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Report to the INSSAR House of Delegates

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INSSAR Chapter Secretaries Training –

The INSSAR President and Secretary held a State Wide Chapter Secretary's Training Session on 12 November 2011. At this well attended meeting Chapter Secretary's were able to meet each other, receive their INSSAR Secretary's Handbook, learn how the INSSAR operates with the NSSAR and a Q&A Session.

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 3 have taken advantage of the program, and another 2 have contacted me and are expected to also convert.

INSSAR Handbook for New Members –

At the request of the INSSAR President I have begun compiling information to be used in the creation of a Handbook for New Members. It will contain information that will help them become more active in the INSSAR and their Chapter. I am looking for suggestions for what information should be included in the handbook. I have searched for other SAR Society's Handbooks as examples on the internet and have not found any. The IN DAR has provided me with a copy of their new handbook to assist in the development of ours.

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 D.

Respectfully Submitted,
Wayne Eells

Appendix A

STATE SOCIETY ANNUAL RECONCILIATION REPORT FOR:		Indiana
DUE TO NATIONAL OFFICE BY JANUARY 31		
<u>Member Reconciliation</u>		
Item		Totals
1	Active Membership as of: 1/1/2011	514
2	Plus: New Members: (+)	51
3	Plus: New Junior Members (+)	5
4	Plus: Transfers In: (+)	1
5	Plus: Reinstatements: (+)	63
6	Plus: Reinstatement -Transfers In: (+)	0
7	Total Additions:	120
8	Less: Deceased: (-)	13
9	Less: Resignations: (-)	2
10	Less: Transfers Out: (-)	2
11	Less: Dropped: (-)	91
12	Total Losses:	(108)
13	Membership Gain / (Loss):	12
14	Total Active Members as of: 1/1/2011	514
15	Plus / Less: Membership Gain / (Loss): (+/-)	12
16	Total Active Members as of: 12/31/2011	526

Appendix B

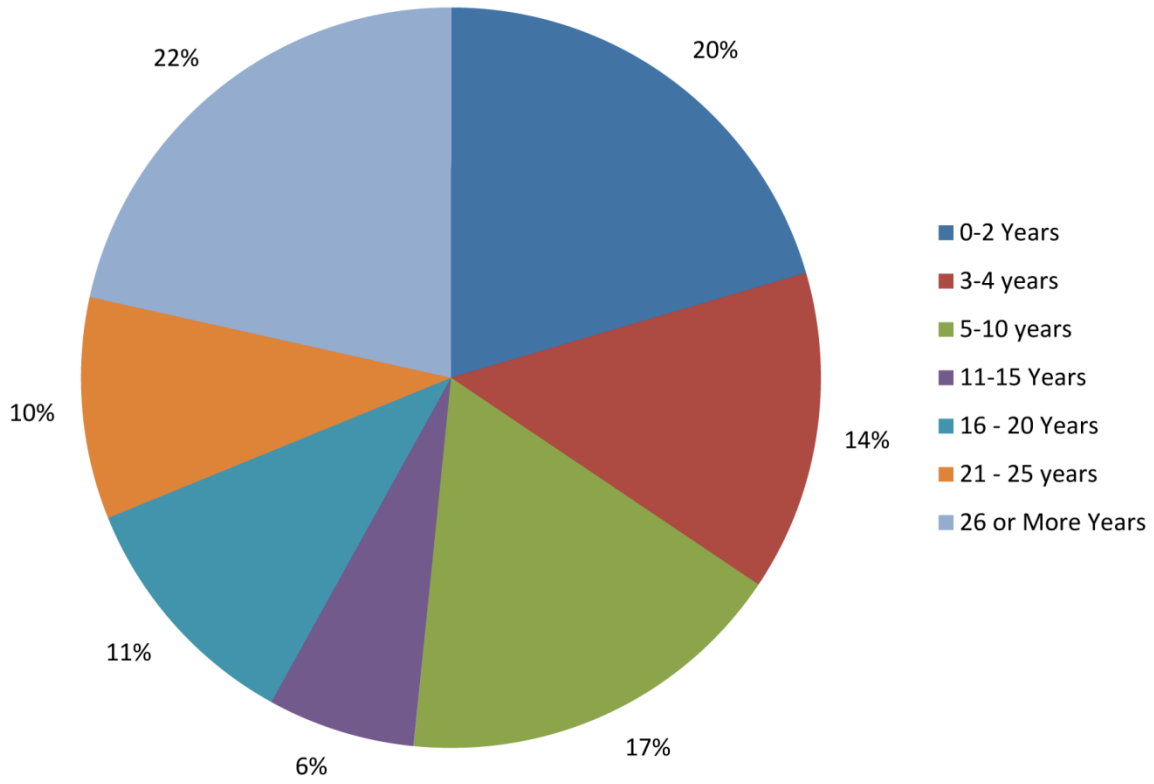
INSSAR Membership Renewal Report

as of 18-Jan-12

Chapter	2011 members: Final	2012 members 8 Jan	% Renewed	2011 New Members	2011 # Rein.
District 1	131	119	91%	11	4
Alexis Coquillard	43	41	95%	4	2
Anthony Halberstadt	60	54	90%	4	1
Duneland	14	14	100%	3	1
Seth Jewel	8	4	50%	0	0
Simon Kenton	6	6	100%	0	0
District 2	301	243	81%	17	7
Alexander Hamilton	20	13	65%	2	2
Benjamin Franklin	11	13	118%	1	4
Clarence A Cook	136	111	82%	9	0
Continental	74	53	72%	3	0
John Martin	31	26	84%	0	0
William Henry Harrison	29	27	93%	2	1
District 3	147	134	91%	18	7
Daniel Guthrie	115	104	90%	13	7
David Benton	11	10	91%	1	0
John Hay	21	20	95%	4	0
District 4	75	70	93%	9	2
General Thomas Posey	17	17	100%	4	0
George Rogers Clark	15	12	80%	0	1
Ohio Valley	43	41	95%	5	1
INSSAR Totals	654	566	87%	55	20

Appendix C

INSSAR 2012 "Non-Renewal" - Years As Member





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INSSAR District Director's Report

District 1

My activities over the past few months are as follows:

October

- Attended Central District Meeting in Bloomington
- Attended INSSAR House of Delegates Meeting

November

- Attended De LaBalme Massacre Commemoration at Columbia City
- Attended SAR/DAR military symposium at ACPL, F. Wayne
- Presented program at Alexis Coquillard SAR Chapter in South Bend
- Attended 100th Anniversary of Kentland DAR Chapter

December

- Attended DAR Ten O'Clock Chapter 30th Anniversary in Martinsville
- Attended DAR Chapter Christmas Open House at New Albany
- Presented program on SAR to Albion Rotary Club

January

- Attended INSSAR Executive Committee Meeting in Westfield

Also – had two new applications approved and one in progress.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Barnhart
INSSAR District Director



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INSSAR District Director Report

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District 2

Alexander Hamilton:

- Met 2 Nov 2011 with 7 members and 4 guests in attendance. Discussed the Chapter Constitution and Bylaws proposed revisions.
- 1 Flag Certificate presented
- Next meeting 4 Jan 2012 – Ron Darrah (Clarence A Cook Member) will present on completing a SAR Application.

Benjamin Franklin:

- Met 15 Nov 2011 with 3 members and 1 guests in attendance (INSSAR - 1)
- Held the Annual Election of Officers and installed them.
- Pursuing 1 potential member / 1 reinstatement
- Thanked William Thompson (outgoing president) for this service to the Chapter and the INSSAR.
- Presented 5 Flag Certificates in the community.

