

# NEWSLETTER of the NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY of the SONS of the AMERICAN REVOLUTION

# President Berly Calls Us To Take Action For Our Society



Timothy W. Berly, President

As we begin a new year in the North Carolina Society, I would like to challenge our compatriots to invest in making a difference in your respective communities through your SAR membership.

I have set several goals for NCSSAR, and they will require the efforts each of our chapters to achieve. Some Chapters are already there and should continue their good work, and others are working to accomplish these. Those in leadership positions in the State Society - your State Officers and Committee Chairmen -- stand ready to help you do so.

Each Chapter should conduct at least one "signature" event annually. This can be a commemoration of a local battle or skirmish of the Revolution, participation in a local festival or ceremony that addresses local history, and other activities that focus on our American heritage.

One of the most important aspects of our mission as a member of the SAR is to "perpetuate the memory of the men, who by their services or sacrifices during the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American people."

We can do this in many ways but I would like for us to focus on two: Each Chapter in NCSSAR should conduct as least two Patriot Grave marking ceremonies over the next year. There are such gravesites across all 100 of our counties where our Patriot ancestors were laid to rest, and which we have not as yet recognized and marked in a ceremony.

At the State Convention in April, I challenged our membership to achieve our National Society's goal of 20% participation in the Patriot Biographies program. Despite the short 1½ month timeframe left to achieve this, NCSSAR was a leader nationally in doing so. Thank you for your efforts, and let's continue to carry this focus into 2016 so that our posterity can learn of

We should continue to work with our Youth and expand participation in the Eagle Scout, JROTC, Essay and Oration Contest, and Americanism Poster and Brochure programs and awards.

Let's further increase recognition of the great work of our public servants through presentation of our law enforcement, fire protection and emergency medical services commendation medals and certificates.

Work with those I like to call our "Partners in Patriotism," your local DAR Chapters, C.A.R. Societies and Veterans groups such as the American Legion and DAV. Gain their participation to support your activities, support theirs and work with them to jointly develop new opportunities to address our organization's shared goals.

Additional activities that come to mind we should support include naturalization ceremonies for new citizens and flag retirement ceremonies for the emblem on our Nation. Our presence at such ceremonies, or conducting a flag retirement ceremony ourselves, reflects positively on our commitment to foster patriotism and "maintain the institutions of American freedom."

Unfortunately our children are not receiving a strong education relative to an understanding of the period of the American Revolution; How its principles and ideals, so important to our inception and growth as a nation, are as relevant today as they were then. Our National Society can provide materials to assist us in teaching such, but we are the ones who must take it into our communities.

Each of our Chapters have different interests, and ideas for how to implement SAR programs in their community and this is good. As our National motto – E Pluribus Unum -- states "Out of many, One." We are a group of diverse people and communities, but as a state and nation we can and should stand united as one.

Some may say this is asking too much. Our country has always "stepped to the plate" whenever we have been faced with a crisis, and I believe we in the SAR are capable of the same. In the 1960s we faced the a rising threat of communism and socialist dictatorships around the globe, while at the same time accepting the daunting challenge of putting a man on the moon within that

In the words of our 35th President, John F. Kennedy, when describing this endeavor, "...We do these things not because they are

the exploits, sacrifices and struggles of these easy but because they are hard. Because the goal will serve to organize and measure the best of our energies and skills, because that challenge is the one that we are willing to accept, one we are unwilling to postpone, and one which we intend to win..." Today the threat of global terrorism is one of our major concerns, as should be the educational crisis I've noted. We need to stand up to the new challenges we face, and forcefully take them on, as all generations of Americans have done before us.

Our state leaders gave us a simple yet powerful state motto: Esse quam videri. "To be rather than to seem." We must be the leaders in our respective communities; sharing the principles laid out in the Declaration of Independence and US Constitution. Let us lead by example and demonstrate through our shared patriotic fervor how the freedoms expressed through these documents, and our national symbols and institutions, must always be revered and maintained.

I have asked each of our District Vice Presidents to set up a District meeting in your area where we can come to you and address any concerns you may have, review and discuss how you can streamline submission of your annual membership reconciliation report, present the programs of the SAR which you should participate in, and discuss how together we can achieve our shared mission as SAR compatriots.

As we begin this "new' year ask yourself where can you as an SAR compatriot best serve the work of your Society -- and take action!

Timothy W. Berly President, NCSSAR

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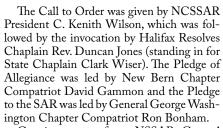
# Membership Update

(March 20, 2015 - June 5, 2015)

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New Member								
SAR#	First	Middle	Last	NC#	Chapter	City		
194076	Gordon	Curtis	Spencer	4017(M)	Old North State	Gastonia		
194077	Cecil	Dewitt	Bradford III	4018	Mecklenburg	Huntersville		
194078	Rashon Talli	Youmans	Moore	4014	Mecklenburg	Fort Mill, SC		
194079	Benjamin	Payne	DeBruhl	4015	Blue Ridge	Asheville		
194080	Matthew	Hunter	DeBruhl	4016	Blue Ridge	Asheville		
194218	Clayton	Thomas	Brumit	4020(M)	Lower Cape Fear	Fort Worth, TX		
194219	Thomas	Moxley	Brumit	4021(M)	Lower Cape Fear	Johnson City, TN		
194243	Emmett	Hoyt	Rigsbee	4022	Old North State	Little Switzerland		
194399	Mark	William	Shellabarger	4023	General Francis Nash	Apex		
194400	Ian	Gabriel	Shellabarger	4024	General Francis Nash	Apex		
194401	Jon	Mark	Shellabarger	4025	Old North State	Apex		
194402	Ben	James	Shellabarger	4026	Old North State	Apex		
194403	Porter	Bliss	Thompson	4027	Nathaniel Greene	High Point		
194547	William	Henry	Bunch	4029	General Francis Nash	Chapel Hill		
194543	Ronald	Sidney	Hosmer	4031	Old North State	Taylor, MI		
194544	Fletcher		Nelson, Jr	4032	Old North State	Morganton		
194545	David	Chatman	Oakes	4033	Alamance Battleground	Roxboro		
194546	Robert	Kelly	Denton	4034	Old North State	Morganton		
194548	Robert	Donald	Austell	4035	Battle of Kings Mountain	Cherryville		
194549	John	Renwick	Strachan	4036	Old North State	Morganton		
194790	Donald	Lee	Bonham	4037	Gen. George Washington	Greenville		
194785	Scott	Andrew	Davis	4039	Old North State	Morganton		
194786	Andrew	Scott	Davis	4040	Old North State	Morganton		
194787	Allan	Roger	Scott	4041	Lower Cape Fear	Jacksonville		
194788	Robert	Michael	Kabel	4042	Mecklenburg	Charlotte		
194789	Michael	Patrick	Kabel	4043	Mecklenburg	Davidson		
194791	Robert	Gray	Justiss, Jr.	4044	Outer Banks	Moyock		
194870	John	Kerr	Bowman	4045	Catawba Valley	Hickory		
194952	Charles	Edward	Graham	4046	Old North State	Glen Alpine		
Reinstated								
113293	Michael	Ray	Gentry	2644	Catawba Valley	Granite Falls		
142824	Bradley	Jay	McDonald	2076	Raleigh	Cary		
169333	Julian	Davis	Godwin, Jr	2962	Blue Ridge	Little Switzerland		
176186	Victor	Eugene	Reinhold, Jr.	3245	Nathaniel Greene	Greensboro		
176187	Robert	Mathew	Reinhold	3246	Nathaniel Greene	Greensboro		
176188	Eric	Andrew	Reinhold	3247	Nathaniel Greene	Greensboro		
184888	Thomas	Patrick	Hart	3619	Lumber River	Louisburg		
187345	John	Faulkner	Chamberlain	3725	Mecklenburg	Charlotte		
189954	Antony	Roy	Shoaf	3877	Salisbury	Lexington		
194219	Thomas	Moxley	Brumet	4021	Lower Cape Fear	Johnson City, TN		
108454	Walter	Clark	Erwin,, Jr.	1440	Old North State	Morganton		
137145	Willis	Ruby	Schweppe	1947	Mecklenburg	Charlotte		
153552	Lucian	Holt	Felmet, Jr.	2398	Le Marquise de Lafayette	Bunn Level		
156940	Kenneth	Andrew	Cutshaw	3915	General Francis Nash	Durham		
160359	Edward	Talbot	Blackwell	3486	Le Marquis de Lafayette	Whisper Pines		
167304	Frederick	Ballard	Westervelt, Jr.	2891	Outer Banks	Ocracoke		
175755	Corley	Shane	Jackson	3223	Old North State	Tryon		
175757	Austin	Shane	Jackson	3225	Old North State	Tryon		

