

# The Bulletin



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## 2025 Summer Council Newsletter

### MESSAGE FROM THE COUNCIL OF STATE PRESIDENTS

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Compatriots,

My state presidency officially ended on May third. It is hard to believe the year has gone so fast. It has been an incredibly rewarding year for me as I traveled across the state representing the Pennsylvania Society and promoting our common goals of patriotism, education, service and inspiring future generations about the founding principles of our Country.

Our Chancellor General, Edmon McKinley, honored the Pennsylvania Society with his participation at our Annual Meeting and Installation Banquet. During our meeting he offered a rousing presentation about the George Washington Endowment Fund and the special importance of SAR members becoming George Washington Fellows. We had three PASSAR members pinned at the meeting. I was so inspired that I am planning to become part of the movement and become a George Washington Fellow myself. I have seen first-hand the program in action. During this past year I was able to initiate and follow through the process of securing GW Endowment funds for an important Pennsylvania America 250 project.

The Council of State Presidents Meeting at Congress in Connecticut may be my last meeting as chairman. At the end of the meeting, I may be handing over the gavel to a newly elected chairman. I have enjoyed this year working with secretary, Dr. John Fulwider and assistant secretary, Ed Rigal. Above all, I have been privileged to serve you, the state presidents of this great organization, in providing important information and resources to effectively lead your state societies.

During this past year, I have been contacted by many of you with questions, concerns and comments. Please continue to use the Council of State Presidents as a resource and source of advice. We are here for you!

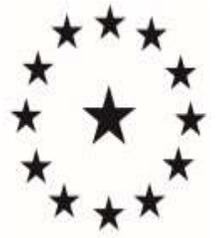
I look forward to seeing you at Congress!  
In Patriotic Service  
Kurt J. Winter, Esq.

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# FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK



Compatriots,

I wish to thank all members of the Council of State Presidents over the past 5 years for allowing me the opportunity to serve as an officer of this distinguished group. This upcoming business meeting we will elect a new Secretary and Assistant Secretary. Those who are interested in these positions should prepare themselves by formulating a 2 minute verbal presentation to be given to those in attendance at the business meeting.

Also, we will be electing Delegates to the Nomination Committee during this meeting. Time will be given for all candidates to introduce themselves to those in attendance. Notice to apply using the proper application must be received by the Assistant Secretary Ed Rigel who will be heading up the election process. That info has been sent via Sharefile.

134th Pennsylvania Convention Photos can be seen and ordered at <https://conventionphotography.com>.

The Fall 2025 Leadership Conference will be at the Galt House in Louisville, KY September 2-4, 2025 early room reservations are encouraged.

Congress Registration and Hotel reservations for the 2025 135th Congress in Connecticut is open. The 135th Congress website is [on the SAR.ORG site](#) and the Volunteer Sign Up is available by clicking on VOLUNTEER. Volunteering at Congress is a wonderful experience and you learn so much from all the people you meet and work with making lifelong friendships.

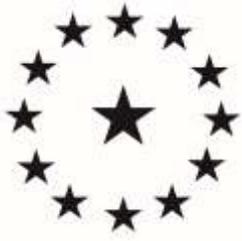
I plan to be at Congress the 12th of July, and volunteer starting July 13, 2025. Volunteering is an adventure, an exciting and memorable time to meet many compatriots and their families. To really feel the events as they happen. A treasure chest of memories that last a lifetime.

[136th Congress in Greensboro, NC](#)

<https://ncssar.org/congress-2026>

SEE YOU AT CONGRESS  
UNCASVILLE, CONNETICUT  
DR. JOHN FULWIDER  
CoSP SECRETARY  
JULY 12-18, 2025





Council of State Presidents  
Business Meeting Minutes

Galt Hotel, Louisville, KY

3-5 pm Daisey Room, West Tower 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Saturday 1 March 2025



Call to order	3pm Chairman	Kurt Winter (PA)
Invocation		Chaplain David Jessel (GA)
Pledge of Allegiance		Ed Rigel (GA)
Pledge to the SAR		Secretary Dr. John Fulwider (MS)
Verification of Quorum		Secretary Dr. John Fulwider (MS)

Call to approve minutes of prior meetings as published by Chairman.

Minutes approved.

Roll Call by Sign in Roster: 96 Members Present

Vice Chairman Dr. Keith Weissinger (WA), Secretary Dr. John Fulwider (MS), Past Chairman 2018-2019 Thomas I. Jackson (TX), Past Vice Chairman 2019-2020 William L. Schwetke (VA), Benny H. Hannah (AL), David Billings (AL), Edmon McKinley (AL), James Griffith (AL), Charles McLemore (AR), Donald Littlefield (CA), John R. Ferris (CA), James Klingler (CA), Hilton Martin (CO), Stephen Taylor (CT), Dave Perkins (CT), Peter Moller (DE), Troy Foxwell (DE), Harry Robert (DE), **James Y. Gaskins (FL), Earl E. “Matt” Mathews (FL), Chris Washler (FL), Dr. David Arthur Ludley (GA), Ed Rigel Jr. (GA), William N. Floyd Jr. (GA), Allen Greenley (GA), Scott Collins (GA), John Brendenfoerder (GE), Mike Campagnolo (IL), Jeffery W. Jones (IN), William Behnke Sr. (IN), Derek Brown (IT), Bryan Wampler (KS), Tim Peterman (KS), Patrick Wesolosky (KY), Steve McCain (KY), Tim Brown (KY), Bill LeJeune (LA), Edgar S. Hoak (MA), James F. Engler Sr. (MD), John Urbach, Jr. (MD), Eugene Moyer (MD), William Enger (MD), Daniel J. Earnshaw (MD), Joseph Williams (MI), David W. VanHoof (MI), Robert Craig (MI), Rick Smith (MN), Walter E. Gene Henry (MO), Steven E. Biggs (MO), Doug Anderson (MO), Ken Lawrence (MO), Brooks Lyles (NC), Jay DeLoach (NC), Gary O. Green (NC), Chris Grimes (NC), Paul Burright (NE), Robert Meyer (NJ), Roger Williams (NJ), Peter Moller (NJ), Robert E. Vance (NM), Kevin Carr (NM), Timothy Rex Hagan (NV), Richard Dalton (NV), David Powell (NY), Steve Kaplan (OH), Kevin Driesbark (OH), Phil Hunt (OK), Henry Baer III (OK), Robie W. Green (OR), Russell Erickson (OR), Kurt Winter (PA), Eric H. Troutman (PA), Robert Sexton (PA), Peter Reinhart (PA), C. G. O. Pittman Jr. (SC), Jim Wyresdick (SC), Dr. David Chaffin (TN), P.Z. Horton (TN), Ben Stonecpher Jr. (TN), Thomas Jackson (TX), Kevin Kanter (TX), Melvin Mel Oller (TX), Dennis Brunson (TX), Tracy Pounders (TX), Michael E. Weyler (VA), William Greaf (VA), Ken L. Bonner (VA), Kevin Mullen (VT), VIREN Lemmer (WA), Perry Taylor (WA), Robert M. Haglund (WI), Jay Dickey (WV), Harold Ted Cox (WV), Mark A. LaFrance (WV), Rhendal C. Butler (WV).**

Officer Reports:

Chairman

Chairman Winter addressed the membership and reminded them of the availability of funds for their society through the GWEF.

### Secretary/Treasurer

Secretary Fulwider spoke on issues that related to District VPGs and how they affect state societies.

### Assistant Secretary/Registrar

Ed Rigel explained the sign-up rosters and how they needed to be reviewed each time a compatriot signs one. The information on them is only as good as what is provided to him every month prior to a CoSP meeting. Whenever there are changes to the President or VP of your society, please email, text or call the Secretary or Assistant Secretary to assure the update is made. To make sure you get credit for attending, write your name and state legibly if it is not already printed on the roster. After 4 business meetings you will qualify for the CoSP Silver Medal.

### Unfinished/Ongoing Business

None.

### New Business

Rob Sexton (PA) addressed those in attendance on the time it takes NSSAR to process applications. How to speed up your applications being approved, and what pitfalls cause the application to exceed reasonable time to process. A chart showing 2024 results by each state as to their percentage of successful applications approved. It takes the SAR Genealogist staff 30 to 60 minutes to process a well documented application. It takes 3 to 5 hours to process a bad application, and if it takes **longer than that, the application is withdrawn/ returned. When reviewing the 2024 chart that was in the Spring CoSP “The Bulletin” newsletter you will see where your state stands. If your state is in the top half, “Hug Your Registrar”.**

Gary O. Green, Genealogist General (NC) **spoke about “What do you do for pending applications?” He said your states should “have a plan” on how to resolve problem applications. Otherwise they will be withdrawn.**

Chairman **Kurt Winter** made CoSP Silver Medal awards presentations to those who qualified as of the Fall 2024 Leadership Business Meeting. They were called up to receive their certificate and have a group photo taken.

William Behnke Sr., David A. Ludley, Bryan Wampler, Rhendal C. Butler, Christopher Grimes, Ernie Coggins, Mike Campagnolo, James Y. Gaskins, Steve Kaplan, Viren Lemmer, Donald Miller, Tim Peterman, Tracy Pounders, David Powel and Christopher Smithson.

Bill LeJeune (LA) relayed to the Presidents how the Southern District, comprised of Tennessee, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama came together to host a national congress (2027 New Orleans). He said that smaller states can bind together to form a large enough group to successfully host a national congress. The Southern District will help other states with guidance and ideas on how to proceed with the application to the National Congress Planning Committee and how to prepare at each phase of the 5-year journey.

Derek Brown (IT) Membership Committee Chairman gave highlights of past President Generals attention to SAR membership goals. He defined ways to use the 3 Rs, Recruitment, Retention and Reinstatement.

Stressing on how important **“Mentoring new members”** is in making our SAR grow.

Edmon McKinley, **Chancellor** General (AL) gave an inspirational speech on how to **“Keep the SAR Strong”**.

Peter Davenport, **Chancellor** General (VA) (Past) brought the state presidents insights on the new CoSP By-Law changes relating to the future elections of the CoSP Chairman. He read the changes, described how each segment would work and what effects this change will have.

CoSP Youth Protection Committee Chairman Tom Jackson reported that no state societies had sent in the names of officers who have taken the YPT on-line course. There will be a way to track them by SAR in the future. Therefore there will not be any awards given at this business meeting.

SAR University Jack Bredenfoerder (GE) brought the membership up to date on the SAR University. There are now 23 modules on the SAR.ORG SAR University link. When taking the YPT training course, use the NEW one on the website, as the old one is outdated and not in compliance with SAR. When you have completed the course, and a certificate is issued, send that certificate to his website which is on the site and is [jack.b@fuse.net](mailto:jack.b@fuse.net). Be sure to put the date on the course, as the system will track you and send a reminder to retake the course in three years. He will track all current submissions. In the future the training will be held on the Blue Data Base. SAR officers should take the training for what office they hold and become certified, especially Registrars. Steve Kaplan and he have been working on this program for over 2 years now.

Robert Meyer (NJ) Flag Committee Chairman let the committee know of the Flag Certificate artwork being reviewed by a subcommittee. Also, the Flag Retirement Certificate is being renamed after Jim Alexander, who was responsible for the creation of the **Flag Retirement Program**.

Roger Williams **(NJ)** History Committee Vice Chairman spoke on two subjects, first the Education Outreach Committee. He will send out 10 Bullet points via email on the highlights of getting into the schools to promote the SAR Mission of educating the youth. Every state should have an Education Chair, but as of now there are only 29. He will send out the list to all the states and those who do not have a Ed. Chair should appoint one. On the second subject concerning the History Committee he said that there has been a Content Advisory Board created to have history experts in each state to be invited to join. State Presidents should give input on their members **who are history experts. Information is on the History Committee's website.**

Youth Video Contest Task Force Chairman Dr. Keith Weissinger (WA) gave an update on the new youth program and reported that NS SAR will continue to accept applications in the fall at the beginning of the school year. Videos should be three (3) to five (5) **minutes** long. He asked all those interested in the program to contact **him, and he will provide detailed information and support. The Video Program just closed its' first contest with 11 states participating. Each state should find a "Champion" to promulgate the contest to schools. The NSSAR Media Committee has chosen the Video Program/Contest as their "Pilot" for an expanded advertising campaign starting this summer. Fund raising will include a new Video Contest Medal that should be available prior to the Connecticut Congress.**

National SAR Americanism and Demographics, Jim Engler (MD) gave an update on his work and that 76 chapters and 8 states have submissions. The 2025 score sheet is out now.

