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The Editor of the Florida Patriot actively seeks manuscripts and articles for publication. Suitable topics are articles about the state and local SAR, their activities, and members. Articles should be approximately 100 to 500 words and photos should be included when possible. All submissions will be printed in a timely manner. Chapter News submissions should be 150 to 200 words; single photo size should be at least 600x600 pixels. Other article submission should be original material or submit other author's articles with publication releases accompanying the submission.

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Society President's Message

Compatriots,

Some observations appear to catch the truth of things. From our perspective, Henry IV of England sagely uttered that, "Patriotism must be founded on great principals and supported by great virtue." When we consider our foundational documents (i.e., The Declaration of Independence, The Articles of Confederation, The Constitution, The Bill of Rights, etc.), our forefathers held these truths to be "self-evident." We, as a country, are founded on great principles as can be read in our underlying formational beliefs. However, if they are not taught to succeeding generations, they may need to relearn the ideas that have been perpetuated within our educational system. This has become a vital challenge to the country, today.

It is incumbent for organizations like the Sons of the American Revolution to keep this knowledge alive and pass it along to those who come after us. During the past 125 years, the FLSSAR has grown in strength and understanding of the value these principles hold for us and the following generations. We have come to embrace our belief in education, history, and patriotism. These ideas come to identify us as a group that is serious about our principles because we are action oriented. Many of our programs support this core understanding by fostering a deeper-seated growth in responsible citizenship within ourselves, within our compatriots, and within our families and the larger community.

However, we can do more by serving on our several committees that are designed to make an impact on our local populations, the State of Florida and the entire country, if not the world. We have many excellent volunteers, but we could do so much more if everyone who is able, pitches in and makes a little effort to ensure the success of our endeavors. Our youth programs especially need your involvement in recruiting youth for our programs, including identifying American history teachers whom we could recognize. Contact the committee members to find out what is needed and what you are personally able to do. If you are called upon to offer your services, knowledge, and expertise; get involved. We will all benefit.

This year we will strive to rekindle our efforts with the Florida Department of Education and the Governor's office. As you may recall, we had developed a meaningful association with these entities which allowed us to be involved in the selection of textbooks concerning the American Revolution. Additionally, we were poised to assist in the development of curricula for the schools that involved classes that contained teaching of the Colonial Period. However, our participation became disrupted earlier in the year because of the health situation. We will endeavor to reconstitute our successes.

We are accumulating information to make application to the NSSAR Historic Sites Committee to have the Battle of Alligator Bridge recognized as an NSSAR Historic Site. That would give us four sites in the State with one more to assess, potentially. Even though we are called the 14th and 15th colonies, we had an important part to play in the American Revolution as Dr. Roger Smith so aptly writes.

This year will pass quickly – too quickly. But one major project that will continue is the planning for the 133rd Congress in Orlando, FL in 2023. As the FLSSAR Host Planning Chairman, there will be continuity between my two roles until the termination of a successful event. Much has been done and there is still more to do. A few challenges are being



What is an E-Book?

The Florida Society SAR has created and continuing to add to a new, for us, type of publication - an e-Book. The electronic Book, or e-Book, contains articles and content concerning specific subject matter. We have created two e-Books. One based around the military experiences of our Florida compatriots in whichever field of military life they experienced be it WWII, the Korean Conflict, Vietnam, or later conflicts. The second is centered on Genealogical and Historical subject matter. It might be information on historical artifacts or people and battles in the Revolutionary War, or genealogical analysis or research reports.

Take advantage of these e-Books and spend a few minutes reading their stories or reports. They can be found on the Florida Website at <http://flssar.org/Forms.htm>.

Calling All Color Guardsmen!

Here's a chance to strut your stuff by attending the BOM wearing your colorful attire, be it a Military uniform, militia outfit, or civilian clothing. If you haven't started marching with the Florida Brigade and have earned your Bronze Color Guard medal, do so starting this year! Show the dashing side to your personality by joining the other members of the Florida Brigade as they present the colors at the banquet. Staying for the banquet is optional, but it is more fun to mingle with the ordinarily dressed folks.

met, mostly due to the current health situation. Some vendors are unsure of the future, but most are confident enough to work with us in our planning needs. The results can be found in the Congress Planning Committee report found elsewhere in the Fall BOM Proceedings.

Bernard W. Wolff, MPdA

President, 2021-2022

Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution

Society Secretary's Report

By Scott Breckenridge

FLSSAR membership total (as of 8/1/2021) is 2,315, including Youth and Dual members.

In mid-September, I will be sending all information necessary to complete the annual reports to the chapter Presidents and Secretary. The packages include member rosters, payment forms, and instructions. The chapter annual reports need to be submitted to me by December 15th, so that I can meet my deadline to National. If you do not receive your package by Oct 1st, please let me know. If someone other than the chapter President or Secretary is completing your annual report, please ensure that they get the package I send.

Regarding Youth members:

The Youth Registrant program existed from 2001 until it was terminated in 2011. Under the program a person under age 18 could file an application which, if approved, would allow that person to convert upon request to standard membership without any further documentation. When the program was terminated, all existing Youth Registrants could either convert to Junior Membership or, after they reached their 18th birthday and before age 29, could still apply for Regular Membership. I would encourage those chapters with Youth members to contact their sponsor and see if they would like to convert the Youth member to Junior (if under 18) or Regular status. There is no fee; just payment of the annual NSSAR and FLSSAR dues, and no application is needed. If, however, they turn 29, they get dropped, and application for Regular status would require the standard application process. If you have any questions, or need assistance, please contact me.

Regarding the Chapter Challenge Contest:

The Florida Society Chapter Challenge Contest is designed to recognize chapters for various activities that meet the goals of the SAR. Chapters are judged against each other based on size (small-red, medium-white, large-blue). The top three winners in each category are recognized at the FLSSAR Annual Meeting. The contest period is the calendar year, January 1st to December 31st.

Scoring for the contest is done using the NSSAR Americanism Award / President General's Activity Streamer Combined Score Sheet, available on the NSSAR website (<https://www.sar.org/committees/americanism-committee/>). Chapters are encouraged to fill out the Scoresheet and submit it to the National competition. In addition, it should be sent to the State Secretary for inclusion in the FLSSAR submission and for the Chapter Challenge Contest. It is important to note that I need your submissions no later than February 1st, so that I can meet my deadline to National.

