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**Frontiersman on this monument seems to guard the dead at the Battle of Point Pleasant, WV - The First Battle of the American Revolution. See 1927 article by Mrs. Poffenbarger on page 2.**

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## President's Message

By Compatriot Grant R. Wallin, Jr.



Summer is usually the time when I think of slowing down, going to the beach (or the mountains) and just taking it easy. However, this year has certainly been different. All of the committees of our great Society are filled with dedicated chairmen and members. We have forty-five committees, each dedicated to promoting our organization and giving us focus so we can better promote our organization's aims and objectives. I really appreciate the great chairmen who have stepped up to the plate and accepted the responsibility of one or more of these forty-five committees.

On May 11<sup>th</sup>, Pat and I had the distinct pleasure of meeting with the Major John DeVane chapter in Plant City where I met some great compatriots. Regional Vice President Nelson Jantzen accompanied us on this trip, and I greatly appreciated his attendance. I am looking forward to hearing great things from this chapter as the year progresses.

On May 17<sup>th</sup>, Pat and I journeyed to Jacksonville chapter where I installed the new officers for the coming year. There too, I found enthusiastic compatriots and heard a litany of programs and activities which that chapter is both planning and participating in. They also recognized their Youth Awards at that meeting. I would be remiss if I did not personally thank Billie and Lindsey Brock for their kind hospitality during our overnight stay in Jacksonville.

On June 5<sup>th</sup>, our Treasurer, Leon Hammock, and I traveled to Kissimmee to visit with the Ramada Plaza people to talk about some of the problems mentioned to me at the May BOM. We had an excellent meeting with the food and room service people; and I believe that most, if not all, of our problems will be taken care of. Of course, the proof is in the pudding, so we will see when we gather for our July 27-28 BOM.

Since that meeting, I have been busy tending to the million and one little things that have to be addressed for any BOM meeting. Hopefully, I have not forgotten something important, but I am sure that our good compatriots will step up and see that I don't make a disastrous mistake.

In the meantime, Pat and I have been getting ready to attend the 117<sup>th</sup> Congress of the SAR in Williamsburg, Virginia. This will probably be the largest Congress ever held by the National Society. In fact, the attendance is so large that not all of the attendees will be able to attend the two banquets due to space limitations. Our delegation will try and convey what transpired to our membership as time permits.

Please remember to talk SAR to someone every day! Also, work with other members of your chapter in promoting our Florida Society programs. We have many and they are varied enough so there is something there that should be attractive to everyone you come in contact with. Recruit, recruit and recruit. Remember, a chapter that is not recruiting new members is a dying chapter. Talk to your Regional Vice President and solicit his help if the need arises. He is there to serve you and your chapter.

Fraternally,

Grant R. Wallin, Jr.  
President

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By Compatriot Dick Fowler**



**Dick Fowler**

**Compatriots and Friends,**

I have been asked to give a character portrayal of Benjamin Franklin to seven hundred fourth grade students at "Battle Days" in Point Pleasant, West Virginia next October.

This led me to study more about this battle, *The Battle of Point Pleasant*, which has been sanctioned by Congress as the "First Battle of The American Revolution." It is also recognized by The Sons of The American Revolution and listed in *The SAR Magazine* events. Since many people are not aware of this event (it has not been included in most history books), it was decided to feature this article in this edition.

In order to show more pictures taken at our Annual Board of Management meeting, this edition now includes FOUR pages of pictures, all in color.

By utilizing the inside back cover's ability to show pictures in color, the pictures of our Florida Society Officers for 2007 - 2008 have been included on that page in this edition.

Also new in this edition is a partial listing of Presidents of the Florida Society and a listing of all recipients of The Patriot Medal. Congratulations to Gene Brown, Ron Toops and Lindsey Brock on being the 2007 recipients of The Patriot Medal, the highest award that can be bestowed by the Florida Society.

We just learned that the USS Barry (DDG 52), a guided missile destroyer, will be a part of our *Last Naval Battle* Ceremonies on March 8, 2008. We are hoping the Barry will be conducting tours, dock side - close to where our ceremonies will be held.

**Deadline for submissions for the  
Fall edition will be September 20, 2007**

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# Battle of Point Pleasant

## First Battle of the American Revolution

by  
Mrs. George Poffenbarger

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Mason County West Virginia *Original*  
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the West Virginia State Board of Control  
for its Report of 1927.

West Virginians, Virginians and citizens  
of those states who owe their  
acquisition to the United States,  
through the concession of Virginia in  
the adoption of the constitution of the  
United States, are not alone in their  
interest in the battle of Point Pleasant,  
October 10, 1774.

Point Pleasant is truly a national shrine  
to which new hundreds, nay thousands,  
are annually coming. A new highway  
bridge now completed over the Ohio  
River at Point Pleasant makes another  
chain in the "From the Lakes to the Gulf"  
highway. The town is easily accessible  
by other improved roads, by river and  
rail.

It is important that Americans should  
know our own history and its  
significance in the great revolutionary  
struggle, in which the Battle of Point  
Pleasant was the first conflict waged by  
the American Colonists in defense of  
the Colonies, wherein they met in battle  
the allies of the English, the great  
federated Indian tribes, commanded by  
Chief Cornstalk. It was the deadliest  
battle ever waged by red men since the  
discovery of America. It was incited by  
Dunmore, the Tory Governor of Virginia,  
and his trusted lieutenants.

That the status of that battle was not  
generally known following its  
occurrence is due to the fact that that  
branch of the Army, in what is known as  
Dunmore's War, commanded by General  
Andrew Lewis, was for the major part  
recruited en route to Camp Union, as  
they were on their way to the mouth of  
the Kanawha, (the place agreed upon  
for the uniting of the two wings of the  
Army, the other wing commanded by  
Dunmore in person), and thus no official  
roster was prepared. The army was made

up of his kinsmen, personal friends and  
associates, and they in turn enlisted  
their friends. They were the flower of  
the citizens west of the Allegheny  
Mountains.

General Lewis was convinced, if not  
before, then immediately following, of  
the treachery of Lord Dunmore.  
Following the battle General Lewis  
refused to obey his orders, and thus  
became the first American officer to  
disobey a superior British officer. Thus  
it was he refrained from making an  
official report to Dunmore, Governor of  
the colony, as he would have otherwise  
done, and, too, Dunmore was yet in the  
field, and, as Lewis knew, was then in  
the camp of the enemy. Hence the report  
of the battle made by General Lewis  
became no part of the public records of  
Virginia or Virginia history.

The events of the continuing revolution  
came so thick and so fast as to preclude  
the discussion or recordation of the far-  
reaching significance of the battle of  
Point Pleasant, until 1787, when came  
the adoption of the Constitution of the  
United States, wherein Virginia  
contributed so large and so generous  
and so patriotic a part by her  
concession of the Northwest Territory  
to the United States, Virginia's property,  
ceded to her at Camp Charlotte later  
ratified at Fort Pitt, as a result of the  
victory at Point Pleasant.

True, the Declaration of Independence  
had not as yet been signed, proclaiming  
that the colonists were at war with the  
mother country, neither had it been  
signed nor proclaimed when the British  
began hostility at Lexington on April 19,  
1775, but it was as much a struggle and  
a more barbarous attack than that of the  
battle of Lexington, "heard around the  
world," and faithfully recorded by the  
patriotic citizens of New England. True  
it is that New England had then no quick  
means of communication between the  
western frontier of Virginia and New  
England, who knew not then of the  
terrible battle of Point Pleasant and all  
that it portended.

