



Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution

NSSAR Color Guard Report

Subject: April 2012 State Meeting Reports

At the 121st Congress in Winston-Salem, North Carolina on July 8 – 13, 2012 I served at all of the Color Guard events.

At the Spring Leadership meeting in Louisville, Kentucky in March 2012 I served in two Color Guard events. At the Color Guard meeting we elected a Color Guardsman of the Year. Jim Arnold was a candidate. Thomas Green of Texas was elected.

The Color Guardsman magazine is now online on the National website. The next issue will be posted in June 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert P. Cunningham
INSSAR / NSSAR National Trustee



Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution

NSSAR National Trustee Report

Subject: April 2012 State Meeting Reports

121st Annual Congress, Winston-Salem, North Carolina / July 8 – 13, 2011

ATTENDEES:

Roger Barnhart and wife Martha
Charles David Betzner and wife Donna
Ronald Burkhart and wife Kathy
John K. Carmichael, Jr.
Robert Cunningham and wife Chris
Robert Howell and wife Marge
T. Rex Legler and wife April
Dr. Lloyd Schnuck, Jr.
Tom Schnuck and wife Kay
William Sharp and wife Donna

- I attended the Host Reception on Saturday.
- Chris and I attended the Color Guard Breakfast on Saturday morning and afterwards went to the Guilford Courthouse National Military Park.
- I attended the Trustees Meeting on Sunday morning. I served in the Color Guard at the Memorial Service.
- On Monday I attended the Council of State Presidents Breakfast, served in the Color Guard for the opening of Congress and then attended the opening session of Congress. I also attended the Youth Awards Luncheon where the Master of Ceremonies was T. Rex Legler, who did a wonderful job.
- On Tuesday I attended the morning session of Congress and the George Washington Fellow and Vice President Luncheon. I also attended the Council of State Presidents and served in the Color Guard for the evening banquet.
- On Wednesday I attended the final session of Congress, the Trustees Meeting and served in the Color Guard for the evening banquet.

SPRING LEADERSHIP/TRUSTEES MEETING, Louisville, Kentucky / March 1 – 3, 2012

ATTENDEES:

Jim Arnold
Roger Barnhart and wife Martha
Charles David Betzner and wife Donna
Robert Cunningham and wife Chris
Robert Howell and wife Marge
T. Rex Legler and wife April

- On Friday I attended the following committee meetings:
 - Medals and Awards
 - Merchandizing
 - Membership
 - Genealogy
- I attended the Color Guard Committee meeting of which I am a member. The committee voted on the Color Guardsman of the Year. Jim Arnold was a candidate. Thomas Green of Texas was selected.
- I attended the Historic Sites, Celebrations and Reenactment Committee of which I am a member.
- I served in the Color Guard for the Friday evening banquet.
- On Saturday I attended the Trustees Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert P. Cunningham
INSSAR / NSSAR National Trustee



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Report to the INSSAR House of Delegates

New Member Applications –

The INSSAR has updated and revised both its Applications Policy and Applications Handbook. Recently some applications have come through that do not meet the standards that INSSAR has put out. Please be sure to follow them. If you need a copy of the information please contact the INSSAR Secretary. Be sure to use the INSSAR Application Review Checklist and attach it to the application(s) before you send it to the registrar.

First Review of New Membership Approvals –

As part of the Recruitment and Retention of INSSAR Members, an initial review of New Member Approvals by year has been provided to the membership in Appendix A. For the last 6 years, with the exception of 2008, the INSSAR has hit a mark of over 40 new approved members each year, with 2011 as the peak in over 12 years with 55 new members approved. So far 2012 is on target to go well beyond the 55 mark as to date we have 49 approvals with another 9 new applications waiting for review.

Chapters –

- Seth Jewel - The Chapter (membership of 5) has asked to dissolve. The Executive Committee has worked with them through this process and has supported their decision based as only a couple of members are in Indiana with the balance out of state. The INSSAR Secretary has provided each member of the Chapter with pre-completed transfer form so all they need to do is fill in the new chapter they wish to be a member of.
- George Rogers Clark – The Oldest Chapter in the state is in danger of folding. Compatriot Marshall Miller reports that he is no longer able to handle all the duties of all the officers and to date no one has volunteered to help with the leadership. If no leadership can be found, they have requested to merge into the Ohio Valley Chapter. INSSAR Secretary Eells has sent letters to all the Chapters dropped members (10) inviting them to rejoin the SAR family. INSSAR President Betzner would like to see the INSSAR come together with a plan of action to see that the Chapter remains viable.

INSSAR Database / Annual Reconciliation –

The INSSAR membership Reconciliation with NSSAR has been completed. During the process it was discovered that the INSSAR had been carrying Deceased and Dropped Members from as far back as before 2004. The INSSAR records and NSSAR records have been gone over with a fine tooth comb.