Clarence Cook:

- Met 16 Nov 2011 with 18 members and 8 guests (Dar - 4, CAR - 1)
- Installed 1 new member
- Pursuing 15 potential members / 6 new applications pending at NSSAR / 5 supplemental pending at NSSAR
- Chapter to be part of the 19 Nov 2011 Naturalization ceremony.
- Color Guard to take part at the Shamrock Springs Elementary School Veteran's program 21 Nov.
- JR member Joshua Eells presented a flag certificate to Bill & Betty Green
- An artist rendering of the proposed new information barrier at the Indiana War Memorial Museum with additional information was presented. Pledged \$2,000 toward the project.
- 2012 officers were elected and installed.
- Donated \$500 to the Caroline Scott Harrison DAR for its Landstuhl Regional Medical Center project to help US Soldiers.
- Next meeting 16 Feb 2012.

Continental:

- Met 29 Oct 2011 with 15 members and 3 guests in attendance.
- Military Service Medal presented to Compatriot David DeHaven
- Mark Kreps provided a presentation "No Uncommon, Those Who Served In Both The Revolution And The War Of 1812."
- Next meeting 18 Feb 2012.

John Martin:

- Held 2 meetings, the most recent met 3 Nov 2011 with 11 members and 12 guests. A special program by Richard Day portrayed/dressed as William H. Harrison

- Recruiting 3 potential members
- Presented 1 Flag Certificate to Clay County Historical Museum on 14 Nov, appeared in Brazil Times newspaper
- President Hicks met with county 4-H leaders in Clay County and is working on meeting with the leaders of Vigo & Park. He is working on a genealogy program to interest 4-H members and their families (and help identify possible Revolutionary War Patriots)

William Henry Harrison:

- No Quarterly Report Submitted
- Annual Report shows:
 - 5 meetings were held in 2011 with an average attendance of 11 (7 members, 3 guests)
 - 3 new/supplemental applications being pursued, 2 potential members being recruited.
 - 1 color guard activity
 - 1 youth contest activity participation

Respectfully Submitted,

Earl Salisbury
INSSAR District Director



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District 3

I attended meetings at all three chapters in District #3 in the 4th Quarter of 2011.

David Benton:

- The chapter had three meetings, one on 13 Oct., one on 10 Nov, and one on 8 Dec. The average attendance was seven. The average attendance for members was five and average attendance for guests was two. A program was given at each meeting. Ed Cozart gave a program of Rev. War Soldier David Wooster at the Oct Meeting, Jerry Brown gave a program about Revolutionary War Trivia at the November Meeting, and Rev. Sam Allman gave a program about Losing Our Freedom at the Dec Meeting.
- There were three new and Supplemental Applications submitted. There are two potential members being recruited.
- Two flag certificates were given to Rose Acre Farm-Ryan Hackman and Lowell Wessel.
- There were three newsletters published which are website newsletters.
- There were two color guard activities.
- There were two Heroism Awards given out, one to Trooper Chris Lockman and one to EMT Toby Pauley.
- There was one talk at church and community organization.
- There was one member at Fall Leadership Meeting, two members at State Meeting, three members at Central District Meeting and one at Secretary Training Workshop.
- Chapter was involved in Partners in Patriotism and Veterans Hospital Gifts.

Daniel Guthrie:

- One chapter meeting was held on 15 Nov 2011 with 39 in attendance, including 4 from WOSAR, 3 from NSDAR and 33 members. A program was given by Compatriot Dr. T. Rex Legler about clothing from 1650-1800.
- There are 22 reinstatements being pursued, one application submitted, and six potential members being recruited. There are three members to induct, nine applications at NSSAR, and two in the system. There are ten supplements at NSSAR.
- Chapter members participated in seven Color Guard Activities, etc. that include Great Pumpkin Festival Parade at French Lick, Point Pleasant Battle Days Parade and laying of INSSAR Wreath at the tomb of the fallen Revolutionary War Soldiers that died at Point Pleasant, Caboose Festival at Acton, IN, Chapter President laid a wreath at the Monroe County Veterans Day Program at the Bloomington City Hall, welcoming of New American Citizens at the Naturalization Ceremony in Indianapolis, Medora Christmas Parade, Grave Marking for Patriot Henry Waggoner, Jr. along with Nicholas Baker Chapter NSCAR and John Wallace Chapter NSDAR, Bedford Fire Chief Jon Wagner, Mr. Eric Kock, Indiana State Representative District 65 and descendants from Patriot Henry Waggoner Jr.
- Awards and Medals were given out to Chapter members. A SAR Military Medal and Certificate and three Bronze Color Guard Medals and Certificates were given out.
- A 2011 CAAH Streamer and a 2011 Point Pleasant Battle Days Streamer were presented to the

Chapter. A WWII Certificate was presented to John R. Ginger at a Nursing Home where he is at the present time.

- Eight members attended the Fall Leadership Conference in Louisville, KY. Compatriot Gordon Bell gave a program on Ride 2 Recovery to the John Wallace NSDAR Chapter in Bedford. Ten members including VPG Legler attended the Central District Meeting in Bloomington.
- Four members participated in the Wreaths Across America with the American Legion Post 9 and VFW Post from Madison at the Madison National Cemetery in Madison, IN. There were enough wreaths for every grave in this National Cemetery.

John Hay

- The chapter held one meeting on 27 Oct 2011 with 21 people in attendance. Eleven chapter members attended, two members of the David Benton Chapter attended, two prospective members attended one DAR member attended, and five other guests attended.
- The program was given by Chapter Vice President Compatriot Allen Martin entitled "Revolutionary War Tactics".
- A Flag Certificate Award was given to Ms. Judy Johnson, President of the Washington County Community Foundation for the Flag Display at the YMCA and Senior Complex.
- Four new members were honored with certificates of membership. One of the new members could not be present. One member was recognized on his two approved supplemental applications.
- The chapter received the Partners and Patriots Certification from the Indiana Society for this past year's endeavors.
- The chapter participated in the Christmas Gifts for Veterans this year.
- The chapter participated in the Christmas Fresh Fruit Disbursements for the VA Hospital in Louisville, KY.
- The chapter participated in Wreaths Across America by providing money to help provide Christmas wreaths to be placed on headstones in the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery located at Madison, IN.

Respectfully Submitted,

Edward E. Hitchcock
INSSAR District #3 Director



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INSSAR District Director's Report

District 4

Gen. George Rogers Clark Chapter:

- Struggling with only one member showing up for the last scheduled meeting.

Ohio Valley Chapter:

- Met 19 November 2011 with 11 members and 12 guests. Theresa Coomes Jones presented the program on Frances Jane Coomes, who was a pioneer, medicine woman and first Kentucky school teacher.
- Submitted 2 applications for new members/supplemental
- Published chapter newsletter
- Participated in 2 Color Guard events
- Participated in Living & Learning Program with 370 5th graders at Dawson Springs, Kentucky.
- Next meeting: 4 February 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at Evansville's Willard Library

Gen. Thomas Posey Chapter:

- Met 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 1 application for new member and 2 for junior members
- Hasn't lost a member because of non-payment of dues in about 10 years.
- 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 4-H Report

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- The David Benton Chapter awarded Luke Nolting (county not provided) the 2011 Outstanding Citizenship Award (including a framed certificate) for his work in 4-H & Community Service. They have a picture on their website.
- The Daniel Guthrie Chapter had 2 winners in their area for this award for 2011. I have not gotten information on this as of now.
- The Ohio Valley Chapter had 4 winners in their area for 2011: Posey, Vanderburgh, Gibson & Warrick Counties. Warrick County will be awarding the 2012 award in Feb. or Mar.
- The 4-H Press release about the awards program is on the INSSAR website in the Secretary's section. Chapters are encouraged to share that with 4-H Clubs/County Extensions in their area. Each county has the ability to recognize a "Winner."
- I would like to encourage all INSSAR Chapters to reach out to their area 4-H Clubs/County Extension and let them know that you are willing to help teach/mentor 4-H Families that are working on their Genealogy Projects. If they do not have anyone doing the projects – offer to do a presentation on it to stir up interest. This is a perfect way to find new families to recruit from. I have asked the INSSAR Secretary to put the 4-H program on the on the INSSAR Website in his section with Press Releases, Forms and other important Chapter information.
- I will be working with the INSSAR Secretary to create a Press Release about our willingness to help 4-H families with their Genealogy projects. It will also reference our relationship with the Indiana DAR and CAR.

