

THE NATIONAL SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

VICE PRESIDENT GENERAL'S REPORT

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NUMBER OF MEETINGS ATTENDED:

State Societies	President	Chapters	BOM Meeting	City
1. NSSAR Congress:,	July 2014,	Greenville SC		
2. NSSAR Fall Leadership Meeting:	Sept 25, 2014,	Louisville, Ky		
3. NSSAR Spring Leadership Meeting:	March 6, 2015,	Louisville, Ky		
4. NMSSAR Annual Meeting:	February 7, 2015,	Albuquerque NM.		
2. COSSAR Annual Meeting:	March 14, 2015,	Denver CO.		
3. AZSSAR Annual Meeting:	March 15, 2015,	Chandler, AZ.		
4. NMSSAR PG Banquet:	March 16, 2015,	Albuquerque NM		
5. COSSAR Board Meeting:	May 9, 2015,	Castle Rock CO		
2. Columbine DAR:	Regent Jewel Wellborn,	DAR Awards, Denver, CO		
3. COSSAR Board Meeting:	Peak May 16	Colorado Springs, CO		
4. NSSAR 125 th Congress:	June 26, 2015,	Louisville, Ky.		
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REPORT & RECOMENDATIONS:

As of the Spring Leadership Meeting I performed the following:

I attended a special COSSAR Board meeting in Castle Rock CO. I Attended a Medal of Honor recognition Ceremony at the Evergreen Cemetery in Colorado Springs CO. On Mar 21 and May 16 I attended a Pikes Peak Board of Mangers Meetings in Colorado Springs. On March 31 I gave an Operation Ancestor Search Orientation Program at Ft. Carson, CO. April 18 I attended the Patriots and Founders Day Luncheon in Colorado Springs. I gave a short PowerPoint Presentation on the Battles of Lexington & Concord and a history of the founding of the SAR.

Arizona Society:

President George Lipphardt, Vice President Stephen J Miller, Secretary Warren Alter, Treasurer Edward Steinbeck III

The Arizona Society, SAR, conducted its regular board meeting, installed officers and honored visiting President General Lindsey Brock and his wife, Billie, at the Chandler Hilton, February 15th. 2015. PG Brock gave a talk to the assembled members. Also speaking was Knight Essay 1st place winner Conner Sorrells, who received a certificate, medal, and a check for \$200.00. Eagle Scout Essay Winner, Zachary Hillman, also gave a talk and received a certificate, medal, and check for \$200.00. President General Lindsey Brock then presided over the Installation of Arizona Society Officers. This Vice President General was very impressed with AZSSAR's Color Guard. The events included the State Annual meeting in Chandler on 15 Feb, the parade on 21 Feb in Sacaton honoring the 70th anniversary of the capture of Iwo Jima and Ira Hayes, and the 123rd Annual George Washington's Birthday Rifle match in Phoenix which included a six musket salute to our Flag. Job Well Done.

Azssar cont.

AZSSAR have admitted 21 new members, with 9 new applications submitted. They have 11 new Junior members admitted and 3 applications pending. Six Supplementals (those members that have discovered additional Patriot ancestors) approved and 2 in the works. Outstanding, Ed.

With regrets I inform you of the passing of a past VPG Rocky Mt District, and Past State President AZSSAR. Former SAR Member (joined 9/15/1988 and dropped his membership in 2009 but was actively pursuing through PV Chapter to rejoin, just had not done so yet), Kenneth Glyn Hales, DOB 8/25/1933 passed away (per his wife Judy) 3/7/15. Ken Hales was a Past Chapter President Tucson Chapter in 1992. He was the 71st President of the AZSSAR from 1992-93. And he was VPG Rocky Mountain District 1998. Ken received many recognitions in SAR including, Bronze Good Citizenship Medal, Silver Good Citizenship Medal, State Meritorious Service Medal, and the State Patriot Medal. He sponsored many into our organization and had been awarded at least one Liberty Medal.

Go to AZSSAR's great website at <http://www.azssar.org/> and click on SAR-IZONA NEWS where there are many interesting articles on Arizona History and informative articles on activities and programs pertaining to AZSSAR.

Colorado Society:

President: Dick P. Marsh, Vice President & Color Guard Chairman Steve DeBoer, Recording Secretary/Historian: Matthew von Hobe, Membership Secretary/Registrar Thomas A. Brown, Treasurer Thomas A Wellborn, Chancellor L E (Gene) Cheney, National Officers National Trustee Tom Brown

COSSAR was honored to have the President General and his lovely wife Billie attend COSSAR's Annual George Washington Luncheon and Annual Conference. Afterwards we met at past COSSAR President Wayne Snodgrass's residence for enjoyable evening of Pizza and beverages. Everyone got a chance to meet and talk with PG Lindsey Brock and Billie. Everyone had a terrific time.

