



Winter Board of Management Meeting

# Proceedings

Orlando, Florida

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# Sons of the American Revolution

## Mission

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

## Meeting Agenda

Call to order	<b>Chapter Challenge &amp; Americanism</b>
Invocation	<b>Charter &amp; Bylaws</b>
Pledge of allegiance	<b>Genealogy</b>
Pledge to the SAR	<b>Meeting Arrangements - BOM</b>
Introduction of National Officers	<b>Membership Promotion &amp; Retention</b>
Introduction of first time attendees	<b>New Chapter Development</b>
Certification of a quorum	<b>Newsletters and Periodicals</b>
Approval of the minutes	<b>Standing Rules and Procedures Review</b>
Reports of National and State Officers	<b>Technology Advisory Committee</b>
<b>National Trustee</b>	<b>Florida Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade</b>
<b>President</b>	Liaisons
<b>Senior Vice President</b>	<b>FLSSAR C.A.R. &amp; S.A.R. Junior Members Aide</b>
<b>Northwestern Regional Vice President</b>	<b>DAR</b>
<b>North Central Regional Vice President</b>	<b>Ladies Auxiliary</b>
<b>Northeastern Regional Vice President</b>	Historic Sites
<b>East Central Regional Vice President</b>	<b>Commemorative Historic Sites</b>
<b>West Central Regional Vice President</b>	<b>Battle of Pensacola</b>
<b>Southeast Regional Vice President</b>	<b>Last Naval Battle</b>
<b>Southwest Regional Vice President</b>	<b>Liberty Tree</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	Youth Programs
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Americanism Elementary Poster Contest</b>
<b>Registrar</b>	<b>Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee</b>
<b>Chaplain</b>	<b>George S. &amp; Stella Knight Essay Contest</b>
<b>Recording Secretary</b>	<b>Good Citizenship</b>
<b>Chancellor</b>	<b>History Fairs</b>
<b>Parliamentarian</b>	<b>Joseph P. Rumbaugh Orations Contest</b>
<b>Genealogist</b>	<b>ROTC</b>
<b>Sergeant at Arms</b>	Community Outreach
<b>Editor, <i>The Florida Patriot</i></b>	<b>American History Teacher Award</b>
<b>Webmaster</b>	<b>Habitat For Humanity</b>
Statutory Committee Reports	<b>Patriotic Activities</b>
<b>Audit</b>	<b>Public Service and Heroism</b>
<b>Executive</b>	<b>Publicity</b>
<b>Finance</b>	<b>Support the Troops</b>
<b>Medals and Awards</b>	<b>Veterans Affairs</b>
<b>Nominating</b>	<b>Veterans Recognition</b>
<b>Patriot Medal</b>	Trust Funds
NSSAR Affairs	<b>Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements</b>
<b>Advancing America's Heritage</b>	<b>Florida SAR Endowment &amp; Operating Budget Trust Funds</b>
<b>NSSAR Library</b>	Addendum A - NSSAR By-Law no. 23
<b>NSSAR Charter and Bylaws</b>	Addendum B - Stark Award
FLSSAR Affairs	
<b>Archives</b>	

## **The Pledge of Allegiance**

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

## **The Pledge to the SAR**

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

## **Recessional**

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

## **Democratic Republic**

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

# Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

## Minutes

President Ted Duay opened the meeting at 3:15PM Friday, 06 September 2013 after a quorum was certified by Secretary Steve Williams. The invocation was given by Chaplain Roy Martin Jr. Ralph Nelson led the pledge of allegiance. Jeff Sizemore led the SAR Pledge. President Duay recognized first time attendees and national officers.

Reading of the minutes was waived with a motion offered by John Stewart. The motion carried with no amendments to the minutes

President Duay gave a synopsis of his attendance at the National Congress in Kansas City and gave specifics regarding a resolution submitted by the Florida delegation regarding the use of the "Grandfather Clause" to obtain membership in the society. President Duay stated that the resolution was **tabled indefinitely** after a consultation with the new President General who intervened on behalf of the Florida Society and resolved the pending Florida membership applications.

President Duay invited candidates in attendance that are running for national office to speak to the assembly regarding their platforms. Candidates accepting the invitation were: Lindsey Brock – President General, Randy Moody – Chaplain General. Vic McMurry spoke on behalf of Mike Tomme – Treasurer General, Larry Guzy – Librarian General, John Sinks – Genealogist.

President Duay offered a motion for the Florida Society to officially endorse the following candidates:

- President General – Lindsey Brock
- Treasurer General – Mike Tomme
- Genealogist General – John Sinks
- Registrar General – Robert Bowen
- Librarian General – Larry Guzy
- Surgeon General – Dr. Edward Rigel Sr.
- Chaplain General – Rev. Randy Moody
- SAR Foundation Board, seat one – PG Joseph Dooley
- SAR Foundation Board, seat two – Dr. Samuel Powell

No other candidates for office were endorsed.

Vic McMurry was first to accept the motion and Oscar Patterson was second to accept the motion. A subsequent vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

North Central RVP Scott Bushnell offered a correction to his report located on page #9 in the BOM Proceedings book. The President of the Lake City Chapter should read **Jim Craig**.

Historian Ralph Nelson offered discussion regarding the compilation of an index of archived records of the FLSSAR.

Florida Patriot Editor Jeff Sizemore emphasized the importance of the Patriot Magazine cutoff dates as published in the BOM Proceedings book. Secretary William expanded on the discussion by talking about a veterans and family history that can be compiled into the FLSSAR E-book project.

Webmaster Scott Bushnell answered concerns regarding the background colors and shading of the FLSSAR web page.

President Duay offered information discussed at the FLSSAR Executive Committee earlier in the day. Secretary Williams presented a motion discussed in the Executive Committee to specifically accept the application for charter for the South Shore Chapter with the following conditions, (1) Provide a list of members, (2) Submit a list of By-Laws and a Constitution, (3) Provide a meeting schedule for year 2014. The first acceptance of the motion was by John Stewart, the second acceptance of the motion was by Dan Hooper. The motion carried.

President Duay reported the Executive Committee offered a motion to appoint David Kelsey for an additional term of 3 years to the FLSSAR ETF and OTF committee, inclusive of 2014 to 2016. There were no nominations from the floor and resulting in a unanimous vote to accept and the motion carried.

President Duay announced the resignation of FLSSAR Chaplain Roy Martin due to transfer and the nomination of his replacement, Richard Hagerman. The motion to nominate Richard Hagerman was accepted first by Roy Martin and accepted second by Vic McMurry. Subsequent vote to accept was unanimous.

President Duay announced that the Executive Committee voted to accept the application of an anonymous compatriot from an anonymous chapter for Emeritus 3 status.

President Duay stated that the Executive Committee voted to allocate \$750.00 to the President General's initiative for the American Heritage Center with regard to his matching of \$250.00 for the initiative. The FLSSAR had previously budgeted \$1000.00 for the center. The FLSSAR will take the remaining \$250.00 from the original budgeted \$1000.00 and redirect it to boxes for military troops administered by Frank Hodalski. A motion and subsequent vote carried.

The meeting recessed at 4:30 PM on 06 September 2013

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 PM on 07 September 2013

Vic McMurry opened discussion regarding the FLSSAR waiving its \$35.00 application fee for 100% disabled applicant Barry Shaffer from the Saramana Chapter. A motion was offered by Vic McMurry and seconded by Richard Mahaffey. A subsequent vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

President Duay discussed the request by the South Carolina Society for volunteer help during the 2014 National Congress to be held in Greenville South Carolina.

President Duay discussed the SAR and Ancestry.com joint program called Operation Outreach to help "Wounded Warrior" soldiers research their ancestry. The program and a mentor would be provided at no charge to the "Wounded Warrior"

Hall Riediger presented the budget and discussed the changes. Dues income would be raised \$1000.00 by retaining 20 members. There will be a reallocation of \$250.00 to the Support the Troops fund. There will be a line #712 addition of \$1500.00 for National Officer Development fund. A motion to accept the budget was offered by Phil Carr and seconded by Vic McMurry. A subsequent vote was unanimous and the vote to accept the new budget carried.

Charles Sweeney discussed the Center of Advancing America's Heritage Committee and their functions. After discussion Vic McMurry offered a motion to adopt the three functions of the committee listed on page #24 of the BOM Proceedings book as primary functions of the committee. The motion was seconded by Doug Bridges. A subsequent vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Richard Cardell discussed the prospect of the FLSSAR Chapters making donations to the NSSAR Library. Hall Riediger stated that a \$200 donation to the library had been made as a line item budget entry for each year.

Charles Sweeney discussed the name change of the Chapter Challenge & Americanism Committee to the Committee of Americanism and Chapter Challenge. He further discussed the President General's "Cup Score", a means of measuring activities. Information will be released to the chapters in the future.

Charles Sweeney discussed the combining of the two standing committees, known as the Chapter and By-Laws Committee and the Standing Rules and Procedures Review Committee. They would be combined to form one consolidated committee called the Documents Committee. The motion offered by Charles Sweeney and seconded by Vic McMurry resulted in a unanimous vote and the motion carried. Charles Sweeney offered a new charter for the committee co-authored by himself and Steve Williams. The new charter is found on page #26 of the BOM Proceedings book.

Ray Wess discussed administrative changes and verbiage changes to the Public Safety and Heroism Committee Charter.

Charles Sweeney discussed the addition of a third FLSSAR Veteran's Corps for Vietnam Veterans.

Steve Williams discussed the priorities of members regarding room rates, facility meeting rooms, and the possibility of changing next year's meeting venue. After discussion a vote was taken to keep the venue at the Florida Hotel and Conference Center for the following year. The acceptance of a two day format was also adopted for future meetings.

Charles Sweeney discussed occasional errors and omissions in submitted articles to the Florida Patriot.

Randy Moody offered information that the Last Naval Battle and the Battle of Pensacola have been recognized as National Color Guard events.

John Stewart discussed the increase of prize money for the Knight Essay contest and encouraged chapters to conduct essay competitions.

Vic McMurry opened discussion and proposed changes to the Endowment Trust Fund disbursements. The changes are found on page #41 of the BOM Proceedings book and listed as proposed change to instruction, B-3, C-3, and C-4. The motion to accept the changes was seconded by Ralph Nelson. A subsequent vote was unanimous to accept the changes as proposed and the motion carried.

Dan Hooper opened discussion about increasing some Endowment Trust Fund Reimbursements. President Duay recommended that the committee discuss possible changes and report back to the body at the next Board of Management Meeting.

President Duay reported on the Endowment Trust Fund and Budget Trust Fund. He reported that all disbursements were up to date and the funds were in relative good shape despite the ups and downs of the stock market.

Roy Martin led the benediction and Steve Williams recited the SAR Recessional.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:18 PM

Ray Wess, Recording Secretary

# National and State Officer Reports

## National Trustee

Trustee: Steven Williams swilliams16@cfl.rr.com

A Recent message from the President General Dooley

"A few years ago, the Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee was merged with the Re-enactors Committee. Several re-enactors have approached me about separating what are really two, distinct functions. I agree, and accordingly, I have re-established the Re-enactors & Living History Liaison Committee. Bob Cunningham of the Indiana Society will serve as Chairman.

For years, the Delaware Society has been very active in The American Legion's Boys State program. Involvement in Boys State is consistent with one of the purposes of the SAR in that it may inspire boys and young men with a better understanding of the principles of government founded by our forefathers. I believe it would be good for the SAR and The American Legion if what the Delaware Society does with Boys State could be emulated by other state societies, as practicable. Accordingly, I have established a Boys State Committee to encourage SAR state societies to support and become involved in The American Legion's Boys State programs. This new committee will be chaired by Lyman Brenner of the Delaware Society."

Information from Compatriot Del White, chairman of the Patriot Index / Revolutionary War Graves Register Committee.

He is soliciting our help in getting the word out to the Florida society about the Patriot Grave Marking Medal. The shortcut to the form and medal requirements can be obtained from the NSSAR website at <http://www.sar.org/node/1880>

The Patriot Grave Marking Medal was authorized in 2012 to recognize both past efforts to identify and report data on the graves of Revolutionary War Patriots and to encourage new efforts to identify graves. Only 15 medals have been awarded to date and he confident that many more compatriots qualify for this medal. To qualify, a compatriot must have participated in 15 grave marking medals since 1 March 2011.

## President

Ted Duay tedduay@yahoo.com

I have been busy making chapter visits the last few months. On September 14, I was the guest of the St. Lucie River Chapter at its joint meeting with the DAR to celebrate Constitution Day. On October 5, I was the guest of the Lake Sumter Chapter celebrating its 25th anniversary. On December 8, I was the guest of the Withlacoochee Chapter celebrating its 25th anniversary. On December 14, I was the guest of the Palm Beach Chapter, who celebrated its 75th Anniversary at the historic Everglades Club where it was founded.

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to all the chapters who invited me to visit. I thoroughly enjoyed each visit and talking with local chapter members. It is always helpful to see how different chapters operate their respective meetings.

As some of you may have already heard, on January 1, I was saddened to receive the resignation of Chuck Sweeney from all of his FLSSAR positions. In accordance with FLSSAR Bylaws, I appointed Steve Williams as interim SVP and Florida Brigade Commander. Steve has a long history of faithful service to the Florida Society and I appreciate his willingness to assume these new positions.

While Steve's appointment as Brigade Commander requires no further approval, his appointment as SVP requires Executive Committee approval which as already been unanimously received. The BOM will be asked to ratify his SVP appointment at our upcoming Winter BOM as required under our Bylaws.

As an organization, the SAR has accepted protocols and customs that should be followed to ensure that everything runs smoothly. Many of these protocols relate to the awarding of medals issued by SAR. In the Fall 2013 issue of "The Florida Patriot", VPG Randy Moody wrote an excellent article called "Medals and Awards Protocol: Criteria for Awarding Medals to Ladies and Compatriots". In his article, he discusses that each medal issued by SAR has specific criteria that the recipient needs to meet in order to be awarded the medal. Certain medals, such as the Daughters of Liberty and Silver Good Citizenship, require prior approval from the FLSSAR Medals and Awards Committee before they can be awarded by a chapter. VPG Moody's article can be located on the FLSSAR Website at: <http://www.flssar.org/Docs/43-3-E.pdf>

Unfortunately, instances of the improper awarding of medals have come to my attention. It is important that all compatriots and chapters adhere to the guidelines for the issuance of medals. This is the only way that the integrity of our medals can be maintained.

Another standard custom is if a chapter is going to invite the President General to visit, both the State President and Vice President General of the District should be notified well in advance of the planned date. This advance notification is provided as a courtesy and will allow schedules to be coordinated to better assure their attendance at the event.

When I was elected last May, I stated that my main focus was on increasing membership in the Florida Society. From my recent conversations with our State Registrar, Ray Lantz, he informed me that he submitted 350 applications to NSSAR during 2013. Of the 350 applications, 228 were regular applications, 28 were junior applications, and the remainder were supplementals. I would like to extend my personal thanks to Registrar Lantz for processing all these applications and to the compatriots who recruited the new members and assisted them with the application preparation process.

Respectfully submitted, Ted Duay, President

## Senior Vice President

Open - Appointment pending

Report at BOM

## Northwestern Regional Vice President

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The last few months have been mostly uneventful for the chapters in the NW

### Aaron Snowden

No report submitted

### Emerald Coast

No report submitted

### Panama City

No report submitted

### Pensacola

No report submitted

### Tallahassee

No report submitted

### William Dunaway

No report submitted

## North Central Regional Vice President

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### WITHLACOOCHEE CHAPTER – R Folk, President

Sept 11--- Bill Teater, Jim Echlin, Larry Sturgeon and Jack Townsend visited Baldamero Lopez veterans home. At this visit they also delivered \$216 in quarters for the veterans to use playing Bingo.

Sept 17-- Withlacoochee Chapter posted the Colors at the Homosassa library in observance of Constitution Day. The Color Guard was manned by Richard Sumner, Ed Gingrich, Jack Townsend, Harley Nelson, Larry Sturgeon and Bob Folk.

Oct 12 -- Tampa Bay Times columnist Dan DeWitt gave a presentation, at our regular membership meeting, on the 100th anniversary of the Hernando County Courthouse and why it was only 100 years old.

Nov 3--- Color Guardsmen Ed Gingrich, Charlie Day and CG commander Richard Sumner presented the Colors at the Massing of the Colors at the Cornerstone Baptist Church in Inverness. Also in attendance was Larry Sturgeon, Bill Teater and Bob Folk.

Nov 5 --- Richard Sumner and Larry Sturgeon participated with the Ft. Cooper Chapter DAR Betsy Ross presentation at the Forest Ridge Elementary School, Hernando, FL

Nov 11--- Inverness Veterans Day Parade. Best Theme awarded to Withlacoochee Chapter. Our group consisted of the following: leading with the Withlacoochee banner; jr members Anthony and Samuel, grandsons of Jim Echlin. Ladies Auxiliary members Miranda and Julia, daughters of John Pardee. Flag-bearers Ed Gingrich and Larry Sturgeon with riflemen John Pardee and Bob Folk. Following in autos representing WW2, Korea, Vietnam and the Gulf war; Harley Nelson, Richard Osborn, Charlie Day, Jim Echlin, Richard Sumner and William Teater.

Dec 7 --- Withlacoochee Chapter celebrates its twenty-fifth anniversary. Also in attendance were; US Congressman Richard Nugent, State Society President Ted Duay, Past State President Ron Toops representing Scott Bushnell, Circuit Court of Florida Fifth Judicial District Honorable Richard Howard and Judy Walters representing

the Winding Waters Chapter DAR. Proclamation/resolutions were received and read from US Congress/Nugent, Florida State Senator Simpson (read by R Folk), Citrus County Commission and Hernando County Commission read by Clyde Johnson. Ron Toops, Ted Duay and Judge Howard provided speeches for the event.

Dec 10 — Baldamero Lopez Veterans home Christmas “Veterans without Families” visitation. Members attending this event: Norn Freyer, Jim Echlin, Ed Gingrich, Charlie Day, Tim Holme, Harley Nelson, Richard Sumner, Ron Powell, Jimmie Barnes and Bob Folk.

Dec 12— Norm Freyer, Richard Sumner and Jack Townsend presented the students at Floral City Elementary a program on The War for American Independence.

Dec 12 — Charlie Day, Ed Gingrich, Clyde Johnson, Bill Teater and Bob Folk presented the book “Commodore John Barry, The Father of the American Navy” to the Lorna Eastman, the Library Manager, in memory of John L. Shinn Jr .

Dec 14 — The Color guard posted the at Wreaths Across America at the Bushnell National Cemetery. The Color guard was composed of the following members, Richard Sumner, Ed Gingrich, Harley Nelson and Charlie Day.

## **OCALA CHAPTER –**

No Report Provided as of 1/17/2014.

## **LAKE-SUMTER CHAPTER – Dr. E. Scott Bushnell, President**

### **DAR Coordination**

We worked with local DAR chapters on several events in November and December:

- 1) marking graves at Lone Oak Cemetery in Leesburg for Veterans Day and Memorial Day
- 2) placing wreaths on graves at Shiloh Cemetery in Fruitland Park for Wreaths Across America
- 3) sharing speaker time in a two-hour presentation to the Kinseekers (in the Leesburg Public Library) on

The History of the DAR and SAR and How to Prepare an Application to Join

- 4) DAR members recommending prospects for the SAR and vice versa
- 5) DAR members are doing research on lineage and patriotic service to help SAR prospects and vice versa
- 6) participating in the FLSSAR booth at the DAR state meetings in spring and fall, which led to several

prospects for our chapter

- 7) being asked to participate in the activities of a new DAR chapter being started in The Villages.

- 8) SAR members collect cereal coupons and soup labels to support DAR-sponsored schools.

- 9) In November Ralph Nelson gave a talk (on French Aid during the American Revolution) to the Tomoka

Chapter DAR.

10) A new DAR Chapter (potentially to be named the Lake-Sumter DAR Chapter) has been formed and we are working to support them.

### **Membership**

Prospects -- In 2013 we added many prospects from member referrals, self-referrals, and the FLSSAR booth at the DAR state meetings in spring and fall. Several members are helping with our 35 prospects - John Moore, David Bussone, Allan Lane, and Ron Toops. We have had problems getting prospects to sign their applications. Some do not return calls, and some are sons in distant states who have not been fully briefed by the parents on the process. We hope to get this backlog cleared in early 2014.