# Business Meeting held during Annual Convention April 20th, 2015 in the Ramada Inn's Carolina Room

by State Secretary Gary Green



Greetings came from NSSAR General Officers and other dignitaries. Vice President General Mark Anthony was recognized and brought greetings from the South Atlantic District, NSSAR and SAR Foundation President Sam Powell offered greetings from the National Society.

There was no Old Business. New Business included the following:

Approval of 2014 Business Meeting Minutes dated 26 Apr 2014 from Secretary Gary Green. A Motion was made to accept as printed by Steve Pittard and seconded by Jay Joyce. Approved.

Approval of Treasurer's Report & Budget NCSSAR Treasurer Kurt Von Tassel. Add \$350 for Color Guard flags/poles/finials plus expenses in support of the PG visits. The proposed budget should be in line with past years. Michael Aycock moved to accept Treasurer's Report, 2nd by Jay Joyce; accepted. A motion to approve the budget was offered by Fred Learned; seconded by Jim Wood. Approved.

Officer Reports-Foothills & Piedmont District VPs – No reports; others in booklet. –Registrar reported applications 68702 or later can be used as valid sources. DAR applications using other DAR applications as proof are alright now. Chaplain's Report – Words were passed about the status of Clark Wiser's health; later inputs suggested that he is planning to attend the National Congress in June.

Chapter Reports – No reports from Alamance, Albemarle, Battle of Kings Mountain, Catawba Valley, Capt. George Dickey, Colson's Mill, Gen. Francis Nash, Halifax Resolves, LTC Felix Walker, LTC John Phifer, Lumber River, New Bern, Old North State, Raleigh, Western Waters, Yadkin Valley.

Committee Reports: Bylaw Changes were



site.

Donation to "Let Freedom Ring" – CTSSAR: Move to pay \$121.43 to CTSSAR ws A motion to approve was presented by David Mann, second Fred Learned. Approved.

Outreach Education Committee – Two new CDs are available from NSSAR; Tom Green of TXSSAR prepared the CDs to be used by classroom teachers.

Americanism Brochure Committee – John Thornhill – Poster contest to meet at Alamance Battleground in May. Winners must let the Treasurer know names of the winners and their teachers after the results of the contest judging in May.

Élection of Officers – Nominating Committee Chairman James H. Wood presented the recommendations. A motion to accept was offered by Dick Bishop; 2nd Jim Becker. Approved.

Appointment of Delegates to National Congress in Louisville, KY- Secretary Gary Green – Of 21 available slots, 11 volunteers will represent North Carolina at the Congress in Louisville, KY: John Thornhill, Kurt van Tassel, Jim Becker, Ray Maxson, Steve Pittard, Gary Green, Jay Joyce, Dick Bishop, George Strunk, Clark Wiser and Frank Horton. In addition, Sam Powell will attend and be a part of the Executive Committee; Jim Wood was nominated as Trustee for the Congress and Tim Berly was nominated as the Alternate Trustee; President Berly will represent the state society.

Announcement of 2016 Annual Meeting Location – Sr. VP Tim Berly – The convention will be in Charlotte on 29-30 April 2016; location of the meeting site is still to be determined.

Thomas N. "Nat" Clark Life Membership Recognition – Steve Pittard – Awarded certificates to Thomas Nat Clark Life Members Dick Bishop and Gary Green, and then distributed the other seven Life Membership certificates to chapter leaders to give to members in their chapter.

Memorial Service - Wendell Small pre-



Compatriots pledged allegiance to the Flag of our nation during the Saturday afternoon business meeting



recommended by the compatriots at the Winter BOM – Constitution & Bylaws Chairman Charles Adams-Report of Bylaws discussed during the Winter Board of Managers meeting. Chairman Adams reviewed/summarized

the bylaws as printed in the booklet. A motion to approve was offered by Dick Bishop; 2nd Fred Learned. Steve Pittard made a friendly amendment to add to Article X. Discipline; Section 2. Panel Hearing. Second sentence: "The panel should meet within the district of the compatriot being investigated." Second by Ralph Smiley. Approved by majority voice vote. The convention approved the changes to the bylaws unanimously.

Electronic Newsletter - Editor Steve Pittard - Price may go up for cost of newsletters being distributed. We may want to send the newsletter via e-mail; however, we need to ensure valid e-mail addresses. Jay Joyce sends a notice when the newsletter is posted. The June newsletter will make a statement that a compatriot will need to send purposeful correspondence with intent to continue receiving the Old North State via US Mail. If not, a link to the newsletter will be sent via e-mail and continue to be posted on the state's web

Bylawws
Committee
Chair Charles
Adams
presented a
number of
changes for
the bylaws
for review,
discussion and
approval.



The Memorial
Service was
conducted
near the end of
the afternoon
business meeting.
Wendell Small
guided State
President Wilson,
Vice President
Berly and State
Secretary Green
through the
program.



## Annual Meeting Minutes

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sided; 189 compatriots were recognized with deaths occurring between 1986 and 2015. There were 25 compatriots who passed since



the last state convention including three Memorial compatriots.

GW Fellow Nomination – The chapter presidents at the meeting coordinated with Chair Jim Wood and nominated

Gary O. Green to be recognized as the 2015 George Washington Fellow; a check from the Society treasury for \$1,000 will be forwarded to the George Washington Endowment Fund in his name.

The Recessional was led by Battle of Kings Mountain President Doyle Campbell.

The Benediction was delivered by Halifax Resolves Chaplain Rev. Duncan Jones

Dick Bishop and Gary Green were among nine compatriots that were presented extra large certificates recognizing their Life Memberships.

