

# Spring Board of Management and Annual Meeting Proceedings

Kissimmee, Florida May 3-5, 2013

# Sons of the American Revolution Mission

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

# **Meeting Agenda**

Call to order Invocation Pledge of allegiance Pledge to the SAR Introduction of National Officers Introduction of first time attendees Certification of a quorum Approval of the minutes Reports of National and State Officers National Trustee President **Senior Vice President** Northwestern Regional Vice President North Central Regional Vice President Northeastern Regional Vice President **East Central Regional Vice President** West Central Regional Vice President Southeast Regional Vice President Southwest Regional Vice President Secretary Treasurer Registrar Chaplain **Recording Secretary** Chancellor **Parliamentarian** Genealogist Sergeant at Arms Editor, The Florida Patriot Webmaster Statutory Committee Reports Audit Executive Finance **Medals and Awards** Nominating Patriot Medal **NSSAR** Affairs **Advancing America's Heritage NSSAR Library** 

**FLSSAR** Affairs Archives **Chapter Challenge Charter & Bylaws** Genealogy **Meeting Arrangements - BOM Membership Promotion & Retention New Chapter Development Newsletters and Periodicals Standing Rules and Procedures Review Technology Advisory Committee** Florida Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade Liaisons FLSSAR C.A.R. Liaison DAR Liaison Ladies Auxiliary Liaison Historic Sites **Commemorative Historic Sites Battle of Pensacola** Last Naval Battle Liberty Tree Youth Programs **Americanism Elementary Poster Contest Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee** George S. & Stella Knight Essay Contest **Good Citizenship History Fairs** Joseph P. Rumbaugh Orations Contest ROTC **Community Outreach American History Teacher Award** Habitat For Humanity **Patriotic Activities Public Service and Heroism** Publicity Support the Troops **Veterans Affairs Veterans Recognition** Trust Funds **Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements** Florida SAR Endowment & Operating Budget **Trust Funds** 

# 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 Phil Tarpley opened the meeting at 3:04pm. Chaplain Dr. Randy Moody gave the Invocation. Secretary Steve Williams certified a quorum of members. There were two changes to the Fall 2012 BOM Minutes. Reference EC RVP report, change name from Oscar Paterson to Jeff Sizemore. Change next to last paragraph of the minutes to read ETF ReDisbursement chairman Vic McMurry in lieu of SVP Duay. The minutes were approved as amended.

Secretary Williams reiterated that dues received after December 31st, require those members to be reinstated. Treasurer Hall Riediger made a budget recommendation that the FLSSAR President's expenses be increased from \$2,400 to \$3,600 annually. A motion was made by SW RVP Vic McMurry, seconded and approved.

Motion was made by RVP McMurry to transfer \$1.00 per each Florida Society member, from the ETF Surplus to the ETF Principal with the membership total TBD. Motion was seconded and approved.

Secretary Williams again reminds all members that significant savings could be made in printing and postage if more would elect to receive The Patriot magazine electronically.

President Tarpley asked the four first-time visitors at this meeting, to please stand and introduce themselves. They were heartily welcomed.

President Tarpley led a discussion regarding the Society's website regarding establishing a second website so as to separate private, i.e. members-only information, and general information for the public. No action was taken at this time.

President Tarpley expressed his great concern over the membership losses throughout the Society each year. He had previously explained his plan to the Executive Committee and now wished to proceed with sending a survey to those "dropouts," asking they indicate their reason(s) for not renewing their membership.

Motion was made to change the name of the Chapter Challenge Committee to the Chapter Challenge and Americanism Committee. It was seconded and passed.

Motion was made to submit Florida Society's support for awarding medals and/or awards, at chapter and state level, to South Atlantic District for their approval and forwarding to National Awards committee for approval. It was seconded and passed.

Chairman Ray Wess reported that the Nominating Committee spent long and diligent time preparing a list of nominees for the 24 positions in the Florida Society, to be voted upon at the annual meeting. The committee also devised and sent to all Florida chapters a Procedures packet for nominating or re-nominating for a position. The list of nominees were read aloud. Additional nominations may be made at the annual meeting.

Chairman Frank Hodalski reported that there were several excellent nominees for the annual award of the Patriot Medal and that there will be three medals awarded.

SVP Duay recommended that the Society allocate \$200 annually to NSSAR Library. This item may be included in next year's budget.

Recording Secretary Bill Fuller requested that his nomination for 2013-2014 be withdrawn due to continuing medical problems. He preferred his action as "retirement" in lieu of "resignation."

Charter and Bylaws Chairman Duay handed out updated (recommended) minor changes to the Bylaws, to be voted upon at the annual meeting.

President Tarpley declared a RECESS at 4:30 pm and reconvened Saturday morning at 9:01 am.

Members present approved the nomination of Dr. Randy Moody for VP General, South Atlantic District. Pres. Tarpley reported that Recording Secretary Bill Fuller had requested to retire. The Nominating Committee was then asked to complete their list of nominees by adding Ray Wess as the nominee for Recording Secretary and Joe Hill as the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Copies of the Standing Rules and Procedures Manual were distributed to the members present. Several minor changes were suggested. Chairman Duay stated that this manual is a guide, not etched in stone. He made a motion that the Standard Rules and Procedures Manual may be amended or suspended by a simple majority at any meeting at the pleasure of the BOM, with no pre-notification to the members required. It was seconded and passed. Motion to approve the Standing Rules and Procedures Manual, as amended, was subsequently passed.

President Tarpley awarded the Outstanding Service medal to Compatriots Steve Williams and Frank Hodalski, to the enjoyment and applause of all.

SVP Duay made a motion to authorize Secretary Williams to communicate with the Florida membership subscription service for FLATalk and OPT OUT. Motion seconded and passed. -2-

A motion was made to express appreciation to Co-Chairmen Vic McMurry and Danny Hooper for the extraordinary work they performed in upgrading the Standard Rules and Procedures Manual. Motion was seconded and passed, followed by a great round of applause.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 am.

Respectfully submitted: Bill Fuller, Recording Secretary

# **National and State Officer Reports**

# **National Trustee**

Trustee: David Ramseur <u>ramseur@surfbest.net</u>

In January after attending our BOM, I attended the South Atlantic District meeting and the Cowpens Battle Celebration/Anniversary in Spartanburg, SC.

In March, I attended the Spring Leadership/Trustees meeting in Louisville. At the January BOM I was requested to ask the Trustees to support a motion to "Table" the vote if the new proposed guidelines of the NSSAR Ethics Committee (based on the 2002 Sarbanes Oxley Act) were brought to the floor for a vote. The concern of the FLSSAR as well as other states is that this proposal would eliminate our 1st Amendment Rights guaranteed by our U.S. Constitution that we all swear to in becoming a SAR member. As discussed with Sr. VP Ted Duay, the Ethics Committee proposal did not come up before the Trustee's meeting due to word changes and will discussed at Congress in July.

I also attended five national committee meetings; Boy Scouts; Flag; Americanism; Historical Sites and Color Guard. It was announced at the Saturday night banquet that the winners for the Eagle Scout and the American History Teacher were the FLSSAR winners.

Since 2010, I have been following through with the City of Jacksonville on the purchase of the 846 acres that includes the Thomas Creek Battlefield property. As of this date, there are still issues that need to be resolved before closure on this \$7.1 M property sale. By this land being environmental sensitive it is a perfect fit for a park for everyone to enjoy.

Besides attending Jacksonville chapter meeting Marjorie and I are still giving lecture talks to various groups on the famous painting of "Washington Crossing the Delaware". In April, I will be attending the Patriots Day Celebration at St. Simons Island, GA giving out information to compatriots and others about our Florida Revolutionary War Battles; Pensacola, Last Naval Battle and hopefully soon our Thomas Creek Battle.

# President

Phil Tarpley

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I have been active during the few months since January BOM on FLSSAR business. I did have a slowdown from a health issue that caused me to stay close to home instead of attending a few meetings and events. I did however get things done working at home with several committee chairmen on upcoming issues.

I attended the Spring NSSAR Leadership Meeting at Louisville in March. The NSSAR Medals and Awards Committee Chairman previously agreed to bring the FLSSAR proposed SAR service medals before the Committee. I presented the two new SAR service medals our last BOM approved for me to present to the NSSAR Medals and Awards Committee. The committee discussed them and gave our proposal 100% approval. They also approved my additional proposal that the amount of Chapter Distinguished Service Medals awarded be extended to (5) medals for the first year to allow for chapter Presidents to honor past members who deserve recognition for their distinguished service in past years. The NSSAR Executive Committee approved the committee recommendation later that day.

My first item on the Annual Meeting agenda will be calling on the Chairman of the Nominating Committee to present the nominees for 2013-14 officers and finish that before bringing up the By-laws Committee presentation by SVP Ted Duay, in order to allow ample time for a full discussion.

The By-Laws Committee Chairman will present for discussion the updates, changes and, amendments agreed on in January for approval and passage at our Annual Meeting. I expect a lively discussion but will not allow as Chair any one member to dominate or try to take control of the discussion process. The discussion will be orderly and fair to all so our members fully understand the issue before them before they vote. Our members do make the final decision with their votes.

I attended the South Atlantic District Annual meeting at Asheville, NC Saturday April 19-20, as required as your President to cast my vote to elect FL Society member and our nominee CG Rev. Randy Moody to be the next NSSAR Vice President General of the South Atlantic District.

I provided the FLSSAR activity report for the record to the District for this quarter.

I also attended the January 18, 2013 South Atlantic District meeting in Spartanburg, SC and the 232nd anniversary of the Battle of Cowpens on Saturday. That was an enjoyable day. I wrote an article on my visit to part of the battlefield in the Patriot Magazine with pictures of the colonial encampments.

Trustee Dave Ramseur and the FLSSAR Representative, is working on our own Florida Thomas Creek

Revolutionary War battle site outside of Jacksonville as it becomes closer to reality. He will provide his own report.

Every year we deal with members not renewing membership on time or not at all. That being the issue it always is, the question turned into approval of a survey questionnaire. The surveys are to be made in person or mailed at the chapter or

region level to all members who failed to renew, asking why they dropped membership. I hope we get some insight to curtail this annual member drop issue.

Sgt. at Arms Chuck Barrett made a special trip to claim the Deland Chapter Charter, SAR property and records, etc., that have to be turned over to the state when a chapter ceases operations. He forwarded to me his inventory of the property for the record. The FLSSAR Treasurer acquired the chapter funds and bankbooks several months ago per my request.

Communicating with members is crucial to keep them informed and involved. The recent FLA-Talk email issue and members hitting reply to all by mistake set off a unfortunate flurry of take me off and unsubscribe messages replied to all which caused many members to get upset. The high number of unwanted emails overwhelming members and my e-mail box. I made the decision to order it shut down until it is discussed at BOM. The question will be; is that worthwhile to keep it active under new rules that would stop any replies except to the member providing his own email for reply. Some other members suggest a blog be set up to discuss genealogy issues, SAR policy or other issues they decide is allowed but members have to sign up with a password to belong.

I have made many new friends and developed lasting friendships throughout the society during my past 5 years as a FLSSAR Officer. The dedication of our BOM members and other members to volunteer their time and the expense involved to honor those ancestors that stood up to oppression. We need to continue as too many in authority with power to vote and enact laws forget we have a Constitution and Bill of Rights. They forget they work for "We the People" not the other way around. Once freedom is removed it is hard to gain it back.

I take this opportunity to thank all of you for your hard work during my term as President. It has been my pleasure to serve.

# **Senior Vice President**

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The last few months have been busy. On January 15, 2013, I attended the Palm Beach Chapter's meeting and helped to present an award and install the new chapter officers. On February 24, 2013, I attended the meeting of the Miami Chapter and installed their new chapter officers. On March 15, 2013, I attended the Annual State Conference of the Florida Society DAR in Lake Buena Vista and brought greetings on behalf of the Florida Society. On March 23, 2013, I attended the Annual State Conference of the Florida CAR in Kissimmee and brought greetings on behalf of the Florida Society and presented them with a \$1,000 donation.

# **Northwestern Regional Vice President**

Robert Canavello

# Tallahassee

No report submitted.

# William Dunaway

No report submitted

# **North Central Regional Vice President**

Scott Bushnell <u>sbushnell@USNA64.org</u>

# WITHLACOOCHEE CHAPTER - Charles Day, President

January 11, 2013, Representatives to FLSSAR BOM meeting and State Ladies Auxiliary, Charles and Dot Day. January 12, 2013, Compatriot Fred Learned received a Certificate and Star for his new supplement.

Judson Lincoln received a certificate from FLSSAR recognizing him as one of the 98 men in the Florida Society That served in WWII. Carla Heimer received the Martha Washington Medal for her faithful help at our check-in table and attendance at many of our SAR activities. Compatriot Ed Gingrich received Certificate of appreciation for his talk on "cost drivers for pharmaceutical prescription drugs".

**February 2, 2013,** President – Day and VP Gingrich **presented SAR Citizenship Certificate and Eagle Recognition certificate to Thomas W. Daugherty**, - Troop 302 Inverness, FL.

**February 9, 2013,** Chapter meeting, **Nathan Lovestrand** was our Chapter **winner of the George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Contest.** He received a Certificate and \$50 check from the Withlacoochee Auxiliary.

VP Ed Gingrich presided over the Withlacoochee, 2012 Eage Scholarship award, which included the SAR Scholarship patch, Chapter Winners Certificate, 1<sup>st</sup> Place Eagle Medal and a Chapter check for \$250.00. Nathan Lovestrand was our Chapter winner and his very proud parents looked on. The 2<sup>nd</sup> place awards from the FLSSAR Eagle contest were also presented to Nathan – a \$200.00 check from the FLSSAR Auxiliary by their Registrar, Dot Day and a \$500.00 check from FLSSAR was presented by State Eagle Chairman, Charlie Day. Craig O'Dell, a scout Volunteer, spoke on "what scouting does for boys" and was presented a Chapter Appreciation Certificate by President Day. William Teater was presented a Bronze Good Citizenship Medal by Jack Townsend. This was for the many non SAR activities that Bill has shared his leadership and energy with over the years. New member Robert Haines was sworn in and presented his membership Certificate and Rosette by President Day.

**February 11, Teacher, Ben Barlow** was presented the **Good Citizen Bronze Medal.** (Education of American History, Namely the Revolutionary War period) he is a supporter of our Poster Contest atHomosassa Elementary School.

February 12, , Compatriot Jack Townsend, in Colonial Uniform presented a Flag certificate to Army Sgt., Ron Bruce of Inverness FL.

**February 12**, **nine uniformed members** of The Withlacoochee Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, gathered at the Laurel City Library to **dedicate a Memorial Library Book** to Compatriot William Neal Colbath of Floral City, who died on November 13, 2012. Compatriot Jack Townsend, who purchased the book, "Why America is Free: A History of the Founding of the American Republic" by Kenneth Earl Hamburger, was on hand to explain a little about the book.

**February 16, membership sign up** table at the Genealogical Seminar by the Citrus County, Genealogical Society. Attended to by **Compatriot Harley Nelson**.

**February 18**, **Funeral** of **Compatriot Roy Finney**, WWII veteran, Merritt Funeral Home, Spring Hill, Florida. Funeral was attended by 6 Compatriots in Bravo uniform.

**March 9**, Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution. Withlacoochee Compatriots President Day and Past Presidents, William Teater and Harley Nelson attended in Colonial Uniform. Ladies Auxiliary Members, Gene Nelson, Dot Day and Maryann Teater also present. The National Color Guard Commander Michael Tomme was present to lead the FLSSAR Color Guard which made this a NSSAR recognized event. Withlacoochee will be **receiving a participation streamer** for this event.

**March 10**, we met with Sea Cadet instructor and Coast Guard personnel at the US Cast Guard Station at Yankeetown – we were there to present Sea **Cadet Kimberly** Vickers with the **Bronze Good Citizenship Medal.** It was presented to the young Cadet Vickers by our WWII veteran Harley Nelson. It was a very special moment.

March 16, Regular meeting at the Moose Lodge, Homosassa, FL. The following awards/recognitions were made. Regular, Membership service award certificates presented to Treasurer, Jack Townsend (15 yr) and Color Guard Commander Richard Sumner (10 yrs). Ronald Powell (patriot was Sebastian Boston Henner, VA) and Warren Benjamin (patriot was Gilbert T. Vail, NY) were sworn in as a members and presented with membership Certificates and Rosettes. Compatriot Duanne Laughlin received a Gold Star and certificate for his latest supplement, Francis Chaffin. We had Hero Bobby Stalvey, a Hernando County Detention Deputy, with us today and presented him with the SAR Hero Medal.

[Stalvey saw a Chevy Trailblazer traveling on interstate 75 in Hillsborough County – the vehicle left the roadway – crashed into the guardrail – bounce off the rail and overturned. Stalvey parked his vehicle – he noticed the undercarriage of the truck was on fire so he quickly got to the driver's side of the vehicle and found the driver, a male, hanging from his seatbelt trying to get free. Stalvey with the assistance of two others lifted the 6 ft, 260 lb man out of the vehicle.] Our Secretary, **Fred Learned**, is the leaving the area and we presented him with a **recognition/appreciation certificate**. Two teachers that greatly helped with our Chapter Poster Contest Program in recent years were **Robin Hindley**, a Citrus County Teacher and **Heather Dancask**, a Hernando County Teacher. Their help and talents were shared with the audience and they both were presented **Bronze**, **SAR Good Citizenship** wards. Our Guest Speaker **Rochelle Kaiser** from the Homosassa Beacon was recognized and presented an appreciation certificate.

March 18, Color Guard at Clover Leaf Farms Mobil Home Park., St. Patrick's Day Celebration. Jack Townsend, Larry Sturgeon, Charlie Day, Ron Irons, John Pardee, Jim Echlin, Richard Sumner and two young Auxiliary ladies in Colonial Dress – Julia and Miranda Pardee- carrying our Withlacoochee Banner in the front.