Immediately following the battle of

Point Pleasant there appeared no  
published account of the battle, save a  
meager account in the Virginia Gazette  
at Williamsburg, Virginia, a small paper  
of meager circulation and with but few  
copies preserved. Another early  
published record extant and yet bound  
and preserved was reviewed by Dr. John  
P. Hale, author of "Trans Allegheny  
Pioneers" and other valuable historical  
publications. Interested in the one  
hundredth anniversary of the battle  
about to be celebrated at Point Pleasant,  
Dr. Hale, then being on a visit to Belfast,  
Ireland, the Scotch-Irish stronghold  
whence many of the participants of the  
battle had come, found an account of  
the battle published in 1774 in the  
Belfast News Letters and in a later  
edition another unsigned report from  
Camp Point Pleasant. They were believed  
to have been sent by each of the then  
commanding officers of the fort at Point  
Pleasant, Captains Isaac Shelby and  
Matthew Arbuckle, and they are  
reproduced in Dr. Hale's "Trans  
Alleghenies" (1886) on pp. 187-188-189.  
They are important, and doubtless  
correct, reports of the battle. Dr. Hale  
on page 202 "Trans Alleghenies" says:  
"It has been stated that there were not  
only suspicious but grave charges that  
Governor Dunmore acted a double part,  
and that he was untrue and treacherous  
to the interests of the colony he  
governed.

"As he is inseparably connected with  
this campaign (called the Dunmore War)  
and its accompanying history, and the  
inauguration of the Revolution, it may  
be well to allude to his official course,  
just before, during and after the  
campaign, that his true relations to it  
and to the colony may be understood;  
and also to show that the Revolution  
was really in progress: that this  
campaign was one of the important  
moves on the historical chess-board,  
and that the battle of Point Pleasant was,  
as generally claimed, the initiatory battle  
of the great drama.

"In the summer of 1773 Governor  
Dunmore made, ostensibly, a pleasure  
trip to Fort Pitt; here he established close  
relations with Dr. Connally, making him

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'Indian Agent, Land Agent, etc.' Connally was an able, active and efficient man, who thereafter adhered to the English cause.

"It is charged that Connally at once began to foment trouble and ill feeling between the colonies of Virginia and Pennsylvania in regard to the western frontier, and also to incite the Indian tribes to resistance of white westward encroachments upon their hunting grounds and prepare the way for getting their cooperation with England against the colonies when the rupture should come.

"Dr. Connally changed the name of Fort Pitt to Fort Dunmore. He claimed lands in Pennsylvania under pretence from Lord Dunmore. He was arrested and imprisoned for a time and had the Indian tribes highly excited and united in a strong confederacy and threatening war.

"While the Continental Congress (1774) was then in session in Philadelphia and was passing resolutions which created a breach between the colonies and the mother country past healing, Governor Dunmore and General Lewis were organizing and marching their armies to the West. Instead of uniting the forces into one army and marching straight to the Indian towns and conquering or dictating a lasting peace, Lord Dunmore took the larger portion of the army by a long detour by Fort Pitt, thence down the Ohio, picking up on the way Dr. Connally and Simon Girty, whom he made useful. At Fort Pitt it is said he held conference with some of the Indian chiefs.

Instead of uniting with Lewis at the mouth of the Kanawha, which had been arranged but probably not intended, Dunmore struck off from the Ohio at the mouth of the Hockhocking and, marched for the Indian towns on the Pickaway Plains, without the support of Lewis, army, delaying long enough for the Indians to have annihilated Lewis' division, if events had turned out as Cornstalk had planned.

"Col. Andrew Lewis, (son of General Andrew) says: 'It is known that Blue

Jacket, a Shawnee chief, visited Lord Dunmore's camp on the 9th, the day before the battle, and went straight from there to the Point.'

"When Lewis had crossed the river after the battle and was marching to join Dunmore, a messenger was dispatched to him twice in one day, ordering him to stop and retrace his steps, the messenger being the notorious Simon Girty.

"General Lewis had very naturally become very much incensed at the conduct of lord Dunmore, and took the high handed responsibility, advised and sanctioned by his officers and men, of disobeying the order of his superior in command, and of boldly marching toward the camp.

"When within about two and a half miles of Lord Dunmore's camp, which he called Camp Charlotte after the wife of his master, George III, he came out to meet Lewis in person, bringing with him Cornstalk, White Eyes and others, and insisted on Lewis returning as he (Dunmore) was negotiating a treaty of peace with the Indians.

"Evidently it did not comport with Lord Dunmore's plans to have General Lewis present at the treaty to help negotiations by suggestions, or to have the moral support of his army to support him. Col. Daniel Morgan, Col. Samuel McDowell, George Rodgers Clark and others of eminence insisted on accompanying Dunmore, whose treachery they suspected, that there would be terms of surrender made acceptable to Virginia.

Col. John Stuart, another participant in the Battle of Point Pleasant, wrote a memoir on the first pages of the Greenbrier County records, he being the first Clerk of that County, in which he said in part:

"The battle of Point Pleasant was in fact the beginning of the Revolutionary War, that obtained for our county the liberty and independence enjoyed by the United States, for it is well known that the Indians were influenced by the British to commence the war to terrify

and confound the people, before they commenced hostilities themselves the following year at Lexington. It was thought by British politicians that to incite an Indian war would prevent a combination of the colonies for opposing parliamentary measures to tax Americans. The blood therefore spilt upon this memorable battlefield will long be remembered by the good people of Virginia and the United States with gratitude."

Hale further says in "Trans Alleghenies," p. 209:

"Lord Dunmore upon his return to Williamsburg, made report of the results of his campaign. Upon his own ex parte statement the Assembly passed a vote of thanks for his valuable services, which they very much regretted upon learning the facts, and they later changed the name of Dunmore County, upon petition of its citizens, to that of Shenandoah.

"Just after the battle of Lexington April 19, 1775, Dunmore had all the powder stored in the Colonial Magazine at Williamsburg secretly conveyed on board an armed English vessel lying off Yorktown, and threatened to lay Williamsburg in ashes at the first sign of insurrection.

"That cooperation with the Indians was the Dunmore policy of annihilating the colonists it will be seen. Following the battle of Lexington, April 19, 1775, he sent a messenger to his old friend Connally with a commission as Colonel, and instructed him to secure the cooperation of as many of the Western Militia as possible by large rewards, and to form an alliance with the Indians, collect his forces at Fort Pitt, and march through Virginia and meet him. Col. Connally was captured, imprisoned and the scheme exposed and thwarted." See p. 209 same volume.

Governor Dunmore and his fleet were driven from his stronghold at Guynes Island in the Chesapeake Bay in 1776, and General Andrew Lewis had the pleasure of firing the first gun. There is sufficient evidence of the intention of

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Lord Dunmore to destroy the army of General Lewis at Point Pleasant. Had General Lewis been defeated, Virginia would have been so busy protecting the frontier she would have been unable to participate in the revolution, and without Virginia the revolution would not have been undertaken at that time.

As further evidence of the collusion of the Indians with Dunmore at the time of the battle of Point Pleasant, Campbell, one of Virginia's outstanding early historians, says:

"It is known that Blue Jacket, a Shawnee chief, visited Dunmore's camp on the 9th, the day before the battle and went straight from there to Point Pleasant, and that some of the Indians went to confer with Dunmore immediately after the battle; that Dunmore on the day of the battle remarked, 'Lewis is probably having hot work about this time.'" Campbell further gives same above account of the conduct of Dunmore and his refusal to allow Lewis to participate in the treaty following the battle, and Lewis' refusal to obey Dunmore's orders.

Virgil A. Lewis, writing in 1883, in *Hardesty's Historical and Geographical Encyclopedia*, including Mason County, W. Va., says:

"It is a well known fact that the emissaries of Great Britain were then inciting the Indians to hostilities against the frontier for the purpose of distracting attention, and thus preventing the consummation of the Union which was then being formed to resist their armed oppressor. It is well known that Lord Dunmore was an enemy of the colonists, and hence his efforts to induce the Indians to cooperate with the English and thus reduce Virginia to subjection.

"To the student of history no truth is more patent than this —that the battle of Point Pleasant was the first in the series of the Revolution, the flames of which were being kindled by the oppression of the Mother Country."

### Far Reaching Results

Lewis further says: "The Great North West territory, lying north of the Ohio River and east of the Mississippi, had long been a bone of contention between France and England, and France did not relinquish her claim until driven to recede as a result of the battle upon the Plains of Alabama before Quebec. The treaty that followed at Paris in 1763 ceded that territory to England. England's failure to open this territory of Abraham before Quebec. The treaty that followed at Paris in 1763 whereby England maintained it to the exclusion of the colonists not only that she might with it subsidize the Indians, but when necessary secure their services to maintain control of the colonies."