## New Officers Elected

The following were elected for 2015-2016:

President - Timothy W. Berly; Sr.VP - Gary O. Green; Secretary - George K. Strunk; Treasurer - Kurt J. Van Tassel; Registrar - Steven F. Avent; Genealogist - Franklin N. Horton; Development Officer - G. Steven Pittard; Chaplain - Rev. A. Clark Wiser; Historian - James A. Becker; NE District VP - William A. Tilghman; SE District VP - David L. Mann; Piedmont Dist. VP - Fredrick D. Learned; Foothills Dist. VP - Doyle E. Campbell; Mountain Dist. VP - James R. Cook; Webmaster - Jay A. Joyce; National Trustee - James H. Wood; Alternate Trustee - Timothy W. Berly.

Congratulations to each new officer. We look forward to another great year of excellent leadership, and real progress in accomplishing our Society's goals and mission.

## NEW BYLAWS INACTED

During the Annual Business Meeting, the following Bylaws were approved.

#### Article VI. FINANCIAL REVIEW

A review committee of at least two members appointed by the President will review the financial records of the State Society annually as soon as practicable after the end of the fiscal year. The committee will report its findings to the Board of Managers at the first meeting of the Board after the completion of the review.

#### Article IX. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order* will govern proceedings of the State Society in all cases where those rules are applicable and in which they are not

inconsistent with these bylaws and any other special rules of order that the State Society may adopt.

#### Article X. DISCIPLINE

Section 1. Complaint.

Any member of the Society may lodge a formal complaint against another member for alleged conduct prejudicial to the best interests of the Society. The complaining member will file the written complaint, in duplicate, including specifics of the conduct alleged with the secretary. The secretary will send or present a copy of the complaint to the president. Upon receipt of the complaint, the president will appoint an adjudication panel. The panel will comprise five members of the BOM, none of whom may be a member of the same chapter to which the accused member belongs. The panel will first consider whether the conduct alleged in the complaint, if true, constitutes conduct prejudicial to the best interests of the Society. If the panel determines that the alleged conduct is not prejudicial, it will take no further action and the matter is closed. If the panel determines that the alleged conduct, if true, is prejudicial, it will set a date for a hearing not less than three nor more than six weeks after such determination. The secretary will send a copy of the complaint to the accused member by a method that will assure delivery, together with a notice of the hearing. The notice will advise the accused member that he may appear and present witnesses in his defense.

Section 2. Panel Hearing.

The panel may decide that counsel may represent the parties. At the hearing, the complaining member first, and then the accused member may present evidence, including witness testimony, regarding the conduct in question. Should the panel find that the alleged misconduct are prejudicial to the best interests of the Society, it may, by a majority vote of those members present, depending on the nature and severity of the misconduct, issue a reprimand to the subject member or suspend the subject member from all privileges of the Society for not more than six months from the date of the hearing. If the panel considers such a reprimand or suspension to be an insufficient sanction, it may also recommend to the membership that the subject member be expelled from the Society. In such case, the suspension does not restrict the suspended member's right to appear at the BOM meeting in which panel's recommendation is considered. Immediately after the panel has reached a decision, the secretary will put the panel's findings in written form. If either or both the complaining member or the accused member were not present at the hearing, the secretary will notify the absent member or members of the action that the panel has taken on the matter. The panel should meet within the district of the compatriot being investigated.

Section 3. Expulsion.

Expulsion of a member from the Society may be accomplished only by the members of

the BOM at a BOM meeting following the hearing of the adjudication panel and upon the panel's recommendation as provided for in § 2 of this article. Such proceedings may occur at a regular or special Board of Managers meeting held within 60 days but not earlier than 30 days after the date of the panel's recommendation to expel. The subject member may appear on his own behalf, though the presentation of evidence is not permitted at this meeting. The president will read the charges and the panel's findings and recommendation and invite the subject member, if present, to speak on his own behalf. The members present at the meeting will then vote on the proposed expulsion by secret ballot. The vote to expel of three quarters of the members present and voting at the meeting is necessary for expulsion. If the members vote not to expel, the suspension will stand.

# Article XI. CODE OF CONDUCT AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 1. The Society will maintain a Code of Conduct and a Conflict of Interest policy. The Executive Board will develop and review on a continuing basis these policies to ensure compliance with applicable law and regulations.
- 2. Members of the Executive Board and the Finance and Budget, Financial Review, Investment and George Washington Endowment Foundation committees will execute a statement of agreement to comply with the Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest policies annually.

## Article XII. DISSOLUTION

The Society may be dissolved at any time by written consent of not less than three quarters of the members who are in good standing, as prescribed in Art. I § 7. In the event of the dissolution of the Society, other than for purposes of reorganization, whether voluntary, involuntary or by operation of law, none of the property of the Society nor any proceeds from the sale of such property nor any other assets of the Society will be distributed to any members of the State Society, but after payment of the debts of the Society, its property and assets will be transferred to the National Society.

## Medals & Awards

During 2015 NCSSAR Annual Convention April 18, 2015

#### YOUTH AWARDS LUNCHEON

Arthur E. King Eagle Scout Scholarship (sponsor – Old North State Chapter) Brandon Lawrence - Troop 605, Henderson

## Outstanding JROTC Cadet

(sponsor – le Marquis de Lafayette Chapter) A'Lexus Lee - Seventy-First High AFJROTC, Fayetteville



George M. & Stella Knight Essay Contest (sponsor – Raleigh Chapter) Brianna Bulgarino - Enloe High School, Raleigh

Joseph Rumbaugh Oration Contest John Philbeck - Broughton High Sch., Raleigh

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS**

EMS Commendation Medal

Duke Life Flight, Burlington - Brian Marshall, Director

Law Enforcement Commendation

Trooper Kenneth R. Burroughs - NC Highway Patrol, Asheboro Trooper Anthony R. McLain - NC Hwy. Patrol, Alexander Co.

#### **EVENING BANQUET**

Ladies Awards Martha Washington Medal

Lisa Cook - 2nd VP, Ladies Auxiliary

Martha Washington (Oak Leaf Cluster)

Judy Pittard - 1st VP, Ladies Auxiliary Jo Thornhill - Secretary, Ladies Aux. Diane Van Tassel - Treasurer, Ladies Aux.