**March 21-** We held a **joint meeting** with the Brooksville, Winding Waters Chapter of the DAR – there were 12 of us in attendance, Robert Folk, Ellie Folk, Harley Nelson, Jean Nelson,

Ed Gingrich, Lillian Gingrich, Charlie Day, Dot Day, Larry Sturgeon, Richard Sumner, Katyhe Echlin, and Carla Heimer.

March 21, President Day presented the SAR JROTC Medal to Andrew Wallisa at Springstead JROTC Awards night.

Week of March 18 – 22, 175 SAR Citizenship Certificates were delivered to Citrus County Schools and 138 copies delivered to Hernando County Schools.

**March 26, Five** members, 4 in **Colonial uniforms,** from the **Withlacoochee Chapter**, Sons of the American Revolution, gathered at the Spring Hill Library Branch, in Hernando County to **dedicate a Memorial Library Book** ("1776") to Compatriot **Roy P. Finney Jr.,** who died February 15, 2013. Roy's wife Kay, and the Branch Services Coordinator, Sue Kiley, were present to receive the book for the Library. President Charlie Day, concluded the presentation with a resolution that honored Compatriot Finney and presented the document to Kay Finney.

March 26 – President Charlie Day, Color Guard Commander, Richard Sumner and Compatriot Larry Sturgeon were on hand at Register Chevrolet in Brooksville to present a Flag Recognition Certificate to the General Sales Manager Greg Kowzan, representing the owner Stu Smith who could not be with us.

**April 5<sup>th</sup> Withlacoochee** attended the funeral Mass for Sondra Shinn, wife of our Compatriot John Shinn. In attendance were William and Maryann Teater, Jack and Marlene Townsend, Charles and Dot Day and Richard Sumner. (Compatriots were in Blue Blazer Uniforms)

# OCALA CHAPTER -

No report submitted.

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

The Chapter participated in 3 parades- the annual Christmas parade in Tavares, GeorgeFest in Eustis, and a new one for our chapter- the Town of Astatula Christmas parade.

The Colors were presented on 1-5-2013, the first meeting of the new year, per our chapters tradition. President Scott Bushnelll gave a talk to the Tomoka Chapter of the DAR on 1-4-2013. His topic was "The Signers of the Declaration of Independence."

Andrew Hlubny received a medallion and a check from President Scott Bushnell for winning the chapter award of the Arthur M. & Berdena King Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest. Andrew is an Eagle Scout from Troop 254, chartered to the city of Howey-in-the-Hills.

Attendance through March is up 13% for the year 2013.

The Lake Sumter Chapter was represented in the color guard at the Commemoration of the 230th Anniversary of the last naval battle of the American Revolution by Ralph Nelson and Frank Nolte.

Our Chapter made a donation to Leesburg Public Library to purchases a Scan Pro 2000 Digital Scanning Station. The Scan Pro 2000 has already become very popular with the genealogy and local history patrons!

The Lake-Sumter Chapter SAR currently has 76 members for 2013, two are Memorial Members.

At our January and February meetings President Scott Bushnell inducted Jim Cuddeback, Tom Ross III, and David Eben Bussone.

President Scott Bushnell presented Lake-Sumter Secretary George Chaffee with a Certificate of Distinguished Service for his outstanding work since taking over as the Secretary of the Chapter.

Bill Piper gave a Flag Talk to 20-25 people in the Villages. The group donated \$50 to our Chapter. Ralph Nelson reported there are 4 applications to be signed and 17 Prospects/76ers.

Our Chapter will participate in the Vietnam veterans Recognition Celebration on May 18<sup>th</sup> in Tavares. Two members of the Chapter, Scott Bushnell and Frank Nolte, are on the Committee and one member, Glenn Langston, will be providing Golf Carts to transport veterans as needed.

New Officers were elected to take office on May 11<sup>th</sup> as follows:

President – Scott Bushnell,

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Jerry Hardwich,

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Michael Dick,

Secretary – George Chaffee,

Treasurer - Glenn Langston,

Registrar/Genealogist Ralph Nelson,

Chaplain – Bob Moody,

Historian - Richard Offutt.

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

No report submitted

# **Northeastern Regional Vice President**

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# **Daytona/Ormond Beach Chapter**

No report submitted.

**Flagler Chapter** 

No report submitted.

#### Jacksonville Chapter

Spring 2013

David Hager, the chapter's winner of the Eagle Scout essay contest is the winner of both the FLSSAR and NSSAR contests and will appear at the Spring BOM. Several presentations have been made about the historical preservation activities on Cumberland Island, off the coast of Florida and Georgia. The island has a significant history related to the Revolutionary War era; the NPS is planning a conservation program. Compatriot Recruiting activities are at a pace greater than in recent years. The chapter has 6 new Compatriots through March compared with 7 for all of 2012 and 4 for 2011. During the winter the chapter presented Habitat for Humanity flag kits in Clay County and expanded the program to include two new homes in the Beaches area.

Submitted by David Bahn

# St. Augustine Chapter

U.S. flag.

1st Quarter, 2013

January 2013

At the January Chapter meeting Compatriot S. Robert Tarrant was presented the Meritorious Service Medal for his dedicated service as Chapter treasurer.

The Chapter Challenge Report was submitted.

An Outstanding Citizenship Certificate and pin were presented to Ms. Donna LeLorenzo, Executive Director of the Flagler College Foundation.

The Chapter conducted a funeral service for past Chapter president Norman Antle in St. Marys, Georgia. February 2013

The NSSAR Medal for Heroism was presented to Mr. Stephen Sabine, Mr. Chase Sabine and Mr. Rodney Onley for their rescue of three stranded fishermen off Matanzas Inlet. This open-sea rescue placed all parties in danger. Sadly, one of the rescued fishermen died to his injuries after the rescue. Chase Sabine is a 5th grade student at Old Kings Elementary School in Palm Coast.

Old Kings Elementary School was presented a Flag Certificate for their proper and patriotic display of the

Rev. David Baker, Chapter chaplain, was presented the FLSSAR Veterans Battalion Certificate.

Mr. Steve Gard, a local attorney who specializes in elder law, was presented an Outstanding Citizenship Certificate and pin.

March 2013

The Chapter inducted two new members: Compatriots David Freeman and Clayton Tinny. Mr. Tinny is a junior member.

Compatriots William Roberts and John Tinny were presented with NSSAR Korean Service Veterans Corps Certificates.

Mr. R.J. Larizza, State Attorney for the 7th District, was presented an Outstanding Citizenship Certificate

and pin. April 2013

Four new members were inducted into the Chapter in April: Josiah Andrews, Hunter Camp, Harrison Cassle and David Simpson. Mr. Cassle is a junior member.

Compatriot Ralph Crews was presented the NSSAR Korean Service Veterans Corps Certificate.

Dr. Joseph Joyner, Superintendent of Schools for St. Johns County, was presented an Outstanding Citizenship Certificate and pin.

The Gainesville and St. Augustine Chapters dedicated a memorial plaque at Tolomato Cemetery in St. Augustine honoring Francisco Xavier Sanchez, the only St. Augustine and Spanish East Florida native documented as having contributed to the Patriot Cause.

Submitted by Dr. Oscar Patterson, Chapter President

# **East Central Regional Vice President**

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#### **Brevard SAR Chapter Report:**

No report available at this time.

# Central Florida SAR Chapter Report: (Submitted by Jeff Sizemore, Chapter President)

At the December meeting, Compatriot Don Green gave a presentation on Benjamin Franklin. From November to March, the Public Service Committee made various presentations to the various Police, Fire, & Sheriff's office entities in Orange, Osceola, and Seminole County. This was one of the largest amount of Commendation Awards that the

chapter had made in recent years due to the many well deserving candidates submitted.

At the January meeting, Compatriot Dabney C. T. Davis gave a presentation called "Everything You Wanted to Know about George and Martha Washington, But Were Afraid to Ask". The chapter also installed a new member, Alan Lee Rolon, at this meeting. The nominating committee also solicited for members to consider serving on the various committees.

At the February meeting, Compatriot Don Green gave a presentation called "The Military, Domestic, & Presidential Life of George Washington". While at the March meeting, the chapter inducted a junior member into the chapter and also presented Compatriot Raleigh Worsham a supplemental ancestor certificate.

At the April meeting, the chapter held their annual Patriot's Dinner at the Mayflower in the evening in which members came dressed up in period attire and formal wear. Our speaker for the evening was Brigitte Dagot, Consul for the French American Business Council of Orlando. She spoke on French American Relations.

At this evening dinner also, the nominating committee announced the slate of chapter officers for 2013-2015. After no nominations came from the floor, a motion & second was made. Then all members in attendance voted on the new slate of officers. It was also mentioned that the chapter had most of the committee chairman positions filled. The remaining ones that the chapter is still looking for volunteers are the following committees: Habitat for Humanity Flag Presentation, History Fair, Joseph Rumbaugh Orations, and the Knight Essay Contest.

The Chapter is happy to announce that we are adding some committees to the chapter offerings that we haven't had volunteers in the past. These committees are DAR/CAR Liaison, Eagle Scout, Elementary Poster Contest, and Liberty Tree. Note that since March the chapter has been busy presenting 37 – JROTC certificate/medals at the various high schools in Orange, Osceola, Seminole, and Volusia County.

#### St. Lucie River SAR Chapter Report: (Submitted by Hal Riediger, Chapter President)

4 members participated in the Winter BOM at Kissimmee, January 11/12 Jay Wise, Phil Carr, Hall Riediger and Bob Donnahoo.

January 12 Held regular meeting at Manero's, Palm City, FL

January 17 Two Compatriots participated in the St. Lucie County, Project Citizen Showcase, where student projects deal with local issues and are presented to local governmental organizations.

January 26 Compatriots Joe Leinbach and Oscar Kraehenbuehl presented a American flag, Constitution and SAR Flag Care Book to Aricia Barrios-Espinosa and her two daughters at the opening of their new Habit for Humanity House.

February 9 Held Regular meeting at Manero's, Palm City FL

March2 the Chapter participated in the St. Lucie County History Fair, many thanks to compatriots Oscar Kraehenbuehl, Hall Riediger, Chuck McKinley, Tom Gilmore, Bill Hammond, and Bob and Penny Donnahoo for their efforts in judging student projects.

March 6 Compatriot Hall Riediger went to Ft Pierce Central High School and presented Chapter awards to students for their projects that where about Revolutionary War events and persons.

March 9 Regular Meeting at Manero's in Palm City, FL, Many thanks to compatriot John Auld for his presentation on Alexander Burns. Also Compatriots Riediger and Chuck McKinley, St. Lucie Registrar inducted new member Tom Barnhart into the SAR.

Chapter received two proclamations for Patriot's Day, one from the City Commission of Fort Pierce and one from the St. Lucie County Commission, many thanks to Carl Wade, Jay Wise and Hall Riediger.

April 13 Regular meeting at Manero's, Palm City, FL A wonderful meeting honoring detective Mark Shireman with the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal. In attendance were Sheriff Paul C. May and Captain John Rhodan. This was the first time that the Chapter has included Okeechobee County in this annual event and they will continue with the rotation along with Martin and St. Lucie Counties.

April 17 Jay Wise has informed us that the Revolutionary War Monument we have been working on has been assembled and installed on its pad in the Port St. Lucie, Veteran's Memorial Park. This has been a yearlong project and will be dedicated on Memorial Day, May 27. Check out the hand outs in the Hospitality Room

April 17 Good Citizenship Certificates went out to the 56 Elementary, Middle and K-8 schools in Martin, Okeechobee and St. Lucie Counties.

### **Treasure Coast SAR Chapter:**

No report available at this time

# West Central Regional Vice President

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Activities since January 12, 2013 to May 3, 2013 **Clearwater Chapter** 

Jim Gibson - President

- Held Chapter Meeting January 16
- Speaker was Harold Youmans on the History of the War of 1812
- Presented Eagle Scout Andrew Case with Winner of the Eagle Scout Scholarship Award
- Members Attended Joint meeting with Caladesi DAR Chapter January 21
- Held Board of Governors Meeting January 22
- Former Member Howard Chapel passed away January 28 at age 100
- Held Chapter Meeting February 20
- Compatriot George Youstra spoke on "A Great Awakening", how Religion in the Revolutionary War period changed the thought pattern of the American citizens
- Cole Kujumdziev was in ducted as a Junior member at age 14
- Presented Sea Cadet Medal to PO2 Victoria Schatz of the Suncoast Squadron of the Naval Sea Cadets January 26
- Certificate of Appreciation was presented to the Pinellas Genealogy Society President David Dillinger for the Society's support of the SAR February 9
- Participated in the West Central Florida Council of the Boy Scouts of America University of Scouting Event February 23
- Held Board of Governors Meeting February 25
- Presented the Colors at the Caladesi DAR Chapter Genealogy Seminar February 27
- Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Caladesi DAR Chapter for the Society's support of the SAR February 27
- Participated in the Pinellas County History Fair by presenting Checks to winner in the Revolutionary Period category March 9
- Attended Last Naval Battle Ceremony March 9
- Delivered 400 Good Citizenship Award Certificates to Pinellas School District March 12
- Color Guard presented the Colors at the West Central Florida Council Recognition & Eagle Scout Dinner, March 21
- Held Chapter Meeting March 30
- Hawaii Society member Charles Phebus presented a film of a presentation made to honor his fourth Great Grandfather John Shepherd's (1728-1846) memory
- Inducted 4 new members into the Chapter, Gary Coil, James Coil, Bruce Coil and John Myers
- Presented Compatriot Peter Waldron with a WAR Service Medal for his service in Vietnam
- Held Board of Governors Meeting April 1
- Completed Audit of Chapter Books April 4
- Visited ailing Chapter members in nursing homes
- Presented Revolutionary War Historical books to 5 High Schools
- Members Attended Joint meeting with Boca Ciega, Princess Hirrihigua DAR Chapters and St. Petersburg SAR Chapter on April 6
- Presented Eagle Scout Recognition Certificates to 5 NEW Eagles April 6
- Held Chapter Meeting April 17
- Speaker Douglas Crawford
- Inducted John Wright into membership of the Clearwater Chapter
- Presented Compatriot John Wright with a WAR Service Medal for his service in WWII
- Presented Compatriot John Myers with a WAR Service Medal for his service in Korea
- Presented Compatriot James Coil with a WAR Service Medal for his service in Vietnam
- Held Board of Governors Meeting April 22
- Presented JROTC Medals & Certificates to 5 units

#### Tampa Chapter

John Skillman – President

January Meeting: 19 compatriots and 9 guests attending. The speaker was Ann Palmer, Senior Librarian of the Florida History and Genealogy Department of the John F. Germany Library in Tampa.

February Meeting: 20 compatriots and 13 guests attending. John Faulk and Charlie Garrison received Certificates of Membership and lapel pins. The speaker was Chapter President John Skillman, who dressed in Virginia Continental Line uniform and portrayed the role of a messenger for General George Washington. He presented his views on the life of Washington and some little known facts.

March Meeting: 17 compatriots and 6 guests in attendance. The speaker was Scott MacDonald, Voluntary Service Specialist for the James A. Haley Veterans Hospital in Tampa. Scott is a medically retired sailor. He works with spinal cord injured veterans and spoke on the VHA wheel chair games that are scheduled for July 13-18 in Tampa. 3000 volunteers are needed and everyone is encouraged to apply.

#### St. Petersburg Chapter

John Stewart – President

Joint meeting SAR and DAR Chapters, Martha Washington spoke The joint meeting with hosted by the Boca Ciega Chapter the DAR was well attended. The speaker Martha Washington was excellent. She gave an educational talk about her husband George and she answered questions from the attendees. Martha Washington was escorted by Compatriot Peter Ford. Charles Butler was presented his certificate by President John Stewart. Ron Wildes, a long time member has passed away. John Thompson and Steve Aspinall attended the service. Knight Essay contest, we have 31 entrants. The committee remained after the meeting to grade the reports. Committee: John Stewart, Hardy Bryan and Steve Aspinall. Compatriot Manning Miller is in St Anthony's Hospital with a broken ankle. He will also be going for rehab. Compatriot Aspinall delivered Compatriot Miller his Veteran's certificate as well as his WWII veterans award.

#### Lakeland Chapter

William Thornhill – President Date of this meeting:

January 19, 2013

Officers Present:

President: William Thornhill; 1st VP: Joe Hill; 1st VP: Dr. William Bosley; Sec/Treasurer: John P Snapp; Registrar/Genealogist: Alvie Davidson; Chaplain: Ron Herring (Acting); Sergeant-at-Arms: Don Lyle;

Historian: Mel Sellers. Attendance: Total Attendance: 28; Chapter Members: 21; Prospective Members: 0: Approved Applications pending Induction: 0: WOSARS present: 5 (1 DAR); Generic Guests: 2: SAR Guests: 1; DAR 1; Junior SAR: 0.

Awards, Metals, and Certificates Issued: New Members Inducted: 1; Certificate of Appreciation present to speaker Luther R (Luke) Lloyd.

SAR Programs: SAR Compatriot Luther R (Luke) Lloyd spoke on "The Islam You Do Not Understand." Date of this meeting: February 16, 2013

Officers Present:

President: William Thornhill; 1st VP: Joe Hill; 1st VP: Dr. William Bosley; Sec/Treasurer: John P Snapp; Registrar/Genealogist: Alvie Davidson; Chaplain: Richard Hagerman (Acting); Sergeant-at-Arms: Don Lyle; Historian: Mel Sellers. Attendance: Total Attendance: 19; Chapter Members: 11; Prospective Members: 1; Approved Applications pending Induction: 0; WOSARS present: 3 (1 DAR); Generic Guests: 1; SAR Guests: 2; DAR 1: Junior SAR: 0:

Awards, Metals, and Certificates Issued: New Members Inducted: 0; Certificate of Appreciation present to Ms. Michelle Hubenschmidt - Florida Society American History winner. Certificate of Appreciation to SAR Compatriot Raleigh E Worsham.