Registrar -- Eight applications are ready to be signed and then sent in. Seventeen are being actively worked on, and nine others are moving slowly, for a total of 34 prospects. We have had no new members since September but we hope to get eight submitted in the first quarter of 2014. Four other members are helping prospects complete their applications - John Moore, David Bussone, Allan Lane, and Ron Toops. Additionally, we have 8 newly approved members whom we are waiting on to have the opportunity to install.

We start the new year with 74 paid members an increase of 13 from 2012-2013 year.

### **Eagle Scout Activities**

Eagle Committee -- We have had no Eagle Courts of Honor were reported to us, and no one submitted an entry for the Eagle Scholarship Contest.

### **Presentations**

Don Wyman's presentation on "George Washington: Soldier Spymaster" has now been seen by an assortment of Groups, from Tufts University, Villages Lifelong Learning College, to our own Chapter. Each time he presents any of the War of Independence PowerPoint programs, he always mentions our SAR Chapter and ask if



there is anyone who either has, or thinks they may have, an ancestor who fought or contributed to the effort. Further, he invites them to be his guest at one of our meetings.

His next presentation, "Benjamin Franklin: The Bright Dark Side" is booked for February 15, 2014 at the Leesburg DAR meeting at 11:00 AM. Since he has presented it to our Chapter, he gave it for Tufts University in Boston and because I he does continuous research on all his topics, he was able to come up with a solution to the then, 241-year old "Mystery of History" about the Hutchinson Letters. No one in the audience questioned his solution, including the Chairman of the Revolutionary War Roundtable and the President of the Tuft University's Curriculum Committee. He will be revealing that solution to the DAR audience during the presentation.

Other presentations included:

October 5, 2013:	SAR Chapter 25th Anniversary - Ted Duay
November 2, 2013:	George Washington: Soldier - Spymaster: Part I (Don Wyman)
December 7, 2013:	George Washington: Soldier - Spymaster: Part II (Don Wyman)
January 4, 2014:	Remembering the Korean War - (SFC Tom Thiel)

Other Information

King Florey, a long time member of our Chapter passed away this fall. He will be missed a lot.

### **LAKE CITY - - Al Williams, President**

Sep 23 - Chapter meeting - Our guest speaker was KrisAnne Hall, whose subject was "Our Constitution." After her presentation, President Jim Craig presented KrisAnne the Chapter's Certificate of Appreciation and the SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal w/certificate.

Oct 21 - Chapter meeting - Our guest speaker was Third Judicial Circuit State Attorney Jeff Seigmeister, who briefed the members on "Stand Your Ground" and the "The State Wide Debate on the Law." President Jim Craig presented Jeff with the Chapter's Certificate of Appreciation, in which Jeff Seigmeister stated that he was very interested in joining Laek City Chapter SAR.

Nov 4 - November was our Chapter's First Annual Law Enforcement Award Ceremonies. President Jim Craig presented the following Awards:

Florida Highway Patrol, Troop B, Swuane County;

Trooper Joseph P. Sumner -

Law Enforcement Commendation Medal w/certificate

Live Oak Police Department

Captain Joseph Daly and Sgt Derek Slalughter

Law Enforcement Commendation Medals w/certificates

Nov 12 - President Jim Craig, at the monthly Lake City Council Meeting, presented to Officers of the Lake City Police Department, the following Awards:

Officer Brian Bruenger - Medal for Heroism w/certificate

Officer Joseph Anthony - Law Enforcement Commendation Medal w/certificate

Nov 21 - President Jim Craig, at the monthly Columbia County Commissioners Meeting, presented to Deputies of the Columbia County Sheriffs Office, the following Awards:

Deputy Darrell Clay and Deputy Scott Staley

Law Enforcement Commendation Medals w/certificates

Dec 2 - December was our Chapter's First Annual Fire Safety Awards Ceremonies. President Jim Craig presented the following Awards:

Columbia County Fire/Rescue;

Lieutenant Scott McCauley -

Fire Safety Commendation Medal w/certificate

Lake City Fire Department;

Fire Fighter Trevor Caslin

Medal for Heroism w/certificate

Fire Fighter Driver Engineer Trey Beauchamp

Fire Safety Commendation Medal w/certificate

Century Ambulance Service;

Paramedic Jane Lynn Hair

Emergency Medical Services Medal w/certificate

### **GAINESVILLE CHAPTER - Roger Cox, President**

The Chapter has been very busy and achieved some success but not in all cases. In addition to the monthly Dinner Meetings and Executive Committee Meetings, the Chapter has started the Rumbaugh Oration Contest in

Alachua County. A lot of effort expended in the summer months setting it up with the School board and then contact with the High School Teachers this quarter. In spite of apparent interest by a number of teachers, no candidates were produced. In trying to get a critique by the teachers, there was no response. This coming summer, we will attempt to set it up again.

We had success in getting the Scouting Committee Chairmanship established under Larry Smith. Although this was late in the year, he was able to find one Eagle Scout to enter and the Chapter is pleased to forward Nathaniel Englert to the State Contest.

We have had In Uniform presentations at VA Events, Veterans Day, DAR Meeting, and 3 Elementary School Presentations before a total of 2184 persons and Not In Uniform Presentations at Four Naturalization Meetings and Wreaths Across America before a total of 821 persons.

## **Northeastern Regional Vice President**

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### **Daytona/Ormond Beach Chapter**

No report submitted.

### **Flagler Chapter**

The Flagler Chapter participated in a number of activities during the Fall of 2013:

09/11/2013: 9/11 Memorial Event at Heroes Memorial Park;

09/17/2013: U.S. Constitution Day Program at the Flagler County Library. SAR Compatriot organized event;

10/15/2013: SAR Fire Safety Award was presented to CHRIS COTTLE, Firefighter EMT, City of Palm Coast Fire Dept;

10/16/2013: SAR EMS Award was presented to AARON PRICE, Firefighter Paramedic, Flagler County Fire Rescue;

11/10/2013: Special Veterans Day Non-denominational Service at Christ Lutheran Church in Bunnell. SAR Compatriots carried both the US Stars & Stripes and the SAR Flag;

11/11/2013: Veterans Day Ceremony at Heroes Memorial Park;

11/29/2013: Festival of Christmas Trees at the Flagler County Library. Compatriot created patriotic decorations for SAR tree;

12/07/2013: Joint DAR-SAR Holiday Luncheon at Halifax Plantation CC.

Submitted by David Kelsey, Chapter President.

### **Jacksonville Chapter**

Former FLSSAR President David Ramseur actively represents the Chapter in implementing plans to publicize the Thomas Creek property, site of a Revolutionary war battle. The chapter celebrated the 75th birthday of Rev Johnson Pace, who had 71 years of membership on August 15. Unfortunately, he died on November 15. During the fall, the chapter's meetings featured Ben Franklin (Art Yerman), the Presentation of Wounded Warrior Medals to Purple Heart Winners from WWII, Korea and Vietnam.

Additionally the Chapter presented Law Enforcement awards to Jacksonville officer of the Year Wes Bowen, Clay County Sheriff's Lt Russ Burke, Nassau County Detective Jeff Stull and FHP Trooper Joshua Earrey.

The Chapter finished the year with 24 approved applications; 16 original and 8 supplemental. There are 35 applications in some stage of active process.

Submitted by David Bahn

### **St. Augustine Chapter**

Samuel R. "Bob" Tarrant, 87, of St. Augustine, passed away on Oct. 12, 2013, at Flagler Hospital, surrounded by his family. A memorial service was held at 11 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 21, 2013, at St. Johns Family Funeral Home, with the Rev. David Baker, officiating.

Past Chapter President George McCabe (2001-2003) was presented with a certificate recognizing his service as Chapter President (October).

Compatriot Harold Pabst was inducted into the Chapter during the regular meeting on October 19, 2013.

President Patterson presented Chaplain Baker a pin and Certificate for Outstanding Citizenship in the October 2013 meeting. Chaplain Baker gave a presentation to the chapter on the effect of religion on the beginning of the country.

Compatriot Rountree was awarded Emeritus II member status in October. He has paid dues for over forty years.

Past Chapter President and current Chapter Secretary Sydney Spink presented the medal, posthumously, to Robert Tarrant during Compatriot Tarrant's memorial service on 21 October. The medal and certificate were presented to Compatriot Tarrant's wife.

Compatriot Richard J. MacMullen was inducted into the St. Augustine Chapter during the Chapter's regular meeting on 16 November.

Three members of the St. Augustine Chapter were recognized for their service in the War in Vietnam when they were presented NSSAR Vietnam War Veterans Corps Certificates during the Chapter's November meeting. The recipients were William A. Roberts, George McCabe and Oscar Patterson.

Newly authorized Bronze Distinguished Service Medals for Chapter Service were presented to several Compatriots during the November Chapter meeting. Past Chapter and State President John Tinny presented the award to Compatriot George McCabe to recognize his dedicated service during Compatriot's tenure as state and chapter president with special emphasis on his contribution to the Annual BOM held in St. Augustine. Compatriot McCabe was Chapter president in 2001-2003.

Past Chapter President William Roberts presented the award to Dr. Oscar Patterson III to recognize his service to the JROTC program during Compatriot Roberts tenure as Chapter President (November).

Chapter President Dr. Oscar Patterson III presented the medal to Compatriots Sydney Spink and John Tinny. Compatriot Spink was recognized for his long and dedicated service as Chapter Secretary and Compatriot Tinny for his service as Chapter Historian (November).

Members of the St. Augustine Chapter represented the SAR during Veterans Day ceremonies in St. Augustine and Ponte Vedra Beach on Monday, November 11, 2013. Compatriots George McCabe and John Tinny laid a wreath at Ponte Vedra Valley Cemetery during morning ceremonies at that location. Compatriots Oscar Patterson and William Roberts marched in the Massing of the Colors at Francis Field on Veterans Day in St. Augustine. The Chapter was also represented by Compatriots David Simpson and Bill McPherson and Compatriot Jerry Hanchett was a member of the event staff.

President Patterson had an ad hoc committee created to rework the Chapter Constitution and By-Laws. The new rewrite of the Constitution and By-Laws meets the requirement of the State organization. The Constitution and By-Laws were approved by vote and signed by the Chapter President and Chapter Secretary at the November meeting.

Compatriot Richard J. MacMullen was inducted into the St. Augustine Chapter during the Chapter's regular meeting on November 16, 2013.

President Oscar Patterson inducted Dr. John Ragsdale II into the Chapter (December).

President Patterson presented the new Chapter Distinguished Service Medal and Certificate to Compatriot Williams Roberts for his service to the Chapter, while Oscar Patterson was Chapter President (December).

Dec. 6, 2013 presented Law Enforcement Commendation Awards to the following members of Palatka Police Department during their annual awards ceremony conducted at the Palatka Women's Club: Sgt Toby Williams and Deck Officer Renae Hopkins. SAR members attending were: Compatriots David Simpson, Jerry Hanchette, Vernon Meyers and William Roberts.

The Nominating Committee, chaired by Past Chapter President William Roberts, submitted its report during the October meeting. Officers candidates for 2014 are as follows; President: David Simpson, Vice President: Jerry Hanchett, Secretary: Sydney Spink, Treasurer: James Smith, Registrar/Genealogist: William Roberts, Chaplain: David Baker, Parliamentarian: David Hoffman, Sgt.-At-Arms: Harold Pabst, Historian: John Tinny, Member-At-Large: Ralph Crews. Voting took place in November. Installation was conducted by NSSAR Secretary General Lindsey Brock in the December meeting.

Submitted by R. David Simpson, Chapter President

## **East Central Regional Vice President**

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### **Brevard Chapter:**

(Submitted by Steve Williams)

The Brevard Chapter hosted a Constitution Day meeting on the first Saturday of September. This was joint meeting with the Space Coast Regents Council and the 6 DAR chapters which comprise the Regent's Council. Mr. Pat Keane, U.S. Army Retired as guest speaker who gave an interesting talk and slide show presentation entitled "Washington's Rustlers" which detailed elements of British General Howe's campaign against the American Forces at Philadelphia during the Revolution as well as General Washington's and John Barry's efforts to counter that campaign. The following new members were inducted James Bouck, Matthew Danison, and Jonathan Hendrix (represented by his grandmother Angel Keller), Benjamin Keller, John Keller, Michael Keller, Florian Yandel, and Stephen Yandel.

The October luncheon meeting took place at the TIDES at Patrick Air Force Base. Mr. Bob Hughes, the guest speaker for October's luncheon, is a WWII veteran from the Los Angeles area that was drafted and assigned to Army Air Corp pilot training at Tuskegee, Alabama, the famous pilot training school for black servicemen.

The November luncheon meeting took place at the TIDES at Patrick Air Force Base. Two new members, Ronald Fletcher and Justin Murrell, were inducted into the Chapter. Retired Army Colonel Lee T. Wyatt III, guest speaker, presented a very interesting and informational talk related to Veteran's Day. Also, in November, members of

the chapter Color Guard took part in Veterans Day ceremonies in Melbourne (parade) and at Vitas Innovative Hospice Center in Melbourne.

The December luncheon meeting took place at the TIDES at Patrick Air Force Base. three distinguished guests, all members of The Greatest Generation that fought to protect our freedoms in WWII. First was Captain & Mrs. Richard Jeffries, USN Retired. Jeffries, who is 96 years old and served in the U S Navy for over 30 years, was on the Battleship Missouri during the Pearl Harbor attack and received the Bronze Star. Second was Captain & Mrs. William Riedel, USCG Retired. Riedel who is also 96 years old and served in the U S Coast Guard for over 30 years helped transport British troops into battle in the western Pacific before WWII. Third was Lt. Col & Mrs. James Miscuraca. Miscuraca flew B24's and B52's in the war. He was also interned in a very harsh & bleak POW camp Switzerland during the war but managed along with 2 others to escape to freedom. He was awarded the POW Award. The chapter took part in the Wreaths Across America Ceremonies at the Edgewater Cemetery in Edgewater and the Florida Memorial Gardens in Rockledge.

### **Central Florida Chapter:**

(Submitted by Jeff Sizemore)

On September 14, 2013, the Central Florida SAR Chapter began meeting again after taking the summer off. Our speaker this month was our newly elected chapter president, Don Green, who spoke on "James Madison." The chapter also welcomed and inducted our newest Junior member, Mark Lewis Shubert, into the Chapter. Also taking place this month was the presentation of the first of eight scheduled SAR Public Service Awards. Compatriots Dan Dall and Mark Owen went to the Lake Mary Police Department. They presented Sgt. Steve Towler the SAR Medal of Heroism Award, and Patrolman First Class, Matt Schaeffer, the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal. At the end of September, the chapter held an orientation meeting for new chapter officers and committee chairmen.

At our October chapter meeting, the speaker was Carlos Perez, Retired Chief Attorney for the U.S. Attorney General's office in Central Florida. His luncheon topic was on the "Functions and Purposes of the U.S. Attorney General's Office."

Then at our November meeting, John Armstrong, City Councilman of the City of Windermere, was our speaker. His luncheon topic was "Windermere's 1887 One Room School House and the Armstrong Family." Junior member, Adam Shubert also came to this meeting wearing his Eagle Scout uniform with 55 merit badges. Then on the Saturday before Veteran's Day, the members with uniforms headed up by Andy Showen participated in the City of Orlando's Veterans Parade.

For our December meeting, we were honored to have as our speaker Lakeland Chapter Past President, Melvin Sellers as our speaker. He spoke on the "United States Coast Guard Cutter Tampa in World War I." His wife, Sue, was also in attendance with him. This presentation was well received and provided our membership on the role of the Coast Guard during war times. We also inducted new members Sean Michael Silvernail and Kevin Paul Jardanah into the chapter.

Then at our January meeting, Compatriot and chapter past president, Jeff Sizemore, was our speaker. His topic for the luncheon meeting was "Ben Franklin – An 18th Century Renaissance Man". We also inducted new members Orville L Allen (father) and Randall T. Allen (son) into our chapter. Both are interested in getting involved in the chapter.

### **St. Lucie River Chapter:**

(Submitted by Hal Riediger)

September 14 The Chapter joined the Treasurer Coast DAR Chapters for the annual Constitution Week Luncheon in attendance were Florida President Ted Duay, and Regional Vice President Jeff Sizemore and his lovely wife. The guest speaker Don Zimmerman an educator from Martin County presented a wonderful program enjoyed by everyone.

October 12 The Chapter presented to Martin County Fire Rescue our annual Fire Awards. Lt. Thomas Shimanik was presented the SAR Emergency Services Commendation Medal and Chief Douglas Kilane was presented the SAR Fire Safety Commendation Medal, this is one of the best things we do each year. Also at this time we inducted Seth Fields as a new member to the Chapter.

November 9 Regular meeting of the Chapter at Manero's in Palm City, this was our annual honoring veteran's meeting, the program was presented by Tom Gilmore and was about one of our members, Bud Rockhill's trip on Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. This was Tom's third trip as an escort all at his expense, the Chapter presented him with the SAR Bronze Good Citizenship award for his volunteer work with Honor Flights and the Police Department in Stuart. the chapter also honored veterans of the Chapter Chris Wade was presented with the War Service Medal with Vietnam Bar, US Army, and Joe Leinbach was presented with the Military service Medal.

November 11 The Chapter was present for Memorial Day Services in Stuart and in Port St. Lucie.

November 16 The Chapter participated in ceremonies dedicating the new Veteran's Memorial Bridge, connecting Palm City and Stuart.

December 7 Members of the Chapter, Jay Wise, Chuck McKinley and Carl Wade participated in Pearl Harbor Ceremonies in Port St. Lucie  
December 14 The Chapter inducted two new members John Sheppard and William Hartley at our regular meeting in at Manero's in Palm City.  
December 21 Jay Wise presented to the Troup-Graham Family the new owners of a Habitat for Humanity home an American Flag, pocket Constitution and the SAR Flag care Booklet.  
Jan11 regular Meeting at Manero's in Palm city  
January 19 Presentation at the Honor Court for Eagle Scout Christopher Green by Hall Riediger.

**Treasurer Coast Chapter (Vero Beach Area):**

No chapter report submitted.

## **West Central Regional Vice President**

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### **Clearwater Chapter**

- Held Chapter Meeting September 18
- Presented Certificate of Appreciation to Dr. Scott Chapman for his presentation on the PTSD and other ailments of the Veterans
- Held Board of Governors Meeting October 14
- Held Chapter Meeting October 16
- Presented Public Service Awards to Law Enforcement, EMS and Firefighter
- Presented 3 Certificates of Appreciation to supervisors who spoke of their Departments
- Presented 1 Eagle Scout Recognition Certificates
- Three new members were approved Douglas Crawford, Bruce Martin, Jr., James Roesch
- Held Board of Governors Meeting November 18
- Held Chapter Meeting November 20
- Presented Certificate of Appreciation to Robert Pattee for his presentation on the Bill of Rights
- Held Board of Governors Meeting December 9
- Held Chapter Meeting December 11
- Presented 8 Roger Sherman Medals
- Presented 5 Distinguished Service Medals
- Deceased members Lauren Bradley and Hugh Clark

### **Tampa Chapter**

September: 27 compatriots and 6 guests attended the September meeting. The speaker was Mark Van Trees from West Central Florida Honor Flight. Mr. Van Trees was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation and a check in the amount of \$100 for a future Honor Flight. President John Skillman presented David Bryant, Glenn Clepper, Brian French, Thomas Johnson, John Totten and Nigel Nicholson with their Certificates of Membership and lapel pins. Chapter awards were presented as follows: Ham Evans, War Service Medal (Vietnam). Cy Gamber, 25 Years-of-Service Pin and Certificate, Don Middleton 10 Years-of-Service Pin and Certificate, Luke Lloyd, Liberty Medal (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster), John Skillman, Roger Sherman Medal.

October: 18 compatriots and 6 guests attended the October meeting. The nominating committee presented a slate of candidates for the 2014 Board of Governors to the membership. The speakers were Bill and Rosemary Hamblin, representing the USS Tampa American Legion Post #5 and the Ladies Auxiliary. Post #5, as well as Wreaths Across America. The speakers were presented with a Certificate of Appreciation and a \$100 check for Wreaths Across America. Compatriot Jack Bolen received the Roger Sherman Medal from the South Shore Chapter for his assistance in establishing the new chapter.

November: 17 compatriots and 24 guests attended the November meeting, which was our annual joint meeting with the CAR and our annual Public Service Award. The slate of officers for 2014 as submitted by the Nominating Committee was unanimously approved by vote of the chapter. Trooper Javier Hernandez of the Florida Highway Patrol, was presented with the Law Enforcement Award for his actions of Christmas Eve 2012, when he prevented a man from jumping off the Skyway Bridge. Carli Brown, Ft. Brooke CAR President and CAR State Historian, spoke about the current CAR fund raising projects. She was presented with a check in the amount of \$100 to support CAR activities.

