Quarterly Reports of The Florida Officers and Committee Chairmen

Fall Board of Management Meeting
Kissimmee, Florida
October 21-22, 2011
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Sons of the American Revolution
Mission

The objects of this Society are declared to be patriotic, historical and educational; to unite and promote fellowship among the descendants of those who sacrificed to achieve the independence of the American people, to inspire them and the community-at-large with a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers; to foster true patriotism; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom.
Meeting Agenda

Call to order
Invocation
Pledge of allegiance
Pledge to the SAR
The American Creed
Introduction of National Officers
Introduction of first time attendees
Certification of a quorum
Approval of the minutes of the last meeting
Reports of National and State Officers
State Committee Reports
Unfinished business
New business
Closing
SAR Recessional
Benediction
Adjournment
The Pledge of Allegiance

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

The Pledge to the SAR

We, descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution, who by their sacrifices, established the United State of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our constitutional republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.

The American Creed

I believe in the United States of America, as a government of the people, by the people, for the people, whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic, a sovereign nation of many sovereign states; a perfect union, one and inseparable; established on those principles of freedom, equality, justice, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes. I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it, to support its constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies.

Recessional

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a nation of free men.

Democratic Republic

A form of government in which power is explicitly vested in the people, a body of citizens entitled to vote and is exercised by elected officers and representatives responsible to them and governing according to law.
Approval of Minutes

National and State Officer Reports

National Trustee
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I was unable to attend the Fall Leadership Conference Sept 29-October 1, 2011 due to medical issues. Hopefully these will be cleared up so that I might attend the next conference. Gerald E. Meeks, National Trustee

President
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Our 33 Florida Chapters and 1,800 members have been very active this year. In our Florida Patriot many chapters have been active with youth awards as well as recognizing our outstanding Public Service and Heroism recipients throughout the state. The FLSSAR chapters under the leadership of State Adjutant Chuck Sweeney, has discovered 72 Florida Compatriots who served in WW II.

At our Fall Leadership Meeting it was discussed and a motion was passed relating to honoring those eligible living Medal of Honor "MOH" recipients to become members of SAR. We should follow through with the motion made at the NSSAR Fall Leadership meeting at the state and chapter levels. Our State Adjutant Chuck Sweeney has found six Floridians that are MOH recipients.

At our Jacksonville chapter meeting in September we recognized four of our chapter's WW II veterans and each gave a brief summary of their WW II experiences. I encourage all chapters to invite the WW II veterans to tell their stories before it is too late. Some of their experiences are very funny. For instance, one veteran told about while during his enlistment he was asked if he could type and he replied no – so they made him an officer.

Now, regarding our youth programs, it is time for our chapters to begin making contacts. The Eagle Scout Contest is a very well-funded contest at the national level and is promoted very well throughout the country. The other contests such as the JROTC, Rumbaugh Oration, Knight Essay and Americanism Poster Contest are also great ways to teach students the values of our Founding Fathers. In September, I participated with two other Jacksonville compatriots in presenting four flag presentations which provided the history behind 11 of our nation's 27 official flags to over 400 students.

Again, in September I brought greetings from the FLSSAR to the N.E. Florida DAR Regents Council at their Constitution Day luncheon. In October after attending the Fall Leadership Conference in Louisville, I attended the South Atlantic District meeting at Gaffney, SC and presented a wreath and participated in the color guard by carrying the Florida Flag the following day at King’s Mountain.

As a final point, I am glad to know that our Florida Chapters are improving their participation in the Center for Advancing America’s Heritage by making pledges to Phase II of the our building program.

Yours in patriotic service,
David Ramseur

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The Panama City issue left over from last year I have worked on has now been resolved. Victor B. Johnson is the new President and Treasurer. With the help of John Cahoon, Victor has completed the overdue membership report for 2011 and the dues associated with it have been received by the Secretary Steve Williams. Issue now closed.

I have worked with some committee chairmen to solve some issues especially ETF Chairman Victor McMurry to clear up language on application requirements with much input from Frank Hodalski. Victor McMurry has worked with his committee members as a chairman should, with great results for his efforts. His report with committee recommendations will be presented to the Executive Committee. Harold Crapo and I discussed his issues with the Liberty Tree Committee. He presented his recommendations to Chairman McMurry and will report his recommendations to the Executive Committee. Frank Hodalski
discussed his proposal for the Habitat for Humanity Project with me and Chairman McMurry. He will present it to the Executive Committee.

My goal is to have FLSSAR Chairmen fully aware of their committee duties to chapters so we pick up the contacts with chapters that report to them. The chapter officers and committees need the reminders, guidance and encouragement to get things done.

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LAKE CITY CHAPTER
James (Jim) Fletcher Thrasher, President

July: No meeting
August: No meeting
September: The chapter presented SAR Fire Safety Commendation Medals and certificates to the families of Division of Forestry firefighters Josh Burch and Brett Fulton at the September 19th chapter meeting.

Both of these firefighters lost their lives while battling the Blue Ribbon Wildfire in Hamilton County on June 20, 2011. Over twenty members of both families attended the presentation. Chapter Color Guard members, Compatriots Bill Pfeil and Robin McDaniel, in Revolutionary War uniforms served as escorts of Ms. Burch and Ms. Fulton during the meeting. Chapter Secretary/Treasurer Jim Craig and 2nd Vice-President Charles Kime presented the medals and certificates to the families as Chapter President Jim Thrasher read the citations. Chapter Chaplain Rev. Dr. Roy Martin then lifted the families up in prayer. A representative of the local newspaper, "The Lake City Reporter" was also in attendance and will be providing photos and a news article for a future edition of the newspaper. Chapter 1st Vice-President Al Williams is also providing photos and newspaper article to the "Suwannee Democrat" newspaper in Live Oak as some of the family members live in that area.

The Chapter also presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Mr. George Ward, owner of Ward's Jewelry and Gifts in Lake City. Mr. Ward provided the engraving on the medals at no cost to the Chapter.

GAINESVILLE CHAPTER
Roger L. Cox, President

Aug - Oct, 2011
The Gainesville SAR Chapter Performed the following activities during the Third Quarter of 2011. Following our summer break of June through August, Our September Dinner Meeting was held on the 20th and the Program Speaker was Lt Colonel Lindell Grigg, USAF Retired, Detachment Commander of Buchholtz High School JROTC Unit. We had the Buchholtz Color Guard present the Flags and Lt Colonel Grigg spoke about the start of JROTC in 1911 with six army units and the expansion in 1945 to cover all service units. He further discussed the unit at Buchholz and their program content.

Patriotic Program July 19, In uniform – Dinner meeting in Waldo -52 present
Flag Breakfast July 20  Not in uniform  Monthly meeting –  12 present
Naturalization  July 21  Not in uniform – Naturalization service - 86 present
Flag Breakfast Aug. 17  Not in uniform  Monthly meeting – 14 present
Naturalization Aug. 18  Not in uniform – Naturalization service - 79 present
Flag Breakfast Sep. 21  Not in uniform  Monthly meeting – 15 present  58 contacts

During the quarter, we had no new applications approved but did have two Transfer-In from the Ocala FL Chapter. We have a number of Applications and Supplementals awaiting approval and a number of applications in process. The Current Roster includes 55 SAR Members, 6 SAR Junior Members, 3 Associates, and 1 Memorial Member.
WITHLACOOCHEE CHAPTER
William G. Teater, President

(AUG, SEP, OCT)

The Withlacoochee Chapter started their new SAR year at our new meeting location, the Moose Lodge #2013 in Homosassa, Florida.

Our September Meeting included an introduction and verbal tour of the Moose Lodge and our speaker was Jim Howsare, Administrator of the Lodge who provided an introduction to the Moose Organization and the good work they do to support children, seniors and veterans. Additional meeting activities included the swearing-in of Compatriot James Elliott Echlin and the welcoming of a new Associate Member and a transferring Member to the Chapter. We concluded the meeting with a passed Resolution to be sent to SAR State and National supporting Rev. Dr. Randy Moody in his quest as the next National SAR Chaplain General. The resolution documents were on display during the October Meeting and mailed.

On September 27, Compatriots Teater, Townsend, and Sturgeon traveled to the Baldomero Lopez State Veteran’s Nursing Home in Land ‘O Lakes, FL to meet and organize the Chapter’s 2011 visits and discuss this year’s “Veterans without family adoption program”. There have been a 40+% death rate at the home so far this year (a high number compared to previous years) and the number of Veterans without family will probably decrease from previous years.

Our October meeting included a review of the upcoming Veteran’s Week activities which includes a Veteran’s Fair (Nov. 5), Veteran’s Parade (Nov. 11), Massing of the Colors (Nov. 13), and our Chapter’s visit to the Baldomero Lopez State Veteran’s Nursing Home (Dec. 15). Compatriot Teater presented an introduction of the Teater Family and their involvement before, during and after the American Revolution. Future Meeting Speakers, Recognitions and Programs were discussed including Scouting, Poster Contest, JROTC and Sea Cadets, and Heroism Presentations.

Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee
Chairman – Charlie Day

It is time to be thinking about the SAR Eagle Scholarship and Recognition competition.

The Chapter deadline in FL is December 10th, 2011. The Chapters in turn should have their Chapter winner application turned in to me by December 31, 2011. The contest is open to Eagle Scouts who have not reached their 19th Birthday during the 2011 year. Eagle Scouts may apply more than one year as long as they meet the age requirements.

Entry forms are available at The Sons of the American Revolution Web Site, http://www.sar.org/Youth/Eagle_Scout.

Prizes vary at the Chapter level. Each entrant at the Chapter level receives a patch and the First Place Chapter Winner Medal. Chapters should be thinking about ordering the Scholarship and Recognition patch and the Chapter Eagle medal. If an Eagle completes an application and does not know what chapter it should be delivered to I can be contacted.

Just a note - Dot and I were in Colorado Springs at the Air Force Academy a week or so ago and got to spend a great afternoon with Harrison Hatcher. Harrison was our FLSSAR 2010 First Place Eagle Scholarship winner and the 3rd place National winner. (He was not able to be at our May Youth Luncheon.) Harrison is currently a sophomore with a major in Engineering Management. He has had some very interesting, assigned or elective programs this past year. Ones that has enjoyed are the Boxing and Soaring program. The soaring consist of a light plane pulling a glider plane into the sky at a prescribed altitude and location with a rope – then letting the glider free to see how long they can keep it up and/or keep in a prescribed course and area.

Harrison related to Dot and I that the things he completed in Scouting, including the areas of responsibility and leadership helped a great deal in getting through his freshman year. He sends along his many thanks to the Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution for their recognition and support. We all can be very proud this young man!

LAKE-SUMTER CHAPTER
Steve Offutt, President
Compatriot Bill Piper, in uniform, represented the Chapter in the 4th of July celebration at the Villages Veterans Park.
Sept 11, 2011 - Compatriot Bill Piper, in uniform, presented the "Many faces of Old Glory" to a veterans group in the Villages.
Lake-Sumter Chapter has 59 members as of Sept 30, 2011.
Compatriot Ralph Nelson, Chapter Registrar and Genealogist has 24 prospects in various stages of completion.

**OCALA CHAPTER**

Lauren Evert Merriam III, President, Ocala Chapter

In January, Ron Toops, the former Lake-Sumter FLSSAR Chapter President was our guest speaker. After his presentation, Mr. Toops swore in the following 2011 Ocala Chapter Officers; President Merriam, 2nd Vice President Ben Saxon and Secretary Eric Rawls.
In February, President Merriam nominated Dr. Alan Clark to fill the 1st Vice President vacancy. Former Ocala Chapter President Grubbs endorsed the nomination.
Three Eagle Scout awards were presented by Gary Thurston during the months of February and March.

No meetings were held for the months of June, July and August (summer break).

During the month of September, many 9-11 ceremonies were attended by chapter officers and members.