If you have any questions, or need assistance, please contact me.

Washington's "Badge of Military Merit"

Compiled & Edited By Don Lanman

Following victory of the Continental Army over the British at Yorktown, Washington established his headquarter at Newburgh where he could observe the English army in New York.

Continuing his tireless efforts to improve the condition of his troops and insure a high state of morale, Washington decided to create an honor to recognize enlisted men who had performed bravely on the field of battle. He called this award, the Badge of Military Merit.

Washington designed the distinctive badge in the form of a purple cloth heart with the word Merit inscribed in the center. The merit badge was conceived as a military order for soldiers who exhibited, "not only instances of unusual gallantry in battle, but also extraordinary fidelity and essential service in any way."

General Washington announced the Badge of Military Merit in his general orders to the Continental Army on August 7, 1782 his headquarters in Newburgh. Washington statement regarding the Badge of Military Merit (see picture): "The General ever desirous to cherish virtuous ambition in his soldiers, as well as to foster and encourage every species of Military merit, directs that whenever any singularly meritorious action is performed, the author of it shall be permitted to wear on his facings over the left breast, the figure of a heart in purple cloth, or silk, edged with narrow lace or binding.

Not only instances of unusual gallantry in battle, but also of extraordinary fidelity and essential service in any way shall meet with a due reward.

Before this favor can be conferred on any man, the particular fact, or facts, on which it is to be grounded must be set forth to the Commander in chief accompanied with certificates from the Commanding officers of the regiment and brigade to which the Candidate for reward belonged, or other incontestable proofs, and upon granting it, the name and regiment of the person with the action so certified are to be enrolled in the book of merit which will be kept at the orderly office.

Men who have merited this last distinction to be suffered to pass all guards and sentinels which officers are permitted to do. The road to glory in a patriot army and a free country is thus open to all. This order is also to have retrospect to the earliest stages of the war, and to be considered as a permanent one."

-G. Washington, Commander-in-Chief Continental Army-

Historians tend to agree that only three soldiers actually received the medal. Two men selected by a board of officers to receive this award were Sergeant Elijah Churchill of the 2nd Continental Light Dragoons and Sergeant William Brown, a member of the 5th Connecticut Regiment, Continental Line.



Washington Presenting First Military Badges of Merit to Churchill & Brown



Brown had won praise for his bravery in the storming of Stony Point in 1779 and for gallantry in the trenches at Yorktown. Churchill distinguished himself during attacks against two forts on Long Island.

On 3 May 1783, these men traveled from the Continental encampment at New Windsor and to Washington's headquarters at the Hasbrouck House in Newburgh. There, before an honor Guard Mount of the 1st New York Regiment, Commander-in-Chief Washington awarded Sergeant Churchill and Sergeant Brown the first Badges of Military Merit. (see pictures)

Surviving records for the period confirm the presentation of only one other Badge of Military Merit to Sergeant Daniel Bissell of the 2nd Connecticut Regiment on June 10 1783.

Following the Revolutionary War, the Badge of Military Merit fell into disuse although never officially abolished.

In 1932, the United States War Department authorized the new Purple Heart Medal for soldiers wounded in battle or previously awarded either a Wound Chevron or the Army War Ribbon. It was also mandated that the Purple Heart Medal would be considered the official "successor decoration" to the Badge of Military Merit.

The original Military Badge of Merit, the pomp, and ceremony, however, symbolized much more than recognition of brave men. The badge represented the climax of the molding of a citi-

zen army of volunteers and militia into a force that had fought on equal terms with one of the world's best armies, and in doing so, had played a vital role securing freedom and independence for their fellow citizens.

Both the Badge of Military Merit and the Purple Heart have become symbols of pride in our Country and Military and Patriots from all walks-of-life as a tribute to all those who served and sacrificed at the Altar of Freedom!

From the New Chapter Development Committee

Although the FLSSAR By-law states a chapter can be started with 10 members in a local area, it is suggested and encouraged by the FLSSAR that the potential new chapter begin with at least 15 local members (existing or new) who agree to be active. The more people that join the new chapter at the start, the more the said chapter can make a difference in their region by having members that can serve on the various outreach committees such as JROTC awards presentations, Knight Essay Contest, and Rumbaugh Oration Contest, Americanism Poster Contest, HFH Flag Presentations, Veterans Recognition Awards, Color Guard, and much more. Members will also need to agree to serve as Chapter officers.

The increase number of local members help make it possible for more people to assist with the various activities of the chapter without having a small number having to do all the work. Additional members also help when securing reservations at local restaurants that the new chapter may want to start meeting.

All new members usually have submitted their paperwork for SAR membership ahead of time so that everyone is a member of the NSSAR and FLSSAR at the time that the chapter is chartered. The harder job is getting volunteers who are willing to take on the role of officers and committee chairmen in a new chapter. If this sounds interesting to you and you are aware of an area in the State of Florida in which a new chapter could be established, the FLSSAR would like to hear from you. For more information or inquiries about the subject of New Chapter Development, contact Jeff Sizemore at swampfoxsar@gmail.com. He and other committee members are available.

At present, there has been inquiries to possible start new chapters that are as follows: (1) Fernandina Beach/Amelia Island, (2) Deland, (3) Florida Keys, Bonifay/Holmes County, (4) Venice, and (5) St. Petersburg/Pinellas Park.

2021 CAR Project

The Florida State CAR has initiated a project this year called "Helping Homeless Heroes". Their goal is to provide resources for homeless veterans through the various VA Center.

How can you help? You can choose to sponsor one or more veterans. You can either make a \$25 donation which will provide a blanket and drawstring bag of personal products for one veteran, or you can donate \$10 for the blanket, and purchase personal products to be turned in your local CAR representative, for your veteran.

The personal products requested are:

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| * pair of socks | * cloth mask |
| * full-size shampoo | * full-size lotion |
| * comb | * toothbrush |
| *full-size toothpaste | * washcloth |
| * hand towel | * full-size soap |
| * shaving cream | * razor |

ADDITIONAL WISH LIST

Games (dominoes, checkers, chess (no playing cards), Acrylic paints (\$1 Apple Barrel paints, for painting birdhouses they make), and Craft paint brushes

NSSAR 2022 Hotel Information

In 2022, the National Congress of the Sons of American Revolution will be held in Savannah, Georgia. The details of this convention can be found on the Georgia Society SAR website. Programs, Registration, and Hotel Registration is forthcoming. At present, the host hotel will be the Hyatt Regency Savannah located at 2 W Bay Street, Savannah, GA 31401.