The Virginians of the Dunmore division of the army were enlisted for the war and had fully expected to participate in the ensuing battle. They were loyal to Virginia and to the cause of the colonists, and did almost to a man continue in the Revolution. They furnished largely the men of the Clarke Expedition, conquerors of the Northwest, as truly defenders of the colonists of the Revolution as though on the firing line against the British Redcoats, and should be entitled to be considered in the Revolution from the time they left Virginia for the front in September, 1774, until their return home. Many of them did not see peace until all hostilities ended, which did not finally occur until the battle of Fallen Timbers fully twenty years later.

The treaty made between the Indians and the Virginians was kept inviolate for three years, enabling the Virginians not only to enter the Northwest Territory but also to colonize Kentucky and Tennessee.

Boucher's "Gleanings of Virginia," 1903, p. 21, says: "Lord Dunmore, Governor of Virginia from 1772 to 1776, was suspected of playing double. While efforts were being made by the General Congress in 1774 to resist the encroachments of Great Britain against the colonies, while the Indians were

committing depredations along the western frontiers, the indignation of the people compelled their reluctant governor to take up arms and march against the very Indians whom he was suspected of having incited by intrigues to hostility.

"Dunmore marched his army in two columns. The one under Andrew Lewis he sent to the junction of the Great Kanawha with the Ohio River, while the other he led to a point higher up on the Ohio, with the alleged purpose of destroying certain Indian towns and then joining Lewis at Point Pleasant. The real purpose, however, is suspected to have been the concentrating of the entire Indian force upon Lewis and thus awakening and humiliating Virginia."

The Ohio Archaeological and Historical Quarterly of July, 1903, says:

"The patriot army with Lewis at Point Pleasant fought the first battle of the Revolution, Oct. 10, 1774, Lord Dunmore having no doubt planned the attack by the Indians to discourage the Americans from further agitation of the then pending demand for fair treatment of the American Colonies at the hands of Great Britain."

Let us view briefly what some of the other historians have said of the conflict. Roosevelt in the "Winning of the West," Vol. II, Chapter II, says: "Lord Dunmore's War, waged by Americans for the good of America, was the opening act of the drama, whereof the closing scene was played at Yorktown. It made possible the twofold character of the Revolutionary War, wherein on the one hand the Americans won by conquest and colonization new lands for their children, and on the other wrought out their national independence of the British King."

Kercheval says: "This Indian War was but the precursor to our revolutionary war of 1775. Dunmore, then Governor of Virginia, was one of the most inveterate and determined enemies of the Revolution. Occupying the station of commander-in-chief of the large and

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respectable state of Virginia, he possessed means and power to do much to serve the views of Great Britain. It was consequently no difficult matter with a Virginia Governor to direct the incipient state of things to any point most conclusive to the grand end he had in view, namely: breaking our national strength in some of the best and most efficient parts. If then a War with Indians might have a tendency to produce this result, it appears perfectly natural and reasonable to suppose Dunmore would make use of his power and influence to promote it.”

Lewis’s History of West Virginia, p. 134, says of the battle of Point Pleasant: “The Colonial Army returned home only to enlist in this patriot army and almost on every battlefield of the Revolution was represented that little band who stood face to face with the savage (sic) allies of Great Britain.”

And Lewis further says: “The Battle of Point Pleasant stands out conspicuously between the great constructive periods of American history. It is the greatest event of the colonial period and stands just at its close. With it the Revolutionary period begins.”

Ex-Governor and Judge George W. Atkinson, himself an historian of high repute, said at Point Pleasant on Oct. 10, 1909, at the National Memorial services: “Virginians have always claimed the Battle of Point Pleasant to have been the first battle of the Revolution. On this blood red battlefield of Point Pleasant our Virginia volunteers held the key to the nation’s life. They will live down through the centuries while history lasts and until men cease to honor valor.”

Hon. O. E. Randall, one of Ohio’s most eminent historians, speaking for the Sons of the American Revolution, at Chillicothe, Ohio, on May 20-21, 1903, the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the State of Ohio, said the following:

“View as you choose, the Dunmore War

the prelude, the opening occasion of the American Revolution. The dramatic battle of that war was fought at the mouth of the Kanawha on the Virginia banks of the Ohio, by General Lewis and fifteen hundred Virginia backwoodsmen against Cornstalk, chief of the Shawnees and the federation of the Ohio Indian tribes with an equal number of chosen braves. The battle fought October 10, 1774, was, from the nature of the circumstances, the first battle of the Revolution. The Indians were the suborned subjects, the hired Hessians of the British, for whom and with whom they were eager to fight to defend the territory reserved by the British for their hunting-grounds and homes.”

There is not a state in the Union but would proudly extol the great epoch of the Battle of Point Pleasant were it theirs. All advised historians not biased by personal environment or jealous of their own heritage are rapidly giving credit where credit is due the battle of Point Pleasant, first battle of the American Revolution.

Students of history wishing to learn further details of the Battle of Point Pleasant are referred to Belfast News Letter publications frequently reproduced, Hale’s “Trans Allegheny Pioneers,” Col. John Stuart’s Memoirs, De Hass History, Stephen T. Mitchell in “Spirit of the Old Dominion,” Virgil A. Lewis’ “History of West Virginia,” West Virginia Historical Magazine, Waddell’s “Annals of Augusta County, Virginia,” Bougher’s “Gleanings of Virginia,” Roosevelt’s “Winning of the West,” Randall’s “Ohio in the Revolution,” West Virginia Board of Control Report, 1922, Vol. II, Thwait’s “Dunmore War,” Poffenbarger’s “Battle of Point Pleasant, First Battle of the Revolution,” Howe’s “History of Virginia,” Kercheval’s “History of the Valley.”

It is to be regretted that the attention of the educators of America have not been called to the fact that the textbooks taught in our states are silent as to the history of this most outstanding historic event, the Battle of Point Pleasant, and that the history properly prepared

should be made a part of the textbooks of the states that its children and children’s children should know the story and set the example that all historians will eventually follow when we have claimed for the nation our priceless heritage in the battlefield and its history of Point Pleasant. The money appropriated by the Congress of the United States and by the West Virginia Legislature, as well as that made by private subscription, has been most judiciously expended. This is evidenced in the securing of one of the most beautiful and historic sites in America, dedicated October 10, 1901, as Tu-Endie-Wei Park, given its oldest Indian name in the Shawnee language, signifying the “mingling of the waters.” On these grounds at Point Pleasant was dedicated on Saturday, October 9th, 1909, a granite shaft, 84 feet high, the tallest battle monument west of the Alleghenies, in the presence of more than twenty-five thousand people, and on October 10th following was held a great memorial service.

Within the confines of Tu-Endie-Wei Park repose the dead of the battle, and upon the bronze tablets of the monument are recorded their names, as well as the names of those wounded. A statue of a Virginia frontiersman in the dress of that pioneer adorns the monument, and seems a sentinel guarding the bivouac of the dead.

Within the park on its original site stands the Mansion House, the oldest house in the Kanawha Valley, first hewed log house in western Virginia, a house of public entertainment, restored, furnished with local Colonial furniture, much of which was originally in the building. The house has lived within three centuries, having been built in 1797 by Walter Newman. It is open to the public.

On these grounds was built Fort Blair following the battle, and later was built near by Fort Randolph, whose site is appropriately marked. \*\*\* Editor’s note: For other opinions, see: [http://www.wvculture.org/HISTORY/journal\\_wvh/wvh56-5.html](http://www.wvculture.org/HISTORY/journal_wvh/wvh56-5.html)



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Peter Robert	Keck, II Japinga	Clearwater Lakeland



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## Brevard

Regional VP Ben Dubose of our chapter was most active in his district and the chapter. He worked on the *Keyhole To History* project and was most involved with the successful *Last Naval Battle* ceremonies at Cape Canaveral. 8 members in full uniform attended the funeral services for Past President Jim Lane on 1/5. 4 members in full uniform manned a table with the DAR at the Genealogy Fair in Cocoa. Many chapter members attended many functions relating to the Last Naval Battle. On 2/23 six members attended the funeral of the wife of Past President, Charles Corman.

