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CAAH Donation Form, Quotes, History, Pictures,
Chapter News, National Update, and much more!*



Front Cover

The next three months are July, August and September. Patriotic display of the American Flag and fireworks for the Fourth of July - Independence Day..

Inside Front Cover

(Top) The new officers of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Florida Society (l-r): Sheila Carr, Norma Young, Sheila Shaughnessy, Billie Brock, Myra Bushnell, Dianna Lantz, and Marjorie Ramseur.

(Center) Members of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Florida Society in attendance at the Spring BOM & Annual Meeting.

(Bottom) Florida Society Color Guard Brigade in attendance at the Spring BOM & Annual Meeting.

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Spring BOM meeting Photos

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New Florida Society Officers.



The SAR is a historical, educational, and patriotic non-profit, United States 501(c)3, corporation that seeks to maintain and extend

- * the institutions of American freedom
- * an appreciation for true patriotism
- * a respect for our national symbols
- * the value of American citizenship
- * the unifying force of e pluribus unum that has created, from the people of many nations, one nation and one people.

We do this by perpetuating the stories of patriotism, courage, sacrifice, tragedy, and triumph of the men who achieved the independence of the American people in the belief that these stories are universal ones of man's eternal struggle against tyranny, relevant to all time, and will inspire and strengthen each succeeding generation as it too is called upon to defend our freedoms on the battlefield and in our public institutions.

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President's Message

Compatriots,

As your new FLSSAR President, I plan to serve faithfully enhancing and building on the accomplishments before by our Florida Society compatriots. Both Marjorie and I, look forward to visiting many of our Florida chapters throughout the year. We have a 30-minute program based on the famous 1851 painting of "George Washington Crossing the Delaware". If you would like us to make this presentation, please let me know.



Our annual meeting in May went very well with the installation of new FLSSAR officers by President General David Sympson and the Ladies Auxiliary officers by his first lady Evelyn Sympson. As you know, the meetings always go well with much accomplished thanks to our devoted Secretary Kevin Yarnell and our dedicated compatriots. You might not know, that Kevin has accepted a higher calling as he goes off for four years of seminary to study to become a priest. We will all greatly miss him. Kevin—you did a great and worthy job as our Secretary. We appreciate you.

Compatriot Steve Williams has stepped in to take on the task as FLSSAR Secretary from Kevin. Steve, as many of you know, has been undergoing chemotherapy for several months for Leukemia and is on the road to recovery. Steve is also doing a great job as our Editor of "The Florida Patriot" magazine – please continue to keep Steve in your thoughts, prayers and with cards during these difficult times. We know he will do well also as our new FLSSAR Secretary.

In July, I will attend SAR Congress in Winston-Salem, NC and looking forward to seeing many of you there also. We are excited that our State winner in the JROTC Essay Contest will receive the winning national award for her essay at the Monday Youth Luncheon during the Congress. Also attending will be our State Rumbaugh Oration winner as she enters into this very competitive youth contest with other State winners from around the country. Our winning State Americanism Poster, will also be judged at Congress. The Americanism Poster Contest hopes to encourage fourth and fifth graders to learn more about the gallant history of the people and events, which established this great country of ours.

As one final point, only 20% (325/1750) of our FLSSAR Compatriots have contributed toward our new Center for Advancing America's Heritage. Are you a part of this group? This is a very worthy cause as we note in Florida, as well as elsewhere, that the value of cultural unity (assimilation) and Americanism are not taught nor questioned on FCAT tests. Moreover, textbooks may contain misleading historical information. The objective of the "Center" is to reach out nationwide to the public-at-large, particularly the youth, using the latest communication and multimedia techniques with upbeat an inspiring teachings about the value of American citizenship and civic education. The Center will be staffed by professionals and produce multimedia presentations for chapters, school and civic groups as well as thousands of conventioners and tourists who flock along Louisville's cultural corridor. Let us all pull together and see if we can double our Compatriot participa-

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EDITOR'S CUT

Recent action taken at the Annual Meeting was a vote to deliver *The Florida Patriot* electronically to all Florida Society members with an e-mail address. All society members without an e-mail address will continue to receive the magazine by USPS. Additionally, all new members with e-mail addresses will receive *The Florida Patriot* electronically. You will receive an e-mail from me with the subject line "SAR - The Florida Patriot" and contain a hyperlink to the web document location. You will click the link, go to the location and open *The Florida Patriot*. Members had expressed the need for a hardcopy to share with their doctor's office or their local library. There will continue to be extra copies available at the BOM for members to take these copies for just those purposes. To change to hardcopy from electronic delivery, you must 'OPT OUT' by using the e-mail link in the delivery message you receive.



Why are we doing this, you ask? For many of our committees there is a recurring quest for more money to support their activities whether they are contests (Knight, Rumbaugh, JROTC, Eagle, and Americanism Poster) or other budget line items such as the President's budget. The latter has received much debate and votes to increase that line item. At some point, we get to the robbing of Peter to pay Paul. Either that, or we look for means to decrease expenses. This is one of those Decrease Expenses areas that is relatively easy to do. And pain free, too. You will still get your issue. It will be something you can save and view in FULL COLOR. The pictures will be better, too.

Think long and hard before you OPT OUT.

Yours in Patriotism -

Steven Williams

Content submission deadline for the Fall issue of *The Florida Patriot* is September 8th.

Revolutionary War Timeline

May, June and July

May 10, 1775 - Capture of Ft Ticonderoga

May 10, 1775 - Second Continental Congress convenes in Philadelphia

June 15, 1775 - George Washington named Commander-in-Chief

June 17, 1775 - Battle of Bunker Hill: The British drive the Americans from Breed's Hill

July 3, 1775 - Washington assumes command of the Continental Army

June 12, 1776 - The Virginia Declaration of Rights

July 4, 1776 - Congress adopts the Declaration of Independence; it's sent to the printer

July 8, 1776 - The Declaration of Independence is read publicly

June 18, 1778 - British abandon Philadelphia and return to New York

June 19, 1778 - Washington's army leaves Valley Forge

June 28, 1778 - The Battle of Monmouth Court House ends in a draw

July 4, 1778 - George Rogers Clark captures Kaskaskia, a French village south of St. Louis



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tion this year as our FLSSAR Goal. Remember your donation is tax deductible and a reproduced copy of the form is in this magazine as well as available at www.SAR.org.

Fraternally,

David Ramsey

President, Florida Society, Sons of the American Revolution.



Content Submission

To submit content for future issues of *The Florida Patriot*, send your submission to the Editor via e-mail Swilliams16@cfl.rr.com (preferred) or to 3403 Caraway St, Cocoa FL 32926. Chapter News submissions should be 150 to 200 words; single photo size should be at least 600x600 pixels. Other article submissions should be original material (yours) or submit another author's article with a publication release accompanying the submission.

Independence Day

During the American Revolution, the legal separation of the Thirteen Colonies from Great Britain occurred on July 2, 1776, when the Second Continental Congress voted to approve a resolution of independence that had been proposed in June by Richard Henry Lee of Virginia. After voting for independence, Congress turned its attention to the Declaration of Independence, a statement explaining this decision, which had been prepared by a Committee of Five, with Thomas Jefferson as its principal author. Congress debated and revised the Declaration, finally approving it on July 4. A day earlier, John Adams had written to his wife Abigail:

“The second day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever more.”

Adams’s prediction was off by two days. From the outset, Americans celebrated independence on July 4, the date shown on the much-publicized Declaration of Independence, rather than on July 2, the date the resolution of independence was approved in a closed session of Congress.

Historians have long disputed whether Congress actually signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4, even though Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and Benjamin Franklin all later wrote that they had signed it on that day. Most historians have concluded that the Declaration was signed nearly a month after its adoption, on August 2, 1776, and not on July 4 as is commonly believed.

In a remarkable coincidence, both John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, the only signers of the Declaration of Independence later to serve as Presidents of the United States, died on the same day: July 4, 1826, which was the 50th anniversary of the Declaration. Although not a signer of the Declaration of Independence, James Monroe, the Fifth President of the United States, died on July 4, 1831. Calvin Coolidge, the Thirtieth President, was born on July 4, 1872, and thus was the only President to be born on Independence Day.

Unique or historical celebrations

- Held since 1785, the Bristol Fourth of July Parade in Bristol, Rhode Island is the oldest continuous Independence Day celebration in the United States.



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Book Nook

Definition of 'Revision': a revised form or version, as in to alter something already written or printed, **in order to make corrections, improve, or update.**

How does this statement strike you? "... our society lies to itself about its past. Questioning those lies can seem anti-American." This is too often the case - branding as Un-American someone who asks questions. everyone is entitled to their own opinion but not their own

facts. Patriotic Americans should know **all** the facts of our past, from the 'discovery' of America to the present. A complete understanding of what happened **Then** allows us to make better decisions **Now**.

A book cannot be labeled with the pejorative term 'Revisionist' simply because it challenges long-held but incomplete understanding of our country's history. Rather it should be accepted as an improvement and correction of inaccuracies no matter how fond we are of those inaccuracies.