Thanks to the good work of their Registrars COSSAR is building their membership greatly. Grand Mesa Chapter is starting Operation Ancestor Search. Mt. Evans, Longs Peak and Pikes Peak Chapters have been active in Educational Outreach through COSSAR's Patriot Chest Program. Longs Peak Chapter received a streamer for work with the DAR and CAR. Mt Evans gave The Good Citizen Award was presented to Mr. Jim Herstein for his efforts as a Director of the Denver Honor Flight and Mt. Evans participated in the rededication of the Colorado State Capitol Liberty Bell. Mt. Evans presented the Patriot Chest Program to 19 Denver area schools. ROTC Program gave awards at several Universities and the Air Force Academy.

The Color Guard has been active from the City of Heroes Pueblo to Ft. Collins in the north. They have participated with the new CAR Soaring Eagle Chapter in Medal of Honor Wreath laying at Evergreen Cemetery Colorado Springs, Flag Day Ceremony at Mt. Genesee, Memorial Day Ceremony at the Veterans Plaza in Ft. Collins CO. COSSAR Color Guard along with George Washington and the Pueblo West High School JROTC Color Guard presented a George Washington Portrait from Mt. Vernon.

New Mexico Society

President Andrew S. Lyngar, Jr., 1st Vice President George C. Garcia, 2nd Vice President Carl N. Henry Secretary Raymond L. Alexander, Treasurer Ralph E. Barker, Registrar Vacant, Genealogist Paul L. Kouts Historian John A. Holley Jr.,

National Officers National Trustee Jim P. Thornton
 VPG Elect (NMSSAR 2016) Michael E. Barger

March 16 PG Brock and Billie visited Albuquerque. We toured the Albuquerque Indian Cultural Center and enjoyed a wonderful lunch. Then, after a busy afternoon with outgoing ABQ SAR Chapter President Gorge Garcia showing them the sites, the Brocks were escorted to the Hyatt Place Hotel for the banquet in their honor.

1. The New Mexico Society Sons of the American Revolution presented the NMSSAR Outstanding Eagle Scout Trophy and \$250 to Eagle Scout George R. Nail of Rio Ranch, NM. The presentation was made by Michael Barger (Past President NMSSAR) Albuquerque Chapter and Kris D. Jones (Eagle Scout Chairman NMSSAR) 3 Rivers Chapter. Eagle Scout Nail's Entry packet was then forwarded to the National Eagle Scout Committee to compete in the Arthur and Berdena King Eagle Scout Scholarship.
2. The New Mexico Society of the Sons of the American Revolution presented 7 SAR Silver ROTC Medals and 41 SAR Bronze Medals to outstanding ROTC/JROTC Cadets this spring. The Albuquerque Chapter presented 4 Silver SAR Medals and 21 SAR Bronze Medals, Gadsden Chapter presented 3 SAR Silver SAR Medals a 10 SAR Bronze Medals, 3 Rivers Chapter presented 6 SAR Bronze Medals, Santa Fe Chapter presented 3 SAR Bronze Medals and the New Mexico BOM presented 1 SAR Bronze Medal to Alconbury High School AFJROTC in United Kingdom. All but 4 SAR Medals were presented by NMSSAR Compatriots.
3. The New Mexico Society recently discovered that when the NMS originally applied for no profit organization in 1906 or 1908 (which is debated), but when New Mexico became the 46th state in 1912 the registration was approved for 50 years. Thus in 1962 our state registration became invalid as it was not renewed, thus we have operated without any state registration as a nonprofit organization. Thus we are in the process of Incorporating and registering in the State of New Mexico as a nonprofit organization and thus changing the name on our Federal Registration as nonprofit organization to bring the New Mexico Society of SAR in compliance with federal and state regulations.
4. The New Mexico Society Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard presented the National Colors in Santa Fe, NM at the dedication of the Palace of the Governors becoming a United States National Treasure. Members of the New Mexico SAR Color Guard Present in Spanish Period Uniforms from the Revolutionary War era were George Garcia Albuquerque Chapter, Lionel Rael Albuquerque Chapter, and Jim Thornton Santa Fe Chapter; two of the members in the NMSSAR Color Guard are descendants from Patriots of the Santa Fe Presidio.
5. George Garcia of the Albuquerque Chapter gave a presentation on February 28, 2015 to the local chapter of Military Officers Association of America on the Spanish Contributions to the American Revolution wearing a Revolutionary War era Spanish Uniform.
6. Dr. Troy Ainsworth president of Camino Real de Terra Adenero (CARTA) an organization connected with Museum of Albuquerque requested George Garcia of the Albuquerque Chapter to give a presentation on the Spanish Presidio Soldier of Santa Fe from 1778 to 1783 and the Spanish Contribution to the American Revolution in his Spanish Period Uniform worn during American Revolution.

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