Membership Renewal/Drop –

Additional analysis is being conducted at the request of the INSSAR Executive Committee. I am in the process of completing the import process of all members who have dropped since 1999. I have already begun providing Chapters with this updated dropped list so they can review the information, research all the members so we can determine who has deceased and prepare for a major outreach to all those dropped members encouraging them to rejoin our SAR family.

Youth to Junior Conversions –

Just after the first of the year, I sent out 16 information packets to our Youth members explaining their status after the NSSAR dropped the program at Congress 2011. In that packet was the invitation to convert from YTH to JR for only \$5 at NSSAR + Any Chapter dues in 2012. To date 4 have taken advantage of the program. Please encourage any youth members your chapter may have to convert over as the INSSAR is not charging them dues for 2012 if they do.

INSSAR Handbook for New Members –

The new INSSAR Handbook has been created and is in its final editing phase. Once final edits are completed it should be published and made available to Chapters. INSSAR President Betzner has a proposal to fund this project.

INSSAR New Recruitment Tools –

Two new tools have been created for the INSSAR membership; an interest form and a general information sheet. Both of these tools are in final edits and once completed will be made available to Chapters. INSSAR President Betzner has a proposal to fund this project.

Hoosier Patriot –

Editor Jeff Hornung continues to do an amazing job with the Newsletter. We encourage all Chapters to submit information for publishing. One area of concern is that this is only emailed to members, and those members without email/computer access are not receiving communication from the State Society. This is great concern to the INSSAR Executive Committee, and is a contributing factor to increased membership drops.

INSSAR Chapter's reporting Update –

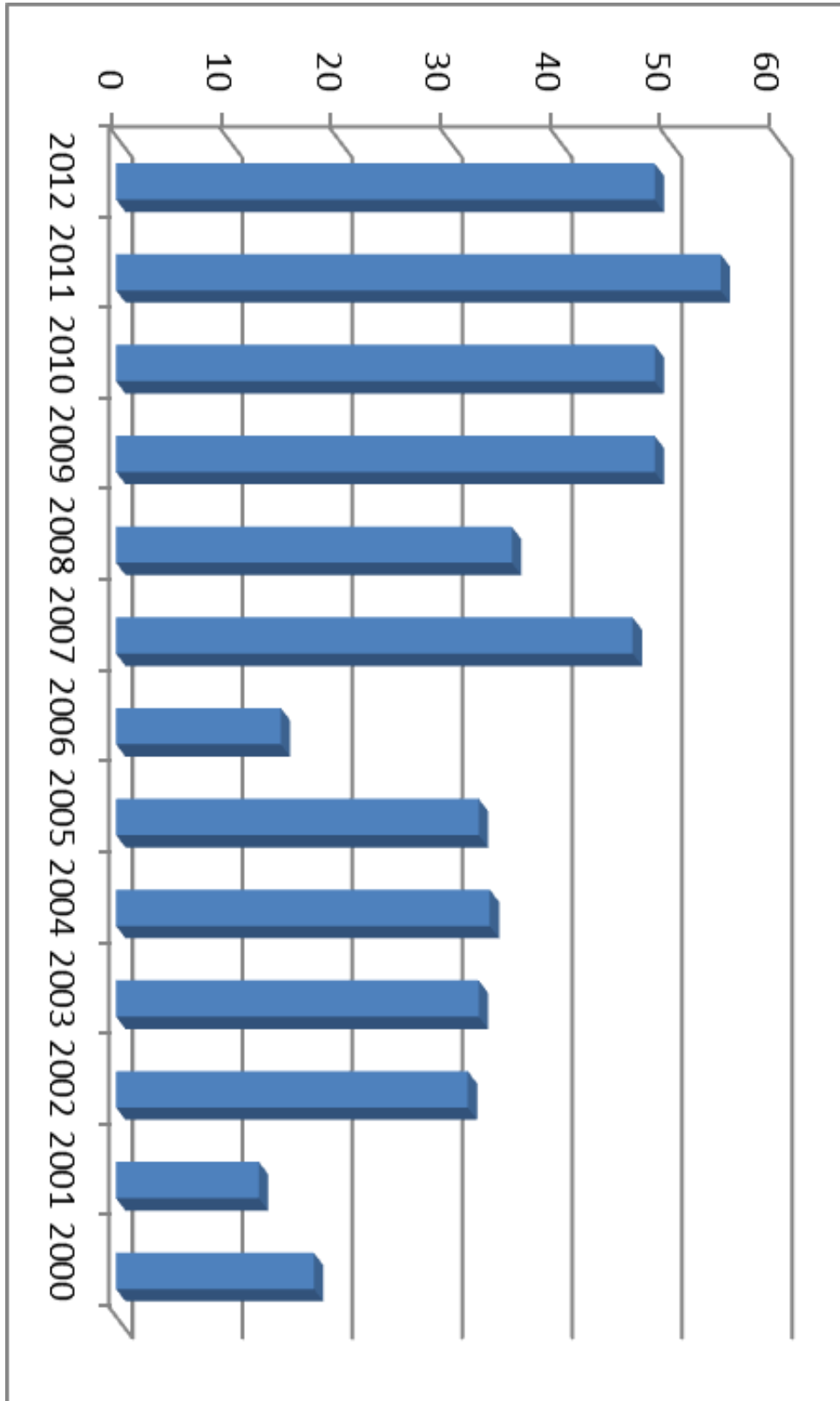
Attached to this report is an appendix which breaks out the Chapter's reporting to the INSSAR. It is listed as Appendix B. So far this year we are seeing a large increase in Chapters meeting their required reporting/activities before the deadlines.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wayne Eells