NSSAR Newsletter Competitions

The winners of the 2021 competitions were announced and awarded at the July 2022 Congress.

As always, the committee is looking for more members in the committee for judging the many contest newsletter issues. If you have experience in publishing or judging newsletters, please consider joining the committee by contacting the chairman.

To all Chapter Newsletter editors and State Society editors, now is the time to start thinking about entering the SAR competitions for these four 2021 year competitions:

The two Carl F. Bessent Awards are presented to SAR chapter editors for the best multiple sheet and single sheet periodicals

The Jennings H. Flathers Award is presented to the state-level society with fewer than five hundred members. State membership levels at the end of the preceding year – 2020 in this case – will determine which of the contests should be entered.

The Paul M. Niebell, Sr. Award is presented to the state-level society with over five hundred members judged having the best periodical or newsletter with ten or fewer pages. State membership levels at the end of the preceding year – 2020 in this case – will determine which of the contests should be entered.

The Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr. Award is presented to the state-level society with over five hundred members judged having the best periodical or newsletter with more than ten pages.

The guidelines for judging newsletters can be found at the sar.org website via this link accessed by logging into the SAR site - - and accessing the committee's web page. Please read these guidelines to understand what and how your publication will be judged.

Every editor at a state-level society or chapter considers his newsletter to be excellent and deserving of recognition. Editors are to be commended for their efforts expended on their newsletters. However, there are only a few awards available and the competition is fierce, with little room for error. There is also some subjectivity incorporated into the judging process in order to provide flexibility in determining the best newsletters. These guidelines should help editors determine if they are meeting the requirements necessary to be competitive. **If so**, then the editors can submit their publications for judging. **If not**, then the editors should work towards meeting the requirements before submitting.

Remember, good communication is the goal, not awards or accolades.

To be eligible for competition, submission should be the **single issue** as determined by the editor/chapter to be the best published issue per calendar year (January to December 2021) to be submitted to the Newsletters and Publications Committee chairman. Submissions are preferred by email attachment (PDF/WORD files) or by the issue's URL if located on a web site. Submissions should be of acceptable quality. See Handbook for ideas for what a good newsletter can be. **The submission must be received by December 15**. When submitting your single issue for a State entry, please **state which contest you are entering**: Flathers, Niebell, or Smallwood. Sending all newsletter issues to the committee chair does **NOT** enter the publication into any contest. If you cannot submit by December 15th, contact the committee chairman for an extension. The extension will not be longer than 2 weeks. Late submissions without an approved extension will not be judged.

To repeat some language from the Newsletters and Periodicals Handbook: *"There is a distinct obligation on the part of a local chapter's leadership to inform the membership as a whole of a chapter's activities, goals, and achievements. We all know that many of our supportive members find it difficult or impossible, for any number of reasons, to attend chapter meetings. Without written communication received on a regular basis, these men would receive nothing, and may feel no obligation to continue membership in the organization and be one of those individuals who drops membership when the dues notices are sent. No news is not good news. No news is just that: nothing."*

To re-cap: (1) Submit a **SINGLE** issue to the committee contact. Preferred method is an email PDF attachment; and (2) Submit by December 15, 2021 to your State Society at swampfox-sar@gmail.com and to the NSSAR committee chairman, Steve Williams, at swilliamssa@gmail.com.

It's Coming!

THE 2023 NSSAR CONGRESS

Rosen Plaza Hotel, Orlando, Florida



YOU CAN WIN A REPRODUCTION

PENNSYLVANIA LONG RIFLE

As host state for the 2023 Congress, Florida needs to begin raising funds to cover the costs of hosting this prestigious event. Instead of raising member dues, the Board of Management and the 2023 Congress Planning Committee have devised a number of fundraising activities. The first of which is a drawing for a beautiful musket.

This Pennsylvania Long Rifle is faithful to the original in functionality and form. By Davide Pedersoli, this extra-long rifle, is finished with a rust brown color barrel and the walnut completes the one-piece oil finished stock. This model is provided with adjustable double set trigger. Front and rear sights are made of steel and rear sight is vertically adjustable.

Only 300 tickets are available!!! Suggested donation is \$20 per ticket or 6 tickets for \$100. Make checks payable to: FLSSAR

Send to: FLSSAR, c/o Steve Fields, Recording Secretary
5515 Alta Vista Street, Sarasota, FL 34232
(Tickets will also be available at FLSSAR Board of Management Meetings)

You need not to be present to win. Pennsylvania Long Rifle drawing to benefit the Florida SAR 2023 Congress Fund will take place at the first FLSSAR or NSSAR event after the sale of the 300th ticket, but no later than the Awards Banquet at the 2023 Orlando Congress. Proceeds will go to the Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution (2023 Congress Fund). 501©(3). www.FLSSAR.org

Also, don't forget to order your 2023 FLSSAR Congress Medal. This uniquely designed medal commemorates the 133rd Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution being hosted by the Florida SAR Society. This exclusive set contains one full-sized medal and one in miniature (see photo). To get yours, please send a separate check for \$47.75 (includes shipping) payable to the FLSSAR to the address above. Proceeds will go to the Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution (2023 Congress Fund). 501©(3).

Medals will also be available for sale at FLSSAR Board of Management Meetings.

Chapter News

Brevard Chapter

On September 18, 2021, the Brevard Chapter held an in-person meeting at The Tides Collocated Club at Patrick Space Force Base. This meeting celebrated the 234th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution. Our DAR sisters were in attendance with many in colonial attire to honor this year's commemoration. Over the summer several new member packets have been received from National. The speaker was Ed Baranowski who spoke on "Banking: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow" (The Impact of Founding Father Alexander Hamilton as the first Treasurer of the United States).

Central Florida Chapter

On September 11, 2021, the Central Florida held an in-person meeting at the Winter Park Racquet Club that they hope to make their permanent meeting location since the Mayflower has been close to visiting organizations for almost 18 months. Their speaker was Dr. David Head (UCF History Professor) who spoke on George Washington and the Newburgh Conspiracy. This professor has also written a book that he signed for those that wanted a copy that is titled: A Crisis of Peace.

