

**ABQ SAR Chapter Continues its Tradition of Having a Well Attended Meeting on 5/23/15 by Both SAR Members and Their Spouses (Many of whom are in DAR) – Last Meeting before Summer Break  
Compatriot Sam Baty**



The meeting on 5/23/2015 was held at the Texas Land and Cattle Restaurant (please see the picture above). As usual, the meeting was well attended, as close to 30 members of the ABQ SAR Chapter attended! Many of the wives also came, as was evident from pictures 2 and 3 below.



This meeting was the last one to be held before the ABQ SAR Chapter goes on summer break. The next meeting will be held the fourth week of September (9/26/2015).

**ABQ SAR Chapter President Jacobs Calls the 5/23/2015 Meeting to Order**



From left to right at 'head' table, Compatriot and ABQ SAR Chapter Secretary Kevin Carr, President Jake Jacobs, Compatriot and ABQ SAR Chapter First Vice President Carl Henry. Compatriot and ABQ SAR Calling Committee Member Bob Rodriguez

President Jacobs started off the meeting having Compatriot and ABQ SAR Chapter Representative Bob Rodriguez give the opening prayer (which was outstanding). President Jacobs followed up by having the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America led by himself and

the Pledge to the SAR led by First Vice President of the ABQ SAR Chapter Carl Henry. He initially asked for a vote of the meeting attendees to determine if the minutes from the last meeting were approved. They were approved unanimously.

### **President Jacobs Prepares to Lead the Meeting Attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance**



### **Meeting Attendees Getting Ready to Eat Lunch**



President Jacobs announced that there would be a respite in the meeting while the attendees ate lunch.

### **Compatriot and Former NMSSAR President Michael Barger Gives the Lead-in to the DVD on the Revolutionary War**



Compatriot and past NMSSAR President Michael Barger did an exceptional job of introducing the DVD on the Revolutionary War. Compatriot Barger provided enough commentary on the War so that there was no doubt in anybody's mind that he knows a tremendous amount about it.

Compatriot Barger discussed all of General Nathanael Greene's contributions, from the battle of Calpens to the end of the Revolutionary War. The loss at Calpens was the biggest loss of the War for the British. Greene, who had been promoted to General by the U.S. Congress, became one of General Washington's most trusted advisors. But the troops under Greene suffered tremendously. Food and clothing were in short supply, the troops were hungry, and their feet were bleeding! They truly suffered tremendous hardships.

England's Lord Cornwallis was impressed by the Americans' fighting ability. He was said to have relayed that the Americans fought like demons. He purportedly said that he needed money, ships, and morale to fight the Americans.



### **Compatriot Barger Brings the Meeting Presentation to a Close**



Compatriot Barger did a fine job of leading the meeting presentation. He brought up the one shortcoming of the DVD: It didn't mention the contributions of Spain to the Revolutionary War. The contributions of Spain were tremendous! There were about 17,000 Spanish troops and sailors fighting the English during the War, many more than in General Washington's Continental Army!

### **Compatriot Alexander Starts the Committee Reports with the Registrar's Report**



Compatriot Alexander started his report by acknowledging that Compatriot Yake (Financial Committee Chair) was not in

attendance. He made a motion that Compatriot Yake's May 2015 financial report be accepted. The report was accepted unanimously.

Compatriot Alexander then gave the Registrar's Report. He thoroughly described who was in the pipeline for NMSSAR installation. And he specifically described those who were slated to come into the ABQ SAR Chapter.

Compatriot Baty gave the Historian Report. He reiterated that anyone receiving an SAR award should contact him. Compatriot Alexander, who was subbing for Compatriot Adams, said that he would send a list of ROTC SAR award recipients and members of NMSSAR that made the awards to Compatriot Baty (he did!). The list will be included in the Historian Report at the end of the year.

### **Compatriot and ABQ SAR Chapter Secretary Carr Gives the Status of the Eagle Scout Committee**



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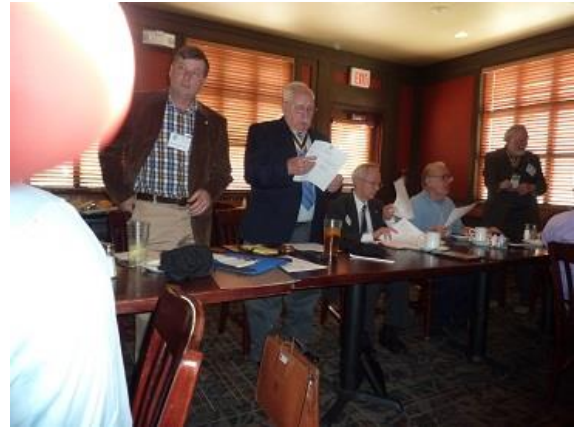
Compatriot Rodriguez thanked meeting attendees for their great support. He also thanked Compatriots Carr and Henry for their support in contacting ABQ SAR chapter members.

### **Compatriot and Former ABQ SAR President Rael Gives Input to the Color Guard Committee Report**



Compatriot Rael, a member of the Color Guard, gave some of the upcoming events of the group. He also gave a report on Compatriot Garcia's shoulder surgery status.

### **President Jacobs asks if there is Any New Business**



From left to right, Compatriot Carr, President Jacobs, Compatriot Henry, Compatriot Rodriguez, and Compatriot Alexander

President Jacobs asked if there were any new business. Since noone replied, President Jacobs took it as a 'no.'

### **President Jacobs Prepares to Bring the Meeting to a Close**





President Jacobs brought the ABQ SAR Chapter meeting to a close. The last item on the agenda was the SAR recessional.