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 October 22, 2011:

- November 5 – de La Balme Battle Site, Ft. Wayne, IN (5)
- November 11 – Veteran's Day Parade, Indianapolis, IN (3)
- November 11 – Ceremony for George Washington's Drummer John George Indianapolis, IN (2)

Respectfully submitted:

G. Tom Schnuck, Commander
INSSAR Color Guard North

Central Area Color Guard:

2011 Summary:

- Grave Marking: 1
- Parades: 2
- School Event: 1
- DAR Event: 3
- Other Public Events: 23

Of the 30 Central Indiana events, seven received either a musket salute or a musket demonstration.

Upcoming events January – March 2012:

- 13 January: Flag presentation at the Indianapolis VA Hospital
- 2 February: Indiana War Memorial tour group will meet two “living history” Revolutionary War soldiers at the exhibit.
- 9 February: Naturalization service in the Indianapolis Federal Courthouse

Respectfully submitted:

Stuart Hart
Central Area INSSAR Color Guard

Southern Area Color Guard:

2011 Events:

- 2 Oct - 44th Annual Pumpkin Festival Parade, French Lick

- 7 & 9 Oct - Boonville Steam Engine Show, Boonville
- 8 Oct - West Side Nut Club Fall Festival Parade, Evansville
- 15 Oct - Central District Meeting, Bloomington
- 5 Nov - Veterans Day Parade, Owensboro, KY
- 5 Nov - Patriot H. Waggoner, Jr. Grave Dedication, Silverville
- 12 Nov - Veterans Day Parade, Evansville
- 19 Nov - Christmas Parade, Medora
- 20 Nov - Downtown Holiday Parade, Evansville
- 18 Dec - 65th Annual Christmas Parade, Boonville

Also, members of the Daniel Guthrie and Ohio Valley Chapters participated in Wreaths Across America.

2012 Events (Scheduled):

- 25 Feb - 233rd Anniversary Capture of Fort Sackville, Vincennes

Respectfully Submitted,

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



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INSSAR Eagle Scout Program

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- From October 2011 to January 2012, we recognized 5 new Eagle Scouts. We had nine Eagles apply this year and we will be paneling the State Applicants this weekend.
- I have not submitted any claims since July 2007. Since then, I have paid \$1975.00 out of my pocket and I wish to donate those charges to our cause and I will not be requesting reimbursement. Like the last four years, I will also donated \$100.00 from my family to our State Winner.
- I am working with the INSSAR Secretary to finalize our Press Release for the next round of Eagle Scout Applications. It is our hope to increase participation through this new effort. These press releases should be shared with all scout leaders in the counties of Indiana, as well as with any scouts beginning to work on the Eagle Scout.
- I truly enjoy my position in the SAR recognizing young Eagles. I am sorry I will not be able to attend the upcoming meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy J. Hillenburg
Eagle Scout Chairman



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INSSAR Flag Certificate Program

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12 of 17 (71%) Chapters report having awarded Flag Certificates in 2011.

District 1 – (60% Of Chapters Awarding Certificates)

Alexis Coquillard:

- Willard Watterson presented a Flag Certificate to Richard “Rick” Smurdon, Jr for flying the flag.

Anthony Halberstadt:

- 27 August 2011 President Doug Wellman awarded a flag certificate to Compatriot David Peters who flies a flag at his home 24/7. David is the son of Compatriot Chuck Peters former INSSAR Treasurer who passed away a couple of years ago.

Seth Jewel:

- None reported

Duneland:

- None reported

Simon Kenton:

- The Simon Kenton Chapter presented a Flag Recognition Certificate to Saint Joseph's College in Rensselaer on Friday, November 11, 2011, Veteran's Days. Attending were Rob Pfaff, Secretary/Treasurer, and Craig Jackson, President. Accepting on behalf of the College was F. Dennis Riegelneegg, President of Saint Joseph's College.

District 2 – (67% Of Chapters Awarding Certificates)

Alexander Hamilton:

- None reported

Benjamin Franklin:

- Grace Point Church, New Whiteland, IN presented by William Thompson, 11 Nov. 2011
- Proctoer Park, NEW WHITLEAND, IN presented by William Thompson on 14 NOV 2011
- Outdoor Store at Greenwood, IN presented by William Thompson on 16 NOV 2011
- Daily Journal of Franklin, IN presented by William Thompson on 18 NOV 2011
- Aarons Sales & Lease Ownership, 2490 North Morton Street, Franklin, IN presented by William Thompson to manager 30 Nov 2011

Clarence Cook:

- Sunday, 11 Sept 2011 – the Clarence A Cook Chapter awarded the Flag Certificate to Donald E. Peed.
- 11 Nov 2011 – JR Member Joshua Eells awarded the flag certificate to Bill and Betty Green. (Bill served in the White House and the US Army Offices as a civilian who carried messages between them and is also a descendant of Gen. Greene. Wayne Eells has started working on his SAR application.

Continental:

- 11 Feb 2011 Tom Schnuck Flag Chairman of the Continental Chapter gave Flag Certificate on to Compatriot D. Wayne Norris of Tucson, Arizona.

John Martin:

- President, James Hicks, John Martin Chapter, and Gene Printz presented a flag certificate to the Clay County Historical Museum manager, Ken Turner, on November 14.

William Henry Harrison:

- None reported

District 3 – (100% Of Chapters Awarding Certificates)

Daniel Guthrie:

- 9 Feb 2011 Ron Burkhart of Daniel Guthrie Chapter presented the Flag Certificate to CFC Properties of Bloomington, Indiana.
- 2 Additional awarded in Q2 2011
- 2 Additional awarded in Q3 2011

David Benton:

- 11 Aug 2011 Jerry Brown awarded Lowell Wessel a Flag Certificate for his presentation daily of the American Flag in front of the local church.

John Hay:

- 27 Oct 2011 President Willie Harlen will award the Flag Certificate to the YMCA Complex, Salem, IN.

District 4 – (66% Of Chapters Awarding Certificates)

General Thomas Posey:

- 17 June 2011 Presentation of Flag Certificate to BPO Elks Home #277 by Steve Johnson, President of Gen Thomas Posey Chpt.

George Rogers Clark:

- None reported

Ohio Valley Chapter:

- 5 March 5th 2011, Jacob Pendleton, Mgr. of Holiday Inn Express, Evansville IN received the SAR Flag Commendation Certificate from Compatriot J. D. Strouth, Ohio Valley Chapter.

INSSAR Officers –

Special appreciation goes to Jim Arnold, Pres. Dave Betzner and Wayne Eells who have given out several Flag Certificates this past summer to well deserving individuals and organizations.

Wayne Eells with the assistance of Joshua Eells (Jr Member) and Michaela Eells (Chief Peshewah CAR) awarded certificates to Shamrock Springs Elementary School for its proper display of the flag on 21 Nov 2011, and to Marsh Supermarket #80 for its proper display of the flag and allowing Shamrock Springs to use it in their Veteran's Program for over 5 years on 29 Nov 2011.

My sincere appreciation goes to all who participated in the awarding of Flag Certificates. I am exceedingly glad to report that due to having over half of the INSSAR chapters participate in awarding Flag Certificates in 2011 INSSAR qualifies for the Admiral Spurlong award.

