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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 - By the time you receive this issue of The Florida Patriot, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and the New Year celebration of 2021 will have come and gone. I hope you found the holidays to be relaxing and joyful as you spent time with loved ones. Equally as important, I pray this message finds you in good health.



2020 has been a unique year in a number of ways, but most especially because of the novel COVID-19 virus. Despite it's disruptive impact, the FLSSAR and your chapters have found ways to meet, accomplish projects, conduct business, and continue youth activities while following safety guidelines. Both our Spring and Fall BOMs this year have been successfully conducted using appropriate protocols. Many of those who participated were physically present, while others attended digitally via GoToMeeting.



I'm hopeful that the virus will be a thing of the past soon. In the meantime, let's continue to support the missions of the SAR. There are events and important opportunities in which we participate, so let's renew our efforts to recognize all those special days and people, while we honor our patriots. As an example, the Lake-Sumter Chapter dedicated a Liberty Tree on Veterans Day.

Don Lanman and Compatriots Parkinson and Wratishlaw joined some DAR Daughters at a Veterans Day Monument Dedication Ceremony in Riviera Beach.

And the Panama City Chapter participated in two Veterans Day parades.

And please remember to join us for the commemoration of our national events that are coming up soon.

Save the Dates!

Last Naval Battle – March 13, 2021

Plan to visit Merritt Island on March 13, 2021 for the 238th anniversary of this naval battle which was fought off the coast of Cape Canav-



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.

eral on March 10, 1783, just six months before the formal end of the Revolutionary War.

Thomas Creek – March 27, 2021

The Thomas Creek Battle Commemoration was approved as a National Event at a recent Leadership meeting. Details and registration forms are already available for the 244th Anniversary Celebration to be held March 27, 2021 on the battlefield at Jacksonville.

Battle of Pensacola – May 8, 2021

The 240th anniversary celebration of the 1781 battle is scheduled for May 8, 2021, and detailed planning continues.

Best wishes for a health filled, successful, and enjoyable 2021. HUZDAH!

David E. Bussone

President, 2020-2021

Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution

FLSSAR Rumbaugh Oration Contest

I'm writing to let you know how the state competition will be conducted this year and to encourage your participation. At the last BOM it was decided that live competition would be held Saturday, May 1 at 9 AM during the BOM. It will probably be in a separate room while other meetings are going on. The winners will be announced at the youth luncheon that day. We will have the speeches video'd and then send our winner's to the national competition. National will select the best 6 and invite them to a live final competition at the annual congress. You can run your chapter contest however you wish, video or live. I am going to do our chapter's by video to hopefully avoid any virus disruptions this year. The deadline for submitting the text of your winner's speech is April 21. I would like to know ahead of that which chapters expect to submit an orator so we have some idea of how many and how long the state competition will take. And I surely would like to hear from anyone who would consider being a judge for the state contest. And remember, the endowment trust fund will reimburse you 100% for the medal and 75% for scholarships (\$100/50/25). Don't hesitate to contact me (ron_grove@hotmail.com or 352 801-7919) with any questions.

Thanks,

Ron Grove, Chairman
Lake-Sumter Chapter, SAR
38 Lakeview Dr.
Fruitland Park, FL 34731

From the Documents Committee

As submitted by PG Michael Tomme – Committee Chairman

The Bylaws are intended to be reviewed and updated along the way. We have found that some were outdated and needed to be corrected so that the Florida Society was now in compliance. We have corrected several deficiencies related to the notice periods and termination of the Winter Board of Management meeting. These bylaws herein this publication will be discussed and voted on at the Annual Meeting that will be held on April 30 – May 2, 2021.

By-Laws Proposed Amendment Form

THE FLORIDA SOCIETY
 SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
 By-Laws Proposed Amendment

(Submit to Chairman, By-Laws Committee)

General Subject Matter:

By-Laws Article No. I, Section 4 (), presently reads as follows:

The FLSSAR shall hold an Annual Meeting each year on a date in the month of April or May to be designated by the President, and at a place to be selected by him. In no event shall the date of the Annual Meeting be later than fifteen days prior to the opening date of the Annual Congress of the NSSAR. A quorum of an Annual Meeting of the FLSSAR shall consist of twenty members in good standing. During the Annual Meeting, the President and/or the members of the BOM shall nominate and the BOM shall elect a Nominating Committee composed of five members who shall have not served on a prior Nominating Committee of the FLSSA during the preceding two years and whose term of office shall continue until the adjournment of the next Annual Meeting of the FLSSAR.

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Submitted by: The Bylaws Committee

Date: 16 November 2020

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General Subject Matter:

By-Laws Article No. 1, Section 5 (b), presently reads as follows:

Section 5 Special Meeting

a. BOM

1. The President may call Special Meetings of the BOM. Notice of all meetings of the BOM, except that which may follow the Annual Meeting, shall be communicated to all members of the BOM at least 30 days prior to the date set for such meeting.
2. The President shall set the date and place for all Special Meetings of the BOM.
3. A quorum for A Special meeting shall be twenty members of the BOM in good standing.
4. A quorum for the Transaction of Business and a majority vote of those in attendance at any meeting will be required for the BOM to take action except as otherwise provided.

b. FLSSAR

1. A Special Meeting of the FLSSAR shall be called by the President with not less than ten days prior notice to all members of the FLSSAR upon the request, by mail or e-mail, of at least three fourths of the members of the BOM.
2. A quorum for the Special Meeting of the FLSSAR shall consist of twenty members of the FLSSAR in good standing. A quorum for the Transaction of Business and a majority vote of those FLSSAR members in attendance at any meeting will be required for the BOM to take action except as otherwise provided.

Proposed Amendment Article No. (1), Section 6 (), revised as follows:

Section 5 Special Meeting

a. BOM

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Section 6 Notice

Notice shall mean by electronic means, postal service, or publication in the Florida Patriot for every action requiring notice in these Governing Documents.

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General Subject Matter:

By-Laws Article No. I, Section 5 (c), presently reads as follows:

(currently does not exist)

Proposed Amendment Article No. I, Section 5 (c), revised as follows:

c. Electronic Meetings

Electronic meetings according to requirements in the most recent edition of *Robert's Rules of Order* are permitted

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General Subject Matter:

By-Laws Article No. 1, Section 6 (), presently reads as follows:

Section 6 Ladies Auxiliary (LAFLSSAR)

Women who are related to an SAR of the FLSSAR shall be assisted by the FLSSAR to establish and join a separate, autonomous organization to be known as the LADIES AUXILIARY, FLORIDA SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (LAFLSSAR), which shall organize and operate under its own Bylaws and Charter with its stated purpose to assist, support, and further the objectives of the FLSSAR. No member, or members, of the LAFLSSAR shall have any authority to speak for the FLSSAR, nor to obligate the FLSSAR in any way unless specifically authorized by the FLSSAR, by the BOM, or Annual Meeting of the members.

Proposed Amendment Article No. 1, Section 7 (), revised as follows:

~~Section 6~~ Section 7 Ladies Auxiliary (LAFLSSAR)

Women who are related to an SAR of the FLSSAR shall be assisted by the FLSSAR to establish and join a separate, autonomous organization to be known as the LADIES AUXILIARY, FLORIDA SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (LAFLSSAR), which shall organize and operate under its own Bylaws and Charter with its stated purpose to assist, support, and further the objectives of the FLSSAR. No member, or members, of the LAFLSSAR shall have any authority to speak for the FLSSAR, nor to obligate the FLSSAR in any way unless specifically authorized by the FLSSAR, by the BOM, or Annual Meeting of the members.

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General Subject Matter:

By-Laws Article No. II, Section 2 (), presently reads as follows:

ARTICLE II THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

Section 2 Powers

The BOM shall have the following powers and duties:

- a. Exercise management and control over the affairs of the FLSSAR;
- b. Create and staff additional offices and committees as needed;
- c. Approve, and authorize adjustments in, the FLSSAR budget;
- d. Admit new chapters;
- e. Fix fees from applicants, dues from members, and raise funds by other means to meet the financial needs of the FLSSAR;
- f. Fill vacancies which may occur in any office, to serve until the next Annual Meeting of the FLSSAR except as otherwise provided in ARTICLE IV, Section 2, of these bylaws;
- g. Sign contracts for the purchase of services and materials, and to establish policies and procedures regarding reimbursement for expenses incurred in carrying on the business of the FLSSAR; and
- h. Adopt and enforce rules and procedures which shall not be inconsistent with the Articles of Incorporation of the FLSSAR, these bylaws, or the Constitution and Bylaws of the NSSAR.

Proposed Amendment Article No.II, Section 2 (), revised as follows:

ARTICLE II THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

Section 2 Powers

The BOM shall have the following powers and duties:

- a. Exercise management and control over the affairs of the FLSSAR;
- b. Create and staff additional offices and committees as needed;
- c. Approve, and authorize adjustments in, the FLSSAR budget;
- d. Admit new chapters;
- e. Fix fees from applicants, dues from members, and raise funds by other means to meet the financial needs of the FLSSAR;
- f. Fill vacancies which may occur in any office, to serve until the next Annual Meeting of the FLSSAR except as otherwise provided in ARTICLE IV, Section 2, of these bylaws;
- g. approve contracts which are signed by the President or other compatriot the BOM authorizes for the purchase of services and materials, and to establish policies and procedures regarding reimbursement for expenses incurred in carrying on the business of the FLSSAR; and
- h. Adopt and enforce rules and procedures which shall not be inconsistent with the Articles of Incorporation of the FLSSAR, these bylaws, or the Constitution and Bylaws of the NSSAR.

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General Subject Matter:

By-Laws Article No. II, Section 3 (), presently reads as follows:

The BOM shall hold at least two regular meetings in the one year time period commencing at the end of the Annual Meeting. One meeting will occur on the day before the date fixed for the opening of the Annual Meeting of the State Society, to be known as the Spring Meeting. The number of, and dates for, additional meetings to be held in the subsequent one year time period will be determined by the BOM at the meeting held closest to November 1.