December: On December 14th, the Chapter Color Guard presented the colors and several other compatriots attended the laying of Wreaths Across America at the Veterans' Cemetery at American Legion Post #5. The annual Installation of Officers was held at a luncheon at The Rusty Pelican on Saturday, December 21st, with RVP Dan Hooper conducting the Installation. 22 compatriots and 11 guests were in attendance, including members of five different DAR Chapters among the guests. Outgoing President Skillman presented the following awards for service to the Chapter during his two years as President: DSM to Jack Bolen, MSM to Alan Bell, Roger Sherman Medals to Mike Frayn, Paul Ergler, Terry Doan and Dick Young. In addition, DSMs were awarded to Luke Lloyd and Alan Bell, 25 Years-of-Service Pins to Bob and Kevin Yarnell, and 10 Years-of-Service Pin to Mike Simmons, the Military Service Medal to Terrell Sessums and the War Service Medal to Jerry Walters.

## **St. Petersburg Chapter**

Charles Butler – President

### **September**

September C.A.R. Meeting Includes Cookout - The St. Petersburg Chapter is a primary SAR sponsor of the James McMullen Society N.S.C.A.R. (JMS). The September meeting of the James McMullen Society N.S.C.A.R. was held at the home of Shannon and Stephen Muldrow in Clearwater. We met at the historic McMullen Family Cemetery for pictures. The cemetery is the final resting place for Sara McMullen, wife of Revolutionary War soldier James McMullen, Sr.

After pictures, the attendees convened at the Muldrow's home for an afternoon cookout and pool party. Planning for the coming year was completed and a variety of educational and fun events were approved for our calendars beginning with an overnight trip to the Mote Aquarium in Sarasota on October 12.

C.A.R. Annual Calendar Focuses on Patriotism, Heritage and Fun

Mote Aquarium Sarasota

Ft. Desoto Park

Veterans Day Flag Ceremonies at Bay Pines

Holiday Festivities

Wreaths Across America

Memorial Day

Honor Flights

Heritage Village

Constitution Week

September meeting was a Joint DAR /SAR Chapter meeting which was hosted by Saint Petersburg DAR Chapter, Constitution Dinner held at the St. Petersburg Yacht Club. The chapter was well represented at this evening event which featured a panel of prominent judges, attorneys and elected officials who discussed aspects of the Constitution and how it affects their daily duties in service to America.

The event was very well attended, and JMS President Daniella McGinn was invited to recite the N.S.C.A.R. Creed, and to address the DAR/SAR chapters about C.A.R. membership and the C.A.R. state and national projects for 2013-2014 at the Constitution Week Dinner, St. Petersburg Yacht Club.

### **October**

The St. Petersburg Chapter SAR approved a "Resolution of Regret" expressing our deepest sympathy to the family of Congressman Bill Young who passed away last month. The Chapter Resolution was personally delivered to Mrs. Young. Congressman Young was a strong supporter of the Constitution, our military, and our state. He was in the initial process of preparing an application for membership in the St. Petersburg Chapter.

Children of the American Revolution - Miss Daniella McGinn presented a report on the Society's objectives, activities, projects, and goals for the year at the October 19th meeting. Her presentation was very well received and generated discussion, and several questions concerning the C.A.R. including expressions of interest from several Compatriots who had eligible relatives. Following her comments, there was sustained applause and expressions of appreciation for the information

Daniella was accompanied by her sister Veronika, vice president of the C.A.R., and their parents Michael and Agnia McGinn, and Colleen Pauley Perry, senior vice president C.A.R.

We started with six C.A.R. members last year. As of November, we have 20 fully approved, with several more in process at National Headquarters.

Visit The James McMullen Society at: [www.JMcmullencar.org](http://www.JMcmullencar.org)

Heritage Phenomenon - A rare and interesting phenomenon of history occurred at our October meeting. Probably for the first time in the history of our Chapter, the descendants of three early governors were in attendance: Vice-President Hardy Bryan, (Gov of Ga.) new Compatriot Jerry Halstead, (Gov of TN), and member applicant Michael McGinn, (Gov of NC and FL).

### **November**

President General's Projects - A detailed presentation was made on the topic of The President General's projects, encouraging each chapter member to participate and support the efforts of the National Society.

Flag Award - As part of our Chapter Challenge commitment, our first Flag Award of the year was presented at December's meeting to Jill Studstrup of St. Petersburg. This flag is flown daily in Lakewood Estates in

St. Petersburg. We plan to honor up to four properly-flown flag displays each year. The award is open to all, including but not limited to, residential properties, government buildings, commercial enterprises, charities, and veteran's group.

Veterans Day at Bay Pines - St. Petersburg SAR Vice President Hardy Bryan, President Charles Butler, Chaplain and Past President John Stewart, and applicant Mike McGinn were among the Compatriots representing our chapter at the Bay Pines Memorial Day ceremonies in November. Our chapter marched with Boca Ciega DAR and the James McMullen Society N.S.C.A.R to present flags and honor America's veterans.

New Member Induction - Robert M. Butler, son of Chapter President Charles R. Butler was inducted as a new member of the St. Petersburg Chapter. Robert and Charles are descendants of David Nida, of Virginia and Robert is our Chapter Webmaster.

Past Chapter Presidents Honored - Past Chapter President Certificates were presented to Will Scott and Chris Comstock for their many years of service in support of our chapter. Immediate Past President John Stewart also received an award certificate at the October meeting.

Special Service Awards Presented - Special awards and medals were presented for outstanding service to our chapter, including recognition awards for members of two local DAR chapters, and Past Presidents of the St. Petersburg Chapter SAR.

Veva Scott, Past Registrar for the Caravel Chapter NSDAR received an Award of Recognition for her many years of volunteer genealogical research support to our chapter. Chapter President Charles Butler commented that the Registrar's duties are and most critical to the growth of the organization and the most demanding. The quiet contributions made by Veva in support of her husband and our Registrar Will Scott have helped increase our membership.

Special certificates and medals were also presented to three other DAR members. The Daughters of Liberty Medal and Certificate was presented to Sheryl Brock, Registrar, Boca Ciega Chapter DAR in recognition of her recruitment efforts resulting in two new members to our chapter. Colleen Pauley Perry, Treasurer, Boca Ciega Chapter DAR, received the Martha Washington Medal and certificate for her referrals of four members, as did Marcia Pennington of the Richard Arnold Chapter DAR, Washington, DC.

Veteran Homecoming - Compatriot Peter Ford and his wife, Debbie attended a "homecoming" November 23 for Sgt. Charles Claybaker. Sgt. Claybaker served in Afghanistan with the 75th Ranger Regiment, and was severely wounded in 2010 when his aircraft, an Osprey tilt-rotor, crashed. Compatriot Ford had watched the work on the home during our morning walks, and was pleased to see the flags go up along a four block stretch of 62nd Avenue the day before the event. A large crowd was on hand, including the media and the Command Sergeant Major from MacDill AFB.

### **December**

New Member Induction - Two new members, Stephen and Robert Muldrow were inducted into the SAR and our chapter by President Charles Butler.

Certificate of Patriotism - St. Petersburg Chapter Vice President Hardy Bryan, received The National Society's Certificate of Patriotism for his military service during the Vietnam War.

C.A.R. Holiday Party - The James McMullen Society N.S.C.A.R. held a Holiday Season Gingerbread Party Monday, December 23 at 2 pm. The event was at the home of Shannon and new St. Petersburg Chapter Compatriot Steve Muldrow in Clearwater, and was very well attended by C.A.R. members and parents. The JMS completed the calendar year 2013 with 21 members, and several applications in process.

Wreaths Across America - On December 14 at 9:30 AM Compatriots and C.A.R. volunteers joined many local individuals and other organizations including the DAR at Bay Pines National Cemetery, St Petersburg to place wreaths on the graves of the veterans. The concluding ceremony took place at 11:00 AM. Our chapter donated two wreaths to be placed at the memorial.

### **Lakeland Chapter**

Joseph Hill – President

Number of applications pending 1; Number of prospective members 2; Number of New Members 3; Number of members inducted 3; Award/Recipient: Lamplighter/Compatriot Melvin Sellers; Certificate of Appreciation/Col. Gary Clark, USAF Ret., Compatriot Alvie Davidson; Certificate of Appreciation Michelle Hubenschmidt; Liberty Medal Oak Leaf Cluster Compatriot Alvin Davidson; Roger Sherman R. Hagerman, M. Sellers, A. Davidson, M. Hall, Joe Hill; Distinguished Service R. Hagerman, M. Sellers, A. Davidson, Joe Hill; Veterans: Honor Flight, Veterans Battalion FLSSAR 5 Surveys; Americanism: Wreaths Across America, Founders and Patriots of America; Member(s) Deceased: (2) D.S. Wesson Jr., D.F. Winslow, Past Member W.R. Murphy; Program/Speaker at last meeting: Michelle Hubenschmidt.

## South Shore

Gordon Bassett – President

September: The South Shore Chapter held their first organizational meeting/luncheon to discuss the progress and course of action towards the chartering of the new chapter in Sun City, Florida. There were a total of 23 members and guests in attendance.

October: Official Charter ceremony for the new South Shore Chapter. We have 24 charter members. There were a total of 50 members and guests in attendance. Dan Hooper, State Regional Vice President installed the following officers for the remainder of 2013: Gordon Bassett President, Bill Love Treasurer, and Luke Lloyd Registrar/Genealogist. Randy Moody, South Atlantic District Vice President General, and Jeff Sizemore, State Regional Vice President and Chairman of the New Chapter Development Committee were guests as well as visitors from several other state chapters. Also attending were visitors from the Col. George Mercer Brooks and Garcia de la Vega Chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The meeting was held at Freedom Plaza, Sun City Center, Florida..

November: 18 members/guests attended this monthly meeting. The following slate of officers were nominated and elected to serve in 2014. Gordon Bassett President 2013, Bill Love Treasurer 2013, and Luke Lloyd Registrar 2013 were reelected to the same positions for 2014. Chuck Hawley Vice President, Mark Dean Secretary, Alan Tisdale Chaplain, Don Gunn and Chip Churchill Governors/Members at Large were elected to serve in 2014. Jim Preston and Cliff Knox were elected to serve as Governors/Members at Large for the 2014-2015 term. President Bassett awarded the Roger Sherman Bronze Medal to Chip Churchill for his work as acting secretary of the new South Shore chapter. Dan Hooper, Regional Vice President presented a very interesting program on the organization of The Sons of the American Revolution.

December: 18 members/guests were in attendance at the December meeting. President Gordon Bassett and Registrar conducted an awards ceremony presenting Treasurer Bill Love with the Distinguished Service Medal for his work as treasurer during the organization of the new South Shore Chapter. Dan Hooper, Regional Vice President conducted the installation ceremony of the slate of officers for 2014. Jack Bolen from the Tampa Chapter presented a very informative program on the history of The Sons of the American Revolution. Certificates of Appreciation were presented to Dan Hooper and Jack Bolen.

## Maj. John Devane Chapter

David Knox – President

No Report received

## Southeast Regional Vice President

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### Miami Chapter

The Miami Chapter held open luncheon meetings from May 17th to date.

Membership: Applications were approved for Compatriot Wayne W. Croysdale, 1151 Sterling Ave, Miami Springs, FL 33166, Compatriot William L Popham, Jr., 18054 SW 83rd Court, Palmetto Bay, FL 33157, Compatriot Harry C. Palmer, III, 4001 Ventura Ave, Miami, FL 33133 and a reinstatement of Compatriot Robert J. Wolz, 6900 Maloney Ave, #7, Key West FL 33040.

Eagle Scouts: Four (4) Eagle Scout Certificates and Letters of Commendation were mailed to the scout leaders to be presented to the new Eagle Scouts. Packets included information regarding scholarship and SAR eligibility.

Donations (scouting):

Cub Scout Pack, # 280	\$100.00 Troop #69	\$100.00
Troop #21	\$100.00 S. Florida Council BSA	\$200.00

CAR: The Tequesta Society, Children of the American Revolution was presented \$100.00 for the purchase of pins in support of the FLSCAR President's Project. One hundred dollars was donated for the purchase and replacement for the Chapter's CAR Society Flag.

Thomas Payne Camp Color Guard: Members of the Miami Chapter SAR, Thomas Paine Color Guard, presented an American flag, flag staff and mounting bracket to sixteen (16) families who were moving into newly built Habitat for Humanity houses in Miami, Florida. The Miami Chapter SAR was recognized in the published program as the donor of the flags.

VA Report: The Miami Chapter continues with its support of Hospitalized Veterans at the Miami VA Hospital, by members assisting the V.A. Chaplains at Sunday morning Chapel Services. On the 5th Sunday during June, September and December help by bringing handicapped (wheel chair bound) hospitalized Veterans from their rooms to the Chapel for the religious service and then returning them to their rooms in the hospital or to the adjacent Nursing Home .



During the annual bake sale (fund raiser) a donation of \$100.00 was made to support this activity.

A donation of \$300.00 was made to the local High School Youth Community Activities in support of the VA Hospital.

NSSAR: During the Leadership Conference Miami Chapter made the following contributions in support of the respective programs:

Rumbaugh Oration	\$1,000.00
ROTC/JROTC	\$1,000.00
NSSAR C.A.A.H.	\$1,000.00
Eagle Scout Fund	\$500.00

### **Palm Beach Chapter**

The Palm Beach Chapter reconvened after the summer break on 15 October. The meeting was held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, West Palm Beach and there were( 43) in attendance. It was reported by Chaplain Harry Champion that long time member and former FLSSAR Senior Vice President, James Blackburn had suffered a stroke and was convalescing at home. His prognosis is very good.

President Ray Wess inducted five (5) new members into the society, Stephen Brook, Terry Friend, Edward O'Hara, Dr. John Watson, and Dr. Louis Watson.

President Wess presented the SAR War Military Medal to Compatriot F. Russell Greenspan.

The chapter enjoyed a PowerPoint presentation on the historical tourist at St. Augustine in conjunction with the 500th Anniversary of the founding of the city. Travel columnist Warren Resen made the presentation.

The chapter met on 19 November for its regularly scheduled November meeting with (45) in attendance. President Wess introduced and welcomed two (2) new dual members, Compatriot James Beard-IL Society, and Compatriot Craig Millard-PA Society.

The chapter conducted its annual Rumbaugh Oration contest and Miss Talia Fradkin won. Miss Fradkin will be entered into the FLSSAR contest.

The chapter was entertained by a PowerPoint presentation on early Florida History by retired Palm Beach Columnist, Ron Wiggins. Mr. Wiggins conducted a book signing after the event.

The December meeting was held on 14 December at the historic Palm Beach Everglades Club, Palm Beach with attendance of (145). The meeting was in celebration of the chapter's 75th Anniversary. The chapter was formed on 19 March, 1938 at the Palm Beach Everglades Club.

President Wess presented Compatriots Terry Friend, James Wearn, and Stephen Brook with SAR War Service Medals. President Wess presented Compatriot Benjamin Tidwell with the SAR Military Service Medal.

President Wess presented Mrs. Suzanne Rewey with the SAR Martha Washington Medal for her outstanding support and service to the Palm Beach Chapter and the FLSSAR.

President Wess Presented Miss Talia Fradkin with the CAR Medal of Appreciation for her many hours of volunteer work to the Palm Beach Chapter.

President Wess made a presentation of the Chapter Medal of Distinguished Service to Compatriot Samuel Miller for his exemplary service to the Palm Beach Chapter during the calendar year 2013.

After the presentations, the chapter was entertained by the Kings Academy High School Choir with their holiday music program

### **Ft. Lauderdale Chapter**

No report submitted

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### **Caloosa Chapter**

The Caloosa Chapter Executive Committee held a mid summer meeting to discuss the coming year and this was a planning session. Among topics included was setting a date for a Saturday meeting to include the Junior Members. It was agreed that a March date would be fine. This past year a March Saturday meeting was a success. This format allowed the Junior Members to participate. There was much discussion around getting the Junior members more involved. We also discussed programs for the coming season.

The Caloosa Chapter resumed its meeting schedule in October. The meeting saw the induction of two new members and the installation of a new Registrar. The program was presented by two board members of the Pride and Patriotism

Program. This program honors veterans and school pupils K to 12 in several areas. Art, Music, Essay as well as Video production. Several chapter members participated in the event.

November we asked for candidates for the various offices for the 2014 chapter year. In lieu of a nominating committee the Executive Committee acted as the nominating committee. The meeting program included remarks by a chapter member, Maj General James Dozier. He spoke on the value of the JROTC and ROTC programs and the value of a volunteer military. I had asked each veteran member to bring a photo of himself in uniform. These were placed on a registration table with no name. Members were asked to try and identify the veteran. As part of the program we went around the room and asked each veteran to relate to an experience while he was in the service. A couple were of a humorous nature. A Martha Washington medal was awarded to a long time DAR supporter.

The December meeting included the election of officers for the coming year. Compatriot Moody presented a program on the proper display of medals and emblems. This was much appreciated by the newer members. Also presented were two bronze distinguished service medals. In addition, two bronze Roger Sherman medals were presented and also a certificate of appreciation.

### **Charlotte Chapter**

October 2013: Welcomed a Prospective New Member (PNM), Frank ( Si) Lane, hailing from Minnesota. Nominating committee formed for the end-of-year elections.

November 2013: Welcomed another PNM, Hampton Allen and his wife Debra. Our program was a report on Bunker Hill. Our speaker had visited the site the past summer. He cited the action and re-action of the British and colonial forces including the strength and weakness of each side. He passed around several pictures depicting the location of Colonial and British forces. Participated with the Charlotte Bay Chapter of DAR in the Veterans Day Parade on 9 November.

December 2013: Welcomed a transferring member, Jerrod Godin, from Pennsylvania. Habitat for Humanity had advised that they needed flag Kits (flag, staff, and bracket) for houses they were renovating for veterans. The Chapter voted to furnish the flags. SAR members donated toys for the "Toys for Tots" program then delivered the toys to the Charlotte County collection site. Norm Ashworth was presented his Certificate honoring his for his service in the Korean War.

### **Highlands Chapter**

Rod Dilling was inducted into membership at our November Chapter meeting. Rod's wife, Rose, pinned his membership Rosette on him. Rod is a retired law enforcement officer. He will become chairman of our Public Service Awards Committee.

Ron Yates, another recently installed member will serve as our Publicity Chairman.

I am working with the District Executive for the Boy Scouts of America to re- establish a Lake Placid Troup. Our member, James Dean, was an Eagle Scout and will gladly assist the Troup.

Wil Beaton announced he will purchase an 18th century New Hampshire Officers outfit to wear when the chapter has an appropriate event.

Highlands Chapter held a joint luncheon meeting with the Patriot Chapter of the DAR. The speaker was General James Dozier who spoke about his kidnapping in Italy by terrorists a few years ago.

### **Naples Chapter**

An overview of the concentrated efforts of the Naples Chapter during the last quarter can best be summarized by recognizing and rewarding dedicated chapter members and recruiting new members to maintain growth which ensures the Chapter's future success. The Naples Chapter is heavily invested in the local community and participates in many programs that foster patriotism and civic duty. However, President Larry Fehrenbaker recognizes those programs require planning and organizing from a typically small number of devoted and sacrificing chapter members-members that should be acknowledged for their efforts. Also though, President Fehrenbaker recognizes the need for growth and new ideas to ensure a Chapter's long range future. As a result of the herculean efforts over the summer months of Compatriots Ed Lary and Ron Benson the Chapter gained eight new members.

October marked the first chapter meeting for the coming year and also the first meeting at our new meeting venue, "The Club at Longshore Lake". During the opening remarks President Fehrenbaker introduced invited guests to the Chapter and then called several members to the podium for presentations and awards. President Fehrenbaker presented Compatriots Don Cahill, Charles Cortright, Edward Ferguson, John McCullough and Judge James McGarity the Roger Sherman Medal. Also, as a member of the Veterans Recognition Committee, Immediate Past President Chuck Sweeney presented Ron Cormier the FLSSAR Veterans Battalion Certificate of Military Service for his service as a Marine during the Vietnam War. Following lunch, Chapter Registrar, Compatriot Ron Benson presented his program, "1775: Captain William Scott and Arnold's Expedition to Quebec".