On May 8, 2021, the chapter held their Award Appreciation and Chapter Officer installation at the Golden Corral Restaurant in Altamonte Springs, FL. Over the summer, the chapter also held an Executive meeting at Fireside Grill to play for the upcoming year as COVID has created issues with getting more members comfortable to attending meetings since Mayor Demings of Orange County has discouraged any group meetings due to the rise of COVID numbers.

Clearwater Chapter



On Memorial Day, May 31, 2021, the Sons of the American Revolution Clearwater Chapter awarded a Certificate of Commendation for the Display of the Flag to the Home Owners Associations of the Fox Wood and Wyndgate subdivisions located in the Trinity area of New Port Richey.

The Sons of the American Revolution delegation was composed of Past President and Registrar Parks Honeywell, who was clothed in a Revolutionary War uniform, Historian/Publicist Harry Fuller, and Ladies Auxiliary member Patricia Monroe.

At 10:30 am, Parks Honeywell presented the Certificate of Commendation to Fox Wood Home Owners Association President Diane Kocienda and Board Member Jason Mazza at the subdivision entrance and flag location at Trinity Boulevard and Tamarind Boulevard. At 11:30 am, Parks presented the Certificate of Commendation to Wyndgate Home Owners Association President Michael Khoury by the community pool. The ceremony concluded at the subdivision entrance and flag location at Mitchell Boulevard and Lytton Road.

On June 2, 2021, the Sons of the American Revolution Clearwater Chapter awarded a Certificate of Commendation for the Display of the Flag to Robert and Pamela Shinsky, the owners of Les Olson Jewelers in Palm Harbor. The Sons of the American Revolution delegation was composed of Chapter President James Grayshaw, Historian/Publicist Harry Fuller, and Ladies Auxiliary members Margaret Harris and Susan Grayshaw.

Les Olson Jewelers has served the Palm Harbor community for over 25 years. In March 2020, Robert and Pamela Shinsky moved their business from Alderman Plaza on US 19 to 1210 Nebraska Avenue located in Old Downtown Palm Harbor. The United States Flag is displayed on the north side of the building facing Nebraska Avenue.

At the conclusion of the 2020-2021 school year, the Sons of the American Revolution Clearwater Chapter awarded Bronze Good Citizenship certificates and medals to local high school students and a member of the Suncoast Squadron, United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps.

The Bronze Good Citizenship Award at the high school level considers citizenship and scholarship. The exact criteria for determining the award recipient is at the discretion of the school administration, but may include community involvement or exceptional scholarship in history.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there were only five in person presentations. Otherwise, students were recognized through virtual events and were mailed their certificates and medals.

The recipients and their high school presented certificates and medals from the chapter are: Marshall Brock, Calvary Christian; James Cartner, Countryside; Aidyn Steinbrueck, Dunedin, Stephanie Sabarese; East Lake, Camer-

on Horner, Keswick Christian; Sam Appel, Largo; Frank Pernas, Osceola; Reagan Dateno, Palm Harbor; Jackson Ailey, Pinellas Park; Taylor Murphy, Seminole; and Caden Ottens, Tarpon Springs

Petty Officer First Class Maeve Case of the Suncoast Squadron, United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps was also awarded a Bronze Good Citizenship certificate and medal. The Sea Cadets is a youth organization sponsored by the United States Navy composed of boys and girls from 11 to 18 years of age.

At the conclusion of the 2020-2021 school year, the Sons of the American Revolution Clearwater Chapter awarded Sons of the American Revolution Bronze JROTC Certificates and Medals to local high school students in Pasco and Pinellas County.

The Sons of the American Revolution Clearwater Chapter JROTC Chairman Colonel Pat Niemann awarded the SAR Bronze JROTC Medals to the following cadets in 2021: An Nguyen, Anclote High School, Army JROTC; Coney Cabantac, Admiral Farragut High School, Navy JROTC; Isa Sekulovic, Clearwater High School, Marine Corps JROTC; Angela Anglada, Dunedin High School, Navy JROTC; Brandon Cook, Fivay High School, Navy JROTC; Justin Falder, Gulf High School, Navy JROTC; Amanda Brandon, Hudson High School, Army JROTC; Michael Hodgson, James W. Mitchell High School, Navy JROTC; and Stavras Tsenguras, River Ridge High School, Air Force JROTC



Flagler Chapter



On May 31st, 2021, the Flagler County Government held a Memorial Day Ceremony in front of the Government Services Building in Bunnell. Our Flagler Chapter supported this special event with the posting of the SAR Flag and Chapter President Charles Hayes, Major, US Army (Retired), presented a wreath honoring all Veterans. U.S. House of Representatives member for the Florida 6th Congressional District (including Flagler County) Michael Waltz, the only Green Beret currently serving in the House, delivered a moving tribute honoring all Veterans and especially our soldiers serving overseas. The second speaker was a Special Forces Strike Force Commander serving during the Vietnam War. Sergeant First Class Melvin Morris (C front), US Army (Retired) was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his "acts of gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty" on September 17, 1969. Compatriots Mark Strobridge (L), Chief of Staff, Flagler County Sheriff's Office and David Kelsey (R) enjoyed visiting with Representative Waltz (center in background) and Medal of Honor winner Morris. Mr. Morris and Compatriot Kelsey, unknown to each other at the time, were both engaged in the Vietnam War at the same time. Compatriot Kelsey was a USAF B-52 Bombardier. Mr. Morris experienced the close proximity of an accurate 108 500 pound B-52 strike in support of his ground operations. Compatriot Kelsey was presented the "Melvin Morris, Medal of Honor, Challenge Coin" seen in photo.



On Saturday, June 19, 2021, in the shade of the Flagler Chapter Liberty Tree located in Palm Coast, Compatriots Craig Halsey, John Feind, Dave Bull and Tom Stelling were inducted into the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution by Flagler Chapter President Charles Hayes. The new member families along with nine Flagler Chapter members welcomed the new Compatriots to the Flagler Chapter. In all, thirteen members of the Sons of the American Revolution participated in this special event. L to R in photo: Compatriots Randall Morris, Jack Halsey, Craig Halsey, Don Gingles, John Feind, Flagler Chapter Flag, Dave Bull, Tom Stelling, Randy Conway, Flagler Chapter Liberty Tree, Dusty Rhoades, Jay Mills, Jeff Schaller, Steve Ripley and President Charles Hayes.