In 2012 I would challenge all our Chapters to issue at least one Certificate so we can reach 100%. One idea to engage our Junior Members would be to have each of them issue one Flag Certificate.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Kreps
INSSAR Flag Chairman

INSSAR Grave Committee Report – 6 Jan 2012

Ron Burkhart, Ed Hitchcock, Mark Kreps, Brad Manzenberger

POC for DG: Ron Burkhart, Ed Hitchcock

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

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 TBA for 2012.

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 need. The township trustee has been requested to help resolve this cemetery problem – no response has been received.

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

The VA also rejected the headstone order for John Carpenter – Hicks Cem, Owen County – near Freedom, IN. Ed Hitchcock is also working on solving this problem.

To obtain a government stone, the patriot must have been in the military – source: Ed Hitchcock and VA regulations.

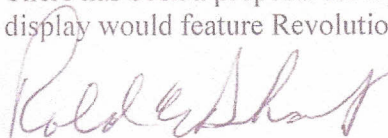
Edward Hitchcock is working on finishing the procedures for ordering headstones.

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.

Brad is interested in teaching proper restoration procedures to SAR members – details need to be discussed.

There has been a proposal for a permanent SAR display in the War Memorial in Indianapolis. The display would feature Revolutionary Battles in Indiana. Ed Hitchcock has further details.



Ronald E. Burkhart



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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:

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

Respectfully Submitted,

G. Tom Schnuck
INSSAR GWEF Chairman



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INSSAR Historian / Archivist Report

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- Received of the David Benton Chapter a packet of information for the Archives from John Sheets this past Tuesday (18 Jan 2012).
- The State Secretary will forward to me all of the Annual Reports from all INSSAR Chapters.
- Each chapter is welcome to send any info for the INSSAR Archives as they wish. If a chapter has a certificate or photos for the state archives, please make photocopies (preferably in color). Please do not send originals or framed items! Keep the originals for the chapter's history & archives... consider the state as a back-up.
- As the Archivist, I am looking into making all of the INSSAR archives digital and possibly store on a simple USB storage device such as a thumb drive. I need to get additional info for this type of project.

Respectfully Submitted,

John G. West
INSSAR Historian/Archivist Chairman



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Hoosier Patriot

Subj: Jan 2012 State Meeting Reports

- The Hoosier Patriot and postcard were sent out again this quarter. The value of this document is in the information it provides to teach, honor, and encourage our members.
- Please remember to send articles, tutorials and pictures on any and all noteworthy topics and events. We would like to feature an activity/event from each Chapter. Your contributions are what make it worthwhile.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey Hornung.
Hoosier Patriot Editor



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INSSAR Knight Essay Program

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- This year was all about quality over quantity. We only got two essays submitted, but both were truly excellent. Each was good enough to represent Indiana well, meeting all guidelines and making interesting points. Each was by homeschooled young women.
 - 1st Place -- Rebecca Belth of Columbia City, for her essay entitled "Paul Revere: Revolutionary War Hero" sponsored by the Anthony Halberstadt chapter.
 - 2nd place -- Ruth Temme of Angola, for her essay "The Forgotten Heroine" about Abigail Adams sponsored by the Alexis Coquillard chapter. This was the first essay sponsored by the Alexis Coquillard chapter. About half of our chapters have sponsored an essay.
- This year's response was due to the new Press Releases created by INSSAR Secretary Eells and his outreach to home school families.
- We have already begun working on the Press Release for next year's competition. This is created for all Chapters and Members of the INSSAR to reach out to anyone they know that would be interested in participating. Please share the press releases to not only schools (Public and Private) and home school families, but truly with anyone who has a child of the proper age to participate.
- 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 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.

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
 - Earl Salisbury
 - Edward Hitchcock
 - J.D. Strouth

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Cunningham
Nominating Committee Chairman



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INSSAR Patriotic Outreach

Subj: Jan 2012 State Meeting Reports

Partners in Patriotism

I still have not received any reports from the following INSSAR Chapters:

District #1

Seth Jewel
Duneland
Simon Kenton

District #2

Benjamin Franklin

District #3

100 % reported

District #4

General Thomas Posey
George Rogers Clark

Wreaths Across America

- Of the four (4) National Cemeteries in Indiana only two have requested Wreaths:
 - Marion National Cemetery, Marion, Indiana
 - Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Madison, Indiana
- On December 15, 2012 is the day set aside for Wreaths Across America. Prior to that date you can place your orders for Wreaths to be delivered to Marion. I do believe that Madison will be taken care of for 2012. Contact Jim Arnold for information on sponsoring Marion National Cemetery.
- I wish to report that four (4) Daniel Guthrie Chapter Members helped with the laying of wreaths at the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Madison, Indiana. They were Compatriots Allen Manning, Nick Schultz, Bob Howell Sr., and Jim Arnold. I am very pleased to report that 100% of the graves at Madison received a wreath this year. Marion had asked Wreaths Across America for help to achieve 100% at their cemetery. I do not know if they received the help as help comes in the form of donations.

Respectfully Submitted,

Compatriot James C. Arnold
INSSAR Patriotic Outreach Committee Chairman



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INSSAR Registrar / Genealogist

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- a. During 2011, the applications of 50 regular and 7 junior members were approved to join the Indiana Society. These figures do not include any conversions from youth to junior status.
- b. Since 1 January 2012, one new member's application has also been approved.
- c. The 5 January 2012 Application Status Report shows that 19 new member and 19 supplemental applications have been received at Headquarters while one new member and three supplemental applications are shown in a pended status.
- d. In addition to the above, 14 regular and three supplemental applications have been processed but do not yet appear on the Application Status Report.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert D. Howell, Sr.
INSSAR Registrar / Genealogist



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ROTC/JROTC

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The process of verifying and updating unit contact information preparatory to contacting the various ROTC and JROTC units is underway.

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.

In keeping with President Betzner's endeavor to better communicate with the membership, several changes and enhancements will be implemented over the next several weeks.

- Additional security measures to protect our privacy and data.
- Bulletin board will be upgraded from phpBB version 3.0.8 to 3.0.10
- Photo gallery upgraded from Coppermine version 1.4.3 to 1.5.18
- Enhanced email lists with capacity of up to 1,000 addresses with subscribe – unsubscribe capabilities.
- Automated email notifications to Color Guard members when events are posted, modified or cancelled. (Subject to further testing.)
- Migrate Patriot Graves from MS SQL Server 2005 to SQL Server 2008.

All of the above will be accomplished within the current budget.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven D. Oberlin
INSSAR Webmaster



Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution

Proposal To Change INSSAR Bylaw 3 Process For Charter Revocation

Bylaw 3 - Chapters

Section 1. Members of the Indiana Society shall belong to a Chapter. A Chapter may be organized and a Charter granted when ten or more members apply and sign a Charter Application.

Section 2. Two or more Chapters may merge upon approval by a majority vote of the involved chapters and the House of Delegates.

Section 3. A Chapter's charter may be revoked by the House of Delegates under the following criteria:

- a. Chapter membership has fallen below ten members for two successive years; or
- b. The Chapter has had no representative present at the Annual Meeting in two successive years; or
- c. The Chapter is delinquent in dues, fees, or other obligations including providing reports and communication in a timely manner to the State or National Societies, or has failed to comply with the Constitution and Bylaws of the National Society and/or the Indiana Society.

Section 4. The process of Chapter charter revocation shall be:

- a. The State Society Executive Committee should report at any House of Delegates Meeting any issues with a Chapter.
- b. Immediately after that House of Delegates meeting the State Society Secretary shall notify each Chapter Officer in writing via Certified mail the reasons their charter is in danger, and give them until the next House of Delegates Meeting to rectify the problem(s).
- c. If NOT rectified the State Society Executive Committee shall report at the next House of Delegates Meeting and makes a motion to put the Chapter on Probation
- d. The State Society Secretary shall send each chapter member in writing via certified mail the reasons their chapter charter is on probation, and give them until the next House of Delegates Meeting to rectify the problem(s).
- e. If NOT rectified the State Society Executive Committee shall report at the next House of Delegates Meeting and makes a motion to revoke the Chapter's charter.