POW/MIA requests by Steve Taylor (CT) and David VanHoof (MI) that if a state knows of a POW or MIA that is returning home, to please contact them.

### Old Business

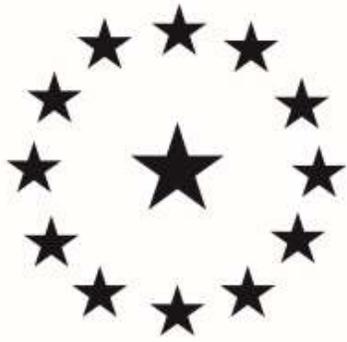
Jay DeLoach (NC) 2026 North Carolina Congress Planning Chairman told the members that there will be 5 grave markings for 20 Patriots at the congress, and that will allow those compatriots who attend the grave markings to qualify for the Grave Marking Medal.

Benediction by Chaplain David Jessel

Announcement **that the next CoSP meeting** will be at the Connecticut Congress **in July, 2025.**

Adjournment by Chairman Kurt Winter 4:40 pm

Minutes by: Dr. John Fulwider, CoSP Secretary



## A Message from the Assistant Secretaries Desk

Compatriots,

I had a disheartening conversation with a newly elected State President after the last Council meeting. I knew he was attending his first Leadership meeting, and I asked if he had enjoyed the **weekend. His response of “Not really” was disappointing. Outside of a few Compatriots from his home state, he really did not know anyone and felt as if many of the meetings were closed to first-timers or “outsiders.” He told me that he makes it a point at his Chapter meetings to sit with a new member or guest, but no one extended the same courtesy to him at Leadership. This is something I think we forget to do as we become accustomed to the routine of regular meetings. As much as we enjoy talking with our friends that we may not get to see but once a month, we need to make sure we are engaging with visitors to turn them into regular attendees and show them that we value their presence. This applies to Chapter, State, and National meetings, so let’s make sure we are speaking to the first-time “Green Dot” Compatriots and letting them know that we appreciate them taking their time to join us.**

Over the past several months, many State Societies have held their election of officers for the **new year. To ensure that the Council’s roster is up to date when we get to Congress, I request that you copy me when you submit your Change of Officer forms to National Headquarters. The roster is used to track your progress towards the Silver Council of State President’s Medal, so any inaccuracies may result in a delay in receiving your award.**

Speaking of the Silver CoSP Medal, I am happy to field any inquiries about how many meetings you may have attended towards qualification. As noted elsewhere, attendance at four (4) business meetings is required to qualify for the **Silver** Medal. Keep in mind that the awarding of a certificate to Medal recipients is a recent development. If you do not have a certificate but would like **one to go with your Medal, feel free to print one up and bring it to the next meeting. I’m sure** Chairman Winter and Secretary Fulwider would be happy to sign it for you.

I look forward to seeing you at Congress in July.

Thanks,

Ed Rigel, Jr.

Past President, Georgia Society, Sons of the American Revolution



## Marketing Our NSSAR Membership & Mission

Our National Society as a patriotic institution depends financially and patriotically on the solid foundation and growth of our national membership. Fundamentally, we have been marketing the SAR in the very same manner and approach since our inception in 1889. We need to reinvent ourselves with the changing times toward a much more modern world to engage in honoring our founding principles and taking patriotic pride of ownership in the United States.

The celebration of the 250<sup>th</sup> **birthday of our nation will certainly bring additional focus on our country's founding and on all current** patriotic organizations as a whole, but we need to think “outside-the-box” and refocus our efforts and marketing to regain strength of membership as a national patriotic and lineage organization. For example, I have never seen a billboard sign advertising the Sons of the American Revolution. Yet, many billboard sign companies would probably donate to our SAR chapters in providing such a patriotic service if our NSSAR chapters would take the initiative to contact them and simply ask for support. The Tennessee Valley Chapter contacted their local billboard vendor and together they advertised and promoted the NSSAR on a billboard sign on one of the main highways leading into the City of Huntsville, Alabama.

Community involvement and national marketing are certainly two ways to enhance and promote SAR membership growth. The Florida Society is sponsoring and supporting a statewide project begun by the Withlacoochee SAR Chapter exhibiting a full-size replica of General **Washington's Military Field Tent** and exact replicas of its furnishing. This outstanding patriotic project will travel to various communities throughout the State of Florida and is designed to draw large crowds promoting patriotic outreach education and encourage membership growth for many Florida NSSAR chapters.

Reaching a national audience to promote our general membership growth and patriotic mission will be a new and innovative approach of the NSSAR Education Center & Museum. The new national **podcast entitled, “Revolutionary War Rarities”** which features and promotes the NASSAR is currently available on many social media platforms and televised programs which can be viewed from the comfort of your own home. These educational programs on the History of the American Revolution are being viewed across America and promotes our society in 63 countries around the world.

Just as important when our new Educational Center comes on-line in the very near future, it will feature a state of the art learning center, national genealogical & archival library, national museum and a modern broadcasting facility which will be able to develop and create high quality historical and patriotic programming which can be distributed to national audiences across the U.S. utilizing social media platforms and national public television. Each educational program will advertise and promote membership growth and patriotic outreach education for the NSSAR.

These are some of the new approaches we are creating and implementing for our future growth. We need to be able to create a new and successful vision for our future capable of sustaining us and allowing our society to grow and prosper. These approaches require dedication at all levels of the SAR and quality leadership from our local, state, and national officers to make it happen.

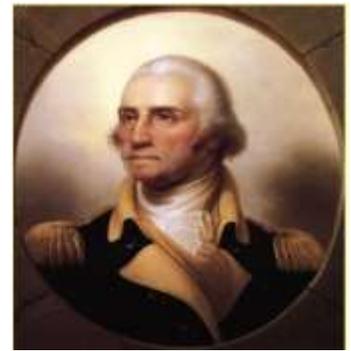
**Please join me in this exciting new endeavor in thinking “outside-the-box” toward** new methods of marketing and promoting the Sons of the American Revolution to upcoming generations of Americans. The goal of our dedication and hard work will not only fulfill our national mission but foster a new and continued membership growth in the Sons of The American Revolution. This has to be a team effort.

I believe most NSSAR members would agree we need to renew our efforts at increasing our general membership numbers and marking our society in new and innovative ways. These efforts will be a primary objective for me over the next few years. I hope together we can get it done for the good of our national society, the nation and for the honor we bestow upon our patriotic **ancestors'** dedication and service in our creating our Great Republic so many years ago.

### LET'S KEEP THE NSSAR STRONG!

Edmon McKinley NSSAR Chancellor General 2023-25





## RECRUITING and RETENTION with the PRS Website

By Steve Hinson

Chairman Patriot Records Committee

Three trifold are available by contacting the Chairman at [stevhin@earthlink.net](mailto:stevhin@earthlink.net). The first trifold is focused on the PRS Website and its features. This will help guide the member, registrar, and genealogist in how to use the website to research patriots. The second trifold is focused on how the PRS Website can be used to support NSSAR programs that are related to membership, 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and grave marking. The third trifold will support the recruitment of new members.

One of the biggest problems we face in membership is retention. We are all familiar with the new **member we call the “paper hanger” who stays around long enough to get his certificate and never attends a meeting.** We also know that the longer we can keep a member the more apt he is to become involved in one or more NSSAR programs. When a new member arrives, we often do not think about cultivating his interest in finding more patriot ancestors and pursuing supplemental applications. (Remember, supplemental applications also provide income.) New members learning about the PRS Website and how it can assist them in perusing other family patriots could be part of the answer to the retention problem.

So here is a story. The PRS Team is collaborating with several new members who are looking for patriot ancestors. One of them has located 9 patriot ancestors and is working on supplemental applications for them. He is now off looking for all the uncles who served and intends to expand into cousins. He is putting together a family portfolio of all those who served and has also become a PRS volunteer. As he finds these relatives, he researches them looking for biography information. The PRS Team supports him by adding new patriots to the database so he can add data to the Patriot Record and occasionally support him with the addition of a new cemetery so he can add cemetery data. He will be busy for quite a while.

In your quest for new recruiting and retaining new members the PRS Team encourages you to look at the possibilities available by using the PRS Website.

# 2025 SPRING CoSP SILVER MEDAL AWARDS



Compatriots who have attended 4 or more Council of State Presidents meetings earn the Silver Medal.

William E. Behnke

David A. Ludley

Bryan Wampler

Rhendal C. Butler

Christopher Grimes

Ernie Coggins

Mike Campanolo

James Y. Gaskins

Steve Kaplan

Viren Lemmer

Donald Miller

Tim Peterman

Tracy Pounders

David Powell

Christopher Smithson



# George Washington Endowment Fund

The George Washington Endowment Fund was created to establish a permanent restricted fund, the income of which provides annual funding for support of unfunded and underfunded SAR programs/projects of chapters, societies, or NSSAR committees.

With the help of new George Washington Fellows and their generous donations, the endowment fund has grown annually allowing us to support more SAR activities and projects. Becoming a George Washington Fellow is not limited to SAR members. Spouses, children, grandchildren, nephews, and nieces are all eligible. And once a George Washington Fellow, you are always a George Washington Fellow. Your donation is a perpetual gift which never dies, it is working to support the SAR in perpetuity. All new George Washington Fellows receive a beautiful gold lapel pin and a certificate acknowledging their status as a GW Fellow.

The GWEF Board is responsible for oversight of all aspects of the George Washington Endowment Fund. The corpus of the fund is never touched. Eighty percent of the earnings are withdrawn each year to support SAR projects with twenty percent being rolled back into the corpus each year. Earnings from the contributions over the years have helped to finance a wide variety of programs and projects in the following broad categories:

- Monuments/Plaques
- 250th Anniversary Benches
- Historical/Educational Programs
- New Chapter Starter Kits
- Committee Support



To ensure we have sufficient funds to support these distribution efforts, the GWEF Fundraising Committee are seeking new GW Fellows who will donate or pledge \$1000 each. Our goal this year is 100 new GW Fellows. Right now, we are currently at 33 new GW Fellows, so we have our work cut out for us but with your help this goal should be achievable.

Remember, 100% of your tax-deductible donation goes into a permanent restricted fund. Your donations may be made by cash, check, credit card, stocks, bonds, or any other financial assets in either lump sum or monthly/annual payments. Checks should be made payable to GWEF NSSAR and mailed to the:

NSSAR Executive Director  
809 W. Main Street  
Louisville, KY 40202  
Attn: GWEF

Alternatively, you can pay by credit card for same amounts - same installment payments by going to either:

<http://bit.ly/2seARG5> or

<http://weblink.donorperfect.com/GWEF>

Lastly, state and international society presidents, please send me the name and contact information of your society's GWEF chairman or point of contact. In the coming months, they will be contacted by John Fulwider, Eastern Vice Chairman responsible for states east of the Mississippi; and Derek Brown, Western Vice Chairman responsible for states west of the Mississippi and the various international societies, as we seek new GW Fellows!

Thank you in advance for your help on this worthy cause!!



Jay DeLoach  
Rear Admiral, USNR (Ret.)  
Chairman, NSSAR GWEF Fundraising Committee  
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5 Jun 2025

Compatriots,

The George Washington Endowment Fund was established to support **'unfunded' and 'underfunded' SAR Projects**. The GWEF Distribution Committee is accepting requests for financial assistance from **SAR National Committees** and **State Societies** through the first quarter of **2026**. (SAR Chapters may also apply for financial assistance. However, Chapters must apply through their State Society Presidents.)

**Committee Chairman** and **State Presidents** are encouraged to review the balance of their financial needs for **2025-2026** and submit their Financial Requests between now and the 2026 Spring Leadership meeting. Request can be submitted either by email or regular US Mail. Email is the preferred method for submitting your request. Send requests to: Chairman, GWEF Distribution Committee

*"The GWEF Distribution Committee encourages Committee Chairman and State Presidents making requests to be prepared to present their request in person before the GWEF Distribution Committee at the meetings during Spring and Fall Leadership (if needed)."*

**Most requests will be considered by the committee through electronic communication between the Leadership meetings.**

Submissions should include the following information:

1. Status of the Project
2. Total Cost of the Project
3. Funding from additional sources (Private, State and/or Chapter or Fund Raising)
4. Financial request of the GWEF

Note: Other information is encouraged. (Traditionally, the GWEF has not provided 100% funding of Projects, normally a maximum of up to 50% will be considered.)

