



# TUCSAR BUGLE



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## Congratulations

### 2009/10 Tucson Chapter Officers



(Left to Right: Richard Zeilman, Jeff Whitbeck, John Lyons, William Aurand, Bob Vint Jr., Joe McGowan, Scott Driver, Mark Blanchard, Warren Alter, and President George Liphardt, Sr. (not shown – Charles Harrar))

## January Meeting Review

Skyline Country Club provided an elegant backdrop for our January meeting. Past AZSSAR President Warren Alter, with the assistance of Past Chapter President Rudy Byrd installed our new chapter officers. The officers installed for 2009/10 were:

President	George Lipphardt, Sr.
Vice-President	Scott Driver
Sec-Treasurer	John Lyons
Asst. Sec-Treasurer	Richard Zeilman
Chaplain	Bill Aurand
Historian	Bob Vint Jr
Genealogist	Charles Harrar (absent)
Registrar	Warren Alter
State BOM	Joe McGowan (Past President)
Chapter BOM at Large	Mark Blanchard
Chapter BOM at Large	Jeff Whitbeck



(George Lipphardt receives his President's Medal from Past President Joe McGowan and Installing Officer Warren Alter

Following the installation, our guest speaker, Chief John Harris – Sahuarita Police Department addressed the group and set the stage for our Annual Law Enforcement Awards Program. We thank Chief Harris for joining us and taking his valuable time to address our group.



Chief John Harris – Sahuarita Police Department

January Birthdays	February Birthdays
2/1 Edward Walker	3/18 Roger Johnson
2/1 Charles Alter	3/19 Ted Bowen
2/2 John Weiss	3/21 Wallace Hanes
2/3 Gene Fenstermacher	3/26 Rolland Arnold
2/5 Lloyd Minor	3/28 Andrew Church
2/22 Donald Clark	
2/28 Bruce Zimmerman	

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
COMPATRIOTS!**

Upon conclusion of his talk, eleven Southern Arizona law enforcement professionals were individually recognized. Tucson Chapter Member Richard Hudgins read brief descriptions for each officer and Bureau Chief Warren Alter presented the recipients their NSSAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate. The following officers were recognized:

Officer Tom Johnston - Sahuarita Police Department  
 Officer Jacob "Jake" Shumate - Marana Police Department  
 Spec. Agent Mohamed I. Bah - U.S. Immigr. & Customs Enforcement  
 Spec. Agent J. Patrick Cullen - Federal Bureau of Investigation  
 Special Agent Dirk Ballou - Drug Enforcement Administration  
 Officer Pablo Camargo- Tucson Police Department  
 FOS Juventino Pacheco - U.S. Customs and Border Protection  
 Lead Police Officer Troy Kranz - Oro Valley Police Department  
 Officer Clifford M. Diaz - AZ Department of Public Safety  
 Deputy Anthony Doran - Pima County Sheriff's Department  
 Major Christopher "Kit" Johnson - 355<sup>th</sup> Sec. Forces Squad, DMAFB  
 (see page 3 for a summary of each officer's award)

Congratulations to these outstanding officers and agents who help make Southern Arizona a safer place for all of us to live.

Finally, we also initiated our newest chapter members, the Arnold family. Welcome to:

Rolland Wayne Arnold #172881  
 Joshua Wayne Arnold #172882  
 Justin Wayne Arnold Youth Reg.#1123  
 Jacob Martin Arnold Youth Reg. #1124

## February Meeting

Due to the AZSSAR Annual Meeting, we will not have a Tucson Chapter Meeting in February. However, since the Annual Meeting is being held at Skyline Country Club, and since our own Past Chapter President Albert Niemeyer is being installed as AZSSAR State President, we hope to see many Tucson Chapter members at the Annual Meeting. Reservations are due to AZSSAR S/T Warren Alter no later than 17 February. A copy of the reservation form was in last month's TUCSAR Bugle or this month's SARIZONA. All chapter members are welcome and encouraged to attend the state meeting. Make your reservations now!

## American Revolution Historical Trivia

Submitted By Joshua Arnold

**King George almost abdicated the throne when the British lost the Revolutionary War!**

After Yorktown King George III vowed to keep fighting. When parliament demurred, the King wrote a letter of abdication -- then withdrew it. He tried to console himself with the thought that Washington would become a dictator and make Americans long for royal rule. When he was told that Washington planned to resign his commission, the King gasped, "If he does that, sir, he will be the greatest man in the world."

Editor's Note:

Happy 277<sup>th</sup> Birthday to the "greatest man in the world"  
 George Washington – Feb 22, 1732

## UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### FEBRUARY 2009

2/21/09 No Tucson Chapter Meeting

2/21/09 AZSSAR Annual Meeting/Installation Officers

Location: Skyline Country Club  
5200 E. Andrews Dr. Tucson, AZ  
8:30 a.m. 2012 Congress Planning Committee  
10:00 a.m. State Annual Meeting  
10:00 a.m. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting  
12:15 Luncheon

2/22/1732 George Washington's Birthday – Happy 277<sup>th</sup>!

### MARCH 2009

3/21/09 Tucson Chapter Meeting

7:30-9:00 a.m. BOM Meeting  
9:00-11:00 a.m. Breakfast Meeting  
Speaker – Dr. Louis Fanning Speaking on Intelligence and Home Land Security.