Silver SAR C.A.R. Medal of Appreciation

Presented to Miss Alexandria Swaim (presented by Ken Wilson at N.C.S.C.A.R. State Convention on March 21, 2015)

Daughter of Liberty Medal

Helen Maxson - President, Ladies Aux. Janet W. Wilson - Service to SAR Peggy C. Troxell - Regent, NCSDAR (Tim Berly to present at NCSDAR Annual Meeting Banquet on May 2)

#### **GUEST AWARDS**

Certificate of Appreciation

Bradford Academy Choral Ensemble

Silver Good Citizenship Medal

Capt. William A. "Bill" Robinson, USAF (Ret.) - (Evening speaker - Certificate and Medal mounted on presentation plaque)

A Wounded Warrior Coin and Certificate was also presented to Bill Robinson

#### **COMPATRIOT AWARDS**

Certificates of Appreciation (to State Officers)

Steve Avent, Registrar Jim Becker, Historian Tim Berly, Senior Vice President Jim Cook, Mountains Dist. VP Gary Green, Secretary Bill Holt, Development Officer Frank Horton, Genealogist Jay Joyce, Webmaster David Kilby, Foothills Dist. VP David Mann, Southeast Dist. VP

Steve Pittard, Executive Committee Sam Powell, Executive Committee Glenn Sappie, National Trustee John Sullivan, Piedmont Dist. VP George Strunk, Northeast District Kurt Van Tassel, Treasurer Clark Wiser, Chaplain Jim Wood, Ált. National Trustee

#### **Bronze Color Guard Medal**

Iim Cook Grady Hall David Kilby John Misenheimer

Silver Color Guard Medal

Gary Green Dan Hopping

Patriot Grave Marking Medal

David Kilby

Patriot Grave Marking (Oak Leaf Cluster)

Ken Luckey George Strunk

Bronze Good Citizenship Medal

Dave Allen - Battle of Kings Mountain Chapter, Work with Community Doyle Campbell - Developing Battle of Kings Mountain Chapter, Work with Community/Veterans groups Bill McEntire - Work with Veterans Groups

#### Silver Good Citizenship Medal

Gary Green - Numerous SAR activities - Sec., Americanism & work with community, JROTC

Jay Joyce - Numerous SAR activities · Chapter Pres. (Meck.), Webmaster, work with Community Dinner event & Community Services groups

Silver Roger Sherman Medal

Fred Learned - Revitalization of Bethabara Chapter

Ken Luckey - Western NC Color Guard

Jay Joyce - Photographer for NCSSAR events

Tom Long - Revitalize Silas McDowell Chapter & Multiple Grave markings John Ruble - Revitalize Silas McDowell Chapter & Multiple Grave Markings George Strunk - Eastern NC Color Guard Adjutant

Silver Roger Sherman (Oak Leaf Clusters)

Gary Green - NCSSAR Color Guard Com-

Grady Hall - Work to establish Chapter in Morganton & work with Veterans Groups

State Meritorious Service Medal

George Strunk - Pres., Gen. George Washington Chapter, VP - NE Dist., Eastern NC CG Adj., JROTC Medals Chair

#### Patriot Medal

Rev. Dr. A. Clark Wiser - Longtime NCS-SAR Chaplain, support for Grave marking ceremonies across NC, National service - Trustee & Natl. Chaplain General, good

counsel to NCSSAR members & work on multiple committees

OLD NORTH

STATE

State Distinguished Service Medal

Rev. Dr. A. Clark Wiser - Dedicated service to NCSSAR (previously noted)

#### STREAMER AWARDS (CHAPTERS)

Flag Certificate Presentations (10 or more)

Battle of Kings Mountain Halifax Resolves Lower Cape Fear Salisbury

Chapter Scrap Book

First Place - Salisbury Second Place - Halifax Resolves

Electronic Scrap Book

First Place - Halifax Resolves Second Place - Gen. George Washington

#### Chapter Membership Growth Award

(New members in 2014) Large Chapter - Battle of Kings Mountain

Small Chapter - Captain George Dickey (9)

Chapter Retention Award

 $(95+\% \ of \ membership - 2014 \ to \ 2105)$ Alamance Battleground Lower Cape Fear Lt. Col. John Phifer New Bern Salisbury Yadkin Valley

### Chapter Americanism Award

(Highest scoring NCSSAR Chapters in National Society's Americanism competition)

Large Chapter

First Place - Mecklenburg Honorable Mention - Lower Cape Fear

Small Chapter

First Place - Halifax Resolves Honorable Mention - Gen. George Washington

#### Presidential Award

(Highest scoring NCSSAR Chapters in the President General's Cup competition)

Large Chapter

First Place - le Marquis de Lafayette Honorable Mention - Alamance Battleground

Small Chapter

First Place - Gen. George Washington Honorable Mention - Halifax Resolves

#### Chapter Achievement - Thomas "Nat" Clark Award

(NCSSAR's highest award for Chapter activities reported for 2014)

Large Chapter

First Place - Alamance Battleground Honorable Mention - Lower Cape Fear



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Small Chapter

First Place - Halifax Resolves Honorable Mention - Gen. George Washington

#### ANNUAL CONVENTION AWARDS

#### Certificate of Achievement

Rev. Duncan Jones - Acting Chaplain for Convention Wendell Small - Assistance with Memorial Service

#### Certificate of Achievement

(organization of the Annual Meeting) Chris Cox - Alamance Battleground Dr. Sam Powell, PhD - Alamance Battleground

Convention Host Streamer Alamance Battleground

Certificate of Appreciation & Outstanding Citizenship Pin

Lucy Wallace & Sales Team - Ramada Inn Flag Certificate - Ramada Inn, Burlington

**Outgoing President** Certificate/Service Pin Ken Wilson, State President (2014-15)

## South Atlantic District Annual Meeting

### Held after the State Society Meeting



Mark Anthony

The South Atlantic District held it's Annual Meeting immediately following the State Society's Annual Meeting. Usually held at the Vice President General's home Society Annual Meeting, which should have been in South Car-Vice President General olina, but largely due to the lateness of their sched-

uled meeting, the business of the District had to be handled earlier than that. So Vice President General Mark Anthony attended our Convention with the express purpose of conducting the business of the District, primarily for the District to vote to approve the Georgia Society's nominated candidate for Vice President General, Dr. Edward Rigel, Sr. VPG Anthony first gave his report, which was followed by Society Reports by

State Presidents or their representatives. Some business was discussed, including progress on the District Medal design, before voting took place for the new VPG. Dr. Rigel was approved unanimously. That action concluded the District's meeting.



Dr. Edward Rigel, Sr. Incoming S.A.D. VPG



State President Kenith Wilson (center) converses with SC Society State President Dan Woodruff (left) and Guest Speaker Bill Robinson (right), and their spouses during his Reception Friday night.

Jim Wood speaks on GWEF



Sam Powell discusses CAAH



Gary Green gives seminar

## State Convention Recap

Provided by the Old North State Editor

The North Carolina Society held it's Annual Convention on April 17-19, 2015 at the Ramada Inn in Burlington. Friday afternoon a President's Reception was held in the hotel where many arriving compatriots socialized with the President, congratulating him on a productive year. Announcements were made about the schedule for Saturday activities. A little later we withdrew to the Cutting Board Restaurant next door for an excellent time.

Saturday morning's breakfast was complimentary, and discussion was provided by Past State President Jim Wood on the George Washington Endowment Fund and how to become a George Washington Fellow. Following Jim, Past State President Sam Powell, currently President of the SAR Foundation at National, shared with us where we stand with the CAAH project, and the need for all of us to become SAR 1000 members.

Following breakfast, compatriots gathered for a very interesting seminar on annual reconciliations by State Secretary Gary Green. He proposed we use a form that is consistent with the National Reconciliation form that will calculate National and State dues simply by inserting data for chapter gains and losses. He recommends we transition to this format this year and eliminate the current NC Form 100. The form will be e-mailed to both the State Secretary and the State Treasurer, plus a hard copy of the Cover Sheet sent to the State Treasurer with a check for the dues. In this manner, two state officers would have all of the information necessary to confirm chapter input and prepare the State Report.