In July, we welcomed eleven (12) new members to the Ocala Chapter:
- GOSLIN, Julius Pepper, Jr. (55)
- GOSLIN, Julius Pepper III (36)
- GOSLIN, Andrew Josiah (27)
- SOWARDS, Kyrian Sky Amadeus Sebastian Beowulf (8)
- GOSLIN, Josiah Pierce (7)
- SOWARDS, Willow Jasper Locksley (6)
- GOSLIN, Nicholas Christian (6)
- GOSLIN, Jude Preston (5)
- GOSLIN, Noah Christopher (5)
- GOSLIN, Joel Padrig (4)
- GOSLIN, Justus Parker (2)
- CURTIS, Wayne Carlton

Three (3) supplemental applications were approved through NSSAR:
- MITCHELL, Jerry
- RAWLS, William Eric
- CREMEANS, Glenn Allen

**Northeastern Regional Vice President**

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**Flagler Chapter**

Ted St. Pierre, President

The Flagler Chapter meets on the third Tuesday, September through May, at 11:00 a.m. at the Palm Coast Yacht Club, 1 Yacht Club Road, Palm Coast, FL. The speaker at the September meeting was Lt. Tom Mayne of the Flagler County’s C.O.P. program. C.O.P. volunteers logged over 35,700 hours of service to the citizens of Flagler County during 2009. Chapter President Ted St. Pierre presented Lt. Mayne with a Certificate of Appreciation.

The Chapter also reports that it is conducting a special project—collecting coupons for our military personnel who are in need of help. In June 2011, the chapter sent $19,900 worth of coupons to the Marine base in Japan. In July $15,500 in coupons was sent to the Navy base in Italy and in August $16,700 worth of coupons was sent to the Marine base in Japan. Since the inception of this program, $222,634 in coupons has been sent to our military personnel.
The Flagler Chapter reports that its web page has a new look. To view this page go to http://www.flssar.org/Host/Flagler/index.htm.

The Chapter also participated in the annual 4th of July ceremonies held at Heroes’ Park in Palm Coast, FL. Chapter President Ted St. Pierre addressed the audience.

**Jacksonville Chapter**  
J. Gary Chandler, President

The Jacksonville Chapter meets on the third Thursday, September through May, at 11:30 a.m. at the San Jose Country Club, 7529 San Jose Blvd., Jacksonville, FL. Reservations are required and should be made through Chapter Secretary David Bahn at 904-821-4519 or fsabahn@bellsouth.net.

The Chapter resumed its regular schedule on September 15 with two special events: Patriotism Certificates were presented to four Compatriots who served during that war: Rev. Johnson Pace, William Tomlinson, James Hazen and James May. Ms. Maddie Young was honored for her Americanism Poster: The Battle of Cowpens. The poster won the Chapter and FLSSAR competitions and placed second in the National competition.

On September 16, 2011, the Chapter made a Flag Presentation at P.P. Randolph High School and on September 20 the chapter made a Stars and Stripes Presentation before 250 5th grade students at Yulee Elementary School.

The Chapter’s October meeting will feature Ms. Rebecca O’Dell, a well-known attorney who will speak about “Americanism.”

The Chapter will participate in the November 11th Veterans Day Parade in Jacksonville, FL.

The Chapter has also updated its web page and encourages FLSSAR members to go to http://www.sarjax.org/ to view the revised page.

**St. Augustine Chapter**  
Dr. Oscar Patterson III, President

The St. Augustine Chapter meets on the third Saturday, September through May, at 11:00 a.m. at the Le Pavillon restaurant in St. Augustine. Visitors are welcome.

The St. Augustine Chapter genealogist, William Roberts, reports that he is working with five individuals who are preparing applications. The Chapter has had two applications recently approved and has two currently pending. Should all applications be approved, it would make a marked improvement in the Chapters roll.

The Chapter has scheduled the following speakers following speaker for the fall of 2011: October 15-CMS Robert Hosford, Command Sergeant Major of the Florida National Guard; November 19—Sarah Miller, an archeologist, her topic is "Fantastic Archeology: Florida Frauds, Myths and Mysteries; and December 17—Judy Davis, COL, US Army (Ret) who will speak about the role of women in the military.

The Chapter is actively presenting a variety of medals and certificates in St. Johns and Putnam Counties. On September 19, the Chapter presented a Flag Certificate to the Clyde E. Lassen State Veterans’ Nursing Home in St. Augustine. Accepting on behalf of the Home was COL. Edwin Taylor, US Army (ret.) who is one of the most decorated veterans in St. Johns County.

At the Chapter’s meeting on September 17, the National Society’s World War II Veterans Corps certificate was presented to John Tinny, a past president of the Florida Society.

The September meeting featured Joe Brehn, Chief of Interpretation for the Castillo de San Marcos National Monument. His topic was the history of the Castillo. He the Spanish officer who received the transfer of the Castillo and northeast Florida from the British at the end of our Revolutionary War had a distinctly Irish name.

The Chapter has presented 35 Certificates to Eagle Scouts so far this year. The patch noted at the past BOM will be presented with future certificates.

On October 12, the chapter presented National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Medal for Heroism to Mrs. Minaxiben J. Patel for her actions on Friday, August 19, 2011, when a fire and explosion destroyed above-ground gasoline storage tanks at a station across from her store. She aided a severely burned truck driver by removing him from the area and providing him with water until rescue personnel arrived.
Although the chapter did not hold meetings in July or August, and a report was submitted at the last BOM meeting, a recap of the chapter events have been included herein this report.

During this timeframe, the chapter inducted ten new members; presented 13 ROTC Awards; presented 2 Bronze Good Citizenship Medals to local Sea Cadets; and conducted ongoing discussions with the Cape Canaveral Port Authority concerning the status of our Last Naval Battle Monuments. Our date specific events are listed below:

- May 13, 14 & 15th: SPRING BOM & FLSSAR ANNUAL MEETING: Four Compatriots attended: Ben DuBose, Bill Smith, Phil Wright & Steve Williams
- May 29: Guardsmen Ben DuBose and Carl Green, along with their wives (Gerry & Sandra) rode in a decorated convertible in the City of Rockledge’s 1st Memorial Day Parade. Hundreds of residents attended. Also at this parade Compatriot Robert Kehler carried the Chapter flag for the Rufus Fairbanks DAR.
- May 30th am: Guardsman Carl Green participated in the City of Titusville’s Memorial Day Ceremonies at the city’s Veterans Park. Hundreds of residents attended.
- May 30th am: Guardsmen Ben DuBose, Frank Dunagan, and Sonny Jones participated in the Dedication Ceremonies at the Brevard Veterans Center, Merritt Island. The center piece at the new all wars Memorial Plaza has a huge Revolutionary War Monument sponsored by the Brevard Chapter and local DAR Chapters. Over 300 people were in attendance
- May 30th noon: Guardsman Ben DuBose joined the Color Guard at VFW Post # 4206 Memorial Day Ceremonies, in Melbourne.
- May 30th 1pm: Guardsman Phil Wright participated in the Memorial Day Ceremonies at American Legion Post 117 in Palm Bay.
- May 30th 4 pm: Guardsmen Ben DuBose, Frank Dunagan, and Sonny Jones participated in the Dedication Ceremonies at the Brevard Veterans Center, Merritt Island. The center piece at the new all wars Memorial Plaza has a huge Revolutionary War Monument sponsored by the Brevard Chapter and local DAR Chapters. Over 300 people were in attendance
- May 30th pm: Guardsmen Ben DuBose and Phil Wright participated in the Liberty Bell Museum Massing of the Colors.
- July 4th: The Brevard Chapter was asked to lead the City of Melbourne’s Memorial Day Parade, which drew about 1,000 marchers and thousands of spectators. Guardsmen Phil Wright and Frank Dunagan led our contingent which included; about a dozen members of local DAR’s and the CAR (both marching and aboard a float); over a dozen Boy Scouts from local troops carrying our Colonial Flags; and a decorated convertible with Compatriot Ben DuBose and his wife Gerry.
- July 27th: A “Special Induction Meeting” was held at the Brevard Veterans Center on Merritt Island to induct three members of the Boebel family who were in town. Guardsmen Ben DuBose, Steve Williams and Phil Wright were in uniform.
- July 28th: Guardsman Ben DuBose was the guest speaker at the Camp 1387 Sons of Confederate Veterans meeting and spoke about the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution.
- Sept. 11th: Compatriot Ben DuBose attended three events commemorating 9-11. Am at Brevard Fire & Rescue Station in Viera for a dedication of pieces from the World Trade Center (500 attended). Noon at Viera Stadium for a 9-11 ceremony where thousands
attended; PM guest speaker at the Brevard Veterans Center to dedicated proceeds from the World Trade Center.

- Sept. 12th: Compatriot Ben DuBose attended a planning meeting at the Brevard Veterans Center concerning the Memorial Plaza.
- Sept. 18th: A joint SAR/DAR Constitution Day Luncheon with over 70 in attendance. The Leto family was presented a NSSAR Flag Certificate; Rob Steiner and Bruce Walkowiak were each awarded a NSSAR Certificate of Appreciation for their support of our Chapter’s activities; Christina “Tina” Allewa, granddaughter of Compatriot DuBose, was welcomed in the Cape Canaveral Chapter of the DAR; Robert William Kahler II, was inducted into our Chapter; Compatriot Billy Peters was given his NSSAR Supplemental Ancestor Certificate. Guardsman Ben DuBose was the guest speaker. His topic was “The History of the World Trade Center and 9-11).

Central Florida Chapter Report:
(Submitted by Jeff Sizemore)

Once the Summer was over, the chapter held their first meeting of the new year on September 10, 2011. A presentation was given by Compatriot Bob Copeland who gave a talk on the life and times of President Thomas Jefferson. At this meeting, an update was made by Compatriot Norm Myers who informed the members of the planning for the 50th Anniversary Celebration; as well as, an update on the review process of the Public Service/Heroism Awards that are to be given out during month of November. At this meeting, Compatriots Cecil Thompson & Jeff Sizemore inducted who new members in to the chapter and welcome a member that was transferring into the chapter. The chapter also presented Compatriot Ron Hamilton with a “Resolution & Regret” in the recent passing of his wife, Jane.

At the October meeting, the chapter welcomed as our speaker Dr. Connie Lester of the University of Central Florida History Department. She gave an enlightening talk on a diary upon which she will be developing into a book soon. At this meeting, another new member was also inducted into the chapter. Registrar Cecil Thompson is working diligently with many inquiries to assist them in the ancestry search & anticipates having several more new members to induct into the chapter by the end of the year.

The chapter was represented also at the DAR Fall Forum when Compatriot & Past President Norm Myers served as one of the members of the Color Guard at this event. He is also scheduled to speak on behalf of the chapter at a Veterans Memorial event meeting at the Officer’s Wife Association next month.

Please note that the “50th Anniversary Celebration” of the Central Florida SAR Chapter will take place on the evening of December 10, 2011 in the Standish Room at the Mayflower Retirement Community Center, 1620 Mayflower Court, Winter Park, FL 32792. The Reception will begin at six-thirty p.m. with Dinner following at seven p.m.

Our speaker for the evening will be Colonel Danny McKnight, U. S. Army (Ret) and he will be accompanied by his lovely wife Linda. Come and enjoy a “patriotic evening” featuring Colonel McKnight’s reflection on his involvement in the writing and movie production of “Black Hawk Down”.

The Chapter is looking forward to an overflow crowd so please respond early with your R.S.V.P. but no later than December 1st. With your reservation please reflect the names of those attending together with your check in the amount of $30.00 per person to Treasurer Daniel Stebbins at 368 Croton Drive, Maitland, FL 32751. (Make check payable to CFCSAR). If you have any questions, please contact Norm Myers at lewis32n@aol.com.