This proposed Change is being provided for review and discussion in accordance to INSSAR Bylaw 27 – Amendments.



Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution

Proposal To Change INSSAR Constitution and Bylaws

Change District Directors To District Vice-Presidents

The proposal is to change the Terms/Titles of District Director(s) to District Vice-President(s) in the INSSAR Constitution and Bylaws.

This proposed Change is being provided for review and discussion in accordance to INSSAR Bylaw 27 – Amendments.



Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution

Proposal To Change INSSAR Youth Awards Prize Monies

T. Rex Legler II, O.D. - Chairman, INSSAR Youth Programs makes the following budgeting proposal to correct the disbursement of funds to the Youth Program Winners.

In order to increase the numeric participation by students, to increase the prestige of the award, and to increase the financial impact of the award, I move that the INSSAR immediately delete monetary awards for 2nd & 3rd place entries in the Arthur M. & Berdena King Eagle Scout Scholarship Competition, the George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Contest, and the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest while increasing the 1st place monetary award to \$1,000.00 in each of the 3 aforementioned student competitions.



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Proposal To Create A Budget Line For Recruitment & Retention

The INSSAR Executive Committee met on 7 January 2012, and after discussion voted and approved the following motion to be made at the next INSSAR House of Delegate Meeting:

“In order to provide the tools needed to increase both the retention and the recruitment of the INSSAR, that the INSSAR create a budget line item for the purpose funding of Recruitment and Retention Activities in the INSSAR.”



Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution

Proposal To Change INSSAR Bylaw 3 Chapter Meetings

Bylaw 3 - Chapters

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- c. The Chapter is delinquent in dues, fees, or other obligations including providing reports and communication in a timely manner to the State or National Societies, or has failed to comply with the Constitution and Bylaws of the National Society and/or the Indiana Society.

Section 4. A Chapter shall hold a minimum of one regular chapter meeting per year.

- a. A schedule of all regular chapter meetings shall be provided in writing to the INSSAR Secretary and shall be posted on the chapter website or, if the Chapter has no website, on the INSSAR events calendar.
- b. Regular chapter meetings shall be open to all SAR members and the general public. However, the Chapter shall NOT be responsible for any costs associated with the attendance of non-chapter SAR members or members of the public.
- c. In the event the Chapter must take up matters of a sensitive nature, the Chapter may hold a closed-door meeting open only to registered chapter members. Non-chapter members may attend if specifically invited in writing. Matters of a sensitive nature which may be discussed at any closed-door meeting so called may include, but not be limited to: (i) the performance or non-performance of duties by an officer of the Chapter; (ii) the qualifications of, or the proposed appointment of, any officer or delegate to serve at the Chapter level; (iii) the status of financial accounts and reporting at the Chapter level; (iv) strategies concerning member recruitment and retention; (v) the proposed revocation of a Chapter's charter under Section 3 of these Bylaws above if instigated by the State organization; (vi) the job performance evaluation of employees, if any, hired at the Chapter level; (vii) and the proposed award of any citation, certificate or medal to any non-chapter member or business organization. A notice of why the closed-door meeting was held shall be submitted to the INSSAR President, the INSSAR Secretary, and the District Vice President within 10 days of the meeting. A closed-door executive session shall be held in addition to, but not in place of, a regular meeting.

INSSAR Chapter Secretaries Training –

The INSSAR President and Secretary held a State Wide Chapter Secretary’s Training Session on 12 November 2011. At this well attended meeting Chapter Secretary’s were able to meet each other, receive their INSSAR Secretary’s Handbook, learn how the INSSAR operates with the NSSAR and a Q&A Session.

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 3 have taken advantage of the program, and another 2 have contacted me and are expected to also convert.

INSSAR Handbook for New Members –

At the request of the INSSAR President I have begun compiling information to be used in the creation of a Handbook for New Members. It will contain information that will help them become more active in the INSSAR and their Chapter. I am looking for suggestions for what information should be included in the handbook. I have searched for other SAR Society’s Handbooks as examples on the internet and have not found any. The IN DAR has provided me with a copy of their new handbook to assist in the development of ours.

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 D.

Respectfully Submitted,
Wayne Eells

Appendix A

STATE SOCIETY ANNUAL RECONCILIATION REPORT FOR:		Indiana	
<i>DUE TO NATIONAL OFFICE BY JANUARY 31</i>			
<u>Member Reconciliation</u>			
<u>Item</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Totals</u>
1	Active Membership as of:	1/1/2011	514
2		Plus: New Members: (+)	51
3		Plus: New Junior Members (+)	5
4		Plus: Transfers In: (+)	1
5		Plus: Reinstatements: (+)	63
6		Plus: Reinstatement -Transfers In: (+)	0
7		Total Additions:	120
8		Less: Deceased: (-)	13
9		Less: Resignations: (-)	2
10		Less: Transfers Out: (-)	2
11		Less: Dropped: (-)	91
12		Total Losses:	(108)
13		Membership Gain / (Loss):	12
14	Total Active Members as of:	1/1/2011	514
15		Plus / Less: Membership Gain / (Loss): (+/-)	12
16	Total Active Members as of:	12/31/2011	526