**\* If approved, recognition of the GWEF is required on plaques, brochures and in programs.**

**\*\* also some wording in recognition of the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations should be included on any plaques, brochures and in programs for the project**

Examples of recent GWEF support:

Tennessee Society – Harlan Cemetery Project (2 Patriots), Boyle County, KY  
[\$ 2,480.00~50%]

Repair/Restoration 10 Rev War Patriot Graves – Sparta Cemetery, Hancock Co, GA  
[\$ 7,000.00~41.98%]

Commemorative Tree & Monument Plaque – **Prickett's Fort State Park, WV**  
[\$ 2,070.00~38.91%]

New Chapter Starter Kit, Lewestown Chapter – Lewes, DE  
[\$ 147.27~100%]

Pulaski Founders Medal Initial Purchase – Registrar General  
[\$ 995.00~49.87%]

First Amphibious Assault Memorial – Pompano Beach, FL  
[\$ 14,500.00~7.16%]

250th Park Bench, New Mexico Veterans Memorial Grounds -- Albuquerque, NM  
[\$ 600.00~50%]

Historian General Seminar, NSSAR Congress – Historian General  
[\$ 1,144.40~100%]

Placement of Liberty Trees – Tennessee Society  
[\$ 1,018.43~49.75%]

Missouri Society -- Greene County Courthouse Plaque honoring Rev War Patriots  
[\$ 1,355.00~50%]

Oklahoma Society -- New Chapter Starter Kit, Canadian Valley Chapter  
[\$ 106.49~100%]

Connecticut Society – 250th Anniversary Bench, Fort Griswold, Groton, CT  
[\$ 5,275.00~49.14%]

Pennsylvania Society – 250th Anniversary Monument, Somerset County, PA  
[\$ 7,500.00~18.75%]

West Virginia Society – 250th Anniversary Bench, Parkersburg, WV  
[\$ 900.00~50%]

# UPCOMING NSSAR CONGRESSES

2025 UNCASVILLE, CT

2026 GREENSBORO, NC



2027 CONGRESS SOUTHERN DISTRICT, NEW ORLEANS LA  
HOSTED BY TENNESSEE, LOUISIANA, MISSISSIPPI AND ALABAMA



OHIO SOCIETY

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# National Sons of the American Revolution Congress Schedule

Uncasville, Connecticut July 2025

**Please note that this year's Congress schedule differs from last year's event in PA. Following is a preview of the week's activities:** EXCOMM/SARF will meet on Saturday, July 12. Long tours, grave marking and the host reception will be on Sunday, July 13. Color Guard Breakfast, The Trustees Meeting, Memorial Service, and **First Ladie's Tea will be on Monday July 14.**

The opening session of congress, Youth Luncheon and Minuteman/National awards night will be Tuesday, July 15. District Breakfasts, **GWEF/VPG Luncheon, the Ladies Luncheon, elections and PG's Banquet** will be Wednesday, July 16. Donor Breakfast, the final session of Congress, short tours and Installation Banquet will be held on Thursday, July 17. EXCOM and SAR Foundation meetings Saturday July 18.

All tours are sold out. Information can be had by contacting Paul Callanan

We look forward to celebrating with you and making this Congress a memorable event. Join us as we honor our shared heritage and strengthen our bonds of patriotism in the beautiful setting of Uncasville.



The Hotel will pick you up at the **train station** and take you back after the Congress!

Greensboro, NC  
July 10 – 16, 2026



Make plans to attend the 136th SAR Annual Congress to be held at the [Sheraton Greensboro at Four Seasons – Koury Convention Center](#), July 10 – 16, 2026, where we will be celebrating our nation’s 250th Birthday! Come walk in the footsteps of Patriots such as Major General Nathanael Greene and Lt Colonel “Lighthouse” Harry Lee where they stood toe to toe against Major General Charles Cornwallis.

We have tours scheduled for [Old Salem](#), [Historic Hillsborough](#), [Guilford Courthouse National Military Park](#) and [Replacements, Ltd](#). We are also planning at least two Grave-Marking opportunities marking at least five Patriots at each Marking. Those are just a few highlights of what to expect. Stay tuned to this page for further updates. We look forward to seeing you in 2026!

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See Compatriots at the table during Congress for more information.  
 The Brass Oliver Pollock Pins were \$100.00 each **and are sold out.**

The Nickel Oliver Pollock Pins are \$25.00 each **(While they last)** and are being sold  
 at the 135th Connecticut Congress and 136th North Carolina Congress  
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# Compatriot LtCol. Paul Callanan Bobblehead

Custom made of his personal image

1. The Bobblehead will be an Auction item starting at \$500 with \$100 increments. It is up for bid at the 2025 Connecticut Congress. **A rare collectors piece, priceless.**
2. Compatriot Paul Callanan has agreed to sign the Bobblehead and take a picture with the winner. **This is a one of a kind memory, and you can be a part of it.**

2. The Wine Stopper Bobblehead was won at the 2024 Fall Leadership Conference. The cowboy **“New Sheriff in Town” will be gone, don’t wait and miss a chance to win.**

Bid on the Bobblehead and buy a Tax Donation raffle Ticket. All proceeds go towards the Southern District-hosted 2027 National Congress in New Orleans,



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**From The  
Siege of Yorktown**



**To The  
Battle of Fallen Timbers**



## **Compatriots of the Council of State Presidents,**

If you have someone from your State Society who died in 2024 in order to receive special recognition during the Memorial Service at the National Congress in Connecticut please send an email to **Paul Callanan** ([lrcmrsc@aol.com](mailto:lrcmrsc@aol.com)).

**Include a short bio that tells of SAR Offices held.**

Deaths of Key individuals have been missed at past Congresses and an effort is being made to rectify that situation.

The message should use the Subject Line "**Compatriots to be remembered in Memorial Service**" Chairman Callanan requests a short 1 or 2 sentence notice on their SAR Offices held, contributions to SAR.

For Example:

"Compatriot John Smith, NV, State President 1988-1992, was responsible for the starting of 2 chapters and the first to have a Rumbaugh Orations Contestant from Nevada." (this is fictitious)

"Compatriot Fred Smith, MI, was active in the state as a State Senator, State Representative and finally as Governor of the state from 1980-1988.

Also note, memorial notices are only for those Compatriots who have passed in **2024**. Compatriots who passed in 2024 will be recognized at the 2025 National Congress. Please help us appropriately recognize those Compatriots who have passed.

**Paul Callanan** ([lrcmrsc@aol.com](mailto:lrcmrsc@aol.com))



# Compatriot Death Report Form

(this form can be used for more than one report)

Compatriot's Name:		National Number:	Compatriot : Active:      Inactive:	
Society:		Chapter:		
Date of Death:	Place of Death:			
Family Name (for cards and personal notes):				
Family Mailing Address:		City:	State:	Zip Code:
Significant SAR Achievements (Offices held, Awards, contributions):				
Submitter:			Submitter's National Number:	
Email:				

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## The Council of State Presidents

The Council of State Presidents is a Standing Committee of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution.

Membership includes the then incumbent President of each State Society, and such other members as the Council may determine (no more than three from any state), typically the Immediate Past President and the Expected successor to the incumbent President in each State Society.

The Council is an advisory and consultative body, whose members shall at all times strive to be of assistance to each other, and to the General Officers and Board of Trustees in administration of the business affairs of the Society.

The Council sets its own rules for the election of its officers and the conduct of its meetings.

Meetings are held at scheduled times that do not conflict with regular SAR business during each Spring and Fall Leadership Meeting and at each Annual Congress.

Chairman: Kurt Winter (PA)

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## PRECEDENCE

### General Comments on Precedence

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The position of honor is on the wearer's right and on the top. The general rule of precedence when SAR medals are worn with other medals follows, but an individual should refer to the relevant publication for specific precedence for his military branch, governmental department, or the specific requirements of the individual award. Miniature medals are not worn without their ribbons as the ribbon forms an integral part of the decoration.

1. **Federal Decorations:** Consult the most current relevant publication for medal precedence for proper sequence.
2. **Federal Campaign Medals:** Consult the most current relevant publication for medal precedence for proper sequence.
3. **Foreign Military and Civilian Decorations:** *For foreign campaign decorations*, consult the most current relevant publication for medal precedence for proper sequence. *For foreign civilian decorations*, consult the relevant publication or the specific requirements of the decoration, honor or award. If no relative order of precedence is available, foreign civilian decorations should be ordered from right to left by the date on which they were awarded.
4. **U.S. State Decorations, U.S. State Campaign Medals and U.S. State Organizational and Long Service Medals.**
5. **SAR Insignia and Insignia of Other Hereditary, Patriotic and Veterans Societies:** Insignia are worn in chronological order of precedence according to the year of establishment of such organization. Medals awarded for service to a particular organization (such as the medals described herein) should be placed immediately following the insignia of the respective organization in the order of precedence established by that organization (for SAR Medals, the order of precedence is specified in the following pages).





# The Sons of the American Revolution Medals

Order of Precedence 2024



 1st American Medal Rank: #1	 2nd American Medal Rank: #2	 3rd American Medal Rank: #3	 4th American Medal Rank: #4	 5th American Medal Rank: #5	 6th American Medal Rank: #6	 7th American Medal Rank: #7	 8th American Medal Rank: #8	 9th American Medal Rank: #9	 10th American Medal Rank: #10	 11th American Medal Rank: #11	 12th American Medal Rank: #12	 13th American Medal Rank: #13	 14th American Medal Rank: #14
 15th American Medal Rank: #15	 16th American Medal Rank: #16	 17th American Medal Rank: #17	 18th American Medal Rank: #18	 19th American Medal Rank: #19	 20th American Medal Rank: #20	 21st American Medal Rank: #21	 22nd American Medal Rank: #22	 23rd American Medal Rank: #23	 24th American Medal Rank: #24	 25th American Medal Rank: #25	 26th American Medal Rank: #26	 27th American Medal Rank: #27	 28th American Medal Rank: #28
 29th American Medal Rank: #29	 30th American Medal Rank: #30	 31st American Medal Rank: #31	 32nd American Medal Rank: #32	 33rd American Medal Rank: #33	 34th American Medal Rank: #34	 35th American Medal Rank: #35	 36th American Medal Rank: #36	 37th American Medal Rank: #37	 38th American Medal Rank: #38	 39th American Medal Rank: #39	 40th American Medal Rank: #40	 41st American Medal Rank: #41	 42nd American Medal Rank: #42
 43rd American Medal Rank: #43	 44th American Medal Rank: #44	 45th American Medal Rank: #45	 46th American Medal Rank: #46	 47th American Medal Rank: #47	 48th American Medal Rank: #48	 49th American Medal Rank: #49	 50th American Medal Rank: #50	 51st American Medal Rank: #51	 52nd American Medal Rank: #52	 53rd American Medal Rank: #53	 54th American Medal Rank: #54	 55th American Medal Rank: #55	 56th American Medal Rank: #56
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# The Power of a Comprehensive Social Media Strategy

Tom Jackson Chairman Com. & Mkt., TX SAR

Chris Thompson V. Chairman Social Media GA SAR

**In today's digital age, maintaining a robust social media presence is not merely an option but a necessity.** A well-crafted social media strategy can be a game changer, allowing organizations to connect with their audience, advance their mission, and remain relevant in an increasingly online world.

According to DataReportal's "Digital 2024: The United States of America" report, as of January 2024, there were 239.0 million social media users in the U.S., accounting for 70.1% of the total population.

This indicates a decrease from previous estimates, such as the 2023 figure of 302.35 million users (90% of the population) reported by DemandSage. The discrepancy may result from differences in data collection methodologies or definitions of active users.

Despite this variation, the significant number of social media users underscores the importance of developing proficiency at all organizational levels—National, State, and Local—to achieve two fundamental goals:

- Deliver our message
- Attract people to the cause
  - Membership
  - Museum

A strong social media presence supports critical initiatives such as membership growth, education, and museum engagement.

**While an effective strategy requires multiple approaches, implementing streamlined measures makes it achievable. Let's** explore the foundational elements of an impactful social media strategy using the *Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How* framework.

## Who: Identifying Your Target Audience

Understanding your target audience is essential. This includes analyzing demographics, interests, and engagement behaviors. Tailoring content to your audience increases the likelihood of shares, comments, and overall interaction. The more relevant and engaging content, the stronger the community. Editorial calendars have been previously submitted by the Social Media Committee to serve as idea guidelines to create content.