Appendix A

INSSAR New Members By Year



Appendix B

Chapter Reporting Recap – Q1 2012



INSSAR - Cha

Chapter	106	Membership 1-Jan		14-Apr-12
		1Q Report Submitted	IRS Form 990-N Filed / IN NP-20 / IN Sec State Annual Report	
District 1				
Alexis Coquillard	38	17-Mar-12	Y / Y	17-Mar-12
Anthony Halberstadt	51	26-Mar-12	N / N	28-Feb-12
Duneland	11	28-Feb-12	Y / N	28-Feb-12
Seth Jewel	0	Dissolve	Dissolve	Dissolve
Simon Kenton	6	28-Mar-12	Y / Y	28-Mar-12
District 2	268			
Alexander Hamilton	14	24-Mar-12	N / N	24-Mar-12
Benjamin Franklin	13	22-Feb-12	Y / N	10-Jan-12
Clarence A Cook	134	27-Feb-12	N / N	5-Jan-12
Continental	52	27-Mar-12	Y / N	21-Mar-12
John Martin	27	15-Mar-12	N / N	15-Mar-12
William Henry Harrison	28	11-Apr-12	Y / N	11-Apr-12
District 3	129			
Daniel Guthrie	98	19-Mar-12	Y / N	19-Mar-12
David Benton	11	12-Mar-12	Y / N	12-Mar-12
John Hay	20	19-Mar-12	N / N	
District 4	61			
General Thomas Posey	14	10-Jan-12	Y / Y	15-Feb-12
George Rogers Clark	12		N / N	
Ohio Valley	35	27-Mar-12	Y / Y	27-Mar-12



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INSSAR 4-H Report

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- Compatriot Jim Arnold reported that on February 6, 2012 Compatriots T. Rex Legler II and James C. Arnold presented Mr. Chance Brewer of the Owen County Harrison Hot Shots 4-H Club with his 4-H pin and Certificate at their first meeting for 2012. Ms. Caitlin Leichter will receive hers when she returns to Indiana as she is now out of state. The Owen County Awards Chairwoman said she would get it to her.
- On Feb. 18, Compatriots John West & Don Counts presented an SAR Outstanding Citizenship Lapel Pin to Abigail Clark from the Warrick County 4-H Program. Also attending the presentation was Compatriot Ken Gilkey along with Peggy Gilkey, Becky West & Betty Counts.
- On April 3, 2012, Compatriot Jim Arnold further reported the following: "As of today I have contacted all seven (7) Counties that Daniel Guthrie Chapter has (as far as I know of) for the INSSAR 4-H Awards. The 4-H Youth Development Educator for the following counties:
 - Brown--Ms. Ashley Roberts
 - Lawrence--Ms. Dashia Meadows
 - Martin--Mr. Jonathan Stevens
 - Morgan--Ms. Rena J. Sheldon
 - Monroe--Mr. Jeff Holland
 - Owen--Mrs. Amy Woodall
 - Orange--Ms. Heather Henderson
- INSSAR State Secretary Wayne Eells reported that he has become a volunteer to help with the 4-H Genealogy Program and has recruited newly accepted SAR member David Johnson as a possible helper for the INSSAR 4-H Youth Awards Program.

Respectfully Submitted,

John G. West
INSSAR 4-H Program Chairman



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INSSAR Color Guard

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North Area Color Guard:

Listed below are the events in which members of the Northern Command have Participated since my last report of January, 2012:

- February 25 – GRC Film Rehearsal, Palestine, IL (Mark Kreps, Janet Kreps, camp follower)
- March 8 – Paul Revere Chapter, DAR Awards Ceremony, Muncie, IN (Jack Carmichael, Mark Kreps & G. Tom Schnuck, Janet Kreps, camp follower)
- March 16 – St. Patrick's Day Parade, Indianapolis (Jack Carmichael, Don Crose, & Alan Teller)
- March 30 & 31 – GRC Film, Vevay, IN (Mark Kreps, Janet Kreps, camp follower)

Respectfully submitted:

G. Tom Schnuck, Commander
INSSAR Color Guard North

Central Area Color Guard:

In the Central Indiana area (as of March 8), there currently are 29 events posted.

Of the 29 events, 14 are Indiana War Memorial tours, mainly of school students in elementary to high school grades. This provides us the opportunity to help educate school age students about the American Revolutionary War. We are allowed 20 minutes to present and answer questions if it is a guided tour. This also gives us the opportunity to offer to do a program at the touring school.