## Caloosa

The Chapter held its Annual Awards Luncheon on April 18 in Ft. Myers. This is a very big event for this chapter, awarding the Good Citizenship and JROTC awards to outstanding students of Lee County's eleven High Schools. This year, the keynote speaker was Dr. James Browder, Lee county Superintendent of schools. Caloosa is working on getting members in uniform with an eye toward having a color guard. The chapter website is moving to fruition and the newsletter is now available now at [www.flssar.org](http://www.flssar.org) under Chapter Information.

## Central Florida

The Eagle Scout award was presented at the February meeting with the recipient, his parents and his scoutmaster in attendance. In March the program was presented by a member of the OPD's Detective Division. The subjects included identity theft, airport security/protecting your luggage and steps to take to protect yourself in general. The chapter presented ROTC/JROTC Awards to the 26 Junior and 2 Senior corps. The Patriots Day dinner was held on the 21st of April this year. *Keyhole to History*: Notification has been received that WHTQ Classic rock 96.5 FM is running the program. Will continue to get other stations involved.

## Charlotte

The chapter met at the Elks Club in Port Charlotte, and the program was Law Enforcement and Fire Safety. President Lines presented medals and certificates to deserving recipients.

## Clearwater

Chapter Color Guard joined the FLSSAR Brigade in posting the colors at the Winter BOM meeting in Kissimmee on Jan. 27 some of the officers attended the Pinellas County Genealogical Seminar. The speaker at the Feb. 21st luncheon was G. Wayne Daily who spoke on the subject of *Two Great Presidents - Roosevelts*. Our color guard was well represented at the Last Naval Battle Ceremonies. In March, Bob Bryan of the Pinellas Genealogical society spoke. Also, a new Associate Member, Victor Warren, was welcomed. In April James Welsh spoke on the *Indentured Servitude in Early America*. 1500 Good Citizenship Certificates were awarded.

## Daytona-Ormond

## Deland

## DeVane

In May FLSSAR President Grant Wallin and Regional Vice President Nelson Jantzen held a planning meeting with chapter members.

## Emerald Coast

The chapter continues to meet monthly on the second Saturday at 8:00 A.M. at the Neighborhood Cafe in the sun Plaza Shopping Center in Mary Esther. The chapter received ROTC Medal nominations and/or National Society contest application packets from 1 college and 6 High School ROTC programs. The "Best of the Best" Outstanding JROTC Cadet was selected by the chapter and submitted to the State Society. Medal presentations were conducted April 11 - 26, 2007.

## Flagler

The Chapter Color Guard performed at a special service honoring the Four Chaplains who gave their lives so that others might live. Their World War II ship, the *Dorchester*, was hit and sunk while on troop transport duty in the North Atlantic. The four chaplains helped the military passengers into the boats and at the very last they gave their life preservers to those who didn't have one. The chaplains went down with the ship. This memorial service is an annual event. The SAR Law Enforcement Medal was presented by Committee Chairman Tom Beauchamp at the February Chapter meeting to Deputy Sheriff First Class, John Gaspar. Present were Flagler County Sheriff Don Fleming and Chief Deputy Ron Look. The first presentation of the emergency Medical Services medal was made at the March chapter meeting. Recipient was Lt. John Rothenwander, Firefighter/paramedic of Flagler County Fire Rescue. The March speaker was Peggy Rae Border, Flagler County Supervisor of Elections. Ms. Border had requested that veterans in our chapter bring in military service photos. She planned to have a collage of photos of Veterans who are voters in Flagler County in the new county administration offices. The building was dedicated on 21 April 2007. One wall in the Board of Elections office is covered with the photos, five of which are members of our SAR chapter.

The April speaker was Bill Delbrugge, Superintendent of Flagler County Schools. The School Board and officers participated in the design and building of the new administration building. Chapter President David Kelsey presented JROTC awards in April and May.

## Ft. Lauderdale

The Chapter participated in the ceremony at Cape Canaveral, honoring the Last Naval Battle of the Revolution.

## Gainesville

The Chapter has added the "Associate Class" of membership to its constitution. Chapter 2nd VP and Registrar are working aggressively on new member recruitment. The Chapter Newsletter, *The Gainesville Broadside* has re-emerged and is a fine newsletter. The Chapter will become active again after vacation in September.

## Jacksonville



Above are pictures taken of the welcoming ceremonies for the USS Jacksonville, nuclear submarine named for the city, at Mayport Naval Air Station on June 22, 2007

## Lakeland



The Chapter acted as a sponsor for one of the Polk County History Fair winners, Kaylie Starling of Bartow, to attend the National History Day Contest, in June 2007, at College Park, Maryland. Kaylie won the Senior Individual Documentary Category at the Polk County level and was second at the Florida State level, and at the National level she received the Outstanding Entry For Florida in the Senior Individual Documentary Category.

## Lake-Sumter

The Chapter presented awards to Fire Safety and EMS personnel in January and February. It met with a number of History teachers to encourage essay and oration programs. Recruitment efforts are high and has a number of prospective candidates lined up.

# Spring Board of Management Meeting

April 27-28, 2007, Kissimmee

By Joseph M. Motes, Recording Secretary

The BOM meeting was called to order by President Lindsey Brock; Chaplain Charles Schaffer gave the Invocation. Frank Hodalski led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag; the SAR Pledge was led by Grant Wallin, and the American's Creed was led by Kevin Yarnell.

President Brock introduced the National Officers, PG Nathan White, David Sympson, Past PG Carl Hoffmann, Jack Coleman, Ron Hamilton, Phil Carr and Dick Frieberg.

Others present were: Charlie Newcomer, President of the Georgia Society, Dr. Sam Powell, President of the North Carolina Society, North Carolina's Chaplain Clark Wiser Past President George Thurmond of the Georgia Society and Colleen Wilson, Director of Education of NSSAR.

President Brock asked for approval of the last meeting minutes and they were approved unanimously.

Mark Kilgore reported on the ROTC that we now have 5 service academies and that we need \$2700 per year for our Outstanding Cadet Program. We are currently \$700 short of this goal. We are not an Endowment Committee so we have to get this money from donations and sales of tickets. Mark Kilgore also reported for the ROTC that chapters are not following the guidelines for the ROTC contests. He requests that chapter presidents check out these reports before being submitting to his committee.

David Sympson, National Historian General of the SAR talked about the records that are being put into CD's, but should be kept on hard copy and in a central location. He also mentioned that we have had 105 President Generals with very little information about them.

Phil Carr reported as National Trustee that he reflects the voting for the Florida Society at the National Trustee's meeting. The copy of the proposed NSSAR Bylaws amendments were turned over to the Secretary for the record.

Alvie Davidson requested we contact our legislators about the Closing of Records; this would make it more difficult to obtain genealogical information. The Executive Committee report was given by President Brock and he reported that an article on membership dues would be in the next issue of the Florida Patriot by Registrar William Stevenson. President Brock asked Ed Young and the Veterans Committee to consider the Chapters be authorized for

reimbursement up to \$100 per chapter per calendar year from the Endowment Trust Fund for purchases of new donations to veterans and use the current points system as outlined in the U.S. Stock Memorial Report. President Brock also report that the meeting dates for 2007-2008 BOM/Annual meetings are as follows and will be held at the Ramada Plaza & Inn Gateway, 7470 U.S. 192 West, Kissimmee, FL:

July 27-28, 2007, October 26-27, 2007, January 18-19, 2008 and May 2-4, 2008.

President Brock also reported that attendance at our BOM meetings this past year have exceeded 100 at each meeting: August, 2006 there were 118 members and guest, October 2006 attendance was 108, January 2007 was 121 and our 2007 April/Annual meeting was 156.

He also reported that three Florida Society C.A.R. members will be participating as Aides at our Youth Awards luncheon and they are: Paul Pardee from the Withlacoochee Chapter, Connor Brock from the Princess Malee Society of Jacksonville, FL and Paul Sorvan from the Fort Gatlin Society of Orlando, FL.

Kevin Yarnell stated that anyone wanting to attend the National Congress should let him know.