Why was this action deemed necessary? From 26 chapters, 25 different methods were used to submit chapter information. Only one chapter used a form that was similar to the National Reconciliation form. Many chapters used the handbook guidelines and made good attempts, but none were consistent. Others made their own excel sheets, which required some effort to extract the data for National.

Discussion revealed that a new form may at first be as confusing as the present method. To combat this, the first and best solution is training for every chapter. Second, up-to-date forms that include the

current chapter roster have been sent to each Chapter President, Secretary and Treasurer, if known. Finally, the District VPs must become knowledgeable in using the new Reconciliation form, in order to work with the chapters to improve timeliness and accuracy of reports. Let's put reconciliation woes to bed!

The Youth Luncheon provided for some good feedback as to our efforts in the schools

and other youth-oriented activities, as well as the need to thank our community service personnel.

A number of youth participated in our SAR programs through the efforts of our committee chairs and compatriots from across the state, who consider engaging the youth to be the most important activity in which we can involve ourselves. The awards list posted elsewhere in this newsletter covers all the individuals who were recognized, or that won medals and scholarships for their excellent submissions or presentations. Please look through that list to see the efforts we as a society go through to help students and others discover their heritage through patriotism and Eagle Scout Brandon Lawrence is recognized



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## State Convention Recap Continued

education. Our commitment to our public servants should be no less engaged. There are plenty of opportunites for us recognize their dedication to our communities. During the luncheon we had just such an opportunity and recognized remarkable courage and steadfast loyalty in police, fire and EMS personnel who generally are overlooked and under appreciated. We really enjoy focusing on these individuals in this respectful way.

After the luncheon, we held our annual business meeting, where we deliberated and discussed proposed actions and important matters for the health of the society. The minutes beginning on page three are concise and thorough, covering all of our decisions and efforts. We elected our new officers as nominated, congratulating them on their commitment.

The evening Awards Banquet allowed us to recognize the work of our fellow compatriots and the chapters of the society, but before we got there, dignitaries brought greetings, a fine meal was served and a wonderful performance by a children's choir graced our ears. The speaker of the hour was Bill Robinson, the longest held POW of record. His ordeal brought home the importance of our dearly held freedoms that so many Americans take for granted. It was a moving message, delivered passionately, with a challenge to champion freedom, to defend it with all our might, because the alternative is too uncomfortable to imagine.

The evening continued with many awards to compatriots, chapters, ladies and our guests. Following the awards, we had Vice President General Anthony install our new officers, charging them with their duties. He also presided over the changing of the guard, as it were, by passing on the flag of the State President to its next charge.

Once again, we ended our time together by retiring the colors, reciting our historic recessional, and the benediction. Sunday morning we had breakfast on our on at the hotel and wished others with us well until our next meeting.

## CHAPTER NEWS -



Left to right: State President Ken Wilson, SARF President Sam Powell, Otway Burns NSDAR Regent Linda Phelps (Guest Speaker), and Randy Steele, Organizing President.

## Proposed Crystal Coast

Randy D. Steele, Ed.D, Past President NCSSAR and Past National Trustee NSSAR

A meeting of the proposed Crystal Coast Chapter was held in Morehead City on April 8th. NC Society, SAR Past President Dr. Randy Steele is the organizing president and was the host for this meeting held at the Golden Corral. The guest speaker was Ms. Linda Phelps, Regent of the Otway Burns Chapter NSDAR.

On behalf of our proposed chapter, my appreciations for your attendance and participation. Special thanks to Regent Phelps for being the guest speaker. I look forward to our two respective chapters participating in joint

President Ken Wilson and Sam Powell have shown us very strong support from NC Society, SAR, more than anyone could have expected. Best wishes to them for a great State Convention and Halifax Celebration. Family responsibilities prohibit my participation this year.

## General George Washington

28 June 2015 - The General George Washington Chapter's President, George Strunk, attended the 125th Congress this year and participated in five different Color Guard activities throughout the five days of the gathering. Thanks, George, for your commitment to the cause!



George Strunk (2nd from right), Chapter President, carried the Maine state flag in the Memorial Service procession at the National Congress. President General Lindsey Brock and Color Guard Commander Michael Radcliff inspect the Color Guard before the procession to the church.

## Halifax Resolves

## Ace Hardware of Lake Gaston Receives SAR Award

31 March 2015 - Halifax Resolves Chapter Sons of the American Revolution VP R.J. Myrick recently awarded the SAR Flag Certificate to Ace Hardware of Lake Gaston for their display of the American flag. This award is presented to individuals, organizations and companies who correctly display the American flag for patriotic purposes. Mr. Bill Owens accepted the award on behalf of Ace Hardware.

## Halifax Academy Student Wins SAR Brochure Contest

25 March 2015 - Halifax Academy 8th grade





VP RJ Myrick and (l) Ace Hardware's Bill Owens (r)

student Colton Copeland won the chapter level Americanism Brochure contest sponsored by the Halifax Resolves Chapter NC-SSAR. The subject of the brochure was required to be one of the founding documents such as the Declaration of Independence or the Constitution. Colton selected the Bill of Rights and produced an excellent brochure supporting this historic document. NCSSAR President Ken Wilson was on hand to award Colton a Chapter Level Winner's Certificate and a check for \$100.00. The entry will now be sent to the state level competition to be held at the Patriots' Day Commemoration on May 16th. Eighth grade history teacher Tracey Lynch received an SAR Certificate of Appreciation and a check for \$50.00 for her assistance in the contest and having the winning entry being produced in her class.



Colton Copeland, Tracey Lynch, Ken Wilson

## Roanoke Rapids Police Detective Wins Awards

09 April 2015 - NCSSAR President Ken Wilson, representing the Halifax Resolves Chapter, awarded the Sons of the American Revolution Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Detective Jeffery K. Davis of the Roanoke Rapids Police Department. This once in a lifetime award was presented at the Roanoke Rapids City Council meeting and was given "in recognition of outstanding achievement and dedication to the



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maintenance of law and order." The award was made on the recommendations of RRPD Chief Chuck Hasty and Assist. Chief Andy Jackson.



(L-R) NCSSAR Pres. Ken Wilson, Det. Jeff Davis

## Roanoke-Wildwood VFD Awarded Flag Certificate

9 April 2015 - Butch Garrett recently accepted an SAR Flag certificate that was awarded to the Roanoke-Wildwood VFD. Halifax Resolves Chapter VP R. J. Myrick presented the certificate on behalf of the chapter. This certificate is awarded to individuals, organizations and businesses who correctly display the American flag for patriotic purposes.



## Cornerstone Christian School Student Wins SAR Poster Contest

25 March 2015 - Cornerstone Christian School 5th grade student Ella King has won the SAR Americanism Poster chapter level contest sponsored by the Halifax Resolves



Ken Wilson & Ella King

Chapter. Students were given a choice of two subjects; the Battles of Lexington and Concord or George Rogers Clark. Ella's winning poster covered the former. President Ken Wilson awarded Ella a chapter level Winners Certificate and a check for \$100. Her poster was entered in the state contest conducted at the Patriots' Day Commemoration ceremony on May 16th. Ella's teacher, Renee Walker (not shown) received an SAR Certificate of Appreciation and a Check for \$50 recognizing her support of the program and having produced the winning poster from her class.