On August 2, 2021, Jason Feldman (R), Firefighter Paramedic, Flagler County Fire Rescue received the Sons of the American Revolution Emergency Medical Services Medal and Certificate. This award was presented by Flagler Chapter SAR Compatriot Steve Ripley (C) and Fire Rescue Chief Mike Tucker (L) at the Flagler Emergency Operations Center in Bunnell, Florida. Mr. Feldman was recognized for his outstanding contributions in the area of emergency medical services and his exceptional service to the citizens of



Flagler County. Mr. Feldman continues to provide outstanding leadership as part of the Flagler County Fire Rescue Coronavirus Task Force and was recently promoted to Field Training Officer.

Jacksonville Chapter

Thus far, the July through September quarter has been a bit less than fun. We have unexpectedly lost several members. First, Thomas B. Farmer, Jr. (my first cousin) at the beginning of July, in the Miami area. August took Lawrence C Scott, Jr. (son of another member), Chris Johnson, a new, (but active member), and Henry B. Stewart (a former long time member). Our chapter was represented at Tom and Chris' funerals.

Our major event was the chapter meeting at The Pig BBQ in Callahan on June 26th. It was originally intended to draw in our Nassau County compatriots who find it difficult to attend our meetings and other event. That was mighty successful, in that we had a record number of attending members and guests.

During the course of the meeting, we recognized to service of Dick Cardell, by awarding him a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to his Roger Sherman Medal, and presented Certificates of Commendation to Larry Scott and Robbie Stokes. Grey Chandler also inducted Dan Staifer, with the aid of his spouse, Victoria.

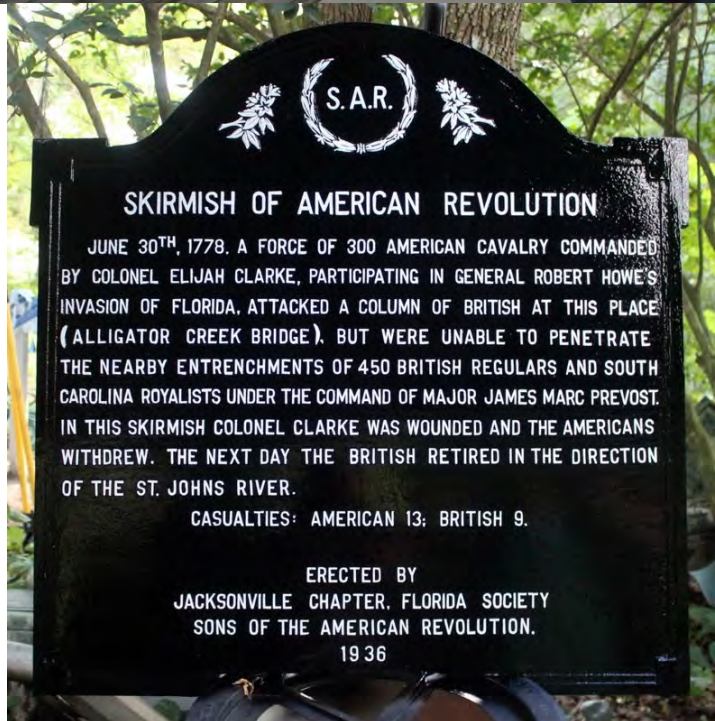
To this we planned a brief presentation of colors and wreath laying at the nearby US 1 site of an early Jacksonville Chapter road sign (1936) commemorating the 30 June 1778 Battle of Alligator Creek Bridge. Regretfully, our afternoon thunder-boomers gave us a bit too much "liquid sunshine", causing us to hold the ceremony in abeyance.

We were honored by the presence of Bernard Wolff and his spouse Dolores, plus PG Lindsey Brock and Billy. chapter presidents James Ward (Brevard) and Joseph Carroll (Lake City). We were also joined by Cindy Addisson, Sharon Driscoll, and Theresa Emery of our sister DAR chapters, plus Joann Welker from the Vaughn-Latham Chapter of CAR. John Hendricks of the West Nassau Heritage Society and his spouse also joined us.

President Wolff and PG Brock strongly encouraged us to continue and expand our commemoration of the Battle of Alligator Creek Bridge, with a goal of raising the commemoration to a National Color Guard event. WILCO!

CAR members, wandered to shopping area of Fernandina Beach, greeting shoppers and passers-by with wishes for "Happy Independence Day", whilst answering many questions

William Dunaway Chapter - Marianna, FL



and posing for plenty of photos! (Cheese).

Through a scheduling error, we missed a flag presentation to the Yulee chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America. We will reschedule.

An informal chapter meeting was held on July 24th in Middleburg, at the Cedar River Seafood, to have a local venue for some of our members, and hopefuls, in Clay County.

Later in August, we begin a series of "walk thrus" at the Jacksonville National Cemetery in preparation for Wreaths Across America. We expect to have a contingent at a major CAR event in Port Orange on August 28th. The planned dedication of the new Gold Star Families Parkway, tentatively set for September in awaiting a firm date. That roadway will provide a convenient link between the Jacksonville National Cemetery and Interstate highway 95, passing close aboard the Thomas Creek battle site. We will provide a color guard for the event.

Our members will provide a color guard at the DAR Constitution Day luncheon planned for September 18th.

The Chapter participated in the grave marking of patriot Jacob Sutton's grave on May 30, 2021, at Mt. Carmel Church, Newton, Georgia. As an Independence Day Observance with the Joel Chapter and the DAR Chapter John Benning, SVP Mathews led the ceremony with the 'Pledge of Allegiance' and carrying of the National Colors at Moultrie

County Courthouse celebration.

There was also an Independence Day Celebration for the Town of Greenwood, Florida on July 3rd, 2021 SVP Mathews FLSSAR participated by riding on the Jackson County firetruck and celebrating the installation of the National Colors by hoisting the colors for the first time on a new town flag pole.