A meeting may also be held immediately after the adjournment of the Annual Meeting if so announced by the President-elect. Notice of all meetings of the BOM, except that which may follow the Annual Meeting, shall be communicated to all members of the BOM at least 30 days prior the date set for suchmeeting.

Proposed Amendment Article No. II, Section 3 (), revised as follows:

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General Subject Matter:

By-Laws Article No.III, Section 2 A (1), presently reads as follows:

Section 2 Nomination and Election of Officers

A. Nominations

(1) Nominating Committee

(a) Election of Members. During the Annual Meeting, the President and/or the members of the BOM shall nominate, and the BOM shall elect, a Nominating Committee composed of five members who shall have not served on a prior Nominating Committee of the FLSSAR during the preceding two years, and whose term of office shall continue until the adjournment of the next Annual Meeting of the FLSSAR. Prior to the call for nominations, the Secretary shall inform the BOM of the names of persons who served on a Nominating Committee during either of the prior two years. Each member of the BOM shall vote for five of the persons nominated, on ballot forms provided by the Secretary. In the case of a tie vote that would prevent the naming of five clear winners, a run-off election shall be held between those unsuccessful candidates who, had they received one more vote on the first ballot, would have been a clear winner. If the committee is elected by acclamation, voting will not be necessary. The members of the Nominating Committee shall elect their own chairman.

Proposed Amendment Article No.III, Section 2 A (1), revised as follows:

Section 2 Nomination and Election of Officers

A. Nominating Committee

(1) Nominating Committee

Membership. Eligibility to be seated on the committee is determined as of the Spring meeting of the Florida Society Board of Managers. The membership of the Nominating Committee, as of that date shall consist of:

- (a) Four (4) most immediate, living former Florida Society State Presidents who are able and willing to serve.
 - (b) Five (5) members of the Florida Society will be elected to serve as at-large members of the Committee. The current Florida Society President will submit the names of five (5) members chosen to represent the seven regions areas of the state and call for nominations from the floor. If there are no nominations from the floor the committee nominees shall be elected by voice vote upon a motion to elect by acclamation. Otherwise, the election will be by secret ballot with the five highest vote recipients elected as committee members at large.
 - (c.) The Senior Vice President and Regional Vice Presidents can not be selected to serve on the nominating committee.
- (2) Chairman. The members of the committee shall elect the committee chair from any Past State President serving on the committee. The newest Past State President will convene a meeting of the committee for the purpose of electing a chairman as soon as possible after the committee has been formed.
- (3) Term of Service. The Nominating Committee is newly formed each year.
- (4) Vacancies. Subject to the membership and eligibility provisions of subsection (1), any vacancy, whether due to absence, ineligibility, or otherwise, shall be filled in the following manner:
- (a) if the vacancy is among the former Florida Society State Presidents, the next most immediate living former Florida Society State President until there are a total of four former Florida Society State Presidents able and willing to serve.
 - (b) if among the at-large members of the Florida Society by an alternate(s) selected by the Executive Committee of the Florida Society until there are a total of five at-large members able and willing to serve.

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General Subject Matter:

By-Laws Article No. IV, Section 14 (), presently reads as follows:

ARTICLE IV DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 14 Webmaster

The Webmaster shall maintain and update the web site of the FLSSAR.

Proposed Amendment Article No. IV, Section 14 (), revised as follows:

ARTICLE IV DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 14 Webmaster

The FLSSAR webmaster will oversee the maintenance and updating of the FLSSAR website.

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General Subject Matter:

By-Laws Article No.V, Section 1 (), presently reads as follows:

ARTICLE V COMMITTEES

Section 1 Executive Committee

There shall be an Executive Committee which shall consist of the following members: The President., who shall serve as Chairman; The Senior Vice- President, who shall serve as Vice- Chairman; The Immediate Past President of the FLSSAR; The Secretary, who shall serve as Secretary of the Committee; The Treasurer, who shall serve as the fiscal advisor; and A Member-at-Large, who shall be elected by the FLSSAR at its Annual Meeting.

Three members shall constitute a quorum. The Executive committee shall have the power to conduct its business by mail, email, by electronic means, or telephone in lieu of convening in formal session; provided, however, that each member of the Committee shall confirm by e-mail or hardcopy letter to the Secretary, each vote he has given by telephone. A report shall be made by the Chairman and/or Secretary at each meeting of the BOM detailing all actions taken by the Executive Committee since its last report to the BOM. During intervals between meetings of the BOM, the members of the Committee shall have the duty to meet on call of the Chairman and to act for the Board of Management ad interim on any matter that the Chairman deems to be of such urgency and importance that the action must be taken before the next regularly-scheduled meeting of the BOM. The committee shall also serve as a council to advise the President on planning and operational matters about which he deems the counsel of the Committee to be needed or helpful. The Committee shall also serve as serve as a council to advise the President and the National Trustee on National NSSAR issues that the FLSSAR members have interest in to present to the National Trustee meetings.

Proposed Amendment Article No. ____, Section ____ (), revised as follows:

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SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
By-Laws Proposed Amendment

(Submit to Chairman, By-Laws Committee)

General Subject Matter:

By-Laws Article No. V, Section 2 (), presently reads as follows:

Section 2 Financial Review Committee

The President shall appoint a Financial Review Committee of not less than three nor more than five members of the FLSSAR. This committee shall conduct, or cause to be conducted, an annual independent internal audit with specific guidelines of the financial books and records of the FLSSAR for the preceding fiscal year. The report of such Financial Review Committee shall be presented to the BOM for approval prior to the Annual Meeting of the FLSSAR.

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 SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
 By-Laws Proposed Amendment

(Submit to Chairman, By-Laws Committee)

General Subject Matter:

By-Laws Article No.V, Section 6 (), presently reads as follows:

Section 6 Other Committees

Other committees, not listed in these bylaws, may become necessary or useful; or the need to modify the duties of, or eliminate, an existing committee may arise. In such case, the desired change shall be proposed for consideration by the President, the BOM, or any member of the FLSSAR, as appropriate. A proposal for a new committee or for the modification of an existing committee shall include a proposed draft of a new or revised charter that states the name, duties, structure, powers, method of appointment and term of office of its members, and shall propose whether it shall be given the status statutory, standing, or special.

Committees are described as follows:

a. A Statutory Committee has the following characteristics:

- (1) Statutory Committee are established by, and its charter is set forth in, the By- laws. (see Article VIII -- Section 3 below.)
- (2) Statutory Committees perform functions and has powers as stated in the By- laws.
- (3) Statutory Committees remain in existence permanently, from year to year.
- (4) Members of Statutory Committees are appointed by the officer identified in their Bylaws and their terms are concurrent with that of the appointing officer unless otherwise stated in the Bylaws.

b. A Standing Committee has the following characteristics:

- (1) Standing Committees are established, empowered by action of the Board of Management.
- (2) Standing Committees charters may be amended or revoked by action of the Board of Management.
- (3) Standing Committees perform functions. They remain in existence as long as their charters statements remain in effect
- (4) Standing Committees charters designate the class of business for which the Standing Committees charters have cognizance, and they grant authority to conduct business.
- (5) Members of Standing Committees are appointed by the officer identified in their charters Members of Standing Committees serve for a term as stated in their charters.

c. A Special Committee (sometimes called Ad Hoc committee) has the following characteristics:

- (1) A Special or Ad Hoc Committee is established, and empowered by action of the President or of the Board of Management
- (2) A Special or Ad Hoc Committee performs the task or tasks specified in that action;
- (3) A Special or Ad Hoc Committee remains in existence, and its members continue to serve, until the tasks shall have been completed, a report submitted and accepted, and the committee is discharged.

Changes may be made to Special or Ad Hoc Committee assignments by the empowering authority. Special or Ad Hoc Committees may be transformed into Standing Committees by the Board of Management.

Proposed Amendment Article No. V, Section (), revised as follows:

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Submitted by: The Bylaws Committee

Date: 16 November 2020

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By-Laws Proposed Amendment Form

THE FLORIDA SOCIETY
 SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
 By-Laws Proposed Amendment

(Submit to Chairman, By-Laws Committee)

General Subject Matter:

By-Laws Article No.VIII, Section 3 (), presently reads as follows:

Section 3 Amendments

A. These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at an Annual Meeting of the FLSSAR, subject to the following:

- (1) The text of any proposed amendments shall be submitted to the Documents Committee in ample enough time for review so that a recommendation can be made to the Board of Management (BOM) at a regular meeting thereof at least 45 days prior to the Annual Meeting.
- (2) The text of the proposed amendment(s) must be provided to the members of the Board of Management (BOM) at east thirty (30) days prior to the Annual or Special Meeting. The members of the BOM may be notified by U.S. Postal service mail or by electronic mail at least thirty (30) days prior to the Annual or Special Meeting. The required thirty (30) day notice period shall be computed from the date of the postmark or date of the electronic mail. Official notice to the members of the BOM may be published in The Florida Patriot, provided The Florida Patriot is placed in the U.S. Postal Service mail no less than the thirty (30) days prior to the date of the Annual or Special Meeting. The proposed amendment(s) will then be voted on by ballot at the Annual Meeting.
- (3) The text of the proposed amendment(s) may be modified by a majority of the members present and voting without giving previous notice provided, however, that such modification(s) do not increase the scope or purpose of the amendment(s) or introduce additional changes beyond those changes for which previous notice was given.

