstanding Citizenship award and pin is not handed to you. It means that you have worked very hard to earn it.

The Naval Sea Cadet Corps is a federally chartered non-profit civilian youth training organization for young people, ages 13 through 17. Included under the umbrella is the Navy League Cadet Corps, a junior program for youths 11-13 years old. While cadet units are organized along military lines, their main purpose is to foster good citizenship and an interest and appreciation of our nations sea services: Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and Merchant Marine. A cadet can start at any time. For more information visit the national web site [www.seacadets.org](http://www.seacadets.org).

The General George S. Patton, Jr., Chapter of the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution is a non-profit civilian organization dedicated to patriotic, historical, and educational activities, including the perpetuation of the memory of those who, by their services or sacrifices during the war of the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American people. For more information visit the chapter web site <http://members.aol.com/sarpatton/homepage.htm>



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