SAR Programs: SAR Compatriot Raleigh E. Worsham spoke on Andrew Lewis, Hero of the Point.

Date of this meeting: March 16, 2013

Officers Present:

President: William Thornhill; 1st VP: ; 1st VP: Dr. William Bosley; Sec/Treasurer: John P Snapp; Registrar/Genealogist: ; Chaplain ; Sergeant-at-Arms: Don Lyle; Historian: Mel Sellers. Attendance: Total Attendance: 15; Chapter Members: 9; Prospective Members: 0; Approved Applications pending Induction: 0; WOSARS present: 3; Generic Guests: 1; SAR Guests: 1; DAR 1; Junior SAR: 0;

Awards, Metals, and Certificates Issued: New Members Inducted: 0; Certificate of Appreciation to Dr. Alan Rich

#### SAR

Programs: Dr. Alan Rich spoke on heart disease and portable defibrillators.

Maj. John Devane Chapter

David Knox - President No Activity this period

# **Southeast Regional Vice President**

Doug Bridges dougbridges@bellsouth.net

# <u>Miami Chapter</u>

The Miami Chapter held open luncheon meetings from January to date.

The February 24<sup>th</sup> meeting was the Chapter President's Annual Luncheon Meeting and Installation of Officers. This meeting was held in the banquet room of the 94<sup>th</sup> Aero Squadron, Miami, FL. There were forty nine (49) in attendance.

FLSSAR Senior Vice President, Ted Duay, served as Installing Officer and Chapter Past President, David Mitchell, Esq., was the keynote speaker.

Chapter President, Douglas Bridges, presided throughout the meeting and inducted Compatriot William Lee Popham into the Miami Chapter.

Members of the Tequesta Chapter, CAR, were in attendance and the Chapter President Taylor Putt was recognized, with a Good Citizen Certificate, medal and a cash donation to support Tequesta's chapter activities.

<u>Membership</u>: The application for membership of Compatriot Lee Popham was approved and inducted into the Miami Chapter during the February 24<sup>th</sup> Luncheon Meeting. Three (3) supplemental applications were approved.

**Eagle Scouts:** The Miami Chapter donated \$100.00 to Troop 69 located in Homestead, FL. Three (3) 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.

<u>Knight Essay Contest</u>: Leviticus Gilliard, a student of the Coral Reef Senior High School, won the George S. & Stella M. Knight essay contest at the Chapter level. A certificate was prepared and mailed along with a monetary award to Mr. Gilliard.

**Thomas Payne Camp Color Guard:** February 9<sup>th</sup> members of the Thomas Paine Color Guard presented colors for the 61<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the John McDonald DAR Chapter's Luncheon. Greetings were brought by Compatriot Douglas H. Bridges, Sr., President, Miami Chapter SAR.

February 23<sup>rd</sup> two members of the Miami Chapter SAR, Thomas Paine Color Guard, presented an American flag, flag staff and mounting bracket to ten (10) 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.

Law Enforcement Award: During the Chapter Luncheon Meeting, March 15<sup>th</sup> Trooper Marcos Diaz, of the FHP was recognized and awarded the Heroism Medal and Certificate for a heroic act resulting in the saving of a drowning 47 year old man. On July 19, 2012, Trooper Marcos Diaz, FHP, received and responded to a 911 call to discover a capsized recreational boat in the Florida Keys. A male was in the water holding onto a five gallon Igloo cooler, unable to swim due to being entangled in fishing line and was struggling to stay afloat. Trooper Diaz swam to the victim and kept him afloat until the Coast Guard rescue arrived on the scene.

<u>VA Report:</u> The Miami Chapter continues with its support of Hospitalized Veterans at the Miami VA Hospital, by having regularly scheduled members assisting the V.A. Chaplains at Sunday morning Services. They 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 Nursing Home that is adjacent.

<u>Tequesta Society CAR</u>: During the Annual Installation of Officers the Senior President of the Tequesta Society CAR was recognized and commended for her support with added expressions of appreciation for the gift packages prepared by the chapter for the troops in the Middle East.

The Senior President of the Tequesta Society read a poem that had been written by its members honoring the SAR. It goes as follows:

TO THE WORKER BEES OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION You lead at the meetings You send out the dues When people don't show It gives you the blues

You search for ancestors both near and far You travel all over and put miles on your car. You take applications, then pull out your hair When National denies them, it's just not fair.

You find the best venues, for all the events You plan all the programs, and hope they make sense You send out the invites and pray they respond To support S.A.R. of which we're so fond.

You support all out troops, you uphold our flag You're proud of your country, when others think it's a drag And we at C.A.R. thank you... for all that you do.

Tequesta Chapter CAR, Miami, FL

#### Palm Beach Chapter

The Palm Beach Chapter continues to meet on a regular basis on the third Tuesday of each month, October thru May.

<u>**19 January Meeting**</u>: The Chapter's 2013 officers were sworn in by Regional Vice President, Doug Bridges and Senior Vice President, Ted Duay

A WWII SAR Military War Medal was awarded to Compatriot Larry Calhoun

Rumbaugh Historical Oration chapter winner, Talia Fradkin recited her oration on Margret Corbin, "Captain Molly" and received her first place medal and scholarship check.

Senior Vice President, Ted Duay spoke to the chapter on the endowment trust fund and the future of the Florida State Society.

Attendance: 41

<u>**19 February Meeting**</u>: The chapter inducted three new members: John Michael Curry, James McLain, Douglas Norman Twitchell.

The chapter presented a WWII Certificate of Patriotism to Compatriot Edward Buckley for service during a time of war.

SAR War Service Medal was presented to Col. Hans Hunt and SAR Military Service Medals were presented to Compatriots James Blackburn and Kenneth Green.

The chapter's Knight Historical Essay Contest winner, Nadir Rechka, recited his essay for the chapter and received his fist place medal and scholarship check.

Palm Beach County Judge and Florida Historian, Nelson Bailey presented a program on Florida History and the history of the Seminole Indians.

Attendance: 48

<u>19 March Meeting</u>: The chapter celebrated it actual 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary, 19 March, at this meeting. The chapter was formed on 19 March 1938 by Palm Beach resident and then National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution President General Messmore Kendall at the Palm Beach Everglades Club. A proclamation from Florida State Society President Phillip Tarpley declaring that 19 March 2013 shall be known as Palm Beach Chapter Day within the Society was read to the meeting. A symbolic ceremonial reaffirmation of the oath of induction was performed by all attending compatriots. The attending compatriots and two widows of departed compatriots posed for a group picture. The ceremony was followed by a cutting of a special 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary cake.

Compatriot Douglas Twitchell was presented the SAR Military Service Medal.

The chapter's JROTC Outstanding Cadet winner, James Bukowski and second place winner, Brogan Zelinka were presented their medals, certificates and scholarship checks.

Chapter webmaster and compatriot, James Kane presented a PowerPoint presentation of the chapter's new web site, wwwsarpbchapter.org.

A brief review of the book, **Following the Drum, the women at Valley Forge,** by Dr. Nancy Loane was presented by Chapter President Ray Wess.

Attendance: 51

<u>16 April meeting:</u> The chapter conducted its annual law enforcement awards program. Five law enforcement officers and one county judge were honored with SAR Law Enforcement Medals and Certificates.

The chapter inducted two new members, Craig Dickmann and Gary Green.

The chapter presented the Martha Washington Medal and Certificate to Olga Kane for her dedication and support of the chapter in building a new web site and donating the cost as well as purchasing the domain name, www.sarpbchapter.org.

# Attendance: 65

The Palm Beach Chapter has scheduled its annual Fire Safety Awards Ceremony on 21 May. The chapter will award six Fire Departments and employees Medals and Certificates.

#### Ft. Lauderdale Chapter

No report received

# **Southwest Regional Vice President**

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Vic McMurry

# Caloosa Chapter

The Caloosa Chapter installed new officers at the January meeting. Our guest speaker was Kathleen Callanan, the Florida State Librarian for the Daughters of the American Revolution. The topic was her recently published book "Unlocking the Who Within - a Journal of a Journey"

February featured Chaplain General Randy Moody giving a talk on the Last Naval Battle of The American Revolution. We also appointed a new position on the Executive Committee for a position of member at large. Compatriot Dr. Russell Radcliff has accepted this position. He will step in and assist other chapter officers when needed. This is also a position that he can "understudy" for a future position on the committee.

Compatriots Randy and Phillip Moody participated as part of the Color Guard at the Memorial Service for the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution.

For March, we elected to try a Saturday meeting in lieu of a midweek meeting. The purpose was to encourage attendance by junior members and regular members who are otherwise employed and unable to attend the midweek meeting. This was successful as we had three junior members attending who participated in the meeting. Regular member Compatriot Nathaniel Hemingway, a high school history teacher, gave a very interesting program on the Battle of Bunker Hill.

We also awarded Compatriot William Mellor the Silver Good Citizenship medal. Compatriot Bill Lupfer was presented with War Service Medals for his service in WWII and Korea.

At our April meeting, Chapter Vice President Phillip Moody presented a very interesting program on the Battle at Lexington and Concord. A Flag Certificate was presented to the Hilton Gardens Hotel.

The Color Guard performed at the anniversary of the battle of Iwo Jima held at the Iwo Jima memorial in Cape Coral.

We lost a long time member of the chapter, Compatriot Guy Walton. He was a member of the Caloosa chapter for 36 years and was President four different times. At his memorial service Chaplain General Dr Randy Moody and Compatriot Albert gave readings. The chapter in bravo uniform presented a honor guard and the remains and family left the church. He was active in the chapter until the last two months serving as historian.

Respectfully submitted: Lee Matson - President

#### **Charlotte Chapter**

January - Submitted paperwork for a new Chapter Member Jack Hackett and installed Chapter Officers for 2013.

February - Met with the Charlotte Harbor Chapter DAR to commentate George Washington's Birthday. Identified three potential new members and provided them with SAR applications.

March – Our luncheon program illustrated the clothing and uniforms worn during the revolutionary war period.

April – We invited members of the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office and awarded Certificates and Medals to two deputies. Also invited were members of the Charlotte County Fire Department and two members were awarded medals and certificates.

Respectfully submitted: Larry Hurley - President

#### **Highlands Chapter**

On Feb 16th, Flag Chairman Milton Krom, Mike Flood and I presented Ed and Anne Smoak with a Flag Certificate of Commendation.

On Mar 8th, George Frey, Mike Flood and I presented Highlands County Sherriff Susan Benton with the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate. Sheriff Benton is President of the Florida Sheriff Association and has been appointed to the National Sheriff's Association Board of Directors.

James Dean, a former Eagle Scout, has been appointed to the Eagle Scout program.

Mike Flood is our new Webmaster and may be reached at mikeflood301@yahoo.com.

George Frey, our ROTC Chairman is working on recognition for cadets at Sebring, Lake Placid and Avon Park High Schools.

John Anthony Folk was inducted into membership in the Highlands Chapter. Ronald Edward Yates, Michael James Yates Sr. and Michael James Yates Jr. have been approved for membership and will be inducted on Apr 20th. Margaret Yates was recently inducted into the DAR. Respectfully submitted: O.W. "Woody" Woodard, - President

#### **Naples Chapter**

Our January meeting was held on Saturday, the 5th in the hopes of attracting those individuals who have been unable to attend our weekday meetings and to attract a larger number of participants for the January Rumbaugh Oration Contest. We had four students register for the Rumbaugh event, but due to illness, three actually competed. The first place winner was Wyatt Navarro, who subsequently finished third at the FLSSAR Rumbaugh Oration Contest. Two Regular members, Jeff Wandell and Ron Cormier and Junior member Frank Spinelli were inducted into the NSSAR, Naples Chapter. In addition to two visiting Compatriots from Kansas, we had five members of the Big Cypress Chapter, DAR as guests. Regent Brigitte van den Hove-Smith discussed the forthcoming "Florida Viva 500," and invited the Naples Color Guard to participate. The Naples Chapter will consider other Saturday meetings in the 2013-2014 season, due to increased participation at this event, especially by the youth and other visitors.

Our February meeting was devoted to the recognition of the outstanding JROTC Cadets within the seven participating high schools in the Collier County School System. Cadets Lawton Wilson of Barron Collier HS, Maricela Aguirre of Golden Gate HS, John Tyler of Gulf Coast HS, Dave Rouzard of Immokalee HS, Brooke Bragenzer of Lely HS, Mackenzie Meservey of Naples HS and Joshua Aybar of Palmetto Ridge HS were presented the SAR ROTC Medal and bar by Compatriot, the Honorable Judge, James M. McGarity, III. Five of the cadets participated in the Enhanced JROTC Program and the recipient of the Outstanding Cadet Medallion was Cadet Lawton Wilson. Cadet Aybar read an essay which he had written for the Naples Chapter entitled, "A Liberty to Share; French Assistance in the American Revolution. LTC Paul Garrah presented the Naples Chapter a Certificate of Appreciation from the Collier County JROTC for "ongoing support and outstanding contributions to their JROTC programs." Also at this meeting, Jack Anderson was inducted into the NSSAR Naples Chapter. Robert C. Matthews, Jr., Past President of the Monticello Chapter, Shawnee, KS was welcomed as a Dual Member.

The Naples Chapter celebrated its 40th Anniversary Charter Day with an evening gala event at our March meeting. The guests of honor were Chaplain General Rev. Dr. Randy Moody and his lady, Lee Moody. Other guests included Vice Regent Diane Schrift of the Michigan State Society of the DAR, Big Cypress Chapter DAR Regent Brigitte van den Hove-Smith, Vice Regent Trudy Withey, Treasurer Shirley Hoerle and 5 other DAR members. Compatriot Registrar Ronald Benson, Jr. PhD. was presented 3 certificates for Supplemental Patriot Ancestors. William Abbott was inducted into the NSSAR Naples Chapter by CG Moody. Naples Chaplain Charles Cortright was presented the Meritorious Service Medal in appreciation for his 23 years' service to the Naples Chapter and for being its Chaplain for the past 22 years. DAR Regent Brigitte van den Hove-Smith was awarded the SAR Daughters of Liberty Medal for her long and continuing support of the SAR, and in particular the Naples Chapter. Chaplain General Moody addressed the gathering about the Center for Advancing American's Heritage and its role in educating our youth and general public on the history and importance of the American Revolution. CG Moody was presented a Distinguished Service Certificate. A proclamation from FLSSAR President Phillip H. Tarpley was read, proclaiming April 30, 2013 as Naples Chapter Charter Day, its 40th Anniversary. The Naples Chapter was also presented a Flag Streamer Award for 2012-2013 from the NSSAR for over 20% of its members contributing and over \$1000 having been contributed to the Center for Advancing America's Heritage.

At our April meeting, the Nominating Committee presented its slate of officers for 2013-2014, which will be voted upon at the May 2, 2013 meeting. The program for the April meeting was the National Society Elementary School Poster Contest. We had 4 entries submitted after the local public, private and home schooled competitions. The winner was Katelyn Wayne of the Calusa Park Elementary School, whose poster will be submitted for the FLSSAR State Competition during its Annual Meeting in May at Kissimmee, FL.

Respectfully submitted: Lawrence G. Fehrenbaker, Sr., MD - President

#### Saramana Chapter

Wreaths Across America is a National Program celebrated on the 15th of December each year. Representing the FLSSAR and the Saramana Chapter, Compatriots Chuck Sweeney, Vic McMurry and George Sparks participated in the laying of 5,176 wreaths on the graves of all veterans buried in the Sarasota Nation Cemetery. Wreaths Across America is dedicated to honoring and thanking veterans for their service and sacrifice. The annual wreath laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery, which started in 1992, is now performed around the country.

At the January Luncheon, Eagle Scout Nicholas Nocera was awarded the Chapters Eagle Scout Scholarship Medal as the winner of the Eagle Scout Scholarship Program at the Chapter level. He was also awarded an Eagle Scout Scholarship stipend of \$600.

On President's Day, Monday, February 18, the Saramana Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution dedicated a large tree in Sutton Park as a "Liberty Tree"—a symbol honoring those early patriots who resisted British Rule for many years even before the American Revolution.

In a ceremony headed by Charles Sweeney, president of the Saramana SAR and Mayor Shirley Bryant, a large tree in the park was decorated with a large ribbon and a stone plaque which will be permanently placed at the base of the tree. Taking part in the ceremony was the SAR color guard in the traditional colonial military uniforms and musket and a color guard of the Scout Troop 72 from Palmetto's First United Methodist Church.

Sixty-six Compatriots, DAR, and guests attended the Annual George Washington Birthday Celebration on February 23, 2013. A "Revolutionary War Re-enactment" was presented by Charles and Dorothy Churchill in Colonial attire. Sarasota Chapter SAR member Charles Churchill is a G4 grandson of Freegift Patchin, who on April 7, 1780, while serving in the New York Militia, was captured by Indians not far from Albany, New York.

Led by Chief Joseph Brant, his captors forced Freegift and eleven other minutemen to march 300 miles in deep snow and freezing temperatures to Fort Niagara. They were sold to the British for eight dollars a head. Freegift found himself in prison, placed in irons, and deprived of just about everything needed to survive. After two years in captivity, Freegift was released. He returned to Wilton, Connecticut, where he courted and married Molly Morehouse. In 1828 Freegift wrote a narrative entitled, "The Captivity and Sufferings of Freegift Patchin Among the Indians as told by Himself." It was published in 1833 and handed down from generation to generation. Charles Churchill obtained a copy of the narrative in August 2005 and decided to condense it and become a re-enactor portraying his ancestor. Helping Charles in the program will be his wife Dorothy, who plays the role of Molly Morehouse.

On the Ides of March 2013, forty-two Saramana Chapter members and guests gathered at the Lido Beach Holiday Inn to honor and celebrate three significant things. First, we honored seven Fire Safety Organizations from the Sarasota and Manatee Counties, and awarded six Fire Fighters with the SAR Fire Safety Commendation Medals and one EMT with the SAR Emergency Medical Services Commendation Medal. Next, we presented Past President General Carl Hoffmann with a Certificate of Patriotism for his service to country during the defense of Korea. The certificate was sign by President General Stephen A. Leishman.