David Ramseur reported for the Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee, and request that he has scholarship information relating to the Eagle Scout Program and to contact him if interested. Ron Toops requested that we call our State Representatives and Senators, that we want American History reemphasized in our schools. Ron also mentions that the Department of Education is going to work on the standards and will work on Social Studies in those standards, but it's not cleared if History is included or not. Ron mentioned that several members have written letters and have already received responses.

Frank Hodalski reported for the History Fairs and asked that we be on the watch for school history fairs, and that we make contact with the school systems to be part of the fairs. Frank also requested any chapters that have participated in these fairs to send him a report via email. Hal Miller reported on Patriotic Activities that government feels the FCAT is more important then our early American history.

Daniel Shepard reported on Public Service and Heroism, encouraged chapters to give out medals to any firefighter, policemen, EMS and heroism

awards.

Grant Wallin reported for the Advancing America's Heritage and requested that members and chapters make monetary donations to this program.

Kevin Yarnell reported for the American History Teacher Award and stated that if we are going to continue this Award, we will need to have the appropriate funding necessary, and that we need to get support from our chapters.

Steve Williams reported on the New Chapters Development that they are looking at the Milton and Marianna areas, both in the panhandle. President Brock requested that they also look at Citrus County since the DAR recently established a new chapter in that area.

Frank Hodalski reported for the Public Relations that the revised Keyhole to History has been completed, has been reviewed by a three person committee, and thanked Colleen Wilson and Ralph Nelson for their assistance. Changes have been incorporated in 16 re-written scripts and given to our broadcaster Don Blair. On April 30<sup>th</sup> Frank will meet with Mr. Blair to give him pipe and drum cuts and go over the details involved in the production of the CD. Graphics will again be done by his son Frank Hodalski Jr. The project will conclude with the presentation of the finish product to the National Society at the Williamsburg Congress. Copies of the CD's will also be available at the Summer/July 2007 BOM meeting.

Frank Hodalski reported on the Support the Troops Ad Hoc Committee, through the generosity of members, \$402.55 was collected and 26 boxes were mailed out to two Army units and one Marine unit. SAR and DAR are also listed on the Support or Troops website.

We also received a postcard from Sgt. Van Natter thanking us for our support. Audit Committee Chairman Ted Duay stated that his committee's report appeared in the Quarterly Report book on pages 22 - 24. The internal audit of the FLSSAR covered the period from January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006. He had nothing to add to the report and asked those in attendance if there were any questions. There were none. For the Florida SAR Operating Budget Trust Fund & Florida SAR Endowment Trust Fund, Ted Duay, Treasurer and Trustee, presented his reports on the Florida SAR Operating Budget Trust Fund and the Florida SAR Endowment Trust Fund covering the period from January 1, 2007 through March 31, 2007. These reports were



# Spring Board of Management Meeting (continued)

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By Joseph M. Motes, Recording Secretary

located on pages 50 - 60 of the Quarterly Report book. He stated that the Operating Budget Trust had a market value of approximately \$93,000 as of March 31, 2007 and had earned approximately \$637.00 in dividends and interest during the first quarter of 2007. He stated that the Endowment Trust Fund had a market value of approximately \$334,000 as of March 31, 2007 and had earned approximately \$2,700 in dividends and interest in the first quarter of 2007. If the Endowment Trust Fund continues to generate income at the same rate for the rest of 2007, there will be approximately \$11,000 that can be distributed in 2008 for chapter expenses, a significant increase compared to prior years. Treasurer Duay asked if there were any questions. There were none. Ed Young reported for the Endowment Trust Fund, reminded us that the guide lines and the request form are on the internet.

## Unfinished Business:

Phil Carr asked that we fly our American Flags on May 15<sup>th</sup> at half mast, which is Peace Officers Memorial Day. George Thurmond, the National Chairman of the newsletter committee, mention that they have a cash award prices for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place. He has requested that any chapter may submit 2 newsletters to qualify for the contest.

## New Business:

Frank Hodalski mentioned that every year we welcome the incoming President of the Florida Society C.A.R. And he requested that we continue to support the sale of CAR pins.

Nathan White, NSSAR President General, mentioned about the monies donated to Patriotic Education Services, and ways to improve the deliveries of Patriotic Education Services for our Society. He mentioned that nationally we lose 10% of the members and we gain 10% of members, and he also mentioned that we have many certificate members, those who come once to a meeting and never return. He also mentioned that we should be at 40,000 members instead of being at 26,000. He also mentioned that if more members had uniforms and wore the uniforms more often, we could generate publicity in getting new members.

President Brock closed the meeting, Kevin Yarnell led the SAR Recessional and Chaplain Charles Schafer gave the Benediction.

At the Friday April 27, 2007 Awards ceremony the following awards were presented:

Alex Moskovic received the Gold Good Citizenship Medal.

The following received the Meritorious Service Metal with oak leaf cluster and the Distinguished Service Certificate.

James R. Holyfield - George A. Lockhart - Grant R. Wallin, Jr. - Charles Schafer - Frank Hodalski - Gerald E. Meeks - Richard Q. Fowler - John Cahoon, Jr. - Kevin A. Yarnell - Benjamin DuBose Jack Coleman - the State Medal of Distinguished Service Rebecca E. Lockhart and Billie S. Brock received the Daughters of Liberty Medal and Certificate.

C.A.R. members Paul David Sovran, Ethan Connor Brock and Paul Pardee received Certificates of Appreciation for their participation as Aides at the 2007 Youth Awards Luncheon on Saturday April 28, 2007

Jacksonville Chapter - Certificate of Appreciation for hosting the 2007 Annual Meeting.

Ladies' Auxiliary of the Jacksonville Chapter for assisting in hosting the 2007 Annual Meeting.

## Minutes of the 111<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting 2007

The meeting was called to order by President Lindsey Brock; Chaplain Charles Schafer gave the Invocation. Frank Hodalski led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag; the SAR Pledge was led by President Brock.

President Brock asked for approval of the last year's annual meeting minutes and they were approved unanimously. Grant Wallin reported on the Charter and By Laws. Grant made a motion that the changes in Part I of the By Laws be accepted, the motion was passed unanimously.

Grant made a motion that the changes in Part II of the By Laws be accepted, the motion was approved. A motion was made to approve certain changes to Committee Charters which was submitted by Kevin Yarnell and those changes were passed unanimously. A motion was made to make certain changes to the Electronic Technology Committee Charter and they were also approved unanimously.

All of the above bylaws recommend by the Charter and Bylaws Committee were published in **The Florida Patriot**, Vol. XXXVII, No. 1 Spring 2007 edition. Thus,

more detailed explanations of therevisions can be obtained from that source.

Ron Hamilton reported on the nominations of new officers, there were no new members running against the slate of new officers, nominations were approved unanimously.

The new officers are for 2007-2008 are: President – Grant Wallin, Sr. Vice President – Jim Holyfield, Regional Vice Presidents –

NW – Ed Young, NC – Gordon Greenwood, NE – Tom Beauchamp, EC – Ben DuBose, WC – Nelson Jantzen, SE – Gerry Meeks, SW – Don Cahill. Secretary – Kevin Yarnell, Treasurer – Leon Hammock, Registrar – William Stevenson, Recording Secretary – Terry Walton, Chancellor – Carl Hoffmann, Genealogist – Alvie Davidson, Editor – Dick Fowler, Sergeant-at-Arms – Alvin Bellamy, Historian – John Little, Executive Committee Member at Large – John Cahoon.

Ron Hamilton nominated Lindsey Brock for the Office of Trustee for the State of Florida, motion was voted and approved unanimously and Grant Wallin for Office of Alternate Trustee, motion was voted and approved unanimously. Both the National Trustee and the Alternate Trustee will be installed at the National Congress in Williamsburg this July 2007. Frank Hodalski mentioned that donations are coming in for our Packages for our Troops. He also mentioned the C.A.R. pins are now on sell and the first two pins sold were to the President General and the State President of the Florida Society. President Brock stated that this is a project that the Florida Society supports each year and that we have contributed over \$500 for the past several years.