## What: Content is Key

Content is the backbone of any social media strategy. High-quality, engaging content drives audience growth and maintains attention. This includes:

- Informative and shareable posts
- Visually appealing images and graphics
- Short-form and long-form videos
- Infographics that simplify complex ideas

Creating professional-quality content no longer requires a graphic designer. Tools like Canva and AI-powered design software streamline the process, saving both time and money while enhancing the visual appeal of posts.

### When: Timing Matters

The timing of social media posts plays a crucial role in their effectiveness. Posting at the right time ensures maximum visibility and engagement. Here are key considerations to optimize your posting schedule:

- **Analyze Your Audience's Online Habits** – Different demographics have different online behaviors. For example, professionals may engage more in the morning and during lunch breaks, while younger audiences may be more active in the evenings. Use platform analytics tools to determine peak engagement hours.
- **Maintain a Social Media Calendar** – Planning posts at least two months in advance allows time for content creation, refinement, and alignment with key dates such as historical anniversaries, special events, or national holidays that are relevant to your organization.
- **Utilize Scheduling Tools** – Platforms such as Hootsuite, Buffer, and Meta Business Suite allow for pre-scheduled posts, ensuring a consistent and timely content flow. This automation reduces the burden of manual posting and allows flexibility in managing content across different platforms.

**Adapt to Real-Time Engagement** – While scheduled content is important, it is also beneficial to leave room for spontaneous, real-time engagement. Being responsive to trending topics, community discussions, and breaking news relevant to your organization can enhance visibility and interaction.

By strategically planning and timing posts, you can significantly improve engagement rates and strengthen the connection with your audience.

### Where: Platform Selection

Choosing the right platform is just as important as the content itself. Each platform serves a different purpose:

- **Facebook:** Best for community engagement, event promotion, and storytelling. Approximately 69% of U.S. adults aged 50 to 64 use Facebook.
- **Instagram:** Ideal for visually driven content, behind-the-scenes posts, and engagement through Stories. Approximately 35% of adults aged 50 to 64 are active on Instagram.
- **Twitter/X:** Great for quick updates, news, and public engagement.
- **LinkedIn:** Effective for professional networking and thought leadership. Roughly 31% of adults aged 50 to 64 are on LinkedIn.

**YouTube:** The best platform for long-form educational and historical content. Approximately 83% of adults aged 50 to 64 engage with YouTube.

It is not necessary to maintain an active presence on every platform. Instead, focus on the ones where your audience is most active and engaged.

### Why: Purpose and Goals

A well-defined purpose provides direction and helps measure the success of the strategy. Instead of randomly posting just for the sake of posting, there should be consideration of the intent of each post. Does it move SAR towards the ultimate goals?

What types of posts can you create that are in line with the effort to achieve the goals of our mission statement? The social media strategy we are currently deploying is met to achieve the following:

Increase brand awareness

**Grow the brand's audience**

Boost community engagement

Drive traffic to the website

**Generate interest in the organization's events and offerings**

## **How: Implementation and Engagement**

Executing an effective social media strategy requires a structured approach that includes planning, content creation, scheduling, audience interaction, and performance evaluation. Here's how to ensure successful implementation:

- **Develop a Content Strategy** – Outline key themes and content types that align with the organization's mission and audience interests. Content should be a mix of educational, promotional, interactive, and storytelling posts to keep engagement high.
- **Maintain a Posting Schedule** – A well-planned schedule ensures consistency, which is crucial for building trust and audience retention. Consider a balance between scheduled posts and real-time interactions.
- **Encourage Team Collaboration** – Assigning roles such as content creators, community managers, and analytics trackers ensures smooth operations and cohesive messaging across platforms.
- **Engage Proactively with the Audience** – Social media is not a one-way communication tool. Responding to comments, answering messages promptly, and participating in discussions foster a sense of community and trust.
- **Use Multimedia to Boost Engagement** – Videos, infographics, and high-quality images tend to perform better than plain text posts. Experiment with different formats to see what resonates most with your audience.
- **Leverage Hashtags and SEO** – Strategic hashtag use and optimized post descriptions improve visibility and reach on platforms like Instagram, Twitter/X, and LinkedIn.
- **Monitor and Adapt Strategies** – Regularly assess engagement metrics and adjust strategies based on what works best. Use insights from platform analytics tools to refine content and posting strategies.

### **Community Building and Engagement Strategies**

- **Encourage User-Generated Content** – Inviting followers to share their own experiences, photos, and stories related to the organization strengthens the sense of belonging.
- **Host Live Sessions and Q&As** – Engaging directly with followers through live discussions boosts authenticity and engagement.
- **Collaborate with Influencers or Partner Organizations** – Partnering with reputable figures in your field can expand your reach and credibility.

**Run Interactive Campaigns** – Polls, contests, and surveys encourage participation and make the audience feel involved.

By implementing these best practices, organizations can ensure an engaging, effective, and sustainable social media presence that supports their long-term goals.

Executing an effective social media strategy requires thoughtful planning, content creation, scheduling, and audience interaction. Key components include:

- **Consistent messaging** to maintain a unified brand identity.
- **A dedicated content team** to ensure high-quality and cohesive content.
- **Active audience engagement**, including responding to comments, direct messages, and mentions.

Building an engaged community involves fostering two-way conversations rather than just broadcasting information. Consider strategies like:

- Encouraging user-generated content
- Hosting live Q&A sessions
- Collaborating with influencers or partner organizations

## Tracking Success: Measuring Metrics

Tracking performance is crucial for optimizing a social media strategy. By evaluating key metrics, organizations can refine their approach and enhance engagement. The following tracking methods will help ensure social media efforts are effective and aligned with organizational goals:

- **Follower Growth** – Monitor increases or decreases in follower count across platforms. A steady growth rate indicates effective content and audience engagement.
- **Engagement Rates** – Track likes, shares, comments, and direct interactions to determine how well content resonates with the audience. High engagement rates indicate strong community involvement.
- **Website Traffic from Social Media** – Use tools like Google Analytics to measure the volume of visitors directed from social media platforms. This helps evaluate how well social content drives traffic to the organization’s website.
- **Conversion Rates** – Measure actions taken by users after engaging with a post, such as signing up for events, making donations, or becoming members. These indicators demonstrate the real-world impact of social media efforts.
- **Content Performance Analysis** – Identify top-performing posts to understand what types of content generate the most engagement. Use this insight to tailor future content strategies.
- **Hashtag Effectiveness** – Track the reach and engagement of branded and campaign-related hashtags to determine their impact in expanding audience reach. The statistics below were provided by media consultant Mignon DeJohn in December, 2023. The relative numbers are still considered to be appropriate today.

### Hashtag Topics by Number of Posts

Hashtag	Posts
#AmericanHistory	972,000
#RevolutionaryWar	60,000
#Genealogy	386,000
#FamilyHistory	354,000
#Patriotism	625,000
#Patriots	2.6 million
#HistoryEducation	13,000
#DidYouKnow	6.6 million
#DidYouKnowFacts	820,000
#DidYouKnowThis	194,000
#OnThisDay	5.4 million
#OnThisDayInHistory	156,000
#OTD (On This Day)	1.8 million
#SAR	557,000
#SonsOfTheAmericanRevolution	5,000
#Museum	5.3 million
#ThrowbackThursday	23 million
#FlashbackFriday	8.4 million

**Audience Demographics and Behavior** – Leverage analytics tools provided by platforms like Facebook Insights, Instagram Analytics, and Twitter Analytics to understand audience location, age, and peak activity times.

Regularly analyzing these metrics enables organizations to adjust strategies, improve content quality, and increase engagement. Setting performance benchmarks and reviewing data consistently will ensure ongoing social media success.

**Roll Out**

Online Pages created by December 1 - to create an online page for both National and State social media as part of the National website. It is essential to create and maintain a footprint report by social media venue.

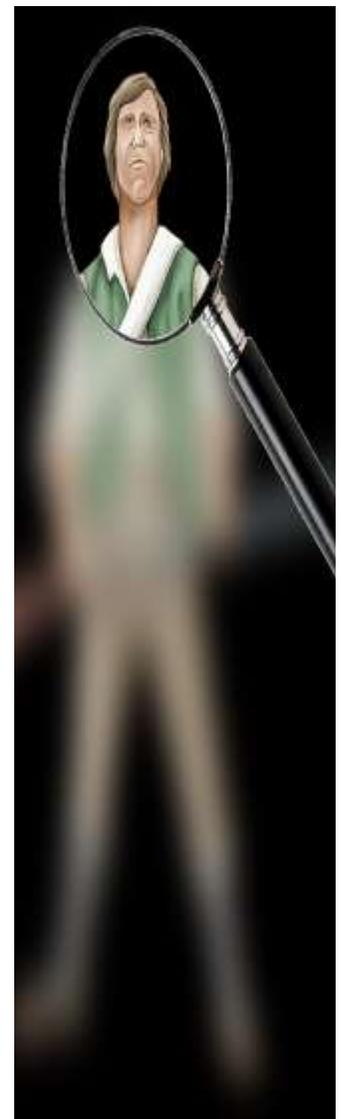
Desired Outcomes Identified by December 1 - to identify desired outcomes by each state for both the website and the social media accounts which will be reflective of the status of the state’s social media presence and available resources.

Roll Out by December 1 - to roll out the Social Media / Online Communication Guide to each of the chapters by the state.

Participation Data Call to be presented at National Congress 2024 - to capture chapter participation by state including chapter target goals for participation and progress reporting.

A well-crafted social media strategy is a powerful tool for organizations seeking to make their mark in the digital world. By setting clear goals, knowing your audience, creating compelling content, and staying engaged with your community, you can build a strong online presence, foster brand loyalty, and drive meaningful results for SAR. The key to success in the dynamic world of social media is to remain flexible, responsive, and committed to continuous improvement.

To ensure timely and synchronized implementation of the social media strategy, a roll out plan has been created. The plan has been distributed and approved. Now we need your help to reach the finish line.



# SAR Historian General Awards

## Applications must be received by May 1, 2026

**The Minnesota Society, Stephen Taylor Award**– Submitted by a state society, this award is presented to the compatriot who, by his research and writing, has significantly contributed to preserving the history of the American Revolutionary era and its patriots. The judging criteria for this award are:

- a) Which nominee “through his writing and research” made the most significant impact on “the preservation of the history of the American Revolution era and its patriots”?
- b) Which nominee made the best use of new or known source documents?
- c) Which nominee reached the largest audience?

Historian General  
T. Brooks Lyles Jr.

**[Click here to download](#) the application for The Minnesota Society, Stephen Taylor Award**

**Colonel Stewart Boone McCarty Award** –Submitted by a state society, this cash award is presented to the compatriot who has best furthered the preservation of U.S. history and its traditional teaching in our schools. The judging criteria for this award are;

- a) Which nominee best “furthered the preservation of U.S. history and its traditional teaching in our schools”?
- b) Which nominee reached the largest audience?
- c) Which nominee had the most significant impact?

**[Click here to download](#) the application for the Colonel Stewart Boone McCarty Award.**

**All applications and supporting materials, including digital copies of each work cited and/or supporting documentation, should be submitted to the History Committee Point of Contact: Vice Chair Roger S. Williams via one of the following methods with the Subject Heading, “SAR Historian General Award/Nominee Surname.”**

1. Via email with attachments to Roger Williams [roger@princetonsar.org](mailto:roger@princetonsar.org)
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## The History Committee

### Jeffery D. Thomas, Historian General



# SAR Premium Membership Medal

Please send the completed form and both checks to:

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NSSAR Premium Membership Medal Project

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## SAR Premium Miniature Membership Medal



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PREMIUM MEDAL ORDER  
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PRICE LIST FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2023

LARGE PREMIUM SAR MEMBERSHIP MEDAL		Price Each	Quantity	Total
?	Gold Plated Over Sterling Silver	\$480.00		\$
?	Gold Plated Over Bronze	\$250.00		\$
?	10k Gold	\$2,775.00		\$
?	14k Gold	\$4,225.00		\$

RIBBON FOR LARGE MEDAL (not incl.		Price Each	Quantity	Total
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?	Chest Ribbon Drape	\$20.00		\$

MINIATURE PREMIUM SAR MEMBERSHIP MEDAL		Price Each	Quantity	Total
?	Gold Plated	\$140.00		\$
?	Gold Plated (20 μ) Over Sterling Silver	\$215.00		\$
?	10k Gold	\$590.00		\$
?	14k Gold	\$950.00		\$

CROSS PREMIUM SAR CUFFLINKS		Price Each	Quantity	Total
?	Gold Plated Over Sterling Silver	\$390.00		\$
?	10k Gold	\$1,190.00		\$
?	14k Gold	\$1,750.00		\$

MEDALLION PREMIUM SAR CUFFLINKS		Price Each	Quantity	Total
?	Gold Plated Over Sterling Silver	\$235.00		\$
?	10k Gold	\$815.00		\$
?	14k Gold	\$1,205.00		\$

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?	Sterling Silver	\$195.00		\$
?	Gold Plated Over Sterling Silver	\$225.00		\$

MEDALLION PREMIUM SAR TIE BAR		Price Each	Quantity	Total
?	Sterling Silver	\$160.00		\$
?	Gold Plated Over Sterling Silver	\$190.00		\$

SUBTOTAL FOR PREMIUM ITEMS		\$
SHIPPING – \$10.90 (\$3.00 if only ordering ribbons)		\$
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Sales will raise money for the SAR Education Center & Museum Project

		Amount	TOTAL
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All gifts are subject to the NSSAR Policy on Gifts, 1991-1992, cited in Volume II of the SAR Handbook.