Minutemen 238 years ago today, 12 April 1775, having received good intelligence from their fellow patriots and neighbors, prepared and then waited. The minutemen were the first responders at the sound of the alarm to correct injustice. The minutemen of today are the men and women who form the "thin blue line." They are the officers in blue that are the first responders at the sound of the alarm. They are the police and law enforcement personnel that the Compatriots of the Saramana Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution honored at our April luncheon meeting, where seven SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medals were awarded to personnel of the Sarasota and Manatee Counties Police Agencies. Public Service and Heroism Chairman Phil Tarpley coordinated this event and has done so annually for our chapter since 2007.

Respectfully submitted: Victor G. McMurry - Vice President

# Secretary

Steve Williams swilliams16@cfl.rr.com

#### Florida membership status:

*Total membership* of all types (Regular, Life, Dual, Youth, Junior, E-1, E-2, E-3, etc) =  $\underline{1680}$  as of reconciliation with National.

*Total number of Drop/Resign* members =  $\underline{188}$ 

<u>\*\*New member and Supplemental application packet processing (Repeat)</u> As I continue to get queries from chapters on how the approved applications and supplemental applications are processed after they show up in the Application Status Report on National's website, I will repeat this section. PLEASE pass this information to all chapter officers.

These packets are received from National with the new member's information entered into the state database and the member's supplemental ancestor information entered into the database. These packets are then mailed *to the person designated by the chapter* to receive these packets with Delivery Confirmation to ensure that the packet was delivered to the designee. As occasionally happens, other chapter members ask for information as to where the new member packet is. The first place for such an inquiry to be directed is to the chapter's designated recipient. The chapter's designated recipient should then be responsible for notifying the necessary chapter officers of the new member's information. I frequently get requests from a different chapter officer for the new member's name or address/phone number, National and state numbers. These pieces of information are within the New Member packet and should have been provided by the chapter representative. While I can certainly provide that information, effective communication within the chapter is the ultimate goal.

### **\*\*Annual Chapter/State report**

At this Spring BOM an Officer Training session is offered that will include information for chapter secretaries ad will touch on the Annual Chapter reports. It is imperative that each chapter keep up-to-date information on the following member information:

Members FULL name, Current member status (Regular, Life, Dual [and with which state/chapter], Junior, Youth, Emeritus), Current USPS address, Current Phone number, and Current e-mail address. At the appropriate time in the Fall, each chapter will receive a chapter roster from the state secretary with this same information. At that time, each chapter secretary should review the information, and provide feedback with new/amended information. Waiting until the end of the year to provide these information updates ensures that members will not receive communications from the state or National due to out-of-date information.

# **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 (INstate 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.
- Transfers of chapter membership within Florida is a matter of ease and is quickly accomplished. Again, the chapter 3. 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.
- Transfers of chapter membership between state societies is more involved and needs a Request of Transfer of 4. 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 who to contact with that change.  $1^{st}$  – 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.

2013 Actual

Budget

# Treasurer

Hall Riediger allriedi42@bellsouth.net CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES 1/1/2013 to 4/15/2013 RECEIPTS: Dues Income Operating Trust Income BOM Income net of expenses Other Income TOTAL **DISBURSMENTS:** State Officers Youth Programs

73,390.00 75,000.00 2,890.00 2600.00 (39.76) 000.00 6,441.00 10,932.00 82,681.24 88,532.00 2.189.73 7.275.00 4,990.99 11,600.00 Public Outreach 728.32 16,200.00 National Dues 45,685.00 45,500.00 Other Committees 233.92 3,300.00 7,757.01 6,707.00 Other Expenses TOTAL 61,584.97 90,582.00 **Receipts over disbursements** 21,096.27 (2,050.00)CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION 4/15/2013 Assets:

\$ 47,209.21

Checking

Wachovia CD #2020 @ 0.05% Wachovia CD #1001 @ 0.05%		\$ 8,670.09 \$ 8,544.59
SM BUS MM #1823 @ 0.85%		\$ <u>37,437.65</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 101,861.54
Investments:		
Pepco Holding 400 shares @ 22.05		\$ 8,820.00
	TOTAL	\$110,681.54
Funded Liabilities: Fund 4 Florida's Future		\$ 539.95
Deland Chapter Escrow		\$ 5,903.39
	TOTAL	\$6,443.34

Finance Committee: Ted Duay, David Kelsey, Danny Hooper, Victor McMurry, Oscar Patterson, III 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 oblivious, 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, FLSSAR Internet (FLA-Talk), 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.

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

# Registrar

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#### FLSSAR Application Stats 06 January 2013 – 26 April 2013

	Application Type							
	Regular	RegularSupplementalCAR TransferJunior						
Submitted To NSSAR	58	26	0	4	88			
Approved* By NSSAR	73	48	0	11	132			
Pended* By NSSAR	4	7	0	0	11			
Pended By FSSAR	12	3	1	3	19			
DAR Finder Total Year to date	2013 = 17							

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

#### NSSAR & FLSSAR Pended Reasons:

- Family history information not accepted for maiden name of wife or no documentation submitted to prove maiden name when required for generation linking.
- Generational links for generations one or more generations not accepted.
- 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.
- Incorrect check amounts or no check submitted for NSSAR or FLSSAR dues/fees.
- Other lineage society record copy not accepted or no longer accepted by NSSAR.
- Proof documents poor quality and not acceptable readability.

#### **Recommended Application Submission Improvement Areas:**

- 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 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 <u>ALL</u> 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.
- Ensure all required signatures and dates are present as required for type of applications being submitted.
- Enclose 2 application copies on SAR watermarked archive paper and 1 application on plain paper for all applications submitted.
- Only one set of proof documents are required to be submitted with each application. This also applies when submitting more than one application under the family plan criteria. One set of proofs only for the common documents used by all the applications in the group. 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:**

- 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 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

Roy Martin, Jr. <u>rmartin398@aol.com</u>

As of the writing of this report, there have been 44 compatriots within the Florida Society who have met their final resting place. They will be honored at a memorial service on Saturday, May 4, 2013 at 8:30 AM at the Spring BOM.

Over the years, the practice of the State Chaplain has been to so honor deceased compatriots who's membership was active at the time of death. There has been an allowance for former members who died within six months of no longer being a member. For those former members who have died after no longer being a member for more than six months, I encourage the local chapters to honor them if the chapters so wish.

I remind all chapter chaplains (or whichever chapter officer keeps track of this) to fill out the Obituary Report Form found on the FLSSAR website and either email it or snail mail it to me and to State Secretary Steve Williams - not one of us but both of us - in a timely manner.

Respectfully submitted, The Rev Dr. Roy A. Martin, Jr., FLSSAR Chaplain

# **Recording Secretary**

Ray Wess

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Fall BOM Minutes are at beginning of these Proceedings.

# Chancellor

Carl Hoffmann, PG <u>hoffmaria@yahoo.com</u>

Nothing to report

# Parliamentarian

Frank Hodalski <u>fho</u>

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The 11<sup>th</sup> Edition of Roberts Rules of Order is now available. There is an abridged edition authored by a Robert that is perfect for most situations: "Robert's Rules in Brief." It is very user friendly. Remember: Your Bylaws supply both stability and credibility to the governance of the body and its actions. The Florida Society has fought many a battle over a lack of regard for the national bylaws. Remember: The Bylaws may not say what you think they mean, but they always mean exactly what they say.

# Genealogist

Richard B. Cardell

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#### Sharing

Several of my friends have written their life history and more are talking about doing it. I urge you to consider preparing your own personal life history if you have not done so already. It is one of the best gifts that you can give your family, especially your children, grandchildren and other relatives. We all have stories to tell that deserve to be put down on paper. Your stories can be even more interesting if you are able to add photographs.

In this modern world of identity theft many are afraid to post information on the internet, yet I see people posting all kinds of personal information on social media like Facebook and LinkedIn. Most of these websites have settings so you can limit access to close friends and family. I find that my younger cousins rarely write letters but they will communicate on Facebook. It is a good method of promoting the SAR.

# Sergeant at Arms

Clarence Barrett cabarrett2@verizon.net

Nothing to report except for me to say that it has been a privilege and rewarding experience to have served the Florida State Society as their Sgt-At-Arms these past three years, especially this year serving under our State President, Phil Tarpley. I wish my successor bon voyage on his journey as the new Sgt At Arms.

Ralph Nelson

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Since taking this post in late 2012 I have been consolidating and cataloging eight cartons of archival materials -most dated after 1989. We have several hundred photos -- a few dating back to 1968. Many of them need labels to indicate date, place, event, and names. The State Secretary maintains the archives of the original records of the FLSSAR. He has copies of applications and minutes which go back before 1989.

Discussions have been started with the Orange County Regional History Center about whether that facility might serve as a repository for FLSSAR archival items that are over ten years old. This would place our archival material in a cool, dry, dark, fire-resistant room, much less likely to be lost or destroyed than having them stored in a home.

Brief descriptions of the siege of Pensacola (1781 March-May) and the battle off Cape Canaveral (1783 March) were written for the website of the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route Association at www.w3r-us.org. That organization promotes public understanding of the history of French and Spanish aid to the U.S. during the American Revolution.

Guidelines for Chapter Historians are being developed to aid chapters in maintaining archives by documenting, saving, labeling, stabilizing, and summarizing their activities. Please have your chapter historian contact me at DEpatriot@aol.com to participate in an Email group discussion of managing chapter archives.

# Editor, The Florida Patriot

Steve Williams

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During the fiscal 2013 year, the production costs are as follows in the table below. The annual budget has been \$10,000.00 for prior years. What this has hopefully done, is illustrate that the concept of moving our distribution of Florida documents to an electronic system is feasible and affords significant cost savings which can then be allocated to other Florida Society needs. Printed distribution of *The Florida Patriot* will not be discontinued for those members with physical limitations or for those with no computer, but it should be emphasized that everyone is strongly urged to reconsider receiving the issues by USPS if they do have a computer. As was pointed out to me last fall, the historical intent of delivery of *The Florida Patriot* was to be limited to Adult members, thus, this excludes delivery to Junior and Youth Registrant members. Going back to such delivery limitations reduces, in a small way, the number of printed/mailed issues and thus the cost. Reading *The Florida Patriot* on your computer is easy since you can increase the view to make the text larger and easier to read.

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Issue	# of pages	copies	Printing	Freight/Postage	Total
				\$	
Winter 2013	28	950	\$ 1,444.00	204.46	\$ 1,648.46
			\$	\$	
Spring 2013	36	850	2,150.00	565.00	\$ 2,715.00
				Total =	\$7,808.48
				<u>Savings</u> =	TBD

# Publication costs for year 2013 (to-date)

# Webmaster

Scott Bushnell sbushnell@USNA64.org

Addition of Personal Ancestor Record and Obituary Notices to Individual Record Pages. Movement of all Forms back to Public as well as Private sections of Web Site.

The following may be of passing interest to some concerned members. It is a breakdown of the SAR state societies' websites and what they have on those sites in the public area.

Areas of interest for the 51 state societies (DCSSAR is counted):

**Does the state society have a website?** 3 do NOT have a website (N & S Dakota, and Wyoming) Thus, nothing can be known by the public about those state societies.

**Does the state society website have an Officers listing available to the public? 40 Do** have a publicly accessible state officer listing, 3 have a limited listing, and **8** have **NO** publically accessible state officer listing (CTSSAR, ILSSAR, MNSSAR, RISSAR, WASSAR along with the 3 states that have no website)

**Does the state society website have a Contact listing available to the public? 36 Do** have a publicly accessible state contact listing, 4 have a limited listing and **11** have **NO** publically accessible contact listing (CTSSAR, ILSSAR, MOSSAR, MASSAR, LASSAR, MNSSAR, RISSAR, WASSAR along with the 3 states that have no website)

- Does the state society website have a Chapter Listing available to the public? 36 Do have a publicly accessible Chapter listing, 6 have no chapters, and 9 have NO publically accessible chapter listing (ILSSAR, IOSSAR, MNSSAR, NHSSAR, RISSAR, UTSSAR along with the 3 states that have no website)
- **Does the state society website have its Bylaws available to the public? 30 Do** have a publicly accessible state Bylaws listing, one does not open on the website, and **20** have **NO** publically accessible Bylaws (Alaska, CASSAR, CTSSAR, HISSAR, IDSSAR, ILSSAR, IOSSAR, LASSAR, MNSSAR, NHSSAR, NJSSAR, NYSSAR, NESSAR, NVSSAR, OHSSAR, RISSAR, UTSSAR along with the 3 states that have no website).
- Does the state society website have its Newsletter/Magazine available to the public? 24 Do have a publicly accessible state Newsletter/Magazine listing, 12 have limited access to limited state newsletter(s), one state's does not open and has annoying pop-ups, and 14 have NO publically accessible Newsletter/Magazine (Alaska, IDSSAR, IOSSAR, LASSAR, MESSAR, MDSSAR, NHSSAR, NJSSAR, NVSSAR, UTSSAR along with the 3 states that have no website).
- **Does the state society website have its other documents available to the public?** <u>8</u> **Do** have a publicly accessible state documents listing (FLSSAR, KSSSAR, NCSSAR, NMSSAR, ORSSAR, PASSAR, TNSSAR, VASSAR), 6 have limited access to limited state Document(s), **37** have **NO** publically accessible documents.
- Does the state society website have a Members Only site? <u>18</u> Do have a Members Only site, 33 have NO Members Only site.

# **Statutory Committee Reports**

# Audit

Chairman: Roy Martin, Jr. martin398@aol.com

Nothing to report

# Executive

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To Be presented at session.

# Finance

Chairman: Hall Riediger <u>allriedi42@bellsouth.net</u>

# Revenue, Expense and Budget Report

December 31, 2012	Report	April 15,2013		
	Income/Expe	ense	Income/Expense	
Income Accounts	Actual 2012	Actual 2013	<u>2012 Budget</u>	<u>2013 Budget</u>
101 Dues Income	\$73,255.00	\$73,390.00	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00
103 OTF Distribution	2,623.94	2,890.55	2,600.00	2,600.00
106 Registrar Receipts	8,350.00	1,960.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
109 Secretary Receipts	2,929.00	4,115.00	200	3,700.00
112 Hospitality Income	291.71	71	0	475
115 Other Income	3,130.00	0.00	0	0
201 Pepco Stock	432	216	432	432
205 Interest Income	0	0	0	0
301 BOM Receipts	14,209.11	2,559.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
303 50/50 Income	216	38	240	375
306 Donations Received	2,340.53	150.00	0	0
320 Last Naval Battle Medal Income	100	0	0	0
F4F2	284.95	0	0	0

Total Income	108,162.24	85,426.55	101,472.00	105,582,00
Expense Accounts	Actual 2012	Actual 2013	2012 Budget	2013 Budget
401 Presidents Expense	3,439.43	1,375.65	2,400.00	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	391.41	1,000.00	1,500.00
412 Treasurer's Expense	89.51	115.8	250	250
415 Registrar's Expense	344.57	156.87	600	600
418 Recording Secretary's Expense	0	0	100	50
421 Editor's Expense	0	0	600	250
424 Chaplain's Expense	0	0	150	125
427 Webmaster's Expense	407.9	0	600	500
430 Other Officer's Expense	193.04	0	300	150
440 Archive and Records Expense	4,800.00	2,400.00	4,800.00	4,800.00
450 BOM Expense	12,542.92	3,151.43	15,000.00	15,000.00
455 Web 1&1 Internet Expenses	335.88	38.97	0	150
460 FLSSAR Flatalk	54	0	0	160
462 BOM Reimbursement	0	0	0	0
464 BOM Hospitality Reimbursement	749.36	306.33	0	0
466 Technology Committee	139.99	0	247	300
470 In-house Printing Expense	0	54.57	0	447
501 Knight Essay Committee	875	850	0	1,000.00
503 American History Teachers Comm.	500	0	0	500
506 Eagle Scout Committee	1,893.75	875.99	2,000.00	2,000.00
509 JROTC Committee	2,540.00	0.00	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	1,790.00	2,500.00	3,500.00
524 Education Committee	0.00	0	500	500
527 Americanism Poster contest	600	0	400	600
533 FSCAR Collection Payments	560	0	0	0
536 FSCAR Annual Donation	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
539 History Fair Committee	0	0	100	100
601 Center for Advanc. Ams. Heritage	2,500.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
606 NSSAR Constitution & Bylaws	0	0	0	0
609 NSSAR Library	0	0	0	0
612 Battle of Pensacola	1,500.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
615 Last Naval Battle	1,656.39	728.32	2,000.00	2,000.00
621 Sons of Liberty Brigade	190	0	200	200
624 Support the Troops	1,572.30	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
701 National Dues	43,915.00	45,415.00	45,000.00	45,000.00
703 Dues Refund	745	0	500	500
705 Reinstatement Dues	255	270	0	0
706 Credentials	4.79	0	0	0

George Washington Trust Fund	1,000.00	0.00	0	0
1003 Postage and Delivery	136.46	0	75	10,000.00
1001 Florida Patriot Expense	7,910.09	1,822.78	10,000.00	10,000.00
939 D&O Insurance Expense	0	0	800	400
936 Miscellaneous Expenses	4,238.85	894.33	500	500
933 Bank Charges & Expenses	374.81	672.36	100	100
927 Other Committee Expense	251.5	251.5	500	500
918 Procedures Manuel	0	0	0	0
909 Genealogy Committee	0	0	0	0
906 Audit Committee	0	0	0	0
903 New Chapter Develop. Comm.	0	56.67	700	500
901 Executive Committee	0	0	0	0
815 Habitat for Humanity Committee	0	0	0	100
812 Publicity Committee	475	0	500	500
809 Newsletters and Periodicals	500	0	500	500
806 Patriot Medal Committee	77.38	177.25	200	200
803 Medals and Awards Committee	587.7	474	600	600
801 Chapter Challenge	50.13		0	0
712 National Officers Development	0	0	0	0

# **Medals and Awards**

Chairman: Ted Duay tedduay@yahoo.com

A request by the Caloosa Chapter to present a Silver Good Citizenship medal was approved. A previously approved Martha Washington Medal was presented to Rachel Moody on March 13, 2013. A number of silver Roger Sherman medals were approved for presentation to various compatriots at the May 2013 Board of Management/Annual Meeting. The Roger Sherman Medal is a recently approved NSSAR medal that was championed by several compatriots of the Florida Society.