Appendix B

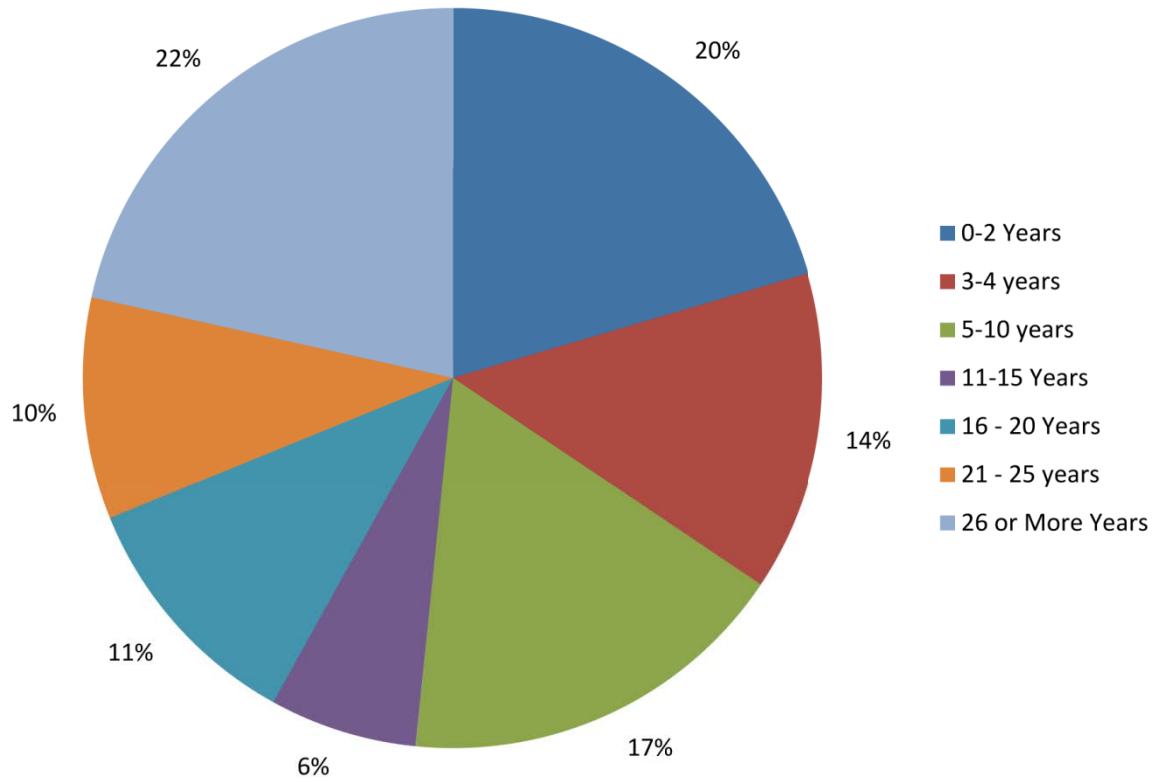
INSSAR Membership Renewal Report

as of 18-Jan-12

Chapter	2011 members: Final	2012 members 8 Jan	% Renewed	2011 New Members	2011 # Rein.
District 1	131	119	91%	11	4
Alexis Coquillard	43	41	95%	4	2
Anthony Halberstadt	60	54	90%	4	1
Duneland	14	14	100%	3	1
Seth Jewel	8	4	50%	0	0
Simon Kenton	6	6	100%	0	0
District 2	301	243	81%	17	7
Alexander Hamilton	20	13	65%	2	2
Benjamin Franklin	11	13	118%	1	4
Clarence A Cook	136	111	82%	9	0
Continental	74	53	72%	3	0
John Martin	31	26	84%	0	0
William Henry Harrison	29	27	93%	2	1
District 3	147	134	91%	18	7
Daniel Guthrie	115	104	90%	13	7
David Benton	11	10	91%	1	0
John Hay	21	20	95%	4	0
District 4	75	70	93%	9	2
General Thomas Posey	17	17	100%	4	0
George Rogers Clark	15	12	80%	0	1
Ohio Valley	43	41	95%	5	1
INSSAR Totals	654	566	87%	55	20

Appendix C

INSSAR 2012 "Non-Renewal" - Years As Member





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INSSAR District Director's Report

District 1

My activities over the past few months are as follows:

October

- Attended Central District Meeting in Bloomington
- Attended INSSAR House of Delegates Meeting

November

- Attended De LaBalme Massacre Commemoration at Columbia City
- Attended SAR/DAR military symposium at ACPL, F. Wayne
- Presented program at Alexis Coquillard SAR Chapter in South Bend
- Attended 100th Anniversary of Kentland DAR Chapter

December

- Attended DAR Ten O'Clock Chapter 30th Anniversary in Martinsville
- Attended DAR Chapter Christmas Open House at New Albany
- Presented program on SAR to Albion Rotary Club

January

- Attended INSSAR Executive Committee Meeting in Westfield

Also – had two new applications approved and one in progress.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Barnhart
INSSAR District Director



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INSSAR District Director Report

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District 2

Alexander Hamilton:

- Met 2 Nov 2011 with 7 members and 4 guests in attendance. Discussed the Chapter Constitution and Bylaws proposed revisions.
- 1 Flag Certificate presented
- Next meeting 4 Jan 2012 – Ron Darrah (Clarence A Cook Member) will present on completing a SAR Application.

Benjamin Franklin:

- Met 15 Nov 2011 with 3 members and 1 guests in attendance (INSSAR - 1)
- Held the Annual Election of Officers and installed them.
- Pursuing 1 potential member / 1 reinstatement
- Thanked William Thompson (outgoing president) for this service to the Chapter and the INSSAR.
- Presented 5 Flag Certificates in the community.

Clarence Cook:

- Met 16 Nov 2011 with 18 members and 8 guests (Dar - 4, CAR - 1)
- Installed 1 new member
- Pursuing 15 potential members / 6 new applications pending at NSSAR / 5 supplemental pending at NSSAR
- Chapter to be part of the 19 Nov 2011 Naturalization ceremony.
- Color Guard to take part at the Shamrock Springs Elementary School Veteran's program 21 Nov.
- JR member Joshua Eells presented a flag certificate to Bill & Betty Green
- An artist rendering of the proposed new information barrier at the Indiana War Memorial Museum with additional information was presented. Pledged \$2,000 toward the project.
- 2012 officers were elected and installed.
- Donated \$500 to the Caroline Scott Harrison DAR for its Landstuhl Regional Medical Center project to help US Soldiers.
- Next meeting 16 Feb 2012.

Continental:

- Met 29 Oct 2011 with 15 members and 3 guests in attendance.
- Military Service Medal presented to Compatriot David DeHaven
- Mark Kreps provided a presentation "No Uncommon, Those Who Served In Both The Revolution And The War Of 1812."
- Next meeting 18 Feb 2012.

John Martin:

- Held 2 meetings, the most recent met 3 Nov 2011 with 11 members and 12 guests. A special program by Richard Day portrayed/dressed as William H. Harrison



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INSSAR District Director Report

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District 3

I attended meetings at all three chapters in District #3 in the 4th Quarter of 2011.

David Benton:

- The chapter had three meetings, one on 13 Oct., one on 10 Nov, and one on 8 Dec. The average attendance was seven. The average attendance for members was five and average attendance for guests was two. A program was given at each meeting. Ed Cozart gave a program of Rev. War Soldier David Wooster at the Oct Meeting, Jerry Brown gave a program about Revolutionary War Trivia at the November Meeting, and Rev. Sam Allman gave a program about Losing Our Freedom at the Dec Meeting.
- There were three new and Supplemental Applications submitted. There are two potential members being recruited.
- Two flag certificates were given to Rose Acre Farm-Ryan Hackman and Lowell Wessel.
- There were three newsletters published which are website newsletters.
- There were two color guard activities.
- There were two Heroism Awards given out, one to Trooper Chris Lockman and one to EMT Toby Pauley.
- There was one talk at church and community organization.
- There was one member at Fall Leadership Meeting, two members at State Meeting, three members at Central District Meeting and one at Secretary Training Workshop.
- Chapter was involved in Partners in Patriotism and Veterans Hospital Gifts.

Daniel Guthrie:

- One chapter meeting was held on 15 Nov 2011 with 39 in attendance, including 4 from WOSAR, 3 from NSDAR and 33 members. A program was given by Compatriot Dr. T. Rex Legler about clothing from 1650-1800.
- There are 22 reinstatements being pursued, one application submitted, and six potential members being recruited. There are three members to induct, nine applications at NSSAR, and two in the system. There are ten supplements at NSSAR.
- Chapter members participated in seven Color Guard Activities, etc. that include Great Pumpkin Festival Parade at French Lick, Point Pleasant Battle Days Parade and laying of INSSAR Wreath at the tomb of the fallen Revolutionary War Soldiers that died at Point Pleasant, Caboose Festival at Acton, IN, Chapter President laid a wreath at the Monroe County Veterans Day Program at the Bloomington City Hall, welcoming of New American Citizens at the Naturalization Ceremony in Indianapolis, Medora Christmas Parade, Grave Marking for Patriot Henry Waggoner, Jr. along with Nicholas Baker Chapter NSCAR and John Wallace Chapter NSDAR, Bedford Fire Chief Jon Wagner, Mr. Eric Kock, Indiana State Representative District 65 and descendants from Patriot Henry Waggoner Jr.
- Awards and Medals were given out to Chapter members. A SAR Military Medal and Certificate and three Bronze Color Guard Medals and Certificates were given out.
- A 2011 CAAH Streamer and a 2011 Point Pleasant Battle Days Streamer were presented to the



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INSSAR District Director's Report

District 4

Gen. George Rogers Clark Chapter:

- Struggling with only one member showing up for the last scheduled meeting.