## Patriotic Outreach

Did your SAR chapter participate in a parade in last year's 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration?

Did your SAR chapter partner with a veterans organization to sponsor a local Veterans Day parade?

Is your state society participating in a Wreaths Across America event at a local cemetery?

Is your chapter currently partnering with another patriotic veterans organization to plan a Memorial Day event?

If your chapter or society has participated in any of these activities, or similar activities, then you should complete the **Partners in Patriotism Report Form**. Not only will this get your chapter and/or society the recognition it deserves, it will help us keep track of the wonderful, patriotic activities we all put so much time and effort into organizing. **I'm sure many of you may be thinking at this point, "Not another form." Do not worry, for this one is quick and easy.**

The form, as well as instructions on what constitutes Partners in Patriotism, can be found at <https://www.sar.org/compatriots/committees/patriotic-outreach-committee> (note, you should log in to the website first to access committee web pages). As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Chairman Elwin L. Spray at [elwinspray@gmail.com](mailto:elwinspray@gmail.com), 808-754-1231

## Council of State Presidents Medals



Do you qualify for a CoSP Medal?

The **Gold Medal** is worn by current and past CoSP Officers. NSSAR approves and presents this award.

The **Silver Medal** (Left bottom) can be worn by any CoSP member who has attended four CoSP meetings (i.e., at National Congress, Spring and Fall Leadership meetings, (CoSP Breakfast does not count) Approval comes from NSSAR and the individual can purchase **and wear it. If you don't know if you qualify, contact the CoSP Secretary, Dr. John Fulwider [drjff@aol.com](mailto:drjff@aol.com).**

Since the CoSP Meeting at the 2022 Fall Leadership Conference, Assistant Secretary tracked those who qualify. **The Names are listed in this newsletter. Assistant Secretary/Registrar Ed Rigel, Jr. currently tracks attendance.**

[edrigel@gmail.com](mailto:edrigel@gmail.com)



## Council of State Presidents Gold Medal

### Council President/Chairman

Travis Spears (CA): 1999 , Duane T. Sargisson (MA): 2000 , J. David Sympson (KY): 2001 , Robert L. Hughes (TN): 2002 , Stephen A. Bradley (IL): 2003 , J. Fenwick Shugrue (PA): 2004 , William C. Schrader III (KY): 2005 , Thomas B. Green III (TX): 2006 , Joseph W. Dooley (VA): 2007 , Steve Renouf (CA): 2008 , Terry L. Manning (GA): 2009 , John H. Franklin, Jr. (OH): 2010 , G. Steven Pittard (NC): 2011 , Abraham R. (Rudy) Byrd, III. M.D. (AZ): 2012 , Dick Bryant (MO): 2013 , Dan Woodruff (SC): 2014 , Chuck Scott (KY): 2015 , Steve Perkins (MA): 2016 , David Johnston (TN): 2017 , Thomas Jackson (TX): 2018 , Robert Taylor (CA): 2019-2020 , Keith Weissinger\* (WA) 2021-2023, Joe Vancura (GA): 2022 , Steve Fields (FL): 2023-2024.

**\*In accordance with CoSP Bylaws Section 6.1, "If a vacancy occurs in the position of Chairman after an Annual Congress, and before the subsequent Annual Congress is convened, the Secretary shall notify the Immediate Past Chairman. The latter**

### Vice President/Vice Chairman

Jack K. Carmichael (IN): 1976 , David E Johnston (TN): 2018 , William L. Schwetke (VA): 2019-2020

### Secretary or Secretary/Treasurer

Clarence E. Lucas (CA): 2002-2004 , Larry T. Guzy (GA): 2006 , Larry R. Perkins (?): 2007 , Bob Bowen (??): 2008 , Tim Ward (??): 2009 , LTC Frank N. Norton (?): 2010 , Davis Lee Wright, Esq. (DE): 2011 , John Dodd (CA): 2012 , Dan Woodruff (SC): 2013 , Tim Berly (NC): 2014-2015 , James F. Engler, Sr (MD): 2015-2018 , Gary Green (NC): 2018-2019 , Kevin Carr (NM): 2019-2020 , Anthony Abbott (WA): 2020-2021 , Dr. John Fulwider (MS) 2021

### Assistant Secretary/Registrar

William C. Austin, Jr. (MD): 1997 , Larry Guzy (GA): 2002-2005 , Joseph Dooley (VA): 2005- , Larry R. Perkins (?): 2006 , Robert L. Bowen (VA): 2007 , Franklin Horton (NC): 2009 , Davis Lee Wright, Esq. (DE): 2010 , Elwin Spray (HI): 2011 , Gerald Brent (MS): 2012 , Troy Foxwell (DE): 2014 , Andrew Lyngar (NM): 2015-2016 , Gary O. Green (NC): 2017-2018 , Kevin Carr (NM): 2018-2019 , Anthony Abbott (WA): 2019-2020 , Wm. Lee Popham (FL): 2020-2021 , Edgar S. Hoak (MA): 2022-2023, **Ed Rigel (GA): 2024-2025**

**Sergeant-at-Arms**, Not Elected, Appointed by Chairman, Does not qualify for Gold Medal

Marvin C. Shepherd (NJ): 1975-1977 , Dr. John Fulwider (MS): 2019-2021 , Fred Underdown (TN) 2023-2024

## List of CoSP Members qualified for Silver CoSP Medal

Dates indicate the years over which the determination was made:

James Griffith (AL): 2023, David Jones (AL): 2019-2022, Robert Anderson (AL): 2017-2018 , Edmund McKinley (AL): 2018-2019 , J Fred Olive (AL): 2015-2018 , C Bruce Pickette (AL): 2010-2012 , Charles McLemore (AR): 2021-2022 , Dennis Kavanaugh (AZ): 2019-2021 , Stephen Miller (AZ): 2015-2018 , Steven C Monez (AZ): 2017-2018 , William Baran (AZ): 2020-2021, James Skaggs (AZ): 2017-2018 , George A Stickney (AZ): 2017-2019 , James Klinger (CA): 2023, Brian Stephens (CA): 2021-2022, Ron Barker (CA): 2015-2018 , Derek Brown (CA): 2016-2018 , Jim Fosdyck (CA): 2017-2018 , Kent Gregory (CA): 2015-2018 , Donald Littlefield (CA): 2019-2021 , Robert L Taylor (CA): 2017-2019 , Robert L Stevens (CO): 2021-2022, Hilton Martin (CO) 2023, Stephen Taylor (CT): 2021-2022 , William O. Ritchie Jr. (DC) 2024, Dennis Schrader (DE) 2024, Troy Foxwell (DE): 2017-2018 , Peter Moller (DE): 2015-2018 , Harry B Roberts III (DE): 2019-2020 , Lawrence E. Josefowski (DE): 2021-2022, **Earl F. "Mat" Matthews (FL): 2021-2022**, David E Bussone (FL): 2019-2021 , Lawrence Fehrenbaker (FL): 2015-2018 , Robert Folk (FL): 2017-2018 , Patrick Niemann (FL): 2018-2019 , Wm Lee Popham (FL): 2019-2021 , Raymond Wess (FL): 2015-2018 , Steven Fields (FL) 2024, Dr. David A. Ludley (GA): 2023, Joseph Vancura (GA) 2021-2022, Wayne Brown (GA): 2017-2018 , Donald Burdick (GA): 2018-2019 , K. Scott Collins (GA): 2019-2020 , William Dobbs (GA): 2019-2020 , W Allen Greenly (GA): 2015-2018 , Tom Owen (GA): 2015-2018 , David G Jessel (GA): 2017-2018 , Ed Rigel, Jr. (GA) 2024, COL Rob Moore (HI) 2019-2021, Elwin Spray (HI): 2006 , Marshal Straus Scantlin (HI): 2019-2020 , Ellis C Rail (ID) 2019-2021 , Tom Ashby (IL): 2015-2018 , Toby Chamberlain (IL): 2015-2018 , Jacob A. Vink (IN): 2023, Wayne Eells (IN): 2015-2018 , Jeffrey W Jones (IN) 2021-2022, Robert Pfaff (IN): 2018-2019 , Kevin L Waldroup (IN): 2018-2019

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## SILVER CoSP MEDAL RECEIPIANTS CONTINUED

Vern Welkner (KS): 2019-2021, Bobbie A Hulse (KS): 2017-2019 , Brooks Lyles (KS): 2015-2018 , Dennis Nelson (KS): 2015-2018 , Bryan Wampler (KS): 2021-2022, George Baggett (KY): 2018-2019 , Chuck Scott (KY): 2015-2018 , Larry Leslie (KY): 2015-2018 , R Michael Sullivan (KY): 2018-2019 ,Tim Brown (KY): 2024, Jerry Haynes (LA): 2015-2018 ,Edgar Hoak (MA) 2019-2021 ,Mike Fishbein (MA): 2016-2017 , James Adkins (MD): 2017-2018 , James F Engler, Sr. (MD): 2015-2018 , Eugene Moyer (MD): 2019-2021 , William Smithson (MD): 2015-2018 , **J.D. Urbach (MD): 2025**, Clyde G Berry (ME): 2018-2019 , Wayne H Mallar (ME): 2018-2019 , Joseph Williams (MI) 2024, Paul Callanan (MI): 2015-2018 , Kenneth L Goodson (MI): 2018-2019 , James Petres (MI): 2017-2018 , Rodney Wilson (MI): 2015-2018 , David Vanhoof (MI): 2021-2022, Chris Moberg (MN)2021-**2022** ,**Walter E. “Gene” Henry (MO), Col. David Shaul (MO): 2023, J** Howard Fisk (MO): 2017-2018 , J Wayne Merrill (MO): 2018-2019 , James E Osbourn (MO): 2018-2019 , Dr. John Fulwider (MS): 2018-2019 , Joseph Winston (MS): 2017-2018 , Jay DeLoach (NC)2021-2022 , Christopher Grimes (NC) 2024, Timothy C Berly (NC): 2015-2018 , Gary O Green (NC): 2015-2018 , George K Strunk (NC): 2017-2018 , Russell B Cumbee (NH): 2018-2019 , Charles F. Morgan Jr. (NJ) 2024, Robert Meyer (NJ): 2017-2018 , Kevin Carr (NM): 2017-2018 , **Robert E. Vance (NM): 2025**, Andrew Lyngar (NM): 2015-2018 , Charles Smith (NV) 2019-2022 ,Shawn Cox (OH): 2017-2018 , L Stephen Hinson (OH): 2018-2019 , Jim Schaffer (OH): 2015-2018 . Joe Hamill (OK): 2019-2020 . Darrell Hefley (OK): 2015-2018 . Ronald Painter (OK): 2017-2018 . Martin Reynolds (OK): 2015-2018.Phil Hunt (OK): 2024, John Berg (OR): 2018-2019 , Andrew Lick (PA): 2021-2022, David Felts (PA): 2020-2021 . Joe McMullen (PA): 2015-2018 . Raynold L Prusia (PA):2017-2019 . Wayne Strasbaugh (PA): 2019-2021, Michael Seibert (PA): 2021-2022, Eric Troutman (PA): 2024, .Greg Greenawalt (SC): 2015-2018 . Howard Knapp (SC): 2017-2018 . James Wyrosdick (SC) 2024, David Smith Jr. (SC): 2021-2022, Darryl Addington (TN): 2015-2018 . David Chaffin (TN) 2024, C David Carr (TN): 2018-2021 . David Eagan (TN): 2016-2017 . John C Head, Jr (TN): 2018-2019 . David Johnston (TN): 2017-2018 . Fred L. Underdown (TN): 2021-2022, Mark Norris (TN): 2019-2021 . SAM MASSEY (TX) 2023, Robert Cohen (TX): 2016-2018 . Thomas I Jackson (TX): 2018-2019 . Mike Radcliff (TX): 2015-2018 . Larry Stevens (TX): 2015-2016 . David Temple (TX): 2019-2021 . Jim Kuykendall (TX): 2021-2022, William P C Simpson (UT): 2018-2021 , Ernie Coggins (VA) 2023, Peter Davenport (VA): 2017-2019 , Michael Elston (VA): 2017-2018 , Bruce Meyer (VA): 2021-2022, Patrick Kelley (VA): 2017-2018 , William L Schwetke (VA): 2018-2019 , Jeff Thomas (VA): 2020-2021 , William Greaf (VA): 2024, Michael E. Weyler (VA): 2024, Kevin W Mullen (VT): 2018-2019, Randy Roberts (VT) 2023 , Anthony Abbott (WA): 2018-2019 , Craig Lawson (WA): 2017-2018 , Greg Lucas (WA): 2021-2022, James M. Lindley (WA): 2015-2018 , Doug Nelson (WA): 2015-2018 , Keith Weissinger (WA): 2019-2021 , Robert M. Haglund (WI) 2020-2021, Sam Keith (WI): 2021-2022, William (Bill) Austin (WI): 2018-2021 , John Turley (WV): 2023, Rendal Butler (WV) 2023, Steven Hart (WV): 2015-2018 , **Harold Ted Cox (WV): 2025**, William Lester (WV): 2015-2018

# REVOLUTIONARY WAR MASTER EVENT LIST

## COLOR KEY

**Blue Text** Represents an approved SAR National Event, per the Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee.

**Green Text** Represents a Campaign or Annual Event recognized as an SAR National Event, not specific to a date but to a series of events.