The Indiana War Memorial Specialist (tour director) has arranged parking passes we can pick up when we attend a tour. We park in the Indiana War Memorial reserved parking spaces.

Below is a picture of Jim Arnold and Bob Howell at a recent tour. Also a picture of the SAR flag presentation at the VA Hospital in Indianapolis. This was arranged by Compatriot Arnold.

Respectfully submitted:

Stuart Hart
Central Area INSSAR Color Guard



Southern Area Color Guard:

During the first quarter of 2012, members of the INSSAR Color Guard participated in the following events in the Southern Area as well as supported tours at the Indiana War Memorial:

- 25 January 233rd Anniversary, Capture of Fort Sackville, GRC Memorial, Vincennes
- 15 March John Wallace Chapter, DAR, Awards Ceremony, Mitchell

Upcoming events posted on the INSSAR website include:

- 20 & 21 April Lawrence County History Festival, Bedford
- 5 May Dogwood Festival Parade, Orleans

Upcoming events not yet posted on the INSSAR website include:

- 19 May* Heritage Days Parade, Harrodsburg
- 26 & 27 May Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous, George Rogers Clark Historical Park, Vincennes – Note: a National SAR ceremony will be held on Saturday, 26 May, in the Rotunda of the Memorial.
- 16 June* Lion's Law Camp, Vincennes University, Vincennes

*Note: Dates unconfirmed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert D. Howell, Sr.
Southern Area INSSAR Color Guard



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INSSAR District Director's Report District 1

Re: Annual HOD Meeting, April 2012

Alexis Coquillard Chapter:

- Two meetings were held this period. Nine members and 6 guests present in Jan and 11 members and 4 guests in March.

Anthony Halberstadt Chapter:

- One meeting was held this period on 25 Feb 2012 with 15 members and 6 guests. New officers were installed.

Seth Jewel Chapter:

- No report. Chapter is dissolving.

Duneland Chapter:

- No meetings.
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Simon Kenton Chapter:

- No meetings.

General:

- During winter months, chapters in the north (District 1) have few if any outside activities because of the very unpredictable weather. As spring approaches, activities will increase.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Barnhart
INSSAR District Director



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INSSAR District Director Report

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District 2

Alexander Hamilton:

- Met 7 March with 8 members and 11 guests in attendance. Approved the Chapter Constitution and Bylaws (INSSAR President Betzner and INSSAR Secretary Eells were in attendance).
- 1 Flag Certificate presented
- Compatriot Dennis Boone provided a presentation on his Patriot Ancestor Squire Boone in period costume.
- Received 10 entries for the poster contest by working with the Cook Chapter.
- Next meeting 2 May 2012.

Benjamin Franklin:

- Met 21 Feb with 3 members and 1 guests in attendance.
- Discussed the events for the 2012 calendar year.
- Discussed the change to the meeting location for the Chapter (Now at the White River Branch of the Johnson County Public Library)

Clarence Cook:

- Met 16 Feb with 25 members and 5 guests (Dar - 4). A special presentation on Identity Theft Protection was presented by Chapter President Hornung.
- Received 1 entry for the Poster Contest
- Pursuing 7 potential members / 13 New/Supplemental applications pending at INSSAR
- Published 1 newsletter and sent via post and email to all chapter members.
- An updated artist rendering of the proposed new information barrier at the Indiana War Memorial Museum with additional information was presented.
- Next meeting 16 May 2012.

Continental:

- Met 18 Feb with 13 members and 4 guests in attendance.
- 1 new member being recruited
- Took part in the following activities: 25 Feb GR Clark Film Rehearsal at Palestine, IL; 16 March St. Patrick's Day Parade Indpls; 8 March DAR Awards Ceremony.
- Next meeting 16 June 2012.

John Martin:

- Met 20 March as a joint meeting with the local DAR Chapter - with 8 members and 17 guests. A special program by LCOL Booker on unmanned and manned aircraft interaction with Terre Haute ANG and troops in Afghanistan.
- Recruiting 3 potential members

William Henry Harrison:

- No Quarterly Report Submitted

Respectfully Submitted,

Earl Salisbury
INSSAR District Director



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INSSAR District Director Report

Subj: April 2012 State Meeting Reports

District 3

I attended meetings at all three chapters in District #3 in the 1st. Quarter of 2012.