In November, The Naples Chapter SAR joined with The Big Cypress Chapter DAR at the Naples Country Club for a combined meeting and dinner followed with a program titled "Old Ironsides". During the formal portion of the meeting, President Fehrenbaker inducted two new members, Jim McBath, III and Jonathan Jensen. He also presented Compatriot Rob Withey, the Roger Sherman Medal for service to the Naples Chapter for his years as our DAR Liaison and Past President,

Jim Applegate a Lamplighter Award from the NSSAR for his support of the Center for the Advancement of America's Heritage (CAAH). After dinner, Robert J. Belliveau and his son, Robert E. Belliveau presented "Old Ironsides", a multi-media presentation on the restoration of the USS Constitution. During the presentation, the 59 attendees were able to examine pictures, artifacts and reproduction sailing tackle used for the reconstruction of the Constitution. During the November Naples Chapter BOM meeting, the Directors reviewed, voted, and unanimously passed the changes to the Naples Chapter By-Laws. The changes allow for an earlier election of chapter officers.

Our December meeting was held at The Club at Longshore Lake with special guests FLSSAR Southwestern Florida Regional Vice President Vic McMurry and his wife Debbie attending. After Compatriot McMurry's comments about the Endowment Trust Fund, President Fehrenbaker presented him a Certificate of Distinguished Service for his leadership to the Naples Chapter and the Southwestern Region FLSSAR. During the latter part of November and early December the Naples Chapter received approval of eight membership applications. Thus, during the meeting President Fehrenbaker called on Ed Lary to act as stand-in for his son, Bryan Edward Lary and his brother, Douglas Carroll Lary and memorial induction of his father, John Edward Lary. And, President Fehrenbaker presented Granville James Forster III his membership certificate and a certificate for his son, Granville James Forster IV. As part of the awards ceremony, Past President Roy Richardson presented the President's Certificate from Philip Tarpley for being President of the Naples Chapter 2009-2011. Further, Compatriot Richardson was also presented the Bronze Roger Sherman Award for his service to the Naples Chapter. Compatriot W. Richard Hazen who was presented the Bronze Roger Sherman Award in May, 2013 was presented the medal at the December meeting. On behalf of President General Joseph Dooley, Compatriot Michael Gary, as a member of the NSSAR's Korean Service Veterans Corps, was presented the SSAR Certificate of Patriotism. As President of the Vanderbuilt Gulfside Condominium Association, Victoria Toter was presented a Certification of Commendation in recognition of her exemplary patriotism in displaying the flag of the United States of America. The award was made on Flag Day, June 14, 2013 but was presented at this meeting. Lastly, Compatriot Ron Benson was presented two Certificates for Supplemental Ancestors, Patriots George Stimson and Elkanah Sprague bringing his total to 15 supplemental certificates. After President Fehrenbaker presented the awards and certificates the members were called to vote on the proposed changes to the Naples Chapter By-Laws dated 20 March 2012. A motion was made to approve changing the by-laws allowing for an earlier voting period, seconded and motion was approved unanimously. After lunch, President Fehrenbaker turned the meeting over to Compatriot John McCullough for the Rumbaugh Oration. This year the Chapter only had one participant, Miss Lisa DeWitte. Lisa's presentation was titled, "The Vital Importance of Enlightened Citizenry". Her presentation was fairly graded and deemed by the judges to be worthy for entry in the District competition. After the judging, Compatriot McCullough awarded Lisa with a certificate and the Chapter First Place Oration Medallion.

Our January 3, 2014 meeting was our Naples Chapter Law Enforcement Appreciation Meeting. On behalf of the Naples Chapter, President Fehrenbaker recognized Collier County Sheriff, Kevin J. Rambask for his extensive community service and presented him the NSSAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal and Award. Also, President Fehrenbaker, for their exemplary service and acts of heroism with great risks to their personal safety, awarded Collier County Sheriffs' Deputies, Corporal John Borchers of the North Naples Substation and Corporal Joshua White of the Marine Bureau, the NSSAR Medal of Heroism. Corporals Borchers and White had previously been recognized by the Collier County Sheriffs' Office by receiving a Command Recognition by Sheriff Rambosk.

### **Saramana Chapter**

On 11 October 2013 at the Saramana Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, 41 members and guests attended a fun-packed gathering. This included the Honoring of Chapter Members with Awards; Nominating Committee Report Presentation of the 2014 Slate of Officers and Committee Chairs; Guest Speaker Mrs. Carole Holland recounting the story of "The Day Our New Country Almost Lost the Ratification of our U.S. Constitution;" and the induction of seven new members.

Mrs. Greta Bristol Mahaffey of the DAR Sara DeSoto Chapter, Sarasota, Florida, received the SAR Medal of Appreciation for recruitment of new members to the ranks of the Saramana Chapter. Past President Harold Crapo received an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a third award for the SAR Service to Veterans Medal; and Immediate Past FLSSAR President and former Saramana Chapter President Phil Tarpley was honored with a third Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of an additional award of the SAR Liberty Medal.

On November 11, 2013, the Saramana Color Guard marched in the Sarasota Veterans Day Parade and other Saramana members and DAR members rode the Saramana Trolley.

On 15 November 2013, the Saramana Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution gathered with 45 guests, members, and contestants to conduct business. Our luncheon meeting focus included: (1) the 2014 Election of Saramana Chapter Officers; (2) the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest; (3) the presentation by guest speaker Mr. Geoffrey Griswold Fisher who addressed "Shame Needs to Make a Comeback in America;" and (4) the induction of a new chapter member.

Jerad Paparella of Bayshore High School takes top honors in the Saramana Chapter Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest. His discourse, entitled "America's Enigma, was delivered in a formal and dignified manner. It concerned

initially the ending days of Thomas Jefferson who had been clinging on to life, waiting for the word that the 50th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence arrived. When that word came, Thomas Jefferson faded from life but not from our history books.

In his closing remarks, Jerad noted, "Thomas Jefferson was a radical man in a radical time. He was, and always will be remembered as a great enigma. He used the right words at the right time. He is American scripture. If he were here today...he would undoubtedly write our way out of our nation's most pressing issues, just as he did so eloquently 237 years ago." With this win, Jerad Paparella qualifies for the Florida Society statewide competition, which occurs on Friday, January 24, 2014, at the Florida Hotel and Conference Center.

On December 14, 2013, the Saramana Chapter participated in the Wreaths Across America ceremony at Sarasota National Cemetery.

On December 20, 2013, Saramana installed its 2014 Officers. The Presiding Officer for the 2014 Saramana Chapter Officers Induction was President General Carl Hoffman (1997-1998). He's Saramana Chapter's Pillar of Wisdom and a native Floridian. The Officers installed were Victor G. McMurry – President, Harold B. Crapo, Jr. – Vice President, Charles T. Sweeney – Secretary, Vernon "Ted" Hornback – Treasurer, Richard K. Mahaffey – Genealogist/Registrar, Clarence A. Barrett – Sergeant at Arms, Charles W. Riegle – Historian, and John L. Hegener – Chaplain.

Outgoing President Chuck Sweeney awarded Ted Hornback, Dick Mahaffey, Carl Hoffman, Chuck Barrett, Peter Douglas, and Allen Hegener the Bronze Roger Sherman Medals for sustained exceptional service and performance of duty to the Saramana Chapter. President Sweeney awarded John Fitzpatrick the Bronze Color Guard Medal and inducted compatriot Harry Cruncleton into the FLSSAR Veterans Battalion for service to country during WW II. Debbie McMurry was awarded the Lydia Darragh Medal as the lady most helpful to Chuck Sweeney during his tenure as President. Most notably were her outstanding service and leadership contributions to the Chapter and FLSSAR Ladies Auxiliary. Certificate of Distinguished Service for continuous superior leadership were awarded to Phil Tarpley, Harold B. Crapo, Jr, and Charles Riegle. Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to Burton Corbus, Jr. and George Sparks.

## Executive Committee Member-at-Large

Lawrence Fehrenbaker [lgfnsar@comcast.net](mailto:lgfnsar@comcast.net)

An email reminder of the January 24-25, 2014 BOM was sent to all FLSSAR Chapter Presidents in the FLSSAR database. Any who were not attending the BOM, were asked to send me any topics they wished to have presented/discussed at the Executive Committee. I received one question relative to the selection of the current BOM meeting site (The Florida Hotel and Conference Center). After referring to the September 6-7, 2013 BOM Proceedings and the Winter issue of The Florida Patriot, both of which discussed the thorough due diligence in selecting the 2013-2015 meeting site, the concern appears to have been resolved. No other inquires have been received to date.

I attended the Chartering Ceremony for the South Shore Chapter FLSSAR in Sun City, Florida on October 4, 2013.

## Secretary

Steve Williams [swilliams16@cfl.rr.com](mailto:swilliams16@cfl.rr.com)

I want to express my gratitude and appreciation to all chapter members, Presidents and secretaries or Treasurers, that took on this task for their chapter. It can be exasperating and confusing at times, particularly for large chapters - many members to keep track of and pester for dues.

Especially due for congratulations are the 5 chapters with ZERO drops/resignations:

- Maj John DeVane
- Emerald Coast
- Lakeland
- South Shore
- Miami

Then the chapters with 1 or 2 drops are also in for congratulations:

- Charlotte (2)
- Flagler (2)
- Naples (1)
- Panama City (2)
- Treasure Coast (1)
- William Dunaway (1)

As of January 7, we have 204 Drops/Resignations which is on par with our past several years' averages. As evidenced above, 1/3 of our 33 chapters only accounted for 9 of those 204. Why do we care? For several reasons, among

them are being active (partly by paying dues) and supporting the worthwhile activities of the SAR and, also, by reaching the 2000 member plateau. This level of membership allows us to present 4 Patriot Medals, which is the highest honor that a state society can bestow upon its members - instead of the 3 we currently present.

For those successful chapters (above), **Please** consider providing me with the steps you took to reach the levels of dues payments which you achieved. The Florida Membership & Retention Committee would like to distribute such success stories to all of the chapters in an effort to reduce the numbers of Drop/Resigned members next year. If possible for the other chapters, consider having those dropped/resigned members complete the short (4 question) survey and returning it so that we can attack this issue from both ends - the successes and 'failures.'

**Florida membership status:**

Total membership of all types (Regular, Life, Dual (40), Youth (40), Junior, E-1, E-2, E-3, etc) = **1828** as of this date. The total number of Dropped/Resigned members = **185**

**REPEAT - - REINSTATING and TRANSFERRING MEMBERS**

Reinstatements or Transfers (Interstate) are NOT done with the annual report. The following is a repeat of the process for Reinstatements and Transfers.

1. The Reinstatement of a former Florida member (**IN**state reinstatement), requires that the chapter notify the state secretary *as soon as possible* that the reinstatement is desired, the member's legal (not nickname) name and National number, and submit 2 checks for the member's National Dues (\$30.00) and Florida Dues (\$20.00). Ideally this should occur on or before October 31st.
2. Reinstatements of a former member of another state society are **Required** to fill out and **Sign** Request for Reinstatement/Transfer form 0918 and submit that form to the state secretary with the dues as listed in #1 above. This form 0918 is required to be submitted by the state secretary with a Transmittal form to National. It is NOT an optional form. Sending a request for this type of reinstatement without the required form unnecessarily delays the process and is the cause of frustration on the part of all involved.
3. Transfers of chapter membership **within** Florida is a matter of ease and is quickly accomplished. Again, the chapter who has a member wishing to transfer from that chapter to another Florida chapter needs only to send the member's name/National number to the state secretary. If done by e-mail message, that chapter should 'cc' the receiving chapter of the pending transfer as a matter of courtesy.
4. Transfers of chapter membership **between state societies** is more involved and needs a Request of Transfer of Membership form 0919 which is **Required** to be filled out and **Signed** and then submitted to the **demitting** state secretary for signature. It is done in this method because the receiving state must know that the Transferee is a PAID SAR member and it is within the knowledge of the demitting state to know that fact. It is then processed per National's directives - demitting state to receiving state to National. Processing this transfer in any other manner causes unnecessary delays and frustration.

Whether or not any of us likes or approves these processes, this is the way that they must be accomplished. Each chapter should inform their membership that if they want to have any of these transactions done, that they will need to follow the process to accomplish that transaction.

**\*\*Updating member information** (Repeat) such as mailing address, e-mail address, or phone number **is ultimately the responsibility of the member**. He needs to know how and to whom to contact with that change. 1<sup>st</sup> – The member should contact his chapter secretary so that the chapter records are correct. The chapter secretary should then contact the state secretary with that information. To update National's database, the member or the chapter secretary can log into the National Member Database and make the appropriate corrections. When a member dies, the **chapter notifies the state secretary and the state chaplain** and can use Compatriot Death Report Form found in the Forms link at sar.org. These updates will help to ensure that members get the communications and publications that come with membership.

**Treasurer**

Hall Riediger

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CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES 1/1/2013 to 12/31/2013

<u>RECEIPTS:</u>	<u>2013 Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Dues Income	73,470.00	75,000.00
Operating Trust Income	2,890.55	2600.00
BOM Income net of expenses	(634.96)	000.00
Other Income	<u>17,831.00</u>	<u>10,932.00</u>
TOTAL	88,146.49	88,532.00
 <u>DISBURSMENTS:</u>		
State Officers	6,759.21	7,275.00
Youth Programs	10,268.30	11,600.00

Public Outreach	10,163.10	16,200.00
National Dues	46,425.00	45,500.00
Other Committees	4,315.53	3,300.00
Other Expenses	11,482.31	6,707.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>89,413.45</b>	<b>90,582.00</b>
<b>Receipts over disbursements</b>	<b>4,143.14</b>	<b>(2,050.00)</b>

CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION 12/31/2013

Assets:

Checking	\$ 28,246.02
Wachovia CD #2020 @ 0.05%	\$ 8,673.36
Wachovia CD #1001 @ 0.05%	\$ 8,560.70
SM BUS MM #1823 @ 0.85%	\$ 43,940.88
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 89,420.96</b>

Investments:

Pepco Holding 400 shares @ 20.37	\$ 7,480.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$96,900.96</b>

Finance Committee: David Kelsey, Danny Hooper, and Hall Riediger, Chairman

**NOTE:** Deland Chapter has ceased as a viable Chapter and the members have given the Chapter funds to the Florida Society, this money will be held in order to fund a new Deland Chapter in the future. We thank the members of the Deland Chapter and Henry Sellars for their understanding and commitment to the FLSSAR.

**Notes:** There have been some changes in this report from suggestions from members of the Finance Committee.

BOM income net of expenses: the explanation of this entry is all BOM income, 50/50 Income and Hospitality Income are added together from this BOM Expense, BOM Reimbursement, BOM Reimbursement Hospitality are subtracted resulting net income or expense.

**Other Income:** This is the sum of all income not included so far, i.e. State Registrar, State Secretary, Other income, LNB Medals Income, Pepco stock dividends, Donations Rec. and F4F2.

Under Disbursements Officers and Youth spending is obvious; donation to CAR is added to this.

Added is Public Outreach- this is composed of CAAH donations, Battle of Pensacola, Last Naval Battle, Sons of Liberty Brigade, and Support the Troops.

National Dues- total of National dues payment and Dues Refunds

Other Committees- These are committees not included with youth, Technology, Credentials, Chapter Challenge, Medals and Awards, Patriot Medal, Newsletter & Periodicals, Publicity and Other Committees.

Other Expenses- Archive and Records, Web 1&1 Internet, Florida Patriot, Postage and Delivery, Miscellaneous Expense, and Bank Charges.

The overall categories are established this way to ease the filing of the 990EZ with Schedules to the IRS

In Discussions with the Finance Committee we have decided to make the following changes in our financial structure, First closing all Wells Fargo Accounts except for the Regular Checking and the Money Market, this will comprise our 2/3 year reserve and generate a small return on our investment. The CD accounts have not been closed due to a \$125.00 per account charge, we will wait until summer then close them for no charge.

\*\*Two notes: \*First the Annual Report has been completed and filed with the Division of Corporations. \*Second I am asking the BOM to approve the transfer of money not spent in 2013 to Endowment Trust Fund @ \$1.00 per member; and the balance of funds be transferred to the F4F and the new account which is to be used to funds Florida Society Contests held for Chapters, i.e. Chapter Challenge, Earl Marlin, Publicity, etc.

## RVP's make sure your Chapters file their 990N's

### Registrar

Ray Lantz [rlantz@bellsouth.net](mailto:rlantz@bellsouth.net)

### FLSSAR Application Stats 31 August 2013 – 17 January 2014

	Application Type				Totals
	Regular	Supplemental	CAR Transfer	Junior	
Submitted To NSSAR	57	26	0	4	87
Approved* By NSSAR	108	59	1	14	182
Pended* By NSSAR	1	10	0	0	11
Pended	8	12	0	3	23

By FSSAR				
DAR Finder Total Year to date	2013 = 44 and 2014 = 6			

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

\*\* Accuracy of application stats for this report may be slightly inaccurate due to the NSSAR server crash in late November 2013 and any current processing backlog attributed to that equipment failure.

**NSSAR & FLSSAR Pended Reasons:**

- Family history information not accepted for maiden name of wife or no documentation submitted to prove maiden name when required for generation linking.
- Generational links for generations one or more generations not accepted.
- SAR previous application proof of service or lineage no longer accepted due DAR source application red flag.
- DAR record copies not accepted due “center check” phenomena due to validation based on previous DAR record with unacceptable proof references.
- DAR or SAR application is older and does not contain generational locations and no additional documentation was submitted to document the locations.
- Proof documents poor quality and not acceptable readability.

**Recommended Application Submission Improvement Areas:**

- Enclose 1 application copy on SAR watermarked archive paper and 1 application on plain paper for all applications submitted.
- Ensure all required signatures and dates are present as required for type of applications being submitted.
- When printing applications ensure they are page 1 and 2 are printed front and back with alignment head to head. NSSAR will not accept any different orientation.
- DO NOT submit “center checked” NSDAR record copies as proof documents. For those are still not aware of or understand what a “center checked” application is, please refer to Application Tips - Page One discussion on center checks [www.learnwebskills.com/corner/application.htm](http://www.learnwebskills.com/corner/application.htm) **BEWARE older DAR record copies when they are based on a previous DAR record(s) are not “center checked” in the literal sense as are the newer DAR record copies. HOWEVER, older record copies that indicate anywhere on the application that they refer to a previous application are consider “center checked”.**
- Do not submit NSDAR web site printouts from the “Descendants Database Search” or NSDAR “Patriot Index” information. This information is not acceptable for either lineage or service and NSSAR does not want this unacceptable information included with any application.
- Ensure ALL applicable information contained on all submitted proof documents is recorded in the applicable sections of the application. Do not list references that are not being submitted and list all documents that have been submitted.
- Ensure all known spouse information is included when known for each generation even when the spouse is not in direct lineal descent. This will prevent applications from being pended when two person of the same name are living in a given area and this information would assist in identification of the correct person used on the application.
- Only one set of proof documents are required to be submitted with each application. This also applies when submitting more than one application under the family plan criteria. One set of proofs only for the common documents used by all the applications in the group. His does not apply to multiple supplemental applications submitted at the same time. Supplemental applications are always considered separately and require complete sets of documentation.
- Use a red pencil to underline applicable data on all proof documents and DO NOT USE any type of highlighter.
- Copy of entire legible original census page must be submitted when using a census as a proof document. Ancestry.com census transcription pages cannot be used in lieu of the original census page, but may be used in addition to the original page.
- Recommend using paper clips instead of staples.
- Never use nick names on an application unless there is a required proof document has been submitted that validates the nickname.

- Any name, date or location used in the application generation requires a document to prove that information. Do not enter names, dates or locations in this section a proof document has been provided that exactly matches that information.

**Notes of Interest:**

- New Supplemental Family Plan that gives discount for multiple family members submitting supplements for the same patriot at the same time, see fees & dues document on the FLSSAR web site.
- A DAR record copy is now the only external lineage society record copy that can be used as a proof document. All other lineage societies previously accepted are no accepted.
- DAR record copies which would otherwise qualify under the NSSAR Bylaws “grandfather clause” must have no discernable errors in service or lineage. Current ByLaw language pertaining to SAR application record copies only requires no discernable errors in service only.
- Registrar's Manual / Genealogy Policy Manual has just been released and can be downloaded from [www.sar.org](http://www.sar.org) by click on Compatriots, then on NSSAR Committees, then on Genealogy Committee, then on Genealogy Policies and Registrar's Manual. All FLSSAR Chapter Registrars are required to comply with these two documents when submitting any application.  
Current FLSSAR & NSSAR Dues & Application Fees can be found at <http://www.flssar.org/Docs/FeesDues.pdf> all chapter registrars should download and/or print this document for to ensure correct fees and dues are submitted with applications.

**Chaplain**

Richard Hagerman      wildchild2018@gmail.com

I sincerely appreciate your vote of confidence by electing me to serve as your Chaplain since Rev. Dr. Roy Martin has relocated out of state. I will do my best to live up to your expectations.