## Halifax County Sheriff's Dept. Detective Receives Award

9 April 2015 - During the April Halifax County Commissioners meeting NCSSAR President Ken Wilson presented the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Detective Joseph Sealey "in recognition of his outstanding achievement and dedication to the maintenance of law and order." Wilson, who was representing the Halifax Resolves Chapter, went on to state that the award was presented on the recommendations of Halifax County Sheriff Wes Tripp and Chief Deputy Bruce Temple. This award can only be presented once to any individual.



(L-R) Halifax County Sheriff Wes Tripp, Det. Sealey, Ken Wilson

## Battle of Kings Mountain Dual Grave Marking Held

Jay Joyce, President, Mecklenburg Chapter

A Dual Patriot Grave Marking ceremony was held on Saturday, June 13, 2015, for Patriots Samuel Espey and James Tanner Henry at Long Creek Presbyterian Church Cemetery in Kings Mountain, NC. This event was sponsored by the Battle of Kings Mountain Chapter.



Color Guard is in position for proper presentation of National, State and Historic flags during ceremony for Patriots Samuel Espey and James Tanner Henry.

## Lower Cape Fear

## Trask Middle School Student Earns Award for Brochure

Seventh grade students in Mr. Chad Goins Social Studies class at Emma B. Trask Middle School participated in The Sgt. Moses Adams Memorial Middle School Brochure Contest sponsored by the Lower Cape Fear Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR). Dr. Charles A. Lewis, Chapter Ppresident, presented a check for \$150 to the chapter winner, Jacob Gaskins and \$100 to his teacher, Mr. Chad Goins.

Lt Col Gary O. Green, Senior Vice President of the North Carolina Society SAR presented an additional check for \$150 to Jacob and an additional \$100 to Mr. Goins as the second place winner and supporting teacher in the state-wide competition.



Dr. Charles A. Lewis, Jacob Gaskins, Mr. Chad Goins, Lt Col Gary O. Green



Dr. Charles Lewis, President of the Lower Cape Fear Chapter, presents Judy Caison, Regent of the Stamp Defiance Chapter NSDAR, a Martha Washington Medal and Certificate for her efforts in assisting the chapter.

## Regent Judy Caison Recognized

Judy Caison, Regent of Stamp Defiance Chapter receives the Martha Washington Medal from LCFC President Dr. Charles Lewis at the July 4th celebration of the chapter. Regent Caison was instrumental in the continued relationship between the LCFC and DAR Chapters in our area. LCFC is expanding and deepening the close relationships with a number of our local "sisters" in DAR. We have numerous projects with our neighboring Rockfish DAR Chapter and have a series of events planned with our close DAR members.

We congratulate individual SAR Chapters and the NCSSAR in general in our recent Patriot Biographies project.
Regards, Bill Holt

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## le Marquis de Lafayette



## Annual Flag Retirement Held

by Bob Ervin, Chapter President

Thanks to everyone who made this ceremony a great success. Past President Wendell Small did a great job of getting every thing organized and Bob Edmundson and crew handled the ceremonial drum professionally. A great team effort.

We had 12 of our SAR members in attendance: Bob Ervin, wreath presenter in continental uniform; Steve Pittard, in continental uniform; David Mann, in militia uniform; Dan Jutson, in militia uniform; Wendell Small, in blazer; Mike Aycock, in civies; Bob Edmundson, in militia uniform; Waverley McLeod, in civies; Bruce Daws, in uniform; Paul Monroe, in uniform; Richard Bishop, blazer; Zachary James Thompson, in civies.

There were five members from the Liberty Point DAR Chapter: Eleanore Getz, Regent; Susan Daniels, Mary Ann Peoples, Nancy Olson, Janelle Sanchez

One member from the Robert Rowan DAR Chapter: Cathy Bullard, Regent

Ten members from the FILI: Link Campbell, Mark Shields, Doug Elwell, Hosea Ray, Et alia

Twenty-five or more cub, boy, and venture crew scouts from Troop #598 and their leaders from Wendell Small's Church, Gardner's United Methodist on Rosehill Road.

My count would be 60 to 75 persons present.

## JROTC Awards

On the Dining In Awards Night on 8 May at the FBCCC, Wendell Small, Past Chapter President, presented a JROTC Medal to Cadet Alijah Jordan and a Bronze Good Citizenship Medal for Second Runner Up in our Chapter's Outstanding JROTC Competition to Cadet MAJ Casey Capehart.



Cadet MAJ Casey Capehart was chapter's Second Runner Up for Outstanding JROTC Cadet.

## Member Promoted to 2/LT

by Richard D. Bishop, Major U.S. Army (Ret)



Zachary Alan Burnette was advanced from youth to full member of the SAR, inducted by me when he turned 18. He is also a George Washington Fellow. His date of Commissioning as a 2/LT USAF was on 16 April 2015, where I served as the officer who swore him in. I also awarded him the SAR Military Service Medal.

## Mecklenburg

## Revolutionary War Patriot and 10th North Carolina Governor, William R. Davie, Honored with Wreath Laying Ceremony

by Jay Joyce, President

March 31, 2015 – Revolutionary War hero and tenth North Carolina Governor William R. Davie was honored with a formal wreath laying ceremony held on Saturday, March 28, 2015, at William R. Davie Park in Charlotte.

"Patriot Davie was a military officer in the Revolutionary War, the tenth Governor of North Carolina, and Father of the University of North Carolina," said Jay Joyce, president, Mecklenburg chapter.

"As British General Charles, Lord Cornwallis, invaded North Carolina in the fall of 1780, Davie and his cavalry slowed their advance until the British Army stopped in Charlotte and retreated back into South Carolina. He was then appointed Commissary General for the American forces by General Greene."

The ceremony featured speeches by William R. Davie and Captain "James" Jack, portrayed by local historians Jim Williams and Tony Zeiss. Local, state and national officers from the Sons of the American Revolution, as well as Mecklenburg and Charlotte city officials, were in attendance to deliver remarks from their organizations.

"We had a large attendance of SAR and DAR chapters from across North Carolina," added Joyce. "This was a new ceremony and we believe that members from both organizations were interested in learning more about Patriot Davie and his accomplishments toward our country's independence."

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William R. Davie, portrayed by local Mecklenburg bistorian and author James Williams, on left, and Captain "James" Jack, portrayed by Mecklenburg SAR chapter member Tony Zeiss, on right, share the Declaration of Independence with student Cassidy Zollinger following the ceremony.

## Nathanael Greene

## Revolutionary War Patriot

The Nathanael Greene Chapter presented a \$2,000 check to the Guilford Battleground Company to assist the Guilford Courthouse National Military Park in renovation of the Colonial Heritage Center. The Battleground Company announced a \$500,000 campaign to make the Colonial Heritage Center more "kid friendly." Updated exhibits with video technology will be a major part of the renovation.