**Orange Text** Represents components of a Green Event. A battle that is a part of a campaign, for example. **Black Text** represents a Battle, Skirmish, or Event that occurred during the Revolutionary War period.

**Purple Text** Represents a Political, Diplomatic or Cultural event that occurred during the Revolutionary War period.

**Red Text** Represents events that have already passed their 250th Anniversaries.

Events are listed on the following 2 pages



## REVOLUTIONARY WAR MASTER EVENT LIST

September 16, 1776	Battle of Harlem Heights	Manhattan, NY
September 22, 1776	Nathan Hale Executed	Long Island, NY
October 11, 1776	Battle of Valcour Island	Lake Champlain, NY
October 18, 1776	Battle of Pell's Point (Battle of Pelham)	Bronx, NY
October 28, 1776	Battle of White Plains	White Plains, NY
November 16, 1776	Battle of Fort Washington	Washington Heights, NY
December 25-26, 1776	Washington's Crossing	Washington Crossing, PA
December 26, 1776	First Battle of Trenton	Trenton, NJ
January 2, 1777	Second Battle of Trenton (Assunpink Creek)	Trenton, NJ
January 3, 1777	Battle of Princeton	Princeton, NJ
January 5, 1777	Winter encampment at Morristown established	Morristown, NJ
January-March, 1777	The Forage War (NJ Militia Insurgency)	New Jersey
January 5, 1777	Ambush at Elizabethtown	Elizabethtown, NJ
January 10, 1777	Ambush at Chatham	Chatham, NJ
January 20, 1777	Battle of Millstone	Millstone, NJ
February 1, 1777	Battle of Drake's Farm	Metuchen, NJ
February 8, 1777	Skirmish at Quibbletown	Quibbletown, NJ
February 23, 1777	Battle of Spanktown	Rahway, NJ
May 17, 1777	Battle of Thomas Creek	Jacksonville, FL
July 2-6, 1777	Siege of Fort Ticonderoga	Ticonderoga, NY
July 7, 1777	Battle of Hubbardton	Rutland County, VT
July 8, 1777	Battle of Fort Anne	Fort Ann, NY
August 6, 1777	Battle of Oriskany	Oriskany, NY
August 16, 1777	Battle of Bennington	Bennington, VT
September 11, 1777	Battle of Brandywine	Brandywine, PA
September 20, 1777	Battle of Paoli (Paoli Massacre)	Willistown TWP, PA
October 4, 1777	Battle of Germantown	Germantown, PA
October 6, 1777	Battle of Fort's Montgomery and Clinton	West Point, NY
October 17, 1777	Battle of Saratoga	Stillwater, NY
October 22, 1777	Battle of Red Bank (Siege of Fort Mercer)	National Park, NJ
November 15, 1777	The Articles of Confederation are adopted	Philadelphia, PA
November 16, 1777	Siege of Fort Mifflin (Battle of Mud Island)	Philadelphia, PA
December 5-8, 1777	Battle of Whitemarsh (Edge Hill)	Whitemarsh TWP, PA
December 19, 1777	Army establishes Camp at Valley Forge	Valley Forge, PA
February 6, 1778	US and France enter a Military Alliance	Versailles, FR
August 29, 1778	Battle of Rhode Island (Quaker Hill)	Newport, RI
September 17, 1778	Treaty of Fort Pitt (Treaty with the Delaware)	Pittsburgh, PA
October 6, 1778	Battle of Chestnut Neck	Little Egg Harbor, NJ
December 29, 1778	First Battle of Savannah	Savannah, GA
June 28, 1778	Battle of Monmouth	Monmouth, NJ
Jul 24-Aug 14, 1778	Penobscot Expedition (Battle of Penobscot Bay)	Penobscot Bay, ME
February 3, 1779	Battle of Beaufort (Battle of Port Royal Island)	Beaufort, SC
February 14, 1779	Battle of Kettle Creek	Washington, GA
February 23-25, 1779	Battle of Vincennes (Siege of Fort Sackville)	Vincennes, IN
March 3, 1779	Battle of Briar Creek	Eastern Georgia
May 9, 1779	Gospport Shipyard Burned	Portsmouth, VA
June 20, 1779	Battle of Stono Ferry	Rantowles, SC
June 21, 1779	Spain Declares War against England	Europe
August 2, 1779	Siege of Fort Laurens	Bolivar, OH
August 29, 1779	Battle of Newtown	Newtown, NY
September 7, 1779	Capture of Fort Bute	Bayou Manchac, LA
September 21, 1779	Spain wins the Battle of Baton Rouge	Baton Rouge, LA

REVOLUTIONARY WAR MASTER EVENT LIST CONTINUED

September 23, 1779	Battle of Flamborough Head	Yorkshire,, England
October 16, 1779	Second Battle of Savannah	Savannah, GA
April 14, 1780	Battle of Monck's Corner (Biggin Bridge)	Monck's Corner, SC
May 6, 1780	Battle of Lenud's Ferry	Berkley County, SC
May 12, 1780	British Capture Charleston	Charleston, SC
May 26, 1780	Battle of Fort San Carlos	St Louis, MO
May 29, 1780	Battle of Waxhaw's (Buford's Massacre)	Lancaster, SC
June 20, 1780	Battle of Ramseur's Mill	Lincolnton, NC
July 12, 1780	Battle of Williamson's Plantation (Huck's Defeat)	Brattonsville, SC
July 15, 1780	Battle of Earle's Ford	Landrum, SC
July 30, 1780	Battle of Fort Thicketty	Pacolet, SC
July 30, 1780	Skirmish Near Hanging Rock	Heath Springs, SC
August 16, 1780	Battle of Hanging Rock	Heath Springs, SC
August 16, 1780	Battle of Camden	North of Camden, SC
August 18, 1780	Battle of Musgrove's Mill	Clinton, SC
August 18, 1780	Battle of Fishing Creek	Fort Lawn, SC
September 25, 1780	Gathering at Sycamore Shoals	Elizabethton, TN
October 7, 1780	Battle of Kings Mountain	Blacksburg, SC
November 9, 1780	Battle of Fishdam Ford	Carlisle, SC
November 20, 1780	Battle of Blackstock's Farm	Cross Anchor, SC
January 5, 1781	Raid on Richmond (Burning of Richmond)	Richmond, VA
January 17, 1781	Battle of Cowpens	Chesnee, SC
February 1, 1781	Battle of Cowan's Ford	Huntersville, NC
February 14, 1781	Crossing of the Dan	South Boston, VA
March 15, 1781	Battle of Guilford Courthouse	Greensboro, NC
April 23, 1781	Battle of Fort Watson	Clarendon, SC
April 25, 1781	Battle of Hobkirk's Hill	Camden, SC
April 25, 1781	Battle of Petersburg	Petersburg, VA
May 8, 1781	Battle of Pensacola	Pensacola, FL
May 8-12, 1781	Siege of Fort Motte	St Mathews, SC
May 12-June 19, 1781	Siege of Ninety Six	Ninety Six, SC
June 4, 1781	Charlottesville Raid	Charlottesville, VA
July 6, 1781	Battle of Green Springs	James City, VA
August 19, 1781	French and American Armies depart NY for VA	Newark, NJ
September 5, 1781	The Second Battle of the Capes	Chesapeake Bay, VA
September 6, 1781	Battle of Groton Heights	Groton, CT
September 8, 1781	Battle of Eutaw Springs	Eutawville, SC
September 28, 1781	Siege of Yorktown Begins	Yorktown, VA
October 4, 1781	Battle of Gloucester	Gloucester, VA
October 14, 1781	Assault of Redoubts 9 and 10	Yorktown, VA
October 19, 1781	Surrender of Cornwallis' Army	Yorktown, VA
November 19, 1781	Hayes Station Massacre	Laurens County, SC
August 19, 1782	Battle of Blue Licks	Carlisle, KY
November 30, 1782	Preliminary Peace Treaty signed	Paris, FR
December 20-21, 1782	Battle of the Delaware Capes	
March 10, 1783	Last Naval Battle of the Revolution	Cape Canaveral, FL
September 3, 1783	Final Treaty of Paris Signed	Paris, FR
May 25 +/-	Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous	Vincennes, IN
September 17 +/-	Vigil at Washington's Tomb	Mount Vernon, VA
October 19, 1781	Yorktown Days	Yorktown, VA
Dec 25-Jan 3, 1776-77	Ten Crucial Days	Princeton/Trenton, NJ

Greetings Compatriots,



If your state has previously submitted to receive recognition for working with the C.A.R., but I do not yet have you recorded for this year. If you would like to submit for this year, please fill in the attached form (or just send me the answers to the questions) or forward to someone that can. As we are past the due date for this year, **you can still apply if you respond promptly. If you can't send the completed form, then please let me know when you will be able to do so.** Regards, Darrin Schmidt, **NSSAR C.A.R. Liasion Committee Chairman. [Dschmidt.sar@gmail.com](mailto:Dschmidt.sar@gmail.com)**

NSSAR - C.A.R. Activity Streamer Submission Form

Reporting Year: 2025 Deadline: April 31st

Streamer Award Requires 7 Yes Answers

<b>State Society</b>		
<b>C.A.R. Chairman Name</b>		
<b>C.A.R. Chairman Email</b>		
<b>State President Name</b>		
<b>State President Email</b>		
<b>Submitted By (Name)</b>		
<b>Submitter Email</b>		
<b>Submit Date</b>		
<b>#1</b>	Did you appoint a C.A.R. Committee Chairman and/or C.A.R. Liaison Officer?	No
<b>#2</b>	Have either you or your C.A.R. chairman made contact with the C.A.R.?	No
<b>#3</b>	Does your State Society have members serving in the C.A.R. as Senior Leaders?	No
<b>#4</b>	Was the C.A.R. featured or mentioned in your State or Chapter newsletter?	No
	If Yes provide details (Newsletter Name, Article, Date of Publication.	No
<b>#S</b>	Did your State Society, a Chapter, or an Individual Compatriot donate monetary funds to the C.A.R.?	
<b>#G</b>	Did your State Society or a Chapter hold a meeting where C.A.R. members participated?	No
<b>#7</b>	Did a member of your State Society attend the C.A.R. State Conference (Annual Meeting)?	No
<b>#8</b>	Did your State Society or a Chapter Sponsor a C.A.R. Society?	No
<b>#9</b>	Did a member of your State Society sponsor or endorse a C.A.R. member for either SAR or CAR membership?	No
<b>#10</b>	Did your State Society present an "SAR/CAR Medal of Appreciation" to either a Compatriot or CAR Member?	No



# 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution Recognition Program



The recognition program is designed to encourage and recognize those compatriots, chapters and societies that participate in local, state, national and international events which publically educate, and recognize, honor, and celebrate the events and heroes of the period surrounding the American Revolution. Participation involves the planning and execution of **these events, as well as attendance. The medal covers the celebration of any event's 250th anniversary** where said event related directly to acts of resistance to British attempts to coerce the residents in America: from the first Parliamentary Acts protested after the conclusion of the French and Indian Wars, through the armed struggle of the American War for Independence, to the ratification of the Treaty of Paris by the Continental Congress.