We will conduct a Memorial Service during our Annual BOM which is scheduled for the 2nd thru the 4th of May in memory of all Florida Compatriots who passed away during the 2013 calendar year; which coincides with the same period currently being used by the NSSAR.

Due to fact that much of the information I have received is incomplete, I am asking that each chapter review and correct any errors or omissions to the following list of departed Compatriots. Please be sure to use and forward the “Notice of Death” form and include as much of the information as possible such as State and National numbers, chapter of affiliation, and Name and address of next of kin, if any, to facilitate the prompt mailing of our FLSSAR condolences. Please also include a copy of the obituary if available.

Boardman, Charles Holloway III 129037 5482 12 May 2013 Brevard \*

Bradley, Lauren R. 78273 3035 12 June 2013 Clearwater Harry Dauphinais,

Clark, Hugh Sticle 139236 6643 20 Dec 2013 Clearwater Mrs. Ruth Clark

Ferguson, Harold Edward Jr. 60818 456 2 Aug 2013 Palm Beach \*

Greenwood, Gordon Edward 153574 7888 14 Sept 2013 Gainesville

Breyheart, Elisha 187077 10343 18 Oct 2013 St. Petersburg \*

Harwell, Douglass Kellogg Sr. 161502 8400 30 Nov 2013 Lakeland Mrs. Harwell

Hayward, James Bert 138895 6613 5 May 2013 Devane \*

Hutchinson, Frank David 177248 9596 19 Sept 2013 Flagler Mrs. Hutchinson

Kranich, Roger Eugene 93651 1864 13 Nov 2013 Palm Beach \*

May, Orville Faye 184168 10135 7 Nov 2013 Caloosa \*

Murphey, Walter Ronald 156905 8098 13 Nov 2013 Lakeland \*

Pace, Johnson H. Jr., Rev. 60808 446 15 Nov 2013 Jacksonville \*

Ransom, Charles Edgar Jr. 127586 7629 20 Aug 2013 Naples \*

Ramond, Harry Jerrol 148818 7517 \*\* \*\*\* \*

Reedy, Luther Ashby 126557 7543 30 July 2013 Pensacola \*

Williams, Patrick Murphy \*\*\*\*\* \*\*\*\* 10 Oct 2013 Jacksonville \*

Winslow, Donald Francis 163200 8529 2 Jul 2013 Lakeland \*

Wallace, Ivan Homer Jr. 177430 9611 16 May 2013 Lake City \*

Warden, Cyrus Ely Jr. 177752 9630 8 Jun 2013 Brevard \*

Key:

- \* No name or address of next of kin. If “none”, please write “none” on the form
- \*\* No date of death stated on form
- \*\*\* Name of Chapter missing on form
- \*\*\*\* FLSSAR number missing on form



\*\*\*\*\* NSSAR number missing on form

Please have the above requested information in my possession not later than 1 April 2014. Thank you for your much needed help and assistance in getting this information completed.

## Recording Secretary

Ray Wess                      rn060873@cs.com

Fall BOM Minutes are at beginning of these Proceedings.

## Chancellor

Carl Hoffmann, PG            [hoffmaria@yahoo.com](mailto:hoffmaria@yahoo.com)

Nothing to report

## Parliamentarian

Rev Dr Randy Moody        [sarrevdoc@comcast.net](mailto:sarrevdoc@comcast.net)

Parliamentary process is essential to a healthy organization, not only during the meetings of the Society but also in the work of the committees and officers between the meetings. Robert's Rules of Order along with the Society Bylaws establish procedures for operation and boundaries which, when properly followed, promote the orderly work of the Society. As the leaders of the Florida Society, I encourage members of the Board of Management to study the basics of parliamentary process and observe the boundaries established. Henry M. Roberts said:

*It is difficult to find another branch of knowledge where a small amount of study produces such great results in increased efficiency in a country where the people rule, as in parliamentary law.*

Randy Moody, Parliamentarian

## Genealogist

Richard B. Cardell            gen32207@bellsouth.net

**The Social Security Death Index (SSDI) is a useful tool for genealogical research. Be aware that Congress is considering limiting access to the index because of the risk of identity theft. Life is becoming complex!**

## Sergeant-at-Arms

Joe Hill                        joeh14@earthlink.net

Nothing to report

## Historian

Ralph Nelson                    depatriot@aol.com

No report submitted.

## Editor, The Florida Patriot

Jeff Sizemore                  Swampfoxeditor@cfl.rr.com

To continue to make improvements to this publication, I need your assistance in submitting various articles of different sizes. Pictures of your color guard or historical locations that you visited are also requested. At present, my goal is to produce a 28 page magazine layout. The FLSSAR is also interested in getting more ads or reciprocal ads for our publication. If you know of an organization or business that would be appropriate to advertise in the FLSSAR Florida Patriot, please provide me your contact that I follow-up with as to whether they may be interested.

In order to get more on a better schedule, I request that all submittals for the upcoming two editions be sent to my attention as follows:

Spring 2014 Magazine Submittal Cutoff	= March 1, 2014
Summer 2014 Magazine Submittal Cutoff	= June 25, 2014
Fall 2014 Magazine Submittal Cutoff	= September 1, 2014

With the option of submitting The Florida Patriot electronically has allowed the FLSSAR to cut down on the cost of mailing; as well as, make the magazine readily available to our membership that otherwise could take up to 3 to 4 weeks for mail copies to arrive. To account for the timeline to get the magazine printed and mailed is the reason I request that you submit your articles per the schedule listed above or sooner.

As your editor who also receives many other SAR correspondence, I request that you include your topic in the subject line of your email & state it is for The Florida Patriot. If at all possible, please type your article in MS Word and submit to either of the following email addresses: swampfoxeditor@yahoo.com or swampfoxeditor@cfl.rr.com. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

## Webmaster

Scott Bushnell sbushnell@USNA64.org

Numerous modifications have been made to the State Members Only web site. Some to correct erroneous links, or to provide additional capabilities for the State Secretary and Webmaster. Additionally, The following Chapters have had modifications made: Lake-Sumter, Gainesville - Corrections for erroneous links or modifications to improve capabilities and access to information.

Significant changes made to Database and numerous Application Pages in order to sync with the State Secretary's Officers Table. Chapters will no longer be able to make Chapter Officer changes directly but will be required to make those changes through the State Secretary.

Additionally, a new web site is being developed for the Lakeland Chapter and some consultation is being provided for the new South Shore Chapter

Respectfully Submitted, Scott Bushnell

## Statutory Committee Reports

### Audit

Chairman: Walter Richard Young dyoung22@aol.com

Richard Young (Tampa) accepted the appointment as Committee Chair to replace Rev. Martin. Otherwise nothing to report.

### Executive

Ted Duay tedduay@yahoo.com

To Be presented at session.

### Finance

Chairman: Hall Riediger allriedi42@bellsouth.net

Revenue, Expense and Budget Report December 31, 2013				
	Income/Expense		Income/Expense	
	Actual 2012	Actual 2013	2013 Budget	2014 Budget
101 Dues Income	\$73,255.00	\$73,470.00	\$75,000.00	\$76,000.00
103 OTF Distribution	2,623.94	2,890.55	2,600.00	2,760.00
106 Registrar Receipts	8,350.00	9,855.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
109 Secretary Receipts	2,929.00	5,788.00	3,700.00	4,700.00
112 Hospitality Income	291.71	229.67	475	475
115 Other Income	3,130.00	35.00	0	0
201 Pepco Stock	432	432	432	432
205 Interest Income	0	0	0	0

301 BOM Receipts	14,209.11	12,668.05	15,000.00	15,000.00
303 50/50 Income	216	229	375	375
306 Donations Received	2,340.53	1,450.00	0	0
320 Last Naval Battle Medal Income	100	224	0	0
F4F2	284.95	0	0	0
bad check		47		
<u>Total Income</u>	108,162.24	107,318.27	101,472.00	107,742.00
<u>Expense Accounts</u>	<u>Actual 2012</u>	<u>Actual 2013</u>	<u>2013 Budget</u>	<u>2014 Budget</u>
401 Presidents Expense	1,332.30	4,676.80	3,600.00	3,600.00
403 Sr. Vice President Expense	0	150	150	150
406 Regional V.P. Expense	0	0	100	100
409 Secretary's Expense	3,219.36	1,309.06	1,500.00	1,500.00
412 Treasurer's Expense	89.51	150.11	250	250
415 Registrar's Expense	344.57	473.24	600	600
418 Recording Secretary's Expense	0	0	50	50
421 Editor's Expense	0	0	250	250
424 Chaplain's Expense	0	0	125	125
427 Webmaster's Expense	407.9	0	500	250
430 Other Officer's Expense	193.04	0	150	150
440 Archive and Records Expense	4,800.00	6,000.00	4,800.00	4,800.00
450 BOM Expense	12,542.92	12,963.91	15,000.00	15,000.00
455 Web 1&1 Internet Expenses	335.88	161.49	150	160
460 FLSSAR Flatak	54	0	160	160
462 BOM Reimbursement	0	0	0	0
464 BOM Hospitality Reimbursement	749.36	797.77	0	0
466 Technology Committee	139.99	0	300	150
470 Inhouse Printing Expense	0	200.13	447	447
501 Knight Essay Committee	875	850	1,000.00	1,000.00
503 American History Teachers Comm.	500	500	500	
506 Eagle Scout Committee	1,893.75	2,057.48	2,000.00	2,000.00
509 JROTC Committee	2,540.00	1,200.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
515 Good Citizenship Committee	0	0	0	0
518 Patriotic Education	475	475	500	500
521 Rumbaugh Oration Committee	2,991.76	3,373.82	3,500.00	3,500.00
524 Education Committee	0.00	0	500	500
527 Americanism Poster contest	600	612	600	600
533 FSCAR Collection Payments	560	0	0	0
536 FSCAR Annual Donation	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
539 History Fair Committee	0	0	100	100
601 Center for Advanc. Ams. Heritage	2,500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
606 NSSAR Constitution & Bylaws	0	0	0	0
609 NSSAR Library	0	200	0	200
612 Battle of Pensacola	1,500.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00

615 Last Naval Battle	1,656.39	870.42	2,000.00	2,000.00
621 Sons of Liberty Brigade	190	0	200	150
624 Support the Troops	1,572.30	1,283.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
701 National Dues	43,915.00	45,775.00	45,000.00	45,000.00
703 Dues Refund	745	50	500	250
705 Reinstatement Dues	255	600	0	250
706 Credentials	4.79	0	0	0
712 National Officers Development	0	0	0	0
801 Chapter Challenge	50.13	14.45	0	0
803 Medals and Awards Committee	587.7	2,264.00	600	600
806 Patriot Medal Committee	77.38	394.86	200	250
809 Newsletters and Periodicals	500	600	500	600
812 Publicity Committee	475	600	500	600
815 Habitat for Humanity Committee	0	0	100	50
901 Executive Committee	0	0	0	0
903 New Chapter Develop. Comm.	0	456.67	500	500
906 Audit Committee	0	0	0	0
909 Genealogy Committee	0	0	0	0
918 Procedures Manuel Committee	0	0	0	0
927 Other Committee Expense	251.5	0	500	250
933 Bank Charges & Expenses	374.81	672.09	100	100
936 Miscellaneous Expenses	4,238.85	980.75	500	500
939 D&O Insurance Expense	0	0	400	400
1001 Florida Patriot Expense	7,910.09	1,822.78	10,000.00	10,000.00
1003 Postage and Delivery	136.46	32.4	150	100
Donation to ETF Fund for 2012	0.00	1,874.00	0	2,000
618 Taylor Creek Battlefield		0	500	500
Donation to Ladies Auxillary		1,500.00		
__Returned Checks _____ 47. _____				
		47		
Totals	105,746.00	103,175.13	106,082.00	107,742.00

## Medals and Awards

Chairman: Phil Tarpley mp18pht@gmail.com

I have purchased necessary certificates awards, state medals for JROTC, Rumbaugh and the Eagle Scout trophy. I ordered other medals and blank certificates necessary to restock the supply for next two years when Nat'l was giving good discounts. Frank Hodalski at same time ordered Patriot Medals, etc., plus outgoing presidents gavel plaque at discount. Jon Stewart has Stella Knight State medal ordered. No awards given during period from last BOM. Recommendations for awards should be sent to me at my email address.

## Nominating

Chairman: Phil Tarpley

[mp18pht@gmail.com](mailto:mp18pht@gmail.com)

By authority vested with the committee by FLSSAR Procedures Manual, Volume 1, Article III, and Section 2a. (1)(a)(b), the following selections for FLSSAR elected office are hereby announced to the membership et al in attendance at the January 2014 Board of Management Meeting, Orlando, Florida, with subsequent publication to the FLSSAR Secretary, Steven Allen Williams.

The FLSSAR membership is reminded of FLSSAR Procedures Manual, Volume 1, Article III, and Section 2a. (2), Nominations from the Floor. "Any member of the FLSSAR is entitled to nominate from the floor of any Annual Meeting, or any meeting of the BOM, any other member of the FLSSAR for any office of the Society that is to be filled by election by either of these bodies".

Those nominated have agreed to serve if elected

State Officers	
President	Steven Allen Williams
Senior Vice-President	Lawrence Gene Fehrenbaker
Secretary	Hermann Hall Riediger
Treasurer	W. Richard Young
Executive Committee Member –at –Large	Victor George McMurry
RVP NW	Robert Royal Canavello
RVP NC	Earle Scott Bushnell
RVP NE	James Gaskins
RVP EC	Jeffery Lee Sizemore
RVP WC	Danny Robert Hooper
RVP SE	Raymond Francis Wess
RVP SW	Lee Matson

Recording Secretary	Raymond Francis Wess
Chancellor	Carl K. Hoffmann
Registrar	Raymond Clyde Lantz
Chaplain	Rev. Richard Hagerman
Genealogist	Richard Bruce Cardell
Historian	Ralph Daniels Nelson
Editor, The Florida Patriot	Jeffery Lee Sizemore
Sergeant-at-arms	Joe Herman Hill
Webmaster	Earle Scott Bushnell
National Officers	
National Trustee Nominee	Phillip Herbert Tarpley
National Trustee (Alternate) Nominee	Lawrence Gene Fehrenbaker

## Patriot Medal

Chairman: Frank Hodalski

[fhodalski@msn.com](mailto:fhodalski@msn.com)

Nominations for the 2014 Class of Patriots may now be submitted from now through 31 January 2014 per FLSSAR bylaws. The 2013 selections were the most difficult in the years I have served on the committee. The committee would welcome the re-nomination of those worthy candidates.

## NSSAR Affairs

### The Center for Advancing America's Heritage Committee

Chairman: Hall Riediger

[allriedi42@bellsouth.net](mailto:allriedi42@bellsouth.net)

The Committee will give to the National Center our annual gift, this year it will be \$750.00 because President General Dooley has offered to match our gift with \$250, so we will give our normal \$1000. A thought for all those Chapters, who would like to give a gift but feel they don't have the resources, here is a gimmick that has been done in the past that has been really successful, put a bowl out where your Treasurer sits and collects money for lunches at your chapter meetings and ask for pocket change. We did it and collected \$75 which we donated to the CAAH so it does work. Good luck on your endeavors.

### NSSAR Charter and Bylaws

Chairman: Steve Williams [swilliams16@cfl.rr.com](mailto:swilliams16@cfl.rr.com)

The committee will be seeking input from the Florida Chapters and State Officers pertaining to the revision of NSSAR By-law No. 23 which is listed in the proceeding Addendum Section - Addendum A. We will be making our committee recommendation at the Spring BOM for voting at that time. Persons wishing to provide input should address their comments to the Committee Chair.

## **NSSAR Library**

Chairman: Richard B. Cardell      [gen32207@bellsouth.net](mailto:gen32207@bellsouth.net)

No Report Submitted

## **FLSSAR Affairs**

### **Archives**

Chairman: Steve Williams [swilliams16@cfl.rr.com](mailto:swilliams16@cfl.rr.com)

Nothing to report

### **Chapter Challenge & Americanism Committee**

Chairman: Open

The Chapter Challenge contest this year is based on and uses the submission form of the SAR Americanism-Presidents Streamer national contest. Such form (EXCEL) spreadsheet should be submitted to both the State Secretary and the National Americanism-Presidents Streamer committee. By submitting to the state secretary, Florida can submit a compiled state submission for our entry to the contest among state societies.

### **Charter & Bylaws**

Chairman: Open

Our committee has received submissions for 3 Bylaw amendment and a submission to change a committee charter. The committee is reviewing these submissions and will provide the amendment proposals to The Florida Patriot for publishing as required and will make a recommendation at the Spring/Annual meetings.

### **Genealogy**

Chairman: Ray Lantz      [rlantz@bellsouth.net](mailto:rlantz@bellsouth.net)

Nothing to report

### **Meeting Arrangements - BOM**

Chairman: Steve Williams [swilliams16@cfl.rr.com](mailto:swilliams16@cfl.rr.com)

As reported at the Fall BOM, the committee decided to contract with the Florida Hotel and Conference Center (current venue) for the 2014-2015 administrative year. Shortly after our May elections and staffing assignments for the Florida Committees, the new committee member will begin their Request for Proposals (RFPs) for the 2015-2016 administrative year. Such lead time is necessary since hotels quickly fill out their conference room schedules a year in advance.

The 2004-2015 schedule can always be found at <http://flssar.org/Meet.html>.

#### **NO SUMMER 2014 BOM**

Fall BOM - October 3-5, 2014

Winter 2015 - January 30/31, 2015

Spring BOM/Annual Meeting - 1-3, 2015

### **Membership Promotion & Retention**

Chairman: Steve Williams [swilliams16@cfl.rr.com](mailto:swilliams16@cfl.rr.com)

As a result of some fine work by 11 chapters as mentioned in the Secretary's report, we have the opportunity to learn from their practices and further reduce the Drop/Resign rate - or, in other words, retain more members. Our committee will compile the best practices of these 11 chapters and present them to all chapters for their use in retaining their membership.

Part of this committee's title is 'Promotion' which includes not just getting more members but in promoting the opportunities of our membership in being an active (participating) member of, first, the chapter and then the state/national societies. Each member has some experience or expertise that will benefit their chapter and our state society. Chapter

leadership needs to re-focus on developing their members into supporting their chapter in the many small ways that will benefit and improve their chapter.

## **New Chapter Development**

Chairman: Jeffrey Sizemore      swampfoxsar@gmail.com

At this time, the committee is not working on any inquiries to start a new Florida Society SAR chapter. If you are interested in starting up a new chapter, it requires having at least 10 to 15 perspective members that are willing to participate in the capacity of chapter officers and committee chairmen for the new chapter along with recruiting more members before the chapter is chartered. If this is something you would like to pursue, please contact me.

## **Newsletters and Periodicals**

Chairman: Steven Williams      swilliams16@cfl.rr.com

The committee has reached out to the chapters' editors to respond with the 4 best issues to be reviewed and scored by the committee for the Dick Fowler Newsletter Award. Once we get all of those responses, the committee will begin scoring the newsletters. We look forward to what should be a difficult effort in scoring the newsletters as the competition looks to be tough.

## **Standing Rules and Procedures Review (Formerly Procedures Manual)**

Chairman: Steven Williams      swilliams16@cfl.rr.com

This committee is being proposed to be merged into/with the Charter and Bylaws committee as discussed between the State President and the Charter & Bylaws Committee Chair & members.

## **Technology Advisory Committee**

Chairman: Scott Bushnell      sbushnell@USNA64.org

Nothing to Report

### **MAIL Lists Administrator:**

There have two difficulties with the two mail lists:

1. Members not accepting and joining the mail list.
2. Messages being blocked by mail servers as SPAM. These have been Earthlink, ATT and their related mail servers.

As part of the Annual Report process, Dropped/Resigned members have their e-mail addresses removed from these mail lists. All reinstated and new members will have a message sent notifying them of the e-mail to be sent from "majordomo@ml.1and1.com" inviting them to accept the invitation.

## **Florida Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade**

Commander: Steve Williams      [swilliams16@cfl.rr.com](mailto:swilliams16@cfl.rr.com)

### **Sons of Liberty Brigade Camp Reports**

#### **Camp Reporting**

1. George Washington Camp #1, Jacksonville, with Camp Commander Dick Cardell reporting. x
2. Francis Marion Camp #2, Ocala. x
3. Cape Canaveral Camp #3, Brevard.