St. Lucie Chapter Report:
(Submitted by Bob Donnahoo)

Since the last BOM meeting, St. Lucie River Chapter has accepted Proclamations for Constitution Day from the City of Fort Pierce and the St. Lucie County during the month of September. Uniformed Compatriots participated in Constitution Day Flag Ceremony which is held down at the riverfront in Fort Pierce.

St. Lucie River Chapter also presented the colors and participated in the annual Constitution Day Luncheon held in Stuart. Philip Carr, Alternate National Trustee gave the invocation and
Hall Riediger, Treasurer introduced the speaker, The Honorable Judge Kathleen Hill Roberts. Hall also presented a gift from the Sons of the American Revolution to Judge Roberts.

St. Lucie River Chapter will be presenting medals and certificates honoring a Fireman and EMS from St. Lucie County at their October meeting.

West Central Regional Vice President
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**Clearwater:**
The Color Guard participated in presenting the colors at the Summer BOM. 9/21 at their luncheon they had a speaker speak on Caladesi memories. Also inducted three SAR members into the Clearwater Chapter.
10/19 at the monthly meeting they awarded the Law Enforcement, EMT & Fire Fighters.

**St. Petersburg:**
May meeting the speaker spoke on the Statue of Liberty.
9/21 a speech was made on the Secret Societies during the Revolutionary War.
10/15, they honored the Fire Fighters.

**Maj. John DeVane:**
No summer activity.

**Lakeland:**
On 5/21 at their monthly luncheon they had their elections & inducted two new members. At the 9/17 luncheon the speaker spoke on the WW1 sinking of the USCGC. 10/15 the speaker spoke on the US Constitution’s 24th Amendment.

**Tampa:**
The Color Guard participated in the 7/4 parade in Lutz, Fl.
9/17, at their monthly meeting the speaker spoke on Spain’s contributions to our American Revolution.
10/15 they honored the Law Enforcement.

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Nothing to Report

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Charlotte Chapter
October 2011
The first activity, since being silent during the summer, was our 9 Sept Meeting. Compatriot Pulfrey gave a talk on the Revolutionary War.

Last year were had a pilot program for an American History Essay Contest at one middle school that was a success. Planning is underway for our 2011-2012 Middle School where we plan on a county wide program. American History, beginning with the pre-revolutionary war up to the early 1800, is taught only in the middle school.
Highlands Chapter
October 2011

The Sep 17th Highlands Chapter meeting was well attended and produced many results. Dr Donald Ware accepted the office of Surgeon. Additionally he signed our Charter Founding Members document we have prepared on Archival paper and use Archival ink.

Stephen Strobel “Stood In” for his family as their “Authorized Personal Representative” as they were inducted into Highlands Chapter and signed for them on our Charter Members document, (Lynn Oliver Strobel Sr and Jr and Stephen Lewis Strobel 2nd).

Kevin Christmas, one of our 2010 Constitution and By Laws Committee Members also signed the document. Others were Stephen Strobel, Mike Flood, Geo and John Frey and myself.

James Funk and Wayne Horton added their signatures and Wayne received his Membership Certificate and “NSSAR record copy” for his files. We look forward to their participation in Chapter Activities. We have only a few more signatures to go to complete the document. I will make you copies when complete.

Chapter dues for 2012 we voted on and will remain at the current $10. Secretary George Frey distributed the member’s dues form. If you were not able to attend the meeting, Geo will forward yours. Several members paid their dues at the meeting. Please return this form after you proof the information and indicate if you are willing to hold a Chapter Office. If you have any questions about dues, please call Mike Flood, Treasurer. Please return with your dues check.

The cover page for our Constitution and By Laws has been updated, please check your copy. The last paragraph shall read as follows - Under Internal Revenue Service regulations the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, Highlands Chapter is registered as a Not for Profit organization and has been issued the following Tax ID # 27-5369610. We are considered a 501(c)(3) organization.

Our Chaplain, Rev. Wm. “Bill” Van Duzer and Chancellor J Ron Smith continue their consistent support and council for the Chapter. VP John Frey is always helpful and he and Geo care for our flags.

A special thanks to Mike Flood for all the time and effort he puts into producing this Highlands Newsletter. He does a fine job. Geo Frey has also put in extra time and effort to update our Constitution and By Laws format and annual notice form.

Milton Kron is looking forward to renewing his membership as a Highlands Chapter member. Milton joined in the 1920's in Connecticut.

Bill Geiger is anxious to join us and will apply when he returns in October. Other pending memberships include Wilford Beaton, James Dean, Rod Dilling, Dayton Dutton, Tim Holmes, Caleb Palmer and Walter Sheppard. We are learning SAR procedures to expedite these applications.

Naples Chapter
October 2011

This report covers the fall months that followed the period addressed in our last Quarterly BOM Report. Specifically, this report covers the months of September, October and November.

During September, most of our members remained either on vacation or in their Northern homes. A select number of full-time Naples members, however, attended a Saturday luncheon on 17 September 2011. The luncheon was sponsored by the Caloosahatchee Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The purpose of this get together was to celebrate the 224th anniversary of the Constitution of the United States of America. The keynote Speaker was State Attorney Steve Russell.
In the closing comments of the President’s Comments in the October Crier (go http://naplesSar.org./ and then click on “The Naples Crier.” Then click on October 2011), I indicated to our membership that as their President I had three objectives. First, have fun. Next, honor our members and patriot ancestors who have given so much to our society. And third, recruit new members so that they too can have fun with us. I think we are off to a good start.

On 7 October 2011 the Naples Chapter of the Florida Society of the Sons of the American Revolution met at the Country Club of Naples for their first luncheon meeting of the 2011-2012 season. Much fun was had by all, as the 28 members and guest renewed acquaintances; welcomed new compatriots; and honored those who have contributed so much to our society. If you go to our website, read the latest issue of the “Crier” and look at the pictures. Note especially the smiles and expressions on the faces of the attendees, for they tell a story…a story which says we are not only having fun, but we enjoy recognizing those who hold the same values and principles that our founding fathers held.

After the colors were posted, the invocation given and the Pledge of Allegiance and American Creed recited, we reflected upon who our patriotic ancestors were. A highlight of this reflection culminated in two notable happenings. First, Past President Jim Applegate gave a reading about his Revolutionary War ancestor who served with General George Washington. This reflection is recorded herein under the heading “Ancestor in the Spotlight.” The second notable happening was the surprise presentation of the Meritorious Service Medal to Past President and community leader Jim Applegate.

Other honorees and our special guests included six Daughters of the American Revolution, one of whom was the past Regent in Connecticut; four Doctors, two of whom were from the medical profession; a World War II Veteran Corps member; a Vietnam Marine Corps Veteran who severed with the First Battalion Fourth Marines; two Chapter members who had 55 and 30 years of service respectively to the SAR; and four new Chapter Compatriots. These new members are highlighted below.

First, Carl Foust is so new to the Naples Chapter that his Certificate has not caught up with us. But his approval was passed verbally, and it was a pleasure to have him among us. Once his Certificate arrives, we’ll induct him into our Society with honors.

Next, Ron Benson is also new to us, but not to the SAR. He was processed and joined by our sister chapter in Sarasota. That chapter is the Saramana Chapter led by President Charles William Riegle. We thank the Saramana Chapter for taking Ron under their wing and sheparding his paperwork, for he is a genealogical treasure. Not only is Ron a member of our society, but he is also a member of The Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, and the Mayflower Society.

Third and fourth are Tom Woodruff and Al Cormier. They are our newest inductees. Tom is a former automotive industry executive and private businessman who has returned to Naples. I say returned, for Tom’s father purchased land here during the early 70’s, when there was still a lot of sand and wild windmill palms. Tom’s father was one of the original members of the Naples Chapter, which was approved and chartered with an effective date of 30April 1973. Al Cormier is a Doctor of Oriental Medicine, who was trained in Los Angeles and Asia. He is a board certified acupuncture physician, who specializes in Prolotherapy, neural/laser therapy, mesotherapy, natural injections, acupuncture and herbs.

The fun part of having luncheon meetings is to say thank you to those who have done an exemplary job or who have contributed much to the success of our society. At our 7 October 2011 luncheon, we did just that. We said thank you, and we honored the following:

Dr. Edward T. Ferguson received the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal. His prior honors include being a recipient of a Fulbright Fellowship and being appointed over a period of 16 years by three Governors to the Local Advocacy Council. From 1989 to 2000, Dr. Ferguson served as the Director of Human Resources, Training and Career Development at the Collier County Sheriff’s Office. Currently Dr. Ferguson serves on the Florida Gulf Coast University Institutional
Research Review Board, the Collier County Critical Incident Stress Management Team, and the Collier County Sheriff’s Office Crisis Response Team.

Mrs. Joanne Applegate is a Daughter of the American Revolution. She previously received the Martha Washington Medal. At the luncheon on 7 October, Mrs. Applegate was awarded the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal for sustained service to our community and the SAR in the areas of the affairs of her church, school volunteer programs, government (election poll worker), patriotic coordinator for select events, and genealogical society volunteer. She too, like the next two Big Cypress DAR members, has been instrumental in the research and identification of ancestral lineage of prospective new members.

Mrs. Ginny Bailey and Mrs. Trudy Withey are members of the Big Cypress Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Each of these ladies received the Martha Washington Medal, in recognition for outstanding service to the SAR. Specifically, in addition to being loyal attendees at our luncheon meetings, they have been instrumental in assisting the Naples SAR Chapter in finding, recommending and processing the paperwork of new chapter members. Shortly, the Big Cypress DAR Chapter will send us up to five names of French citizens who have ties to their ancestral patriots who fought alongside our ancestors in the American Revolution.

As touched upon briefly above, two of our chapter members received Years of Service Pins, with Membership Certificates. Past State President of Rhode Island and present Naples Chapter 2nd Vice President/Crier Editor, Harris Tucker, received a 55 Years of Service Pin. Past Naples Chapter President, and current Sergeant of Arms and Board of Directors At-Large Member, John McCullough, received a 30 Years of Service Pin.

Compatriot Charlie Cortright was honored for conspicuous performance of duty and exemplary patriotism in the finest traditions of the United States Armed Forces and the Sons of the American Revolution. He received The Certificate of Patriotism signed by President General J. David Sympson, NSSAR, and the War Service Medal with World War II Bar.

As we look forward to the November meeting, we’ll continue to have fun and honor those who personify the principles, values and ideals of our founding fathers and the Sons of the American Revolution Society. For example, Compatriot Phil Ballou and Compatriot Cal Whitney are members of the World War II Corps. As such, they will be honored accordingly. Other Naples Chapter members have given much to our community and society; they too will not be forgotten. And of course, there are heroes in the Collier County Sheriff’s Department that must be remembered. They defend and protect us and all the other citizens of our community day in and day out. In November, the Naples Chapter will honor six Collier County Sheriff’s Deputies for heroism, for they are credited with saving a hundred lives in one incident.

Again, we invite you to visit our website at http://naplesSar.org/ to view additional information about our Chapter, and to see the latest changes concerning meeting schedules and programs.

Caloosa Chapter
October 2011

The Caloosa Chapter met October 12 at the Royal Palm Yacht Club. Five new members were inducted during this first meeting of the program season. Two prospective members were also present. John Sheppard was presented the Silver Good Citizenship Medal; he has donated 317 pints of blood and recognized by the Guinness Book of World Records as the world record-holder for blood donations, starting during the Korean War because his high school classmate was badly wounded and required a transfusion. FLSSAR Southwest Region Vice-President Vic McMurry addressed the Chapter challenging greater involvement.