This therefore will cover any public celebrations in the period from 2014 to 2033. Form may be submitted to cover multiple years and following the first submission be submitted in multiple years, only covering activities since the previous submission. Scorekeeping is the responsibility of each compatriot and awarding authority. You will receive an email authorizing the purchase (when reaching the Gold Medal Level )from merchandising. The guidelines and points are describe below:

PLEASE SUBMIT SIGNED AUTHORIZATION FORM TO: [250AnniversaryRecognition@sar.org](mailto:250AnniversaryRecognition@sar.org). Awards are based on activity and the awarding of points for each type of activity:

Directing, chairing or co-chairing an event or sub-committee for the duration of the event. (20 points)

Participation in the planning, financing, promotion or conduct of an event other than directing, chairing, or co- chairing an event. Those that do direct, chair or co-chair and event and also serve as a regular member of a committee or sub-committee in a non-leadership role, may also earn points. (10 points)

Attending an Event (3 points)

Attending an event in Colonial Attire (5 points)

### **SAR Members may be awarded the Medals for achieving the following levels:**

Bronze Medal: 25 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district or national society.

Silver Medal: Compatriots who earn 60 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district or national society.

Gold Medal: Compatriots who earn 150 promotion points as certified by the national society.

### **Non-SAR members may also be awarded these medals**

The chapter may present bronze awards to its Partners in Patriotism, and may recommend its Partners to the state or national society for higher recognition.

The state and district may present silver awards to its Partners in Patriotism, and may recommend its Partners to the national society for higher recognition.

250th Award continued

Coin Award. May be awarded to SAR and Non-SAR individuals participating in programs but taking no actual leadership role.

Streamer. Awarded to SAR and non-SAR organizations. The certificate will describe the program for which the award is being made. Streamers are based on participation in any one event during the year. Stars will be awarded if re-earned in subsequent years.

**PART 1: Submission Information**

Please enter the name of the submitter of this form and contact information, as well as date submitted. Please indicate if this submission is for INDIVIDUAL or ORGANIZATION. If for SAR Individual or Organization, please list home chapter and state society. If this is for an SAR member, please list national number. If this is for an SAR unit, please list official size as of 1 January of the submission year (excluding dual memberships). Bronze authorized by Chapter, Silver and Gold by the State Society.

Name of Candidate:		National Number:	
E-mail:		Phone:	
Type Submission:		Chapter:	
Name of Submitter:		State Society:	
Date Submitted:		Organization Size:	

Event	Position	Possible Points	Committee/ Sub-Committee	Date of Service	Points Earned
	<b>Chairman</b>	<b>20</b>			
	<b>Planning/Non-Leadership</b>	<b>10</b>			
	<b>Attend Event</b>	<b>3</b>			
	<b>Attend in Colonial Attire</b>	<b>5</b>			

Event	Position	Possible Points	Committee/ Sub-Committee	Date of Service	Points Earned
	<b>Chairman</b>	<b>20</b>			
	<b>Planning/Non-Leadership</b>	<b>10</b>			
	<b>Attend Event</b>	<b>3</b>			
	<b>Attend in Colonial Attire</b>	<b>5</b>			

Authorizing Signature\*\*\*\*\* \_\_\_\_\_ Total Points Attained \_\_\_\_\_



\*\*\*\*\* Authorizing signature for Bronze is Chapter President or his designee. Silver Medal authorizing signature is State President, District VPG or their designees. Gold Medal Authorizing signature is at the NSSAR level per Gary Gift, 250th Committee.



# BYLAWS

## The Council of State Presidents The National Society Sons of the American Revolution



Revised June 26, 2000 at the 110th Annual National Congress in Boston, Massachusetts	Amended at the 124th Congress In Greenville, South Carolina
Amended at the 111th Annual National Congress in Louisville, Kentucky	Amended 11 July 2017 at the 127th Annual National Congress In Knoxville, Tennessee
Amended at the 112th Annual National Congress in Nashville, Tennessee	Amended 03 March 2018 at the 2018 Spring Leadership Conference In Louisville, Kentucky
Amended at the 134th Annual National Congress in Lancaster. PA	

### Article One - Name and Status

- 1.1 The Council of State Presidents (referred to as the Council, hereafter, in these Bylaws), a Standing Committee of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, exists and operates through the authority granted in Bylaw No. 20. Special Advisory and Program Committee, as follows:
- 1.2 There shall be a continuing and independent Committee designated as The Council of State Presidents whose membership from time to time shall always include the then incumbent President of each State Society, and such other members as the Council may determine but not more than three from any state shall be eligible to serve on this Council at any one time. Except as otherwise provided in Section of this Bylaw 20, this Council shall: (A) be advisory and consultative only, and members shall at all times strive to be of assistance to each other, and to the General Officers and Board of Trustees in administration of the business affairs of the Society; (B) shall make such rules as to the election of its officers and conduct of its meetings as shall seem to the Council to be advisable; (C) shall hold meetings during each Spring and Fall Leadership Meeting and at each Annual Congress but not at times or places that would interfere with the regular business to be conducted at the Congress or at the Leadership Meetings.

### Article Two - Membership

- 2.1 The three (3) members allotted to each State Society shall be: the President; the Immediate Past President; and the President-Elect, which term shall be construed to include any title used by a State Society to designate its incumbent President's probable successor. Compatriots shall be recognized as official members when holding

2.2 All Past Officers of the former "State Presidents' Caucus," and of the Council, shall be considered Ex-Officio Members of the Council so long as they are recorded with the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution as active members. They shall be welcome at all meetings of the Council, where they shall have the freedom of the floor, but they shall not be entitled to vote on any matter before the Council, unless they hold one of the three offices in Section 2.1. A list of Ex-Officio Members shall be maintained by the Secretary, and it shall be kept as an addendum to these original Bylaws, identified as Rule A-2.2, and affixed to and made an integral part of them.

2.3 All Compatriots who signed the statement at Indianapolis, Indiana, on 12 June 1972, in their capacity as President of their respective State Society, which established the former "State Presidents' Caucus," shall be considered Founding Members so long as they are recorded with the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution as active members. They shall be welcome at all meetings of the Council, where they shall have the freedom of the floor, but they shall not be entitled to vote on any matter before the Council, unless they subsequently hold one of the three offices in Section 2.1. A list of Founding Members shall be maintained by the Secretary, and it shall be kept as an addendum to these original Bylaws, identified as Rule A-2.3, and affixed to and made an integral part of them.

#### Article Three - Purposes

3.1 Originally established as the "State Presidents' Caucus" at the 82nd Annual Congress in Indianapolis, Indiana, on 12 June 1972, the purpose stated at that time was: We have but one basic goal: mutual assistance on matters which face us, individually, in our responsibilities and duties as the President of a State Society.

3.2 This purpose shall continue in effect for the Council, as supplemented by the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution's Bylaw No. 20. Special Advisory and Program Committees.

#### Article Four - Officers

4.1 Chairman: Procedure for selecting the Chairman of the CoSP.

Candidates must be a serving State President at the time of their election to Chairman of CoSP (i.e. during the National Congress).

Candidates must submit their intent to be a candidate by petition to the CoSP Secretary no later than 30 days prior to the National Congress. This intent must also include the Candidate's willingness to be present in person at CoSP meetings at Leadership and Congress. The Secretary will distribute the list of eligible candidates for Chairman to the membership no later than 30 days prior to the National Congress.

Each eligible State President must ensure his State Society dues have been paid

to the Council Secretary- Treasurer prior to the first meeting of the Council at the Annual Congress before he can be considered a candidate for election as Chairman of the CoSP

Provision for write-in candidates whose petitions were sent by mail, telephone, or E-mail but were not received by the Secretary in time to include on the ballot, if it is announced at the first Council meeting at the Annual Congress that such candidates are eligible and that they have signed the necessary petition.

At the Council breakfast meeting at each Annual Congress, the incumbent Chairman shall introduce all candidates, whose names are to be on the ballot, including those who have qualified as written candidates. Any candidate not present at the breakfast does not lose his eligibility to remain on the ballot, provided he has registered as a Delegate at the Annual Congress.

Each State Society shall be entitled to one (1) Elector when ballots are cast for Chairman of the CoSP, and the incumbent President of each State Society shall be the Elector. If he is unable to attend the Annual Congress, he may give written authorization (on paper or by electronic means) to either of the other two

(2) Council members from his State Society to cast his ballot in his stead.

As soon as practicable at the Council business meeting, the Secretary and the Tellers Committee shall distribute the ballots to the Electors and those Council members possessing written authorization from their respective State President to cast the latter's vote. After the ballots have been marked and returned to the Tellers Committee, no further ballots may be distributed. The Committee shall retire for tabulation of the ballots, and the results shall be announced prior to adjournment of the Council business meeting.

The Candidate with the largest number of votes will be deemed the new Chairman. Whenever two (2) or more candidates receive the same number of votes, the two candidates receiving the highest votes will again be voted upon by the voting members. The candidate with the highest number of votes will be designated as the new Chairman.

The newly elected Chairman's term will begin at the close of the Congress during which he was elected. The term of office is one year.

- 4.2 Vice Chairman. The Vice Chairman shall be the Immediate Past Chairman of the Council as provided in Article 6.1. If a vacancy occurs in the position of Chairman as provided in Article 6.1 the Vice Chairman shall complete the un- expired term. If a vacancy does not occur the Vice Chairman shall perform such advisory duties and/or other duties as designated by the Chairman and/or Council. The Vice Chairman shall preside at meetings of the Council in the absence of the Chairman but shall have no vote at Council or Council Committee meetings unless he is presiding, in which case he is authorized to vote in case of a tie vote or unless he is otherwise entitled to voting status. If the Vice Chairman is a voting member of the Council, he may not vote to create a tie and then vote as Presiding Officer to break the tie.
- 4.3 Secretary. The Secretary shall be subject to election at the first Council meeting at each Annual Congress. He shall be a past Council member at the time of his election or has served as Assistant Secretary for a minimum of two years. He shall have no vote on any matter before the Council or any Council Committee to which he may be appointed.
- 4.4 Duties of the Secretary shall vary according to the desires of the Council, but they shall include the following:
- 4.4.1 Maintenance of an accurate record of the proceedings of all Council meetings, a copy of which shall be furnished to each Council member within a reasonable time following adjournment of each Annual Congress.
- 4.4.2 Cooperation with the Congress Planning Committee Chairman and State Society officers, or others as circumstances dictate, to arrange for Council meetings to be held during the Annual Congress.
- 4.4.3 Primary liaison with all Council members, in regard to Council affairs and plans, and with General Officers of the National Society, in the interim between Annual Congresses.

- 4.4.4 Preparation and distribution to all Council members, periodically, of a newsletter compiled from reports received from Council members, to further an exchange of ideas and information between Annual Congresses.
- 4.4.5 Preparation and mailing to all Council members eligible to serve, of the material, pertaining to the election of four (4) members and four (4) alternate members to the National Society's Nominating Committee.
- 4.4.6 [Reserved].
- 4.4.7 Mailing of meeting notices and reservation forms, when applicable, to all Council members prior to each Annual Congress, including Ex Officio Members and Founding Members.
- 4.5 Assistant Secretary- The Assistant Secretary shall be subject to election at the first Council meeting at each Annual Congress. He shall be a dues paid member of the National Society. He shall have no vote on any matter before the Council or any Council Committee to which he may be appointed.
- 4.6 Duties of the Assistant Secretary shall vary according to the desires of the Council, but the Assistant Secretary shall assume the duties of the Secretary- Treasurer when the incumbent Secretary is unable to perform the duties of his office, resigns or is otherwise removed from the position of Secretary. He shall perform such duties until the first Council meeting at the Annual Congress immediately following his assumption of said duties. At that meeting a Secretary shall be elected and an Assistant Secretary shall also be elected.