Don Richardson from the Brevard Chapter mentioned that they started a chapter of the Spanish – American War Veterans, anyone interested, please see him.

George Thurmond of the Georgia Society mentioned marking graves of members that have been interred at various cemeteries and that this practice has been well received by the Georgia Society's SAR members and families. President Brock mentioned that the McMillan Family was grateful that the Jacksonville Chapter SAR conducted a grave marking ceremony and placed an SAR marker on Compatriot Jack McMillan's grave site for the Georgia Society. Compatriot McMillian was a member of the Piedmont Chapter, GSSAR.

# Sons of Liberty, Florida Brigade

## Commander Col. Edward D. Young

The period of this report is from 21 January 2007 through 29 April 2007. Twenty-four Guardsmen participated in the Presentation of the Colors at the FLSSAR Winter BOM on 19 January 2007. On 10 March 2007, 60–70 Guardsmen marched in the Captain John Barry Celebration Parade at Cape Canaveral, Florida on the occasion of the recognition of the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolutionary War. Camps continue to provide colonial color guards at patriotic, veterans, fraternal and civic events. Francis Marion Camp #2 (Ocala) is temporarily inactive. The State Color Guard will parade, present and post the Colors at the 27–29 April 2007 FLSSAR Spring BOM and the Annual Meeting. Individual camp and outpost activities during this period are as follows: (The term Guardsman means a Color Guard member in colonial uniform.)

A. George Washington Camp #1. (Jacksonville) Dick Cardell, Commander. On 19 January 2007, Guardsmen Brock, Cardell, Lockhart and Ramseur participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Guardsmen Cardell, Lockhart, Owens and Ramseur raised the flag for the morning assembly at Lone Star Elementary School in Jacksonville on 9 January 2007. On 10 March 2007, at Cape Canaveral, Guardsman FLSSAR President Brock led the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution Commemorative Ceremony. Guardsmen Cardell, Lockhart and Ramseur marched with the Brigade. Chapter President Puckett attended in “Bravo” uniform. Guardsmen Austin, Bosworth, Cardell and Lockhart Presented and Posted the Colors before 110 guests at a meeting of the St. Johns River Club held at the San Jose Country Club on 21 March 2007. . On 14 April 2007, Guardsmen Brock, Cardell, Lockhart and Ramseur Presented and Posted the Colors at the Rededication Ceremony of the Vaughan-Scott Family Cemetery on Amelia Island. John D. Vaughan was a veteran of both the American Revolution and the War of 1812.

B. Francis Marion Camp #2. (Ocala) Ed Page III, Chapter President. Camp is inactive pending selection of a new commander. No activity during this period.

C. Cape Canaveral Camp #3. (Brevard) Ben DuBose, Commander. On 19 January 2007, Guardsmen DuBose and S. Williams participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Guardsmen Darby, DuBose, Hinman, Green, Ryan, Shapbell and Williams attended the funeral of Past Chapter President Jim Lane on 5 January 2007. On 6 January 2007, four Guardsmen manned a SAR Information Table at a joint SRA/DAR Genealogy Fair in Cocoa, FL. Guardsmen Davenport, Darby, Dibble, DuBose, Shapbell, Ryan and Williams assisted in the induction of William Fuller into the Society on 13 January 2007. On February 15, Guardsmen Darby, DuBose, Hinman and Ryan attended a Press Conference at the Cove Restaurant. Later that day, the same Guardsmen spoke about The Last Naval Battle Ceremony at the Cocoa Library. Six Chapter members wearing Tricorn hats attended the funeral of Past Chapter President Charles Corman’s wife on 23 February 2007. On 24 February 2007, Guardsmen Davenport, Darby, Dibble, DuBose, Green, Hinman, Shapbell and Williams Presented the Colors at the Annual SAR/DAR George Washington Birthday luncheon. Guardsmen Davenport, Darby, Dibble, DuBose, Green, Hinman, Mustin, Ryan and Williams attended The Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution Ceremony at Cape Canaveral on 10 March 2007.



**Colonel Young**

D. Samuel Adams Camp #4. (Clearwater) Nelson Jantzen, Commander. On 19 January 2007, Guardsman Jantzen participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Winter BOM. On 10 March 2007, Guardsmen Jantzen, Wallin, and Kitchen, and Schafer in “Bravo” uniform, marched with the Brigade at the Commemoration of the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution. Guardsmen Jantzen, Wallin and Kitchen attended the Navy JROTC Annual Parade & Military Inspection Ceremony at the Ridgewood High School in New Port Richey on 17 April 2007.

E. Yorktown Camp #5. (St. Lucie River) Doug North, Commander. On 19 January 2007, Guardsmen North, Riediger and Wise participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Two Guardsmen participated in the annual Four Chaplains Memorial Service at the Faith Congregational Church in Port St. Lucie on 4 February 2007. On 10 March 2007, eight Guardsmen marched with the Brigade at Cape Canaveral in remembrance of the Last Naval Battle of the Revolution.

F. Marquis de Lafayette Camp #6. (Gainesville) Harry Hollien, Commander. There was no activity during this period.

G. Nathan Hale Camp #7. (Pensacola) Ed Young, Commander. On 19 January 2007, Guardsmen Jones and Young participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Guardsmen O. Bellamy and Legg marched and laid a wreath at the Recognition Ceremony of the Battle of Kettle Creek at Washington, GA on 10 February 2007. On 24 February 2007, Guardsman O. Bellamy and Lantz and Young in “Bravo” uniforms presented a SAR recruiting table at the Pensacola Chapter DAR Lineage Workshop held at the Pensacola Public Library. Guardsmen Kilgore, Legg, Lantz and Young participated with the Brigade at the Celebration of the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution at Cape Canaveral, Florida on 10 March 2007.

H. Nathanael Greene Camp #8. (Saramana) Gene Bradley, Commander. On 19 January 2007, Guardsmen Miller and Tarpley participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Guardsmen J. Williams, Reigle, Miller and Bradley opened the annual Manatee County Fair and manned a SAR Information Booth on 17 March 2007. On 22 March 2007, Guardsmen Reigle, Tarpley and Ashcraft manned a SAR Information Booth at the Crosley Estate Open House.

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## **Sons of Liberty, Florida Brigade (continued)**

I. Thomas Paine Camp #9. (Miami) John Thomson, Commander. On 19 January 2007, Guardsmen Bridges, Miller and Pelton participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Guardsmen Miller, Williams, D. Pelton, C. Pelton and Sovacool Posted the Colors at the John McDonald DAR Chapter Anniversary Luncheon on 10 February 2007. On 28 February 2007, Guardsmen Miller, Williams, D. Pelton and C. Pelton Posted the Colors at the Miami Chapter SAR Annual Officer Installation Luncheon. On 10 March 2007, Guardsmen Bridges, Miller, D. Pelton and C. Pelton marched with the Brigade at the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution Ceremony at Cape Canaveral.

J. Daniel Morgan Camp #10. (Central Florida) John Little, Commander. On 19 January 2007, Guardsmen Gaines and Myers participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Two Guardsmen participated in the Color Guard during ceremonies at the Battle of Kettle Creek Commemoration in Georgia on 10 February 2007. On 10 March 2007, three Guardsmen marched with the Brigade at the Commemoration of the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution at Cape Canaveral, Florida. One Guardsman presented a wreath for the Florida Society during the Battle of Guilford Courthouse ceremonies on 17 March 2007.

K. Thomas Jefferson Camp #11. (Withlacoochee) Richard Sumner, Commander. On 13 January 2007, Guardsmen Sumner, J. Pardee, Rawson and P. Pardee Presented and Posted the Colors at a chapter meeting Honoring Eagle Scout members. Guardsmen Sumner, J. Pardee, P. Pardee, Rawson and P. Moody marched with the Brigade at the Cape Canaveral Dedication to Honor Captain John Barry and the Last Naval Battle of the Revolutionary War on 10 March 2007. On 16 March 2007, Guardsmen Sumner, J. Pardee, P. Pardee, Rawson, Townsend, R. Moody and P. Moody marched in The Clover Leaf St. Patrick's Day Parade.