Respectfully,
Randy D. Moody, President
DISTRICT AMERICANISM/VETERANS'/COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

- The Commander of the Saramana Color Guard, Phillip Tarpley along with member Compatriots Hornback, McMurry, Barrett and Fitzpatrick responded to a request and performed at the Sarasota Faith Baptist Church in Sarasota in remembrance of all “First Responders and victims” of the 9/11/01 disaster. In addition, Compatriot Commander Tarpley provided the Color Guard for the opening of the Joint DAR sponsored/SAR Flag Day luncheon meeting in Sarasota. Compatriot President Riegle also attended by request, the Episcopal Church Services in Venice, Florida in recognition of the First Responders for and the victims of the 9/11/01 disaster. Another Compatriot and his Auxiliary wife led the Flag Procession at the Episcopal Church in Lakewood Ranch, Florida in recognition of the First Responders and victims of the 9/11/01 disaster and Military Veterans.

- The Saramana Chapter planted and dedicated two Liberty Trees. This was only possible because of a discrepancy found in the engraving of the dedication stone. Thus, we were able to comply with the one Tree, one reimbursement forever rule. The first Liberty Tree was planted and dedicated on 28 August 2011 at the Sarasota Heritage Park for the benefit of the Children of the American Revolution (C.A.R.) Chichi-Okobee Society led by Ms. Jennifer Turner. She was instrumental in sending out the invitations and getting the hole dug for the planting ceremony. She also ensured that there was ample Pizza and soft drinks for the appetites of all ages in attendance. Immediately following the Liberty Tree Ceremony, Ms. Jennifer directed everyone’s attention to packing boxes of necessities for our Veterans overseas. The Nathaniel Greene Color Guard commanded by Compatriot Phillip Tarpley was in attendance. There were four other members of the Color Guard including, Ted Hornback, Frank Hodalski, Dick Mahaffey and Chuck Barrett, Jr. Approximately 30 people were in attendance while Harold Crapo, Jr. gave a brief rendition of the History of the Liberty Tree.

- A second tree was planted and dedicated on 21 September 2011 at Patriot's Park in Venice, Florida. The Color Guard was made up of five members from the Saramana Chapter SAR, four Members from the AmVets Post 312 from North Port, Fl.; four members from VFW Post 8118 from Sarasota and four members from America Legion No-Vel Post 159 from Venice, Florida. Compatriot Frank Hodalski provided a most thoughtful Invocation and Benediction. DAR member Barbra “Ross” Bartz from the Myakka Chapter, garbed in a striking patriotic designed Colonial dress worked on repairing the 13 Star American Flag and DAR member Jean Catsakis from the Sara DeSoto Chapter, wearing her exquisite Abigail Adams colonial style dress sat together in the shade of the Liberty Tree for the whole ceremony. Principal speakers were Sarasota County Commissioner Joseph Baretta, Venice Mayor John Holic, Sarasota General Manager of Parks and Recreation Carolyn Brown and V.P Harold Crapo, Jr. Saramana Chapter, SAR who gave a brief summary of the History of the Liberty Tree. C.A.R. Members of the Chichi-Okobee Society were also active participants in the Dedication activity. C.A.R. Ms. Ellie LaCombe distributed Programs to attendees and led the Pledge of Allegiance. C.A.R. Ms. Christiana Petty led the group sing-a-long of God Bless America at the closing of the Dedication. More than 50 people were in attendance at the Liberty Tree Dedication. Schroeder Manatee Ranch Farms, LLC, donated the Liberty Trees. Further, 27 copies of the U.S. Constitution and Declaration of Independence booklets were distributed at this Dedication Ceremony.

NATIONAL CEMETERY

- Harold Crapo, Jr. Saramana Chapter and Elaine Crapo, SAR Auxiliary were requested by name from U.S. Representative Vern Buchanan’s Office to receive the American Burial Flags for two Military Veterans being buried without family members present. They proudly accepted the request and noted that this is by far, the most honorable duty that one can perform for our deceased veterans.

JROTC

- The Saramana Best of the Best Award, 2nd Place Award went to Cadet Semajay Dunwoody of Braden River High School. First place for Saramana was presented to Cadet Macias, JROTC student at Hardee High School, on Friday 20 May at the SAR Luncheon meeting with the winner,
her mother and Air Force Instructor Lt/Col Anthony Hingle in attendance. Cadet Marcias received a check for $600 from Saramana Chapter; she also earned 3rd place at the FLSSAR level for which she received a check for $250 plus a check for $100 from the Ladies Auxiliary. This same award presentation was again made at Hardee County High School to Cadet Lt/Col Marcias in front of her peers. Prior to two years ago, Hardee County High School was not included in the SAR programs because of their remote location which is 100 miles round trip from anywhere. The Saramana Chapter adopted this High School and they have been an active participant ever since. This is the first year they applied for the “Best of the Best Scholarship Award” and they earned first place at the Chapter level.

• The Saramana Chapter of SAR participated in the U.S. Constitution Luncheon hosted by the Sara De Soto Chapter of the DAR at the Laurel Oaks Country Club in Sarasota, Florida. Saramana provided the Color Guard for the occasion.

• The Saramana Chapter was able to write and gather several U.S. Constitution Proclamations recognizing September 17-23 as U.S. Constitution Week. The Sarasota and Manatee County School Boards; the Manatee County Commissioners and the Mayors of Palmetto and Bradenton Cities issued the Proclamations. Compatriot Harold Crapo, Jr. picked up each of the Proclamations wearing his Colonial Uniform. He was invited to speak on the U.S. Constitution at each of the televised meetings, without a time restriction. He also distributed 21 copies of the U.S. Constitution and Declaration of Independence booklets to the presiding panels.

NEW BUSINESS

• Once again, Saramana earned the Winners Chapter Challenge Award. However, the Saramana Chapter recognizes the competition is getting tougher each year.

• Saramana Chapter earned the Earl Marlin 1st Place Award with a $100 check for the third year in a row. Special Kudos to Compatriot Billie West Lowe for his dedicated efforts.

• Compatriots Phillip Tarpley and Victor McMurry almost single handedly created the Saramanasar.org website and it is up and running very smoothly. They included the capability for the five local DAR Chapters to have a direct interface with this website. Special Kudos goes to these two dedicated Compatriots.

• Compatriot Harold Crapo, Jr. was nominated and quickly elected by unanimous vote, none dissenting, as FLSSAR Chairman of the Liberty Tree Program.

• Six Compatriots to include Carl Hoffman, Phillip Tarpley, Charles Riegle, Ted Hornback, Harold “Hal” Miller and Frank Hodalski attended the 121st NSSAR Conference in Winston-Salem, North Carolina as delegates from the Saramana Chapter, FLSSAR.

Respectfully submitted
Harold Crapo, Jr., Vice President (Interim), Saramana Chapter, FLSSAR

Secretary
Steve Williams swilliams16@cfl.rr.com

Since the last BOM, we have had
Members Transfer IN – 1
Members Transfer OUT – 5
New members – 26

Annual Reports with completed Dues Payment Form, Chapter Information Form, and the Chapter Roster (with any corrections) are due to me by December 1st. For any dues received after December 1st but before December 28th, e-mail me the member’s name & National number and mail the check to me. The Florida Annual Report is due to National by January 1st. The month of December will be used to reconcile the 33 chapter annual reports and make any corrections needed to ensure that the Florida report is as accurate as possible. Your help in making this possible is appreciated.
Treasurer
Hall Riediger  allried42@bellsouth.net

Expense and Budget Report October 20, 2011

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Registrar
Ray Lantz rclantz@bellsouth.net

FLSSAR Application Stats
18 August 2011 – 13 October 2011

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Average NSSAR Approval Time | 125 Days | NSSAR Pended Rate | 4.5 % | FLSSAR Pended Rate | 7.9 %
DAR Finder Total Year to date | 21 | Average Supplemental Only Approval Time | 157 Days

* Approved and Pended by NSSAR stats are generally not related to the Submitted to NSSAR stats, as the majority of the stats apply to applications reported as submitted on the previous report period. Also Youth application approval status is not included on the NSSAR application status reports.

NSSAR & FLSSAR Pended Reasons:
- Family history information not accepted for maiden name of wife or no documentation submitted to prove maiden name when required for generation linking.
- Generational links for generations one or more generations not accepted or missing.
Recommended Application Submission Improvement Areas:

- Do not submit NSDAR web site printouts from the “Descendants Database Search” or NSDAR “Patriot Index” information. This information is not acceptable for either lineage or service and NSSAR does not want this unacceptable information included with any application.
- Ensure ALL applicable information contained on all submitted proof documents is recorded in the applicable sections of the application.
- Ensure all known spouse information is included when known for each generation even when the spouse is not in direct lineal descent. This will prevent applications from being pended when two person of the same name are living in a given area and this information would assist in identification of the correct person used on the application.
- Ensure all required signatures and dates are present as required for type of applications being submitted.
- Enclose 2 application copies on SAR watermarked archive paper and 1 application on plain paper for all applications submitted.
- Only one set of proof documents are required to be submitted with each application. This also applies when submitting more than one application under the family plan criteria. One set of proofs only for the common documents used by all the applications in the group.
- Use a red pencil to underline applicable data on all proof documents and DO NOT USE any type of highlighter.
- Copy of entire legible original census page must be submitted when using a census as a proof document. Ancestry.com census transcription pages cannot be used in lieu of the original census page, but may be used in addition to the original page.
- Recommend using paper clips instead of staples.
- Never use nick names on an application unless there is a required proof document has been submitted that validates the nickname.
- Any name, date or location used in the application generation requires a document to prove that information. Do not enter names, dates or locations in this section unless a proof document has been provided that exactly matches that information.

Notes of Interest:

- New Registrar’s Manual / Genealogy Policy Manual has just been released and can be downloaded from [www.sar.org](http://www.sar.org) by click on Compatriots, then on NSSAR Committees, then on Genealogy Committee, then on Genealogy Policies and Registrar’s Manual. All FLSSAR Chapter Registrars are required to comply with these two documents when submitting any application.
  The NSSAR Youth Registrant Application has been discontinued. These type of applications will no longer be accepted.
  The newly elected GG Larry Cornwell is presently under way with strong effort to significantly improve the following issue. The GG met last week with the PG, genealogy staff and others to implement new or improved application processing procedures.
  - NSSAR application processing methods and processing time. Everyone is asked for your forbearance while NSSAR genealogy staff undergoes some changes, including additional hired help, to get caught up.
  - Reduce/eliminate application processing queue backlog. The delays will get worse for a while until they start to get better. I have been promised by the GG to look for a six week processing time by July 2012 compared to the current twenty week processing time. This would be a significant accomplishment.
  - Reduce/eliminate long standing pended application backlog. All state registrars have been asked to verify all pended applications that are nearing or are 3-5 years old to see if they are still in work by the applicant or can be canceled. All pended applications which are 5 years or older will be canceled and shredded. Those FLSSAR chapter registrars who have not yet responded to me regarding the list I provided to you of your 3-5 year pended applications, please do so as soon as possible. Compatriot Jim Partin of the Gainesville Chapter has volunteered to assist any FLSSAR applicant that has a pended application needs assistance in obtaining the required additional documentation.
You must now create a user account for access to the NSSAR Application Status Report and is highly recommended all chapter registrars apply for a user account so they will be able to monitor chapter applications. NSSAR Pended Application Status Report still available without NSSAR login and is normally updated on a monthly basis and available for viewing/download at [http://www.sar.org/hq/application/PendingApps.pdf](http://www.sar.org/hq/application/PendingApps.pdf).

Current FLSSAR & NSSAR Dues & Application Fees can be found at [http://www.flssar.org/Docs/FeesDues.pdf](http://www.flssar.org/Docs/FeesDues.pdf) all chapter registrars should download and/or print this document for to ensure correct fees and dues are submitted with applications.

**Chaplain**

Randy Moody  
sarrevdoc@comcast.net

The following compatriots have graduated from this life on earth to their eternal home. I have sent condolences to the families of our deceased compatriots for whom I have contact information on behalf of the FLSSAR.

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Thank you for promptly reporting deaths to me and the FLSSAR Secretary so we can properly pay our respects to the families. Respectfully submitted, Chaplain Randy D. Moody

**Recording Secretary**

William Fuller  
azan04@bellsouth.net

Nothing to report

**Chancellor**

Carl Hoffmann, PG  
hoffmaria@yahoo.com

Investigated foreclosure sale status of Vacant Lot un Marion County as possible gift to FLSSAR.