#### Article Five - Committees

- 5.1 The Chairman shall appoint as many committees as he deems advisable, or as directed by the Council, in addition to the two (2) committees he shall appoint annually:
  - 5.1.1 [Reserved]
  - 5.1.2 Tellers Committee. It shall be composed of three (3) members, and they shall count the ballots for Council members to serve as Members and Alternate Members of the National Society's Nominating Committee. All Committee members shall reside in a state having no nominee on the ballot. Ex-Officio Members and Founding Members of the Council shall be eligible to serve as Tellers.
  - 5.1.3 The committee appointments named in Article 5.1.1 and Article 5.1.2 shall expire at the adjournment of each Annual Congress. All other committee appointments shall expire one (1) year after the date of appointment, or at the first Annual Congress after appointment.

## Article Six - Vacancies

- 6.1 If a vacancy occurs in the position of Chairman after an Annual Congress, and before the subsequent Annual Congress is convened, the Secretary shall notify the Immediate Past Chairman. The latter shall complete the unexpired term. If he cannot or will not fill the vacancy, it shall remain open until the Annual Congress, when the Chairman shall be selected through the process provided in Article 4.1.
- 6.2 If a vacancy occurs in the office of Secretary, the Chairman shall appoint a qualified successor to serve until the first Council meeting at the next Annual Congress.

## Article Seven - Administrative Expenses

- 7.1 To cover the cost of printing, postage, and related expenses incurred by the Secretary in publishing and mailing notices, minutes, and other information to Council members, the National Society shall establish a line-item budget to defray such costs.
- 7.2 All unexpended Council funds which remain, if any, shall be turned over to the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, following a final audit, to be credited to that portion of the budget designated for use by the Council.
- 7.3 [Reserved]
- 7.4 All State Society assessment balances remaining outstanding at the Congress held in Greenville, South Carolina in July 2014 are waived.

## Article Eight - Meetings

- 8.1 The Council shall meet for breakfast on Monday morning of each Annual Congress. The business portion of this meeting shall be restricted to those items required in these Bylaws, and for any other purpose for which there is adequate time.
- 8.2 The Council shall meet on Tuesday afternoon of each Annual Congress to conduct all other business of the Council not covered in 8.1, if it is amenable to the official Congress schedule on that day. The official Congress schedule shall prevail in all instances. The cost of breakfast shall be borne by the member in attendance.
- 8.3 The Council may meet at any other time of any day, during an Annual Congress, provided it has been announced in advance during at least one official Congress session or a Council meeting. The Council shall meet at each Spring and Fall Leadership meeting for the purpose of transacting such business as the members deem desirable and consistent with the purposes for which the Council has been established.

- 8.4 A special Council meeting may be called by the issuance of a notice delivered by mail, telephone or E-mail (or other electronic or social media method) to all Council members, not less than 10 days prior to the said meeting, if the notice is signed or authorized by at least 10 members of the Council (as defined in Article Two) representing a minimum of 10 State Societies. A quorum for the Special Council meeting shall be fifteen incumbent State Presidents or their proxies. The notice must contain the reason(s) for the meeting, and the place, date, time and expected duration. Meetings may take place in person or by electronic/telephonic means. Detailed minutes of the said meeting shall be sent to all council members within 10 days after adjournment.
- 8.5 Council members within a National Society District, or within two (2) or more such Districts, are encouraged to hold meetings. Reports of such meetings should be sent to the Secretary by one of the host Society's Council members.

#### Article Nine - Programs

- 9.1 In seeking ways of furthering the purposes of the Council, educational and inspirational programs may be planned for any Spring or Fall Leadership Meeting or the Tuesday session at an Annual Congress, but not for a Monday session of Congress. The Chairman and the Secretary may plan the agenda for both sessions, or the Chairman may appoint a committee to plan for the program and /or speaker(s) for Tuesday's session at Congress.

#### Article Ten - Nominating Committee Members

- 10.1 The procedure to be used for the selection of Members and Alternate Members of the National Society's Nominating Committee shall be as follows:
- 10.1.1 No later than thirty (30) days prior to an Annual Congress, the Secretary- Treasurer shall notify all Council members, excepting Immediate Past Presidents, Ex-Officio Members, and Founding Member, of the election of Council members at the Annual Congress to serve on the Nominating Committee. His notice shall contain the following information:
- 10.1.1.1 To be considered for election as one of four (4) State Presidents on the Nominating Committee, a candidate must satisfy two (2) requirements found in Bylaw No. 20. Special Advisory and Program Committees:
- 10.1.1.1.1 A member elected at the National Congress to serve on the Nominating Committee must anticipate being the President of his State Society at the time of the Nominating Committee's scheduled meeting during the next Spring Leadership Meeting, either because his term as the President of his State Society will continue through the Spring Leadership Meeting or because he will be elected and installed as the President of his State Society after the Congress and before the Spring Leadership Meeting. If, for any reason, a

member elected to serve on the Nominating Committee is not the President of his State Society at the time of the Nominating Committee's meeting during the next Spring Leadership Meeting, he shall be disqualified from service on the Nominating Committee.

- 10.1.1.1.2 He may not be President of a Society in a State in which one of the five (5) most immediate, living former Presidents General resided during the state President's term of office.
- 10.1.1.2 Additional limitations on candidates for election by the Council to serve on the Nominating Committee, hereby imposed by the Council, include:
  - 10.1.1.2.1 No District of the National Society may be represented by more than one (1) State President.
  - 10.1.1.2.2 A State President (State President-to-be) must be in attendance at the Annual Congress at which he is to be a candidate for election as one of the Council's members on the Nominating Committee; however, where extenuating circumstances warrant, this attendance requirement may be suspended on a two-thirds vote of the eligible Council members present at the meeting. A surrogate may speak on behalf of the absent candidate.
  - 10.1.1.2.3 Before consideration as a nominee for election, each interested and eligible State President (or State President-to-be) must indicate his intention of attending the Nominating Committee's meeting.
  - 10.1.1.2.4 Each eligible State President (or State President-to-be) must ensure his State Society dues have been paid to the Council Secretary-Treasurer prior to the first meeting of the Council at the Annual Congress before he can be considered a candidate for election as one of the Council's members on the Nominating Committee.
- 10.1.2 The Secretary shall request that the signed and dated petition, for inclusion on the ballot, be returned to him no later than thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Congress. He shall prepare a ballot, of which he shall bring one ballot per each existing state society to the Annual Congress, which shall include the following:
  - 10.1.2.1 Instructions to the Electors to vote for no more than four (4) candidates, and that they can vote for no more than one (1) candidate in each District.
  - 10.1.2.2 Provision for write-in candidates whose petitions were sent by mail, telephone or E-mail but were not received by the Secretary in time to include them in the ballot, if it is announced at the first Council meeting at the Annual Congress that such candidates are eligible and that they have signed the necessary petition.
  - 10.1.2.3 Listing of candidates, alphabetically by surname within their respective District

headings. Districts shall be arranged, alphabetically, with blank lines provided for similar information for write-in candidates on the ballot.

- 10.1.2.4 All National Society Districts shall be listed, whether there are candidates or not from each District. When one or more Districts have no candidates, it shall be so stated in the appropriate place(s).
- 10.1.3 At the Council breakfast meeting at each Annual Congress, the Chairman shall introduce all candidates, whose names are to be on the ballot, including those who have qualified as write-in candidates. Any candidate not present at the breakfast does not lose his eligibility to remain on the ballot, provided he has registered as a Delegate at the Annual Congress.
- 10.1.4 As soon as practicable at the Council business meeting, the Secretary and the Tellers Committee shall distribute the ballots to the Electors and those Council members possessing written authorization from their respective State President to cast the latter's vote. After the ballots have been marked and returned to the Tellers Committee, no further ballots may be distributed. The Committee shall retire for tabulation of the ballots, and the results shall be announced prior to adjournment of the Council business meeting.
  - 10.1.4.1 Those four (4) candidates receiving the greater number of votes shall be declared Members of the National Society's Nominating Committee for one year; those four (4) candidates receiving the next highest number of votes shall be declared Alternate Members of the National Society's Nominating Committee for one year.
  - 10.1.4.2 Whenever two (2) or more candidates receive the same number of votes, their names shall be written on similar pieces of paper and placed in a container. A disinterested Compatriot, not a member of the Tellers Committee, shall draw out the names, one at a time. The order in which they are drawn shall determine the order in which they shall serve, as Members or as Alternate Members.
- 10.1.5 [RESERVED]
- 10.1.6 The Secretary shall, as soon as possible after the adjournment of the Annual Congress, notify the President General, by letter or through electronic communication, of the results of the election. He shall send a copy of said communication to the Chairman of the nominating Committee and to the Executive Director of the National Society.
- 10.1.7 Any question or dispute which arises during any phase of the nomination or election process shall be referred immediately to the Chancellor General, with a request for his opinion, which shall prevail until and unless superseded by remedial action at that Annual Congress or at any subsequent Annual Congress.

- 10.2 Each State Society shall be entitled to one (1) Elector when ballots are cast for Members and Alternate Members of the Nominating Committee, and the incumbent President of each State Society shall be the Elector. If he is unable to attend the Annual Congress, he may give written authorization (on paper or by electronic means) to either of the other two (2) Council members from his State Society to cast his ballot in his stead.
- 10.3 In the event there are not enough candidates or write -in candidates to supply four members and/or four alternates for the nominating committee, the Chairman may ask for volunteers among the State Society Presidents present at the business meeting. These volunteers must comply with the eligibility requirements listed in these Bylaws. If there are more than one volunteer, they may decide among themselves the order in which they will serve as members or alternates. If they cannot resolve the order issue, the Chairman will order the drawing of lots.
- 10.4 A list of Past Members and Alternate Members, whether elected or appointed, shall be maintained by the Secretary-Treasurer, and it shall be kept as an addendum to these original Bylaws, identified as Rule A-11.1.2, and affixed to and made an integral part of them.

#### Article Eleven - Quorum

- 11.1 A Quorum of the Council of State Presidents for the transaction of business shall be fifteen (15) of those incumbent State Presidents, or their proxies, registered for the Annual Congress and in attendance at the Council's breakfast meeting and the Council's business meeting. If the Council Chairman determines a quorum does not exist, he shall declare the meeting adjourned without further action being required.

#### Article Twelve - Visitors to Council Meetings

- 12.1 Any Compatriot who is not a member of the Council shall be welcome at any meeting of the Council, but he shall not have freedom of the floor unless he is recognized by the Chairman for a specific purpose.

#### Article Thirteen - Guests at the Council Breakfast

- 13.1 The incumbent President General and the First Lady shall be the only invited guests to attend the Council Breakfast meeting. All others -- Council members and guests -- shall be required to pay the National Society the fixed price for the cost of the breakfast.
- 13.2 The National Society shall send as part of Congress Registration a breakfast registration form stating the cost of the breakfast. Any member or guest shall be responsible for recording their proposed attendance and remitting appropriate funds to satisfy this cost.

- 13.3 The breakfast meeting shall be open to the general membership upon payment of the cost of the breakfast. All members and guests attending the breakfast meeting shall pay the National Society for their breakfasts. Members and guests may attend the breakfast meeting and not partake of breakfast at no cost.

#### Article Fourteen - Minutes and Notices to Council Members

- 14.1 The Council Secretary shall only send notices to the incumbent State Presidents, Immediate Past Presidents and the Vice Presidents (or whatever title the State Society uses for the Compatriot next in line to succeed the incumbent State President). It shall be the responsibility of each incumbent State President to ensure his State Society Secretary and State Society Treasurer receive appropriate information relative to the Council.

#### Article Fifteen - Fiscal Year

- 15.1 [Reserved]

#### Article Sixteen - Liability

- 16.1 The members and officers of the Council are not personally or individually liable for any debts, obligations or liabilities of this Council, or of its parent National Society, Sons of the American Revolution.

#### Article Seventeen - Parliamentary Authority

- 17.1 The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, shall govern the Council in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws or the Bylaws of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

#### Article 18 - Changes to Bylaws

- 18.1 These Bylaws may be changed at any meeting of the Council, by a majority vote of those present and eligible, provided that a copy of the proposed change has been sent by mail, telephone or E-mail to every Council member at least thirty (30) days in advance of said meeting during which the change is to be considered.
- 18.2 Any proposed change which is presented without application of the procedure in Section 18.1 may be considered, by approval of a majority of those present and eligible. Such a change, however, may not be adopted without approval of two-thirds (2/3) of those present and eligible.

Adopted by majority vote, this 14th day of July 2024, in Lancaster, PA. Dr. Keith Weissinger,

Vice Chairman Council of State Presidents

**ATTEST:**

Dr. John Fulwider, Secretary Council of State Presidents

