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**December 1, 2015** (1) Updated references from “NSSAR” to “National Society SAR” in accordance with the SAR Branding Task Force recommendations announced at the 2015 Fall Leadership Meeting. (2) Corrected various grammatical errors throughout the Handbook. (3) Added clarifications to the awarding of Color Guard Medals. (4) Expanded definition of Events criteria for the SAR Color Guard Medals. (5) Added National Color Guard events approved at 2015 Fall Leadership Meeting. (6) Updated Table of Contents.

**National Color Guard Events**. The National Events listed below count toward earning the SAR Silver Color Guard Medal and National Von Steuben Medal for Sustained Achievement (See the NSSAR Color Guard Medals section). All dates are approximate. SAR Color Guardsmen, other SAR Compatriots and other interested persons should confirm the actual date of the event listed below with the calendar on the National Society SAR website or with the host state society.

**Date Event Location**

January 16 Battle of Cowpens Chesnee, SC

February 14 Battle of Kettle Creek Washington, GA

February 14 Crossing of the Dan South Boston, VA

February 22 Washington’s Birthday Parade Laredo, TX

February 22 California Massing of Colors Los Angeles, CA

early March NSSAR Spring Leadership Meeting Louisville, KY

March 5 Last Naval Battle of the Revolution Cape Canaveral, FL

**Date Event Location**

March 12 Battle of Guilford Courthouse Greensboro, NC

April 18 Battles of Lexington & Concord Concord, MA

late April Pegasus Parade (Kentucky Derby) Louisville, KY

May 15 Field of Honor / Healing Field various

May 28 Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous Vincennes, IN

May 30 National Memorial Day Parade Washington, DC

late May Memorial Day \* various

June 11 Battle of Ramsour’s Mill Lincolnton, NC

June 17 Battle of Bunker Hill Bunker Hill, MA

July 4 Let Freedom Ring various

July 4 Independence Day \* various

July NSSAR National Congress various

late July Battle of Fort Laurens Bolivar, OH

August National American Legion Parade various

mid-September Gathering at Sycamore Shoals Elizabethton, TN

September 19 Battle of Saratoga Stillwater, NY

late September NSSAR Fall Leadership Meeting Louisville, KY

October 1 Point Pleasant Battle Days Point Pleasant, WV

October 7 Battle of Kings Mountain Blacksburg, SC

October 19 Yorktown Day Parade Yorktown, VA

November 11 Veterans Day \* various

December 12 Wreaths across America various