**Parliamentarian**

Frank Hodalski  
fhodalski@msn.com

Presented at BOM

Proposed amendments to the Bylaws of the Florida Society must be submitted to the Bylaw Committee before the close of the Fall Meeting of the BOM. The Chairman is SVP Phillip Tarpley.

**Genealogist**

Ted Duay, III  
tedduay@yahoo.com

At the August 26, 2011 FLSSAR Board of Management meeting, it was unanimously requested that I write to President General Magerkurth for answers concerning the nature, timing, and propriety of the processing, verification, and approval of the SAR applications for both Borwin, Duke of Mecklenburg, and his son, Alexander. These approved applications generated the following questions:

1. How could these applications be issued national numbers two weeks prior to Susan Acree’s approval of the genealogy and without the signature of the Registrar General?
How could President General Butler present membership certificates two days prior to Susan Acree’s approval of the genealogy?

How could Susan Acree review and approve the genealogy on these applications when there is not one source document listed as proof on the applications?

How could these applications be expedited without the knowledge or approval of President General David Sympson or Executive Director Joe Harris?

A copy of the letter that I sent to President General Magerkurth is attached as Exhibit 1. As of the writing of this report, I have received no reply, acknowledgement, or communication from President General Magerkurth or any other General Officer. The processing and approval of these applications was not officially discussed at the recent SAR Leadership meeting in Louisville and no preliminary report was presented by the President General.

On August 30, 2011, I received an e-mail from Beverly Hicklin at SAR HQ that stated “Compatriot Duay see attached SAR Records; final copies by direction of Mrs. Acree, Department Director.” The “final” SAR Record Copies that she sent to me for the Dukes of Mecklenburg are attached as Exhibit 2.

Upon reviewing these “final” SAR Record Copies, even more questions came to mind:

1. How could the final record copies be issued national numbers without the signature of the Registrar General?
2. Why do the names on the face of the applications not match how the applicants or their proxies signed the applications?
3. Since when did Wikipedia become an approved source to document lineage on an SAR application?

While I am saddened at the lack of reply from President General Magerkurth, I am not necessarily surprised. In my humble opinion, the lack of reply only confirms that the manner in which these applications were processed and approved is not defensible and is a violation of established SAR policy. I can only hope that the President General addressed Florida’s concerns privately so that applications are not processed in this manner again. The perception that certain current and past General Officers can do as they please with no consequences is one that the organization can ill afford to have.

Respectfully submitted,
Ted Duay
FLSSAR Genealogist

Exhibits on following pages
Mr. Larry J. Magerkurth
President General
National Society Sons of the American Revolution
77151 Iroquois Drive
Indian Wells, CA 92210

August 28, 2011

Dear President General Magerkurth:

At its Board of Management meeting held in Kissimmee, Florida on August 26, 2011, the Florida Society unanimously requested that I write to you for answers concerning the nature, timing, and propriety of the processing, verification, and approval of the SAR applications for both Borwin, Duke of Mecklenburg, and his son, Alexander. These two applications were the topic of my Genealogist Report (attached) and they generated much discussion at our meeting.

The Mecklenburg applications included in my report were sent to me by SAR HQ and described by HQ staff as the "Record Copies" that I ordered. A review of these applications yielded the following questions:

1. How could these applications be issued national numbers two weeks prior to Susan Acree's approval of the genealogy and without the signature of the Registrar General?
2. How could PG Butler present membership certificates two days prior to approval of the genealogy?
3. How could Susan Acree review and approve the genealogy on these applications when there is not one source document listed as proof on the applications?
4. How could these applications be expedited without the knowledge or approval of PG David Sympson or Executive Director Joe Harris?
5. Please confirm which current or former national officers were involved with the preparation, processing, and influencing of staff to approve these applications and specify why these current or former officials and staff would seemingly violate SAR’s policies, procedures, and standards?
Included in the attached Genealogist Report is an e-mail reply written by Joe Dooley that attempts to explain the anomalies involved with these applications. Based on our analysis, his explanations are not consistent with the facts that we have uncovered that are discussed in my report.

Given the ever more stringent genealogical standards being imposed on SAR registrars and genealogists and the current backlog of SAR applications, the Florida Society is most distressed about this situation and the perceived favoritism and bending of rules afforded to the applicants because they were deemed by someone to be notable. Examples such as these only serve to demoralize compatriots who spend their precious time and resources in the service of our organization.

We, in the Florida Society, respectfully request that you direct the Inspector General and the Chairman of the Ethics Committee to commence a full investigation of who directed staff to approve these non-compliant applications and by what authority staff approved these non-compliant applications. We suggest that you also investigate other applications that may have been approved that did not comport with the SAR rules. We would like a preliminary report presented at the Fall Trustees meeting and a complete report to be presented within 30 days following the Trustees meeting. We consider the circumstances surrounding the approval of these applications in direct contravention of our policies, procedures, and rules to be a serious breach of ethics. The approval of the Mecklenburg applications and perhaps others like them, demonstrate a lack of institutional control that could open the SAR to possible litigation by applicants whose properly prepared applications were pended by staff for failure to submit all proofs and signatures.

We look forward to hearing the results of this investigation, as our members are anxious for answers.

Fraternally,

Thodore M. Duay, III, CPA
Genealogist, Florida Society SAR
APPLICATION
FOR MEMBERSHIP
OR SUPPLEMENTAL □

NATIONAL SOCIETY
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

I hereby apply for membership in this Society by the right of bloodline descent from
CARLOS III de Borbón, King of Spain Gene. # 10
Independence while acting in the capacity of a benefactor of the American cause, who supplied money, men and arms,
and who declared war on Great Britain in support of the American Revolution.

NAME OF APPLICANT
Borwin, (First) Duke of Mecklenburg (Middle) (Last)

Street, R. D. or P.O. Box State Zip Code

City

Telephone

Having living or deceased children by bloodline of applicant and not by adoption, by my wife as listed:

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STATEMENT OF BLOODLINE TO PATRIOT ANCESTROR
(Give all names, dates, and places known. Show dates as day, month, and year e.g. 01 Jan 1900)

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and my 1 wife Alice Wagner
NSDAR

my wife
NSDAR

(Nif Remarried)

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Geo. Alexander, D. of Mecklenburg
and his 1 wife Ilona, Archduchess of Austria
NSDAR
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National number 180172
State number

Spain State Society

Age 65
9. Great Grandson of Leopold II, Holy Roman Emperor born 08 May 1740 Schwörbrunn, Vienna, Austria and his 1 wife María Luisa, Infanta de España born 07 Mar 1742 Vienna, Austria died 24 Nov 1745 Naples, Italy Who is the son □ / daughter □ of died 15 May 1792 Vienna, Austria married 05 Aug 1765 Innsbruck, Austria

10. Great Grandson of Carlos III de Borbón, Rey de España born 26 Jun 1716 Madrid, Spain and his 1 wife María Amelia, Pss of Saxon born 14 Dec 1788 Madrid, Spain died 24 Nov 1724 Dresden, Germany Who is the son □ / daughter □ of married 27 Sep 1768 Buen Retiro, Spain 19 Jan 1738 Dresden, Germany

11. Great Grandson of
and his 1 wife
Who is the son □ / daughter □ of

12. Great Grandson of
and his wife
Who is the son □ / daughter □ of

REVOLUTIONARY WAR ANCESTOR — Generation 10
Cemetery at

REFERENCES: Proof is needed only for individuals in the bloodline. Furnish a copy of each piece of evidence such as: birth certificate; marriage, baptismal, or cemetery record with parents' names; census 1850 or later; explicit Bible record; court document; title page and pertinent pages of annotated publications; DAR record copy.

My Gen. (Birth Certificate or equal showing parents)

Birth certificate for Borwin, Duke of Mecklenburg


3rd Gen. “Almanach de Gotha”; Wikipedia article for Borwin, Duke of Mecklenburg

4th Gen. “Almanach de Gotha”; Wikipedia article for Borwin, Duke of Mecklenburg

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11th Gen. 26 Jul 2011

12th Gen. 2012

REFERENCES to Ancestor's Revolutionary War Service
Record Copy of NSSAR #147866 (Juan Carlos I, Rey de España)

1. Borwin, Duke of Mecklenburg, the applicant, swear and certify that I have examined this completed application and its proofs (documentation) and the facts herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of Applicant

Occupation: Head of the House of Mecklenburg-Strelitz

Date 24.07.2011

Recommended by the undersigned members

Name Edward F. Butler, Sr.

Address 8330 Cross Mountain Trail

City San Antonio, TX 78254

Sponsor

State Registrar

Application verified

and approved

State Secretary

Accepted by the State

Board of Management

Forwarded to National

Date

Received at National Hqrs.

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Registered by NSSAR.

Certificate Dated

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APPLICATION
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Chapter, the
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I hereby apply for membership in this Society by the right of bloodline descent from
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1. I am

and my wife born

and Nordarki died

(If Remarried) married

my wife born

Nordarki died

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17 Jul 1951 Freiburg, Baden-Württemberg, DE

2. I am the son of

Nordarki born 16 Jul 2056 Freiburg, Baden-Württemberg, DE

and his wife Alice Wagner born 02 Aug 2059 Hinterzarten, Germany

Nordarki died

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19 Jul 1956 Hinterzarten, Germany

3. Grandson of

Geo. Alexander, D. of Mecklenburg born 27 Aug 2021 Nice, France

and his wife Loisa, Archduchess of Austria born 20 Apr 2027 Budapest, Hungary

Nordarki died

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26 Jun 1996 Freiburg, Baden-Württemberg, DE

4. Great-Grandson of

Josef Franz, Archduke of Austria born 28 Mar 1895 Brün, Bohemia, Austria

and his wife Anna Monika Pla, Pss of Saxony born 02 Nov 1976 Munich, Bavaria, Germany

Nordarki died

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25 Sep 1957 Sarbruck, Portugal

5. Great-Great Grandson of

Josef, Archduke of Austria born 09 Aug 1872 Aleszf, Hungary

and his wife Auguste, Princess of Bavaria born 06 Jul 1962 München, Bavaria, Germany

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02 Mar 1876 München, Bavaria, Germany

6. Great-Great Grandson of

Leopold, Prince of Bavaria born 09 Feb 1846 München, Bavaria, Germany

and his wife Gisela, Archduchess of Bavaria born 25 Apr 1854 Regensburg, Bavaria, Germany

Nordarki died

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15 Nov 1853 München, Bavaria, Germany

7. Great-Great Grandson of

Franz Josef, Emperor of Austria born 18 Apr 1830 Schonbrunn, Vienna, Austria

and his wife Elisabeth, Duchess of Bavaria born 25 Apr 1854 München, Bavaria, Germany

Nordarki died

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21 Nov 1853 Schönbrunn, Vienna, Austria

8. Great-Great Grandson of

Franz Karl, Archduke of Austria born 07 Dec 1802 Vienna, Austria

and his wife Sophie, Princess of Bavaria born 04 Nov 1824 Vienna, Austria

Nordarki died

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24 Apr 1854 Vienna, Austria
REVOLUTIONARY WAR ANCESTOR — Generation 11

BIRTHDAYS:

1. **Great Grandson of**
   - **Franz II Emperor of Austria**
     - **Born:** 12 Feb 1768
     - **Died:** 02 May 1855
   - **and his wife**
     - **Maria Teresa, Pss of the Two Sicilies**
     - **Born:** 06 Jun 1772
     - **Died:** 13 Apr 1807
   - **Who is the son of daughter of**
     - **Married: 09 Sep 1790**
     - **Florence, Italy**
     - **Vienna, Austria**
     - **Naples, Italy**
     - **Vienna, Austria**

2. **Great Grandson of**
   - **Leopold II, Holy Roman Emperor**
     - **Born:** 05 May 1747
     - **Died:** 01 Mar 1792
   - **and his wife**
     - **Maria Luisa, Infanta of Spain**
     - **Born:** 24 Nov 1745
     - **Died:** 15 May 1792
   - **Who is the son of daughter of**
     - **Married: 05 Aug 1765**
     - **Schönbrunn, Vienna, Austria**
     - **Vienna, Austria**
     - **Naples, Italy**
     - **Vienna, Austria**

3. **Great Grandson of**
   - **Carlos III de Borbón, Rey de España**
     - **Born:** 29 Jan 1716
     - **Died:** 14 Déc 1788
   - **and his wife**
     - **María Amélie, Pss of Saxony**
     - **Born:** 24 Nov 1724
     - **Died:** 27 Sep 1760
   - **Who is the son of daughter of**
     - **Married: 19 Jun 1738**
     - **Madrid, Spain**
     - **Madrid, Spain**
     - **Dresden, Germany**
     - **Buen Retiro, Spain**

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REPRESENTATIVE of Ancestor's Revolutionary War Service

Record Copy of NSSSAR #147966 (Juan Carlos I, Rey de España)

1. **Alexander, Duke of Mecklenburg**, the applicant, swear and certify that I have examined this completed application and its proofs (documentation) and the facts herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of Applicant

Occupation

Recommended by the undersigned members

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State Registrar

Application verified and approved

State Secretary

Accepted by the State Board of Management

Forwarded to National

Received at National Hqrs.