The book *Lies My Teacher told Me/Everything your American History Textbook got wrong* by James W. Loewen explores many myths and factual errors that hobble our children and grandchildren from learning the realities of our history - such as, the Founding Fathers had long and often rancorous debate on our constitution, America wasn't

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MATCH THE QUOTES

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1. "When information which properly belongs to the public is systematically withheld by those in power, the people soon become ignorant of their own affairs, distrustful of those who manage them, and – eventually – incapable of determining their own destinies."
2. "Who controls the present controls the past."
3. "... One of history's most fundamental lessons: people fear what they don't understand – or what is different. That fear moves in tandem with the arrogant superiority that comes from the notion of possessing the exclusive "truth." This volatile mixture of fearful ignorance and righteous certitude allows one group to demonize and dehumanize another. And once you have accomplished that, it is much easier to hang people as heretics, burn them at the stake – or in ovens – and fly jetliners into their buildings."
4. "Labor is prior to, and independent of, capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor, and could never have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital, and deserves much the higher consideration."
5. "We have to face the unpleasant as well as the affirmative side of the human story, including our own story as a nation, our own stories of our people. We have got to have the ugly facts in order to protect us from the official view of reality."
6. "As long as you are convinced you have never done anything, you can never do anything."
7. "These men, in teaching us how to die, have at the same time taught us how to live."
8. "Patriotism can flourish only where racism and nationalism are given no quarter. We should never mistake Patriotism for Nationalism. A patriot is one who loves his homeland. A nationalist is one who scorns the homelands of others."
9. "Ten men in our country could buy the whole world and ten million can't buy enough to eat."



- A. Henry David Thoreau in a eulogy for John Brown.
- B. Abraham Lincoln
- C. Bill Moyers
- D. Malcolm X
- E. Richard M Nixon
- F. George Orwell in 1984.
- G. Kenneth C Davis, *America's Hidden History*
- H. Will Rogers, 1931.
- I. Johannes Rau

CHAPTER NEWS

Aaron Snowden Chapter

The program for the January meeting featured guest speaker Maureen Young, President of the Santa Rosa County Genealogical Society whom gave a presentation entitled "The Revolutionary War Battles of South Carolina."

The March meeting included a Memorial Service for Compatriot Frank Buckles, WVSAR, who died in February at the age of 110 years old. Buckles was the last living veteran of World War 1. He joined the SAR in 1935. May he rest in peace.

The April meeting featured our Reenactment of the Inauguration of President George Washington. Our first U.S. President was sworn into office April 30, 1789



Washington's Inauguration. SAR life member and compatriot Lonnie Jones portrayed Washington (pictured on right) while Chapter president Ned France portrayed Livingston (left)

with the oath of office administered by New York State Chancellor Robert R. Livingston. SAR life member and compatriot Lonnie Jones portrayed Washington (pictured on right) while Chapter president Ned France portrayed Livingston (left). To add to the realistic feel of the First Inaugura-

tion, the reenactment was held on a balcony (as was the original inauguration) of an historic house in the downtown Milton Historic District.

During the month of May, the Aaron Snowden Chapter has been presenting SAR bronze medals to the outstanding cadets at four Santa Rosa County ROTC high school units and has been presenting good citizenship certificates to 5th and 8th grade students at schools throughout Santa Rosa County.

Brevard Chapter

The Brevard Chapter had the honor of leading the Melbourne Independence Parade, hosted by Honor America, Inc. Members of Brevard's DAR and C.A.R. chapters joined with us as well as members from the newly formed C.A.R. chapter in Indian River County. Our float theme was the Betsy Ross sewing circle. We were also assisted by local Boy Scouts carrying our Revolutionary era flags. The parade ended at the Liberty Bell Memorial Museum where the Boy Scouts hosted a fund raiser cookout for the museum.

The chapter will once again be holding their monthly meetings at Patrick Air Force Base beginning with a joint SAR/DAR Constitution



President Phil Wright carries flags in preparation for the Satellite Beach observance of Flag Day.

Day meeting in September.

Caloosa Chapter

Caloosa Chapter awarded the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation and Medal to Lieutenant William Musante of the Fort Myers Police Department in its May Meeting. Pictured below are Caloosa President Dr. Randy Moody, Lt. Musante, Captain Rich Carr and Chief Douglas Baker.



Lt. Musante qualified the Fort Myers Police Department for international accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) which is the benchmark for policing in the 21st Century. He gathered proofs of compliance for the 464 standards set forth in the credentialing program. A team of accreditation assessors recently visited and highly recommended CALEA grant accreditation as a direct result of Lt. Musante's efforts. His leadership has facilitated the agency's pursuit of professional excellence. He has demonstrated strong leadership and commitment to advancing law enforcement in the city of Fort Myers.

The week after the presentation, Chief Baker testified before the United States Congress about the necessity to keep illegals who have committed crimes in jail rather than

releasing them on bail. Fort Myers Police Officer Andrew Widman was killed by such a person a few years ago.

Central Florida Chapter

At the May 21st meeting, the Central Florida SAR Chapter installed their new officers for the upcoming 2011-2012 term. This installation ceremony was con-



ducted by Past President D. Robert Copeland. Our officers for the 2011-2012 term as pictured herein are: Jeff Sizemore (President), Don Green (1st Vice President), David Hoover (2nd Vice President), Cecil Thompson (Registrar), Dan Stebbins (Treasurer), Rev. George Andrews (Chaplain), and Paul May (Historian). Also pictured are Tom McElroy and Bob Murray who will be serving as Executive Directors.

Clearwater Chapter

During the months of April and May the Clearwater Chapter SAR presented 8 High School Juniors with Bronze ROTC Medals. Recipients were Jessica Pendergast (Clearwater HS), Sean Bruck, Jr. (Dunedin HS), Scott Wade (Gulf HS), Michael Sehl (Hudson HS), John Garrett (Mitchell HS), Austen Crowder (Pasco HS), Mandy Johnson (Ridgewood HS) and Josh Meath (River Ridge HS).

At the regular April Chapter Meeting Col. Mike Davis introduced and praised his Outstanding Cadet who was to receive recognition as the Chapter Outstanding JROTC Cadet for 2011. Cadet Jessica Pendergast presented the Chapter with a reading of her essay entitled, "How has JROTC prepared me to be a better citizen of the United States of America" .. Jessica ranked 45 out of 464 students in the Junior class at Clearwater High School. She has a weighted GPA of 4.4. She received a handsome medal on a neck ribbon as well as a monetary award from the Chapter. She is now entered in the Florida State competition for Outstanding JROTC Cadet for Florida.

During May the Chapter awarded 18 local area High School Seniors with a Bronze Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate. The recipients chosen by the faculty at the various schools were Cole Joseph Caudell (Clearwater Central Catholic), Kirby Cole (Clearwater HS), Tyler Rodibaugh (JW Mitchell HS), Andrew



L-R: Col. Mike Davis, Cadet Captain Jessica Pendergast, 1st VP Dan Hooper

Wallingford (Largo HS), Austin Glaus (Palm Harbor University HS), Craig Morocco (River Ridge HS), Amanda Fretz (Seminole HS), Boniswa Joseph (Wesley Chapel), Albert John Reyes (Pinellas Park), Brooke Parham (Pasco), Bailey

Monarch (Eastlake), Miles Marinello (Dunedin), Alexis Freeman (Calvary Christian HS), Caileigh Marie Mills (Countryside HS), Nicholas Baker (Gulf HS), Erica George (Keswick Christian HS), Christina Cernkoiz (Tarpon Springs HS) and Clifford Lisowski (Hudson HS).

On April 20 we were treated to a wonderful display of Americanism by the Leila Davis Elementary 5th grade classes. Teachers: Lynn Schew, Debbie Cascone, Kenneth Alderman, Tiffany Madison, Libby Nyland, and Barbara Whitley taught their students about the "Signing of the Declaration of Independence". Joshua Quinn portrayed John Hancock, The Reverend John Witherspoon was played by Julia Mitchem, Eric Swope was Benjamin Franklin and Elbridge Gerry was portrayed by Gabe Rillman. In character, the students demonstrated how the interaction of the Signers took place. Each of the students gave a brief biography of the Founding Father they portrayed, then each of the Founding Fathers signed their name to a copy of the Declaration of Independence.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Clearwater Chapter hosted the Hospitality Room at the BOM/ ANNUAL meeting. The food they prepared was great and well received by the membership. Many positive comments were expressed. The hosting of the Hospitality Room is a job that requires much planning and coordination to have a successful outcome.

The Color Guard participated in the BOM and Annual meeting by marching in the presentation of the Colors. They also presented Colors at St. Dunstan's Church on Memorial Day. Also, they presented JROTC Medals and Good Citizenship Medals to several High

Schools in our area.

Daytona-Ormond Chapter

On Memorial Day the Daytona-Ormond Chapter participated in the service presented by the Memorial Remembrance Committee at Rockefeller Park in Ormond Beach. It was the first public appearance by this chapter's newly formed color guard.

June also marked the installation of new officers for the 2011-2012 season.

Our chapter has 62 regular members, with 6 applications for membership and 1 supplemental waiting approval.

We meet the 3rd Thursday of



Pictured are (L-R) Frederick Nord, Richard Lyon, John Parkerson, and Donald Johnson.

the month September through June at 12:00 noon at the Palmetto Club in Daytona Beach for lunch and a program. We also provide assistance to prospective members each Friday afternoon from noon until 3:00 p.m. in the genealogy room at City Island Library in Daytona Beach.