Ohio Valley Chapter:

- Met 19 November 2011 with 11 members and 12 guests. Theresa Coomes Jones presented the program on Frances Jane Coomes, who was a pioneer, medicine woman and first Kentucky school teacher.
- Submitted 2 applications for new members/supplemental
- Published chapter newsletter
- Participated in 2 Color Guard events
- Participated in Living & Learning Program with 370 5th graders at Dawson Springs, Kentucky.
- Next meeting: 4 February 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at Evansville's Willard Library

Gen. Thomas Posey Chapter:

- Met 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 1 application for new member and 2 for junior members
- Hasn't lost a member because of non-payment of dues in about 10 years.
- 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 4-H Report

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- The David Benton Chapter awarded Luke Nolting (county not provided) the 2011 Outstanding Citizenship Award (including a framed certificate) for his work in 4-H & Community Service. They have a picture on their website.
- The Daniel Guthrie Chapter had 2 winners in their area for this award for 2011. I have not gotten information on this as of now.
- The Ohio Valley Chapter had 4 winners in their area for 2011: Posey, Vanderburgh, Gibson & Warrick Counties. Warrick County will be awarding the 2012 award in Feb. or Mar.
- The 4-H Press release about the awards program is on the INSSAR website in the Secretary's section. Chapters are encouraged to share that with 4-H Clubs/County Extensions in their area. Each county has the ability to recognize a "Winner."
- I would like to encourage all INSSAR Chapters to reach out to their area 4-H Clubs/County Extension and let them know that you are willing to help teach/mentor 4-H Families that are working on their Genealogy Projects. If they do not have anyone doing the projects – offer to do a presentation on it to stir up interest. This is a perfect way to find new families to recruit from. I have asked the INSSAR Secretary to put the 4-H program on the on the INSSAR Website in his section with Press Releases, Forms and other important Chapter information.
- I will be working with the INSSAR Secretary to create a Press Release about our willingness to help 4-H families with their Genealogy projects. It will also reference our relationship with the Indiana DAR and CAR.

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 October 22, 2011:

- November 5 – de La Balme Battle Site, Ft. Wayne, IN (5)
- November 11 – Veteran's Day Parade, Indianapolis, IN (3)
- November 11 – Ceremony for George Washington's Drummer John George Indianapolis, IN (2)

Respectfully submitted:

G. Tom Schnuck, Commander
INSSAR Color Guard North

Central Area Color Guard:

2011 Summary:

- Grave Marking: 1
- Parades: 2
- School Event: 1
- DAR Event: 3
- Other Public Events: 23

Of the 30 Central Indiana events, seven received either a musket salute or a musket demonstration.

Upcoming events January – March 2012:

- 13 January: Flag presentation at the Indianapolis VA Hospital
- 2 February: Indiana War Memorial tour group will meet two “living history” Revolutionary War soldiers at the exhibit.
- 9 February: Naturalization service in the Indianapolis Federal Courthouse

Respectfully submitted:

Stuart Hart
Central Area INSSAR Color Guard

Southern Area Color Guard:

2011 Events:

- 2 Oct - 44th Annual Pumpkin Festival Parade, French Lick



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INSSAR Eagle Scout Program

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- From October 2011 to January 2012, we recognized 5 new Eagle Scouts. We had nine Eagles apply this year and we will be paneling the State Applicants this weekend.
- I have not submitted any claims since July 2007. Since then, I have paid \$1975.00 out of my pocket and I wish to donate those charges to our cause and I will not be requesting reimbursement. Like the last four years, I will also donated \$100.00 from my family to our State Winner.
- I am working with the INSSAR Secretary to finalize our Press Release for the next round of Eagle Scout Applications. It is our hope to increase participation through this new effort. These press releases should be shared with all scout leaders in the counties of Indiana, as well as with any scouts beginning to work on the Eagle Scout.
- I truly enjoy my position in the SAR recognizing young Eagles. I am sorry I will not be able to attend the upcoming meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy J. Hillenburg
Eagle Scout Chairman



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INSSAR Flag Certificate Program

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12 of 17 (71%) Chapters report having awarded Flag Certificates in 2011.

District 1 – (60% Of Chapters Awarding Certificates)

Alexis Coquillard:

- Willard Watterson presented a Flag Certificate to Richard “Rick” Smurdon, Jr for flying the flag.

Anthony Halberstadt:

- 27 August 2011 President Doug Wellman awarded a flag certificate to Compatriot David Peters who flies a flag at his home 24/7. David is the son of Compatriot Chuck Peters former INSSAR Treasurer who passed away a couple of years ago.

Seth Jewel:

- None reported

Duneland:

- None reported

Simon Kenton:

- The Simon Kenton Chapter presented a Flag Recognition Certificate to Saint Joseph's College in Rensselaer on Friday, November 11, 2011, Veteran's Days. Attending were Rob Pfaff, Secretary/Treasurer, and Craig Jackson, President. Accepting on behalf of the College was F. Dennis Riegelneegg, President of Saint Joseph's College.

District 2 – (67% Of Chapters Awarding Certificates)

Alexander Hamilton:

- None reported

Benjamin Franklin:

- Grace Point Church, New Whiteland, IN presented by William Thompson, 11 Nov. 2011
- Proctoer Park, NEW WHITLEAND, IN presented by William Thompson on 14 NOV 2011
- Outdoor Store at Greenwood, IN presented by William Thompson on 16 NOV 2011
- Daily Journal of Franklin, IN presented by William Thompson on 18 NOV 2011
- Aarons Sales & Lease Ownership, 2490 North Morton Street, Franklin, IN presented by William Thompson to manager 30 Nov 2011

Clarence Cook:

- Sunday, 11 Sept 2011 – the Clarence A Cook Chapter awarded the Flag Certificate to Donald E. Peed.
- 11 Nov 2011 – JR Member Joshua Eells awarded the flag certificate to Bill and Betty Green. (Bill served in the White House and the US Army Offices as a civilian who carried messages between them and is also a descendant of Gen. Greene. Wayne Eells has started working on his SAR application.



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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:

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

Respectfully Submitted,

G. Tom Schnuck
INSSAR GWEF Chairman



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INSSAR Historian / Archivist Report

Subj: Jan 2012 State Meeting Reports

- Received of the David Benton Chapter a packet of information for the Archives from John Sheets this past Tuesday (18 Jan 2012).
- The State Secretary will forward to me all of the Annual Reports from all INSSAR Chapters.
- Each chapter is welcome to send any info for the INSSAR Archives as they wish. If a chapter has a certificate or photos for the state archives, please make photocopies (preferably in color). Please do not send originals or framed items! Keep the originals for the chapter's history & archives... consider the state as a back-up.
- As the Archivist, I am looking into making all of the INSSAR archives digital and possibly store on a simple USB storage device such as a thumb drive. I need to get additional info for this type of project.

Respectfully Submitted,

John G. West
INSSAR Historian/Archivist Chairman



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Hoosier Patriot

Subj: Jan 2012 State Meeting Reports

- The Hoosier Patriot and postcard were sent out again this quarter. The value of this document is in the information it provides to teach, honor, and encourage our members.
- Please remember to send articles, tutorials and pictures on any and all noteworthy topics and events. We would like to feature an activity/event from each Chapter. Your contributions are what make it worthwhile.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey Hornung.
Hoosier Patriot Editor



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INSSAR Knight Essay Program

Subj: Jan 2012 State Meeting Reports

- This year was all about quality over quantity. We only got two essays submitted, but both were truly excellent. Each was good enough to represent Indiana well, meeting all guidelines and making interesting points. Each was by homeschooled young women.
 - 1st Place -- Rebecca Belth of Columbia City, for her essay entitled "Paul Revere: Revolutionary War Hero" sponsored by the Anthony Halberstadt chapter.
 - 2nd place -- Ruth Temme of Angola, for her essay "The Forgotten Heroine" about Abigail Adams sponsored by the Alexis Coquillard chapter. This was the first essay sponsored by the Alexis Coquillard chapter. About half of our chapters have sponsored an essay.
- This year's response was due to the new Press Releases created by INSSAR Secretary Eells and his outreach to home school families.
- We have already begun working on the Press Release for next year's competition. This is created for all Chapters and Members of the INSSAR to reach out to anyone they know that would be interested in participating. Please share the press releases to not only schools (Public and Private) and home school families, but truly with anyone who has a child of the proper age to participate.
- 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 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.

