



TUCSAR BUGLE



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Message from the President



John Lyons



Compatriots, we had a wonderful meeting in September with an outstanding speaker, David Devine, he spoke about how the trains came to Tucson. We also hit a milestone with membership, we have ten new members. Nine Junior memberships and one regular membership. I have written about our Junior membership program in the past but it is worth repeating. If you have a grandson or son is not yet eighteen they can join for only 35 dollars and have a SAR number for life. This means they can join anytime in their lifetime. We now have 102 members in the Chapter.

I had the privilege of presenting a WWII Patriotism Certificate to Clifford Platt. Clifford and his wife Ruth were wonderful hosts as we presented the certificate. Clifford was very appreciative of receiving this award. Jim Kimbrough, Al Niemeyer and I were presenters. If you are a WWII veteran and would like to receive this honor from National Headquarters. Please contact me as soon as possible. My phone number is 520-834-5784.

Once again the Color Guard has been representing the Tucson Chapter throughout the Tucson area. Jim Williamson did a wonderful presentation about all of the flags of the Revolution to a group of seniors at an assisted living home in North West Tucson. Albert Niemeyer and I were also in attendance.

The Naturalization and Immigration ceremony is an ongoing event that we are proud to do. In the past month we attended four ceremonies. Jim Williamson, Theresa Williamson, Albert Niemeyer, George Lipphardt, Jim Kimbrough, Dr Rudy Byrd and I were in attendance.

Since the last meeting I have had a couple of events happen. I just married the love of my life on 23 September 2011. Linda and I had a small wedding at the court house with Al Niemeyer taking pictures for us. Thanks Al. I also moved to a new house in Casa Grande. We are very happy here and hope to have some parties here for some of you.

Our next meeting is 15 October 2011 at 9:00 am. Our guest speaker is our own Robert Vint (The Younger), he will be updating us on the progress at the San Xavier Mission. It will

be very informative. Bob does an excellent presentation and it will be very exciting.

Just to let you know we have two parades coming up that we would like some participation for. The Casa Grande Veterans day parade on 5 November 2011 in Casa Grande the Point of Contact is Jim Kimbrough and the Tucson Veterans day parade on 11 November 2011 the Point of Contact is Al Niemeyer. We won best matching unit last year in Casa Grande. There will be a large number of members who want to participate. Jim and Al's emails are listed on the following pages.

Tucson Chapter A&S Society

Sons of the American Revolution

Patriot Ancestor Stories



By the Descendants of the Patriots

Compiled By John W. Lyons

Coming soon to your Chapter!

Compatriot George Lipphardt has compiled our patriot ancestor stories into a fine book. Take a look and see your family in print as well as our color guard on the cover.



DAR Cluster Meeting – Nov 5th at 11am at the Radisson Suites Hotel.

All are invited. Reservations needed and due on Oct. 22nd. If interested, please contact Bill Aurrand for a reservation form. The Speaker will be Arizona Regent, Stephanie Troth. Luncheon cost is \$25. Business attire suggested.



Jeff Whitbeck In Iraq in a class picture



Jeff Whitbeck In Iraq at CEXC

Jeff Whitbeck Update on his Deployment in Sunny Iraq

Jeff's wife Bonnie reports that He's assigned to the Major Crimes Task Force with the FBI at the US Embassy in Baghdad and doing very good. Jeff will be returning about January 2012 and will tell ya'll the dirty details and show pictures. Editor's note: Please take a moment and shoot off a little prayer for his safety over there until he gets home.

The 2012 Congress is coming up!

Our Compatriot J. Michael Jones has made recent changes to the 122nd National Congress website. See the Congress web page (www.sar2012congress.com) and if you haven't, please volunteer to help out, even if its only for a couple of hours.

October Speaker is Compatriot Bob Vint, Jr.