Any SAR Chapter wishing to contribute should contact the Guilford Battleground Company or Guilford Courthouse National Military Park at 336 288-1776.



(left to right) Ed Deaton, President of the Guilford Battleground Company, and Charles Cranfield Superintendent of Guilford Courthouse National Military Park, receive check from Don Saunders, Past President of the Nathanael Greene Chapter.

## HISTORIC SITES AND CELEBRATIONS

## Halifax Resolves Celebration

14 April 2015 - The Halifax Resolves Chapter SAR held a ceremony celebrating the adoption of the Halifax Resolves by the Provincial Congress on April 12th, 1776 in Halifax, NC. This was the first document that approved calling for independence from Great Britain and laid out a path to freedom with the following quote: "Resolved that the delegates for this Colony in the Continental Congress be impowered to concur with the other delegates of the other Colonies in declaring Independency, and forming foreign Alliances, resolving to this Colony the Sole, and Exclusive right of forming a Constitution and Laws for this Colony, and of appointing delegates from time to time (under the direction of a general Representation thereof) to meet the delegates of the other Colonies for such purposes as shall be hereafter pointed out." (The Halifax Resolves – April 12th, 1776). This document was unanimously approved by the Continental Congress meeting in Philadelphia on May 15th, 1776 setting forth the groundwork for the Declaration of Independence on July 4th 1776.

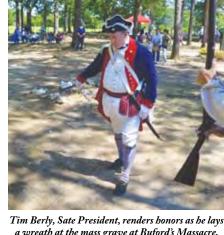
Halifax Resolves Pres. Geoff Pittard was the Master of Ceremonies. Rev. Duncan Jones, Halifax Resolves Chaplain gave the Invocation and Benediction. The Colors were posted by the combined State Color Guard under leadership of Gary Green. Greetings were brought by State President Ken Wilson, NCSCAR Sr. Pres. Carolyn Coordes NCSCAR President-elect Camille Edwards and NCSDAR Historian Karen Powell. The Halifax Resolves were read by Past South Atlantic District VPG Steve Pittard. SARF



Participants in Halifax Resolves Ceremony

President Sam Powell was the keynote speaker who emphasized the significance of the Halifax Resolves in founding this nation.

Wreathes were presented by State President Ken Wilson, SAR Foundation President Sam Powell, District 1 VP George Strunk, Alamance Battleground Comp. John Martin, Gen. George Washington VP Ron Jones, Halifax Resolves Pres. Geoff Pittard, Lower Cape Fear Pres. Charles Lewis, and le Marquis de Lafayette Past Pres. Steve Pittard. Virginia SAR was represented by Dan River Pres. Bernard Baker, Jr. and Thomas Nelson, Jr. Pres. Bruce Meyer. The NCSDAR was represented by State Historian Karen Powell, Elizabeth Montfort Ashe Vice Regent Cindy Bordeaux and Warren Vice Regent Carolyn Scarborough. The NCSCAR representatives were State Sr. Pres. Carolyn Coordes and President-elect Miss Camille Edwards. The Ladies Auxiliary was represented by Jo Thornhill. Edwin Haynes Gregory American Legion Post member Tony Brown represented the post.



Earlier in the day, the chapter joined the

Edwin Haynes Gregory American Legion

Post 98 in conducting a flag retirement in

which 62 flags were retired with honor and

the ashes buried in an unmarked grave.

a wreath at the mass grave at Buford's Massacre.

## The 235th Anniversary of Buford's Massacre

Saturday, May 23, 2015 - The North Carolina Society SAR remembered the terrible tragedy of Tarleton's Quarter in Lancaster, SC on the site of the Battle of the Waxhaws, an historic site near Buford's Crossroads. Each year since 2005 this event has been commemorated and has increasingly grown in purpose. Held over the Memorial Day weekend, it brings additional significance to an already reverent day.

Sponsored by the South Carolina Society, and heavily supported by the North Carolina Society and its Color Guard, this event is a moving experience.

Tim Berly, State President, represented the Society and presented our wreath. Six NC Chapters were represented, being the bulk of SAR chapters present.

This year two National officers were present - Dr. Sam Powell, SAR Foundation President and fPG David Sympson. The site has recently acquired support from the Friends of Buford's Massacre Battlefield and the Motorcycle Club of Sun City Carolina Lakes who are in the process of preserving the site for future generations of children and adults to enjoy.



Participants gather in front of the monument recognizing the stand taken by a distressed people for justice and equality, for freedom from tyranny.

## Patriots' Day Celebrated

May 16, 2015 - The NCSSAR commemorated Patriots' Day in Alamance County (near Burlington) on the site of the Battle of Alamance, a State Historic Site.

It commemorated both the Battle of Alamance of 1771, a precursor of the Revolution, and three Revolutionary War battles that took place in this area in 1781: Pyle's Defeat, Clapp's Mill, and Lindley's Mill.

Six of the Regulators were hanged in Hillsborough, the county seat and site of the Provincial Assembly; and one, James Pugh, would speak these prophetic words at his execution on June 19, 1771: "Our blood will be as good seed in good ground, that will soon produce one hundred fold." Many of the leaders of Royal Governor Tryon's militia forces, including Richard Caswell, Alexander Lillington, Robert Howe, Griffith Rutherford and John Ashe, would soon turn against the crown and lead Patriot forces in several important battles of the Revolution in the South. – *Tim Berly, State President, North Carolina SAR* 

Nine chapters presented wreaths from three states, and the C.A.R. was represented by senior leadership. Chris Powell was the Master of Ceremonies, and announced the wreaths. President Berly presented several awards while on site.



Dr. Charles Lewis, President, Lower Cape Fear, renders honors at Patriots' Day Ceremony.

## On Becoming Educated

Dr. Charles Lewis, President, Lower Cape Fear

Let's reflect on Past President Ken Wilson's message in the March 2015 Newsletter. There are several ways for our membership to become educated about the Society and its objectives and programs. District meetings are certainly one sure method of accomplishing the objective. The printed word is another reliable effort. But let's consider an additional possibility.

What do the following events have in common as far as membership education is concerned: The 239th Anniversary of the Battle of Moores Creek Bridge; The 234th Anniversary of the Battle of Guilford Courthouse, the 239th Anniversary of the Signing of the Halifax Resolves, the 87th Annual Meeting of the NCSSAR, and the 19th Annual Patriots' Day Celebration at the Alamance Battleground State Park?

As I participated in these events my horizons of awareness were both challenged and expanded. Yes, I was experiencing first hand, living exposure to rich educational experiences!

First, the sites themselves took on added historic value. At Halifax, for example, Vice President Green commented that it took us over two hours to drive from Wilmington to the site. Cornelius Harnett, a Wilmington delegate, probably traveled for days to participate over two hundred years ago in the event that led to the Declaration of Independence. To stand on hallowed ground brings history to "life."

Secondly, attendance at such events enables one to interact with NCSSAR leaders, members, and the general public in attendance. Names become "real people."

Thirdly, the visual impact of an event-colonial dress, programs, keyuote speakers, and the general public - provides membership motivation and increased membership focus.