# Nominating

Chairman: Ray Wess rn060873@cs.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 were announced to the membership et al in attendance at the 11 January 2013 Board of Management Meeting, Kissimmee, 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".

PRESIDENT	THEODORE MATTHEW DUAY III
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	CHARLES THOMAS SWEENEY
SECRETARY	STEVEN ALLEN WILLIAMS
TREAURER	HERMANN HALLRIEDIGER
MEMBER – AT – LARGE	LAWRENCE GENE FEHRENBAKER
VICE PRESIDENT NW	ROBERT ROYAL CANAVELLO
VICE PRESIDENT NC	EARLE SCOTT BUSHNELL
VICE PRESIDENT NE	OSCAR PATTERSON
VICE PRESIDENT EC	JEFFERY LEE SIZEMORE

VICE PRESIDENT WC	
VICE PRESIDENT SE	DOUGLAS HARMON BRIDGES
VICE PRESIDENT SW	VICTOR GEORGE McMurry
RECORDING SECRETARY	RAYMOND FRANCIS WESS
CHANCELLOR	CARL K. HOFFMANN
REGISTRAR	RAYMOND CLYDE LANTZ
CHAPLAIN	ROY ABBOTT MARTIN JR.
GENEALOGIST	
HISTORIAN	RALPH DANIEL NELSON
FLORIDA PATRIOT EDITOR	JEFFERY LEE SIZEMORE
SERGEANT – AT – ARMS	JOE HERMAND HILL
WEBMASTER	EARLE SCOTT BUSHNELL
NATIONAL TRUSTEE	STEVEN ALLEN WILLIAMS
ALTERNATE TRUSTEE	LAWRENCE GENE FEHRENBAKER
VICE PRESIDENT GENERAL	
SOUTH ATLANTIC DISTRICT	RANDY DWIGHT MOODY

# **Patriot Medal**

Chairman: Frank Hodalski

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Our committee mourns the loss of Patriot Edward "Bud" Casey, who served a number of years on the Patriot Medal Committee. Patriot Phil Carr was appointed by President Tarpley to join Patriots John Cahoon, Ron Hamilton, Frank Hodalski, and Carl Hoffman in the selection of the 2013 Class.

The 2013 Class of three Patriots will be honored as part of the Annual Meeting on Saturday Evening, 04 May 2013. This year there were eight nominees for the award, all of whom have made significant contributions to their chapter, community, and to the Florida Society, and there are five worthy nominees for the 2014 awards.

# **NSSAR** Affairs

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

Chairman: Roland Downing roland.downing@comcast.net

See Your Donation Dollars At Work

Go to http://www.SARFoundation.org and click on the "News Tab." You will then be on the page where you can "read more" and see the videos of construction progress on our new home for the CENTER FOR ADVANCING AMERICA'S HERITAGE.

Have you noticed how classrooms are now rigged with internet access? Some schools are now even requiring each student to have an iPad for use in obtaining content from the web in class. Just think of the potential this gives the SAR to reach students with our teachings on American history and patriotism. Did you know that the Center, when fully implemented, would have an interactive internet site designed to satisfy this great need? Center employees would man the site. Our mission to "perpetuate the institutions of American freedoms" would have the benefit of the latest mass media techniques at its disposal. You would be able to have the latest SAR educational programs in your own homes, chapter meetings and local schools. THE SAR WOULD HAVE ENTERED THE 21ST CENTURY!

The Center will feature a large plaque showing the states that have met the goal for donations. Nine states have already met this goal, but Florida is only half way to making the goal of a \$250 per member average. Now is the time to make your first or additional donations because they will be matched by the generous \$1.5 million grant from Sam and Karen Powell. Success in reaching this goal this year will ensure that when Florida's Lindsey Brock becomes PG in 2014, SAR will be able to celebrate the event in the Center.

We can do this! Just go to the above website and click the DONATE tab. There will be all the information you need. Donations are tax deductible. Florida, as well as you as an individual, get credit. Remember our goal is to reach out to future generations with our teachings on civic responsibility in order to preserve American freedoms.

# **NSSAR Library**

Chairman: Ted Duay tedduay@yahoo.com

Nothing new to report

# **FLSSAR** Affairs

# Archives

Chairman: Steve Williams swilliams16@cfl.rr.com

Nothing new to report

# **Chapter Challenge & Americanism Committee**

Chairman: Nelson Jantzen nelson7772008@hotmail.com

The ribbons are all prepared to present to the winners at this BOM for the year ending 2012. The 2013 form is being worked on to include the Americanism portion.

# **Charter & Bylaws**

Chairman: Ted Duay <u>tedduay@yahoo.com</u>

At the January 2013 Board of Management meeting, we presented to you the proposed changes to the FLSSAR Bylaws. Overall, these changes are fairly minor. The rationale for each of the proposed changes is below:

Article I, Section 4 – Annual Meeting. As the Summer Meeting has been eliminated, it is recommended that the nomination and election of the Nominating Committee be moved from the Summer Meeting to the Annual Meeting.

Article I, Section 5 – Special Meeting. There are two types of special meetings, one called by the president and one called by members of the board of management. As the two types of special meetings were located in two different sections, it is recommended that they be combined in a single section for ease of understanding.

**Article II, Section 3 – Meetings**. It is recommended that Special meetings be moved to Article I, Section 5. **Article II, Section 4 – Ouorum.** Language change is recommended to clean-up existing wording.

Article III, Section 2A(1)(a) – Nominating Committee, Election of Members. Change is recommended to move election of members to Nominating Committee from the Summer Meeting to the Annual Meeting, consistent with recommended change to Article I, Section 4.

Article III, Section 2A(1)(b) – Nominating Committee, Duties. Change is recommended to move the announcement of the Nominating Committee's recommendations for office to at least 60 days prior to the Annual meeting in case the Winter meeting is ever eliminated. Currently, the recommendations of the Nominating Committee are announced at the Winter meeting.

Article III, Section 2B – Qualifications of Nominees. It is recommended that the language "and all NSSAR meetings" be removed, as it is too broad. Please see recommended change to Article IV, Section 1.

Article III, Section 2C – Election. Language change is recommended to clean-up existing wording.

Article III, Section 8 – Vacancies. The addition of the language is recommended to clarify how officer vacancies will be handled.

Article IV, Section 1- President. The language change is recommended to clarify which meetings the President should be encouraged to attend. The President votes at both the Annual Congress and the Annual Meeting of the Council of State Presidents which is held at the Annual Congress. The Annual meeting of the South Atlantic District is the only meeting that is required under its Bylaws to be held.

Article IV, Section 4 – Secretary. These language changes are recommended to allow the Secretary to perform any duties necessary, not just those listed. In addition, the Secretary should be retaining approved SAR Record Copies for his files, not duplicate applications.

Article IV, Section 13 – Editor, Section 14 – Webmaster, Section 15 – Member at Large. This change is recommended to add these positions and the respective duties to the Bylaws.

Article V, Section 1 – Executive Committee. These changes are recommended to allow the Executive Committee to confirm its votes electronically in case of conference calls, and allows the Secretary, in addition to the President, to report to the BOM on issues discussed at the Executive Committee meeting. It is also clarified that the Executive Committee should serve as an advisor to both the President and National Trustee in matters important to the Florida Society at the national level.

Article V, Section 2 – Audit Committee. The change is recommended to allow the committee to do a financial review of the Florida Society as opposed to an audit which would normally be performed by outside CPA's at great cost to the Society.

Article V, Section 6 – Other Committees. Language changes are recommended to clarify types and purposes of committees.

Article VI, Section 7 – Dissolution. This addition is recommended to clarify what happens to the net assets of the Florida Society if it ever dissolves. IRS non-profit requirements state that the net assets must be distributed to a non-profit entity or a governmental entity.

Article VIII, Section 3 – Amendments. This language change is recommended to allow the proposed text of Bylaw amendments to be distributed electronically, saving time, money, and printing costs. Currently, it is required that Bylaw changes have to be published in the Florida Patriot magazine, which can be expensive and take up valuable space in the magazine.

It is recommended that all proposed changes be approved by you. Respectfully submitted, Ted Duay, Chairman

# Genealogy

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Nothing to report.

# **Meeting Arrangements - BOM**

Co-Chairman: Steve Williams <u>swilliams16@cfl.rr.com</u> Co-Chairman: Lindsey Brock <u>mp18pht@gmail.com</u> Co-Chairman: Phil Tarpley

### NO SUMMER BOM ! ! NO SUMMER BOM ! ! NO SUMMER BOM ! ! NO SUMMER BOM ! !

The information on the new venue has been published in the Spring Issue of The Florida Patriot. The dates for the upcoming year are:

FALL 2013 BOM - September 6, 7, 8, 2013. <u>This is a FULL 2 day BOM</u>. WINTER 2014 BOM - January 24 & 25, 2014 SPRING 2014 BOM & ANNUAL MEETING - May 2, 3, 4, 2014 <u>This is a FULL 2 day BOM</u>.

These dates have been selected to avoid conflicting with chapter meeting schedules which are mostly the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of the month. Having 2 full days in September and May will accommodate the need to have training, committee, and other sessions to present those topics requested by our membership.

Go to your chapter membership and encourage them to return to the BOM meetings if they stopped coming or to start coming if they've never attended before. The new venue promises to be an excellent opportunity for our meetings and for our spouses to enjoy while we're busy.

# **Membership Promotion & Retention**

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This committee is responsible for working on the ways and means of **promoting/recruiting** SAR membership and in retaining the members that we have. Both of these goals have their own unique, and at times, difficult issues to overcome. In getting new members we cannot use a single approach to the recruitment - one size does not fit all circumstances. One additional item for the recruitment effort is that the committee has discussed using Florida Society and chapter brochures as handouts at any functions or activities in which the state society and chapters are involved. We have a state brochure (available as handout at this BOM meeting) for the chapter representatives to make copies and use during your chapter's recruitment. A similar template can be developed for the chapters to tailor fit and utilize at the local chapter events.

**Retention (and Renewal)** of membership is probably the most difficult and frustrating endeavour that our Florida Society and its chapter encounter on a yearly basis. Historically, Florida loses via Drops and Resignations about 200 members each year. The committee has a suitable Exit Survey developed, we hope that the BOM can help devise a strategy for using the Exit Survey by either the chapter for their exiting members or by the state committee in contacting the leaving members for e response to the survey. By reaching out in this manner, we may show the disinterested former member that we are interested in them as members and are looking at improving our mutual relationship. A possible consequence of this is that the member will renew his membership. It then is incumbent on our collective part to engage this member and keep his interest and involvement on a high level.

Shown below are the responses received from the exit Interview mailed via USPS or by -email. As you can see, some stated that they missed paying their dues or hadn't been contacted, some apparently applied just for the cache of documenting a Patriot Ancestor and have no desire to be further involved with the SAR, some have moved and apparently feel that they should no longer be a member of Florida SAR and their original chapter. A peculiar response is that there

should be only National membership at a minimal dues structure (\$15). Another feels that our state dues only go toward paying for trips.

What these responses tell us is that in the recruitment and application process, the prospective member must be made aware of the <u>other</u> things that are involved with an SAR membership and that to expect that the SAR is only about genealogy is counterproductive for an engaged chapter member - and we do want and need engaged members.

# Total sent = 187

% Returned= 13.37%

Q #1 Were Chapter	Q #2 What		
meetings an issue? -	expectations of the	Q #3 Do you consider the	
please explain	SAR were not met?	dues unreasonable	Q #4 What would you suggest and are there other reasons?
See #4	Sec #4	See #4	Quite simply, I live in New York and have no intention of moving or visiting Florida. Consequently it is illogical for me to be a member of the chapter. I became a member of the chapter at the time I submitted my SAR application as there wasn't and isn't a chapter in this area of New York. My SAR application was done solely as a byproduct of working on my daughter's DAR application and at the insistence of a SAR member that I should submit mine. Now that my ancestor has been documented, I have no further desire to remain a member of the Florida chapter.
See #4	See #4	See #4	I certainly was tardy in paying the dues, but I did mail the check on 21 Feb and it cleared my bank on 28 Feb.
See #4	See #4	Sec #4	I want to pay my dues and rejoin the chapter. I had misplaced the check that I intended to send in when my dues were up for renew last year. I have not been able to go to the last several meetings because I recently moved to South Tampa, and have had other obligations. I hope to begin going again in the future. Please let me know how to reinstate my membership.
No, I live out of state and do not attend meetings.	None	No	As with most other men's service societies, the younger generation does not see the benefits of participating. It does not carry the social standing it did 30 years ago.
I haven't been able to track these (i.e., when the meetings occur). It would help if new members were assigned a sponsor or "sea daddy" to help us get integrated into the chapter. Glad to discuss this with you.	Not an issue	Only an issue in that I have no income.	I currently have no income. I intend to re-engage when my income is reestablished
	I really don't know what my		
Chapter meetings were like nap time in the Senior's Home and the location never varied.	expectations were, but I did not feel the comradeship or camaraderie that I thought should be present.	Yes, I believe the dues are too high for people on a retiree's pay.	I would suggest that annual notice be provided, of dues outstanding, to give the members the opportunity to opt in or out of the organization. I did not receive one.
While chapter meetings could get dry at times, in general they were enjoyable. My most enjoyable times were in the conversations I had with other members at the meetings and regionals. The meetings certainly did beg for more participation. The raffles that my wife and I introduced seemed at the time to be popular.	deliverables from the SAR were in no way deficient. My expectations were fully met.	The dues are reasonable.	My reasons for withdrawal from the SAR are not a reflection of my attitude towards the organization. Were I to remain in Florida I would continue to participate. I must leave the state for health reasons. I would offer suggestions for improvement if I could think of one. I wish you and your organization the best of success.
No	None	I don't know the dues	None
no, didn't attend	N/A	Yes, very much so.	looking thru the magazine it appeared the dues were/are being used to pay for others to go on trips.
They moved too far away and purposely made them much longer than was necessary	I had advocated education and sharing info with the public about the Am Rev. The chapter supported me in past years. One year I led a Battle of Pensacola event that attracted 3000 people. After this successful event, two vocal members said that the SAR is only about monuments and wreath laying. While this is important, it is equally important to educate the public about the Rev and its participants.	no	Every chapter is going to have its personalities. In the future, I suggest tracking both memberships and activities. Chapters that are fully engaged most likely have a healthy active membership. Those that are failing need to be reformed with new officers.
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No	None	No - at present time I need to conserve	Provide a means for temporary inactive membership
Left blank - nothing written	Left blank - nothing written	Left blank - nothing written	I did NOT non-renew. I paid my dues in a timely manner. I suspect sloppy administration of collection records.
	Left blank - nothing written	Left blank - nothing written	Message concerning reinstating with chapter.
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Left blank - nothing written Not really. I live in Michigan however.	No	Yes - Too high. Sole reason for dropping	Maybe cut back on publications to lower dues. Too high \$
Not really. I live in Michigan	No Left blank - nothing written	e	Maybe cut back on publications to lower dues. Too high \$

No. I don't go	None	In a down economy, its just too much. My heritage foundation and NRA memberships are fighting for my future which are important now.	A cheaper membership, no magazine, National membership only, not state and national. No need for both. \$15 range for National card and e-mail newsletter.
Left blank - nothing written	Left blank - nothing written	Left blank - nothing written	Yes, I am a college student and culd not afford the dues.
Left blank - nothing written	Left blank - nothing written	Left blank - nothing written	My wife and I are in our 90's now; and do not drive very far, so doesn't make sense for me to attend, as it is 50 miles each way
no	None	no	I had moved from one state to Indiana and my address was not updated even though I emailed SAR. Send me a bill.
Left blank - nothing written	Left blank - nothing written	Left blank - nothing written	Thank you for contacting me. Please have the chapter in Colorado Springs make contact with me at my new home.
Left blank - nothing written	Left blank - nothing written	Left blank - nothing written	None of the above - We moved from Florida to Austin, TX November 2012
Yes - I live in California	This is an outstanding organization. I hope to continue in California's South Coast Chapter	по	N/A
Left blank - nothing written	Left blank - nothing written	Left blank - nothing written	Did renew my membership. Also I transferred from Naples Chapter to Lake City. The transfer apparently took some time and it appears was mistaken for a failer (sic) to renew in Naples.

# **New Chapter Development**

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The committee is presently had two inquiries about starting a new chapter in the Florida Society. One at present is moving forward by inquiring and recruiting new members to join their chapter that will be formally charter sometime in the near future. They have been working to find members willing to serve on the various chapter committees; as well as, willing to serve as a chapter officer.

The next organization meeting for this chapter inquiry will be held at the Sand Piper Grille at 1702 South Pebble Beach, Sun City Center, FL 33572. This meeting will be on June 8, 2013 at 11:30 AM. If you have friends that live in the Sun City Center area that you could direct to them, they would most appreciate you sending them some potential new members.

# **Newsletters and Periodicals**

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This year the committee monitored the state website and reminded chapters to make sure that their newsletters were up to date and accessible from the State Website. The committee members evaluated 18 different chapter newsletters based on the evaluation criteria that were announced in past BOM Proceedings.

The Fowler Newsletter Awards Contest is a monetary award that will be presented on Saturday at the banquet in which there will be six winners announced. The prizes will be from 1st to 6th place. The chapters in consideration for placement are Brevard Chapter, Central Florida Chapter, Naples Chapter, Saramana Chapter, St. Lucie River Chapter, and the Withlacoochee chapter. Congratulations to all FLSSAR chapters for their hard work to promote their chapter to their membership through a monthly chapter newsletter.