B. Other FLSSAR Documents

Other FLSSAR Documents, including but not limited to Standing Rules and Committee Charters may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at a Regular or Special Meeting of the Board of Management of the FLSSAR, subject to the following:

- (1) The text of any proposed amendment(s) should be submitted to the Documents Committee for review and recommendations prior to any Regular or Special Meeting of the Board of Management of the FLSSAR. Any voting member of the Board of Management FLSSAR may propose an amendment.
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Proposed Amendment Article No. V, Section (), revised as follows:

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~~(2?)~~ The text of the proposed amendment(s) must be provided to the members of the Board of Management (BOM) at least thirty (30) days prior to the Annual or Special Meeting. ~~The members of the BOM may be notified by U.S. Postal service mail or by electronic mail at least thirty (30) days prior to the Annual or Special Meeting. The required thirty (30) day notice period shall be computed from the date of the postmark or date of the electronic mail. Official notice to the members of the BOM may be published in The Florida Patriot, provided The Florida Patriot is placed in the U.S. Postal Service mail no less than the thirty (30) days prior to the date of the Annual or Special Meeting.~~ The proposed amendment(s) will then be voted on by ballot at the Annual or Special Meeting.

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(1) The text of any proposed Standing Rules amendment(s) should be submitted to the Documents Committee for review and recommendations prior to any Regular or Special Meeting of the Board of Management of the FLSSAR. Any ~~voting~~ member of the ~~Board of Management~~ FLSSAR may propose an amendment.

~~(2)~~ The text of the proposed Standing Rules amendment(s) must be provided to the members of the Board of Management (BOM) at east thirty (30) days prior to the Regular or Special Meeting. ~~The members of the BOM may be notified by U.S. Postal service mail or by electronic mail at least thirty (30) days prior to the Regular or Special Meeting. The required thirty (30) day notice period shall be computed from the date of the postmark or date of the electronic mail. Official notice to the members of the BOM may be published in The Florida Patriot, provided The Florida Patriot is either placed in the U.S. Postal Service mail OR is emailed or available electronically no less than the thirty (30) days prior to the date of the Regular or Special Meeting. The proposed amendment(s) will then be voted on by ballot at the Regular or Special Meeting of the Board of Management.~~

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Last Naval Battle Reservation



BREVARD COUNTY'S SONS, DAUGHTERS AND CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION INVITE YOUR GROUP TO MARCH WITH US AT OUR ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE LAST NAVAL BATTLE OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION THAT WAS FOUGHT OFF THE COAST OF CAPE CANAVERAL

**March 13, 2021 at 10:00 AM at the Veteran's Memorial Center
400 South Sykes Creek Parkway, Merritt Island**

Event will be held inside if it rains

We once again expect a Color Guard of 200+ marchers along a very short parade route - ALL Color Guard units will receive a **FREE 18" LAST NAVAL BATTLE FLAG STREAMER**. There will a "**Wreath laying Ceremony**" for any group that wishes to honor our American Heroes. Water and chairs will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own. **Speeches will be kept short! Reservations for Color Guard/group participation and Wreath presentations must be received by February 25, 2021. Parade position is based on completion and receipt of this form.**

Instructions: To make your group's reservation, **Save** this PDF form to your computer, **open** from your computer, **fill out** the fields, then **Save** and **attach** the file to an e-mail message.

Reservation for Color Guard unit or group marching in the procession:

Group/Unit name: _____

Contact Name: _____ Phone Number: ___ - ___ - ____

E-mail: _____

Number in group attending: ____ How does the group want to be announced as? _____

Wreath presentation:

If you will be laying a wreath to honor our AMERICAN HEROES please list your Group/Individual name presenting the wreath _____

Please send your completed form to: emailbrevardsar@yahoo.com

**244th Anniversary of the Battle of Thomas Creek
Saturday 10:00 AM, March 27, 2021 in Jacksonville, Florida**

The Florida Society SAR commemorates the 244th anniversary for the Battle of Thomas Creek (the Southernmost Battle of the American Revolutionary War). This National Color Guard event 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 Road to 2145 Arnold Road, Jacksonville, FL (3 miles North of the airport). The bad weather location event will take place at Sheltair, 14600 Whirlwind Ave.(3.5 miles west)



We will have a social and orientation meeting Friday evening at 5 p.m. on March 26th at the Marriott Spring Hill Suites, 13550 Airport Court, Jacksonville, FL 32218 (904-741-8002). Identify yourself with the Sons of the American Revolution for a discounted rate of \$119 (includes breakfast) or use your Marriott reward points. A block of rooms will be reserved up to March 10th. 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 have our Patriotic Choral Group "Let Freedom Sing" plus various Patriotic and Civic Organizations bringing greetings. We are especially honored this year to have SAR, South Atlantic District, Vice President General Allen Greenly, plus Florida DAR State Regent Kay Yarbrough bringing greeting from our National Societies. To assure your organization's recognition and to receive a flag streamer, please complete the following by February 15, 2021 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 _____

Order Form

There are two ways to complete this form.

1. Print this page then complete in black ink.
2. Save the form to your computer. Open the saved form and use the FREE Adobe Reader to fill in the information. This will help ensure that your information can be read.



The 2023 FLSSAR Medal

Commemorating the 133rd Congress of the
National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution
Being hosted by the Florida SAR Society

Boxed Set contains one Large Medal
and one Miniature Medal
(See graphic depiction below)

Cost per set:	\$40.00
Shipping (USPS with Tracking)	\$7.75
Total per set:	\$47.75

Make checks payable to: FLSSAR Treasurer

Please send order and check to:

Bernard W. Wolff
21340 SW 94th Avenue
Cutler Bay, FL 33189-3735

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

Order:

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

National Number:

Number of Medal Sets:

Cost per Medal Set:

Total of Check \$



Large Medal



Miniature Medal

This medal has been approved by the NSSAR 's Medals & Awards Committee
and the Executive Committee

George Strafford Andrews II

1929 - 2020

It is with deep regret that the Central Florida SAR chapter announce the passing of George Andrews who served as a chapter chaplain for many years and brought many Christmas themed programs to our chapter on multiple occasions. George was born September 11, 1929 in New York to Mary, a college-educated Egyptologist, and George (I), a Yale graduate who once worked with Thomas Edison. Growing up in Rye, NY, and Greenwich, Connecticut, George graduated from Kent Episcopal Boys School where he enjoyed rowing and theatre (playing King Lear once), received his Artium Baccalaureus from Harvard in 1952 writing his thesis on 'Napoleon's Left Hand', and was an editor of The Harvard Advocate. He met Anne Wescott, of Oak Park, Illinois, a student at nearby Wellesley College. They married in 1953 at Christ Church, Cambridge, Massachusetts, where Washington had worshipped.



They moved to Oak Park where he earned a Master of Business Administration from Northwestern University. After several financial positions he headed the corporate loan department for a large suburban savings and loan, became a licensed realtor, and taught real estate.

In 1967, The Holy Spirit moved George to study for the priesthood at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee, where in 1970 he was awarded his Master of Divinity degree. Upon Ordination, he returned to Chicago serving three Episcopal suburban parishes, several terms as Secretary of the Chicago Diocese, was a Diocesan trustee, and a board member of the Cathedral Shelter. He taught church finance at Seabury Western Seminary, and was nominated for bishop.

Upon retirement to Florida, George and Anne became members of All Saints Episcopal Church, Winter Park, and later, The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection, Longwood, where he served as clergy as well as in southeastern Wisconsin, home to his daughter, Elizabeth (deceased 2012). In Central Florida, George was chaplain to the local chapters of the Sons of the American Revolution and the St. Andrews Society.

Retirement allowed George to finally get the knack for golf, and until the end, he maintained a sharp sense of humor, loved crosswords and was a voracious reader. He is survived by Anne, his cherished wife of 68 years, his two sons, Dr. Thomas (Diane) Andrews of Longwood, the Rev. Richard (Anneliese) Andrews, J.D. of Ft. Collins, CO, six grandchildren, and two (soon to be three) great-grandchildren. George died peacefully November 20th at his home in Village on the Green, Longwood. A memorial service will be at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be sent to The Church of the Resurrection, 251 E. Brantley Drive. Longwood, Florida, 32779.

George Gastfield

1931 - 2020

It is with deep sympathy that the Central Florida SAR announce the passing of George Gastfield. As stated in his obituary, George Downs Gastfield, 89, passed away peacefully on October 12, 2020 after a lengthy illness. George was born on June 30, 1931 in Eustis Florida to Charles and Thelma Gastfield. He was nicknamed "Penny" by his family as a child, a name he went by with much of his family until his death. As a child he liked to ask for a penny which could buy a lot more in his depression era childhood, thus the nickname. In his early years he enjoyed the outdoors with his brothers and friends on Haines Creek and the woods near his home. He developed a love for cars as well, driving well before he legally was supposed to do so.

On December 28, 1951 George married Joan Lee Bennett shortly after he had enlisted in the Air Force. George and Joan remained faithfully married until his death almost 69 years later. In the Air Force, George was stationed in Cheyenne, Wyoming where he and Joan's two children, Randy and Margie, were born. During his Air Force service, George became an instructor in the Supply School.

The Gastfield family returned to Florida in 1955, eventually settling in Orlando, where George began a long career based around his love of cars and interacting with people. He became a skilled buyer, appraiser, salesman, and manager. George's son Randy worked with his dad for a number of years, and was told many times by automobile professionals that George was the best and most accurate auto appraiser they had ever known. He loved to work and it showed in his professionalism and attention to detail.

In his spare time, George loved spending time with Joan and his family. He also enjoyed wood-working, folk art, southern gospel music, the Florida Gators, and especially finding his family roots in his later years. He spent many hours in genealogy research even traveling out of state in search of his family history.

George was a born again Christian serving as a deacon in several churches, and often shared his faith with the people he and Joan met while out dining or shopping. He had a special heart for the needy, disabled, and bullied. George and Joan liked kingdom building by helping kids go to church camp. They also aided young adults that were attending bible college in any way they could.

George is survived by his wife Joan, son Randall Gastfield, daughter Margie Thompson (Dale), grandson Ryan Thompson (Trish), granddaughter Erin Thompson, grandson Garrett Gastfield, and two great grandchildren Josiah and Asher Thompson. He is also survived by his broth-

er William Gastfield Sr. George is predeceased by his sister Sara Buie, and brother Charles Gastfield.