DAVID BENTON CHAPTER:

- The chapter had three meetings, one on 12 January, one on 9 February, and one on 8 March. The average attendance for each meeting was ten. There were six members and four guests at the January Meeting, eight members and one guest at the February Meeting, and seven members and 12 guests at the March Meeting.
- Programs were given at all three meetings. Compatriot T. Rex Legler II gave a program about Guns of the Revolution at the January Meeting, Ron Cox who is an EMT and Pastor gave the program at the February Meeting, and Jane Johnson, Regent of the Joseph Hart DAR Chapter, gave a program about the DAR at the March Meeting.
- There were two new and supplemental applications submitted and three potential members being recruited.
- There were three monthly chapter newsletters published which are website newsletters.
- District Director Ed Hitchcock installed the new chapter officers at the 8 February Meeting. Medoral Town Marshall Steve Ingle was presented the Outstanding Law Enforcement Medal at the 8 March Meeting. Ron Cox was presented the Outstanding EMT Medal at the 9 February Meeting.
- There was one compatriot that attended the January House of Delegates Meeting at Evansville, one compatriot that participated in the color guard at the Annual Ohio Valley Awards Banquet in Evansville, one compatriot participated with the SAR Flag presentation to the Indianapolis Veterans Hospital, one compatriot participated with the color guard in the ceremony in commemorating George Rogers Clark Victory at Vincennes, four members attended the Daniel Guthrie SAR Chapter Meeting on 21 February, and four members attended the John Hay SAR Chapter Meeting on 23 February.

JOHN HAY CHAPTER:

- The chapter had one meeting during the 1st Quarter of 2012 on 22 February at the John Hay Center in Salem.
- District Director Ed Hitchcock gave the program about the history of the SAR. The District Director also installed the 2012 Officers of the John Hay Chapter.
- There were fifteen chapter members and six guests present. The guests included two compatriots from the David Benton Chapter, INSSAR President David Betzner, District Director Edward Hitchcock, The Hoosier Elm DAR Chapter Member Evelyn Jackson, and Law Enforcement Officer Eric Mills of the Salem Police Department.

- Outstanding Law Enforcement Medal was given to Police Officer Eric Mills of the Salem Police Department.
- There are two potential members being recruited.

DANIEL GUTHRIE CHAPTER:

- The chapter had one meeting on 21 February. The attendance was 63 people. There were 27 members and 36 guests. The type of program was the Annual Awards Night. INSSAR State President David Betzner swore in the new 2012/13 Chapter Officers.
- There are four reinstatements being pursued, nine new and supplemental applications submitted, and four potential members being recruited.
- A Flag Certificate was presented to "Auxier Gas Services" in Hanover, Indiana in January 2012. Two Flag Certificates were given to each, one to Crane Army Ammunition Activity and one to Naval Support Activity, Crane, Indiana on 26 March.
- Scout Alexander McCahon Miller took first place and received the Eagle Scout Patch and a second award consisting of a check for \$225.00 from the chapter.
- DG Chapter compatriots participated with the Color Guard in three events such as VA Hospital in Indianapolis, 233rd Anniversary Commemoration of the Capture of Fort Sackville, and for the John Wallace Chapter, NSDAR, Awards Ceremony in Mitchell, IN.
- Seventeen other awards, medals, etc. were given such as Heroism, EMT, Law Enforcement, Firefighter, 4-H Certificate and pin, Silver Color Guard Medal and Certificate, SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate, and Certificates of Appreciation. Thirteen new members were inducted into the chapter.
- Seven Compatriots from the Chapter attended the Spring Leadership Conference held in Louisville, KY plus four of our ladies attending. Compatriots Theodore Rex Legler II and Paul M. Wilke of the DG Chapter received the Minuteman Medals. These are the first for the Chapter. James C. Arnold became a George Washington Fellow.
- Participation in other events included T. Rex Legler gave a program at the David Benton Chapter Meeting. Compatriots Robert D. Howell Sr. and James C. Arnold informed two groups of about 32 Homeschooled children and adults at the Indiana War Memorial in Indianapolis, Compatriot James C. Arnold met with the Purdue Extension Officers of Owen and Morgan Counties and gave them information about the INSSAR 4-H Program, and Compatriots T. Rex Legler II and James C. Arnold talked to a Boy Scout Troop from Greenwood about the Revolutionary War and NSSAR Eagle Scout Program at the IWM. Compatriot Robert D. Howell Sr. and James C. Arnold was at the IWM for 20 4th grade Student from the Indianapolis School of the Deaf, Compatriot James C. Arnold have information on the American Revolution battles in Indiana to 19 West Lafayette High School students.

Respectfully Submitted,

Edward E. Hitchcock
INSSAR District #3 Director



Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution

INSSAR District Director's Report District 4

Re: Annual HOD Meeting, April 2012

Gen. George Rogers Clark Chapter:

- The chapter has not met during 2011. I believe our oldest chapter in the INSSAR has lost the will or ability to continue as a chapter. Chapter Secretary Marshall Miller conveyed to me his health will not permit his continued involvement with the chapter and that they want to either dissolve as a chapter or merge into another chapter. (The next closest chapter to Vincennes is Ohio Valley Chapter in Evansville, which is one hour away.) He is starting to box up chapter stuff to pass along to where it should go.