### APRIL 2009

4/18/09 Tucson Chapter Meeting – Skyline Country Club

7:30-9:00 a.m. BOM Meeting  
9:00-11:00 a.m. Breakfast Meeting  
Speaker: Danna Koelling, DAR

4/25/09 AZSSAR BOM Meeting – Casa Grande

Holiday Inn 777 N. Pinal Avenue

08:30 a.m. 2012 Congress Planning (tentative)  
10:00 a.m. BOM Meeting  
10:00 a.m. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting  
1200-1:30 p.m. Luncheon

### MAY 2009

5/16/09 Tucson Chapter Meeting –Skyline Country Club

7:30-9:00 a.m. BOM Meeting  
9:00-11:00 a.m. Breakfast Meeting  
Speaker: TBA

### JUNE 2009

No Tucson Chapter Meeting

### JULY 2009

No Tucson Chapter Meeting

7/4-7/9 National Congress, Atlanta Georgia

### AUGUST 2009

No Tucson Chapter Meeting

### SEPTEMBER 2009

9/16/09 Tucson Chapter Meeting-Skyline Country Club

7:30-9:00 a.m. BOM Meeting  
9:00-11:00 a.m. Breakfast Meeting  
Speaker: TBA

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Warren Alter (See Above)

Joe McGowan (See Above)

### Quote of the Month:

"If it weren't for the United States military, there'd be NO United States of America." (Source unknown)

### Presidio Soldados – January 10th

Past President Rudy Byrd participating with the Presidio Soldados. (The smartest ones have their ears covered.)



IT GO BOOM! (Someone call the Fire Department)



## Summary Of Law Enforcement Awards Presented (from page 2)

### **Special Agent Mohamed I. Bah, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)**

Special Agent Bah joined U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement in March 2006. Agent Bah is a trained computer forensics examiner and in 2008 he was instrumental in the identification of six suspects involved in the distribution of child pornography.

### **Special Agent Dirk Ballou, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)**

Special Agent Dirk Ballou initiated an Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force. To date, S.A. Ballou and his colleagues identified nineteen separate drug seizures totaling approximately 46,000 pounds of marijuana, and unfortunately confirmed the successful importation of more than 80,000 pounds of marijuana into the United States over a two year period.

### **Officer Pablo Camargo, Tucson Police Department**

Officer Pablo Camargo of the Gang Outreach Unit came up with an idea to hold a charity boxing event to raise both awareness and funds for the Police Athletic League. The Battle of the Badges became a reality, securing \$50,000 in donated services and products. On September 13, 2008, the first annual Battle of the Badges was held with an estimated attendance of just over 5100.

### **Special Agent J. Patrick Cullen, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)**

SA Cullen, specializes in the investigation of cyber matters and subprogram areas consisting of computer intrusions, malicious code, online and child sexual exploitation matters, intellectual property rights, and Internet fraud. In 2008, his work resulted in nineteen federal and state search warrants pertaining to online child pornography/child sexual exploitation and numerous arrests.

### **Officer Clifford M. Diaz, AZ Department of Public Safety**

Officer Mike Diaz has been involved in violator contacts, arrests, seizures, and numerous collision investigations. His activity level has steadily increased and he is one of the top two officers in the district in terms of violator contacts. As a result he has recovered stolen vehicles, arrested impaired drivers and made numerous drug seizures.

### **Deputy Anthony Doran, Pima County Sheriff's Department**

During the early morning hours of November 24, 2008, a fire broke out in an apartment complex. Residents alerted Deputy Doran that they believed an elderly resident of one apartment was still inside the building where the alarms were originating. Thanks to his efforts, an unconscious elderly man was found in the smoke/fire filled apartment and rescued prior to arrival of the Fire Department.

### **Major Christopher "Kit" Johnson, U.S. Air Force 355<sup>th</sup> Security Forces Squadron, DMAFB**

He was the first-ever Captain selected to command a Security Forces unit on DM. He is a Bronze Star recipient and was promoted to Major on 1 Jan 2008. He spearheaded base Drug Reduction Operation and was hailed by the base commander for keeping the base clean of drugs and associated crimes. This man's commitment and dedication to his squadron, their families and this community have created an esprit-de-corps that is unprecedented.

### **Officer Tom Johnston, Sahuarita Police Department**

Officer Johnston single handedly rewrote the new General Orders for SPD. He also developed a system in cooperation with the Sahuarita Municipal Court and Pima County Jail where instead of transporting prisoners from the jail to court, the court appearances are done through video court conferencing. Officer Johnston is also a Field Training Officer for new officers, a certified IPMBA bicycle instructor, and the SPD's liaison with the FBI for the Joint Terrorism Task Force.

### **Lead Police Officer Troy Kranz, Oro Valley Police Department**

LPO Kranz, was nominated for his overall contributions to the department, rather than any single event. He has been instrumental in training a good portion of the officers in Oro Valley. He has served on the Public Safety Board, been involved with labor negotiations, and has served as president of the police union for several years. He submitted a program for OVPD to develop a C.S.O. program, volunteered to work on grant applications, and helped address easier methods for Victims' Rights notifications.

### **FOS Juventino Pacheco, U.S. Customs and Border Protection**

Field Operations Supervisor Juventino Pacheco's work exemplifies the Customs and Border Protection core values and promises of vigilance, service to country and integrity to the American public. He has improved the relations between the Tucson Sector Border Patrol and the Mexican Government during a period of time that saw increased and often brutal border violence. Mexican officials now respond in minutes instead of hours when requested for assistance along the border.

### **Officer Jacob "Jake" Shumate, Marana Police Department**

Officer Shumate current assignments include being the Department's Training Officer/Coordinator and a member of the Pima County Regional SWAT Team. As training coordinator, he oversees the Department's training program. As a member of the Pima Regional SWAT Team, he holds two specialty positions; a breacher and shield operator, and has been chosen as a SWAT Team leader and an instructor.