The camp participated in the joint SAR/DAR Constitution Week meeting by presenting the colors to the over 80 attendees. They also presented the new members for Induction into the SAR at the same meeting. Many of the new members for referred by DAR relatives in the audience. The Color Guard members participated in the annual Veterans Day Parade in Melbourne Florida and then in a ceremony at the Vitas Innovative Hospice Center in Melbourne. At the November chapter meeting the Color Guard presented 2 members for Induction.

December saw the Color Guard present to the membership three distinguished guests, all members of The Greatest Generation that fought to protect our freedoms in WWII. First was Captain & Mrs. Richard Jeffries, USN Retired. Jeffries, who is 96 years old and served in the U S Navy for over 30 years, was on the Battleship Missouri during the Pearl Harbor attack and received the Bronze Star. Second was Captain &

Mrs. William Riedel, USCG Retired. Riedel who is also 96 years old and served in the U S Coast Guard for over 30 years helped transport British troops into battle in the western Pacific before WWII. Third was Lt. Col & Mrs. James Miscuraca. Miscuraca flew B24's and B52's in the war. He was also interned in a very harsh & bleak POW camp Switzerland during the war but managed along with 2 others to escape to freedom. He was awarded the POW Award. The chapter Color Guard members took part in the Wreaths Across America Ceremonies at the Edgewater Cemetery in Edgewater and the Florida Memorial Gardens in Rockledge.

4. Samuel Adams Camp #4, Clearwater, Nelson Jantzen, Commander  
*7/4/13, Attended the Proclamation of the 237th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence with the Mayor of Clearwater at City Hall.*  
*9/11/13, Attended the DAR Constitution Sunday.*  
*9/14/13, Attended the WW1 prisoner of war medal presentation to Petty Officer McPherson.*  
*10/21/13, Presented the colors at the DAR Caladesi Chapters 39th birthday celebration.*  
*11/18/13, Attended the Caladesi DAR affair placing a marker dedication on Caladesi Island.*
5. St. Lucie River Chapter, with acting Color Guard Command Hall Riediger reporting. x.
6. Marquis de Lafayette Camp #6, Gainesville: x.
7. Nathan Hale Camp #7, Pensacola, with Ray Lantz reporting.  
We did not have any color guard activity for the current reporting period..
8. Nathaniel Green Camp #8, Saramana,. Chuck Barrett  
On 14 September, the following Guardsmen participated in DAR Constitution Celebration: Chuck Barrett, Gene Bradley, Harold Crapo, John Fitzpatrick, Vic McMurry.  
On 29 September, the following Guardsmen participated in the SMA Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new building: Chuck Barrett, Gene Bradley, Bob Castle, Harold Crapo, John Fitzpatrick, Dick Mahaffey, Vic McMurry, Larry Peck  
On 11 October, the following Guardsmen participated at our Chapter meeting at the Lido Beach Holiday Inn: Chuck Barrett, Bob Castle, Harold Crapo, Ted Hornback, Dick Mahaffey, Vic McMurry, Chuck Sweeney.  
On 11 November, the following Guardsmen participated in the Sarasota Veterans Day Parade: Chuck Barrett, Harold Crapo, John Fitzpatrick, Frank Hodalski, Dick Mahaffey, Charles Riegle, Chuck Sweeney, Jim Alderman.  
On 15 November, the following Guardsmen participated in the monthly Chapter Luncheon at the Sara Bay Country Club: Chuck Barrett, Ted Hornback, Dick Mahaffey, Chuck Sweeney.  
On 14 December, members of the Saramana Chapter CG, assisted by DAR member Alice Hornback made an historical presentation to the Myakka DAR Chapter entitled - Foundations of America.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Chuck Barrett, CG Commander
9. Thomas Paine Camp #9, Miami, with FLSSAR Regional VP/Miami Chapter President Doug Bridges reporting.
10. Daniel Morgan Camp #10, Central Florida. x.
11. Thomas Jefferson Camp #11, Withlacoochee. Richard Sumner, Camp Commander.  
*On Sept. 14th Guardsmen R. Sumner, P. Pardee, J. Townsend and E. Gingrich Posted the Colors at our first meeting after taking the Summer off in Honor of our new President for the year of 2013-2014.*  
*On Sept. 17th Guardsmen R. Sumner, H. Nelson, L. Sturgeon, J. Townsend, E. Gingrich, and R. Folk Posted the Colors for the Fort Cooper DAR Chapter at the Homosassa Library in Honor of Constitution Day.*  
*On Nov. 03rd Guardsmen R. Sumner, C. Day, E. Gingrich marched with the Colors at the Blessing of the Colors at the Cornerstone Baptist Church in Inverness Florida.*  
*On Nov 11th Guardsmen L. Sturgeon, E. Gingrich, R. Folk and J. Pardee march with the Colors at the Inverness Veteran's Day Parade. Other Guardsmen that took part were R. Sumner, C. Day, H. Nelson and B. Teater.*  
*On Dec. 07th Guardsmen R. Sumner, J. Townsend, L. Sturgeon, H. Nelson and E. Gingrich Posted and retrieved the Colors at our 25th Anniversary Meeting at our meeting place in Crystal River, Florida*  
*On Dec. 14 Guardsmen R. Sumner, C. Day, H. Nelson, and E. Gingrich Posted and retrieved the Colors at the Bushnell National Cemetery in Honor of Wreaths Across America.*
12. General Thomas Sumter Camp #12, Lake Sumter. Glenn Langston.
13. Bernardo de Galvez Camp #13, Naples, with Camp Commander Don Cahill reporting.  
New season luncheon meeting October 4, 2013 by presenting the colors by Guardsmen Chuck Sweeney, Larry Fehrenbaker, Ron Benson, John McCullough and Don Cahill.



November 14, 2013 was a combined evening meeting of the Big Cypress Chapter DAR and the Naples Chapter. The Guardsmen were Jim McGarity, Larry Fehrenbaker, Phil Ballou, Ron Benson, Jay Jewett and Don Cahill for this special meeting.

December 7, 2013 luncheon on the 72nd anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor was begun by Phil Ballou WWII Veteran wearing his Legion uniform all the ribbons displayed on his cap. Joining him were other guardsmen Larry Fehrenbaker, John McCullough and Don Cahill.

Our January 3, 2014 meeting colors by Larry Fehrenbaker, John McCullough and Don Cahill.

14. Hillsborough River Camp #14, Tampa, with Camp Commander Alan Bell:

On December 14, the Tampa Chapter Color Guard (Hillsborough River Camp) presented the colors at the Wreaths Across America Ceremony for the Veterans' Cemetery managed by American Legion Post #5 in Tampa. Members participating were Alan Bell (Commander), Jack Bolen, John Sessums, Terry Doan and Dick Young.

15. General Lighthouse Harry Lee Camp #15, Caloosa, with Camp Commander Rev Dr Randy D. Moody reporting.

Camp Commander, Randy D. Moody, participated with the NSSAR Color Guard at the Battle of Kings Mountain Commemoration on October 7, 2013. Commander Moody also participated in the Battle of Cowpens Ceremony on January 18, 2014.

16. Aaron Snowden #5. x.

17. Lakeland Chapter has no report, for it has no Color Guard.

18. St. Petersburg Chapter has no report, for it has no Color Guard.

## Liaisons

### FLSSAR C.A.R. and SAR Junior Members Aide Committee

Co-Chairman: Charles W. Riegle [criegle@verizon.net](mailto:criegle@verizon.net)  
Co-Chairman: Doug Bridges [dougbridges@bellsouth.net](mailto:dougbridges@bellsouth.net)  
Co-Chairman: Paul Pardee [papardee@gmail.com](mailto:papardee@gmail.com)

No report at the moment.

### DAR Liaison

Chairman: Ralph Nelson [depatriot@aol.com](mailto:depatriot@aol.com)

No Report Provided as of 1/19/2014

### Ladies Auxiliary Liaison

Chairman: Victor McMurry [vicmc4@gmail.com](mailto:vicmc4@gmail.com)

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Florida Society is asking each Chapter to bring at least one basket to the Winter BOM. The Ladies will sell tickets during the day and just prior to the dinner. Make those baskets amazing...give it your best. Remember, it is the FLSSAR Youth Program winners that benefit from these ticket sales with additional scholarship funds. The Silent Auction is scheduled for the May BOM.

## Historic Sites

### Commemorative Historic Sites

Chairman: Hall Riediger [allriedi42@bellsouth.net](mailto:allriedi42@bellsouth.net)

The Commemorative Historic Sites Committee has been very busy this quarter, a great deal of effort and energy has been spent by David Ramseur and David Kelsey on the Thomas Creek Project and the possibility of working with the Town of Callahan, Florida incorporating the Battle of Alligator Bridge with Thomas Creek and creating the Southernmost Battlefields of the Revolutionary War. The Committee is going to present to the BOM a recommendation to have a marker placed at Seaton Creek Preserve (Thomas Creek) about the battle there, and there has been a suggestion to have small marker placed at the battle site honoring those, who lost their lives. In this David Kelsey and Hall Riediger have been contacting all the research facilities available, Florida Museum, Georgia Historical Society ,

the Georgia Society, Marches of Glenn Chapter and others trying to gather information and the names of the dead. If you have any suggestions as to where this information can be found please contact any Committee Member.

The major problem with Seaton Creek Preserve is that there are no comfort facilities there, and there are none planned any time in the future, so it becomes somewhat of a logistic problem to hold a large event there. This is why we are looking at Callahan, where there are local facilities and the two battlefields are only a few miles apart.

The Committee would like to thank Tony Williams of the Jacksonville Parks and Recreation Dept, who has been working with David Ramseur, and also John Hendricks of the Nassau County Historical Society for their help with this project.

The Committee is considering other ideas with this project, a large monument commemorating the Southernmost Battlefields in Callahan, producing a brochure of the Battles in Northeast Florida, adding to the Georgia Revolutionary War Trail with Amelia Island to St. Augustine, working with all local DAR, CAR and local Historical Societies in Florida and Georgia to establish an annual recognized event by SAR National. At this time only the Florida Society is going ahead, but cooperation between all the local interest groups will make the event much better and spread the costs over a larger base. We are open to any suggestions and are looking to hold our first event in the late Spring of 2015.

### **Battle of Pensacola (ad-hoc)**

Co-Chairman: David Matthews [redfshr@cox.net](mailto:redfshr@cox.net)

Co-Chairman: Ray Lantz [rclantz@bellsouth.net](mailto:rclantz@bellsouth.net)

Co-Chairman: Robert Canavella [rcanavella@cox.net](mailto:rcanavella@cox.net)

Some recent developments in the Revolutionary War Veterans Memorial are noteworthy. The new foundation formed to manage Pensacola Veterans Park has finally been contracted by the City of Pensacola to manage the park. The City has been holding \$360,000 in BP Grant money for the park. \$120,00 was earmarked in the grant for our memorial and two others. One of the others will be donated to the park by the group that is behind it so the \$120,000 is available for just the two, ours being the more involved and more costly. The grant money must be expended by May. We will be presenting the design and proposing the location within the park to this new foundation on Tuesday, January 21. Approval is anticipated and efforts to split the project into two phases is underway. The first phase will be the entire pedestal and the statue. The second phase will be the walkway around the memorial with the benches and walls for mounting of the memorial bricks. This involves redesign work and, due to the looming deadline for the funding, will need to be funded and constructed later this year. The scope of the first phase may be increased to include portions of the second phase if sufficient funding is available from the BP monies. There is some pressure for shifting of the grant funds between the various approved areas covered by the grant request.

### **Last Naval Battle**

Chairman: Ben DuBose [bdubosefl@gmail.com](mailto:bdubosefl@gmail.com)

No Report Provided as of 1/19/2014.

### **Liberty Tree (Standing)**

Chairman: Harold Crapo [hbcejc@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:hbcejc@tampabay.rr.com)

Saramana Chapter is in the planning stages for a Liberty Tree Ceremony to be held on 15 March 2014 at the Bradenton, FL. Historical Village. The SAR Color Guard will be in attendance in addition to the local Boy Scout Troop, the Mayor, other Bradenton City Officials and the Press Corp. Once again, we made it easy by getting the City Officials involved whereby they designated the location and the tree to be marked with the Engraved Marble Stone. This is the fifth such Liberty Tree Ceremony that Saramana has conducted in the last five years. This Chair is aware that other Chapters have also hosted Liberty Tree Ceremonies over the years but the State does not have a cumulative record where the Liberty Trees are located. Therefore, I respectfully request that a designee from each SAR Chapter in Florida, provide the location, street, city and year where the Ceremony took place. I would like to complete a compendium of designated Liberty Trees throughout the entire state and prepare a map of Florida showing where the trees are located. For, example; Veterans Park, 17th Street, Palmetto, FL 2013. Please send this info to Harold Crapo, Jr. at: [hbcejc@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:hbcejc@tampabay.rr.com). If you should have any questions, I may be reached at 941-756-7272.

## **Youth Programs**

### **Americanism Elementary Poster Contest**

Chairman: David Ramseur [ramseur@surfbest.net](mailto:ramseur@surfbest.net)

The Americanism Elementary Poster Contest has been a great youth venue for stimulating Revolutionary War time's interest in the 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade students. Our Brochure Contest is a new youth contest beginning in 2014 based on the same theme as the poster contest. At our 2013 annual meeting our 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winning poster contest chapters were Withlacoochee, Jacksonville and Clearwater with honorable mention given to Naples and Saramana.

The middle school brochure contest (8th grade is where American History is normally taught in middle school) submission is on a 8 1/2 X 11 piece of paper that is created into a tri-fold brochure. The brochure will be judged on student drawn art and student authored theme text. Material cut and pasted from books, magazines and the internet will be accepted but will receive a lower grade than student produced the art work. Our FLSSAR submission deadline for chapter winning posters and brochures will be at our annual May meeting. Complete details for these two contests can be found at our National Web site ([sar.org](http://sar.org)) under the Youth Education heading.

At the Louisville, Spring Leadership 2013 meeting the Americanism Committee voted to schedule the Poster Theme's based on the location specific Revolutionary War events of the next four congresses. The themes for the next four years are as listed below which you can pass on to your schools and teachers for participation in the future poster contests.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Congress</u>	<u>Brochure Themes</u>
2014	Greenville, SC	Francis Marion (Swamp Fox) (example: Crossing the Pee Dee River)
2015	Louisville, KY	George Rogers Clark
2016	Lexington and Concord, MA	Boston Massacre
2017	Knoxville, TN	Over the Mountain Men

## **Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee**

Chairman: Don Cahill [dcahill37@hotmail.com](mailto:dcahill37@hotmail.com)

Committee members Charles L. Day, Jr., Michael Flood, David Kelsey, Sr., David Ramseur and Charles S. Sweeney are making their evaluations of the Chapters' winning applications at this time. The winners will be selected this week.

Eleven Chapters entered Eagle Scout winners from their Chapters. Last year nine Chapters were represented. Perhaps we can continue gaining interest in this excellent opportunity for college bound scouts. Our State Scholarship monetary award has been \$1,000 for 1st, \$500 for 2nd and \$250 for 3rd place. The National winner receives \$8,000. The Ladies' Auxiliary has also been very generous with checks for winners as well.

The first place winner and his parents will be recognized and the Scout to receive his awards at our annual Spring BOM.

## **George S. & Stella Knight Essay Contest**

Chairman: John Stewart [1965UVA@gmail.com](mailto:1965UVA@gmail.com)

This year's contest promises to be the best in many years. 70 essays from 7 Chapters have been entered, and there may be more from chapters from which we have not heard yet. Thank you to all who have participated.

Your committee will grade the essays and announce the winners at the state level after January 31, which is the deadline for state entries. Certificates of participation will be delivered to all state level students. The winner's certificate and medal will be awarded at the Spring BOM.

## **Good Citizenship**

Chair: Dr. Oscar Patterson III [opatters@comcast.net](mailto:opatters@comcast.net)

The Good Citizenship Committee has an ample supply of certificates that are available to Chapters at no cost. The certificates may be presented to 5th and 6th grade students in our various schools. Chapter are strongly encouraged to establish contact with their local school systems and arrange for the presentation of Good Citizenship Certificates during a school's annual awards ceremony. To obtain certificates, please send a message to the Committee Chairman at [opatters@comcast.net](mailto:opatters@comcast.net) stating the number of certificates required.

Good Citizenship Certificates are presented to 5th and 6th grade students in both public and private schools. Each 5th and 6th grade teacher may nominate one student in each class to receive the award. The Chapter should make arrangements with the various principals to participate in the awards ceremony.

## **History Fairs**

Chairman: Frank Hodalski [fhodalski@msn.com](mailto:fhodalski@msn.com)

The 2013-2014 local National History Day events are now beginning all over the country. Here in Florida, we call them History Fairs, and the County Fairs will be taking place from now until the State History Fair in May. If your Chapter wishes to participate in the event, go on line and pull up Florida History Fair. You will find the State and local fairs at their sites. Get in touch with your county school district. Judging is, all in all, a very pleasant experience and a real community outreach. You will be welcomed and thanked for participating. The Theme this year is: **Rights and Responsibilities in History.**

Florida History Fair will take place May 4-6, 2014 in Tallahassee. We will once again request the Tallahassee Chapter to send a representative to present the FLSSAR Colonial American Heritage Award. Our Society is again recognized as one of the Sponsors of the Fair.

The National History Day event will be held in Annapolis MD June 15 – 19, 2014. Our Florida winners will participate in this event

### **Joseph P. Rumbaugh Orations Contest**

Chairman: Phil Tarpley mp18pht@gmail.com

I have accepted appointment to Chair the committee and will handle the state contest on Friday at this BOM. VPG Rev. Dr. Randy Moody will handle arrangements for travel and accommodations for winner to Greenville, SC Congress.

### **ROTC**

Chairman: Phil Tarpley mp18pht@gmail.com

I have accepted appointment to again be Committee Chairman. Nat'l Chairman has advised the JROTC state winners applications from our state must be in the hands of the chairman no later than May 1, 2014. This means chapter winners have to have the winner's paperwork in proper order to me by April 10 so our judges can select the state winner and have that paperwork back to me to forward to Nat'l. I request all RVPs make sure their chapters are notified.

## **Community Outreach**

### **American History Teacher Award**

Chairman: Charles Riegler, criegler@gmail.com

After diligent notices to all chapter presidents in the state, the committee received 3 applications for this award by the deadline date.

The candidates were from Saramana Chapter, St. Petersburg Chapter and the Central Florida Chapter.

Each entry was checked for completeness, copied and forwarded to the 4 judges for their decision. The 2 remaining judges were recused due to potential conflict of interest.

The decision of these judges was very close, but the Winner was chosen. Our winner for 2014 is Dr. John J. Eberts and his application will be forwarded, according to the Rules, to the National Headquarters for judging during the Spring Leadership Conference.

I hope that, at that Leadership Conference, we will receive a formal notification that our contestant has won the National title of American History Teacher of the Year, once again.

I want to formally thank -

Dr. Lawrence Fehrenbaker of Naples Chapter, David Ramseur of Jacksonville Chapter, Dan Hooper of Tampa Chapter, Frank Hodalski of Saramana Chapter and Oscar Patterson of St. Augustine Chapter for serving with me on this committee..

### **Habitat For Humanity**

Chairman: Frank Hodalski [fhodalski@msn.com](mailto:fhodalski@msn.com)

The program continues to grow, as our chapters discover the ease of participation, and the welcome received from the Habitat corps of volunteers. The Flag Kits are very reasonable when purchased on sale around Memorial Day, Veterans Day, and the 4th of July. The program is a very enjoyable and affordable introduction to community outreach.

We recently participated in the ground breaking ceremony of the first of four homes that will be built for returning veterans with special needs. The first veteran is a young woman who served several tours in both Iraq and Afghanistan, and now works in our local VA Clinic.

Sincere thanks for all who are now on board, and ask that you consider joining the FLSSAR chapters enjoying a fellowship with Habitat for Humanity. You won't be sorry

## **Patriotic Activities**

Chairman: Frank Hodalski [fhodalski@msn.com](mailto:fhodalski@msn.com)

Nothing to report at this time.

## **Public Service and Heroism**

Chairman: Ray Wess [rn060873@cs.com](mailto:rn060873@cs.com)

The following chapters provided informational copies of the completed form, **SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, PUBLIC SERVICE & HEROISM AWARDS**, reflecting presentations made in their respective chapters:

St. Augustine

Clearwater

St. Lucie

All submissions made to [warrenalter@cox.net](mailto:warrenalter@cox.net) prior to 01 June each year will be published and presented at the National Congress in July. Additionally, each chapter who participates in the presentations of the SAR Public Service & Heroism Awards is eligible to receive reimbursement from the FLSSAR Endowment Trust Fund. This creates a wonderful opportunity for each chapter to recognize their local public safety officers without a cost to the chapter.

