



North Carolina SAR

President's Goals: Retention, Communication, Veterans Recognition

MEMO for South Atlantic District
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SUBJECT: Society President's Report

31 December 2016

Membership as of 1 Jan 2016: 977
Membership as of 31 December 2016: 1149
Chapters: 27
Budget: \$20,095

Color Guard Activities: Since our fall 2016 District Meeting, the North Carolina Society has added thirty new members and has performed multiple (10) patriot grave markings and three compatriot grave markings in our state. I have attended commemorations at Battles of Kings Mountain, Shallow Ford and Great Bridge, VA with each event involving at least eight other compatriot color guardsmen.

Veterans salute: As one of my primary goals, I have tried to recognize as many SAR compatriot veterans as possible. We started the year having recognized 31 and have expanded the recognition to greater than 87 by Veterans Day 2016. We had compatriots attend Veterans' Day celebrations throughout the state.

We have had three of the five state District meetings during this fall including one using an electronic "GoToMeeting" program. Subsequently we have tried a less expensive "Free Conference Call" online meeting with our District Vice Presidents and EXCOM members. This may be a cheaper and less travel intensive way to conduct future SAR business meetings.

I have also attended gatherings of six individual chapters conducting their periodic chapter meetings. In each visit, I have emphasized my goals for my term in office. We also have compatriots involved with the update/validation of the casualties at King's Mountain initiated by the Tennessee Society SAR.

PG Tomme's goals of the Mentoring program and monetary support for Youth Awards are on the agenda for the 28 January 2017 Board of Managers (BOM) meeting. We have the funds available; we need BOM approval.

I have continued my emphasis upon retention, communication and Veterans recognition by use of a monthly "President's Piece" e-mail distribution chronicling the activities of the state SAR. I have emphasized the need for accurate reconciliation of national membership rosters and retention of SAR members. This communication is not inclusive of society members; we have about 240 compatriots who do not have e-mail addresses.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary O. Green".

GARY O. GREEN, President
North Carolina Society SAR

The Sons of the American Revolution was incorporated on January 17, 1890, in Connecticut and later chartered by the United States Congress on June 9, 1906. The North Carolina Society was initially chartered on February 22, 1911.