George will be missed greatly by his family and friends. The friends and family of George are invited to attend a casual Celebration of Life in his memory on November 20, 2020 commencing at 10:00 am. The service will be held at Sunsational Farms (www.sunsationalfarms.com) located at 40541 Roger Giles Rd., Umatilla, FL 32784. The service will be in an outdoor pavilion so please dress accordingly. Bench seating will be provided, but those who wish to bring a folding outdoor chair are welcome to do so.

Burial will take place at Cape Canaveral National Cemetery in Mims, FL. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made in George's memory to Johnson University Florida, <https://johnsonu.edu/donate/florida/>

Douglas Hammond Humm

1921-2020

It is with deep regret that the Brevard SAR Chapter announce the passing of Douglas H. Humm. We found Compatriot Douglas Hammond Humm passed away on May 09, 2017 in Indialantic, FL. Doug was born 16 Aug 1921 in Flushing, NY a son of Albert William F Humm Jr and Florence Adele Lowerre Humm. Doug first joined CAR 04 Apr 1938 and transferred to SAR on 27 Sep 1943. Doug's Patriot was Col. James Hammond 1727-1810 P-174103. Compatriot Humm enlisted in the United States Army Reserve Corps 25 Aug 1942 and was activated on 23 Feb 1943. Doug was a WWII Veteran, a Member of the FLSSAR Veterans Battalion and was awarded the War Service Medal. We would like to give thanks to Compatriots Don Lanman, Pat Nieman and Robert McGuire for their research and assistance when we found Doug had passed. Death Notice: <https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/floridatoday/obituary.aspx?n=douglas-h-humm&pid=185362841>



Willard Bill McLeod

It is with deep regret that the Brevard SAR Chapter announce the passing of Willard Bill McLeod. Bill enjoyed golfing so much he went 6 days a week. Every time he arrived at the 16th hole Bill would call his wife Maura to let her know that he would be home shortly. On Wednesday November 25, 2020 he called from the 16th hole and on the 17th hole Bill went home to be with the Lord. Born in Milford, New Jersey and raised in Rockland County, New York the same



county where his Patriot John Jersey 1740-1821 P-224657 was buried. Being an avid golfer, Bill never keep score. Bill would always give the golf cart attendant a snack for taking care of the cart. Every morning Bill and Maura would go to McDonalds to order 2 oatmeal's and one senior coffee. He enjoyed being a wheeler-dealer especially with golf clubs. Pastor Clay Stevens talked about Bill talking him into buying unique clubs that Bill had purchased earlier. Bill's most noted phrase: "Thank the good Lord pray for miracles." Obituary: <https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/floridatoday/obituary.aspx?n=bill-mcleod&pid=197175154&fhid=5703>

Jeanne Gaston Fehrenbaker

1937-2020

It is with deep regret that the Naples SAR Chapter and the FLSSAR announce the passing of Jeanne Fehrenbaker. She served as an officer of the Ladies Auxiliary in various capacities and went with Larry to many NSSAR Congress and other NSSAR events. She died Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at the Frances Georgeson Hospice House. She was born on October 22, 1937 in Detroit, MI the only child of the late Herbert Bothwell and Katie Ray (née Dailey) Gaston. She had been a resident of Bonita Springs, FL for the past 20 years coming from Danville, VA.



She attended the University of Kansas and graduated from Wayne State University with her Bachelor's degree in education. While at Wayne State she reconnected with a former high school classmate, Lawrence G. Fehrenbaker who was in his senior year of Medical School and they married in 1964. Dr. Fehrenbaker finished his fellowship in Urology at the Mayo Graduate School of Medicine in Rochester, MN. They moved to Danville, VA where he operated his urology practice for 33 years. Along with her husband, she founded a chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes and Research Foundation in Virginia.

Jeanne raised their two children in Danville where she was a member of First Presbyterian Church. In Naples, they were members at the Moorings Presbyterian Church. She was actively involved in many ministries during her time there. In addition to serving as an elder and a deacon, Jeanne served on many different committees including the Martha/Rachel Circle, the Faith and Art group, Prayer Team, and participated in many bible studies. She was a member of the DAR and an officer of The Huguenot Society of Florida.

She is survived by her beloved husband of 57 years, Dr. Lawrence G. Fehrenbaker, Sr. of Naples, FL; one son, Lawrence G. Fehrenbaker, Jr. and his wife, Allison Picket Fehrenbaker of Scarsdale, NY; one daughter, Suzanne Fehrenbaker Bell and her husband, Ryan Devins Bell of Westport, CT and five devoted grandchildren, Kate Samantha Fehrenbaker, Abigail Sara Fehrenbaker, Ethan Samuel Fehrenbaker, Madeline Georgia Bell and Zachary Lawrence Bell.

She was interred in the memorial garden at the Moor-

ings Presbyterian Church in Naples in a private family service. The memorial service was held on October 8, 2020 at the Moorings Presbyterian Church 791 Harbour Dr. Naples, FL 34103.

William Alexander Segraves 1937-2020

It is with deep regret that the Saramana SAR Chapter announce the passing of William A. Segraves. He was born in Jacksonville, Florida on August 18, 1937. Bill died October 5, 2020 in Sarasota. Bill graduated from Robert E. Lee High School in Jacksonville in 1955. He was awarded the Benjamin Franklin Scholarship by University of Pennsylvania to study Engineering. He enlisted in the Marine Reserve Leadership Training Corps, serving each summer while in college. He belonged to Delta Tau Delta fraternity and rowed on varsity crew. He excelled in his studies at Penn. Continuing at Penn, Bill earned his Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering. Bill began his engineering career at the Franklin Institute in the Applied Mechanics Laboratory, where he worked on a wide range of engineering projects. For the remainder of his career, Bill worked in the field of nuclear engineering. After moving to Jacksonville in 1970, Bill worked for Offshore Power Systems designing the cooling system for the nuclear reactors in their floating nuclear power plants. Bill worked for Reynolds, Smith and Hills on a plant they were building. The Franklin Institute asked him to develop and implement a project to upgrade the safety standards and efficiency of the existing U.S. nuclear plants. Bill moved to Radnor, Pennsylvania to work in the Nuclear Division of General Electric in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania from 1980 to 1992. When he retired, Bill moved to Auburn, Alabama where he worked for Auburn University.

He continued his passions for genealogical research and Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) activities. Bill was elected President of the Alabama Society of SAR. Bill was a member of the Society of the Cincinnati. After his move to Sarasota in 2008, Bill served on the Board of Governors of the Saramana Chapter of SAR, and was the George Washington Fellow to the National SAR Foundation. As a 27 year member of Rotary, he continued to work in Rotary, as a Paul Harris Fellow and in 2019 chartered the Siesta Key Rotary Club. Bill supported The Sarasota Institute of Lifetime Learning, the Great Music Series at Church of the Redeemer, and the Boys and Girls Club of Sarasota. He was a member of the Ivy League Club, the Experimental Aircraft Association and Church of the Redeemer, where he served on the vestry. Bill was devoted to his family, his friends and his church. Bill was predeceased by his wife of 36 years, Antoinette Penick Jones Segraves and his wife of 10 years, Cecile Christy Clark Segraves. Bill is survived by his sister, Cynthia Segraves, his son William Alexander Segraves (Carol), grandson Andrew Elton Segraves (Lauren), son David Alexander Segraves (Kellie), grandsons Logan Segraves (Lindey), Connor Segraves (Lauren), stepson Christian Clark (Sandy), and friend and companion Diana Clagett. A memorial service to celebrate Bill's life will be held at Church of the Redeemer at a later date. Bill's family is thankful for the love Bill experienced throughout his life and most particularly the expressions of that love as we grieve Bill's death and remember his life.

From the DAR Liaison Committee Members

This is a call for duty on Friday, March 5 and Saturday, March 6, 2021. The Florida State Society DAR is holding their Annual Meeting at the Renaissance Orlando at Sea World, 6677 Sea Harbor Drive, Orlando, FL 32821. The nightly rate is \$157.00. The hotel is likely to sell out early so reservations should be made as soon as possible if you wish to stay overnight. If you will attend the conference which has been condensed into two days, you should register by opening the attached document which provides a button "Register" or by using the following link: <https://www.eventleaf.com/2021stateconference>. After registering for the conference, it then provides a link for hotel reservations. The hotel Reservations Booking Website: <https://book.passkey.com/event/50100334/owner/210/home> will also take you to the group rate. If reserving by phone, call (407) 351-5555 and ask for Group Reservations.

For those SAR compatriots who are attending for the Information Table on Friday or on Saturday morning, please let Bob McGuire know so that he can work out a schedule. For HODAR's who are attending with their wives, on-line registration forms (obtained on the FSSDAR website) should be submitted along with their wife's. A newsletter (the Orange Appeal) with conference details is attached.

We have again arranged to get two tables for display and recruiting from 9 AM to 3 PM on Friday and 9 AM to Noon on Saturday. We will take turns for a lunch break between noon and 1:30 PM on Friday. We will have flag displays, handouts (Florida Patriot, activity brochures, recruiting brochures) and a DAR recruiter contact sheet and forms. If you are volunteering, please wear either a period uniform, period clothing, or jacket and tie (perhaps the SAR tie). This is one of two DAR state-wide events annually where the SAR is invited to participate and have representatives present for recruiting and mutual support. Please step up and help out! Please let him know (phone or email) the answers to the following questions: (1) Will you help staff the SAR recruiting tables on Friday March 5th? (2) Will you help staff the SAR recruiting tables on Saturday March 6th? (3) Do you have any display items?

The Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade has been invited to post colors at the Friday evening banquet, this is designated as a "State Event" for earning 10 points (plus mileage) towards the Bronze Color Guard Medal. Please advise the State Color Guard Command Staff if you can participate in the event. Dignitaries attending the banquet will include NSDAR PG Denise Doren Vanburen – let's give them a great show!