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

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The goals of the Committee, as instructed by the FLSSAR Executive Committee, were: To bring our FLSSAR Official Handbook up to date, to make our documents easier to read and understand by consolidating multiple job descriptions into one, to clarify the duties of the officers by adding electronic methods of data storage and communication that reflect the way the duties are completed in real life, to spell out how and when By-Laws, Standing Rules, and Procedures can be changed, to eliminate having information on the same topic in more than one place, to eliminate information with wording out of the NSSAR Handbook that could change and make our handbook incorrect and to make the majority of our Official Handbook easier to change than just annually.

At the January 11, 2013 Winter BOM, we presented our new "Standing Rules and Procedures Manual". It was adopted with changes. The major changes were to how a new Standing Rule or Procedure could be added and how an existing Standing Rule or Procedure could be amended. Since the January BOM, the committee has reviewed the Standing Rules as posted on the Members ONLY website. There was so much discussion, amendments proposed and approved, that we needed to review and make recommendations.

Below is our recommendation and reasoning on changing these procedures.

#### Standing Rules and Procedures Manual, as Approved January 12, 2013

This is a very complex issue we want to change. It involves amending a standing rule or procedure and adding a new standing rule or procedure.

<u>Our FLSSAR By-Laws</u>, Article VIII – Miscellaneous, Section 4 – Rules of Order, state: At all meetings of the FLSSAR, the BOM, or any committee of either, any questions not covered by the Articles of Incorporation or by these bylaws, and which pertain to organization, procedure, or conduct of such meeting, shall be resolved by reference to the then-current edition of Robert's Rules of Order. Therefore our By-Laws and Standing Rules may be different from Roberts Rules of Order if spelled out in the documents. The question in this case is: Do we want to be different from Roberts Rules of Order for our Standing Rules and Procedures?

# Copied from "ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, NEWLY REVISED, 11<sup>TH</sup> EDITION"

### Page 18 Standing Rules

*Standing rules*, as understood in this book except in the case of conventions, are rules (1) which are related to the details of the administration of a society rather than to parliamentary procedure, and (2) which can be adopted or changed upon the same conditions as any ordinary act of the society. An example of such a rule might be one setting the hour at which meetings are to begin, or one relating to the maintenance of a guest register. Standing rules generally are not adopted at the time a society is organized, but individually if and when the need arises. Like special rules of order, standing rules may be printed under a separate heading in the booklet containing the bylaws, and in such a case, any enacting words such as *"Resolved, That"* should be dropped. A standing rule can be adopted by a majority vote without previous notice, provided that it does not conflict with or amend any existing rule or act of the society. <u>(For the vote required for rescinding or amending such a rule, see p. 306, ll 24-31.)</u> A standing rule remains in effect until rescinded or amended, but if it has its application only within the context of a meeting, it can be suspended at any particular session (although not for future sessions) by a majority vote. Rules that have any application outside a meeting context, however, cannot be suspended.

# Page 306 Line 24 thru 31

7. In an assembly, except when applied to a constitution, by-laws, or special rules of order, require (a) a two-thirds vote, (b) a majority vote when notice of intent to make the motion, stating the complete substance of the proposed change, has been given at the previous meeting within a quarterly time interval or in the call of the present meeting, or (c) a vote of a majority of the entire membership - any one of which will suffice.

#### To recap it states -- To create a NEW Standing Rule:

A standing rule can be adopted by a majority vote without previous notice, provided that it does not conflict with or amend any existing rule or act of the society.

**Question:** As our Standing Rules and Procedures Manual currently states, there is no requirement that the Standing Rules and Procedures Review Committee is to review all proposed new Standing Rules. How is the BOM supposed to know if ANY proposed new Standing Rule, presented without previous notice, does NOT conflict with or amend any existing rule or act of the society? **OR** As the current Standing Rule documents are stated, does the BOM want to be concerned if a new Standing Rule does conflicts with or amends an existing rule or act of the society?

# It states in Roberts Rules of Order -- To rescind or amend an EXISTING Standing Rule

require (a) a two-thirds vote, (b) a majority vote when notice of intent to make the motion, stating the complete substance of the proposed change, has been given at the previous meeting within a quarterly time interval or in the call of the present meeting, or (c) a vote of a majority of the entire membership - any one of which will suffice.

Question: As our Standing Rules and Procedures Manual currently states, there is no requirement that the Standing Rules and Procedures Review Committee is to review all proposed amendments to rescind or amend an existing Standing Rules. How is the BOM supposed to know if ANY proposed amendment or rescission of a Standing Rule, presented without previous notice, does NOT conflict with or amend any existing rule or act of the society? <u>OR</u> As the current Standing Rule documents are stated, does the BOM want to be concerned if an existing Standing Rule is amended or rescinded does it conflict with an existing rule or act of the society?

We also need to remember that when a motion to add a rule that conflicts with the bylaws is first made, it should be ruled out of order. See RONR p 111 Item 1).

And, any such motion that is adopted is null and void. See RONR (11th ed.), p. 343, ll. 14 - 17.

So why does FLSSAR want to amend or adopt a new rule or procedure without proper review by Committee first? Our Current Standing Rules and Procedure Manual States:

#### [from page 1]

2. The Standing Rules are the next highest level of documentation of FLSSAR operations. The Standing Rules are generally established to facilitate the conduct of FLSSAR business, and to describe duties and responsibilities of officers and committees. The Standing Rules may be suspended or amended as follows:

a) The Standing Rules may be suspended for the duration of the current meeting by a simple majority of members voting at a regular, annual, or special Board of Management meeting.

b) The Standing Rules may be amended by a simple majority of members voting at a regular, annual, or special Board of Management meeting.

Item "b)" above is NOT in agreement with Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition, page 306, lines 24 thru 31, which states:

7. In an assembly, except when applied to a constitution, by-laws, or special rules of order, require (a) a twothirds vote, (b) a majority vote when notice of intent to make the motion, stating the complete substance of the proposed change, has been given at the previous meeting within a quarterly time interval or in the call of the present meeting, or (c) a vote of a majority of the entire membership - any one of which will suffice.

For further clarification I went on the Roberts Rules of Order Web Site where I found the following in their Discussion Forum, from Tim Wynn, Professional Registered Parliamentarian What kind of a vote is needed to change a standing rule and must notification be given? Amending or rescinding a standing rule requires any of the following: 1) previous notice and a

majority vote; 2) two-thirds vote without notice; or 3) a vote of a majority of the ENTIRE membership. Therefore notice is only needed for a simple majority vote, which is what FLSSAR currently states, but no mention is made for requiring previous notice.

See RONR (11th ed.), p. 18. BUT that leaves unanswered the requirement, also on page 18, that the amended Standing Rule does NOT conflict with or amend any other existing rule or act of the society.

# [from page 2]

New Standing Rules may be added or existing Standing Rules amended by a simple majority of the members present and voting at a Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting of the FLSSAR.

#### Also [from page 2]

New Procedures may be added or existing Procedures amended by a simple majority of the members present and voting at a Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting of the FLSSAR.

With those changes now voted on and approved, we would like to make the following <u>recommendations</u> to change these same sections of our Standing Rules and Procedures Manual so that they follow "ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, NEWLY REVISED, 11<sup>TH</sup> EDITION". <u>Please remember that our Florida Society By-Laws indicate that we should</u> be following Roberts Rules of Order, the current edition.

### Under "Section 2 b" above:

**Delete:** "The Standing Rules may be amended by a majority of members voting at a regular, annual, or special Board of Management meeting."

#### Insert:

An existing Standing Rule may be rescinded or amended by a simple majority of members voting at a regular, annual, or special Board of Management meeting, provided the proper notice to rescind or amend the Standing Rule as listed below under "Creating, Revising, and Deleting Standing Rules and Procedures" has been followed.

#### Under "Creating, Revising, and Deleting Standing Rules and Procedures" above:

**Delete:** "New <u>Standing Rules</u> may be added or existing Standing Rules amended by a majority of the members present and voting at a Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting of the FLSSAR.

#### Insert:

New <u>Standing Rules</u> may be added by a simple majority of the members present and voting at a Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting of the FLSSAR, provided that it does not conflict with or amend any existing rule or act of the society and provided the proper notice to add a new Standing Rule has been followed.

Existing <u>Standing Rules</u> may be rescinded or amended by a simple majority of members voting at a regular, annual, or special Board of Management meeting, provided the proper notice to rescind or amend the Standing Rule has been followed.

A standing rule remains in effect until rescinded or amended, but if it has its application only within the context of a meeting, it can be suspended at any particular session (although not for future sessions) by a simple majority vote. Rules that have any application outside a meeting context, however, cannot be suspended.

New <u>Standing Rules</u> may be added or existing Standing Rules rescinded or amended by a simple majority of the members present and voting at a Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting of the FLSSAR, subject to the following:

a. The text of any proposed new or amended Standing Rule shall be submitted to the Standing Rules and Procedures Committee at least sixty (60) days prior to the next Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting. The Standing Rules and Procedures Committee shall report its recommendation(s) to the Executive Committee prior to the next Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting and shall make its recommendation(s) at the next Regular, Annual, or Special meeting. Robert's Rules of Order states that "A standing rule can be adopted by a majority vote without previous notice, provided that it does not conflict with or amend any existing rule or act of the society." In order to ensure that any new or amended Standing Rule does not conflict with or amend any existing rule or act, the Standing Rules and Procedures Committee needs sufficient time to review any proposed new or amended Standing Rule and to report our recommendations to the Executive Committee.

- b. The text of the proposed new or amended Standing Rule must be provided to the members of the Board of Management at least thirty (30) days prior to the next Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting. The members of the BOM may be notified by U.S. Postal Service mail or by electronic mail at least thirty (30) days prior to the next Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting. The required thirty (30) day notice period shall be computed from the date of the postmark or date of electronic mail. Official notice to the members of the BOM may be published in THE FLORIDA PATRIOT, provided THE FLORIDA PATRIOT is placed in the U.S. Postal Service mail no less than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the next Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting.
- c. The text of the proposed new or amended Standing Rule may be modified by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting without giving previous notice. Provided however that such modification(s) do not increase the scope or purpose of the new or amended Standing Rule or introduce additional changes beyond, those changes for which previous notice was given.

**Delete:** New <u>Procedures</u> may be added or existing Procedures amended by a majority of the members present and voting at a Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting of the FLSSAR. **Insert:** 

New <u>Procedures</u> may be added or existing Procedures amended by a majority of the members present and voting at a Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting of the FLSSAR, subject to the following:

- a. The text of any proposed new or amended Procedure shall be submitted to the Standing Rules and Procedures Committee at least sixty (60) days prior to the next Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting. The Standing Rules and Procedures Committee shall report its recommendation(s) to the Executive Committee prior to the next Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting and shall make its recommendation(s) at the next Regular, Annual, or Special meeting.
- b. The text of the proposed new or amended Procedure must be provided to the members of the Board of Management at least thirty (30) days prior to the next Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting. The members of the BOM may be notified by U.S. Postal Service mail or by electronic mail at least thirty (30) days prior to the next Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting. The required thirty (30) day notice period shall be computed from the date of the postmark or date of electronic mail. Official notice to the members of the BOM may be published in THE FLORIDA PATRIOT, provided THE FLORIDA PATRIOT is placed in the U.S. Postal Service mail no less than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the next Regular, Annual, or Special Meeting.
- c. The text of the proposed new or amended Procedure may be modified by a majority of the members present and voting without giving previous notice. Provided however that such modification(s) do not increase the scope or purpose of the new or amended Procedure or introduce additional changes beyond, those changes for which previous notice was given.

# **Technology Advisory Committee**

Chairman: Scott Bushnell sbushnell@USNA64.org

Nothing new to report

# FLATalk Administrator:

As explained many times, FLATalk is to be used to impart communications *from the state leadership* and for members to address SAR related topics. With close to 1100 members with e-mail addresses, using such a system for **quickly and efficiently** passing on information is vital. An individual's email account will typically allow only 95-100 recipients on a single message and no more than 900 recipients in a single day before cutting off the account. As you can see, sending a message to 1100 members will take days to accomplish. Whereas using a distribution list has <u>no</u> such limitation and can be accomplished with a single message.

The recent unfortunate experience we all had was from a single mistake from a compatriot and compounded by list members not following directions for replying. The effect was a snowball turning into an avalanche which frustrated members and caused many to hastily drop from the list. One complaint forwarded several times was the mistaken opinion that any recipient of a message can 'see' all members of the distribution list. The following is the reply from the vendor:

" The list server definitely does not transmit in any way the email addresses of all list members. The list server makes individual connections to each recipient's email server and does not use BCC or CC to send emails."

Therefore, there is no way that anyone can 'hack' the e-mail addresses of other list members and send SPAM e-mails from the 'hacked' address. Likewise, there was a statement that the list had been hacked and caused a single individual's e-

mail to send a SPAM message to a relative. As described above by the vendor the hack did not occur. Any time e-mail accounts are compromised, multitudes of 'SPAM' e-mails are sent, not just a single message.

Until this March event, there were 7 e-mails message sent to the distribution list from the January 25/26 dates to the March 14 date.

# Florida Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade

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This report highlights several key points in the administration and management of the Sons of Liberty Brigade. First, it reviews our mission. Next, it reviews qualifications for the Bronze Color Guard Medal. Third, it provides a list of FLSSAR Guardsmen who previously been awarded the Bronze Color Guard Medal. Fourth, it lists those Compatriots who have completed two years of service to the Sons of Liberty Brigade. Fifth, it lists those Compatriots who are eligible to receive the Bronze Color Guard Medal at the May 2013 BOM/Annual Meeting. And finally it presents the Camp Reports.

Our Mission. The Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade Color Guardsmen can perform at Patriotic, Historic and Honorary events, which honor our Revolutionary War Ancestors. Such events include National Society SAR Celebrations; Grave Markings; Florida Society SAR Board of Management Meetings; Annual FLSSAR Meetings and Banquets; Memorial Day Ceremonies; Parades honoring American Veterans; DAR Requests; Joint DAR/SAR Events; Revolutionary War Battle Site Ceremonies; and other events as deemed appropriate by the Color Guard Commander and the Florida Society SAR President.

Qualifications for Color Guard Medals. FLSSAR Color Guardsmen use the "event system" to qualify for the Bronze and Silver Color Guard Medals. This method requires members to participate in 50% of all chapter Color Guard and State events over a three year time period. The three years need not be consecutive; but three full years of total participation is required. (3) To facilitate the recording and reporting of a color guard member's participation for an endorsement toward the awarding of the NSSAR Bronze and Silver Color Guard Medals, Compatriot Vic McMurry created Sons of the American Revolution Society/Chapter Color Guard Reporting Form. To view and use this form online, go www.flssar.org. Beneath "Welcome to Florida Society," click "FLSSAR Documents." Under "Form Name," slide down to Color Guard Nomination form (PDF) and then across to "Form." Click there to reveal the reporting form.

FLSSAR Guardsmen Previously Award the Bronze CG Medal						
Name	<u>Chapter</u>	Name	<u>Chapter</u>	Name	<u>Chapter</u>	
1. Clarence Barrett	Saramana	2. Douglas Bridges	Miami	<ol><li>Brock Lindsey</li></ol>	Jacksonville	
4. Don Cahill	Naples	5. Dick Cardell	Jacksonville	6. Harold Crapo	Saramana	
7. Charles Day	Withlacoochee	8. Ben Dubose	Brevard	9. Dick Friberg	Miami	
10. Frank Hodalski	Saramana	11. Dan Hooper	Clearwater	12. Nelson Jantzen	Clearwater	
13. Lonnie Jones	Aaron Snowden	14. Mark Kilgore	Clearwater	15. Ray Lantz	Pensacola	
16. George Lockhart	Jacksonville	17. John McCulloug	h Naples	18. Hal Miller	Saramana	
19. Randy Moody	Caloosa	20. Norman Myers	Central FL	21. Harley Nelson	Withlacoochee	
22. George Pratt	Clearwater	23. David Ramseur	Jacksonville	24. Hall Riediger	St. Lucie River	
25. Charles Riegle	Saramana	26. Richard Sumner	Withlacoochee	27. Phil Tarpley	Saramana	
28. Ron Toops	Lake Sumter	29. Grant Wallin	Clearwater	30. Steve Williams	Brevard	
31. Jay Wise	St. Lucie River	32. Philip Wright	Brevard	33. Ed Young	Pensacola	
34. David Kitchen	Clearwater					

#### Compatriots who have Completed Two Years of Service to the Sons of Liberty Brigade

1. Robert Donnahoo 2. Larry Fehrenbaker 3. Richard Hagerman 4. Larry Hurley 5. Price Legg 6. Roy Martin 7. Ron Ryan 8. Bill Shuris 9. Jack Townsend

# Compatriots Eligible to Receive the Bronze Color Guard Medal at the May 2013 BOM/Annual Meeting

1. Vernon "Ted" Hornback 2. Victor McMurry 3. Roy Richardson 4. Charles Sweeney

### Sons of Liberty Brigade Camp Reports

# **Camp Reporting**

1. George Washington Camp #1, Jacksonville, with Camp Commander Dick Cardell reporting. Compatriot Cardell participated in the Winter BOM Color Guard. There will probably be three guardsmen from Jacksonville in the color guard at the May meeting. On 8 April 2013, Compatriots David Bahn, Dick Cardell, Dennis Carpenter, Chuck Farmer, Tyler Potterfield and David Ramseur were guests at a Jacksonville Country Day School Presentation. Five members of the Marshes of Glynn Chapter of the Georgia Society re-enacted John Adams, King George III, Patrick Henry, Paul Revere and George Washington. On 13 April 2013 at St. Augustine, Guardsman Dick Cardell and new compatriot Dennis Carpenter attended a dedication of a plaque at the grave of Francisco Sanchez which was sponsored by the St Augustine and Gainesville chapters.