Flagler Chapter

At the May 2011 Flagler Chapter meeting Firefighter/Paramedic Nikolay Kulev of the Palm Coast Fire Department was presented with the Chapter's 2011 SAR EMS

Award. Officer Kulev was born in 1988 in Moldova, Chadir-Lunga. He immigrated to the United States with his parents and 8 siblings. Nick joined the Palm Coast Volunteer Fire/Rescue Department in 2006. Upon receiving his Certification by the State of Florida, he was subsequently promoted to the rank of Firefighter Paramedic. His shift commander, Captain Major, guest speaker at the meeting, assisted in the presentation and spoke high praises of Officer Nikolay efforts in the department.

Members of the Flagler Chapter participated in the Palm Coast Annual Memorial Day Ceremonies at Heroes' Park by conducting a wreath presentation to honor the service and sacrifice of our Military from the Revolutionary War to the present.

The Flagler Chapter honored Flagler County Deputy Sheriff, Daniel Weaver with the Chapter's 2011 SAR Law Enforcement Award at the Sheriff's Department on May 9, 2011. Deputy Weaver was recognized in 2010 for his investigation of an armed robbery, recovering numerous prescription pills and resulting in the apprehension of a dangerous felon. He has received a Meritorious Award as well as a Unit Citation for his accomplishments with the agency along with eleven letters of commendations. We are privileged to honor this outstanding Deputy, who has demonstrates his commitment to the citizens of Flagler County by his exemplary performance and dedication to his profession.

Gainesville Chapter

The Gainesville SAR Chapter performed in the following activi-

ties during the first quarter of 2011.

New officers were installed at the Feb. 15th meeting by RVP Scott Bushnell: President - Roger Cox; 1st



L to R: Jack Fields, Prospective Member Ron Stark, Bill Creaeger, Ted St. Pierre, Ray Thompson and Jerry Service

VP - Ray Davis; 2nd VP - Raphael Brown; Secretary/Treasurer - David Cromer.

The chapter participated in three Naturalization Ceremonies handing out Flag Pins to 129 new citizens and participated in eight JROTC/ROTC Award Banquets and Programs along with presentations at three monthly "Flag Breakfast" events, three Masonic/Scottish Rite programs, and one elder Vespers at The Villages. There were a total of 789 in attendance at these events with eight appearances in uniform.

We are pleased to submit a Fully Qualified Candidate for FLSSAR Outstanding JROTC Cadet for Year 2010-2011, Cadet Sarah Casella from Eastside High School.

During the quarter, the Gainesville Chapter had 2 new member applications approved with 12 awaiting approval. The current roster includes 51 SAR Members, 3 SAR Junior Members, and 6 Associate Members.

Jacksonville Chapter

J.L. Fitzpatrick Captain USN (Ret)

congratulates C/SCPO Alan Shields of Orange Park High School on receiving this year's SAR JROTC award on 5 May 2011. Cadet Shields is an Eagle Scout and will be attending Florida Boys State this summer. This is one of the more than 20 such awards the Jacksonville Chapter presented to area high school and college JROTC and ROTC cadets this spring. Presentation of these awards capped a very successful year for the Jacksonville Chapter. During the year, the chapter presented awards to outstanding Police and Public Service Honorees. The youth programs were very successful: Our Eagle Scout winner



Jacksonville

was third in the state and the Americanism Poster Contest winner is the State Winner. The highlight of the year occurred on January 20, when the Chapter Hosted PG David Sympson and his wife Evelyn and NSDAR PG Merry Ann Wright and her husband Larry, who was inducted into the SAR by PG Sympson. Next year will begin with the annual Flag retirement Ceremony in August.

Lake-Sumter Chapter

The Lake-Sumter Chapter ready to begin placing flags on the avenues of Lone Oak Cemetery in Leesburg for Memorial weekend 2011. Left

to right, Compatriots Steve Offutt, George Chaffee, Bob Krey, Michael Dick, Douglas Dick and Bob Moody. The Lake-Sumter Chapter has done this for every Memorial weekend and for Veterans Day for many years.



Lake City Chapter

Lake City Chapter SAR is having a good recruiting year. At the May-16th meeting, Second Vice President Charles Kime presented NSSAR certificates to the following:

- Charles Raymond "Ray" Millican, III
- Wilbur Gene "Will" Corbitt

Will Corbitt also received certificates for five other family member who were unable to be present. Those new members are: Vincent Corbitt, Kyle Corbitt, Chris Corbitt, Jimmy Corbitt, and Rowan Corbitt. In addition, two Youth Registrant certificates for the Corbitt family did not arrive in time for presentation at the May Meeting.



Sarasota Chapter

Chapter has had a busy first half of 2011. We started the year with our installation of officers on December 11, 2010 by past President General Carl Hoffman, who is also one of our chapter members. We inducted 6 new members and gave a number of service medals and certificates. The first BOG meeting was held on December 15, with 13 Governors present. Space limitations prevent me from laud-

Necrology Report

Deceased members as reported through May 28, 2011

<i>Compatriot</i>	<i>National #</i>	<i>State #</i>	<i>Chapter</i>
Julius Pepper Goslin	99806	8148	Ocala
David E. Clemence	133496	6077	Lake-Sumter
Gene Brown	152921	1999	Clearwater
Ralph N. Cramer, Sr.	121313	5379	Naples
Paul F. Petty	155665	8337	Central Florida
Thomas C. Steidley, Jr.	131697	5746	Central Florida

ing the activities of our Color Guard (now 12 members), who have participated in numerous activities and events in the Sarasota/Manatee Counties areas. Phil Tarpley is our Commander of CG and is assisted by Compatriots Larry Peck and Chuck Barrett.

January brought us our Eagle Scout Award luncheon and the winter BOM meeting, at which our candidate for the Rumbaugh Scholarship, Ms Braden Causey, won the state event.

February George Washington's Birthday luncheon, with the 5 local chapters of the DAR, was an enormous success (137 attended). We presented 26 Wounded Warrior medals and certificates to deserving veterans of WWII, Korea and Vietnam. It was an exceptional day and received lots of publicity for the chapter and the SAR.

March was our Fire, Safety and EMT awards luncheon. We presented awards to firemen, emergency crews and others from Sarasota, North Port, Longboat Key and Manatee County.

April we honored our Law Enforcement personnel at lunch, giving medals to men and women from Bradenton Police, Longboat Key Police, Sarasota County Sheriffs, North Port Police, Palmetto Police and Sarasota Police Departments. Manatee County Sheriff Steube nominated 3 deputies for Law Enforcement Hero Awards for saving an elderly couple from a house fire, going back into the flames and even rescuing the family cat. Our CG participated in History Day at our local Pine View School, where the 2025 students participated in reenacting the Continental Congress, Patriot speeches, and even the final battle at Yorktown. It was an uplifting experience for all of us who spent the day with these children.

In May, we honored the Best of the Best at the JROTC luncheon (Lt. Col. Staci Macias – who also won at FLSSAR BOM meeting), again inducting some 7 new members and preparing for our annual Memorial Day Parade down Main Street, Sarasota, along with the many local units of DAR, C.A.R., ROTC, American Legion vets, DAV, local military and high school students - one of the high points for our CG and members during the year. We presented a Flag Award to a local assisted living center and prepared for yet another Flag Award presentation.

We are very proud that 6 of our members have been elected to the BOM of FLSSAR, Phil

Tarpley, Harold Crapo, Vic McMurry, Chuck Barrett, Carl Hoffman, and Frank Hodalski. At this meeting we received the streamer for Chapter Challenge and the first place award for publicity, the Earl Marlin Award.

June will bring us yet another Flag Award, to be presented at the joint DAR/SAR Flag Day luncheon. Along with this award, we will have given many community awards and participated in a major local event each month of this year. We are proud of our chapter members and their loyalty to the SAR. We received a CAAH award from National for participation in this worthy fundraising program. Our next meeting will be in September 14 (BOG) and the joint DAR/SAR Constitution Day luncheon on 9/17/11, with October 7th being our next chapter luncheon.



Eagle Scout Award from Compatriot Allen Hegener to Eagle Scout Jerrod Michael Styrk. (now attending VMI)

Pensacola Chapter

On May 7, 2011 the Pensacola Chapter sponsored the 1781 Battle of Pensacola Commemoration at Fort George in downtown Pensacola. The Nathan Hale Camp #7 Color Guard Presented the Colors. Guardsmen

Jones, Kilgore, Lantz, Legg, D. Matthews and Turner participated. The speaker, J. Earle Bowden, Editor Emeritus, Pensacola news Journal provided an excellent accounting of the battle and the importance of the event to the success of the Revolutionary War. The Color Guard closed the program with a two volley Musket Salute. The Chapter is completing the preparation of a grant request to Impact 100 for financial support of the Revolutionary War Minuteman Memorial Monument for which the statue has been ordered. President Robert Canavello presented NSSAR Public Service Awards (left to right) to Pensacola Police Officer Gregory Robichaud, Escambia County EMT Daniel Jones and Escambia County Firefighter Scott



Hunsucker.

St. Augustine Chapter

Three thirteen year-old St. Augustine teens were honored for their rescue of a father and son caught in a rip tide at Vilano Beach on April 21. Jonathan Justice, son of Kent Justice, raised the alarm and directed Jimmy Partel, and Ryan Aponte toward his father and brother and went to obtain additional assistance. Partel and Aponte used skills learned at a surfing camp to pull the Justice father and son from the ocean by utilizing their surfboards.

