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President Buvinger's Ponderings

William E. Buvinger, COSSAR President

As this exciting COSSAR year draws to a close I thank the many Compatriots who helped this year. Compatriots stepped into leadership roles as new State Officers and Committee Chairmen as well as Chapter Officers. Many others participated in the state and chapter meetings and varied activities such as the Color Guard, ROTC/JROTC award presentations and support of the Eagle Scout activities among other areas.

Ed Karr, Ed and Arielle Karr III, John and Jo Ann Luedecke, Dave Mann, Richard Riepe, Wayne and Dorothy Snodgrass, and Cecil Tapey had an excellent time participating in the 122nd NSSAR Congress on 7-11 July in Phoenix. Dave Mann worked with the Mile High Fife and Drum Corps to provide a fifer and a drummer and all three of them participated in several events throughout the Congress. A well-attended Rocky Mountain District breakfast was held in the Biltmore Resort on Tuesday morning. The next National Congress will be held in July 2013 at Kansas City, MO.

VP Garry Brewer arranged for the 28 July Annual Picnic which was held at the Masonic Center in Grand Junction.

PP Chapter President Dick Marsh hosted a formal evening dinner on 17 Sep to celebrate the 225th anniversary of the signing of the US Constitution. Details were noted in our 4th Quarter 2012 issue.

Tom Wellborn headed the Nominating Committee this year which submitted their nominations for 2012-13 COSSAR Officers to be voted on at the 16 Feb 2013 Annual State Conference. Details for the Conference and the George Washington Luncheon were mailed to the membership by COSSAR Secretary Snodgrass.

NSSAR installed an 'Ethics' link on their NSSAR website under the 'Compatriots' tab. See the "Ethics" drop-down menu just under the 'SAR Member Database' link. Please check it out.

The Treasurer's Tidings

Tom Wellborn, COSSAR Treasurer

The 2012 filings with the CO Secretary of State were completed. All bills are paid and all accounts are reconciled through 31 Oct. The YTD Balance Sheet, Cash Flow Statement and Category Summaries were shared at the Dec BOM meeting. All Chapters made their 990N annual filings with the IRS.

In coordination with the COSSAR Secretary the 2013 annual dues notices were sent to all At Large members.

Our CO State Sales Tax Exemption Certificate and Good Standing on Non Profit Corporation are posted on our website.

Registrar Ramblings

Thomas A. Brown, COSSAR Registrar

Please congratulate and welcome our most recent membership gains thru 31 Dec 2012:

13 New Members	Chapter
Andrew Philip Bair	Grand Mesa
Donald Alan Ford	Grand Mesa
Daniel Birch Hopper	Longs Peak
Derrel Thomas Hopper	Longs Peak
Richard Franklin Jeffords	Pikes Peak
Gopala Dasa Keller	Mt Evans
Curtis John Utley	Longs Peak
Dale Wayne Utley	Longs Peak
Keith Michael Utley	Longs Peak
Ralph D Utley	Longs Peak
Scott Alan Utley	Longs Peak
Zachary Thomas Utley	Longs Peak
James Robert Waddick	At Large
1 Transfer In	Chapter
Kenneth R Whitley	Mt Evans

I extend my thanks to the Chapter Registrars and others who helped us add 58 new members in 2012 and achieve a yearend membership of 355 Compatriots, before accounting for those who did not remit their 2013 dues. There are 4 new member applications currently at NSSAR and 16 others will soon be ready to submit.

COSSAR had 21 supplemental applications approved, 11 are at NSSAR for approval and 1 is being readied for submission.

In November 2012 NSSAR installed the latest PDF version of their SAR Application form at <http://www.sar.org/node/125>. The main new feature of this version is that there is now a place in the address area of the heading on Page 1 to record the applicant's **e-mail address**. Over the past few years people used other fields on the form to include this information even though the fields weren't designed for that purpose. Now there is a formal place to record an e-mail address along with the applicant's other contact information. Please use this new version which has a PDF date of 2012-05-08 associated with its name even though it was installed on the website in November.

Please use your ZIP+4 code on all applications.

Eagle Scout Actions

Matt Maranto, Eagle Scout Chairman

We have distributed eighteen Eagle Scout Certificates of Achievement this year. Steve DeBoer helped me man a booth on 27 Oct at Gateway HS in Aurora for the 2012 University of Scouting. Eagle Scout Scholarship applications were due to the Chapter representative by 15 Dec. The COSSAR winner will be selected in January and be presented his award at the 16 Feb State Conference George Washington Luncheon.

Chapter Chirpings

Grand Mesa participated in the *All Services Ball* on 9 Nov, the *Veterans Day Parade* on 10 Nov, the *Veterans Day Memorial Service* on 11 Nov and the *I Love America* program by the Shelledy Elementary School on 12 Nov. They also participated in the *Wreaths Across America* program on 15 Dec.

Longs Peak's October meeting focused on Weld County's 150th Anniversary. In November, Bob Larson of the Larimer Co Genealogical Society discussed their numerous workshops and seminars. LP Chapter is now recognized as one of their primary resources. The NARA Federal Records Center moved to 17101 Huron St, Broomfield at State Highway 7 just West of I-25

Mt Evans Chapter President Steve DeBoer marched with the COSSAR Color Guard at the Colorado Springs Veterans Day Parade. On 8 Dec Don Shattuck presented a program about his Iliff family's role in early Colorado history. The 2 Feb meeting will be at the new History Colorado Center museum in Denver.