From the Knight Essay Committee

As we start this new and hopefully better year I want to send out a reminder that the deadline for the Knight Essay contest is March 20. A few details are posted on the state web site and full information is available at SAR.ORG. As the school year began, I received 7 inquiries from students interested in the contest. I forwarded each of those to their local chapter. I'm hoping all those chapters will run the contest even if that's their only entry. It's a start. Don't hesitate to contact Ron Groove if he can help in any way.

CHAPTER NEWS

Aaron Snowden Chapter

Aaron Snowden Chapter has been communicating since March via email and phone due to virus. We were able to fill the Chapter officer positions and working hard to re-new as many members for 2021. We have been fortunate to have had several noteworthy events these last few months.

Liam Gibson of Navarre High School placed 3rd in the state competition for NJROTC Essay contest on how NJROTC made him a better citizen. Lonnie Jones and Bert Outlaw presented Liam with SAR Certificate, DAR medal and certificate, and DAR check. He had previously received SAR medal and check. (see photo).

The normal county Veterans Day ceremonies were cancelled but Chapter Vice-President Lonnie Jones took it upon himself to display 12 flagpoles with colonial and military flags representing various periods in our history. (see Photo)

The local DAR chapter invited us to attend a Veterans Day ceremony for flag raising and remarks for our Chapter namesake Aaron Snowden at the Milton Cemetery. The ceremony was held the Saturday after the Wednesday Veterans Day, when ten DAR/SAR members met with SAR members raising colonial flag, and DAR members making remarks about Aaron Snowden and Veterans Day. A flower wreath was laid at the gravesite.

Griffin Walker, a student at Pace High School reached Eagle Scout rank with his Court of Honor being held. President Bert Outlaw

and VP Lonnie Jones were asked to participate in the ceremony. Griffin was presented with the BSA/ SAR patch and his proclamation read. Lonnie Jones took the time to give short talk on programs available to Scouts thru SAR. (see Photo)

We look forward to a better, safer 2021.



Brevard Chapter

At the October meeting, President Bonnett conducted the election of the new officers for the year 2020-2021. The slate of candidates ran unopposed and was elected by a unanimous vote of the membership present. President Bonnett swore in the newly elected officers. New Chapter President James Ward gave thanks to the past year's officers for their service. Past President Bonnett was honored for his service and awarded the Past President's Pin, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Silver Roger Sherman Medal and certificate.

At the November meeting, President Ward discussed the current meeting fee of \$5.00 per member not meeting the cost of renting the meeting space at the VMC and proposed further discussion of the matter and requested First Vice President Etherton and Past President Eller to conduct the sale of tickets for a 50/50 drawing to help offset the unfunded expense. Regent Eller announced the joint DAR/SAR effort to send Christmas Cards to American Service Members stationed in Italy. Mrs. Eller distributed approximately 70 cards and envelopes to the attendees and asked them to add a personal greeting and signature to a card. Compatriot Chuck Pierce brought in approximately 20 ASPCA cards and these were included with those going to Italy.

President Ward introduced Brevard County Sheriff K9 Deputies Elliot and Loren who introduced their respective partners Roland, a 6 year old blood hound used only for tracking, and Zeppelin, a two and one-half year old German-Hungarian Malinois used for pursuit and investigation. The deputies gave a lengthy and very interesting presentation regarding the work of each of their K9 partners, their care, living conditions, training, history, different work, cost etc. The membership gave the deputies and dogs and rousing applause in appreciation to their work and their presentation. President Ward thanked Compatriot Carl Miller for arranging the presentation and requested that a formal letter of appreciation be sent to the Department from the Chapter.

1st VP Etherton and President Ward presented Fuller "Sonny" Jones with a "Palm" for his the award of his second Liberty Medal for his efforts in obtaining and assisting new members into the Chapter as well as awarding him his 10-year Pin.



New Members Bradley Bridgham and Charles Pierce



Aric Briggeworth, William Cole, John Boyd and Jess Cruikshank induction. Note: Jess was out of state so his Step Father accepted the certificate on his behalf.



Veterans Day 2020 John Boyd, Nic Mihora, Brian Jensen, Doug Bisset and President James G Ward

Caloosa Chapter



For Veterans Day the Caloosa Chapter salutes all Veterans who served our Country. These are the Compatriots who were present.



2nd Vice President Hampton Allen giving his presentation about “Peter Francisco, The Virginia Giant” to those present and to those watching live by Zoom



(l-r) Dwight Elam, James Stone, Hampton Allen, Lee Matson and Robert McGuire. Receiving Oak Leaf Clusters for their previously awarded Bronze Roger Sherman Medals for additional service to the chapter. (not pictured Lewis Elliott and Earl Kennedy)



New Compatriot, Thomas Harold David Hudspeth was presented his membership certificate at the December chapter meeting.



(l-r) James Stone, Hampton Allen, Thomas Thompson, Jeff Brunelle, & John Jones. Receiving Certificates of Appreciation for service to the Chapter during the past year. (not pictured Ray Dezendorf, Harry Hendry, Albert Myers, Ronald Peck, & Thomas Thompson)

Clearwater Chapter



Anne McGuire receiving the Bronze Citizenship Award, Arlene Stone Receiving the Lydia Darragh Award, and Debi Allen Receiving the SAR Medal of Appreciation at the December chapter meeting.



Pat Niemann presented the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal to WWII veteran Gerald "Bud" Berry at his 100th birthday celebration. The event was held outside at the Royal Palms of Largo on October 16, 2020. 1Lt. Berry was a former Army Air Corps pilot during WWII who was a participant during D-Day. He was a part of the Normandy Invasion when he dropped members of the 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment (Band of Brothers fame) from his aircraft which was hit by enemy fire. He was able to fly the damaged C-47 back to safety in England.



While we have been unable to hold regular Board of Governor and Chapter meetings at the Dunedin Golf Club during the COVID-19 pandemic, in September and October we held online meetings that was open to all members on the ZOOM platform. We have also been using the ZOOM platform to hold our Board of Governors meetings to conduct monthly chapter business.



On Sunday, September 27, 2020, with the assistance of members of the Flagler Chapter, and NEVER deterred by rain showers, Maryland Society President Eugene (Gene) Moyer conducted the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution induction ceremony for his grandson, Cayden Lee Moyer into the Maryland Society. Eight month old Cayden, mother Michelle and father Corey, sisters Lina and Miranda, are residents of Flagler County, Florida. Flagler Chapter President Charlie Hayes, Secretary David Kelsey and Registrar Randall Morris were pleased to assist the Moyer family in welcoming their newest member Cayden to the SAR. This was an unusual induction ceremony as Cayden's Sponsor is his father, Corey, Co-sponsor is Uncle Matthew and Maryland Society President is "Pop-Pop" Gene! Additionally, Grandma Becky is the Maryland DAR State Chairman for the Americanism Committee. Cayden's Patriot, SGT Joseph Brace (Connecticut Militia), served with the Main Army near Peekskill in the State of New York in September 1778. Shown with the Flagler Chapter Liberty Tree & Plaque in the background are (L to R): Randall, Gene, Michelle, Cayden, Corey, Becky, Charlie



On October 28, 2020, several of our members attended the Tampa Bay Veterans Alliance breakfast where Clearwater Mayor Frank Hibbard was the guest speaker. Pictured from left to right is Chapter President Bob Anderson, Past President Pat Niemann, Clearwater Mayor Frank Hibbard, Tampa Bay Veterans Alliance Director Fr. Robert Swick and Publicist Harry

Flagler Chapter



On Thursday, August 27, 2020, under the shade of the Flagler Chapter Liberty Tree, found in Heroes Memorial Park, Palm Coast, new Compatriots Steve and William Ripley were inducted as members of the Flagler Chapter SAR by President

Charlie Hayes. Steve and William have several Patriot ancestors and selected Elihu Pomeroy as their first qualifier. Elihu was among the "Minutemen" who answered the Lexington Alarm on April 19, 1775. Elihu's father Benjamin and brother Josiah also were Patriots. In photo (L to R) Registrar Randall Morris, OUR Flagler Liberty Tree & Plaque, Compatriot Steve Ripley and Chapter President Charlie Hayes.



On October 12, 2020, Fire Police Captain Steve Garnes, the leader of the Fire Police program, was awarded the Fire Safety Commendation Medal and Certificate at the City of Palm Coast Fire Dept. Headquarters by Compatriots Randall Morris and David Kelsey. Capt. Garnes was presented this award for outstanding accomplishments and contributions on a **volunteer basis** in the area of fire safety and service. Capt. Garnes has responded to more than 10,000 emergency incidents in the past 14 years without missing a single incident requiring fire police presence. As the Fire Police leader his mission is to establish a perimeter of safety around the scene of an emergency thus protecting occupants and victims as well as allowing emergency personnel to operate safely. Capt. Garnes is a dedicated citizen with a single goal – protect human life and property by preventing injuries or casualties due to fire or accident.

Gainesville Chapter

On December 19, 2020, the Gainesville Chapter participated in the Wreaths Across America. Dave and Kathy Thomas represented the chapter at the Keystone Heights Memorial Gardens in which the Gainesville DAR chapter and the Jacob Roberts Brown CAR chapter was presented. Then at the Forest Meadows East Cemetery Jack Woods and Iren Sylvester (Gainesville DAR Member) were present. Also pictured is Sean Tonnelier with Ronna Jackson, gold star mother & event coordinator.