The Medal for Heroism presentations by Mr. William Roberts, past chapter president, and Dr. Oscar Patterson III, current chapter president, on Monday May 9th were made to Jimmy Partel at a morning ceremony at Cathedral Parish School and Ryan Aponte at an afternoon ceremony at Sebastian Middle School. During the afternoon ceremony, Jonathan Justice received the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal. Jonathan is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Kent Justice. Justice is an anchorman for WJXT



L to R: Mark Miner, prospective SAR member and St. Johns County Commissioner, Sydney Spink, Billy Cubbage, Kyle Sewell, Bret Hardwick, BreAna Batemen, William Roberts, Dr. Oscar Patterson III

in Jacksonville and his son, Jacob, is a fifth grader in St. Johns County. In attendance at the afternoon ceremony was St. Johns County Commissioner, Mark Minor, and Chapter secretary, Sydney Spink.

The Medal for Heroism is presented to recognize outstanding bravery and self-sacrifice

in the face of imminent danger which involves great personal courage and risk to the recipient. The Bronze Good Citizenship Medal recognizes persons whose achievements are noteworthy in their school, community or state.

Both Cathedral Parish School and Sebastian Middle School were presented with SAR Flag Certificates at the respective ceremonies, recognizing their proper and patriotic display of the Flag of the United States.

St. Lucie River Chapter

At their April meeting, the St. Lucie River Chapter

presented to Deputy Brian Irving of the Martin County Sheriff's Department, the NSSAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal.

Deputy Irving was enthusiastically nominated for this honor by Sheriff Robert Crowder, who commented that Deputy Irving was to be commended for his over attention to the Department and the Community and his duty to both. Deputy Irving, Chaplain of the Department



is shown here receiving the medal with St. Lucie River, President Robert Donnahoo and Deputy Irving's wife Debbie.

Tampa Chapter

During the quarter, Meritorious Service Medals were presented to Compatriots Bob and Kevin Yarnell for their long and dedicated work on behalf of the chapter. Both are past presidents and have served the chapter and the community continually for many years. Bronze Color Guard Medals were presented to Alan Bell, Commander, and member Jack Bolen. The Military Service Medal was presented to Compatriot Terry Doan. A Flag Certificate was presented to Freedom Plaza in Sun City Center by President Luke Lloyd.

Compatriot Leo Kelly was presented his membership certificate and inducted as the chapter's newest member. Compatriot David McCallister was reinstated after an absence of several years. Compatriot John Skillman was presented with two supplemental certificates.

A Public Safety Award was presented at the March meeting to Hillsborough County Fire/Rescue Paramedic Mario Pitts for saving the life of one of his comrades. At the April meeting, Bronze JROTC Medals and framed certificates were presented to eleven cadets who were in attendance, accompanied by their families and a few of their instructors. Kevin Yarnell presented an inspirational program on Bishop Joseph Hurley and his long struggle to warn the world of the dangers of Nazism. At the May meeting, members heard from Joel Pineira, a veteran of four deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan. His presentation included

details of his deployments and assignments and some remarks on the emotional toll of war, particularly as it applied to younger soldiers. Brooke Wade, winner of the Knight Essay Contest, addressed the chapter.

Also at the May meeting, Kevin Yarnell was presented with a monetary gift from the members to aid in his expenses at seminary as he pursues his calling to become a Catholic Priest. Compatriots Bob Yarnell and Jack Bolen spoke of Kevin's work for the chapter dating back to 1994. In accepting the gift, Kevin offered his sincere thanks and appreciation for the remarks and generous gift. Kevin will be greatly missed by both the Tampa Chapter and the Florida Society, where he has performed the duties of Secretary for many years.

William Dunaway Chapter

A program sponsored by the William Dunaway Chapter in Marianna, was presented by retired Army First Sergeant Lonnie Segers, Instructor, and student Cadets of the Chipley High School JROTC. A very informative program on the advantages of such a



program in the school system was demonstrated to members of Jackson County Superintendent of schools, Mr. Lee Miller, Deputy Superintendent, Mr. Larry Moore

and Jackson County School Board member, Ms Charlotte Gardner at a meeting held at Jim's Buffet and Grill in Marianna, on Thursday, 3 March 2011.

A follow-up program presented to members and guests of the William Dunaway Chapter on Thursday, 7 April 2011 was presented by Mr. John Dunaway of Panama City who was a member of such a program once offered at Marianna High School several years ago. Mr. Dunaway presented pictures taken from his Year Book showing three companies of students, male and female, making up the class. Mr. Dunaway stressed that learning, confidence, reliability and self esteem are very important traits taught in a program such as the JROTC.

The William Dunaway Chapter presented these

programs in an effort to encourage the reestablishment of a JROTC program in Jackson County.

Withlacoochee Chapter

The Withlacoochee Chapter had a number of Firsts as we completed our SAR Year.

Our Eagle Scout Recipient, Anthony Pacchiarotti, moved on to State for recognition and the Chapter finalized and is ready to print the Scouting Triplet Award Certificates for use throughout the State. Additionally, a number of presentations to Scout Troops on both the Triplet and SAR Eagle Scholarship Programs were completed.

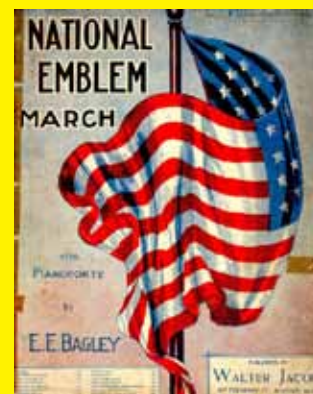
On President's Day the Chapter Color Guard and other Members joined the DAR at the Inverness, FL, Library to present "The Colors" and provide the voices of colonial contributions to the various skits performed by the DAR and other cast members.

We reached a new record with the receipt of 163, 5th Grade posters for our "Battle of Cowpens" 2011 Poster Contest. Since November, as the entry numbers grew the excitement and anticipation by chapter members grew as well.

The Chapter's first ever Bronze Good Citizenship Medal was presented to NSCC Petty Officer Second Class Devon McAvay in recognition of her dedication as Assistant Leading Petty Officer, Manatee Division, Sea Scouts.

Flag Certificates were presented to Chick-fil-A of Brooksville, FL, and to Ms Linda Downey, a single mom with two sons on active duty (both Navy Seals) who owns a sandwich shop in Crystal River and flies patriotic and military service flags on the roof of her business.

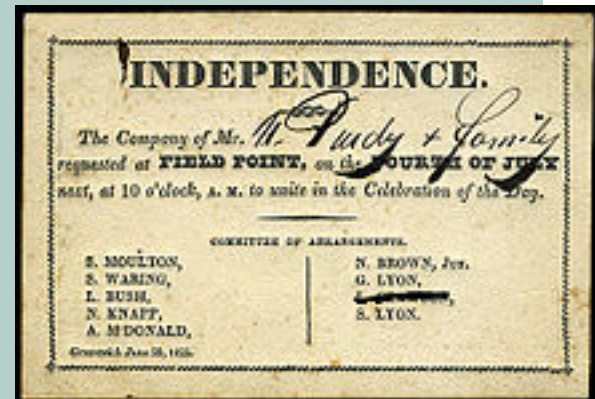
May completed the Chapter year with an Annual Banquet which included: swearing-in of new Officers; Certificate and Award to our 1st Place Elementary Schools Poster Contest Winner; and the presentation of two JROTC Scholarships to the top Cadet in Hernando and Citrus Counties.



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- Since 1912, the Rebild Society, a Danish-American friendship organization, has held a July 4th weekend festival that serves as a homecoming for Danish-Americans in the Rebild section of Denmark.
- Since 1916, Nathan's Hot Dog Eating Contest in Coney Island, Brooklyn, New York City supposedly started as a way to settle a dispute among four immigrants as to who was the most patriotic.
- Since 1959, the International Freedom Festival is jointly held in Detroit, Michigan and Windsor, Ontario during the last week of June each year as a mutual celebration of Independence Day and Canada Day (July 1). It culminates in a large fireworks display over the Detroit River.
- The famous Macy's fireworks display usually held over the East River in New York City has been televised nationwide on NBC since 1976. In 2009, the fireworks display was returned to the Hudson River for the first time since 2000 to commemorate the 400th anniversary of Henry Hudson's exploration of that river.
- The Boston Pops Orchestra has hosted a music and fireworks show over the Charles River Esplanade called the "Boston Pops Fireworks Spectacular" annually since 1973. The event was broadcast nationally from 1987 until 2002 on the A&E Network, and has aired since 2003 on CBS.
- On the Capitol lawn in Washington, D.C., "A Capitol Fourth," a free concert, precedes the fireworks and attracts over half a million people annually



Baby steps

Steve Williams, FLSSAR Secretary

It can be daunting in taking over from someone who has done a particular job for so long that everything about the job has become second nature to them. Such is the case for me taking over the State Secretary's job. While the responsibilities are many, I must keep myself from being overwhelmed by the multitude of tasks needing action. Kevin has done a superb job in providing a set of procedures which cover the various tasks: what to do, how to do it, who to send something to, and for National for color paper to print it on. Yep, special colored paper.