Chapters are reminded that the Public Service & Heroism Award forms can be found on the FLSSAR web site. The form should be filled out as per printed instructions on the form and sent to [warrenalter@cox.net](mailto:warrenalter@cox.net) or by clicking on the appropriate button on the bottom of the form. After submitting the form to the NSSAR, an informational copy is to be sent to the FLSSAR Public Service & Heroism Committee at [RN060873@cs.com](mailto:RN060873@cs.com).

Chapters are reminded that before they nominate and subsequently present the NSSAR Medal for Heroism to a respective candidate, to first determine if the employing agency has awarded their Medal for Heroism or Medal of Honor. If the employing agency has determined that the employee was not worthy of receiving such medal, the chapter should not circumvent their award process. Chapters should only present NSSAR Medals for Heroism to recipients who have been cited by their departments. It is my understanding that the NSSAR is considering this change to their handbook.

## **Publicity**

Chairman: Hall Riediger [allriedi42@bellsouth.net](mailto:allriedi42@bellsouth.net)

The Publicity Committee wishes to remind everyone that the entries to the Earl Marlin Publicity Contest are due by February 1. We have already received our first from St. Augustine Chapter. Please get them in so that we can evaluate each entry thoroughly before the May Annual Meeting, send the entries to Hall Riediger, 1702 SW Nantucket Ave, Port St. Lucie, FL 34953-2425.

## **Support the Troops (ad-hoc)**

Chairman: Frank Hodalski [fhodalski@msn.com](mailto:fhodalski@msn.com)

Adapting to the change in meeting dates, we chose to do a seasonal mailing celebrating Thanksgiving and Christmas. We posted a total of 40 holiday boxes to six units. They included the usual staples and goodies as well as the lotions and sun screens supplied by Dr. Abrams, who is pictured with a Certificate of Appreciation in the current issue of the Patriot.

Letters we received included a hand-drawn greeting card from PFC Shayla Bellamy, A Co 601 ASB TF Guardian. It reads in part:

**“Thank you so much for your thoughtful gifts. I could tell that you put a lot of time and thought into the package. Definitely a true definition of what a CARE package should feel like. It has started to rain more often, so the foot powder came in handy, and is keeping my feet dry in these conditions. It was also pleasing to enjoy some candy that was so delicious. I appreciate your time and effort that you placed in these gifts. I hope you have a wonderful time during the holidays.** Sincerely, PFC Bellamy, Shayla

1SG James J. Ragg of C Co, 1-1 ARB TF Gunfighter, FOB Apache writes:

**We have received a few of your care packages here at FOB Apache. Thank you for your thoughtful gifts. You have lifted our spirits during this time of year and I cannot thank you enough. I wish you could see the smiles that you create on soldiers faces when they get to open one of your packages. Thank you for everything that you and your organizations has done for us. Sincerely, 1SG James J. Bagg**

Note from SGT Wm. L. Shedd and signed by 15 soldiers of A Co 601 ASB, CAB, FOB Front reads:

**The soldiers of the 601 ASB, CAB, would like to thank you for your generosity and kindness. Thank you for the care packages. It was greatly appreciated! We received them in a remote area of Afghanistan. Sincerely, SGT Wm. L. Shedd**

We began the program in 2005 and we are *ad hoc* until they come home. Barb and I thank all of you for what you have done to sustain our ongoing support of our troops.

## **Veterans Affairs**

Chairman: James Gibson [jldvgibson@msn.com](mailto:jldvgibson@msn.com)

See Addendum B (Stark)

With the welcome addition of Bill Roberts of the NE Region, the Veterans Affairs Regional Vice-Chairman staff is back to full strength. The majority of the activities of the veterans affairs is reported in and by the members in their Chapter reports. Keep up the good work. Our veterans deserve the recognition and any help they need.

The USS Stark Contest ended on December 31, 2013, and the reports are due to NSSAR on February 1, 2014. The Committee is pleased to report a one-third increase in total points earned in the state over 2012. Saramana with 137 members had the highest points earned with 7,873. This is a 172% increase over 2012. Withlacoochee with 45 members earned 6,230 points. This represents over 138 points earned per member! Clearwater with 123 members had 843 points - an increase of 573% over 2012. Overall, the total points earned per member in the entire state in 2012 was 6.13 and in 2013 was 8.58. This is nearly a 40% improvement. Good Work!

The 2014 USS Stark Contest is underway. Good Luck to all the Chapters.

## **Veterans Recognition**

Chairman: Open

To be merged with Veterans Affairs Committee

# **Trust Funds**

## **Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements**

Chairman: Victor McMurry [vicmc4@gmail.com](mailto:vicmc4@gmail.com)

At our last FLSSAR September 6/8, 2013 meeting, the Board of Management approved a revised "Endowment Trust Fund Reimbursement Instructions and Guidelines". These were small changes designed to keep our rules up to date and to make the rules clearer and easier to understand.

For 2013, the Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements Committee was proud to announce that we approved 54 requests spread over 23 Chapters. We added one new Chapter that failed to submit in 2012, but two Chapters that submitted request in 2012 failed to do so this year. The total amount approved for reimbursement to these 23 Chapters was \$11,649.39. Florida currently has 32 active chapters, or put another way, we had 74% of our FLSSAR chapters that shared in these funds and 26% of our FLSSAR chapters that failed to participate, and did NOT share in the financial assistance provided by your FLSSAR Endowment Trust Fund.

Your ETF Disbursements Committee worked hard to improve our results over past years, but unfortunately failed to increase the number of chapters participating. Your Committee's goal for 2014 is to see further gains in the percentage of FLSSAR Chapters participating in this program.

When a Chapter completes an Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements Request, it proves that the Chapter made at least one award to a non-SAR member that followed the guidelines as prescribed by NSSAR. It shows that the Chapter is letting others in their community know that they are a functioning organization. Your Committee Members wish to thank all those Chapters that participated in 2013.

We would ask that all Florida Society Officers encourage every chapter, especially the following eight chapters, to participate in the Endowment Trust Fund in 2014: Brevard, Daytona-Ormond, Lake City, Lakeland, Major John DeVane, Treasure Coast, William Dunaway, and Withlacoochee. The goal of your FLSSAR Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements Committee is to serve every Chapter of the Florida Society.

Compatriot Dan Hooper of the Clearwater Chapter suggested some changes to the rules for the Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements Committee at the Board of Management meeting held September 6-8, 2013. The BOM requested that we return at this meeting with our recommendations.

After much discussion with Compatriot Dan Hooper and the members of the Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements Committee, we have agreed that the following would encourage our Chapters to do more.

~~1. Change the reimbursement limits for Scholarships Awarded. Encouraging the Chapters to offer these scholarship contests should also increase the Chapters visibility in their community and could aid in attracting new members.~~

~~Current Instruction C—2~~

~~Scholarship money for the Rumbaugh, Eagle Scout, JROTC, Knight Essay, and Americanism School Poster contests. Reimbursement Limits: \$50 (1st), \$25 (2nd), \$15 (3rd).~~

~~Proposed NEW Instruction C—2~~

~~Scholarship money for the Rumbaugh, Eagle Scout, JROTC, Knight Essay, and Americanism School Poster contests. Reimbursement Limits: \$150 (1st), \$100 (2nd), \$50 (3rd).~~

~~The Chapter would be reimbursed up to \$112.50 for 1st place, \$75 for 2nd place and \$37.50 for 3rd place.~~

2. Eliminate Reimbursement for Engraving Expenses. (Engraving expenses – not to exceed \$5.00 per award.) For the past two years, only two chapters have been requesting reimbursement for engraving expenses. The cost of engraving a medal in the committee's opinion does not accomplish the objective of promoting our name and patriotic message to the community.
3. Add a NEW Authorized Reimbursement under section C.

The SAR Wounded Warrior Certificate and Coin when presented to a non-SAR member of the U.S. Military injured in the line of duty. This is to be presented ONLY if the soldier/veteran has been awarded the Purple Heart Medal, and two meals per recipient. (Limit \$20.00 per meal.) **Added language to limit each chapter to giving out 2 per year.**

It is our opinion that this Wounded Warrior Certificate and Coin will accomplish the objective of promoting our name and patriotic message to the community. Currently, NSSAR does not have a medal available to give to non SAR members after being wounded in the line of duty. By encouraging the use of the Wounded Warrior Coin, it will foster an enhanced sense of pride in the organization for having the wherewithal to recognize that level of sacrifice and patriotism that the Purple Heart Medal embodies. The SAR Wounded Warrior Certificate and Coin is now listed in the SAR Official Handbook, Volume V: Individual Medals and Awards. This coin is the ONLY coin listed in this handbook.

The Endowment Trust Fund and the Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements Committee was created to help all of our FLSSAR Chapters succeed and grow. Please participate in 2014 and help us help your chapter and FLSSAR grow.

I wish to personally extend my thanks and appreciation for the help and input from the other six members of this committee. Without their timely assistance we would not have been nearly as successful in 2013.

Yours in Patriotic Service, FLSSAR Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements Committee Members

## Florida SAR Endowment & Operating Budget Trust Funds

Chairman: Ted Duay, III

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See following pages

### New Business

None

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	INCOME/ UNITRUST	PRINCIPAL	TOTALS
I. Starting Balance			
Assets per Inventory or on Hand at Close of Last Accounting Period	18,405.13	260,035.68	278,440.81
II. Receipts			
Schedule A:	8,940.51	2,388.18	11,328.69
III. Disbursements			
Schedule B:	-	(86.36)	(86.36)
IV. Distributions			
Schedule C:	(11,649.34)	-	(11,649.34)
V. Capital Transactions and Adjustments			
Schedule D: Net Gain or (Loss)	2,616.88	(2,616.88)	-
VI. Assets on Hand at Close of Accounting Period			
Schedule E: Cash and Marketable Securities	18,313.18	259,720.62	278,033.80



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**SCHEDULE A RECEIPTS**

Date	Brief Description of Item	Income/ Unitrust	Principal
1/2/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	125.63	
1/14/2013	Income Dividend 280 Shares SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average (DIA)	104.00	
1/16/2013	Naples Chapter SAR		250.00
1/28/2013	Florida Society SAR		1,874.00
1/31/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	8.67	
1/31/2013	Income Dividend 1,400 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	133.50	
2/7/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	116.23	
2/7/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	92.38	
2/11/2013	Income Dividend 280 Shares SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average (DIA)	36.57	
2/28/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	7.84	
2/28/2013	Income Dividend 1,400 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	133.11	
3/7/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	118.36	
3/7/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	86.50	
3/11/2013	Income Dividend 280 Shares SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average (DIA)	90.04	
3/28/2013	Income Dividend 1,400 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	135.90	
3/31/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	8.68	
4/1/2013	Income Dividend 340 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Aerospace & Defense Index Fund (ITA)	72.59	
4/1/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Real Estate Index Fund (IYR)	210.39	
4/1/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Technology Sector Fund (IYW)	57.91	
4/1/2013	Income Dividend 234 Shares iShares Trust S&P 500 Index (IVV)	173.78	
4/5/2013	ST Cap Gain Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)		4.44
4/5/2013	LT Cap Gain Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)		71.60
4/5/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	114.24	
4/5/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	93.96	
4/15/2013	Income Dividend 280 Shares SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average (DIA)	76.14	
4/30/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	8.40	
4/30/2013	Income Dividend 1,400 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	133.00	
5/7/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	112.72	
5/7/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	89.89	
5/13/2013	Income Dividend 280 Shares SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average (DIA)	35.61	
5/15/2013	Interest Charles Schwab Bank Sweep	0.01	
5/22/2013	Schwab Yield Plus Select Fund Settlement Payment		104.28
5/31/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	8.68	
5/31/2013	Income Dividend 1,400 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	129.14	
6/7/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	104.00	

6/7/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	91.39	
6/17/2013	Income Dividend 280 Shares SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average (DIA)	108.01	
6/28/2013	Income Dividend 1,400 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	128.83	
6/30/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	8.41	
7/2/2013	Income Dividend 340 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Aerospace & Defense Index Fund (ITA)	67.29	
7/2/2013	Income Dividend 234 Shares iShares Trust S&P 500 Index (IVV)	189.19	
7/2/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Real Estate Index Fund (IYR)	218.23	
7/2/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Technology Sector Fund (IYW)	65.91	
7/3/2013	Income Dividend 180 Shares iShares Nasdaq Biotechnology Fund (IBB)	13.03	
7/5/2013	Income Dividend 972 Shares iShares MSCI EAFE Index Fund (EFA)	1,119.26	
7/8/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	104.55	
7/8/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	92.64	
7/15/2013	Income Dividend 280 Shares SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average (DIA)	76.56	
7/15/2013	Interest Charles Schwab Bank Sweep	0.01	
7/31/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	8.69	
7/31/2013	Income Dividend 1,400 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	130.20	
8/7/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	103.51	
8/7/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	92.10	
8/12/2013	Income Dividend 280 Shares SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average (DIA)	51.94	
8/15/2013	Interest Charles Schwab Bank Sweep	0.01	
8/30/2013	Income Dividend 1,400 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	129.22	
8/31/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	8.69	
9/9/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	103.88	
9/9/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	95.13	
9/16/2013	Income Dividend 280 Shares SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average (DIA)	96.58	
9/30/2013	Income Dividend 340 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Aerospace & Defense Index Fund (ITA)	134.80	
9/30/2013	Income Dividend 234 Shares iShares Trust S&P 500 Index (IVV)	195.48	
9/30/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Real Estate Index Fund (IYR)	217.51	
9/30/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Technology Sector Fund (IYW)	71.72	
9/30/2013	Income Dividend 1,400 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	134.40	
9/30/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	8.41	
10/1/2013	Jacksonville Chapter SAR		25.00
10/7/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	102.96	
10/7/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	95.65	
10/15/2013	Income Dividend 280 Shares SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average (DIA)	76.56	
10/25/2013	Jacksonville Chapter SAR		25.00
10/31/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	8.70	
10/31/2013	Income Dividend 1,400 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	126.00	
11/7/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	104.88	
11/7/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	100.29	
11/12/2013	Income Dividend 280 Shares SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average (DIA)	42.88	
11/29/2013	Income Dividend 1,400 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	127.93	
11/30/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	8.42	
12/6/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	105.02	

12/6/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	97.30	
12/16/2013	Income Dividend 280 Shares SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average (DIA)	75.03	
12/30/2013	Income Dividend 340 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Aerospace & Defense Index Fund (ITR)	91.83	
12/30/2013	Income Dividend 234 Shares iShares Trust S&P 500 Index (IVV)	224.32	
12/30/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Real Estate Index Fund (IYR)	212.00	
12/30/2013	Income Dividend 325 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Technology Sector Fund (IYW)	79.19	
12/30/2013	Income Dividend 972 Shares iShares MSCI EAFE Index Fund (EFA)	536.26	
12/31/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	8.70	
12/31/2013	Income Dividend 1,400 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	133.00	
12/31/2013	Income Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	100.14	
12/31/2013	LT Capital Gain Dividend 400 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)		33.86
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>8,940.51</b>	<b>2,388.18</b>

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**SCHEDULE B DISBURSEMENTS**

Date	Brief Description of Item	Income/ Unitrust	Principal
5/22/2013	Theodore M. Duay, III (Treasurer Postage)	7.37	78.99
12/17/2013	Harland Clarke Check (Check Printing Charge)		
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>		-	<b>86.36</b>

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**SCHEDULE C**      **DISTRIBUTIONS**

Date	Brief Description of Item	Income/ Unitrust	Principal
5/28/2013	St. Augustine Chapter SAR - check dated 5/21/13	96.00	
5/28/2013	Caloosa Chapter SAR - check dated 5/21/13	82.25	
5/31/2013	Palm Beach Chapter SAR - check dated 5/21/13	479.00	
6/3/2013	Jacksonville Chapter SAR - check dated 5/21/13	168.23	
6/27/2013	Saramana Chapter SAR - check dated 6/21/13	700.00	
6/27/2013	Clearwater Chapter SAR - check dated 6/21/13	295.87	
7/1/2013	Gainesville Chapter SAR - check dated 6/21/13	52.88	
7/2/2013	Panama City Chapter SAR - check dated 6/21/13	32.25	
7/3/2013	Palm Beach Chapter SAR - check dated 6/21/13	350.00	
7/5/2013	Pensacola Chapter SAR - check dated 5/21/13	145.50	
7/31/2013	Fort Lauderdale Chapter SAR - check dated 7/28/13	253.12	
7/31/2013	Fort Lauderdale Chapter SAR - check dated 6/21/13	175.00	
8/1/2013	St. Augustine Chapter SAR - check dated 7/28/13	255.12	
8/7/2013	Emerald Coast Chapter SAR - check dated 7/28/13	38.25	
8/15/2013	Ocala Chapter SAR - check dated 6/21/13	45.63	
8/19/2013	Pensacola Chapter SAR - check dated 7/28/13	58.00	
8/21/2013	Highlands Chapter SAR - check dated 7/28/13	20.25	
8/22/2013	Naples Chapter SAR - check dated 8/18/13	161.50	
8/22/2013	St. Lucie River Chapter SAR - check dated 8/18/13	115.75	
8/26/2013	Jacksonville Chapter SAR - check dated 8/18/13	166.70	
9/4/2013	Flagler Chapter SAR - check dated 8/18/13	137.25	
10/31/2013	Caloosa Chapter SAR - check dated 10/18/13	252.37	
10/31/2013	Naples Chapter SAR - check dated 10/27/13	89.25	
11/1/2013	Central Florida Chapter SAR - check dated 10/27/13	203.75	
11/4/2013	Jacksonville Chapter SAR - check dated 10/27/13	154.61	
11/6/2013	Miami Chapter SAR - check dated 10/27/13	145.31	
11/6/2013	Charlotte Chapter SAR - check dated 10/27/13	79.63	
11/8/2013	Saramana Chapter SAR - check dated 10/18/13	170.62	
11/18/2013	Flagler Chapter SAR - check dated 10/27/13	36.00	
11/25/2013	Miami Chapter SAR - check dated 10/18/13	155.87	
12/1/2013	Fort Lauderdale Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	428.12	
12/1/2013	Saramana Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	870.62	
12/1/2013	St. Augustine Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	351.12	

12/13/2013	Naples Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	338.69
12/13/2013	Caloosa Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	334.62
12/13/2013	St. Lucie River Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	308.13
12/13/2013	Charlotte Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	79.63
12/16/2013	Palm Beach Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	829.00
12/16/2013	Central Florida Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	203.75
12/18/2013	Gainesville Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	52.88
12/19/2013	St. Petersburg Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	178.31
12/23/2013	Flagler Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	173.25
12/23/2013	Ocala Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	45.63
12/24/2013	Miami Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	301.18
12/24/2013	Tampa Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	279.50
12/24/2013	Tallahassee Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	164.50
12/24/2013	Panama City Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	32.25
12/26/2013	Jacksonville Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	496.28
12/27/2013	Clearwater Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	671.73
12/27/2013	Highlands Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13	20.25
12/31/2013	Emerald Coast Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13 - o/s at 12/31/13	38.25
12/31/2013	Lake Sumter Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13 - o/s at 12/31/13	132.19
12/31/2013	Pensacola Chapter SAR - check dated 12/8/13 - o/s at 12/13/13	203.50

**TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS**

**11,649.34**

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**SCHEDULE D CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS**

Date	Brief Description of Items	Net Proceeds	Carrying Value	Net Gain (Loss) Principal	Income/Unitrust
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**SALES**

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**PURCHASES**

TOTAL NET GAIN (LOSS)

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**UNITRUST**

Adjustment to reflect 3% of average adjusted market value of trust  
 for the years ended 12/31/2013, 12/31/2012, and 12/31/2011  
 (3% x 385,246.30 = 11,557.39)

(2,616.88)

2,616.88

**TOTALS**

(2,616.88)