Ohio Valley Chapter:

- Met 4 February 2012 with 12 members and 6 guests. Compatriot Robert Hall presented a program on "The Pledge and the Anthem"
- Met 3 March 2012 for an Awards Banquet with 41 in attendance. Pam Eifler presented a program on the mountain dulcimer. The following were awarded: 2 Bronze Good Citizenship Medals & Certificates, 1 Law Enforcement Commendation Medal & Certificate, 1 Emergency Medical Services Medal & Certificate, 1 War Service Medal with Korea Bar, 1 War Service Medal with Afghanistan Bar, and 1 INSSAR Gold Service Medal.
- Hosted the INSSAR Winter House of Delegates meeting on 21 January 2012
- Submitted 3 applications for new members/supplemental
- Recruiting 1 potential member
- Published chapter newsletter
- Participated in 2 Color Guard events including four members at the 233rd anniversary of the Surrender of Fort Sackville in Vincennes on 25 February 2012
- Presented a program on the 13 original colonies at the Lafayette Spring DAR Chapter Tea in Tell City on 11 March 2012
- Next meeting: 12 May 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at Evansville's Willard Library

Gen. Thomas Posey Chapter:

- Met last on 4 October 2011 with 9 members and 8 guests, including one non-spouse DAR member. Peggy Gilkey presented a program on Betsy Ross. Chapter displayed famous painting of the three Revolutionary War soldiers.
- Submitted 3 applications for new members/supplemental
- Recruiting 2 potential members
- Pursuing 1 membership reinstatement
- Was first chapter in Indiana to collect and send in dues for its entire membership for 2009, 2010 and 2011 dues
- Next meeting: 3 April 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at Mt. Vernon's Dean's Diner

Respectfully submitted,

J.D. Strouth
INSSAR District Director



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INSSAR Eagle Scout Program

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- From January 2012 to April 2012, we recognized 4 new Eagle Scouts.
- The Indiana SAR Eagle Scout Recognition and Scholarship Program recognized the following 2012 State Winners:
 - **Indiana 1st Place:** Alexander McCahon Miller, from the Boy Scouts of America (BSA), Hoosier Trails Council, Troop 539, Seymour Indiana. He was also selected as the Daniel Guthrie, SAR Chapter Winner.
 - **Indiana Runner -up:** Jonathon Craig Harper, from the BSA, Anthony Wayne Council, Troop 2839, Fort Wayne, Indiana. He was also selected as the Anthony Halberstadt, SAR Chapter Winner.
 - **Indiana 2nd Runner-up:** Bryan Lee Rosbottom, from the BSA, Lincoln Council, Troop 4012, New Albany, Indiana.
- I have not submitted any claims since July 2007. Since then, I have paid \$2010.00 out of my pocket and I wish to donate those charges to our cause and I will not be requesting reimbursement.
- I truly enjoy my position in the SAR recognizing young Eagles.

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy J. Hillenburg
Eagle Scout Chairman



Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution

INSSAR Flag Certificate Program

Subj: Annual 2012 State Meeting Report

71% Chapters reported having awarded Flag Certificates in 2011. We sincerely thank each chapter who participated. The INSSAR qualified for awarding of the Admiral Spurlong award at the annual NSSAR meeting. Huzzah!

District 1 – (0% Of Chapters Awarding Certificates)

Alexis Coquillard:

- None

Anthony Halberstadt:

- None

Seth Jewel:

- None reported

Duneland:

- None reported

Simon Kenton:

- None

District 2 – (33% Of Chapters Awarding Certificates)

Alexander Hamilton:

- Fishers library 3/7/12
- David Best 3/7/12

Benjamin Franklin:

- None

Clarence Cook:

- None

Continental:

- 28 Mar 2012 Mark Kreps presented the flag certificate Glenna Snodgrass, widow of veteran who flies the flag in Muncie, IN on a main thoroughfare. Glenna Snodgrass was presented the certificate at the E 16th St. Church of God in Muncie, IN where she is a member.

John Martin:

- None reported

William Henry Harrison:

- None reported

District 3 – (33% Of Chapters Awarding Certificates)

Daniel Guthrie:

- 26 Mar 2012 US Army Ammunition, Crane Military Base in Indiana.
- 26 Mar 2012 Navy Support Activity, Crane Military Base in Indiana.

David Benton:

- Pres Jerry Brown was mailed 2 Flag Certificates in March 2012.