Okechobee Chapter

The chapter planted a liberty tree at the Okeechobee battlefield. This is the site of the Second Seminole War. A reenactment is held yearly for the general public and 4th grade students. A plaque is being made and will be placed when dedicated later in order to fulfill the project.

Palm Beach Chapter

Junior Compatriot Spencer Langenstein completed his Eagle Scout Project by building concrete bench slabs for the public benches at his Church. Funding support for his project included donations from the Palm Beach Chapter and several local DAR Chapters. He will be awarded his BSA Eagle Scout Rank at the next BSA Honor Court. Compatriot Langenstein is also the Chairman of the Chapter's SAR U.S. Flag Certificate program.



Despite the Pandemic, Chapter President Don Lanman joined DAR Regent Karen Christie, VA Executives and 150 well-wishers in a special "Drive-By Tribute Parade" honoring WW 2 Female Army Veteran, Lieutenant Naomi Larkin RN on her 101th Birthday.



Palm Beach Chapter Compatriots joined local DAR Daughters in its ongoing dedication to Veterans Service programs including providing Volunteers at the annual Flags 4 Fallen Vets Project placing hundreds of American Flags before Veteran Tombstones at the South Florida National Cemetery.



The Chapter Compatriots presented a Chapter Honor Wreath at the 16th annual Forgotten Soldiers Outreach Memorial Day Commemoration, and attended the Palm Beach DAR Regents Council Flag Retirement Ceremony where Chapter President Lanman was a guest speaker.



Saramana Chapter

The May luncheon for the Saramana Chapter SAR included a guest speaking appearance by Florida SAR Past President Lee Popham. The chapter also took occasion to recognize the three contestants in Saramana's 2021 Enhanced JROTC contest.

ROTC Chairman Bill Battles presented the awards: Third-place to Cadet Sergeant Rosa Rameriz accompanied by her parents Margarita and Osvaldo and her instructor Brian Krecelic. Rosa was presented with the Bronze Good



Citizenship Certificate and Medal and a check in the amount of \$150.00. The second-place award went to Cadet Captain Codee (K.A.) Walker who was awarded the Bronze Good Citizenship medal and a check in the amount of \$350.00. The first-place award went to Cadet Cassandra Bryan who was accompanied with her Grandfather and Instructor Ben Weiss, Lt. Colonel (Retired) Special Forces and Commandant of Cadets and spouse Debra and was presented with the Bronze Good Citizenship Certificate and Medal and the Outstanding JROTC Cadet Certificate and Medal with Ribbon. Cassandra was also presented with a check in the amount of \$1,500.00. Following the presentation Cassandra addressed the luncheon with some memorable remarks.



Also at the May luncheon, Compatriots Terry Lee Grieve and Timothy John Yoch were both inducted as new members. This was followed by the presentation of the Military Service Medal and the Certificate of Patriotism to Compatriot Dr. Archie Smith, and the War Service Medal and Certificate of Patriotism to Walter Goulet, Jr. compatriot Walter Goulet, Jr.

Finally, Former Saramana First Lady Debbie McMurry was presented the Daughters of Liberty Medal. The award was accepted by Mrs. Jill Fields while Debbie attended on ZOOM.

As usual, summer activities are somewhat abbreviated due to member travel and our summer break. However, compatriots have had opportunity to participate in : May 31: Annual Sarasota Memorial Day Parade; SAR, DAR, and CAR event; June 12: NSDAR Manasota Regent's Council Flag Day Luncheon; July 4: Patriot Sunday observance at local churches; July 4: Sarasota Independence Day Parade; Sept 13: Manatee School District Constitution Essay Contest Awards Luncheon; Sept 15: Saramana Chapter Board of Governors

Meeting; and Sept 18: NSDAR Manasota Regent's Council Constitution Week Luncheon

Saramana compatriot and retired Marine Corps veteran Don Chab passed away at home September 14th. He is survived by his loving companion Mary Lou McFate. Don was a Korean War veteran and a member of the Florida Veterans Battalion and the National SAR Korean Veterans Corps. He was a five-year member of Saramana who loved to attend parades and ride in the trolley while waving to the crowds.

Also passing on August 23rd was Saramana Compatriot James Kent Bartruff, MD. He is survived by his wife, Madeline Jane Munson Bartruff, his five sons and families: Gregg (Jill), Owen (Mackenzie), Ryan (Connie), Brent (Nicole), and Scott. He was a veteran of the US Navy and served during the Vietnam War. Compatriot Bartruff was a 25-year member of the SAR.

Tallahassee Chapter



From Left to Right: Randy Nichols, (Georgia Society transfer), Mark Rominger, Leon H. Corbett, III, President William "Bill" Joseph Gladwin Jr. (holding the flag), Secretary Donald "Don" Michael Wilham (behind post), Mark (Member Prospect), FLSSAR Sr. VP Earl "Matt" Mathews and Malcolm McRoberts.

Tampa Chapter

The Tampa Chapter suspended meetings after March 2020 due to COPVID-19 precautions. Beginning in September, the Chapter began having Zoom meetings. These meeting gave President David Bryant and VP Bob



Yarnell the opportunity to arrange presentations from out-of-state people that the Chapter would not, otherwise, be able to see and hear. Most of these were authors who had

written on a Revolutionary War Era topic. Zoom meetings also enabled some of our members who had not been able to attend meetings for some time to attend by Zoom. President Bryant was determined to have an in-person meeting in May 2021, before the Chapter took its usual summer recess. Even though the usual meeting place had not yet re-opened, he arranged the meeting at a local Mission BBQ.



The Chapter meeting date coincided with Armed Forces Day. As usual Mission BBQ planned a celebration. A local American Legion Post brought their Honor Guard and the Tampa Chapter Color Guard was also asked to participate. During the meeting several new members were inducted in the SAR and presented with their Membership Certificates. New member Ron MacCammon was also presented the SAR War Service Medal to recognize his many years of service in the US Army. After the meeting, President Bryant and the Color Guard presented the SAR Flag Certificate to the operators of the restaurant.



Even though the Chapter did not meet during the summer months, the Color Guard and other members managed to stay busy representing the SAR. The Color Guard was invited to Present the Colors at the Memorial Day Service at the Veterans Cemetery owned by American Legion Post #5 USS Tampa in Tampa. Also present were members of several DAR chapters and the Fort Brooke (Tampa) Society of the C.A.R.