On 20 April 2013 at St Simons Island, Georgia, Guardsmen Dick Cardell, Chuck Farmer, Wayne Peters and David Ramseur participated in a parade and program with members of the Georgia Society and the Marshes of Glynn Chapter of the GASSAR. Compatriots Farmer and Ramseur presented wreaths. Chuck Farmer participated in the firing of muskets and rifles.

2. Francis Marion Camp #2, Ocala. No report submitted (NRS).

3. Cape Canaveral Camp #3, Brevard. NRS.

**4. Samuel Adams Camp #4, Clearwater**, with Camp Commander Nelson Weeks Jantzen reporting. 1/11 – Clearwater chapter compatriots presented colors at the BOM. 2/21 - Color Guard presented the colors at the Caladesi Chapter ,DAR genealogy society meeting. 3/9 – Dan Hooper attended the Last Naval Battle affair in uniform at Cape Canaveral, Fl.

3/21 – Compatriots attended in uniform the West Central Fl. Council Recognition & Eagle Scout affair. 4/19 – Nelson W. Jantzen in uniform presented a certificate & bronze medal to a JROTC cadet at the Mitchell H.S. awards ceremony.

**5.** Yorktown Camp #5, St. Lucie River. Yorktown Camp #5 Color Guard Report-Spring 2013 BOM--- Jay Wise Commander. Dec 11, 2012 was the first meeting with the Port St Lucie Parks and Recreation Dept. by members of our Chapter and the Color Guard to apply for permission to build, place, and dedicate a memorial monument to the American Revolution at the Port St Lucie Veteran's Memorial Park. An application for the monument had been submitted Nov. 26, 2012 to the United Veterans of St Lucie County and their approval was unanimous. The application was submitted to the Port St Lucie Parks Dept. on Dec. 11, 2013. Due to the illness of the Asst. Port St Lucie Parks Director, the application for approval by the Parks Dept. was delayed till Feb. 14, 2013. They immediately approved our plan and proposal for the American Revolution Memorial monument. Site selection for the monument at the Memorial Park was approved by the Parks Dept. on March 14, 2013 and the completed monument was placed and secured to the foundation on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013. It will be dedicated to the City Parks Dept. at the Memorial Day ceremony on May 27, 2013. Total cost was \$2,460.00 all raised by donations from members, friends and less than \$500.00 in Chapter funds.

Several members attended the winter BOM Jan. 11 and 12 and joined the Color Guard at the meeting. Our first JROTC medal and certificate award was made Jan. 18, 2013 at the Fort Pierce High School. Our Chapter joined the United Veterans of St Lucie County last year and Chapter members attended the monthly meeting Jan.28 where the progress of our monument to the American Revolution was discussed. March 25 was the regular meeting of United Veterans of St Lucie County and attended by our Chapter representative. Proclamations declaring April 19 as Patriots Day by the city of Fort Pierce and St Lucie County were received by Color Guard members on April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. JROTC Bronze Color Guard medals and certificates were awarded by Chapter members at each Unit's Award Program. April 3 award at Port St Lucie High School, April 9 award at Fort Pierce Westwood, April 20 award at Okeechobee High School, and April 24 award at Jensen Beach High School. April 29 Chapter Color Guard members attended the monthly meeting of the United Veterans of St Lucie County. On May 1, JROTC Bronze medals and certificates were awarded at the South Fork High School and on May 2 awarded at Martin County High School

6. Marquis de Lafayette Camp #6, Gainesville: NRS.

7. Nathan Hale Camp #7, Pensacola. NRS.

**8. Nathaniel Green Camp #8, Saramana**, with Camp Commander Chuck Barrett reporting. On Jan 11th, the following Guardsman participated in the winter BOM flag presentation: Chuck Barrett, Frank Hodalski, Ted Hornback, Vic McMurry and Chuck Sweeney. On Jan 18th, Guardsman Chuck Barrett, Dick Mahaffey and Chuck Sweeney posted the Colors for the monthly Chapter meeting. On Feb 14th, Guardsman Chuck Barrett, Harold Crapo and Chuck Sweeney presented the Colors at the Manatee County Fair Poster Awards ceremony. On Feb 18th, the following Guardsmen were present and participated in the dedication of a Liberty Tree in Palmetto, FL: Chuck Barrett, Harold Crapo, John Fitzpatrick, Dick Mahaffey, Vic McMurry and Chuck Sweeney. On Feb 23rd, Camp #8 posted the Colors at the Joint meeting of the DAR & SAR George Washington Celebration with Guardsman: Chuck Barrett, Ted Hornback, Dick Mahaffey and Chuck Sweeney participating. On Mar 15th, Guardsman Chuck Barrett, Dick Mahaffey and Chuck Sweeney posted the colors at the Sarasota National Cemetery with Guardsman Chuck Barrett, Dick Mahaffey, Vic McMurry, Chuck Sweeney, and Guardsman Bob Castle as Chaplain. On Apr 12th, Guardsman Chuck Barrett, Dick Mahaffey, Ted Hornback and Chuck Sweeney posted the Colors at the monthly Chapter meeting as well making a formal escort entrance for our attending FSSAR President, Phillip Tarpley.

**9. Thomas Paine Camp #9, Miami**, with FLSSAR Regional VP/Miami Chapter President Doug Bridges reporting. On February 9th members of the Thomas Paine Color Guard presented colors for the 61st Anniversary of the John McDonald DAR Chapter's Luncheon. Greetings were brought by Compatriot Douglas H. Bridges, Sr., President, Miami Chapter SAR. On February 23rd two members of the Miami Chapter SAR, Thomas Paine Color Guard, presented an American flag, flag staff and mounting bracket to ten (10) 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.

- 10. Daniel Morgan Camp #10, Central Florida. NRS.
- 11. Thomas Jefferson Camp #11, Withlacoochee. NRS.

#### 12. General Thomas Sumter Camp #12, Lake Sumter. NRS.

**13. Bernardo de Galvez Camp #13, Naples**, with Camp Commander Don Cahill reporting. The Regular Chapter meeting for Jan., Feb., March and April were started off by our Color Guard consisted of guardsmen, President Larry Fehrenbaker, Phil Ballou, Ron Benson, Don Cahill, Jay Jewett, John McCullough and Chuck Sweeney. We were requested to be the color guard for a special Big Cypress Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution meeting Febuary 15, 2013 meeting at the Country Club of Naples with the State DAR Regent as speaker. Our usual color guard was in full attendance starting and closing the meeting.

# 14. Hillsborough River Camp #14, Tampa: NRS.

**15. General Lighthorse Harry Lee Camp #15, Caloosa**, with Camp Commander/NSSAR Chaplain General Rev Randy D. Moody reporting. The General Lighthorse Harry Lee Camp, Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade Color Guard participated in the Battle of Iwo Jima Commemoration of the 68th anniversary of the flag raising on Mount Suribachi during WWII in Cape Coral, Florida on Saturday, February 23. The ceremony was held at one of only three statues made by Felix DeWeldon depicting the scene in the Joe Rosenthal photograph of five Marines and a Navy corpsman raising the American Flag. Over a dozen survivors of the Iwo Jima battle attended the ceremony and were introduced to a very appreciative crowd. Caloosa member Fr. Allen Brown provided the invocation and benediction for the event. Guardsmen participating were Randy Moody, Philip Moody, Earl Kennedy, and Earl Kennedy II. Guardsmen Philip Moody and Randy Moody marched with the Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade under the command of NSSAR Color Guard Commander J. Michael Tomme on Saturday, March 9, 2013 for the 230th Anniversary of the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution at Merritt Island, FL. The Camp also participated in a Massing of the Colors for the Pioneer Club of Lee County Annual Meeting at the Lee County Civic Center on April 27.

# Liaisons

# FLSSAR C.A.R. Liaison Committee

Chairman: Charles W. Riegle criegle@verizon.net Committee Members: Lindsey Brock, Lindsey Cook Brock III.

Aides, Pages, Mentoring and Official Liaison:

No scheduled meetings were held. Email was used to discuss the future organization and operation of this committee.

Chapter reports:

1) Chichi-Okobee Society (Sarasota) cannot provide us with any Pages for this Annual Meeting, as they have done for the past few years, due to conflicting school schedules and college commitments.

Since our last meeting, the children performed a costumed skit for the 20 or so interested attendees at the Sara deSoto DAR Headquarters in Sarasota. The skit related to the beginnings of the Whitaker family in Sarasota in the early 1800s, and their relationships with the local Indians. The society is very involved in supporting our disabled Veterans and gives national support to this cause. They also appeared in costume at a recent Oceola DAR Chapter luncheon to describe their activities and promote this charity.

2) We have received an invitation from the Princess Hirrihigua Chapter DAR to make a presentation concerning the C.A.R. Colleen Pauley Perry of the Boca Ciega Chapter DAR, our C.A.R. registrar, will be attending their meeting.

Colleen reports she has already received expressions of strong interest for at least two new C.A.R. candidates at the Princess Hirrihigua chapter, and quite likely more will be candidates soon. It appears our SAR/DAR revitalization plan for the C.A.R. is already producing very positive results.

In summary, our C.A.R. membership roster currently is six, with three in active process, two highly interested, and two more from Mr. Beckwith as soon as he is approved at National, probably within the next month or so. So by fall, we expect to be at about 13 approved members, which is more than a 100% increase.

If we assume there are 500 SAR and DAR members in the Pinellas area, and only 10% of the members participate by enrolling only one of their eligible family members, we could reasonably have a potential for 50 members in our James McMullen C.A.R. Society within the next two years.

I would also note that C.A.R. sponsorship is a line item on the Chapter Challenge Report, with a minimum of 20 points, up to 60 points.

Best regards, Charles R. Butler, St. Petersburg Chapter

3) Committeeman Lindsey C. Brock, who is the Senior President of the F.S.C.A.R. attended the N.S.C.A.R. and F.S.C.A.R. state annual meetings during this reporting period. The F.S.C.A.R. met for its Annual Meeting at the Ramada Inn Kissimmee March 22-24th. Lindsey sought volunteers to serve as Pages for our May Annual Meeting.

# **DAR Liaison**

Co-Chairman: Randy Moody	sarrevdoc@comcast.net
Co-Chairman: Ralph Nelson	depatriot@aol.com

On behalf of FLSSAR President Phillip Tarpley, I presented FSSDAR SAR Liaison Rachel Moody the SAR Martha Washington Medal at her Barefoot Beach Chapter meeting on March 9, 2013. Presenting the medal at the DAR Chapter meeting created a lot of interest among their members and netted two referrals of prospective SAR members. I encourage you to consider presenting the SAR Medal of Appreciation or SAR Martha Washington Medal to qualified DAR Members at their meetings, then ask for referrals!

Many thanks to Co-Chairman Ralph Nelson for coordinating the FLSSAR presence and recruiting at the FSSDAR Conference in March.

Randy D. Moody, Co-Chair

#### Ladies Auxiliary Liaison

Chairman: David Ramseur<u>ramseur@surfbest.net</u>

The Ladies Auxiliary is again looking forward to presenting awards to the top three FLSSAR youth winners in each of the scholarship contests from the Florida chapters at this annual meeting. Please remind your wives to bring their baskets and other items to support our youth winners as well as our troops that are in harms way. Also, please remind our ladies that the LAFLSSAR annual dues that begin in September are still only \$5.00. Finally, I want to thank all the ladies for their SAR support in the various patriotic events for this past year and for the coming year also.

# **Historic Sites**

#### **Commemorative Historic Sites**

Chairman: Hall Riediger <u>allriedi42@bellsouth.net</u>

There has been no further information concerning the Cow's Ford site in Jacksonville, there is no other activity this quarter.

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

Chairman: David Matthews redfshr@cox.net

The date is set for the Battle of Pensacola commemoration on May 11th at Ft. George. The ceremony will commence at 10:30. Speaker is still unknown. Will present the colors, lay wreaths and give a musket salute. Event is on last day of a weeklong celebration of Gen. Galvez. May 8th will see a delegation from Gen. Galvez' home town in Spain participating in remembrances. There will also be commemoration activities at Ft. George on that day.

No movement on the memorial. We have just submitted for two grants in an effort to fund the placement of the Minuteman in Pensacola Veteran's Memorial Park.

#### Last Naval Battle

Chairman: Ben DuBose

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No report submitted

#### Liberty Tree (Standing)

Chairman: Harold Crapo

The dedication of the Liberty Tree in Sutton Park, City of Palmetto was held on President's Day, February 18, 2013. Saramana Chapter Charles Sweeney and Palmetto Mayor Shirley Bryant headed the ceremony. The Mayor and City Commissioners selected a mature tree located in the newly dedicated Veterans Park. Compatriot Jim Alderman, new member and Chairman of the Saramana Liberty Tree Committee, made all of the arrangements for the dedication. Jim had the granite stone engraved; he solicited the assistance of Boy Scout Troop 72 from Palmetto to install the engraved granite stone at the base of the tree, the SAR Color Guard from Saramana, members of the DAR and CAR. Speakers and presenters at the SAR Liberty Tree dedication were Dee Kermode of the Osceola DAR, SAR Member Harold Crapo, Jr., Palmetto Mayor Shirley Groover Bryant, SAR President Charles Sweeney, Christiana Petty of the Chi-Chi Okobee Chapter of the Children of the American Revolution and Marilyn Whatley of the Osceola DAR Chapter. In addition, members of the City Commission and residents were in attendance with a total gathering of 46 people. This is the fourth Liberty Tree dedication by the Saramana Chapter in the Sarasota and Manatee County area. Our goal is to dedicate a Liberty Tree in each City and Town within Sarasota and Manatee Counties, in locations designated by members of the local government.

# **Youth Programs**

#### **Americanism Elementary Poster Contest**

Chairman: David Ramseur<u>ramseur@surfbest.net</u>

The Americanism Elementary Poster Contest is a great youth venue for stimulating Revolutionary War time's interest in the 3rd -5th grade students. On Saturday May 4th please bring your winning chapter poster by 10:30 AM to Salon 2 for judging for the FLSSAR winners. The winning FLSSAR chapter poster will be entered in the National Contest in July at Congress in Kansas City. This year's theme is the "Declaration of Independence". At the Spring Leadership meeting the Americanism Committee voted to schedule the Poster Theme's based on the location of the next four congresses. The themes for the next four years are as listed below. Hopefully, as I discussed at the meeting this will give the teachers an opportunity to plan and educate our youth for participation in the future poster contests.

Poster Theme	
Francis Marion (Swamp Fox)	example: Crossing the Pee Dee River
George Rogers Clark	
Boston Massacre	
Over the Mountain Men.	
	Francis Marion (Swamp Fox) George Rogers Clark Boston Massacre

#### **Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee**

Chairman: Charlie Day <u>dmdaycday@aol.com</u>

David Ramseur, Donald B. Cahill, Ron Toops, Charles Sweeney, Michael Flood and Allen Hegener have faithfully served as the Eagle Scout Scholarship and Recognition Committee for this past year. I thank them for their years of help and service to SAR Scouting. I also want to recognize those Chapters that submitted applicants to the 2012 FLSSAR Eagle Scout Scholarship program. They were St. Petersburg, Withlacoochee, Naples, Jacksonville, Saramana, Brevard, St. Augustine, Lake-Sumter, Ft. Lauderdale, and Clear Water Chapter.

#### **Our Winners**

Nathan P. Lovestrand from the Withlacoochee Chapter was first runner-up and was presented with a Florida Society Check in the amount of \$500.00. Andrew case from Clearwater was judged to be the second runner-up and was presented a Florida Society Check for \$250.00. Lovestrand and Case also received checks in the amounts of \$200.00 and \$100.00 dollars respectively from our FLSSAR Ladies Auxiliary. Thank You to the Ladies Auxiliary.

David Hager from the Jacksonville Chapter, is our 2012 FLSSAR Eagle Scholarship winner. He is a member of Troop 522, Chartered to Ortega United Methodist Church in Jacksonville, Florida.

He has earned all, 129 merit badges including, American Heritage, Genealogy, and Law. In the summer of 2009, he traveled to the NOAC (National Order of the Arrow Conference) at the University of Indiana and then completed the Order of the Arrow, National Leadership seminar as Chapter Vice-Chief of Program in Covington Georgia. He was selected for the OA Philmont Trail Crew in 2011. He has participated as a Special Needs Cuboree Staff Member. He has earned his God and County Medal, is active in his church youth programs and has participated in a number of missionary type activities both here in the USA and a number of foreign countries as well.

David is a member of the National Society of High School Scholars, was nominated by faculty as one of twenty Seniors for the coveted "Stanton Senior Leadership Class". He was also chosen Captain: Stanton Varsity Football and Varsity Lacrosse teams and Captain: Stanton Junior Varsity Baseball and Basketball teams.

David enjoys outdoor sports which includes many winter and water sports. He has travelled extensively, in USA, Canada, Mexico, Caribbean, Peru, Ecuador, Europe and India.

You can meet this exceptional young American Patriot at the May BOM Youth Luncheon where he will receive his First Place Florida Society check in the amount of \$1,000.0 and a desktop Eagle trophy.

David has also won First Place at National (NSSAR) which includes \$8,000. and a great trip to the National Congress in Kansas City, Missouri. This is certainly a great win for David and our Florida Society as well. CONGRATULATIONS DAVID!

My sincere thanks to all who help keep our FLSSAR Scouting program going and growing.

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

Chairman: John Stewart	1965UVA@gmail.com

We had a successful turnout for our contest this year. We had 41 entries with both public and prep schools participating. There were 7 chapter winners declared, and from them the Committee selected the following State winners: First place John G. Farese St. Petersburg

First place Second Place Third Place St. Petersburg Withlacoochie Palm Beach

Their awards have been delivered by their Chapter Chairmen. Thanks to the Yarnell brothers for their guidance and work on our Committee.