Lake-Sumter Chapter

Early in 2020, the Lake-Sumter Chapter planted its third Liberty Tree on the Campus of Montverde Academy, Montverde, FL. Dedication of the tree originally had been scheduled for April 22, 2020; however, as it did with many things, Covid-19 changed the schedule and November 11th was ultimately chosen for the dedication. Due to campus rules dealing with Covid-19, only the Color Guard and presenters could attend from the Chapter. The Academy, in lieu of their original plans, limited their participants to Dr. David Rath, Dean of Enrollment Management and select students and teachers from their History department. Words of welcome were provided by Chapter President Ron Grove, followed by the posting of the Colors by the Chapter Color Guard and President Grove who led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. President Grove in turn, introduced FLSSAR President David Bussone who spoke on the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR); Dr. Rath who spoke of the long-standing relationship which existed between Montverde Academy and the Lake-Sumter Chapter of the SAR; and Past President Lane who provided a Veteran's Day Message. After the scheduled speakers, President Grove returned to the podium and informed the audience of the history of the "Liberty Tree". Montverde student Layla Busby, then unveiled the plaque documenting the planting of the "Montverde Liberty Tree" Ms. Busby was this year's Lake-Sumter Poster Contest winner and 2nd place winner in the FLSSAR Poster Contest.

It is important to note that then Chapter President Allan Lane originated the idea of the planting at Montverde due to the successful relationship established between the Chapter and Montverde Academy. In addition to being local Chapter winners over the years, Montverde students in 2020 placed 2nd in the FLSSAR essay contest (Judy Hassanein) and 2nd in the FLSSAR Poster Contest (Layla Busby); in 2019 2nd in the FLSSAR oration contest (Matthew Karen); and in 2018 Robert Burke won the FLSSAR American History Teacher of the year award. Thanks, are extended to teachers Robert Burke, who coordinated the Essay and Oration contests and Lori Pollock who organized the Poster contest at Montverde.





Liberty Tree with Lake-Sumter Color Guard. (left to right) Jim Carl, Scott Bushnell, and George Chaffee.



Historic plaque installed at Liberty Tree.

Like all other Chapters, our Chapter suffered several changes due to Covid-19 restrictions; however, began moving in a positive direction with the use of Zoom meetings, masks, and social distancing. Sadly, as the Chapter began to return to its duties, we learned that we had lost two members during our Covid-19 shutdown, Compatriot and Chaplain James L. Angelos and Compatriot Robert H. Fickies, passed on July 30th and August 01, 2020, respectively.

Following are what we think were the high points of our 4th Quarter of 2020. On October 3rd, President Ron Grove provided a PowerPoint presentation highlighting that for years public high schools in Florida had been teaching US History beginning with the Reconstruction Era in 1870. Based on the efforts of the SAR, particularly a FLSSAR committee, and following three years of effort, the State of Florida has agreed to include the American Revolution in its teaching of American history.

On November 7th, in a long-standing tradition, Chapter members, led by Veteran Committee Chairman Jim

Carl, placed US Flags in the Lone Oak Cemetery, Leesburg, FL, in preparation for the upcoming Veteran's Day Festivities.

On Nov 11, the Chapter organized and sponsored the dedication of our Liberty Tree planted on the Montverde Academy Campus, Montverde, FL. The Montverde campus was chosen as the site due to the long and successful relationship between the school and the SAR in support of the SAR Educational programs. Speakers from the Chapter, FLSSAR President David Bussone, and Dean of Enrollment Management, Dr. David Rath, were present and witnessed the unveiling of an historical plaque documenting the planting of the Liberty Tree in April 2020, by Montverde student Lala Busby. Ms. Busby was the Lake-Sumter Chapter 1st Place winner of the 2020 Poster Contest as well as the 2nd place winner at FLSSAR.

A special member meeting has been planned for December 5th. Ladies affiliated with the Chapter have been invited as well as members of the local DAR Chapters to view a program entitled "Women in the Revolution". Following the presentation, the ladies will be treated to lunch. At 5:00 p.m., on the same day, members of the Chapter will participate in the Eustis Annual Christmas Parade, Eustis, FL, in another long-standing tradition.

New member Induction included family members Jason, Blake and Christopher Thompson, Jr., plus Colon Johnson and Timothy Piper all of whom were sworn in by President Ron Grove and 2nd Vice President Gary Hensley. During the induction of the Thompson family, Compatriot Christopher Thompson, Sr., stood for his son, Jason, at the induction ceremony. In a letter written to the Chapter by Jason Thompson, he provided a justifiable excuse for missing the induction ceremony. Compatriot Jason Patrick Thompson is a civilian federal employee with the United States Forest Service as a Fire Dozer Operator. Jason missed his induction as he was on his 3rd wildfire detail in the western United States. Thank you, Jason, for your service, and stay safe.

During the reporting period, the Chapter presented the following Awards: On behalf of FLSSAR: To Compatriot John Moore an Oak Leaf Cluster for his Liberty Medal. Compatriot Moore has successfully processed almost 140 SAR applications for the Lake-Sumter and The Villages Chapters; Past President and Patriot Medal Winner Scott Bushnell was presented with an Exceptional Service Award and an Oak Leaf Cluster for his Roger Sherman Medal for his work in constructing and maintaining numerous SAR websites; Ron Grove, George Chaffee, Bill Hayes, John Moore and Richard Offutt were awarded the NSSAR Meritorious Service Medal for support rendered during the term of Chapter President Allan Lane; Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to Gary Hensley, Lee Ruble, Chuck Johnson, Bob Beightol, and Steward Dunaway for support during the term of Chapter President Allan Lane. In addition, the Bronze Good Citizenship Award was presented to Charles and Diane Rousseau, members of the Post 219, American Legion, for support they provided to the Chapter over the years.

Naples Chapter

The Naples Chapter presented 16 Public Service Awards at the November 12, 2020 Chapter luncheon meeting at Tiburon Golf Club in Naples, FL. Awards were presented to First Responders of the Collier County Sheriff's Office (CCSO), Greater Naples Fire Rescue District, Collier County Emergency Medical Services and the Florida Highway Patrol. Compatriot Acey Edgemon, Sr., retired CCSO Deputy, served as the master of ceremonies for the annual awards event. Pictured in the photo are CCSO Deputies Aliesha Wanamaker and Jacob Walker receiving Heroism awards along with Chapter President Leonard Crame (left) and compatriot Acey Edgemon, Sr. (right). Heroism award recipient Deputy Isabele Gutierrez (absent) also assisted as the three depu-

ties safely apprehended a suspect who was shooting at them out his vehicle window during a get-away chase.

Chapter President Leonard Crame also presented Florida Veterans Battalion certificates to five Naples Chapter veterans. Special recognition was given to COL Robert Burhans, USMC (retired), who served in WWII, Korea and Vietnam and later served as Collier County Undersheriff. Pictured in the photo seated are COL Robert Burhans and his wife Dr. Pamela Burhans. The Chapter meeting awards event had 72 attendees and was covered by the Naples Daily News.



Okeechobee Chapter



The Okeechobee Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution installed the 2020-2021 officers at the October SAR meeting held at Brown Cow Sweetery. The officers were installed by SAR National Trustee Pat Niemann. Pictured L-R are: Don Hanna, Chaplin; Dowling Watford, Secretary; Jim Green, VP; Jim Pippin, Pres.; Pat Niemann, National Trustee; Gary Miles, Past-Pres. & Director; and Gary Howard, Registrar.



Preston Croslyn was installed as the newest member of the Okeechobee Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution at the October SAR meeting. Preston's Patriot who served in the Revolutionary War was Ebenezer Folsom. Registrar Gary Howard inducted Preston, with Pres. Jim Pippin presenting his membership certificate, and his Uncle, Gary Miles, doing the pinning. Pictured L-R are: Pres. Jim Pippin, Gary Miles, Preston Croslyn, and Registrar Gary Howard.

Palm Beach Chapter

Chapter 2021 Vision: Despite the ongoing impact of the *Covid-19 Pandemic*, the Chapter vision and goal for 2021 is to continue its focus on new membership development/mentoring, youth programs, veterans' services, police/first responder recognition programs and supporting the 2023 National Congress initiative.

Chapter Activities & Events: While Chapter meetings and activities were greatly restricted given the *CDC Covid-19*

restrictions, Chapter officers, board members and Chapter meetings are being conducted virtually via Zoom.us.

The Chapter continued its *Operation Compatriot Outreach* program that includes special newsletters, notices, emails, personal calls and in person visits with fellow *Compatriots*, and *DAR Daughters* to check on their physical and mental welfare and to provide assistance where needed.



membership to 23% of its membership.

Despite the *Pandemic*, Chapter *Compatriots Lanman, Parkinson and Wratlslaw* joined DAR Chapters in two *Veterans Day* events including a special "*Honor Flight Tribute Parade*" honoring veterans and a special "*Tribute to Service Monument Dedication Ceremony*" sponsored by the *City of Riviera Beach* to honor *Veterans, Gold Star Families* and *First Responders* for their sacrifice and service to our nation and community.

2021 Chapter Officers nominated include President, Donald Lanman, Vice President, David Wratlslaw, Secretary, Bob Boggs, Treasurer, Peter Johnston, Registrar, John Workman, Chaplain Ben Tidwell, Historian Sonny Barber, Sgt. @ Arms, Greg Parkinson, Officers @ Large, Bill Richards & TK Kruppenaker.

While Chapter *Compatriots* were disappointed with the cancellation of several important patriotic events including: *Missing in America Veteran Internment Ceremonies*, *Fall Veterans Memorial Day Flag placement ceremony*, *Forgotten Soldiers Outreach Memorial Day to Remembrance Ceremony*, and the *Wreaths Across America* event, we continued support of these great organizations as practical.

Tampa Chapter

The Tampa Chapter has sponsored *Wreaths Across America* at a small *Veterans Cemetery* owned and maintained by *American Legion Post #5 USS Tampa* in Tampa, Florida since 2013. We have also presented the *Colors* as



The Chapter has 10+ new member applications in process, and inducted 4 new *Compatriots* at its October 20 virtual meeting including: *David Wratlslaw, John Annan, Paul Spencer & Ed Ferree*. The Chapter also conducted a special *Memorial Service* for 4 departed *Compatriots* including: *Michael Johnson 2005, J. W. Porter 2011, William Stout 1997* and *Robert Gearing 2019*.