Respectfully Submitted,

Doug Wilson
Knight Essay Chairman



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INSSAR Nominating Committee

Subj: Jan 2012 State Meeting Reports

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
 - Earl Salisbury
 - Edward Hitchcock
 - J.D. Strouth

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Cunningham
Nominating Committee Chairman



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INSSAR Patriotic Outreach

Subj: Jan 2012 State Meeting Reports

Partners in Patriotism

I still have not received any reports from the following INSSAR Chapters:

District #1

Seth Jewel
Duneland
Simon Kenton

District #2

Benjamin Franklin

District #3

100 % reported

District #4

General Thomas Posey
George Rogers Clark

Wreaths Across America

- Of the four (4) National Cemeteries in Indiana only two have requested Wreaths:
 - Marion National Cemetery, Marion, Indiana
 - Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Madison, Indiana
- On December 15, 2012 is the day set aside for Wreaths Across America. Prior to that date you can place your orders for Wreaths to be delivered to Marion. I do believe that Madison will be taken care of for 2012. Contact Jim Arnold for information on sponsoring Marion National Cemetery.
- I wish to report that four (4) Daniel Guthrie Chapter Members helped with the laying of wreaths at the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Madison, Indiana. They were Compatriots Allen Manning, Nick Schultz, Bob Howell Sr., and Jim Arnold. I am very pleased to report that 100% of the graves at Madison received a wreath this year. Marion had asked Wreaths Across America for help to achieve 100% at their cemetery. I do not know if they received the help as help comes in the form of donations.

Respectfully Submitted,

Compatriot James C. Arnold
INSSAR Patriotic Outreach Committee Chairman



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INSSAR Registrar / Genealogist

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- a. During 2011, the applications of 50 regular and 7 junior members were approved to join the Indiana Society. These figures do not include any conversions from youth to junior status.
- b. Since 1 January 2012, one new member's application has also been approved.
- c. The 5 January 2012 Application Status Report shows that 19 new member and 19 supplemental applications have been received at Headquarters while one new member and three supplemental applications are shown in a pended status.
- d. In addition to the above, 14 regular and three supplemental applications have been processed but do not yet appear on the Application Status Report.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert D. Howell, Sr.
INSSAR Registrar / Genealogist



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ROTC/JROTC

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The process of verifying and updating unit contact information preparatory to contacting the various ROTC and JROTC units is underway.

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.

In keeping with President Betzner's endeavor to better communicate with the membership, several changes and enhancements will be implemented over the next several weeks.

- Additional security measures to protect our privacy and data.
- Bulletin board will be upgraded from phpBB version 3.0.8 to 3.0.10
- Photo gallery upgraded from Coppermine version 1.4.3 to 1.5.18
- Enhanced email lists with capacity of up to 1,000 addresses with subscribe – unsubscribe capabilities.
- Automated email notifications to Color Guard members when events are posted, modified or cancelled. (Subject to further testing.)
- Migrate Patriot Graves from MS SQL Server 2005 to SQL Server 2008.

All of the above will be accomplished within the current budget.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven D. Oberlin
INSSAR Webmaster



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Proposal To Change INSSAR Bylaw 3 Process For Charter Revocation

Bylaw 3 - Chapters

Section 1. Members of the Indiana Society shall belong to a Chapter. A Chapter may be organized and a Charter granted when ten or more members apply and sign a Charter Application.

Section 2. Two or more Chapters may merge upon approval by a majority vote of the involved chapters and the House of Delegates.

Section 3. A Chapter's charter may be revoked by the House of Delegates under the following criteria:

- a. Chapter membership has fallen below ten members for two successive years; or
- b. The Chapter has had no representative present at the Annual Meeting in two successive years; or
- c. The Chapter is delinquent in dues, fees, or other obligations including providing reports and communication in a timely manner to the State or National Societies, or has failed to comply with the Constitution and Bylaws of the National Society and/or the Indiana Society.

Section 4. The process of Chapter charter revocation shall be:

- a. The State Society Executive Committee should report at any House of Delegates Meeting any issues with a Chapter.
- b. Immediately after that House of Delegates meeting the State Society Secretary shall notify each Chapter Officer in writing via Certified mail the reasons their charter is in danger, and give them until the next House of Delegates Meeting to rectify the problem(s).
- c. If NOT rectified the State Society Executive Committee shall report at the next House of Delegates Meeting and makes a motion to put the Chapter on Probation
- d. The State Society Secretary shall send each chapter member in writing via certified mail the reasons their chapter charter is on probation, and give them until the next House of Delegates Meeting to rectify the problem(s).
- e. If NOT rectified the State Society Executive Committee shall report at the next House of Delegates Meeting and makes a motion to revoke the Chapter's charter.

This proposed Change is being provided for review and discussion in accordance to INSSAR Bylaw 27 – Amendments.



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Proposal To Change INSSAR Constitution and Bylaws

Change District Directors To District Vice-Presidents

The proposal is to change the Terms/Titles of District Director(s) to District Vice-President(s) in the INSSAR Constitution and Bylaws.

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Proposal To Change INSSAR Youth Awards Prize Monies

T. Rex Legler II, O.D. - Chairman, INSSAR Youth Programs makes the following budgeting proposal to correct the disbursement of funds to the Youth Program Winners.

In order to increase the numeric participation by students, to increase the prestige of the award, and to increase the financial impact of the award, I move that the INSSAR immediately delete monetary awards for 2nd & 3rd place entries in the Arthur M. & Berdena King Eagle Scout Scholarship Competition, the George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Contest, and the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest while increasing the 1st place monetary award to \$1,000.00 in each of the 3 aforementioned student competitions.



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Proposal To Create A Budget Line For Recruitment & Retention

The INSSAR Executive Committee met on 7 January 2012, and after discussion voted and approved the following motion to be made at the next INSSAR House of Delegate Meeting:

“In order to provide the tools needed to increase both the retention and the recruitment of the INSSAR, that the INSSAR create a budget line item for the purpose funding of Recruitment and Retention Activities in the INSSAR.”



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Proposal To Change INSSAR Bylaw 3 Chapter Meetings

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Section 4. A Chapter shall hold a minimum of one regular chapter meeting per year.

- a. A schedule of all regular chapter meetings shall be provided in writing to the INSSAR Secretary and shall be posted on the chapter website or, if the Chapter has no website, on the INSSAR events calendar.
- b. Regular chapter meetings shall be open to all SAR members and the general public. However, the Chapter shall NOT be responsible for any costs associated with the attendance of non-chapter SAR members or members of the public.
- c. In the event the Chapter must take up matters of a sensitive nature, the Chapter may hold a closed-door meeting open only to registered chapter members. Non-chapter members may attend if specifically invited in writing. Matters of a sensitive nature which may be discussed at any closed-door meeting so called may include, but not be limited to: (i) the performance or non-performance of duties by an officer of the Chapter; (ii) the qualifications of, or the proposed appointment of, any officer or delegate to serve at the Chapter level; (iii) the status of financial accounts and reporting at the Chapter level; (iv) strategies concerning member recruitment and retention; (v) the proposed revocation of a Chapter's charter under Section 3 of these Bylaws above if instigated by the State organization; (vi) the job performance evaluation of employees, if any, hired at the Chapter level; (vii) and the proposed award of any citation, certificate or medal to any non-chapter member or business organization. A notice of why the closed-door meeting was held shall be submitted to the INSSAR President, the INSSAR Secretary, and the District Vice President within 10 days of the meeting. A closed-door executive session shall be held in addition to, but not in place of, a regular meeting.