On the Fourth of July, the Chapter Color Guard was invited to participate in the Safety Harbor American Legion Post #238 Independence Day Parade. Pictured are Color Guard members Terry Doan, Robbie Robinson and Bill Swain along with Uncle Sam standing in front of some of the vintage military equipment they marched with in the parade. The Color Guard was invited to join them again at their Christmas Parade.



St. Petersburg Chapter

Saint Petersburg Chapter, and other organizations and individual volunteers placed American flags at approximately 40,000 Veterans burial markers at Bay Pines National Cemetery on Saturday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day.



Chapter President Brett McMullen and members Walter Arnold, who was clothed in a Revolutionary War uniform, and William Scott were part of hundreds of volunteers that placed the flags. Other groups that participated was the Daughters of the American Revolution, The Veteran Initiative, whose goal is to place a flag on every Veterans grave for Memorial Day, and Boy Scout Troop 340. Saint Petersburg Chapter, and other organizations and individual volunteers placed American flags at approximately 40,000 Veterans burial markers at Bay Pines National Cemetery on Saturday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day.



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*250th Anniversary of the American
Revolution Recognition Program
National Society, Sons of the American Revolution*



The recognition program is designed to encourage and recognize those compatriots, chapters and societies that participate in local, state, national and international events which publically educate, and recognize, honor, and celebrate the events and heroes of the period surrounding the American Revolution. Participation involves the planning and execution of these events, as well as attendance. The medal covers the celebration of any event's 250th anniversary where said event related directly to acts of resistance to British attempts to coerce the residents in America: from the first Parliamentary Acts protested after the conclusion of the French and Indian Wars, through the armed struggle of the American War for Independence, to the ratification of the Treaty of Paris by the Continental Congress. This therefore will cover any public celebrations in the period from 2014 to 2033. Form may be submitted to cover multiple years and following the first submission be submitted in multiple years, only covering activities since the previous submission. Scorekeeping is the responsibility of each compatriot and awarding authority. You will receive an email authorizing the purchase from merchandising. The guidelines and points are describe below:

PLEASE SUBMIT TO: 250AnniversaryRecognition@sar.org.

➤ **Awards are based on activity and the awarding of points for each type of activity:**

- a. Directing, chairing or co-chairing an event or sub-committee for the duration of the event. (20 points)
- b. Participation in the planning, financing, promotion or conduct of an event other than directing, chairing, or co-chairing an event. Those that do direct, chair or co-chair an event and also serve as a regular member of a committee or sub-committee in a non-leadership role, may also earn points. (10 points)
- c. Attending an Event (3 points)
- d. Attending an event in Colonial Attire (5 points)

➤ **SAR Members may be awarded the Medals for achieving the following levels:**

- a. Bronze Medal: 25 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district or national society.
- b. Silver Medal: Compatriots who earn 60 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district or national society.
- c. Gold Medal: Compatriots who earn 150 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district or national society.

➤ **Non-SAR members may also be awarded these medals:**

- a. The chapter may present bronze awards to its Partners in Patriotism, and may recommend its Partners to the state or national society for higher recognition.
- b. The state and district may present silver awards to its Partners in Patriotism, and may recommend its Partners to the national society for higher recognition.
- c. The district or national society may present gold awards to its Partners in Patriotism.

➤ **Coin Award.** May be awarded to SAR and Non-SAR individuals participating in programs but taking no actual leadership role.

➤ **Streamer.** Awarded to SAR and non-SAR organizations. The certificate will describe the program for which the award is being made. Streamers come in three levels based on maximum participation in any one event during the year. Stars will be awarded if re-earned in subsequent years. The Bronze Streamer for an average of 10% participation, the Silver Streamer for an average of 25% participation, or a Gold Streamer for an average of 50% participation.

PART 1: Submission Information

Please enter the name of the submitter of this form and contact information, as well as date submitted. Please indicate if this submission is for INDIVIDUAL or ORGANIZATION. If for SAR Individual or Organization, please list home chapter and state society. If this is for an SAR member, please list national number. If this is for an SAR unit, please list official size as of 1 January of the submission year (excluding dual memberships). Bronze authorized by Chapter, Silver and Gold by the State Society.

Name of Candidate:		National Number:	
E-mail:		Phone:	
Type Submission:		Chapter:	
Name of Submitter:		State Society:	
Date Submitted:		Organization Size:	

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	<u>Planning/Non-Leadership</u>	<u>10</u>			
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Authorizing Signature _____ Total Points Attained _____

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From the Endowment Trust Fund Disbursement Committee

Compatriots, I first want to remind you that the program year ends October 31 and requests are due in by November 15. We have plenty of money we want to send to chapters but so few requests. To date we have 23 requests from only 9 chapters for a total of \$5,931.37. That's slightly better than last year at this time but way lower than it should be. Remember we reimburse 100% for medals to non-SAR recipients and 75% for many other things. This can help you treasury a lot. The yearly chapter limit is \$1,750 in up to 5 requests. It's not that tough to download the form from our web site and fill in basic information - date, recipient, award, amount. If you have any questions I will be glad to help - ron_grove@hotmail.com.
Ron Grove, Chairman

Grave Marking Ceremony



On Saturday, August 7, 2021, the Patriot Joseph Chapman Grave Marking Ceremony, at the Hagood Mill Historic Site Pavilion, 138 Hagood Mill Road, Pickens, South Carolina occurred.

Senior V P "Matt"

Mathews and Northwest Regional VP DeCody Marble represented the Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution. Both Florida compatriots presented a wreath. Sr. VP. Mathews had the honor to carry the South Carolina Flag within the color guard, while Marble participated within the militia, which shot three volleys. The YouTube Video: Patriot Joseph Chapman Grave Marking Aug 7 2021 is one hour and 2 minutes long.

The following is the Internet Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vm52eLxNxVU>



From the Ladies Auxiliary Liaison Committee

The Ladies Auxiliary plays an important role in our Society by: (1) Stimulating interest and support of SAR goals and objectives; (2) Provide educational activities for the wives and other relatives and friends of SAR; (3) Assist in the promotion of membership; and (3) Raising money to present to our Youth Awardees.