FLSSAR Veterans Battalion Chairman Lanman inducted Chapter *Compatriot/Veteran Bob Phinney* into the *Veterans Battalion* bringing the total Chapter VB



part of the *Ceremony* every year. *WAA* in 2020 was an unusual year all over. In Tampa, the *American Legion Post* allowed interested people to visit their *Veterans Cemetery* to lay wreaths on one or more of the 700+ gravesites, over a two hour period, so long as masks were worn and social distancing was practiced. An abbreviated *Ceremony* was held for those on-site at Noon. This included the presentation of the *Colors* by the Tampa Chapter *Color Guard*. Due to misinformation on the nature of the *Ceremony*, a Chapter meeting conflicted with this *Ceremony* and only two *Guardsmen* were available. Of the two pictures provided, one shows those two *Compatriots*, *Dick Young*, Tampa *Color Guard* Commander and *Terry Doan*, who is also a member of *Post #5*. The other picture shows some of the other people who coordinated with the Tampa Chapter to be part of *Wreaths Across America* in 2020. Left to right, they are *Mimi Leroy-Marler* of *Desoto Chapter DAR*, *Compatriots Doan and Young*, *Katherine Nicholson* and *Lisette Young* of *Winding Waters Chapter DAR*. In front is *Lulu Nichol-*

son of Fort Brooke Society C.A.R. All three of the ladies are also Senior Members and Senior office holders of the Fort Brooke Society. The Ceremony was led by former Florida Society SAR President Pat Niemann.

Compatriots Doan and Young also placed a wreath and took a moment to remember and honor a Vietnam Veteran interred in the public cemetery adjacent to the Veterans Cemetery.



Clearwater Chapter



COL Pat Niemann presented the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal to Bill Monfort on his 104th birthday at the Landmark ALF, Clearwater. Mr. Monfort served aboard the destroyer USS Mahan during WWII in the Pacific Theater. Mr. Monfort survived two kamikaze attacks while serving on the USS Mahan.

Central Florida Chapter

Members of the Central Florida SAR Chapter participated in the Wreaths Across America program that was held on December 19, 2020. Pictured herein are past chapter president Burt Fairchild and Phil Markoe at the Winter Park Pinewood Cemetery.



Various Chapter Events in the Panhandle



In Callaway, on Friday, October 16, 2020, Louis William Glayre of Southport, Bay County, Florida received the Sons of the American Revolution Twenty Year Member Service Lapel Pin and the SAR Military Service Medal at the home of the Florida Society SAR, Panama City Chapter Secretary, DeCody B. Marble.

On February 27, 1998, Louis W. Glayre joined the SAR at the Saramana Chapter, in Sarasota and Manatee Counties, Florida. Louis is a descendant from the American Revolutionary War Patriot, Jacob Green, the Founder of Greensport, St Clair County, near Ashville Alabama.

Louis Glayre was born in Palmetto, Manatee County, Florida and in 1956; he graduated from Manatee HS and then joined the United States Air Force. After his military service, Louis attended Emory University in Miami Florida obtaining certification in Aircraft Engine Mechanics.

In 1966, Louis returned home to Manatee County to the new Borden Chemical, phosphate fertilizer Piney Point Plant. He was the Chief Mechanical Engineer for 36 years, until his retirement in 2000. Louis and wife Carol Richard Glayre relocated to Barbour County, Alabama.

In February 2020, Louis Glayre transferred from the Alabama Society SAR, Wiregrass Chapter in Enterprise to the Florida Society SAR Panama City Chapter. In December 2019, Louis attended his first Panama City Chapter meeting in a wheelchair and wearing a neck brace, recovering from a nearly fatal accident, involving the breaking of his neck.

An aftermath of the destruction of Category 5, Hurricane Michael of October 10, 2018. On February 17, 2020, the Glayre home in Southport was the first of more than 300 properties demolished by the federal private property debris removal program in Bay County. "After those couple of hardships, It is an inspiration and pleasure to see Louis W. Glayre stand up and receive his just awards. " – DBM



In Marianna, Florida, on Saturday, September 19, 2020, the Constitution Week Luncheon took place at the St. Luke's Episcopal Church. The Chipola Chapter DAR, Blue Springs Society C.A.R. and the William Dunaway Chapter SAR jointly sponsored the Luncheon.

The Guest Speaker was Carol A. Dunaway, a Florida Supreme Court Certified Mediator running for Jackson County Supervisor of Elections. Carol gave a captivating speech about how Legal Mediation saves money and reduces the number of legal cases going to court. In addition, she spoke about the Constitution and the right and duty of every United States citizen to vote.

Doris Spears, Regent, Chipola Chapter NSDAR, guide the attendees through the Opening Ritual. Earl F. "Matt" Mathews Jr., the Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution, Northwest Regional Vice President stated; "The Right to Vote is 'Not' in the Constitution!" Matt gave an interesting speech about the Philadelphia Constitutional Convention of 1787. James Madison of Virginia addressed voting rights and the Constitution left voting rules to the individual states. In addition; Matt Mathews rang the large bell for "Bells across America", tribute to 9-11 Victims and Heroes.

Pictured above Left to Right: Seated in the front row; DAR members: hostess, Paulene Trotter, Regent, Doris Spears, hostess Ellen Wright Middle row; DAR, Stephanie Coxwell, Emily Coxwell, President, Blue Springs Society N.S.C.A.R., DAR member/hostesses: Joyce Dennis (in red), Betty Roberts (in blue) and Sharon Wilkerson. Back row; SAR members: Chuck Wikerson, Matt Mathews, DeCody Brad Marble, Robert "Kenny" Dunaway and Jim Dunaway.



On 9 September 2020, Rodney Louis Herring, a dual member of the Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution, Panama City Chapter received the SAR War Service Medal with the Vietnam Bar and the Florida Society Veterans Battalion recognition and induction certificate presented by DeCody Brad Marble, Registrar and Photographer.

On 26 September 2017, the Gulf County, Florida Board of County Commissioners appointed a committee of patriotic citizens and local veterans to direct an effort to build "The Honor Walk" at the Gulf County Veterans Memorial Park. Navy, Vietnam, Veteran, Rodney L. Herring is one of the initial volunteers that is still serving on that appointed committee. Therefore, in the photo, Rodney is standing by the "Battlefield Cross" or "Fallen Soldier Memorial" which he personally recommended, while serving on the committee.



In the Panama City Chapter, James Franklin "Jim" Haynes will become the 2021 Chapter President with DeCody Brad Marble serving as 2021 Secretary, Registrar, Historian, Webmaster, & Purchaser. Marble will return as the Northwest Regional Vice President in June 2021 upon which he held this position from 2015-2017. William James "Bill" Zehner Sr. will be the 2021 Treasurer & David Pete Windham will continue to be the Chapter Chaplain. We also have Caroline Windham serving as President of the Chapter Ladies Auxiliary. As of December 11, 2020, Justin Edward Smith Jr. became the chapter's 23 member.



From the Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements Committee

It's been a slow year for disbursements from the Endowment Trust Fund. We've had only 27 requests from 13 chapters for a total of \$6,254. That compares to 58 requests last year for \$14,247. The program year ended October 31 and the deadline for requests was November 15. The pandemic shut down so many things. And right now things are not looking good for this year with the infection numbers climbing and shut downs occurring. We will begin accepting requests for this program year after January 1. The only change for the new year is that scholarship limits are raised to \$100/50/25. They were \$50/25/15. We will be making changes to the submission form soon so be sure to use the new one when you file.

More on the George and Stella Knight Essay Contest

The essay contest should not be harmed by the pandemic. Keep in mind this doesn't have to be a "school" project. Also be mindful of the new scholarship limits from the Endowment Trust Fund of 75% reimbursement to the limits of \$100/50/25. And the medal is 100% reimbursed. There is also reimbursement if you invite the winner to a meal.

Students must submit an original 800 to 1,200 word essay based on an event, person, philosophy or ideal associated with the American Revolution, Declaration of Independence, or the framing of the United States Constitution. Each student's essay will be judged based upon its historical accuracy, clarity, organization, grammar, spelling and documentation.

From the Nominating Committee

The Fall *Florida Patriot* announced that the Nominating Committee was accepting nominations from Compatriots for the 24 elected Florida Society SAR Officer positions for the 2020-2021 term. As we begin the month of November and have reached the mid-point of the terms of the current class of FLSSAR officers, I am pleased to report good progress in soliciting candidates for nomination to those positions that will be filled by election on May 1, 2021.

The Florida Society SAR will only be able to attain excellence as a State Society within the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, and provide exemplary leadership to its Regions and Chapters, to the extent that individuals are willing to devote their time, talents, and energies while serving as an elected officer. While a majority of positions to be filled now have *at least one* candidate for nomination, I continue to

urge members to speak up and expand the field of nominees. No one should be considered "entitled" to a particular position because of incumbency or other considerations.

All officer candidates must complete the appropriate nomination form that can be found at the Florida Society website <http://www.flssar.org/FLSSAR/Tabs.asp> at the Tab "Documents & Forms". Both the Officer Nomination Form ([Form Nom 2020](#)) and the Officer Re-nomination Form ([Form # Re-Nom 2020](#)) are fill-able PDF forms and include detailed information and instructions. Completed forms are to be submitted to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee at rmcguire@slvx.com.

To be considered by the Nominating Committee, Nomination Forms and Re-nomination Forms must be received by February 1, 2021. If a Compatriot knows they wish to be a candidate for a FLSSAR officer position, please do not wait until that deadline to submit your forms. The sooner it is known who desires to be a candidate, the better job this committee can do in developing the slate.

Robert W. McGuire, Jr.
Nominating Committee Chairman

Republic of Vermont... Birth of a State-Cradle of Patriotism!