John Hay:

- None Reported

District 4 – (0 % Of Chapters Awarding Certificates)

General Thomas Posey:

- None Reported

George Rogers Clark:

- None reported

Ohio Valley Chapter:

- None Reported

In 2012 I would challenge all our Chapters to issue at least one Certificate so we can reach 100%.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Kreps
INSSAR Flag Chairman



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INSSAR George Washington Fund

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The following is a list of G.W. Fellows from the state of Indiana furnished by the NSSAR:

Arnold, James C.	Ellettsville, IN
Bailey, William M.	Valparaiso, IN
Barnhart, Roger D.	Churubusco, IN
Bragg, Charles F.	Fishers, IN
Bragg, Karen A. K.	Fishers, IN
Bowers, Arthur S.	Cicero, IN
Burkhart, Ronald	Bloomington, IN
Burton, Robert E.	Bloomington, IN
Carmichael, John Kemper, Jr.	Muncie, IN
Cunningham, Robert P.	Bloomington, IN
Hornung, Jeffrey W.	New Palestine, IN
Legler, April	Bloomington, IN
Legler, T. Rex II	Bloomington, IN
Lentz, Robert A.	Jeffersonville, IN
Oberlin, Steven D.	Fishers, IN
Reed, Lowell C.	Carmel, IN
Reen, Noel Kenneth	Lafayette, IN
Schnuck, Lloyd B., Jr.	Martinez, GA
Schnuck, George Thomas	Muncie, IN

Respectfully submitted,

G. Tom Schnuck, Chairman
GWEF, INSSAR



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INSSAR Patriot Graves Registry

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A new stone for Patriot Nicholas Jones was set in Jones or Yeley Cemetery in Bartholomew County. A stone has also been set for John Carney in Bick Cemetery, Bartholomew County— dedications are scheduled for 4 Aug 2012.

As you may know, the VA rejected the headstone order for James Anderson, buried in Sanborn Cemetery, Knox County, IN. Any descendant can request or put in writing for someone else to order a stone, or a cemetery official can order the stone. Ed Hitchcock is working on this procedure.

A headstone has been set for John Phillips – Greene County – Dedication TBA for 2012.

The stone at the grave of Patriot Jacob Kepler in Graves Cemetery in Perry County was set many years ago and is still in good condition. The cemetery has a lot of small briars and saplings that need to be cut. In addition, an access to the cemetery is needed. The township trustee has been requested to help resolve this cemetery problem – no response has been received. Supervision of the problem still continues.

2010 - grave for Nathan Ricketts found on private property in Ohio County, IN - - old broken headstone has mostly been repaired and was erected – govt headstone to be ordered for 2012.

The VA rejection of the headstone order for John Carpenter has been resolved. The patriot is buried in Hicks Cem, Owen County – near Freedom, IN. Dedication ceremony is TBA

Edward Hitchcock is working on finishing the procedures for ordering headstones.

Mark Kreps is spearheading the efforts for developing classes pertaining to the “25 Most Prominent Patriots in Indiana”. Presentations will be in Power Point slide. Suggestions are welcome.

Brad Manzenberger has been working on the restoration of 20 headstones in the Nay-Tremain cemetery in Johnson County, Indiana. Two of the headstones are for patriots – John McClintock and Samuel Nay. Restorations will be completed 4 July of this year. This project is going well.

Brad is interested in teaching proper restoration procedures to SAR members – details need to be discussed. The coordination of events for this project is between Brad and David Betzner.

There has been a proposal for a permanent SAR display in the War Memorial in Indianapolis. The display would feature Revolutionary Battles in Indiana. As per a conversation with the INSSAR President, the project is still “a go”, but slow.

Researching cemeteries is an on-going situation - - Ed Hitchcock and Ron Burkhart spent a day in Decatur county cemeteries. Documentation materials were obtained from the local library. Two or three visits will be needed to get to some kind of finalization pertaining to patriot graves. We did find what turned out to be two patriots who are new – not in the INSSAR Patriot Grave web site – John Newton and Ichabod Parker. We did converse with the “local expert” on cemeteries in Decatur county -

- Russell Wilhoit is considered as the duty expert, majoring in cemetery restorations in general, with emphasis on veterans of all wars. Russell has been invited as a guest at our next INSSAR meeting.

At the present time, there is 2,241 names in my database.

From 2009 to 2012, we have a listing of 30 patriot names who did not appear in the INSSAR Patriot Graves web site. In 2009, Ron Burkhart created new web pages for 11 of those new patriots. 17 web pages need to be created for other new patriots. Two patriots on still in the investigative stage. A list of the new patriots is forthcoming.

The following compatriots have volunteered to devote time researching counties in Indiana: Brad Manzenberger – Johnson, Shelby, Henry, Marion and Jennings counties; Phil Greenwood – Marion county; Jim Arnold – Morgan county

Possibly research volunteers are David Jenkins – Warrick, Spencer, Perry and Vanderburgh counties as well as Allen Manning – Jefferson county.

From 2009 to 2012, as per my database, there has been 159 patriots whose cemetery locations, documentation, and photos have been completed.

It should also be noted since 2009, we have made it a part of the procedures to make record of the GPS reading for patriot graves and cemeteries.

It appears that the following counties are either completed or near completion: Switzerland, Ohio, Perry, Warrick, Spencer, Sullivan, Gibson, Rush, Decatur,

We would like to know if there are other compatriots who may be working on researching patriots graves. If so, please contact Ron Burkhart at burkhart@indiana.edu

We are still interested in keeping track of grave dedication conducted in Indiana. Please contact Ron Burkhart.

NSSAR - Proposed medals for participants in Patriot Grave Markings – is still on hold pending better clarification of requirements.