L. General Thomas Sumter Camp #12. (Lake Sumter) Bill Piper, Commander. On 19 January 2007, Guardsman Toops participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Guardsmen London, Moody, Piper and Toops marched in the George Washington Memorial Parade in Eustis on 24 February 2007. On 10 March 2007, Guardsmen London, Moody, Piper and Toops marched with the Brigade at the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution Ceremony at Cape Canaveral. Guardsmen Piper and Toops gave a talk about Patriot Daniel Morgan, Revolutionary War uniforms and weapons to over 100 Boy Scouts at their camp.

M. Bernardo de Galvez Camp #13 (Naples) Paul Young, Commander. On 19 January 2007, Guardsmen D. Cahill, S. Cahill and McCullough participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Seven Guardsmen Retired the Colors and officiated at the Naples "Patriotic Moment" ceremony on 5 March 2007. On 10 March 2007, Guardsmen and Chapter Officers, Don Cahill, Sam Cahill and John McCullough marched with the Brigade at the commemoration of the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution. With the formation of our new camp, and the growing interest in dressing properly for the occasion, each of our monthly meetings now features a uniformed flag presentation. We had a substantial turnout for our Charter Day commemoration in March. The chapter picks up half of the cost of a uniform purchase for those members considering joining our camp.

N. Outpost C (Treasure Coast). On 19 January 2007, Guardsman Stevenson participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Guardsman Stevenson presented the "Toast & Voice of Old Glory" for the DAR in Brevard County on 13 January 2007. On 14 February, Guardsman Stevenson presented the "Toast & Voice of Old Glory" for the Masonic Lodge in Stewart. Guardsman Stevenson marched with the Brigade at the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution Ceremony in Cape Canaveral on 10 March 2007. On 19 & 20 March, Guardsman Stevenson presented the "Toast & Voice of Old Glory" at the Annual Vero Beach High School Concert. Guardsman Stevenson presented the "Toast & Voice of Old Glory" for the Vero Beach Masonic Lodge on 21 March 2007

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### **Minutes of the Spring 2007 BOM Meeting (Continued)**

David Kelsey of the Flagler Chapter mentioned the Memorial Membership for a young man killed in Iraq whose grandfather is a member of the SAR. The request was granted through NSSAR to grant him a Memorial Membership in The SAR.

Phil Tarpley mentioned that his chapter started a proclamation for Early American History Month and his chapter has received proclamations from Manatee and Sarasota Counties. They have had proclamations and resolutions sitting in the Senate of the State and the House, and he hopes to receive approval from the State Society to proceed further, as he would like to see the month of May celebrated each year.

The Annual meeting was closed and President Brock led the SAR Recessional and Chaplain Charles Schafer gave the Benediction.

**REGISTRATION FORM**  
**FLORIDA SOCIETY**  
**SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**  
 Summer Board of Management Meeting

July 27-28, 2007

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

BOM Voting Authority (Art. II Sect. I FLSSAR Bylaws) \_\_\_\_\_

Guest(s) name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State & ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Highest SAR Office: National Level \_\_\_\_\_ State Level \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

**EMERGENCY CONTACT** Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

EVENTS	MEAL CHOICES	PRICE	NUMBER	AMOUNT
<b>July 27h Friday Banquet</b>	Chicken Normandy-Apple Brandy Cream Sauce, Sliced Apples, Herbed Wild Rice and Chef's Choice of Vegetables	\$24.00	X _____ =	\$ _____
	Baked Vegetable Lasagna Fresh Fish of the Day	\$22.00	X _____ =	\$ _____
	Grilled with Chef's Choice of Vegetables	\$23.00	X _____ =	\$ _____
<b>Registration fee</b>	SAR Members Only	\$8.00	X _____ =	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>ENCLOSED</b>			\$ _____

The above price quotes include beverage, salad, rolls and dessert.

**MEAL RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED on or before July 20, 2007**

Please indicate on your meal reservation form any **special dietary requirements**.

Please send your check (payable to "Treasurer FLSSAR ") to:

**Compatriot Steve Williams**  
**3403 Caraway Street**  
**Cocoa, FL 34926-3625**  
 Email: [swilliams16@cfl.rr.com](mailto:swilliams16@cfl.rr.com)  
 Phone: 321-632-5663



## SUMMER 2007

### BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING

Kissimmee, FL : July 27-28, 2007

### RAMADA PLAZA HOTEL-INN GATEWAY

7470 Highway 192 West (Exit 64B off I-4)

Kissimmee, FL 34747

Phone: 800 327-9170 or 407 396-4400

NOTE: ABOVE PHONES ARE THE ONES TO USE.

They connect directly to hotel.

Fax: 407-396-4320

Check in time 4:00 pm

Check out time 11:00 am

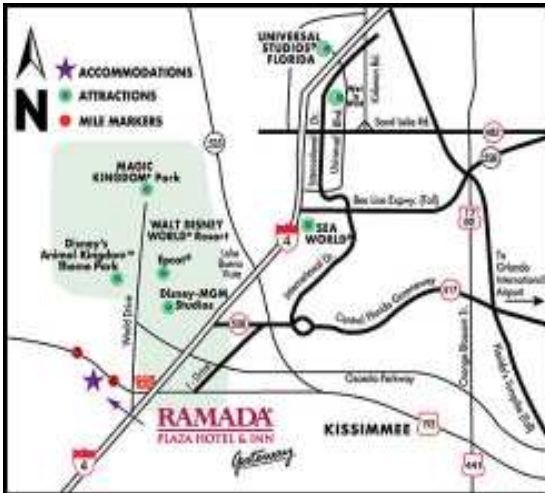
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### RAMADA PLAZA HOTEL-INN GATEWAY

Room Rates: \$61.00, plus current 13% tax for a total of about \$68.93.

Please specify "Florida SAR" to get the special rate. 55 rooms have been blocked.

The block of rooms will be held until July 20, 2007. After that, rooms will be "if available" and with FLSSAR price.



If you are attending the Summer 2007 BOM meeting in Kissimmee the Ladies Auxiliary from each chapter should bring at least one basket. The suggested spending limit for each basket is \$25. You may choose any theme to use for your basket or baskets. Thanks for making our last "basket" effort successful. Remember, the proceeds from the baskets allow the Ladies Auxiliary to give generous checks to the FLSSAR Youth Program winners.

*The Florida Patriot*

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Friday, July 27

1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. - Registration – Hotel Lobby  
1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M. - Chapter Website Seminar - Salon 2  
2:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M. - Chapter Newsletter Seminar - Salon 1  
2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. - Hospitality Room open  
1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M. - Exec. Committee Meeting - Bd. Rm.  
2:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M. - Regional VP's Meeting - Bd.Rm.  
3:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. - Genealogy Committee Consultations - Hospitality Room  
4:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. - Color Guard Rehearsal  
5:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M. - Gathering - Cash Bar - Salon 4 & 5  
6:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M. - BOM Banquet - Salon 4 & 5  
8:30 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. - Ladies Auxiliary Meeting - Salon 3  
8:30 P.M. - 10:00 P.M. - Bd. of Mgmt. Meeting - Salon 2  
8:30 P.M. - 11:00 P.M. - Hospitality Room open

### Saturday, July 28

8:30 A.M. - Ladies Continental Breakfast - Hospitality Room  
8:30 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. - Bd. of Mgmt. Meeting - Salon 2  
Check-out - 11:00 A.M.