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Through a series of treaties, native tribes had surrendered title to large areas of land. Subsequently, the Provincial Governor of New Hampshire had provided land grants west of the Connecticut River in land that was also claimed by the Province of New York. Strife was created by New York attempting to enforce its legitimate claim to government on settlers who had in good faith purchased land titles from New Hampshire. The King upon the advice of the Privy Council decreed a settlement that was not followed by the Governor and Legislature of New York. Sandwiched between New York and New Hampshire, the area was constantly in dispute and claimed by both.

New York claimed it was included in its 1664 grant from Charles II, but had made no effort to settle it. New Hampshire, desiring to expand its frontier to the west, simply expropriated the land and proceeded to grant 131 charters in the territory, which then became known as the New Hampshire Grants. New York retaliated by declaring the Grants null and void and telling the settlers they would have to repurchase the land from New York (at a much higher price) if they wished to stay.

The New Hampshire Grantees countered by organizing the "Green Mountain Boys", an informal alliance of civilian soldiers who successfully prevented the settlers from being evicted. To protect their investments in the land and improvements, and the health and security of their families, farms representatives from 28 towns called the New Hampshire Grants formed Committees of Safety to coordinate protection of their society. These Committees predated those of the 13 colonies formed to protect themselves from the Crown by eight years,

yet had precedents in similar organizations during the French and Indian War.

By 1775, the land control controversy had reached the point that the Grantees decided to take official action, and they held a general convention in Cephas Kent's tavern. Matters discussed at that meeting were not limited to their internal affairs but also included the general cause of American independence. The Continental Congress had voted to pay the Green Mountain Boys for their services and had asked that a regiment be formed in the New Hampshire Grants. The Grantees wanted to join in the general rebellion but not as a part of New Hampshire and certainly not as a part of New York. So they petitioned the Continental Congress to intervene in their behalf against New York and permit the Grantees to serve independently in the war of rebellion. The Grantees met three more times during the course of the next year, always in Cephas Kent's tavern, and on 25 June 1776 voted "that application be made to the inhabitants of said Grants to form the same into a separate district."

Later that day the convention bound itself "to defend by arms the United American States against the hostile attempts of the British fleet and armies until the present unhappy controversy between the two countries shall be settled." This was the first official step toward Vermont's independence. Thus, the future state of Vermont was underway, and while the town of Windsor claims to be the birthplace of Vermont, and, indeed, it was there, on 2 July 1777, that the constitution was adopted and the name chosen.

However, it was in the town of Dorset, at Cephas Kent's tavern, that the Dorset Accords were drafted and signed leading to the independent Vermont Republic and the idea of Vermont was born. The delegates from 28 towns declared independence from the jurisdictions and land claims both of the British colony of Quebec and of the American states of New Hampshire and New York, and also abolished adult slavery within their boundaries. Because of vehement objections from New York, with its conflicting property claims, the Continental Congress declined to recognize Vermont until 1791 when Vermont officially joined the United States as the 14th state and New York vacated its claims.

The only battle of the Revolutionary War fought in Vermont occurred near the current day town of Hubbardton where American and British forces clashed at the seminal battle of Saratoga. On July 1, 1777, British General John Burgoyne launched his campaign to divide the colonies and control of the Hudson River valley by moving his professional army of 8,000 south from Lake Champlain to capture Fort Ticonderoga and destroy the Northern Colonial Army.

However, on July 5, General Arthur St. Clair's Colonial forces defending Fort Ticonderoga discovered that Burgoyne's army had deployed cannons on the high ground overlooking the Fort. Launching a strategic withdrawal to save the Northern army, General St. Clair ordered his forces to evacuate the Fort, under cover of darkness, toward Hubbardton. The colonials forced marched over 30 miles down a rough road (now referred to as the "1776 Hubbardton Military Road") before making camp on the evening of July 6 at Monument Hill near Hubbardton.

British Brigadier General Simon Fraser discovered early on July 6 that the Americans abandoned Fort Ticonderoga,

and pursued the Colonials with an impressive army of Grenadiers, Light Infantry, Loyalists Militia, and Indian allies. To reinforce General Fraser's army, General Burgoyne ordered several companies of Hessian mercenaries including the famed Brunswick Regiment and grenadiers, commanded by famed German General Friedrich Riedesel, into the Hubbardton battle.

Colonial General St. Clair ordered Colonel Seth Warner's Green Mountain Boys, Colonel Ebenezer Francis' 11th Massachusetts Regiment, and Colonel Nathan Hale's 2nd New Hampshire Regiment to serve a rear guard delaying action to allow the main force of his army to withdraw to the southeast. Colonel Warner, who had experience in rear-guard actions while serving in the invasion of Quebec, deployed his soldiers in defensive positions on Monument Hill, and set patrols to defend the British axis of advance from Fort Ticonderoga. Early on July 7 in 1777, Hessians and British surprised American forces and launched a surprise attack on the Patriot's rear guard defenders. Rapidly reforming into a line behind embattlements, the brave 11th Massachusetts soldiers unleashed a withering volley of musket fire at the advancing Redcoats. Hoping to hold the field until the Hessian reinforcements arrived, General Fraser ordered his soldiers to flank the Americans at the risk of exposing his own left flank.

General Fraser's soldiers fought bravely but the Patriots repelled the attacks and held Monument Hill for over an hour until General Riedesel attacked with his hymn-singing Brunswick Grenadiers. Observing that the Americans were pressing on Fraser's left flank, General Riedesel sent his grenadiers to reinforce Fraser's flank and directed his storied "Jägers" to attack the American's center defense. The disciplined and battle hardened German mercenaries gained the field mauling the 11th Massachusetts Regiment and killing its commander, Colonel Ebenezer Francis. The Americans were defeated, and had to make a desperate race across an open field to avoid capture. The scattered remnants of the American rear guard laboriously made their way toward Rutland City, VT to rejoin the main army. Despite heavy losses of 41 killed, 96 wounded, and 234 captured, the valiant Colonial rear guard action succeeded in its goal of covering General St. Clair's strategic withdrawal to Castleton, Vermont.

Fresh from his success at the Hubbardton battle, British General Simon Fraser was killed three months later at the decisive Battle of Bemis Heights on October 7, 1777! General Burgoyne's attack at Bemis Heights met with a fierce American resistance, spearheaded by Major General and Traitor, Benedict Arnold, in the wooded area south of Saratoga that ended in defeat for the British. The American victory at the Battle of Bemis Heights, or the Second Battle of Saratoga, proved a major turning point in the Revolutionary War.

British General John Burgoyne's formal surrender at Saratoga on October 17, 1777, included the capture both Riedesel and his wife, Luise Charlotte. Mrs. Riedesel's memoirs of her experiences during the War for Independence published in German and English provided remarkable insight into the northern battles and the aftermath.

The state of Vermont commissioned a monument on the Hubbardton battlefield site in 1859, and in the 1930's began acquiring surrounding battlefield lands as a state historic site. Today the Hubbardton battlefield is on the National Register of Historic Places and the site of annual Revolutionary War reenactments. The original Constitution House is located in Windsor VT & Vermont Republic tribute at Kents Tavern in Dorset VT.

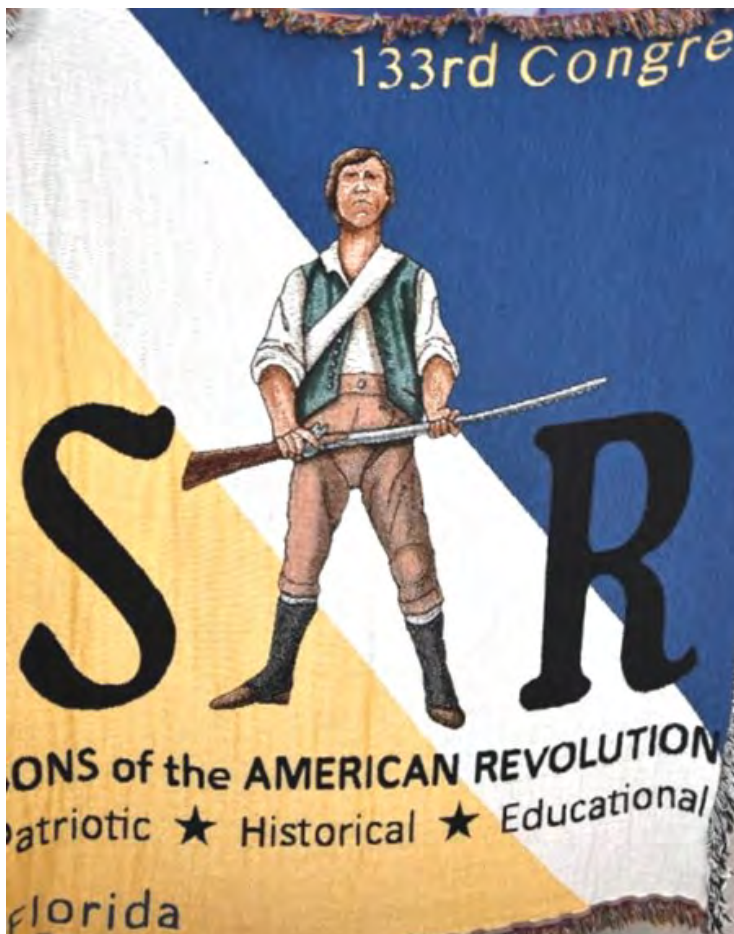
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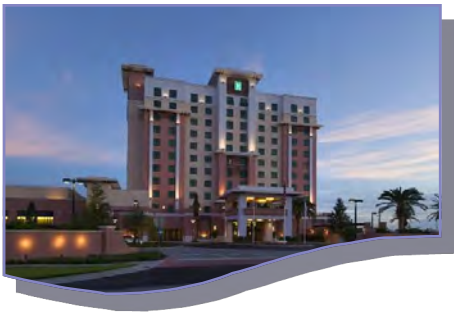


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