As the heading suggests, I need to keep focused on taking baby steps until I become as familiar with the processes (I hope!) as Kevin. Taking things one at a time and not rushing – but taking the time to do them right. It's easier to learn to do a task the right way than to unlearn a wrong way and then learn the correct way. It's certainly less confusing.

So my request to all who will be sending me requests or updates is to be patient. I'll be reading Kevin's instructions for your request to make sure I cross my I's and dot the T's. I'll try to get you an answer within 48 hours barring an avalanche of requests/updates.

BOM Proceedings

A.K.A 'Blue Book'

For the last couple of years, Kevin Yarnell has talked about the publishing of the BOM Proceedings: the timetable for receiving content, the delivery to the BOM, and the cost of publishing should his school begin to charge for his printing the Proceedings. In the current economic atmosphere, we should be pro-active in husbanding our budget resources. This breakdown is to inform our compatriots of the cost of providing this product and what some options might be. The Proceedings for the BOMs are sent to all BOM registrants (with an e-mail address) electronically for their review before and after the BOM.

Well, it has come to pass that the days of gratis printing are over. The proceedings will have to be printed at a Staples or Office Depot. Previous Proceedings have run from 35 to 57 pages. At Office Depot - To print a 43 page (double-sided), black/white, no color cover, Proceedings is \$2.58 per copy. For 40 copies, the total is \$103.20. At Staples - To print a 43 page (double-sided), black/white, no color cover, Proceedings is \$3.42 per copy. For 40 copies, the total is \$137.00.

What are the options? We can absorb the \$103.20 - \$137.00 expense into the BOM budget. Or, have those compatriots who need a hardcopy add the cost to their registration form. For those chapters that archive a hardcopy for their records, they might print out a copy for that purpose.

Other organizations for meetings, conferences, seminars, symposia, etc typically charge attendees for hardcopies of Proceedings.

Register
for the Summer
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Summer BOM Workshop Sessions

Chapter Secretary

Session will be on Friday afternoon.

Major Topic covered is the Annual report from chapter to the State Secretary for National Reconciliation report. Discussion of documents to be received by chapter from state secretary and the filling in of the report by chapter and returning it with dues to state secretary by posted deadline.

Who should attend: At a minimum the chapter secretary or such designated responsible compatriot. Additionally, any other chapter officer might consider attending.

Session lead by State Secretary, Steve Williams

Chapter Finances

Session will be on Friday afternoon.

Topics covered include ETF reimbursement, Committee Chairs and budgeting, what is necessary to open a checking account under the new laws that have been passed, getting a EIN Number from the IRS, getting a certificate of tax exemption, what the rules are for solicitation and what we have done to cover all the chapters under one umbrella, filing tax returns, 990 N etc.

Who should attend: At a minimum the chapter treasurer or such designated responsible compatriot. Additionally, any other chapter officer might consider attending.

Session lead by State Tresurer, Hall Riediger.



2011 Spring BOM & Annual Meeting Minutes

The Board of Management of the Florida Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (FLSSAR) held its spring meeting in the Ramada Gateway Hotel, Kissimmee, Florida May 13-14, 2011. President Gerry Meeks presided.

President Meeks called the meeting to order at 3 p.m. May 13. The invocation was offered by Chaplain Randy Moody, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, the Pledge to the SAR and recitation of the American Creed. Officers of the National Society of the SAR were introduced and invited to speak. Compatriot Phillip B. Carr, National Trustee from Florida, reported that he was unable to attend the March Leadership Meeting but that Compatriot Lindsey Brock would report on Registrar status and concerns. Past Presidents General Rowland Downing and Carl Hoffman were recognized.

The minutes of the winter 2011 meeting were approved by voice vote. FLSSAR officers and committee chairs presented their reports as contained in the reports booklet. President Meeks interrupted the presentation to recognize NSSAR President General J. David Sympton (who has just arrived); Compatriot Sympton deferred his remarks until later, and the Officers' reports continued. Chaplain Moody announced that the Memorial Service is scheduled for 9 a.m. May 14 and encouraged attendance. Compatriot Hall Riediger, Finance Committee Chair, described the Florida-provided solicitation form which will be shared when available with Chapters which must be used when soliciting funds. Compatriot Downing was invited to speak when the Advancing America's Heritage report was presented, but he deferred until the Annual Meeting May 14. Compatriot Yarnell noted that the Florida Society may have about 30 delegates to the NSSAR Congress, and 10 are presently registered – interested members should contact Charles Riegle who is assuming credentialing responsibilities. Compatriot Lindsey Brock III noted the use of CAR and SAR Junior Members as aides at the 2011 NSSAR Congress. Compatriot Frank X. Hodalski reported successful and appreciated participation in the History Fair and thanked the Tallahassee Chapter for their efforts. Compatriots Moody and Meeks urged members at the NSSAR Congress to attend the contest in July.

Compatriot Hodalski urged participation in the Support the Troops activity, and several members reported verbally on local efforts.

Trust Funds reports were presented and discussed by Compatriot Ted Duay III. He responded to a question about rings purchased by NSSAR in 2010 with museum funds for sale to Presidents General (10 rings at a cost of about \$16,000) – should investment funds be used to place these in inventory?

President Meeks asked for unfinished or new business. Compatriot Richard E. Friberg appealed for World War II veteran members to register with the SAR World War II Corps. They will be awarded a certificate of appreciation for this service. He offered sign-up forms.

Compatriot Sympton supported the appeal, and offered extended remarks on the status of several other NSSAR programs. He stressed the need for more genealogists to review applications, and the need to streamline the process. He has offered steps to improve the process including better technology and an additional staff person. The backlog of applications is diminishing. One reason for the backlog was the large number submitted to beat the increase in fees. There have been delays in getting telephone numbers moved and in setting up in the new location. Too many applications are received “not review ready” and have spent extra time to fill in the gaps – something we perhaps should not continue. Genealogical standards are being codified.

Compatriot Sympton urged more persistent recruiting efforts. We are staying nearly even – those who join are replacing those who “drop out” – we need to gain more applicants! A retention committee is working on a strategy. We need to involve members during their first two years in the Chapter – most drop-out occurs in the third year. There will be a web site to highlight retention. He noted that \$180,000 has been donated to refurbish the façade of the Center. He stated that the NSSAR store has new staff and is providing better service. The security issue with credit card use has been resolved.

Several members discussed the need for adjustment of the date application approval causes the dues

The American Revolution

Ben DuBose

Reprint of one article from a series on the American Revolution, by Ben DuBose first published in THE GUIDE by Marketeer Publications, Brooklyn, NY, 1994

If it meant money, New York was the place to be! England had the goose that laid the golden egg, and if you twisted its neck a little, it would lay a few more. That seemed to be the attitude of the English Parliament.

Slowly, those sparks of Revolution became a fire, and as it roared, war was on the horizon.

Driven from Boston, The British prepared to attack New York. Their sole aim appeared to be the possession of New York City and the Hudson River, making them the basis of military operations. Lord Howe appeared on the coast of Staten Island with what has been described as a *'forrest of men-of-war and transports'* bearing 30,000 men – Hessians, British, and Waldeckers. From July 1 through August 22, 1776, the fleet grew and the American troops were digging in along the shores.



On the British side were 40,000 well-equipped soldiers, plenty of artillery and the knowledge that they had amassed the world's strongest army. On the American side, between 17,000 and 18,000 men stretched across Westchester, the Bronx, Queens, Brooklyn, and Manhattan. At any given moment, 4,000 of those troops were either sick, returning to their homes, or had no muskets to fight with. In addition, the population of Brooklyn, Queens, and Staten Island was evenly divided in loyalty. Those who were loyal to the British carried pieces of red material to tie around their arms, and were nicknamed *"red rag men."*

Those on Staten Island siding with Washington were spying on the British and bringing the information over in small boats after the sun had set. Everyone knew there was to be a battle, and everyone was doing their part. One British officer penned the following note home: "We are now in expectation of attacking the fellows very soon, and if I may be allowed to judge, there never was an army in better spirits or in better health."

On the morning of August 22, 1776, the English began moving across the Narrows, and by mid-morning, 4,000 troops and 40 cannons had been positioned at Denyse Ferry Warf. Another landing was made at Gravesend and by noon, between 15,000 and 20,000 troops were prepared to fight. More troops came on the 27th at Canarsie landing. It was decided that Clinton would move up to Jamaica Pass from Canarsie and outflank Washington's men on the left.



And so it began: On August 27, 1776, the first major battle of the American Revolution was about to be fought right in Brooklyn. Thousands of British marched up 3rd Avenue to 36th Street. The hills of Green-Wood (cemetery) to their right, the water to their left. In front of them was General Stirling and a few hundred untried troops.