Compatriots don't forget to bring your chapter basket to our SAR meetings. This is one of the Ladies favorite activities in supporting Florida SAR goals and objectives. As you know, Florida will be hosting the 2003 National Congress which will be held at the Rosen Plaza Hotel on International Drive, Orlando. Our Ladies are making great progress to ensure that the 2023 Congress is one of the BEST. They are selling Minute Man emblazoned throws and pins/pendants which are conch shells with a blue and bluff star fish. The monies from these sales will go towards the hospitality room and the center pieces for the Congress. Compatriots let's support our Ladies in these fund-raising efforts.
In patriotic service,

Judsey C. Brock

2021

133rd CONGRESS RAFFLE (2023)

Dedicated to the modern-day "Minutemen" who are keeping watch.
"The price of Liberty is eternal vigilance"

"God who gave thy fathers Freedom
God who made thy fathers brave;
What they built with love and labor
let thy children watch and save.
For thy fathers long before thee
armed with Freedom faced the deep;
What they won with love and anguish
let thy children watch and keep."

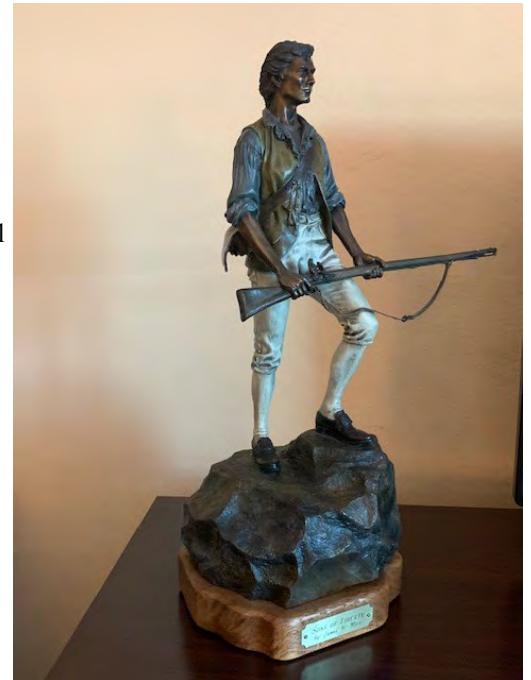
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"Sons of Liberty-1775"

"Sons of Liberty-1775" by James N. Muir depicts a typical Colonial Militia citizen-soldier on that date, the original "Patriots' Day" of 19 April 1775. The sculpture is historically authentic in every regard as to arms, accoutrements, clothing and hair style. He is carrying a captured 42-inch barrel "Short Land" Model 1740 British Musket adopted in 1765 to replace the earlier 46-inch first model "Long Land" or "Brown Bess" (which is depicted in the maquettes of "Sons of Liberty-1775). Powder and ball were carried either in a powder horn and pouch or preferably, as depicted, in the more military cartridge box in the form of pre-made paper or linen cartridges. A vent pick and frizzen brush hang handily from his vest.

This Limited Edition (#10/50) bronze sculpture will be raffled during the 133rd NSSAR Congress in Orlando, FL in 2023.

Twenty-five dollars per ticket, five for \$100.00



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Checks are made out to FLSSAR Treasurer**

245th Anniversary of the Battle of Thomas Creek
Saturday 10:00 AM, March 26, 2022 in Jacksonville, Florida

The Florida Society SAR commemorates the 245th anniversary for the Battle of Thomas Creek (the Southernmost Battle of the American Revolutionary War). The ceremony will be held at Seaton Creek Historic Preserve Park at 10:00 AM. If placing a wreath and/or participating in the color guard, please arrive no later than 9:30AM to register your wreath. The park is located off I-95 at Exit 366 then head west 2.5 miles on Pecan Park Rd. that connects with the new Gold Star Family Parkway to Seaton Creek Historic Preservation Park. You can also access the Park off Lem Turner Rd. to Lannie Rd. to the new Gold Star Family Parkway past the Jacksonville National Cemetery..



We will have a social and orientation meeting Friday evening at 5 p.m. on March 25th at one of the Airport Hotels, as we have done in the past. (waiting on confirmation from two hotels for the best rates). A block of rooms will be reserved up to the week before.. Organizations and participants will be announced during the ceremony. We are again honored to have our intriguing Compatriotic speaker Dr. Roger Smith of Colonial Research Associates, Inc. We will also again be having our Patriotic Choral Group "Let Freedom Sing" plus various Patriotic and Civic Organizations bringing greetings. We are especially honored this year to have past FLSSAR President and current NSSAR, South Atlantic District, Vice President General Pat Nieman (Col. Ret.). Florida DAR Vice Regent Cindy Addison bringing greeting from FL State Regent Debbie Duay bringing greeting from our Florida DAR.. To assure your organization's recognition and to receive a flag streamer, please complete the following by February 15, 2022 and forward to:

David H. Ramseur (FLSSAR President 2011-12)
 3733 River Hall Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32217
 (904)-502-4819; Davidramseur12@gmail.com

Society Name: _____

Chapter or Organization Name: _____

Will present Wreath: Yes _____ No _____

Wreath Dedicated to: _____

Presenter (s) Name (s): _____

Title (s) (if applicable) _____

Will bring SAR flag for the Color Guard? Yes _____ No _____

Number of members from your group: _____ : In Uniform /Militia or

Colonial Attire _____

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Ladies Auxiliary 2023 Congress Fundraising Project

This is our Florida Ladies Auxiliary's major fundraising project for the 2023 Congress. This project will fund our Auxiliary responsibilities for the Hospitality Room, all banquet decorations, and other activities.

With the classic Minuteman logo, the 133rd Congress throw will make the perfect Holiday gift for your favorite SAR members. We are down to our last box.

The Custom Woven Throw Blankets Company created these made-in-the-USA (North Carolina), 50"x60", 100% cotton, custom throws with fringe all the way around and prewashed for softness.

Your throw can be ordered now. The cost is \$70.00 for the Throw plus shipping if you would like it sent to you. Send orders to: Martha Grove, 38 Lakeview Dr, Fruitland Park, FL 34731-6362. Make checks out to LAFSSAR for \$70.00 to reserve one, add \$15.00 if you want it sent to you at an address in Florida or \$20.00 for addresses outside of Florida for each Throw ordered (order two sent to the same address for the same shipping cost). Please make the Notation: 2023 Congress on your check. Please include email and phone number.