Registered by NSSSAR.

Certificate Dated

Deceased

Date 29-07-2011
Sergeant at Arms  
Clarence Barrett, Jr.  cabarrett2@verizon.net

Nothing to report.

Historian  
Harold Crapo  hbcejc@tampabay.rr.com

Nothing to report

Editor, *The Florida Patriot*  
Steve Williams  swilliams16@cfl.rr.com

The Fall Issue of *The Florida Patriot* was sent to All Service Graphics (Melbourne) on September 20th for printing and mailing no later than September 23rd. They mailed it on October 3rd. In questioning All Service Graphics on this severe delay, they responded that their back room was extremely busy.

For just the 2 issues that e-mail was used for distribution to members, this use of e-mail has resulted in the following cost avoidance: $1,317.81. Budget is $10,000.00 and $8,682.19 was spent. There is likely to be a further reduction in the cost due to a credit for a misprint by All Service Graphics of the Summer Issue. We should be getting a refund for that error. If for a complete year we estimate similar cost avoidances per issue, the total avoidance might approximate $2,600.00 or 26% of the current budget L/I. This money ($2,600.00) could then be reassigned to other L/I's such as: President's expense, American History Teacher Contest, Rumbaugh Contest, Americanism Poster Contest, ROTC, Knight Essay Contest, or Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest. All of these have a need for better funding from our society. So PLEASE consider this and make a choice to receive *The Florida Patriot* by e-mail.

The Summer Issue had a distribution list of 1778 names, 894 were e-mailed or 50.28%, 884 USPS, 24 (2.41%) OPTED OUT of e-mail delivery. The Fall Issue had a distribution list of 1775 names, 916 were e-mailed or 51.61%, 851 USPS, 8 (0.87%) OPTED OUT of e-mail delivery. The total for OPT OUT is 32 Compatriots.

Webmaster  
Scott Bushnell  sbushnell@USNA64.org

Nothing to report

Statutory Committee Reports

Audit  
Chairman: Roy Martin, Jr.  rmartin398@aol.com

Nothing to report

Executive  
David Ramseur  ramseur@surfbest.net

This report will be given orally.
Finance
Chairman: Hall Riediger  allriedi42@bellsouth.net
Finance Committee: Lindsey Brock, David Kelsey, Elwin Moore, Jay Wise and Hall Riediger, Chairman

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES 1/1/2011 to 10/7/2011

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CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION 8/2/2011

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- Checking: $25,499.98
- Wachovia CD #2020 @ 1.01%: $8,683.42
- Wachovia CD #5795 @ 0.05%: $8,505.82
- SMBUS MM #1823, @ 0.85%: $37,381.49
- Investments: $80,970.71
- Pepco Holding 400 shares @ 18.83: $7,460.00

**TOTAL** $88,490.71

Liabilities: Fund 4 Florida’s Future: $187.00
Medals and Awards
Chairman: Gerald Meeks  gerrym44@comcast.net

The Committee approved the awarding of two medals at the Fall BOM, October 21, 2011, the
S.A.R./C.A.R Bronze Medal of Appreciation to the Florida Society C.A.R. President and the Florida Society
C.A.R. Senior President. I want to thank The Medals and Awards Chairman, Melvin I. Sellers for forwarding
a list of medals presented by the Lakeland Chapter. It would be helpful if all Chapters would do the same.
Gerald E. Meeks, Chairman, Medals and Awards Chairman

Nominating
Chairman: Gerald Meeks  gerrym44@comcast.net

Nothing to report

Patriot Medal
Chairman: Frank Hodalski  fhodalski@msn.com

Presented at BOM
Article V, Section 3 of the FLSSAR Bylaws requires that all nominations for the Patriot Medal must be
received for consideration by the committee at or before the time of the closing of the Winter Meeting of the
BOM.
The NSSAR requires submission of a copy of the nomination form to report the names of the compatriots
receiving the medal. I have copies of the necessary for with me. Transmit the completed form and any
additional pages to me at fhodalski@msn.com. I will forward these to the committee members for
consideration. If you prefer, you may bring the completed form to the Winter Meeting and hand deliver it to
me at that time. I believe we will again be able to reward three Patriots for their distinguished service to
Chapter and/or Society.

NSSAR Affairs

Advancing America’s Heritage  (ad-hoc)
Chairman: David Ramseur  ramseur@surfbest.net

Nothing to report

Credentials
Chairman: Charles Riegle  criegle@comcast.net

Nothing to report

NSSAR Constitution & By-Laws Review  (ad-hoc)
Chairman:  Frank Hodalski  fhodalski@msn.com

Presented at BOM
Amendment to NSSAR Bylaw No. 16 Board of Trustees
[Passed by The Florida Society SAR in meeting of the Board of Managers held in Kissimmee, Florida on
October 21, 2011.]
Whereas, the second paragraph of Section 2 of Bylaw 16 does not provide for the vacancy of both The Trustee and Alternate Trustee to represent a State Society after the elections at the Congress of The National Society,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved by the BOM of the Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution, in meeting assembled this 22nd day of October 2011 that it proposes to the Secretary General of the NSSAR the following Amendment to said Bylaw of the NSSAR’s Bylaws;

Add to the end of the second paragraph of Section 2 of Bylaw 16, the following language: “or in the absence of the Trustee or Alternate Trustee, which absence has been determined by a duly constituted authority of the said State Society, a person named as the Second Alternate Trustee, in a letter over the signature of the President of the State Society addressed to the Secretary General.”

CERTIFICATE
This certifies that the aforesaid Amendment to NSSAR Bylaw 16 was approved by the Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution at its meeting on the 22nd on October 2011 at Kissimmee, Florida.

David Ramsur, President

NSSAR Library
Chairman: Terry Walton
terence.walton@comcast.net
National Officer Development
Chairman: Carl Hoffmann  hoffmaria@yahoo.com

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Affairs

Archives
Chairman: Steve Williams  swilliams16@cfl.rr.com

Nothing new to report

Chapter Challenge
Chairman: Nelson Jantzen  nelson7772008@hotmail.com

2011 Form on website, due in 1st week of March, 2012.

Charter & By Laws
Chairman: Phil Tarpley  mp18pht@verizon.net

Nothing new to report

Committee Consolidation Study Group (ad-hoc)
Chairman: Ben DuBose  bdubosefl@gmail.com

Committee Dismissed

Genealogy
Ray Lantz  rclantz@bellsouth.net

Nothing to report.

Meeting Arrangements - BOM
Co-Chairman: Lindsey Brock  lindsey.brock@comcast.net
Co-Chairman: Phil Tarpley  mp18pht@verizon.net
Committee Members: Frank Hodalski, Saramana, George Lockhart, Jacksonville, Steve Williams, Brevard,

For the contract year 2011-2012 the room rates at the Ramada Plaza Hotel-Inn Gateway, 7470 Highway 192 West, Kissimmee, FL will remain at the reduced rate of ($55.00 + taxes). Plaza tower rooms will also remain at the reduced rate of ($65.00 + taxes). Plaza tower one-bedroom suites will remain the same ($99.00 + taxes) for 2011-2012. Meal prices will also remain in the same price range during the contract period.

The remaining BOM meeting dates for 2011-2012 are listed below:
October 21 – 22, 2011-Please note this is a change.
January 27 - 28, 2012
May 4 - 6, 2012 (Annual Meeting)

Membership Promotion & Retention
Chairman: Phil Tarpley  mp18pht@verizon.net

Dues renewal time is upon us and every effort needs to taken to retain our current members as we bring in new members. We have gained in membership this past year enough to pass TXSSAR to become 2nd largest SAR society in the world. VASSAR is just ahead of us as the largest.
New Chapter Development  (ad-hoc)
Jeffrey Sizemore  swampfox96@cfl.rr.com

Nothing to report at this time.

Newsletters and Periodicals
Jeffrey Sizemore  swampfox96@cfl.rr.com

Nothing to report at this time

Procedures Manual
Chairman:  Phil Wright  WrightSAR@cfl.rr.com

Nothing to report

Technology Advisory Committee
Chairman: Scott Bushnell  sbushnell@USNA64.org

Nothing to report

Florida Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade
Commander: Phil Tarpley  mp18pht@verizon.net

Special Notice to Color Guard Commanders
State Color Guard Events

THE LAST NAVAL BATTLE CELEBRATION.

Notice of change to new location, Saturday, March 3, 2012 at 10am.
Due to a conflict concerning “EVENT FEES” with the Cape Canaveral Port Authority we will be moving our monuments to a new home at the Brevard Veterans Center, 400 South Sykes Creek Parkway, Merritt Island, FL 32952-354.

Not only is this location closer to the site of the original battle, it also provides a larger indoor space in case of rain. Plus, there is a museum and a Memorial Plaza with monuments dedicated to all U.S. wars. The huge centerpiece celebrates the American Revolution. And there will be NO “Event Fees” - and the restroom facilities will be open ON TIME!

We have already contacted a nearby hotel and restaurant across from a large shopping mall (with a multi-plex movie theater) and that information will be forthcoming. We believe all these attractions will add to your experience.

Please inform your Color Guard of this date and we’ll see you then.

Ben DuBose, Chairman, Last Naval Battle Committee FLSSAR
321-952-2928

Yorktown Camp #5
St Lucie River Chapter
Jay Wise, Commander

Compatriots Riediger and Wise attended the Summer BOM August 26, and both joined the Color Guard for the posting of the colors at the banquet. St Lucie River Chapter co-hosted a SAR/DAR Constitution Week luncheon on September 17. Compatriots Kraehenbuehl, Riediger and Eisenhardt formed a color guard and posted the colors for the luncheon. On the same day, Compatriot Wise presented our Chapter Colors at a Constitution Day service in downtown Fort Pierce with the Cora-Stickney-Harper DAR Chapter. The local Coast Guard color Guard posted Colors for the service.