The British held to their regular battle formation, forming long red lines of targets. The Americans hid behind trees, structures, or anything that could protect them from the volleys being fired at them. At the same time, a battle was taking place on Prospect Heights, and Clinton was pushing his men along Jamaica Pass. Just before noon, a full-fledged attack was made on all fronts and, as planned, Clinton caught Washington by surprise on the left flank. The American ranks had broken and the British



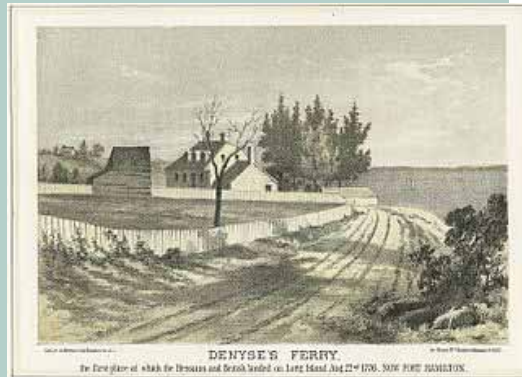
were in command.

Howe halted the attack by late afternoon and regrouped his men at the southern end of Prospect Park. Washington and his men were at the northern end. Luck and Mother Nature were on Washington's side. That night it began to rain, and a wet 'flint-lock' musket cannot fire. On the 28th, a thick fog and very heavy mist kept the guns quiet throughout the day. That night, under cover of darkness, Washington slowly

moved his rag-tag men out of their encampment. With the help of patriots, the entire army was floated over to Manhattan and then to the shores of New Jersey. It is reported that although he was repeatedly urged to leave, Washington refused to get into a boat until the last man was safe. This retreat, and the moving of thousands of men in silence and darkness, has been praised by historians, but was the butt of many a joke at the time.

The war raged on for seven long years and it is interesting to note that the English left the way they started, from Denyse Ferry Landing to the waiting ships off the shores of Staten Island. Although there is no official record of the last shot fired, many believe it was from the shores of Staten Island.

Reprint of NY, 1994



National Update

The SAR Genealogical Research Library has exciting scheduling and programming news to share with your Society members! During the summer months of June, July, and August, the library's schedule will change to Tuesday-Saturday 9:30 am - 4:30 pm. This change is designed to allow additional patrons access to the library, especially those that work during the weekdays. Each summer month the library will be presenting a Genealogy 101 class from 9:30 am -10:30 am with independent research available afterward. These dates are June 4, July 9, and August 6, 2011. Individuals that attend the seminar receive free access to the library the remainder of the day. The SAR Genealogical Research Library is excited to be able to offer alternate summer hours and genealogy programming to its members and the public at large.

After a two and a half month absence, the ANSSAR Merchandise Store is back online. The Store can be found at <http://store.sar.org>, or by going to the "Compatriots" tab on www.sar.org, and then selecting SAR Store found at the bottom of the list. The "new" store went online Sunday May 15th, and has been operational since. The "new" store has several improvements, and will make life easier for our members. One of the new features allows you to search www.sar.org for a product by title or



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MATCH THE QUOTES

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So. How well did you do?

9 right = A history major, right?

7-8 right = You've been listening during the last century

5-6 right = You almost watched the evening news.

3-4 right = You know the names but not what they said.

2 and less = Too Bad

SKU# and find it on the store website. One of the biggest new benefits of the “new” store is the use of a single set of login credentials. If you have a user account on www.sar.org, you can (and should) use that to login at the store at check out. You will no longer have to remember a separate set of login credentials for the 2 different websites (<http://store.sar.org> and www.sar.org). If you did have a set of login credentials for the old store site (prior to March 2011) those will no longer function, and you should “throw them out”.

Please take the time to stop by the new store (<http://store.sar.org>), and browse around. Please let your local State Society and Chapter members know that the online store is back in Business. You can once again use your credit cards for purchases. If you have any issues, comments or questions please feel free to contact the Webmaster (sarwebmaster@sar.org).



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to be for the succeeding year. Some wondered whether a pro-rating system should be used, rather than a November 1 cut-off date.

President Meeks stated that the meeting will be in recess until May 14. Members then stood and recited the SAR Recessional, followed by a benediction offered by Chaplain Moody.

President Meeks called the reconvened meeting to order at 2 p.m. May 14. The invocation was offered by Chaplain Randy Moody, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, the Pledge to the SAR and recitation of the American Creed.

President Meeks then recognized for reports any chairman who was not present at the Friday session. Compatriot Steve Williams reported on the cost of printing and mailing the Society magazine. He moved the recommendation in his report as editor, that members with email addresses receive the magazine electronically rather than by postal mail, except where they specifically request a “hard copy.” The motion received a second. After extensive discussion, the motion failed on a show of hands vote.

President Meeks called up the matters pertaining to the NSSAR referred to BOM for action by the Executive Board. Discussion followed. The recommendations were seconded and received a strong affirmative vote.

Compatriot Yarnell then presented Executive Board recommendation that the request by the Saramantha Chapter for BOM authorization of one-time consideration by the Endowment Trust Fund of reimbursement of its extraordinary expenses be approved. There was extensive discussion. Compatriot Carl Hoffman moved a substitute motion - that the matter be referred to the BOM at its August, 2011 meeting; this motion was seconded. Compatriot Frank Hodalski explained the Saramantha Chapter request, now

a motion before the meeting, noting that the motion would authorize the Endowment Trust Fund to consider the request for this single reimbursement in excess of its \$350 per request rule, and would not require approval by the Fund. There was extensive discussion of parliamentary procedure and of the substitute motion. Compatriot Hodalski advised the President to rule out of order an amendment which had been offered concerning use of general Society funds to respond to the Saramantha Chapter request. The President so ruled. Compatriot Hoffman and his second withdrew the substitute motion, so that the main motion – the recommendation of the Executive Board – again came before the BOM. The motion was adopted by a more than two to one vote, with all members of the Trust Fund abstaining. Compatriot Albert Myers asked if the Trustees had the legal authority to act on the Saramantha Chapter request since it violates the Trust rules. The Trust Fund chairman opined that this would require careful consideration.

Formal business having been concluded, the immediate past President of the Naples Chapter requested opportunity to address the BOM. He spoke fervently on the theme of patriotism, calling for education of the meaning of “republic.” He moved that the definition of “republic” be placed at the head of the page immediately inside the book of reports for each BOM meeting. His motion was seconded and adopted without opposition.

Compatriot Yarnell asked that those entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting, due to convene shortly, sign in with him upon adjournment and receive a ballot for voting on the proposed By-Law amendments.

Compatriot Myers asked that the BOM meeting schedule avoid the “love bug” season. April or late

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Campaign for New Generations

CONFIDENTIAL PLEDGE COMMITMENT

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I/We pledge to support the Sons of the American Revolution Foundation and the Center for Advancing America's Heritage Campaign.

I/We pledge my total gift of: \$ _____

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Pledge will be payable over (check one): 1 2 3 4 5 years

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- Gift of Stock *Please contact us at 502-589-1776 for stock information and instructions.*
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THE CENTER FOR ADVANCING AMERICA'S HERITAGE ADVANCE: CAMPAIGN FOR NEW GENERATIONS

FACT SHEET

-  The Sons of the American Revolution is an historical, educational and patriotic organization formed in 1889 to preserve the stories of our patriot ancestors' struggle against tyranny and the principles upon which our country was founded. The SAR has over 28,000 members today, all of whom trace their ancestry to the Revolutionary War era. The SAR's national headquarters are in Louisville, KY.
-  The SAR seeks to help fill the ever-increasing gap in history and civics education within our school systems through its newly formed *The Center for Advancing America's Heritage*. Since the 1960's the American education system has consistently reduced the amount of time spent on social studies and history in the classroom. This trend affects our ability to teach our children the stories of our past to better understand the issues of today. The Center will provide educational programs to school children from local and surrounding school systems through permanent and traveling exhibits and in outreach education programs distributed to SAR Chapters across the country.
-  The Center will provide expanded space for permanent and traveling exhibits, speakers, workshops, summer camps and school programs, plus improved conditions for its internationally acclaimed genealogical library as well as more efficient space for administrative and programming offices.
-  To further its goal of expanded services, The SAR has purchased an historic 1840's era building on Louisville's West Main Street, a Cultural District known for its second largest collection of iron-front façade buildings in the country (second only to SoHo in New York). Plans to renovate and furnish the 40,000 square foot historic site include an open gallery atrium and inviting reception area. The SAR National Headquarters will be located on the second floor. The Genealogical Library will be a significant part of the west wing and a rooftop garden will overlook the majestic Ohio River.
-  Along with the general public and school groups, key users are expected to be scholars, historians, authors, teachers, students, families and individuals who are interested in researching and learning more about our country's beginnings and the principles upon which it was founded.
-  To fund The Center's renovation, SAR members, private foundations, corporations, businesses, local, state and federal grants, community leadership and the public-at-large will all be invited to participate in *ADVANCE: Campaign for New Generations*.
-  To help fund The Center's operations while making The Center as accessible and affordable for the public as possible, a market based general admission fee will be considered. Additional fees for traveling exhibits and special programming may be assessed. The genealogical library is free to SAR members and some affinity organizations with a nominal research fee for others. In addition, income will be derived from The Center's full range of activities including a café, gift shop, rental fees and fees for special programs. An endowment fund will be established and ongoing fundraising will be conducted.
-  Based upon traffic generated along Louisville's historic West Main Street and the activity generated at other attractions located along that corridor, it is projected that The Center could attract as many as 100,000 visitors in its first full year.
-  There are no other cultural attractions like The Center for Advancing America's Heritage near Louisville, KY. The location for The Center is easily accessible by three major interstates, 71, 65 and 64, and sits within a day's drive of more than half the population of the United States. This new Center will add another jewel to Louisville's tourism crown and strengthen the economic development of the downtown cultural district.
-  The Center's construction schedule is dependent on available and pledged funds. The projected schedule has the building ready for occupation as early as the first of 2011. The hours of operation are still to be determined, but will certainly be compatible with other activity and traffic along the West Main Street corridor.