2,616.88

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SCHEDULE E

	Estimated Current Value	Carrying Value
<b>Exchange Traded Funds</b>		
252 Shares SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average (DIA)	41,698.44	20,417.57
306 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Aerospace & Defense Index Fund (ITA)	32,338.08	11,936.48
440 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	47,467.20	43,329.86
360 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Real Estate Index Fund (IYR)	22,708.80	11,696.90
972 Shares iShares MSCI EAFE Index Fund (EFA)	65,216.34	40,252.56
180 Shares iShares Nasdaq Biotechnology Index Fund (IBB)	40,870.80	11,921.89
292 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Technology Sector Index Fund (IYW)	25,824.48	11,865.96
234 Shares iShares Trust S&P 500 Index (IVV)	43,442.10	25,043.01
1,400 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	23,716.00	15,692.70
135 Shares SPDR Gold Trust (GLD)	15,676.20	11,830.77
555 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	44,427.75	43,484.40
<b>TOTAL EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS</b>	<b>403,386.19</b>	<b>247,472.10</b>
<b>Cash</b>		
Charles Schwab Bank Sweep	1,485.63	1,485.63
Wells Fargo Bank Checking	3,402.53	3,402.53
Capital One 360 Savings	25,673.54	25,673.54
<b>TOTAL CASH</b>	<b>30,561.70</b>	<b>30,561.70</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS ON HAND</b>	<b>433,947.89</b>	<b>278,033.80</b>



12/31/2013 UNITRUST CALCULATION			
	12/31/2013	12/31/2012	12/31/2011
ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND			
ENDING MARKET VALUE	433,947.89	385,221.95	353,467.74
LESS: NON-UNITRUST DISTRIBUTIONS (ADMIN EXP)	(86.36)	(86.75)	(9.80)
12/31/13 NON-UNITRUST DISTRIBUTIONS	86.36	(86.36)	(86.36)
12/31/12 NON-UNITRUST DISTRIBUTIONS	-	86.75	(86.75)
12/31/11 NON-UNITRUST DISTRIBUTIONS	-	-	9.80
DISTRIBUTION ADJUSTMENT	-	(86.36)	(173.11)
PLUS: CONTRIBUTIONS DURING YEAR	2,174.00	70.00	200.00
12/31/13 CONTRIBUTIONS	(2,174.00)	2,174.00	2,174.00
12/31/12 CONTRIBUTIONS	-	(70.00)	70.00
12/31/11 CONTRIBUTIONS	-	-	(200.00)
CONTRIBUTION ADJUSTMENT	-	2,174.00	2,244.00
UNITRUST BEGINNING BALANCE	18,405.13	17,627.95	16,016.40
LESS: UNITRUST DISTRIBUTIONS	(11,649.34)	(10,567.67)	(8,775.25)
UNSPENT UNITRUST ADJUSTMENT	6,755.79	7,060.28	7,241.15
ADJUSTED MARKET VALUE	427,192.10	380,249.31	348,297.48
AVERAGE ADJUSTED MARKET VALUE	385,246.30		
UNITRUST PERCENTAGE	3.00%		
UNITRUST AMOUNT	11,557.39		

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	INCOME/ UNITRUST	PRINCIPAL	TOTALS
I. Starting Balance			
Assets per Inventory or on Hand at Close of Last Accounting Period	2,840.55	86,245.90	89,086.45
II. Receipts			
Schedule A:	2,404.00	3,508.53	5,912.53
III. Disbursements			
Schedule B:	-	-	-
IV. Distributions			
Schedule C:	(2,840.55)	-	(2,840.55)
V. Capital Transactions and Adjustments			
Schedule D: Net Gain or (Loss)	445.65	(445.65)	-
VI. Assets on Hand at Close of Accounting Period			
Schedule E: Cash and Marketable Securities	<b>2,849.65</b>	<b>89,308.78</b>	<b>92,158.43</b>

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**SCHEDULE A RECEIPTS**

Date	Brief Description of Item	Income/ Unitrust	Principal
1/2/2013	Income Dividend 90 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	25.70	
1/13/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	1.06	
1/31/2013	Income Dividend 375 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	35.76	
2/7/2013	Income Dividend 90 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	23.77	
2/7/2013	Income Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	18.31	
2/28/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	0.96	
2/28/2013	Income Dividend 375 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	35.66	
3/7/2013	Income Dividend 90 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	24.21	
3/7/2013	Income Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	17.14	
3/12/2013	Income Dividend 6,249.592 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund (TWEIX)	228.74	
3/28/2013	Income Dividend 375 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	36.40	
3/31/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	1.06	
4/5/2013	Income Dividend 90 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	23.37	
4/5/2013	LT Cap Gain Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)		14.19
4/5/2013	ST Cap Gain Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)		0.88
4/5/2013	Income Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	18.62	
4/30/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	1.03	
4/30/2013	Income Dividend 375 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	35.63	
5/7/2013	Income Dividend 90 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	23.06	
5/7/2013	Income Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	17.82	
5/22/2013	Schwab YieldPlus Investor Fund Settlement Payment		56.35
5/31/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	1.06	
5/31/2013	Income Dividend 375 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	34.59	
6/7/2013	Income Dividend 90 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	21.27	
6/7/2013	Income Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	18.11	
6/11/2013	Income Dividend 6,249.592 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund (TWEIX)	329.98	
6/14/2013	Income Dividend 407.53 Shares UMB Scout International Fund (UMBWX)	134.77	
6/28/2013	Income Dividend 375 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	34.51	
6/30/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	1.03	
7/8/2013	Income Dividend 90 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	21.38	
7/8/2013	Income Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	18.36	
7/31/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	1.06	
7/31/2013	Income Dividend 375 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	34.88	

8/7/2013	Income Dividend 90 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	21.17	
8/7/2013	Income Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	18.25	
8/30/2013	Income Dividend 375 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	34.61	
8/31/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	1.06	
9/9/2013	Income Dividend 90 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	21.25	
9/9/2013	Income Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	18.85	
9/10/2013	Income Dividend 6,249.592 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund (TWEIX)	311.85	
9/18/2013	Interest Capital One 360 Savings Account	0.34	
9/30/2013	Income Dividend 375 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	36.00	
10/7/2013	Income Dividend 90 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	21.06	
10/7/2013	Income Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	18.96	
10/31/2013	Income Dividend 375 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	33.75	
11/7/2013	Income Dividend 90 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	21.45	
11/7/2013	Income Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	19.88	
11/29/2013	Income Dividend 375 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	34.27	
12/6/2013	Income Dividend 90 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	21.48	
12/6/2013	Income Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	19.28	
12/6/2013	ST Capital Gain Dividend 6,249.592 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund (TWEIX)	657.46	
12/6/2013	LT Capital Gain Dividend 6,249.592 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund (TWEIX)	2,772.94	
12/20/2013	Income Dividend 407.53 Shares UMB Scout International Fund (UMBWX)	44.62	
12/23/2013	Income Dividend 6,652.694 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund (TWEIX)	431.09	
12/31/2013	Income Dividend 375 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	35.63	
12/31/2013	Income Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	19.85	
12/31/2013	LT Capital Gain Dividend 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	6.71	

**TOTALS**

**2,404.00**

**3,508.53**

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**SCHEDULE B DISBURSEMENTS**

Date Brief Description of Item

Income/  
Unitrust

Principal

**TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS**

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<b>SCHEDULE C</b>		<b>DISTRIBUTIONS</b>	
<b>Date</b>	<b>Brief Description of Item</b>	<b>Income/ Unitrust</b>	<b>Principal</b>
1/5/2013	Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution (2012 Income)	2,840.55	
<b>TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS</b>		<b>2,840.55</b>	

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SCHEDULE D CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS

Date	Brief Description of Items	Net Proceeds	Carrying Value	Net Gain (Loss)	
				Principal	Income/Unitrust
<b>PURCHASES</b>					
12/6/2013	325,845 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund (TWEIX)	2,772.94			
12/6/2013	77,257 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund (TWEIX)	657.46			
<b>UNITRUST</b>					
	Adjustment to reflect 3% of average adjusted market value of trust for the years ended 12/31/2013, 12/31/2012, and 12/31/2011 (3% x 94,988.29 = 2,849.65)			(445.65)	445.65
<b>TOTALS</b>				<b>(445.65)</b>	<b>445.65</b>

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**SCHEDULE E** ASSETS ON HAND AT CLOSE OF ACCOUNTING PERIOD

	Estimated Current Value	Carrying Value
<b>Exchange Traded Funds</b>		
90 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)	9,709.20	8,613.35
375 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF)	6,352.50	4,248.35
110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	8,805.50	8,502.75
<b>TOTAL EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS</b>	<b>24,867.20</b>	<b>21,364.45</b>
<b>Mutual Funds</b>		
6,652.694 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund (TWEIX)	57,013.59	53,085.75
407.53 Shares UMB Scout International Fund (UMBWX)	15,184.57	11,958.71
<b>TOTAL MUTUAL FUNDS</b>	<b>72,198.16</b>	<b>65,044.46</b>
<b>Cash</b>		
Charles Schwab Bank Sweep	537.90	537.90
Wells Fargo Bank Checking	5,211.62	5,211.62
<b>TOTAL CASH</b>	<b>5,749.52</b>	<b>5,749.52</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS ON HAND</b>	<b>102,814.88</b>	<b>92,158.43</b>



12/31/2013 UNITRUST CALCULATION			
	12/31/2013	12/31/2012	12/31/2011
OPERATING BUDGET TRUST FUND			
ENDING MARKET VALUE	102,814.88	94,685.24	87,464.74
LESS: NON-UNITRUST DISTRIBUTIONS (ADMIN EXP)	-	-	-
12/31/13 NON-UNITRUST DISTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-
12/31/12 NON-UNITRUST DISTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-
12/31/11 NON-UNITRUST DISTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-
DISTRIBUTION ADJUSTMENT	-	-	-
PLUS: CONTRIBUTIONS DURING YEAR	-	-	-
12/31/13 CONTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-
12/31/12 CONTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-
12/31/11 CONTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-
CONTRIBUTION ADJUSTMENT	-	-	-
UNITRUST BEGINNING BALANCE	2,840.55	2,623.94	2,665.88
LESS: UNITRUST DISTRIBUTIONS	(2,840.55)	(2,623.94)	(2,665.88)
UNSPENT UNITRUST ADJUSTMENT	-	-	-
ADJUSTED MARKET VALUE	102,814.88	94,685.24	87,464.74
AVERAGE ADJUSTED MARKET VALUE	94,988.29		
UNITRUST PERCENTAGE	3.00%		
UNITRUST AMOUNT	2,849.65		

**Amendment:** To bring the NSSAR's investment policy into line with "best practices" for non-profit corporations and the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act of 2006 (UPMIFA) (as adopted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the District of Columbia).

**Suggested By:** NSSAR Executive Committee

**Approved By:** Unanimous Approval by the Board of Trustees (7 July 2013)

**Ratified By:** Three-Quarters (¾) of the Delegates to the 2013 Annual Congress (9 July 2013)

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## **Bylaw No. 23 – Fund Management**

### Section I. Types of Funds.

- (a) *Alexander Hamilton Fund.* The National Society has created the Alexander Hamilton Fund, a board-designated investment fund. The fund will be invested in accordance with the National Society's Investment Policy Statement and earnings of the fund (defined as income, dividends, and realized and unrealized gains and losses) will be prudently distributed annually to the National Society, based on historical investment returns confirmed by the Investment Advisor and approved by the Board of Trustees. Any part of the principal of such Fund shall be expended only upon the suggestion and consideration of the Executive Committee, approved by a three-fourths (¾) vote of those present and voting at a meeting of the Board of Trustees and ratified by a three-fourths (¾) vote of the delegates present and voting at the Annual Congress to which such recommendation of the Executive Committee and approval of the Board of Trustees shall be reported. Notice that such a proposal is to be presented at an Annual Congress shall be given in the same manner as an amendment to the Bylaws.
- (b) *Special Purpose Funds.* The National Society has created Special Purpose Funds to segregate monies received for restricted purposes other than the purposes of the Alexander Hamilton Fund or the General Operating Fund of the Society.
  - (1) The principal of each such Fund shall be identified as a "Special Purpose Institutional Fund," and combined with the Alexander Hamilton Fund principal for investment purposes only. The investment income from the Special Purpose Institutional Funds, plus any income earned from other sources or from donations for operating purposes, shall be deemed to be a separate "Special Purpose Operating Fund" for a specified restricted purpose, and accounted for separately, but may be combined with other Special Purpose Operating Funds for temporary investment purposes until disbursed unless otherwise provided by the instrument trust or bequest pursuant to which the special fund was created.
  - (2) Withdrawal of part or all of the principal in a Special Purpose Fund shall be by request of the appropriate committee having authority over the Fund (or the Treasurer General for Special Purpose Funds not under the authority of an appropriate committee, unless otherwise provided), with the concurrence of the

President General consistent with the terms of any trust or bequest pursuant to which the Special Purpose Fund was created.

- (3) Neither the principal nor the income of a Special Purpose Fund can be expended for any purpose other than that for which the Fund is established unless such expenditure is authorized in the same manner as an expenditure of principal of the Alexander Hamilton Fund
  - (4) Withdrawal of part or all of the income in the George Washington Endowment Fund, the Howard Horne Award Fund and the Buck Meek Award Fund shall be by request of the George Washington Endowment Fund Board, with the concurrence of the President General consistent with the terms of any trust or bequest pursuant to which the special fund was created.
  - (5) Notwithstanding the foregoing, no part of the principal of the George Washington Endowment Fund, the Howard Horne Award Fund or the Buck Meek Award Fund shall be expended for any purpose unless such expenditure is (i) requested by the George Washington Endowment Fund Board; (ii) authorized in the same manner as an expenditure of principal of the Alexander Hamilton Fund is authorized under Bylaw No. 23, Section 1(a), as in effect when this amendment becomes effective and (iii) such expenditure shall be ratified by a three-fourths ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) vote of those present and voting at meetings of the boards of management, or by such name as each may be designated, of at least three-fourths ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) of the State Societies then in existence as active organizations of the National Society; and provided further that such ratification by each ratifying State Society shall be duly certified in writing to the Secretary General by the President and Secretary of each ratifying State Society within twelve months after the date of the authorization of the expenditure by the delegates present and voting at the Annual Congress; provided further no such expenditure for another purpose shall be contrary to law or the terms of any trust or bequest pursuant to which the fund was created.
- (c) *General Operating Fund.* The National Society maintains a General Operating Fund, which shall consist of the monies used for the operating expenses of the Society as authorized by the current budget. The temporary investment of these funds is controlled by the Investment Committee.

## Section 2. Investment Policy

- (a) *Special Purpose and Operating Funds.* The General Operating Fund and any Special Purpose Operating Funds shall be invested in interest bearing checking accounts or savings or similar accounts or certificates of deposit in Federally insured banking institutions (up to the Federally insured maximum), or obligations of the U.S. Government or agencies of the U.S. Government whose obligations are guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government, or in mutual funds that invest exclusively in obligations of the U.S. Government or agencies of the U.S.

Government.

- (b) *Alexander Hamilton Fund and Special Purpose Institutional Funds.* The Investment Committee, with the advice and guidance of National Society Staff and outside financial advisors, shall develop and maintain an Investment Policy appropriate for an organization of the type and size of the National Society. Any such Investment Policy, as well as any changes to the Investment Policy, shall be submitted to the Executive Committee, who shall refer the Investment Policy to the Trustees for approval. The Trustees may approve changes to the Investment Policy by a majority of the Trustees present and voting. The Investment Committee shall consult with outside financial advisors and any proposed changes to the Investment Policy shall be accompanied by a recommendation from the outside financial advisors. This Investment Policy must utilize the “best practices” rule.
- (c) *George Washington Endowment Fund, Howard Horne Award Fund and Buck Meek Award Fund.* Notwithstanding the foregoing, a minimum of fifty percent (50%) of the principal of the George Washington Endowment Fund, the Howard Horne Award Fund and the Buck Meek Award Fund, shall be invested in obligations of the U.S. Government or agencies of the U.S. Government whose obligations are guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government, or in mutual funds that are invested exclusively in obligations of the U.S. Government or agencies of the U.S. Government. Up to fifty percent (50%) of these funds may be invested in bonds and/or common stocks approved by the Investment Committee under the “best practices” rule for investment policies. Investment income, income from other sources and donations to be added to principal may be invested temporarily in the same manner as Operating Funds.
- (d) *Gifts and Bequests.* Gifts and bequests of stocks, bonds or mutual funds may be given to, and received by, the Society. All such gifts or bequests shall be deposited in the appropriate portfolio of securities managed by the Investment Committee and shall be exempt from the restrictions of Section 2, subsection (c) regarding the mix of bonds or other securities in the investment portfolio.

Additionally, if the gift or bequest of stocks, bonds or mutual funds is given to the General Operating Fund, the stock will be deposited in the Alexander Hamilton Fund and the value shall be determined by multiplying the number of shares received by the closing price listed in the WALL STREET JOURNAL newspaper on the date of receipt. This monetary value of the gift or bequest shall be credited to the account of the General Operating Fund and the Alexander Hamilton Fund shall be debited, or reduced, by the same amount once it receives the securities.

Section 3. *The Ray Henshaw National Life Membership Fund.* There shall be a restricted fund entitled, "The National Life Membership Fund" (hereinafter called "The Fund") generated by payments made by any member accompanied by an application for enrollment which is in accordance with a published schedule of applicable amounts based on the age of the enrolling member and which has been approved by the Executive Committee. The Fund shall be

administered by the Investment Committee in accordance with the provisions of Section 1(b) and Section 2(b) of Bylaw No. 23, subject to the following:

- (a) Within 30 days after the end of each fiscal year an amount from income earned from the invested capital of The Fund equal to the total of the National Society dues of the enrolled members as of the end of the fiscal year shall be transferred to the General Operating Fund of the National Society. Excess earned income shall be added to the capital of The Fund.
- (b) If, at the end of any fiscal year, there is not sufficient income from the invested capital of The Fund to meet the requirements of subsection (a) above, there shall be withdrawn from the principal of the Fund an amount needed to fund the requirements of subsection (a), limited to that year's available earnings as defined in Section 1(a). If neither of these amounts is sufficient to meet the requirements of subsection (a) above, the National Society shall accept the total payments for said fiscal year as full payment of that year's National dues. In subsequent years any income earned in excess of that current year's dues shall be applied against the deficiency of the prior year, or years, until the deficiency has been met.
- (c) Upon the death of an enrolled member his name shall be removed from The Fund's rolls and payment of National dues for such deceased member shall cease.
- (d) Upon notification from a State Society that an enrolled member has been dropped from membership his name shall be removed from The Fund's rolls and payment of his National dues to the National Society's General Fund shall be suspended until advice is received from a State Society that the dropped member has been reinstated.
- (e) A list of enrolled members whose deaths have been reported in State Society annual reports shall be prepared after the close of each fiscal year.
- (f) Enrollment in The Fund is available to all members of the Society. All applications for enrollment must come through the State Societies.
- (g) In the event that this Section should be repealed, the payment of National dues of enrolled National Life Members shall continue, as provided herein, until all enrolled members are deceased or have been suspended for ten (10) years, as provided herein. Thereupon, all funds remaining in The Fund shall be transferred to the Alexander Hamilton Fund of the National Society.

# National Society, Sons of the American Revolution

## USS Stark Memorial Award Scoring Sheet & Service to Veterans Medal Guidelines

Deadline for Submission to National Committee Chairman & Executive Director  
February 1st



Chapter Name STATE SUMMARY  
 State Society FLORIDA  
 President TED DUAY - STATE PRESIDENT  
 Name of Submitter JAMES L. GIBSON - CHAIRMAN VETERANS AFFAIRS  
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 Number of Members (as of Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> of contest year) 1742  
 Date Submitted JANUARY 17, 2014

Email or mail this form to:  
**Chairman, NSSAR Veterans Committee\***  
**AND** a copy to the Executive Director, NSSAR  
 1000 South Fourth Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40203

*For Explanation and Description of particular items, see text on the next four pages*

	SARAMANA (137 MEMBERS)	WITH LA COOCHEE (45 MEMBERS)	CLEARWATER (123 MEMBERS)
Chapter member appointed to VA Hospital Council or equivalent organization	Points 100	100	
Each HOUR served in VA Hospital Volunteer Service	Points		
Each SAR member visiting a Veteran in a VA Hospital, Nursing home or his home	Points 60	240	55
Each GIFT donated to Veteran in VA Hospital, nursing home (personal care items)	Points 5556	56	
Each dollar donated to VAVS projects & coupon books	Points	916	
Each PUBLICATION donated to VA Library (magazines, paper back books, etc.)	Points 347	85	508
Each VETERAN OUTING or Party that includes Veteran patients	Points	1150	
Special OBSERVANCE sponsored by chapter with other veteran organizations	Points 1610	875	190
Special OBSERVANCE attending in cooperation with veterans organizations	Points 75	35	
Marking Revolutionary Patriot War Veteran's and compatriot graves	Points 125	1850	90
New or Used Clothing - Men's & Women's	Points	713	
All new or used but working items: such as TV's, Computer's, VCR's, Radio's, etc.	Points	210	
<b>Total points</b>	<b>7873</b>	<b>6230</b>	<b>843</b>

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