

## North Carolina SAR

MEMO for South Atlantic District SAR Vice President General Rigel

22 June 2016

FROM: Gary O. Green

SUBJECT: State of the North Carolina Society

Membership as of 1 Jan 2016: 977 Membership as of 27 June 2016: 1063

Chapters: 26 with charter of the Patriot Isaac Carter Chapter in North Harlowe, NC scheduled for 3 Sep

Budget: \$20,095

Color Guard Activities: Since 6 Oct 15, the Society has hosted National Color Guard events at Battle of King's Mountain, Kings Mountain, Wreaths Across America, Matthews; Battle of Cowan's Ford, Huntersville; Battle of Moore's Creek, Currie; Battle of Guilford Courthouse, Greensboro; Commemoration of the Halifax Resolves, Halifax; and, the Battle of Ramsour's Mill in Lincolnton. PG Thomas Lawrence attended the Battle of Guilford Courthouse ceremony. NC Compatriots have also attended National Color Guard events on Veterans Day, Memorial Day and will participate in Independence Day activities across the state. We continue to recognize the Battles around Alamance County during State Society sponsored Patriots Day event. Multiple chapters have conducted/participated in Flag retirement ceremonies to celebrate Flag Day, 14 June 2016.

Our society continues to identify and mark patriot graves across the state and has focused on adding patriot biographies to the national database. At the end of February our society had submitted about 477 biographies and since then we have added about 52 more biographies with all chapters submitting at least one biography.

We changed Society leadership on 30 April 2016 at our Annual Convention. We also completely revised our society bylaws and incorporated our constitution into the bylaws as recommended by Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised 11<sup>th</sup> Edition. We recognized State Society Youth Awards winners in the Knight Essay, Eagle Scout, Enhanced JROTC, American History Teacher, Americanism Brochure and Americanism Poster contests. Each winner received monetary donations from the members of the North Carolina Society. We also recognized CAR, DAR, community leaders and SAR compatriots with appropriate SAR medals during our awards banquet.

The Foothills District, Battle of Kings Mountain chapter hosted 90+ SAR & DAR members at a showing of the production of "Liberty Mountain, the Revolutionary War Drama." This is a must see play!

I have identified three goals for our society for 2016-2017: Retention of current members, Communication with all society members and Recognition of our compatriot veterans as members of the SAR Veterans Corps.

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.