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May might do this for the spring meeting. President Meeks said, "I turn this over to the new administration." Laughter ensued.

Compatriot Hodalski asked that the President receive a standing ovation for his service to the Society. This occurred with enthusiasm. President Meeks then asked for and received a motion to adjourn, which was supported and approved. The Recessional and Benediction followed, and the spring meeting of BOM adjourned.

The annual meeting of the Florida Society of the Sons of the American Revolution convened Saturday, May 14, 2011 in the Ramada Hotel Gateway, Kissimmee, Florida. President Meeks called the meeting to order. He recognized dignitaries and asked first time attendees to self-introduce. Secretary Yarnell stated that a quorum was present. The Minutes of the January, 2011 meeting were approved by acclamation. The proposed changes to the Society By-Laws were read. Following discussion, members marked provided paper ballots voting on the proposals. President Meeks appointed tellers who collected the ballots and retired to count the votes.

The 2011 NSSAR Congress planning chair was introduced and spoke of the opportunities and benefits of participating in the Congress in Winston-Salem, NC. Others make comments.

President Meeks asked for the Nominating Committee's report. The nominations were read and the nominees were elected by acclamation.

President Meeks called for reports which were "skipped over" previously. Compatriot Ben DuBose reported on the Cape Canaveral event in March and thanked Chapters which participated.

The tellers returned and reported the votes, proposal by proposal. Each was adopted by large majorities, although there were scattered negative votes and abstentions. President Meeks declared the proposed By-Laws changes adopted and thanked the tellers.

President Meeks invited Compatriot Roland Downing to speak about the Center for Advancing American Heritage; he described the history of the Center and its importance, current status and need for further support. He responded to questions following his remarks. President General Simpson also spoke about the Center. There was extended discussion concerning citizenship

and public school education of American history. Compatriot Ron Toops spoke of his advocacy within the system for expanded coverage of American history in the curriculum.

President Meeks requested nominations for NS-SAR Trustee and Alternate Trustee. President Meeks was nominated Trustee and Compatriot Phil Carr Alternate Trustee. There were no other nominations. They were declared elected.

Peace Officers Memorial Day was announced (May 15) with urging to observe it.

There was discussion about the proposal that former Presidents Generals Roland Downing and Carl Hoffman be nominated Trustees as Florida residents. It was resolved that they be nominated for election at the NSSAR Congress.

President Meeks invited all officers, including those newly elected, and wives, for breakfast at 8:30 a.m. May 15. He thanked those who provided assistance to him during his presidency. Chaplain Moody then closed the meeting with a prayer.



**DUES ! DUES !
MORE DUES !**

Compatriots, do we have your attention? In the coming months you should be receiving a dues notice from your chapter for your 2012 dues for National, State, and Chapter dues. If you don't receive a notice, contact your chapter secretary or treasurer.

Why is this important? Each chapter is required to submit by December an annual report to the state secretary listing the dues status of all members (paid/dropped) along with a check for their members' dues. All chapter Annual Reports must be submitted to the state secretary on time to ensure that the state's Annual Report is complete and accurate and to allow time to resolve any dues issues. The state Annual Report is due to National in January. Any chapter not paying their members' dues will cause this consequence - **all chapter members will be dropped from national membership.** Reinstatements will not be processed by National until *their* annual reconciliation is complete - this year that was May. We cannot afford to have you dropped for lack of dues payment.

Patriot Medal

The Patriot Medal is awarded only by a state society. It is the highest award given for service at the state or chapter level. This medal is presented only to individuals and may be received ONLY once. It represents long, faithful and outstanding service at the state and/or chapter level. Service at the national level cannot be considered in making the award.

The Florida Society awarded the first Patriot Medal in 1964 to a member of the Jacksonville Chapter: Philip Coleman. In 1965, Jack Coleman became the second Florida Patriot Medal recipient. During the first five years, only four awards were made. In 1970, President General-to-be Carl Hoffman became the sixth Patriot of the Florida Society. In nearly a half-century, a total of one hundred sixty-nine awards have been made.

The medal is sterling silver and bears the portrait of Compatriot General of the Army Douglas MacArthur. The design for the medal was selected by Compatriot MacArthur. He received the first medal, presented posthumously at his tomb in Norfolk, Virginia, on October 19, 1964, where it is on permanent display. State societies with 500 to 1000 members may present two medals each calendar year. State societies with over 1000 members may present one medal for each 500 members.

The following Florida Society compatriots received the Patriot Medal at the Spring and Annual Meeting in May 14, 2011: Steven Williams, Nelson Jantzen, and Philip Tarpley.

Meritorious Service Medal

The Meritorious Service Medal, authorized in 1980, may be awarded to SAR members who have rendered long, faithful and meritorious service to their chapter, state society, district, or to the National Society. This medal may be awarded by the National Society, a district, a state society, or a chapter and is awarded for lesser services than would merit the Patriot Medal. It may be awarded to an individual once by the National Society, a district, a state society or a chapter.

President Gerry Meeks Awarded three Meritorious Service Medals to the following Florida Compatriots at the Spring BOM & Annual Meeting on May 13, 2011: Rev Dr Randy Moody, Chaplain; Hall Riediger, Treasurer; and Steve Williams, Editor.

FLSSAR Member Receives the NSDAR Historic Preservation

Recognition Award

The Choctawhatchee Bay Chapter, National Society Daughters of The American Revolution recently presented Florida Society Compatriot Martin Burdick, Col, USAF (Ret), with the NSDAR Historical Preservation Recognition Award. Compatriot Burdick performed a key role in the preservation of the remains of the historic Bradford-Perley house near Littleton, Colorado, and was instrumental in getting the structure placed on the Colorado State Historical Register.

This Western Frontier site was once the home of Major R.B. Bradford, who constructed the building near

New members

New members from 3/15/2011 to 5/13/2011

First	Last	Chapter	Membership Status
David	Albright	Clearwater	Regular
John	Benson	Saramana	Regular
William	Bolin, Jr.	Clearwater	Regular
William	Bolin, Sr.	Clearwater	Regular
Nikolaas	Bowers-Mimms	Pensacola	Junior
Colton	Cook	Lake City	Youth
Tanner	Cook	Lake City	Youth
Rowan	Corbit	Lake City	Regular
Chris	Corbitt	Lake City	Regular
Jimmie	Corbitt	Lake City	Regular
Kyle	Corbitt	Lake City	Regular
Vincent	Corbitt	Lake City	Regular
Wilbur	Corbitt	Lake City	Regular
Alfred	Cormier	Naples	Regular
James	Coup	Lake-Sumter	Regular
Glenn	Cremeans	Ocala	Regular
Donald	Crouse, II	Brevard	Regular
Donald	Crouse, III	Brevard	Regular
Robert	DeHart	Lake-Sumter	Regular
Dylan	Dutton	Highlands	Youth
James	Echlin	Withlacoochee	Regular
Duane	Finch, Sr.	Withlacoochee	Regular
John	Fitzpatrick	Saramana	Regular
Herbert	Flanders	Saramana	Regular
James	Fleming	Saramana	Regular
James	Foss, III	Pensacola	Regular
Jack	Fox	Central Florida	Regular
Jerome	Halstead	Clearwater	Regular
Ralph	Hayes	Clearwater	Regular
Charles	Hendrix	Gainesville	Regular
Timothy	Holmes, Jr.	Highlands	Youth
Ronald	Irons	Withlacoochee	Regular
Clyde	Johnson	Withlacoochee	Regular
Michael	Johnson	Daytona-Ormond	Regular
Leo	Kelly, Jr.	Tampa	Regular
Joseph	Kennedy	Caloosa	Junior
Earl	Kennedy, II	Caloosa	Regular
Richard	Lane	Central Florida	Regular
Robert	Lanier	Central Florida	Regular
Roy	Lee	Pensacola	Junior
Gary	Lee, Jr.	Pensacola	Junior
Russell	Lewandowski	Withlacoochee	Regular
Edward	Liebler	Miami	Regular

Matthew	Liebler	Miami	Regular
Michael	Liebler	Miami	Regular
Charles	Millican, III	Lake City	Regular
Edwin	Moody	Caloosa	Regular
Lucas	Moody	Caloosa	Regular
Caleb	Palmer	Highlands	Youth
Luke	Peterson	Gainesville	Junior
William	Peterson	Gainesville	Junior
charles	Phillips	Clearwater	Regular
Ereelin	Phillips, III	Clearwater	Regular
James	Phillips, Jr.	Clearwater	Regular
J.	Porter	Palm Beach	Regular
Hunter	Rodgers	Lake City	Regular
Allen	Roger	Lakeland	Regular
Gary	Ruderman	Ft. Lauderdale	Regular
Gary	Ruderman, II	Ft. Lauderdale	Junior
Leonard	Shurtleff	Gainesville	Regular
Anthony	St. Dennis	Gainesville	Regular
Douglas	Watkins	Clearwater	Regular
Montgomery	Watkins	Clearwater	Regular
Keith	White	Pensacola	Regular
Edward	Wood, Jr.	William Dunaway	Regular

A Note from the President General

"Gerry, Evelyn and I wish to express our gratitude for the hospitality extended during the Florida Society Annual Meeting. Thank you for the thoughtful gift, the book will be a valuable reference source. I have already enjoyed browsing through its information.