### Upcoming FLSSAR Events:

**FLSSAR Fall BOM Meeting 2007**  
October 26-27, 2007

**RAMADA PLAZA HOTEL-INN GATEWAY**  
Kissimmee, FL 1-800 327-9170  
Reports due by Sunday before meeting.

**FLSSAR Winter BOM Meeting 2008**  
January 18-19, 2008

**RAMADA PLAZA HOTEL-INN GATEWAY**  
Kissimmee, FL 1-800 327-9170

**FLSSAR Spring/Annual BOM Meeting 2008**  
May 2-4, 2008

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Kissimmee, FL 1-800 327-9170

**Last Naval Battle of The American Revolution**  
March 8, 2008

Port Canaveral, Broward County, Florida  
Contact Lindsey Brock, Ben DuBose

### Upcoming National Events:

**Fall 2007 Leadership Meeting NSSAR**  
Sept. 27-29, 2007 To be announced.

**Spring 2008 Leadership Meeting NSSAR**  
Feb. 28-29 - March 1, 2008 To be announced.

**118th Annual Congress**  
Sacramento, CA, July 5-9, 2008  
Hyatt Regency Hotel

**119th Annual Congress**  
Atlanta, GA, July 4-8, 2009  
Marriott Hotel

## FLSSAR CHAPTER NEWS (Continued)

### Miami

The chapter presented ROTC awards in March, did a Civil Air Patrol awards presentation in February and presented 1 Good Citizenship Medal and 12 good Citizenship Certificates. Members attended 2 C.A.R. meetings and 4 members attended the winter BOM Meeting. Outstanding speakers included Christopher Eck, *Fort Lauderdale History*, Kingsley Guy, *Newspaper Publishing in 21st Century*, Col. Dennis Teitge, *ROTC in Broward High Schools* and Zachary Mann, *Homeland Security Dept. Customs Agents*.

### Naples

The Chapter recognized JROTC cadets from each area High School. A winner was selected of essay contributors to be the Chapter's nomination. In March the 34 Charter Day Celebration meeting was a gala Saturday evening event attended by about 70 members, spouses and guests. Guests included area DAR Chapter members and SAR members from Ft. Myers and Alexandria, VA.

### Ocala

The chapter installed officers for the 2007-2008 term. Recent presentations included one to recognize Past Chapter Presidents with associated certificates. Pins were presented to the past and present officers. "Boston Massacre" presentations were made to local middle schools, with a chapter program highlight. Area Eagle Scout Coordinator provided a recent chapter meeting presentation.

### Palm Beach

During the quarter ended 30 April, the Palm Beach Chapter had three meetings at the Sailfish Club on Palm Beach, participated in the ceremony at Port Canaveral, honoring the Last Naval Battle of The American Revolution and awarded six medals to Police and Fire department Personnel. The Chapter awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to Palm Beach Atlantic University History Major, Junior Greg Mitchell.

Chapter member and long time Treasurer of The Florida Society, James Holyfield, was elected and installed as the new Florida Society Senior Vice President. Jim is seated third from left in the front row in the picture below.



### Pensacola

NSSAR Good Citizenship Certificates were presented to outstanding graduating 5<sup>th</sup> graders in the elementary schools of Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties. Chapter Color Guardsmen Oscar Bellamy, Mark Kilgore, Ray Lantz, Price Legg and Ed Young led the Presentation of the Colors at the Memorial Day Service held at the Naval Air Station Pensacola Chapel on 28 May, 2007. O. Bellamy, Alvin Bellamy, Kilgore, Lantz and Young performed doctent duties and manned a recruiting table at St. Michael's Cemetery on 2 June, 2007. Guardsmen O. Bellamy, Fred Bowers, Kilgore and Legg participated in the Flag Day Ceremony in Pensacola sponsored by the Scottish Rite. At the FLSSAR 2007 Annual Meeting, the chapter was awarded the 1<sup>st</sup> Place Ribbon in the Chapter Challenge Contest and the Honorable Mention Ribbon on the Earl Marlin Publicity Contest. NWRVP Young installed new chapter officers at the May chapter meeting.

### Saramana

The full page story I was working on about our Chapter and the SAR since before our GW birthday luncheon was finally published in the "Our Town" section, front page with full color photos. There is even a photo of Clarence Barrett in uniform on the front page below the fold to draw attention to the story. The leader says "These are Sons of some very old guns."

The *Venice Gondolier Sun* Wednesday edition carried the bold head lines. "Sons Joined Forces Before the Daughters." You will recall I asked for equal time to the DAR featured article several months ago. ...It also carried the story with photo about the American History Teacher award winner... Next week is TV week for us in both counties as we receive our Early American History Month (May) Proclamations. We also included the DAR, and they will receive their Proclamations in Colonial dress too. I thank Harold Crapo for taking the ball and running with it. ... Phil Tarpley, President

### St. Augustine

The first Chapter EMS medal was given to Paramedic Chad Hutchinson of the Palatka EMS. Law enforcement medals were awarded to St. Johns county Sheriff David Shoar and to sheriff deputy Manual Gonzalez. Chairman George McCabe of the Eagle Scout committee presented a check for \$100.00 and the Eagle Scout Medal to Eagle Scout Alden Chewning. Chairman of the JROTC Committee, William Roberts and President Spink went to Interlachen High School and presented JROTC Bronze Medal to Cadet Captain Ashley Taylor on 2 March. Later in March they presented another JROTC bronze medal to Cadet Captain Matt Rochleau of Bartram High School.

### St. Lucie River

Alex Moskovic of Hobe Sound, Florida was awarded the Gold Good Citizenship Medal. Alex, a survivor of Auschwitz and Buchenwald concentration camps in WWII came to the USA at age 15 and went on to a distinguished career in journalism for CBS.



The Chapter planted a Liberty Tree at the Veterans Memorial in Okeechobee, FL. on April 19, Patriots Day. American Legion Post Number 64 assisted, and the Buxton Funeral Home donated the granite marker. SLRC presented Post 64 with a Flag Certificate for their presentation of the Veterans Memorial, and Buxton Funeral Home with a Certificate of Appreciation. All the heavy digging was done by the Boy Scouts of Okeechobee.

### St. Petersburg

President Will Scott introduced and welcomed the FLSSAR RVP Nelson Jantzen. The president then advised that Matt Authement, the Eagle Scout contest winner, would be at the BOM meeting where he would receive his award.

### Tampa

At the Feb. meeting the owner of Head's Flags gave a wonderful talk on the history of many flags related to the American Revolution and the Tampa Bay area. Rebecca O'Dell spoke at the March meeting on issues surrounding the checks and balance system of the Constitution.

### Treasure Coast

Chapter member and FLSSAR Registrar William Stevenson in Full Uniform, presented "Toast" and "Voice of Old Glory" at a number of events.

### Withlacoochee

Since January 1, 2007, 12 new membership applications have been forwarded to NSSAR; 9 have been approved as of June 1. On May 12 the chapter held its installation of officers and also hosted the Chapter's 6 JROTC Medal recipients, their parents, and instructors at its luncheon. May 20<sup>th</sup> the Chapter Color Guard participated with Veterans Organizations in the Memorial Day services at the Forest Hills Cemetery. The Chapter purchased a chapter flag for the recently chartered Fort Cooper NSDAR Chapter. The Color Guard will present the flag to the Fort Cooper Chapter at a joint meeting on June 25<sup>th</sup>. The Chapter has scheduled a visitation at the Baldamero Lopez Veterans Home on June 28<sup>th</sup> and will deliver in excess of \$1,500.00 in gifts to the veterans. 5 Flag Certificates were presented during April and May.



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## ***In the spotlight***

The Withlacoochee Chapter had as its guests at its luncheon meeting on May 12 the six JROTC students who had received from the chapter the Sons of The American Revolution JROTC Bronze Medal.



Also invited to the luncheon as the guests of the Withlacoochee Chapter were the parents and instructors of the JROTC students.

Junior SAR members Paul Pardee and Philip Moody are pictured with the JROTC students and their instructors.

Front row l to r: Paul Pardee, Brian Orlando, Lauren McKenna, Joshua Clark, Shawna Butterworth, Candice Smith, Brittany Swan, Phil Moody Back row l to r Major Dennis Jolissant, SCPO Ira Sparkman, M/SGT David Wilson, Colonel James Crigger, M/SGT Donald Olney



**Guided Missile Destroyer USS Barry (DDG52)**

The celebration of the 225th anniversary of The Last Battle of the American Revolution will be held next March 8 (2008) at Cape Canaveral, Florida, and it will feature the USS BARRY DDG52, which will be docked near the celebration site. Arrangements are being made to have tours of the USS BARRY immediately following the ceremonies on March 8th. More details will be forthcoming.

The ship is named for Captain John Barry, the Captain of The Alliance, the US frigate that defeated the British at that battle.

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