In Jefferson County, the Maddox Cemetery was destroyed by the tornado and we are working with FEMA and the county cemetery commission to have it repaired. FEMA has been surveying the cemetery and provided a tree service the federal requirements to remove the trees, roots, and repair the grounds. FEMA will not repair the stones, but until the trees are removed, nothing can be done. Once FEMA completes the survey, the cemetery commission will need to talk to the county council for 25% of the funds. There's at least three Patriots buried there and this is where Compatriot Konkle wants to have a rededication ceremony someday. The one patriot, Jacob Fix, with a headstone had his stone rebroken during the tornado.

In Clark County, the Staples cemetery and in Scott County, the Barnes cemetery was damaged as well but I'm not sure if there are any patriots interred in either one.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ronald E. Burkhart
INSSAR Patriot Grave Committee Chairman



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Hoosier Patriot

Subj: April 2012 State Meeting Reports

Thank you for your contributions to date. With everyone's help the Hoosier Patriot is benefitting a lot of SAR members. You can send me content any time – as soon as one issue is published the information gathering for the next issue begins. I welcome any suggestions for articles or improvements.

We are still struggling to get the corrected lists for both the postcards and the newsletter. It is important that we have all the members correct mailing and email addresses. Please make help us by making sure your information is correct with your Chapter's Secretary. They will communicate any changes to the State.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey Hornung.
Hoosier Patriot Editor



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INSSAR Knight Essay Program

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- This year's Winner has been submitted to the NSSAR.
- Both Essay entries have been submitted to the Hoosier Patriot so they can be shared with all the membership in future editions.
- I am looking forward to working with the new Press Releases created by INSSAR Secretary Eells and his outreach to home school families.
- I would like to see our public and private schools be more active in the essay contest in the future. I usually get several inquiries from public and private schools per year, but this past year there were none. There have been many recent changes in public education and I fear there is little room for teachers to work with kids on these sorts of projects. I encourage INSSAR chapters to beat the bushes next year in their local schools to encourage participation in the youth contests.
- INSSAR Secretary Wayne Eells is working on a new tool for all the INSSAR Youth Programs to boost the program entries in 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

Doug Wilson
Knight Essay Chairman



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INSSAR Nominating Committee

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Slated Officer Nominations for April 2012 Annual Meeting of the House of Delegates

- President – David Betzner
- Vice President – William Sharp
- Secretary – Wayne Eells
- Treasurer – Art Bowers
- Registrar – Robert Howell
- Genealogist – Robert Howell
- Chancellor – Terry English
- Historian – John G. West
- Chaplain – Donald Counts
- Trustee – Robert Cunningham
- District Directors/District Vice Presidents
 - Roger Barnhart
 - Matthew Boone
 - Edward Hitchcock
 - J.D. Strouth

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Cunningham
Nominating Committee Chairman



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INSSAR Registrar / Genealogist

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During 2011, the applications of 50 regular and 7 junior members were approved to join the Indiana Society. However, 2012 new membership figures are on track to exceed the 2011 numbers by a significant number as evidenced by the following figures for the period 1 January thru 31 March 2012:

- 40 new members have been approved by NSSAR and received state number
- 7 new members have been approved by NSSAR but not yet received state numbers
- 8 new member applications are on the 29 March Application Status Report (ASR)
- 9 new member applications have been mailed but do not appear yet on the 29 March ASR.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert D. Howell, Sr.
INSSAR Registrar / Genealogist



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ROTC/JROTC

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ROTC and JROTC units state-wide are in the process of nominating, or have nominated, cadets for the SAR Silver ROTC and Bronze JROTC awards.

Medals and certificates have been provided to those INSSAR Chapters which support units at schools in their respective areas.

One ROTC medal was presented at the Indiana University AFROTC unit on 31 March but the majority of the medals, particularly JROTC medals, won't be awarded until May.

A complete report will be available for the July state meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert D. Howell, Sr.
ROTC/JROTC Chairman



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INSSAR Website

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The capability exists for all chapters to host their websites as sub-domains on INSSAR.org server. Seven chapters are currently taking advantage of that option.

An online consolidated Society calendar has been implemented to provide a single source of event and meeting information. The calendar is maintained by Secretary Eells.

Several changes and enhancements have been implemented over the past several weeks.

- Additional security measures to protect our privacy and data.
- Bulletin board has been upgraded from phpBB version 3.0.8 to 3.0.10
- Photo gallery has been upgraded from Coppermine version 1.4.3 to 1.5.18
- Enhanced email list now accommodates Hoosier Patriot distribution.
- Migrated Patriot Graves from MS SQL Server 2005 to SQL Server 2008.

Still working on:

- Subscribe – unsubscribe capabilities for email lists
- Automated email notifications to Color Guard members when events are posted, modified or cancelled.

All of the above has been or will be accomplished within the current budget.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven D. Oberlin
INSSAR Webmaster