Please relay our regards to all our FLSSAR friends Many thanks for your friendship, David (David Simpson, President General, NSSAR)"

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The Bradford-Perley house in earlier days



the minefields southwest of Denver in 1859 and owned it until his death in 1876. After a succession of owners, the house was eventually purchased by Mr. John Shaffer, owner of the *Rocky Mountain News*. Shaffer named the area the *Ken Caryl Ranch* and used the old house for parties and for storage, entertaining such notables as President William Howard Taft, President Theodore Roosevelt, Will Rogers and others. Once used for the recruitment of troops for the Civil War, it was mainly used as a private residence throughout the years. The eighteen inches thick walls of the house were constructed of huge cut stones. In the 1960's the wooden part of the house burned, leaving only the stone walls.

Compatriot Burdick, who is now a Florida resident and member of the Emerald Coast Chapter, moved to the *Ken Caryl Ranch* (currently a residential area), Littleton, Colorado. Seeing a need for preserving the historic Bradford-Perley house, he reorganized the inactive Ken Caryl Ranch Historical Committee in 1994. He worked with the Colorado State Historical Preservation Office, learning the state requirements for preservation of historical structures, taking classes on grant writing and eventually helped prepare the grant requests for funds to preserve the house.



Compatriot Martin Burdick receiving the NSDAR Historical Preservation Recognition Award from Mrs. Dotty Burdick, Regent of the Choctawhatchee Bay Chapter, NSDAR.

As money for preservation projects became available from a variety of sources, Martin worked with contractors and architects and also with Colorado School of Mines and Metro State College professors who provided many student hours of work on drainage and other preservation projects.

The culmination of Col. Burdick's efforts came when he prepared and submitted a request to place the building on the Colorado State Historical Register. His request was approved and the preservation project became qualified for matching State Historical Preservation Fund grants.

Thanks to the good work by Col. Burdick, this historic site is now preserved for future generations and is available for many tours throughout the year.

Book - from page 5

'discovered' but instead *Settled* by Europeans (Natives were already here). 'Discovery' means that no one else knew of it. This is hardly the case because the continent was already populated.

Furthermore, Europeans had long known of this continent. English and Dutch fishing boats plied the coast for decades and had many interactions with the native population.

These bits of American history are examples of the information that will upset many applecarts of American Historical legends. Get it and be amazed by our real history.

Upcoming NSSAR Events

121st Annual Congress

July 9-13, 2011
Marriott, Winston-Salem, NC

Fall 2011 Leadership Meeting

September 30 to October 1, 2011
Louisville, KY

Upcoming FLSSAR Events

Summer 2011 BOM

August 26-27, 2011

Fall 2011 BOM

October 14-15, 2011

Winter 2012 BOM

January 27-28, 2012

Last Naval Battle ceremony at Port Canaveral

March 3, 2012

FSSDAR Annual Meeting at Disney Hilton

March 15-18, 2012

Spring 2012 BOM & Annual Meeting

May 4 - 6, 2012

Summer 2011

BOM

Kissimmee, FL : August 26-27, 2011

Committee Reports are due by Sunday August 19th.

RAMADA HOTEL GATEWAY KISSIMMEE

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

Kissimmee, FL 34747

Phone: 800 327-9170 or 407 396-4400

NOTE: ABOVE PHONES ARE THE ONES TO USE.

They connect directly to hotel.

Fax: 407-396-4320

Check in time - 4:00 pm, Check out time - 11:00 am

Make room reservations directly with Ramada

Room Rates: The tower plaza rooms are \$65.00, except the suites which will remain at \$99.00 and the non-tower plaza rooms are \$55.00. This is a reduction of \$10.00 in two room rates.- Plus current 13% tax. Please specify "Florida Sons of the American Revolution" to get the special rate. 55 rooms have been blocked.

All Rooms will be held until 10 days before BOM. After that, rooms will be "if available" and with FLSSAR price.

Rooms may be upgraded to larger rooms in the Tower Plaza. The hotel is pleased to extend to SAR the above group room rates for the period plus or minus 5 days of the actual meeting date to allow for early arrivals and stayovers.

Summer BOM Meeting Activities

Executive Committee Meeting (Friday 1 pm)

Regional VP Meeting (Friday 2:15 pm)

Chapter Secretary session

Chapter Finances session

BOM Session (Friday 3:15 pm)

Friday Banquet

BOM Session (Saturday am)



FLORIDA SOCIETY
 SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
REGISTRATION FORM


Summer BOM Meeting August 26 - 27, 2011
 Ramada Plaza & Gateway Inn, 7470 Highway 192 West, Kissimmee, FL

Name: _____ Chapter: _____

E-mail Address for confirmation reply _____ @ _____

Phone No: _____ Guest/Spouse will attend Ladies Breakfast

Guest(s) Name: _____

BOM Voting Authority (Article II, Section I, FLSSAR Bylaws (**Select only ONE**)): 

- FLSSAR Officer _____ Incumbent/Past NSSAR Officer
- FLSSAR Committee Chair _____ Patriot Medal
- Past FLSSAR President FL National Trustee
- Chapter - President Past President Delegate*

** Delegate names must be submitted to FLSSAR Secretary prior to BOM*

A member of the BOM who is unable to attend a meeting may name, in writing, have another member of the FLSSAR to attend and act in his stead; provided, however, that no person may have more than one vote.

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone No: _____

I **require** a Hardcopy of the BOM Proceedings ("Blue Book") -- I have and **will use** my own Tag Name 

Events	Choice of Meals	Price	Member	Guest	Amount
August 26 th - Friday Banquet	Stuffed Roast Pork Tenderloin Au Jus OR	\$27.00	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
	Vegetable Lasagna	\$27.00	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
	SELECT ONE Dessert Choice - Carrot Cake	NC	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	NC
	Dessert Choice - No-Sugar Dessert	NC	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	NC
	Registration Fee - SAR Members Only	\$10.00	1		\$ 10.00
	Total				\$ <input type="text"/>

The above meals include: Beverage, Salad, Rolls and Dessert.

When you arrive, please **check in** at the Registration table to
collect your Meal Ticket and to
SIGN UP FOR A TABLE. 

MEAL RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE August 22, 2010

If mail your registration via USPS and do NOT receive a confirmation via e-mail (you must list an e-mail address) within 4 days of mailing, call 941-497-2704. If you register by e-mail and do NOT receive a confirmation via e-mail within 1 day of sending message, call 941-497-2704.

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

Send your check (*payable* to "Treasurer FLSSAR") to:

FLSSAR Meetings Arrangements Committee

% Phillip H. Tarpley
 4303 Via Del Villetti
 Venice FL 34293-7061

Phone: 941-497-2704

email: mp18pht@verizon.net

New: TFP June 30, 2011



Saturday BOM meeting session

Saturday night Installation Banquet crowd.



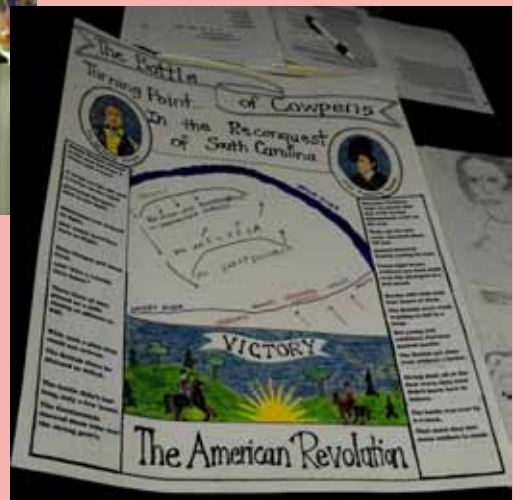
SAR President General David Sympson addresses the gathering at the Saturday Night banquet.

Are you eligible?



Do you have a Revolutionary Patriot in your family tree? Membership in the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) honors and preserves the legacy of your Patriot ancestor. Over two hundred years ago, American Patriots fought and sacrificed for the freedoms we enjoy today. As a member of SAR, through participation in the Society's various programs and activities, you can continue this legacy by actively supporting historic preservation, promotion of education, and patriotic endeavors. For membership information go to <http://www.fssar.org/Helper.htm>.

SPRING BOM



ANNUAL MEETING



The Florida Patriot

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or to **Patriot Spotlight**, 3403 Caraway St., Cocoa, FL 32926

Visit the Florida Society Website at <http://www.flssar.org/>



2011 Florida Society Officers: (l-r) **Front**- Carl Hoffman, Chancellor; Harold Crapo, Member-at-large / Historian; David Ramseur, President; Philip Tarpley, Sr VP; Rev Dr Randy Moody, Chaplain; Nelson Jantzen, WC RVP. **Back** - Clarence Barrett, Sgt-at-arms; Victor McMurray, SW-RVP; Hall Riediger, Treasurer; Theodore Duay III, Genealogist; Edward Young, NW-RVP; Gerry Meeks, Past President; Steve Williams, Secretary/Editor; Ray Lantz, Registrar.