Finally, for members both recent and long-term, one cannot escape the reality of a penetrating question: why haven't I attended these educational events before, especially ones that are conveniently scheduled?

Question: What future event(s) will you attend and who will you invite to accompany you?

	Member	ship Upda	ate (March 20,	2015 - June	5, 2015) Continued from	Page 2
SAR#	First	Middle	Last	NC#	Chapter	City
Reinstaten	nents continued					
175758	Jacob	Corley	Jackson	3226	Old North State	Tryon
175759	Noah	Elisha	Jackson	3227	Old North State	Tryon
175760	Seth	Alan	Jackson	3228	Old North State	Tryon
183797	Richard	Sutton	White	3573	Old North State	Colerain
186607	Jonathon	Lund	Warren, Jr.	3695	Le Marquise de Lafayette	Fayetteville
187090	Ronald	Preston	Bragunier	3711	Outer Banks	Duck
189865	Timothy	Paul	Tompkins	3876	Le Marquise de Lafayette	Fayetteville
191086	Alexander	Brown	Douglas, III	3924	Outer Banks	Manteo
184271	William	Lee	Millard	3598	General Francis Nash	Durham
187971	Brian	Eugene	Benton	3576	Raleigh	Wake Forest
182161	David	Brian	Ewing	3516	Raleigh	Raleigh
149266	Thomas	Allen	Higdon	2277	Blue Ridge	Candler
Transfer Ir	1					
147504	Michael	Devane	Barron	2305	Lower Cape Fear	Wilmington
125281	George	Coleman	Garrett, Jr.	4019	Western Waters	Waynesville
181963	Joseph	Edward	Darin	4030	Mecklenburg	Huntersville
151924	Charles	Daniel	Boone	4038	Lower Cape Fear	Leland
182116	Ted	D.	Spring	4047	Lower Cape Fear	Wilmington
Deceased						
160093	Francis	Edward	Price	2658	Mecklenburg	Wilmington
108224	Ju	Curtis	Spencer	4012(M)	Old North State	Gastonia
121082	Fisher	Furman	Bickerstaff	2071	Blue Ridge	Sylva
179004	Ralph	McNeely	Herring	3418	Salisbury	Mooresville
130873	William	Henry	Chance, Jr.	2429	Bethabara	Winston Salem
Transfer O	ut					
SAR#	First	Middle	Last	NC#	Gaining Society	City
185598	Guy	Moore	Higgins	3647	To South Carolina	Farmville
177935	Charles	Franklin	Green	3908	To South Dakota	Milbank
Supplemer	ntals					
SAR#	First	Middle	Last	ACN#	Chapter	Patriot
170667	James	Guilford	Brumit	63085	Lower Cape Fear	William Isbell
170667	James	Guilford	Brumit	63087	Lower Cape Fear	William Ellis
170667	James	Guilford	Brumit	63086	Lower Cape Fear	Stephen Mayo
180508	Bobby	Jay	Ervin	63088	Le Marquis de Lafayette	John Stirewalt
188612	Porter	Patrick	Conerly	63083	General Francis Nash	John Regan
188835	Melvin	Leroy	Heritage	63084	Lower Cape Fear	Elijah Blackman
Duals						
SAR#	First	Middle	Last	NC#	Primary / Dual Chapter	City
132601	Fred		Hooper	4028(D)	Florida / Silas McDowell	Sylva

#### North Carolina SAR 2015 Summer Board of Managers (BOM) Meeting Saturday, August 22, 2015 11 AM to 3 PM

North Carolina State University Club, 4200 Hillsborough St, Raleigh, NC 27606

\$26.00 per person for buffet lunch. Make check payable to: Raleigh Chapter SAR

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Chapter and Committee Reports should be e-mailed by 15 August 2015 to:

George Strunk at NCSecretary@gmail.com and Steve Pittard at gpworth123@nc.rr.com

Agenda items should be e-mailed to: **Tim Berly** at tberly@carolina.rr.com

Ladies Auxiliary will meet elsewhere at the University Club and join SAR members for lunch.



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2007 Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr. Award - <u>Honorable Mention</u> (State Newsletter over ten pages/500+ members)
2009 Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr. Award - <u>Second Place</u> (State Newsletter over ten pages/500+ members)
2010 Paul M. Niebell Award - <u>First Place</u> (State Newsletter up to ten pages/500+ members)
2011 Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr. Award - <u>First Place</u> (State Newsletter over ten pages/500+ members)

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#### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

July 18 - The Colson's Mill Chapter invites you to attend the 235th Anniversary of the Battle of Colson's Mill. 11 a.m. Norwood Community Center, 247 Turner Court, Norwood. Contact Daniel Burleson at dbnut8@yahoo.com.

July 22 - The Mecklenburg Chapter's Summer Social Lunches continue! Join us for a purely social lunch. 11:30 a.m. Dilworth Neighborhood Grille, 911 E. Morehead Street, Charlotte. You order from the menu and pay. Come get social with us! Send your RSVP to Jay Joyce at jay@mecklenburgsar.org.

July 25 - The Mecklenburg Chapter is sponsoring a Compatriot Grave Marking ceremony for longtime chapter member COL Charles Crain. 10 a.m. Sharon Memorial Park, 5716 Monroe Rd., Charlotte. We will be unveiling Compatriot Crain's SAR marker in a formal ceremony for this beloved, respected and admired friend and veteran of several wars. Contact Dave Alls at David.A.Alls@gmail.com or Ken Luckey at kluckey83@bellsouth.net.

August 1 - The le Marquis de Lafayette Chapter is sponsoring the Second Annual House in the Horse-shoe Commemoration. 10 a.m. House in the Horseshoe State Historic Site, 288 Alston House Rd., Sanford. A battle re-enactment occurs later in the day. Contact Bob Ervin at bervin001@nc.rr.com.

August 15 - The Battle of Kings Mountain Chapter is sponsoring the 240th Anniversary of the Signing of the Tryon Resolves. 10 a.m. Tryonota Volunteer Fire Department, 2577 Tryon Courthouse Road, Bessemer City. Contact Doyle Campbell at doylecampbell@carolina.rr.com.

August 15 - The South Carolina Society SAR invites you to attend the 235th Anniversary of the Battle of Camden, five miles north of Camden, SC, off HWY 521. Look online as the event date gets closer.

August 19 - The Mecklenburg Chapter's Summer Social Lunches end today! Join us for a purely social lunch. 11:30 a.m. Dilworth Neighborhood Grille, 911 E. Morehead Street, Charlotte. You order from the menu and pay. Come get social with us! Send your RSVP to Jay Joyce at jay@mecklenburgsar.org.

August 22 - The NCSSAR Board of Managers Summer Meeting. 11 a.m. University Club, NCSU, Raleigh. (See form on Page 11 or go online to reserve)

**September 19** - **The Annual Gathering at Sycamore Shoals** in Elizabethton, TN. Look online for details as the date gets closer.

The next issue will have coverage on the 125th Congress and the upcoming Summer BOM Meeting. While there is much to share on these two events, it is important to inform our membership that the National Society voted to raise national dues by \$5 beginning this January 2016. Please make a note of it as we renew our memberships for the coming year.