Report by
Jay Wise, Commander
General Lighthorse Harry Lee Camp,
Caloosa Chapter
Randy D. Moody, Commander

There was no unit activity during the current reporting period. Commander Randy Moody participated in uniform with the Constitution Week Luncheon by the Great Southwest Regents Council of the DAR. In addition, Randy Moody commanded a unit from the Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade which posted the Colors for the Florida Society Daughters of the American Revolution Fall Forum September 24 banquet.
Report by
Randy D. Moody, Commander

Samuel Adams Camp,
Clearwater Chapter
Nelson Weeks Jantzen, Commander

Members participated in posting the colors at the Summer BOM. No other activity
Report by
Nelson Weeks Jantzen, Commander

Thomas Paine Camp
Miami Chapter
Douglas Bridges, Commander

There has been no color guard activity during this period
Report by
Doug Bridges, Commander

Nathan Hale Camp #7
Pensacola Chapter
Ray Lantz, Commander

The following is the, color guard activity for the period 26 Aug 2011 – 19 Oct 2011:
September 17th, Guardsmen Lantz, Turner, Legg, & Matthews presented the Colors at the DAR Florida Panhandle Regent’s Council Constitution Week Luncheon.
Report by
Ray Lantz, Commander

Samuel Adams Camp,
Clearwater Chapter
Nelson Weeks Jantzen Commander

Members participated in posting the colors at the Summer BOM. No other activity
Report by
Nelson Weeks Jantzen, Commander

Nathaniel Green Camp #8
Saramana Chapter
Phillip H. Tarpley, Commander

8/26 Guardsmen McMurry, Hornback, Crapo and Tarpley participated in posting the colors at the Summer BOM
8/28 Guardsmen Hornback, McMurry, Mahaffey Barrett presented Colors for Liberty Tree Planting DAR-CAR Chapter House, Sarasota, FL 
9/11 Guardsmen Tarpley, Hornback, McMurry, Fitzpatrick and Barrett presented the Colors for 9-11 Memorial Service at Faith Baptist Church, Sarasota, FL 
9/17 Guardsmen Hornback, Mahaffey, McMurry, Peck, Cushing and Tarpley presented the colors for the Liberty Tree planting in Patriots Park, Venice, FL 
Report by 
Clarence Barrett, Chapter and State Vice Commander

Jacksonville Chapter

In September, President Ramseur participated with two other Jacksonville compatriots in presenting four flag presentations giving the history behind 11 of our nation’s 27 flags to over 400 students. 

President Ramseur attended the South Atlantic District meeting at Gaffney, SC and presented a wreath and participated in the color guard carrying the Florida Flag the following day at King’s Mountain. 
Report by 
President David Ramseur

Thomas Jefferson, Camp 11, Withlacoochee Chapter 
Richard Sumner, Commander

Due to the extremely hot summer this year the Color Guard has been inactive this summer. 
Member H Nelson posted the Colors with the Florida State Color Guard at the Summer BOM on July 31st 
Reported by 
Richard Sumner, Commander

Bernardo de Galvez Camp #13 
Naples Chapter 
Don Cahill, Commander

Guardsmen Don Cahill and John McCullough served in the Color Guard at the BOM in August. 
Color guardsmen Phil Ballou, Dan Cahill, John McCullough and Chapter President Chuck Sweeney presented the Colors to open our chapters first meeting after summer break October 7, 2011 
No other activities are scheduled before the Fall BOM when those Guardsmen attending will participate with the Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade. 
Report by 
Don Cahill, Commander

Liaisons

CAR Liaison 
Chairman: Lindsey Brock  lindsey.brock@comcast.net

Committee Member: Doug Bridges, Miami Chapter
Since our August 2011, Summer BOM meeting it has been my privilege to attend the following C.A.R. events and activities: 
  o July 18th-19th, National Society C.A.R. Mid-Southern Regional Conference in Lexington, KY. 
  o July 26th-27th, National Society C.A.R. Southeastern Regional Conference in Pawleys Island, SC.
o August 6th, The C.A.R. Princess Malee Society and SAR Jacksonville Chapter’s annual joint Flag Retirement Ceremony, Jacksonville, FL.


C.A.R. and SAR Junior Members Aide (ad-hoc)
Chairman: Lindsey C. Brock, III thebrocks@bellsouth.net

The purpose of this committee is to develop a better relationship between the SAR, its Junior Members and the C.A.R. It also provides SAR members an opportunity to promote the many youth programs that SAR offers. Every FLSSAR Chapter should encourage its Junior Members and local C.A.R. Society to actively participate in our Annual meetings as either an Aide or Page.

We have already received several quiries from the Florida Society C.A.R. members relating to their participation in our upcoming 2012 Annual meeting. Please note that we have changed the name of this committee so that young ladies of the C.A.R. may participate at our Annual meetings as Pages.

DAR Liaison
Co-Chairman: Randy Moody sarrevdoc@comcast.net
Co-Chairman: George Lockhart georgelockhart@comcast.net

George Lockhart, Ralph Nelson, and Randy Moody attended the Florida Society Daughters of American Revolution Fall Forum, September 23-25. The DAR meeting coordinator provided an SAR information table. Many DAR members received materials about SAR membership for husbands, brothers, sons, nephews, and grandsons. One DAR member reported that her husband recently submitted his application through a chapter registrar after gathering information at the DAR Conference in March; another reported the applications she assisted her nephews prepare were just approved. This is evidence that our presence at DAR events is well worth the time and effort.

Randy Moody commanded a Color Guard Unit consisting of George Lockhart, Norm Meyers, and Ralph Nelson to post the Colors for the Saturday evening banquet. Providing Color Guard Units for DAR events is a wonderful way to build relationships between our organizations as well as recruiting the help of DAR members to recruit their relatives into the SAR.

Randy D. Moody, co-chair DAR Liaison Committee

Ladies Auxiliary Liaison
Chairman: David Ramseur ramseur@surfbest.net

The Ladies Auxiliary membership is composed mostly of wives of SAR compatriots. Moreover, any lady may join who has a relationship with a Compatriot, such as aunt, sister, cousin, and/or daughter and is interested in the events and work of the Ladies Auxiliary. Dues are $5.00 and are renewable every year. A member is also part of the National Ladies Auxiliary organization.

The Auxiliary looks forward to being part of the SAR youth awards every year by giving certificates along with scholarship checks to the winners. A fun way the Ladies Auxiliary raise funds for these awards is by donating beautiful and bountiful gift baskets which are then auctioned off by drawing at the BOM Dinners and the proceeds then used to assist in the various endeavors of the Auxiliary. The Auxiliary also donates and assists in the mailing of various gift packages to overseas troops during the year as well as contributing to worthy causes and assisting various projects of individual SAR chapters.

The Auxiliary also participates and assists in the hospitality room by contributing delicious food and drinks for SAR compatriots during the BOM and annual meetings.

Members of the Ladies Auxiliary have also represented the Florida Ladies Auxiliary at Patriotic events held throughout the State such as the Battle of Pensacola, and the Last Naval Battle. Many Ladies have represented Florida in several events in the South Atlantic District in the activities of SAR chapters in...
other states. Several ladies are active in support of SAR compatriot husbands by wearing colonial dress and in laying wreaths and attending commemorative ceremonies held by various SAR chapters.

**Historic Sites**

**Commemorative Historic Sites**
Chairman: Hall Riediger  
[allriedi42@bellsouth.net](mailto:allriedi42@bellsouth.net)

No activity this Quarter

**Battle of Pensacola**  
(ad-hoc)
Chairman: Ed Young  
[ednoy@earthlink.net](mailto:ednoy@earthlink.net)

Nothing to report

**Last Naval Battle**
Chairman: Ben DuBose  
[bdubosefl@gmail.com](mailto:bdubosefl@gmail.com)

Due to increasing fees imposed by the Cape Canaveral Port Authority (possibly over $1,000 in the future), Compatriots Ben DuBose and Lindsey Brock were involved in months of discussions and detailed negotiations relating to this matter. Since the Port Authority would not guarantee these high fees would not be levied on the SAR in the future it was decided to move our monuments to a safer and much more receptive location.

Next year’s event will be taking place on Saturday March 3, 2012 at the Brevard Veterans Memorial Center, 400 South Sykes Creek Parkway, Merritt Island, FL 32952-354.

Not only is this location closer to the site of the original battle, it also provides a larger indoor space in case of rain. Plus, there is a museum and a Memorial Plaza with monuments dedicated to all U.S. wars. The huge centerpiece celebrates the American Revolution. There will be NO “Event Fees” - and the restroom facilities will be open ON TIME!  **FYI:** There is plenty of parking at this facility. We have already contacted a nearby hotel and restaurant across from a large shopping mall (with a multi-plex movie theater) and that information will be forthcoming. We believe all these attractions will add to your experience. Please inform your Color Guard of this date and we’ll see you then.

**Liberty Tree**  
(Standing)
Chairman: Harold Crapo

Nothing to report

**Youth Programs**

**Americanism Elementary Poster Contest**  
(ad-hoc)
Chairman: David Ramseur  
[ramseur@surfbest.net](mailto:ramseur@surfbest.net)

The Americanism Elementary Poster Contest is a great new venue for stimulating interest in the Elementary Grades. I am proud to announce that our Florida Winner from the Jacksonville Chapter came in second place at this year’s Congress in Winston-Salem, NC. The contest this year will be based on “The Battle of Guilford Courthouse”. Also, this year’s 3rd grade students have been included with the 4th & 5th grade students from public, private and home school students. Marjorie and I were able to tour the battlefield at Greensboro, NC (named for General Nathanael Greene). Even though our contest ends in April 2012, bring your winning chapter posters to our annual meeting by 4 May 2012. Go to the FLSSAR website for more information.
Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee
Chairman: Charlie Day dmdaycday@aol.com

It is time to be thinking about the SAR Eagle Scholarship and Recognition competition. The Chapter deadline in FL is December 10th, 2011. The Chapters in turn should have their Chapter winner application turned in to me by December 31, 2011. The contest is open to Eagle Scouts who have not reached their 19th Birthday during the 2011 year. Eagle Scouts may apply more than one year as long as they meet the age requirements.

Entry forms are available at The Sons of the American Revolution Web Site, http://www.sar.org/Youth/Eagle_Scout . Prizes vary at the Chapter level. Each entrant at the Chapter level receives a patch and the First Place Chapter Winner receives an Eagle Medal. Chapters should be thinking about ordering the Scholarship and Recognition patch and the Chapter Eagle medal. If an Eagle completes an application and does not know what chapter it should be delivered to I can be contacted.

Just a note - Dot and I were in Colorado Springs at the Air Force Academy a week or so ago and got to spend a great afternoon with Harrison Hatcher. Harrison was our FLSSAR 2010 First Place Eagle Scholarship winner and the 3rd place National winner. (He was not able to be at our May Youth Luncheon.) Harrison is currently a sophomore with a major in Engineering Management. He has had some very interesting, assigned or elective programs this past year. Ones that he has enjoyed are the Boxing and Soaring program. The soaring consist of a light plane pulling a glider plane into the sky at a prescribed altitude and location with a rope – then letting the glider free to see how long they can keep it up and/or keep in a prescribed course and area.

Harrison related to Dot and me that the things he completed in Scouting, including the areas of responsibility and leadership helped a great deal in getting through his freshman year. He sends along his many thanks to the Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution for their recognition and support. We all can be very proud this young man!

George S. & Stella Knight Essay Contest
Chairman: Robert Yarnell rsyarn@aol.com

Nothing to report

Good Citizenship
Chair: Oscar Patterson opatters@comcast.net

Nothing to report

History Fairs
Chairman: Frank Hodalski fhodalski@msn.com

Presented at BOM County History Fairs will be beginning shortly. Dates of the Fairs and the coordinators or contact persons may be found online. Type ‘Florida History Fair’ into your Internet search box. You may obtain complete information there. If you have questions, please contact me by phone or e-mail.

Joseph P. Rumbaugh Orations Contest
Chairman: Randy Moody sarrevdoc@comcast.net

The FLSSAR Rumbaugh Oration Contest will be held Friday, January 27, 2012. All Chapter entries are due Friday, January 20, 2012. Please send entries, including four (4) copies of the oration, to Randy D. Moody, 16986 Oakstead Drive, Alva, FL 33920.