Bob's talk is Folk Baroque. It describes the art and architecture of Mission San Xavier del Bac (The White Dove of the Desert). The Mission is the oldest intact European structure in Arizona. The church interior is filled with marvelous original statuary and mural paintings. Don't miss this opportunity to hear about one of the most unique points of history of Tucson and all of Arizona.



Jim Kimbrough, Cliff Platt, John Lyons, Al Niemeyer

Cliff Platt Receives SAR Award

On September 22, 2011 Compatriot Clifford Platt was awarded the SAR Certificate of Patriotism which recognizes meritorious service during World War II. Compatriot Platt resides in Green Valley, AZ. Tucson Chapter members John Lyons, Albert Niemeyer, and Jim Kimbrough presented the award.

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 2012

7/7 - 7/11 NSSAR Congress in Phoenix

October 2011

10/15/11 Tucson Chapter Meeting–Skyline Country Club
 7:30-9:00 a.m. BOM Meeting
 9:00-11:00 a.m. Breakfast Meeting
 Speaker: Bob Vint, Jr. – Mission San Xavier del Bac

November 2011

11/11/11 Veteran’s Day Parade – Details TBA
11/11-12/11 President General’s AZ Visit (Tucson)
 Details to be Announced
11/19/11 Tucson Chapter Meeting–Skyline Country Club
 7:30-9:00 a.m. BOM Meeting
 9:00-11:00 a.m. Breakfast Meeting
 Speaker: Mark Blanchard – Patriot ancestor who fought in the Green Mountain Boys.

Tucson Patriots Wanted

Have you got a story about your Patriot ancestor? If you do we would like to hear about him or her either in writing in the Bugle or better yet, do a presentation at one of our meetings. If you have a story please contact either Bill Aurand at wraurand@cox.net for the TUCSAR Bugle or Mark Blanchard at mb62illini@yahoo.com.

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Web Site: <http://www.azssar.org/tucson/index.html>.
 Want to check the latest calendar events, go to: <http://www.azssar.org/tucson/calendar.html>

Tucson Chapter Birthdays

October Birthdays **November Birthdays**

10/13 Robert Rentschler	11/11 Paul Niemeyer
10/18 William Aurand	11/12 William Lincoln
10/20 Roger Anderson	11/18 Braden Weiss
10/22 Philip Gary Pettett	11/24 Raymond Stafford
10/31 Lance Dickinson	11/26 Kevin Sharp
	11/30 George Lipphardt, Sr



HAPPY BIRTHDAY COMPATRIOTS!

Historical Quote

I am determined to be cheerful and happy in whatever situation I may find myself. For I have learned that the greater part of our misery or unhappiness is determined not by our circumstance but by our disposition.

Martha Washington

"Martha Washington." BrainyQuote.com. Xplore Inc, 2011. 5 October. 2011. http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/m/martha_washington.html



Sons of the American Revolution Tucson Chapter

Monthly Meeting October 15, 2011

Time: 9:00 AM—Meeting, Breakfast, & Program

7:30 AM—BOM Meeting for Chapter Officers

Place: Skyline Country Club, 5200 E. St. Andrews Drive, Tucson

Go 1.1 miles North of Sunrise Dr. on Swan Rd. Country Club entrance is on right. Stop at Guard House for check in and directions to the clubhouse.

Program: Compatriot Bob Vint, Jr., local architect, will describe the art and architecture of Mission San Xavier del Bac. This mission is the oldest intact European structure in Arizona. The interior is filled with marvelous original statuary and murals. Don't miss this opportunity to hear about one of the most unique points of history in Tucson and Arizona.

Menu: A buffet breakfast will be served.

Price: \$15.00 per person.

Reservations: Please detach the coupon below and mail with a check to the Tucson Chapter/SAR by October 13, 2011

Mail To: Jim Kimbrough, Sec/Treas, 601 N. Avenida Cipres, Green Valley, AZ 85614

SAR Member _____

Guest #1 _____

Guest #2 _____

Total Number Attending _____ X \$15.00 = \$ _____

