

THE NATIONAL SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

Filing Date: 10 September 2015COMMITTEE NAME: Veterans Recognition Committee (VRC) Chairman: Chuck SweeneyChairman's Address: 500 S Palm Ave Unit 22 Chairman's Phone No. (941) 706-2007Meeting Dates & Location: Friday, Sept 25, 0800-0900, Crystal Ballroom as we have done in the past because the Kentucky Room is too small to handle our attending numbers.Teleconference Dates: N/A. Committee Communications by E-Mail, Dates: 23 & 29 Jul; 6 Aug; 4, 9, & 10 Sep.EXPENSES: None (All costs are managed within the VRC.)

PARTICIPATION (Identify members by first initial, last name and state, e.g., "D. Smith (CA)");

Attendance at Meetings: Assigned committee members include J. Arnold (IN); H. Brown (VT); B. Buehler (AL); P. Callanan (MI); S. Evans (TN); J. Fisk (MO); D. Jessel (GA); M. Kabel (GA); B. Lyles (KS); D. Marsh (CO); V. McMurry (FL); P. Prescott (GA); K. Roach (CT); K. Webber (VA); D. Stuart (MD); and C. Sweeney (FL).

Pursuant to President General Lawrence's Communication #3 of Tuesday, 8 Sep 2015, 2:01 PM, the VRC supports and adheres to the guidance contained therein. Thus current and future VRC Committee members are requested to meet in person at scheduled meetings when possible. Further, VRC members are requested to remain abreast with SAR and committee matters to include signing up for Sharefile, becoming familiar with teleconference procedures, and responding to all my emails sent your way as soon as practicable but NLT seven days after it has been sent.

2015-16 GOALS (as approved by the President General): The VRC will continue the Grateful Nation Remembers Program, which honors the World War II Veteran Corps Compatriots who are still with us. It shall continue to publish the SAR Veterans Bugle Newsletter; join the Military Service Veterans Corps Task Force, with all its functions and responsibilities, to the standard components of the Veterans Recognition committee alongside the other SAR Veterans Corps; Continue VRC vetting and processing of Certificates of Patriotism for all SAR Veterans Corps; vet and process Certificates of Patriotism for Compatriots joined to all newly created Task Forces; Standup a Special Ops Veterans Corps Task Force so as to accommodate the processing of Certificates of Patriotism for past, current and future operations which are associated with less known campaign, service and/or expeditionary medals; and standup the Southwest Asia Task Force to accommodate the processing of Certificates of Patriotism for past, current and future conflicts in select countries of the Middle East and East Africa.

[Special Note: To access and successfully use the fillable, savable, and mail-able Veterans Multi-Corps Survey Form you must have installed the latest version of Adobe Reader on your PC. At this juncture the preferable Adobe Reader is Version 11. Further, a new VetCorps Info website is forthcoming.]

REPORT & RECOMENDATIONS (*include progress on goals*): All 2015-2016 Goals assigned/approved by President General Lawrence are being implemented. Specific examples include: (1) The recent publication of the July/August 2015 Veterans Bugle; (2) The 20 July through 9 September 2015 staff processing of forty-two Certificates of Patriotism for PG Lawrence's signature; and (3) the on-going staff planning concerning the 2015 "Grateful Nation Remembers Program."

Respectfully submitted



Chairman, SAR Veterans Recognition Committee