The rules for the contest can be found on the NSSAR web site at http://www.sar.org/Youth/Oration_Contest_Rules
Please review the contest procedures with your contestant which can be found at http://www.sar.org/Youth/Oration_Contest_Procedures. We will follow these procedures. Your orators will be better competitors if they are familiar with the judging sheet which outlines the scoring criteria; you can find it at http://www.sar.org/sites/default/files/Rumbaugh-Judging-Sheet-2010.pdf

Please consult the schedule for the Winter BOM when posted online to schedule your arrival in time to come hear the outstanding young orators compete.

Respectfully submitted,
Randy D. Moody, Chairman

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Outstanding JROTC Cadet

In 1997 the President General of the SAR Carl K. Hoffmann authorized the enhancement of the JROTC program. Each SAR Chapter can now select an Outstanding JROTC Cadet and enter that cadet into their State Society’s Outstanding JROTC Cadet program. The winner of the State competition will be entered into the National Outstanding JROTC Recognition program. The winner of the national program will receive a special medal (Gold Medallion on neck ribbon) and monetary award at the National Congress.

Rule # 1

The Chapter, State and National SAR award is to be presented to the Outstanding Cadet in their next to last year of JROTC

For a four year JROTC program: a 3rd Year Cadet (11th grade).
For a three year JROTC program: a Second Year Cadet may be selected.

The chapter winner’s award includes a bronze medallion on neck ribbon. The state winner’s award includes the silver medallion on neck ribbon. The winner at chapter and state receive monetary awards based on their allowed amounts.

The Outstanding JROTC Cadet Scholarship competition is coming earlier this winter. Chapter Compatriots in charge of the JROTC committee/program need to contact their school JROTC Senior Instructors to establish their interest in supporting Cadets desiring to enter the competition. I have learned that some Schools do not make cadets aware of this scholarship program.

At the beginning of the school year Chapters should contact the Senior Instructor of the local JROTC units. Throughout the year the chapter should remain in contact with the administrators of the school and the JROTC unit, providing support for other programs and discussing plans for this program. Plan ahead, obtain the date, time and place of the school’s JROTC awards program This allows for Chairmen to assign members and have them reserve that date. The chapter should have the school administration, along with the instructors of the JROTC unit, evaluate candidates based on the criteria listed below and select one nominee for JROTC unit (battalion, squadron, etc.).

I suggest having chapter begin the competitions in December thru January thus giving time to meet the new submission dates of February 1, 2012. The award at chapter level can be presented on the chapter schedule but allow for time to submit winner to state by February 10-11, 2012 deadline. It is also important to know of any changes in Instructors and contact information including e-mail so our data file is up to date. School JROTC Instructors should also be made aware of the local SAR Compatriot’s contact information now if it may have changed.

I have forwarded the ROTC/JROTC instructions directly to the RVP for their chapters and compatriots wanting same. It is in Adobe PDF. Format and can safely be saved to their computer and saved as “ROTC 2011-12 instructions” in the documents folder. There is a link for the application form on the FLSSAR website under ROTC/JROTC.

This is something the chapter can make available to the ROTC Instructors by forwarding it with permission making it clear what they need to comply with.

The applications with required documents have to be my possession by February 10-11, 2012 in order for our committee judges to determine the FLSSAR winner. The reason is the National
ROTC Chairman has moved up the date that all state winners application packages must be received at NSSAR.

SAR members will make the selection of the Outstanding JROTC Cadet at each level. Those items given consideration include the nominee’s scholastic standing, grade point average, levels of participation and leadership both in the JROTC and in extra curricula activities as well as quality of the essay. We will give particular attention to spelling, grammar and punctuation as well as quality and applicability of the essay content.

**JROTC Bronze Medal**

The Bronze ROTC Medal was authorized in 1965 and is presented only to students in secondary school JROTC units. The SAR awards the ROTC Medal to foster the principle of the “citizen soldier” exemplified by the Minutemen of the Revolutionary War days. This award is presented by a Chapter or a State Society to JROTC cadets who are selected for having a high degree of merit with respect to leadership qualities, military bearing and general excellence. The recipients are selected by the **Commanding Officer** of the JROTC unit, who should be given full latitude in making the selection.

The SAR ROTC Medal is approved by the United States Army, the United States Navy, the United States Marines, the United States Coast Guard and the United States Air Force. The SAR ROTC medal may be worn on the dress uniform.

SAR normally awards one medal each year in ROTC/JROTC units with fewer than 500 cadets or midshipmen. For larger units, for each 500 students enrolled in the unit, one medal may be presented. Moreover, where a school has more than one ROTC/JROTC unit, SAR counts each unit separately. It is desirable to have the medal on display with its ribbon bar in a trophy case. At each school where SAR presents the award A Certificate sample should be beside it if space allows. This will serve as an incentive to the students and publicize the SAR ROTC/JROTC program as well. The local SAR chapter will present the Medal that has been on display.

It is desirable to have chapter Compatriots present these medals at the school JROTC awards ceremony because more Cadets, parents and the public are exposed to our program. The local SAR chapter should place a new medal on display at the beginning of the following school year.

No recipient may receive it more than once. No miniature medal is available.

**ROTC Silver Medal**

The Silver ROTC Medal is presented only to students in a university ROTC unit. No recipient may receive it more than once. Miniature is not available. The medal was authorized in 1933.

**ROTC/JROTC Awards and the Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements Committee**

There are some chapters that have the Cadets come to a SAR luncheon to receive the Bronze JROTC medals or the Silver ROTC medals. The chapters providing these meals should be commended.

As noted in the Endowment Trust Fund Reimbursement Instructions and Guidelines, **Item B.** Authorized reimbursement to chapters: **Number 3.** Lunch for ROTC, Rumbaugh, Knight, and Eagle Scout winners; two per recipient. Winner, as described in the dictionary is: **someone or something that wins a contest, prize, etc.**

Bronze JROTC Medal recipients are by definition on the NSSAR web site and the FLSSAR web site: students that are chosen by their schools. SAR Members do NOT have a vote as to which student receives the award. The rule laid out on the NSSAR web site states: “The recipients are selected by the **Commanding Officer of the ROTC or JROTC unit, who should be given full latitude in making the selection.**”

The Bronze JROTC Medal recipients have NOT entered an SAR contest and are NOT eligible to enter the State contest unless they had also entered the Outstanding JROTC Cadet Contest. The **Outstanding JROTC Cadet Award** is the **ONLY** contest winner for JROTC.

*The Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements Committee does allow the meals for the Outstanding JROTC Cadet Winners (please see the ETF instructions). As it stated in the ETF instructions, item B-1; Chapters are eligible for up to full*
reimbursement for all ROTC/JROTC (bronze and silver) medals and the JROTC Chapter Award Complete.

Community Outreach

Legislative Affairs
Chairman: TBD

Nothing to report

Patriotic Activities
Chairman: Hal Miller, Jr.  
    halmiller@verizon.net

Presented at BOM
Information reported by RVPs indicate that Flag Awards were presented by the following chapters:
Jacksonville Chapter to the Mayor of Neptune Beach; St. Augustine Chapter to the Florida National Guard Headquarters and the Robert F Ersiling Amory, Florida National Guard; St. Lucie River Chapter to a Condo Association and an Assisted Living Facility; Naples Chapter - reported awarding five awards by the SAR Flag Display Committee.

Patriotic Education
Chairman: Jeffery Sizemore

Nothing to report

Public Service and Heroism
Chairman: Daniel Shepherd  
    dts@bellsouth.net

Committee Members: Compatriots: Lindsey C. Brock – Vice Chairman, Jacksonville Chapter; Herbert M. Greenleaf, St. Augustine Chapter; Jim R. Armitage, DeVane Chapter; Cyril P. Gamber, Tampa Chapter; Robert H. Moody, Lake Sumter Chapter.

St. Augustine Chapter

27 July 2011, the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medals and certificates at 500 San Sebastian View Street, St. Augustine, Fl.

Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate
Joefrey Alvarez, Deputy Sheriff  
    St. Johns Sheriff's Office, St Augustine, Fl
Shawn Emert, Deputy Sheriff  
    St. Johns Sheriff's Office, St. Augustine, Fl
Steve Gazdick, Detective  
    St. Johns Sheriff's Office, St. Augustine, Fl
Alicia McWhorter, Support Person  
    St. Johns Sheriff's Office, St. Augustine, Fl
Coby Seckinger, Deputy Sheriff  
    St. Johns Sheriff's Office, St. Augustine, Fl

Heroism Medal and Certificate
William Lennon, Jr., Deputy Sheriff  
    St. Johns Sheriff's Office, St Augustine, Fl

On 14 December 2010, Deputy Lennen responded to a domestic disturbance with two other deputies. Deputy Lennon was speaking with the victim, when the suspect, her roommate emerged from the hallway with a gun and began firing at the three deputies and the victim. Lennon shielded the victim with his body and returned fire at the suspect saving the victim’s life. For his action, Deputy Lennon received the Sheriff’s Office’s highest award, the Medal of Honor.

Media coverage – coverage of these presentations appeared in the St. Augustine Record newspaper 26 September, 2011.

23 August 2011, the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medals and certificates at the St. Augustine Police Department.

Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate
Patrice Drinkard, Patrol Officer  
    St. Augustine Police Dept., St. Augustine, Fl
Michael Linsky, Patrol Officer                      St. Augustine Police Dept., St. Augustine, Fl

Media coverage – no media coverage for these presentations.

24 August 2011, the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at the St. Augustine Fire Department.

Fire Safety Commendation Medal and Certificate
Carlos Aviles, Lieutenant                    St. Augustine Fire Dept., St. Augustine, Fl

Media coverage – no media coverage for this presentation.

Publicity
Chairman: Hall Riediger                      allriedi42@bellsouth.net

No activity this Quarter

Support the Troops  (ad-hoc)
Chairman: Frank Hodalski                      fhodalski@msn.com

Nothing to report

Veterans Affairs
Chairman: James Gibson                       jldvgibson@msn.com

Nothing to Report

Trust Funds

Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements
Chairman: Victor McMurry                      vicmc4@gmail.com

This is my first report as Chair of the ETF Disbursements Committee. I wish to extend my thanks and appreciation for the help and input from the other six members of this committee. Without their timely assistance we would not have been nearly as successful.

As of this writing, we have received twenty seven Endowment Trust Fund Grant Applications. All but four have been sent to Ted Duay for payment, and per Ted the Chapters have been sent checks for 50% of the Committee Approved amounts.

One of the outstanding requests is from the Saramana Chapter for its George Washington Birthday Wounded Warrior awards for the Veterans who were Purple Heart recipients, approved by the Executive Committee to be voted on by the BOM which voted to send to the Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements Committee at the May 2011 BOM. The Committee has reviewed the request and while finding it worthwhile and an event that should be applauded and possibly duplicated by other chapters, we must present it to BOM following Item D of our instructions for final approval. We recommend and would ask that BOM approve this request for reimbursement as was approved at the May 2011 Executive Committee and our Committee.

Two of the outstanding requests are for events that will take place before November 15, and the committee has approved them pending notification of the Chapter President that the events took place as described.

One of the outstanding requests has been sent to the Committee and the chairman is waiting for the committee members to respond with their vote.

The Committee has worked on making our Endowment Trust Fund Reimbursement Instructions and Guidelines clearer. These suggested changes were compiled after receiving suggestions from the other committee members. These changes will be presented to your Executive Committee at this BOM.
If the suggested changes are approved, then we have a slightly revised Word Document Template for the chapters to use next year for their Endowment Trust Fund Grant Applications.
I have also agreed to have a seminar at the Regional Vice Presidents meeting going over the ETF Instructions and Guidelines. Chapter Presidents or his assigned members have also been invited.

Trust Fund Development
Chairman: Jack Coleman

Nothing to report

Florida SAR Endowment & Operating Budget Trust Funds
Chairman: Ted Duay, III  tedduay@yahoo.com

THE FLORIDA SAR OPERATING BUDGET TRUST FUND
JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2011

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