Pikes Peak Chapter held their business meeting on 17 Nov where their 2013 officer nominations were announced. Twelve applications are being worked on. The chapter plans to participate in the Americanism Committee Liberty Bell competition and the President General Streamer award. Boy Scout Troop 53 joined them in the Veterans Day Parade where new member Paul Jones, an Iraq veteran, led the combined contingent. The chapter awarded 2 Fire Safety medals and 2 Good Citizenship medals at their 15 Dec Bill of Rights meeting at the Edelweiss German Restaurant in Colorado Springs.

Secretary's Sayings

Wayne Snodgrass, COSSAR Secretary

COSSAR Registrar Brown, COSSAR Treasurer Wellborn and I collaborated on the reconciliation of our 2012 ending and 2013 beginning membership status with NSSAR's records. Our 2012 Annual Reconciliation Report and check for our 2013 dues were sent to NSSAR before their 31 Jan 2013 target date.

Membership summary for 2012-13:

291	Membership on 1 Jan 2012
+76	Total additions in 2012
-65	Total losses in 2012
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302	Membership on 1 Jan 2013

By now you should have received the announcement about the 16 Feb 2013 Annual State Conference and George Washington Luncheon at Garcia's Restaurant in the Denver Technology Center. That announcement envelope also included the nominations for the 2013 COSSAR Officers to be voted on at the Annual State Conference. A 2/3 vote of the members present at the State Conference is required to elect the new officers. They will be installed at the George Washington Luncheon later that afternoon after the Awards Ceremony. It is a rare treat to have the NSSAR PG Stephen A. Leishman be our honored guest. We hope you will attend our Annual State Conference and George Washington Luncheon this year in this new venue.

Please plan to review the draft copy of the 2013 Membership Directory at the Annual Conference and note any recommended changes, especially for your personal entry. The Directory will be printed and distributed prior to the March BOM meeting. If you forgot to pay your dues by 31 Dec 2012, but filed a Reinstatement, your information will be included in the 2013 Membership Directory.

WW II Corps SitRep

George Smith, COSSAR Adjutant

In 2010 PG J. David Simpson began the WW II Corps to recognize the World War II Veterans who are still with us and are members of SAR. As COSSAR WW II Company Adjutant I maintain the records for our WW II Veterans who are members of the WW II Corps and provide periodic G2 reports on happenings. Mt Evans Chapter and WW II Corps member Lew Berger serves as Commanding Officer.

Any veteran of the WW II era is eligible to join whether he served overseas or on the Home Front. There are no meetings, no dues and only a simple form on the NSSAR website to complete to join. Contact me if you wish to join or need assistance with completing the form.

Reports recently published indicate that each day about 1,500 WW II veterans are passing on to their eternal reward. COSSAR has not been exempt as we have lost these 3 WW II Corps members:

1. Calvin S. Achey (LP)
2. Phillip P. Powers (GM)
3. Charles W. Starks (ME)

If you know of any WW II Veteran COSSAR member who passes away and was not a member of the WW II Corps, please let me know. If his dues were current at the time he passed, his family could still receive a certificate of membership posthumously.

Our current COSSAR WW II Corps members are:

1. William M. Barnard (LP)
2. Lewis C. Berger (ME)
3. Robert L. Collyer (PP)
4. John M. Evans (PP – Life Member)
5. Sherwood J. Gray, Jr. (PP)
6. Keith H. Hale (ME)
7. James D. Hutchison (ME)
8. Oscar D. McCollum, Jr. (GM)
9. Lloyd E. Payne (PP)
10. Barlow M. Westcott (PP)

Any member of the WW II Corps is also eligible to receive the SAR War Service Medal. If you were involved in the Korean War let me know as the interest in recognizing that service is growing.

Any SAR member who ever received the Purple Heart may also be eligible to receive the Wounded Warrior Coin from the SAR. Please provide any details to me at MileHighGeorge@aol.com or telephone me at 303-464-9440.



The Pikes Peak Chapter and COSSAR Color Guard members marched in the Colorado Springs Veterans Day Parade along with members of the Mile High Fife and Drum Corps and Boy Scout Troop 53.

Colorado SAR Bullet Points

- **1940 US Census Now Online** – In April 2012 the 1940 US Census became available at the NARA sites. See LP Chapter Chirpings on page 2. It can be viewed and searched online at <http://1940census.archives.gov/> If you have an ancestry.com account it can be searched there also. Many local libraries have ancestry.com access if you don't have a personal account.
- **16 Feb 2013 State Conference and George Washington Luncheon** – This year's meeting will be at Garcia's Restaurant in the Denver Tech Center.
- **23 Mar 2013 BOM Meeting** – Will be at the Village Inn in Castle Rock at 12:00.
- **Membership Reinstatement** – If you forgot to remit your 2013 annual dues, please complete a NSSAR Reinstatement form and send it to the COSSAR Registrar Tom Brown. If you have any questions Registrar Brown can be contacted at tbrown@viawest.net or 303-449-3424.
- **Flag Certificate Presentations** – Awards Chairman George Smith thanks all the Chapters as each made a Flag Certificate Presentation this year. Hurray! COSSAR once again qualifies for the Furlong Award to be presented at the 2013 National Congress in Kansas City, MO.
- **New Editor Needed** – A new Publicity Chairman to edit this quarterly newsletter is needed. Please contact President Buvinger. This is the final issue that Ed Karr could edit.
- **Newsletter Competition** – Color copies of *The Colorado Patriot* for the 3rd and 4th Quarter were mailed to the Chairman of the NSSAR Newsletters and Publications Committee. They will be a part of the competition for newsletter awards to be announced at the 2013 National Congress in Kansas City.
- **Contact Updates?** – If you have address, telephone or e-mail updates please notify the COSSAR Secretary Wayne Snodgrass at wsind@comcast.net or 720-346-1226.