Nathan P. Lovestrand

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#### **Good Citizenship**

Chair: Dr.Oscar Patterson III opatters@comcast.net

Good Citizenship certificates were created for presentation to 5th and 6th grade students in our public school systems. For 2012-2013 to date, four (4) Chapters have requested certificates: Clearwater, Ft. Lauderdale, St. Augustine and Withlacoochee..

The presentation of Good Citizenship certificates recognizes the positive traits we hope to instill in our young people while it garners much needed recognition for our organization. It also generates positive opinions of the SAR among school personnel, parents, students and the public. I encourage every chapter in Florida to participate in this program—at no cost to the chapter other than the time required to present the certificates.

Chapter presidents, please establish contact with your local school systems and through them the principals of your elementary and middle schools. Invite them to participate in this program by nominating one student from each 5th and 6th grade class within the system to receive the certificate and by allowing a member of the Chapter to make the presentation.

All chapters participating in the Good Citizenship program should send any and all publicity obtained to include photographs to the committee chairman.

Please send me your requests for certificates via email or "snail" mail. I will ship them to you at no cost to your chapter.

#### **History Fairs**

Chairman: Frank Hodalski fhodalski@msn.com

The 2012-2013 Florida History Fair will take place May 5-7 in Tallahassee. The Tallahassee Chapter will once again send a representative to present the FLSSAR Colonial American Heritage Award. Thanks to Past President Don Wilham, and our representative, Compatriot John Folsom, whose Granddaughter will once again be competing for an award. The National History Day event will be held in Annapolis MD June 9 – 13. Our Florida winners will participate in

this event.

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

Chairman: Randy Moody <u>sarrevdoc@comcast.net</u>

Travel arrangements and hotel reservations are made for the FLSSAR Rumbaugh Oration Contest Winner, Braden Causey, and her chaperone so she can compete in the NSSAR Contest at Congress in Kansas City on July 7.

Thanks to compatriots Richard Cardell, Roy Martin, Albert Myers, Lee Matson, David Ramseur, and David Kelsey for the outstanding work assisting with the FLSSAR contest at the Winter BOM.

It has been a pleasure to serve as the FLSSAR Rumbaugh Oration Contest Chairman the past few years, but I will be unable to attend the Winter BOM in 2014 which is the traditional date of the contest due to South Atlantic District responsibilities.

Randy D. Moody, Chairman

#### ROTC

Chairman: Charles Sweeney <u>chuck\_sweeney@msn.com</u> (Note underscore between first and last name.)

This report picks up where the Winter BOM Report left off; namely, it covers the results of the Enhanced JROTC Program that this committee monitors and coordinates. All Regional Vice Presidents and Chapter Presidents are invited to take notice of the details provided in this report.

As of midnight on the 15th of April the deadline for accepting recommendations for the Enhanced JROTC Program came and went. The winner and the student who will be honored during the SAR Youth Awards Luncheon at our Annual Meeting in Kissimmee and whose package has been submitted into National Competition is Cadet Shannon Hunihan.

The runner up was Cadet Jenna Jones of the Air Force JROTC Unit at Eustis High School in Eustis, Florida. Cadet Jenna Jones and Cadet Shannon Hunihan were almost identical in their accomplishments. Both have excelled in their respective JROTC programs; both have 4.0 GPA's and have taken AP Courses, which give them a weighted GPA above 4.0; and both have good recommendations from their principals and Senior Military Instructors (SMI's).

Some unique facts about the FLSSAR winner Cadet Shannon Hunihan are: (1) she attends Sarasota Military Academy (SMA), which is a Charter Public High School under the auspicious of the Sarasota County School System. (2) She is an AP Student with a weighted 4.6 GPA. (3) On 15 May 2013 Cadet Captain Shannon Hunihan will become Cadet Colonel Shannon Hunihan, as she assumes the title of Regimental Commander of a JROTC Unit that will consist of an estimated number of 1000 Cadets for the 2013-2014 School Year. (4) Cadet Shannon Hunihan is physically fit. She creates a smart and favorable impression both in uniform and in civilian attire.

Many thanks are extended to JROTC Committee Members for their fine work and attention to detail. Many thanks are extended to Ron Toops for finding and putting forth a great package in support of Jenna Jones, the FLSSAR 2nd Place Winner. And many thanks to Chapter Presidents Ray Wess of the Palm Beach Chapter; Dr. Oscar Patterson of the St. Augustine Chapter; and Dr. Larry Fehrenbaker for their efforts in making this program highly competitive.

# **Community Outreach**

### **American History Teacher Award**

Chairman: Charles Riegle, criegle@gmail.com

The FLSSAR winner of the American History Teacher of the Year, Ms Michelle Hubenschmidt from the Lakeland Chapter, was selected as the NSSAR WINNER for the American History Teacher of the Year Award. This was announced at the Spring Leadership Conference in Louisville.

Ms Hubenschmidt will be our guest at the upcoming BOM dinner on May 3rd, at which time she will tell us of her plans to continue her studies in Early American History during the summer months.

### **Habitat For Humanity**

Chairman: Frank Hodalski fhodalski@msn.com

This has been a good year for the program, as chapters discover the ease of participation, and the welcome received from the Habitat ministry. Sincere thanks for all who are now on board, and the hope that we will continue to grow the collaboration with Habitat for Humanity.

Since there will be no BOM activity for more than five months, the importance of communication of activity to the RVP becomes greater. It would be appreciated if I could be copied on the report at the above email address.

#### **Patriotic Activities**

Chairman: Frank Hodalski fhodalski@msn.com

I received no correspondence this quarter. I believe we are still short of the 50 percent chapter participation needed to qualify for Furlong recognition by NSSAR. Only one award is necessary for chapter compliance. That is not difficult, and costs next to nothing. It is my hope to do better in the future.

#### **Public Service and Heroism**

Chairman: Ray Wess rn060873@cs.com

I have received informational copies of the SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, PUBLIC SERVICE & HEROISM AWARDS form from the following chapters: St. Augustine Naples Clearwater Jacksonville Palm Beach

Saramana

Chapters are reminded to submit the reporting form directly to warrenalter@cox.net this can be easily done by clicking on the button on the bottom of the reporting form. You are no longer required to submit newspaper or other media information other than the reporting form to the above e-mail address. An information copy is to be sent to this committee at rn060873@cs.com. All submissions are to be submitted to the NSSAR by 01 June in order to be published for the NSSAR National Congress. If you are experiencing trouble locating the proper reporting form, please contact me.

### **Publicity**

Chairman: Hall Riediger

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No report submitted

## Support the Troops (ad-hoc)

Chairman: Frank Hodalski fhodalski@msn.com

Your donations at the Winter BOM totaled \$88, and individual donations amounted to \$175, for a total of \$263 to work with. All goods purchased were from two Dollar Tree stores, and included: Hard Candy, Hand Sanitizer, Razors, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Pretzels, Foot Powder, Shaving Gel, and White Crew Sox (we buy these whenever we can get them), for a total of \$153.36. Postage cost was \$148.50; fourteen-fifty per box, for a total of \$301.36. Each of the ten boxes contained hand printed notes of thanks and Easter greetings from little guys and girls from the Nazarene Church in Piqua, OH. We also have an inventory of 22 packs of the White Crew Sox, foot powder, and Shaving Gel etc. on hand for the next round of boxes.

Dr. Bradley Abrams, Abrams Dermatology, of Sarasota, has made substantial donations of SunScreen, Conditioners, Moisturizers, and other skin aids that have been sent to our troops. It is my intention to move that Dr. Abrams receive a suitable certificate recognizing his generosity and patriotism from the Florida Society.

Owing to the change in meeting dates, we may try to do a few boxes before the next meeting, and save the rest for a push during the Thanksgiving and Xmas period.

#### **Veterans Affairs**

Chairman: James Gibson jldvgibson@msn.com

Congratulations to the SAR Chapters in the State of Florida and kudos to the Regional Vice-Chairmen and Chapter Chairmen of the Veterans Affairs Committees. The State of Florida almost made it into second place in the National USS Stark Memorial Award contest. The National Chairman reported that if we had had even two more Chapters participating in the contest we would have beaten Georgia and would have been ranked second in the Nation!

At the State/Chapter level, Withlacoochee Chapter came in first in total points earned. At the National level, Withlacoochee Chapter and Saramana Chapter were both ranked third in the National Contest based upon chapter size. It was noted by the National Chairman that there appears to have been a drop in VA volunteer hours reported versus previous years - which probably reflects under-reporting rather than a drop in activity.

The contest is decided based upon total points earned in the entire state, divided by the total state membership. The 2013 contest is approaching the half-way mark. We are doing better! Keep up the good work. Many, many thanks on behalf of the veterans for your contributions of both gifts and time. Beat Georgia!

### **Veterans Recognition**

Charles Sweeney.<u>chuck\_sweeney@msn.com</u> (Note underscore between first and last name.)

This report has two parts. Part I has a portrait orientation and covers the information submitted at the Spring NSSAR Leadership Conference/Trustees Meeting; it then provides an updated list of Compatriots who comprise the FLSSAR Veterans Battalion. Part II has a landscape orientation. It updates the remembrance list of FLSSAR World War II veterans that was established on 11 November 2013, by moving those who passed on to a memorial page.

All Regional Vice Presidents and Chapter Presidents are invited to take notice of the details provided herein.

I. Report Submitted at the Spring NSSAR Leadership Conference/Trustees Meeting (March 1-3)						
Committee Name:	Veterans Recognition Committee (VRC)					
Committee Chairman:	Colonel Charles (Chuck) T. Sweeney, USMC (Ret.)					
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Phone Numbers:	(H) 941-706-2007 (M) 239-877-6597					

**Committee Members**. Bill Kabel, Brooks Lyles, Charlie Brown, Chuck Sweeney, Dan McMurray, George Smith, Jim Arnold, Ken Roach, Kent Webber, Martin Klotzbach, Paul Prescott, Robert Wylie, Vic McMurry, and Walt Seaton.

**Mission Statement**. Provide recognition to NSSAR Veterans, through the processing and the awarding of NSSAR Certificates of Patriotism. Ensure the work of the VRC not only has a legacy dimension but that it is visionary; meaning, the VRC must be administratively sound, so that when the present President General (or a future President General) wishes to expand the Veterans Corps to include veterans of other wars and/or armed conflicts, he will be able to do so with ease.

Authority. Pursuant to Special and Other Committees (Bylaw 20), President General Leishman announced the creation of the VRC at the Fall Leadership Conference/Trustee Meeting, September 27-29, 2012. He directed that the World War II Veterans Corps Program be placed under the purview of the VRC, and that the VRC implement the establishment of a Korean Service Veterans Corps. His decision was visionary, since it was consistent with United States Senate Resolution 602 that followed November 27, 2012. On that date, the Senate approved a bipartisan resolution formally recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Korean War and designating 2012-2013 as the "Year of the Korean War Veteran."

#### Significant Accomplishments

1. Since its inception in 2010, the NSSAR World War II Veterans Corps has grown under the Chairman of Dan McMurray (MOSSAR) to 739 members. Each World War II Veterans Corps member has been issued a Certificate of Patriotism for his service to country.

2. With the able assistance of IT Chairman William M. Marrs and Vice Chairman Ian Towler, a VRC webpage exists at http://www.sar.org/node/1771. In addition to information about the VRC, the webpage has three important links at the bottom. The first leads to the VRC Charter, which grounds the committee to the mission statement as stated above. The second two links give access to Adobe Acrobat XI Pro PDG files, which are fillable, savable and email able for Compatriots wishing to become members of the NSSAR World War II Veterans Corps and/or the NSSAR Korean Service Veterans Corps. VRC member Vic McMurry developed the architecture for the Korean Service Veterans Corps Survey form.

3. As of February 5, 2013, the VRC has processed 26 Compatriots into the Korean Service Veterans Corps. Each is honored for his service to country with a Certificate of Patriotism signed by President General Leishman.

Governing Policy. In accomplishing its mission, the VRC holds these understandings as core beliefs:

1. The Compatriots who updated the NSSAR Handbook recently did an exceptional job, especially as it relates to the awarding of the War Service Medal or the Military Service Medal.

2. The decision as to what aforementioned medal a veteran receives is a function of proof and certification that resides at the chapter and state levels.

3. The VRC is not a policeman in the decision process that is clearly vested in the Chapter President or his designee. But when questions are asked for interpretation or justification of the War Service Medal over the Military Service Medal, the VRC must be ready to provide creditable recommendations based upon research as found in law, legislation, Armed Services documents, and/or common sense.

4. A standalone National Defense Medal doesn't meet the spirit or intent consistent for the awarding of the SAR War Service Medal.

#### II. Compatriots who comprise the FLSSAR Veterans Battalion

The Florida Society has 225 Compatriots who are members of the FLSSAR Veterans Battalion. Three members served in two different wars, which makes the following total 222: processed 101 World War II Veterans; 7 Korean War Veterans; 39 Vietnam Veterans; 63 Cold War Veterans; 6 First Gulf War Veterans; 1 First Gulf War Veteran (Out-of-Theater); 1 Quemoy & Matsu; 1 Cuban Missile Crisis Veteran; 2 Iranian Hostage Crisis Veterans; 1 Iraq/Global War on Terrorism Veteran. Chapters with double digit FLSSAR Veterans Battalion members include: (1) Saramana – 26 Veterans; (2) Naples – 24 Veterans; (3) Miami – 19; (4) St. Augustine – 17; (5) Jacksonville – 16; and (6) Brevard -- 10, and Gainesville –10. WSM means the Veteran is authorized to purchase and wear the War Service Medal; MSM means the Veteran is authorized to purchase and wear the Military Service Medal. Nine FLSSAR World War Two Compatriots have passed during 2012. Their last names have an asterisk behind them.

	FLSSAR Veterans Bn for Annual Mgt 2013											
#	NatNum	StateNum	Chapter	War	Medal							
1	158803	8218	Vernie	Dorville	Ashby	Deland	World War II	WSM				
2	2 85519 2298 Silas Kenneth		Kenneth Baker Brevard World W		World War II	WSM						
3	132331	5829	John	Edward	dward Balson Withlacoochee	Withlacoochee	World War II	WSM				
4	142876	7000	Robert	Oliver	Bland	Deland	World War II	WSM				
5	140840	8377	Herbert	J.	Boothroyd	Gainesville	World War II	WSM				
6	133782	6104	Louis	Hartford	Boyd, Sr.	Jacksonville	World War II	WSM				

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	144895	7189	Eugene	L.	Bradley	Saramana	World War II	WSM
	143552	7061	Raymond	L.	Bullard	Jacksonville	World War II	WSM
	113707	7739	Robert	E.	Burt	Miami	World War II	WSM
10		5450	Phillip	Bruce	Carr	St. Lucie River	World War II	WSM
	137454	6468	Jack	Harry	Chaille	Saramana	World War II	WSM
	99259	2272	Frank	Edward	Cockerham	Brevard	World War II	WSM
	76975	938	Jack	Laward	Coleman	Jacksonville	World War II	WSM
	164779	8634	Burton	Robinson	Corbus	Saramana	World War II	WSM
	132221	5799	Charles	Ellis	Cortright	Naples	World War II	WSM
	141050	6821	Frank	Garnett	Cowherd	Ocala	World War II	WSM
	121313	5379	Ralph	Norman	Cramer, Sr.	Naples	World War II	WSM
	149030	7537	George	Robert	Dennis	Ft Lauderdale	World War II	WSM
	145933	7287	John		Dibble, Jr.	Brevard	World War II	WSM
	62786	5357	Richard	Norman	Egbert	Clearwater	World War II	WSM
21	179395	9809	Herbert		Flanders	Saramana	World War II	WSM
22	106006	3094	Richard	Edward	Friberg	Miami	World War II	WSM
	168241	8909	William	Marion	Fuller	Brevard	World War II/Korea	WSM
24	126149	5743	William	Billings	Gemmill	Withlacoochee	World War II	WSM
25	128807	5456	Henry	Clay	Gibson, Jr.	Jacksonville	World War II	WSM
26	158754	8216	Robert	Lucas	Grant	Saramana	World War II	WSM
27			Charles	G.	Green, Jr.	distributed	World War II	WSM
28	122942	4932	Kenneth	Eugene	Harrison	Miami	World War II	WSM
29	172557	9225	James	Aaron	Hazen	Jacksonville	World War II	WSM
	164636	8620	John	Edward	Hennen	Ft Lauderdale	World War II	WSM
	166989	8797	Howard	Edgar	Hensleigh	Jacksonville	World War II	WSM
32	107647	3308	Edward	S	Hoyt	Saramana	World War II	WSM
33	139954	6708	Charles	Creighton	Humphries	Miami	World War II	WSM
34	178670	9727	Richard	Kraft	Kichline	Saramana	World War II	WSM
35	142521	6964	Basil	Leo	Lancaster	Saramana	World War II	WSM
36	134680	6194	Judson	Duley	Lincoln	Withlacoochee	World War II	WSM
37	151618	7757	Robert	Gordon	Marshall	Pensacola	World War II	WSM
38	131318	8041	Paul	Sterling	May	Central Florida	World War II	WSM
39	143272	7027	James	Bowen	May	Jacksonville	World War II	WSM
40	112544	6797	William	Van Deusen	Millman	Saramana	World War II	WSM
41			Horace	Т.	Moody	Pending	World War II	WSM
42	165197	8661	Harley	Benjamin Abijah		Withlacoochee	World War II	WSM
43	145052	7201	Richard	George	Osborn	Withlacoochee	World War II	WSM
44	60808	446	Johnson	Н	Pace, Jr.	Jacksonville	World War II	WSM
45	171190	9112	Carrol	Douglas	Phillips	Caloosa	World War II	WSM
46	137049	6436	Robert	Earl	Pulfrey	Charlotte	World War II	WSM
47	111384	5129	Richard	Henry	Quigley	Saramana	World War II	WSM
	147343	7404	Robert	Allen	Raup	Clearwater	World War II	WSM
49	126557	7543	Luther	Ashby	Reedy	Pensacola	World War II	WSM
50	134253	6146	Charles	William	Rinek	Gainesville	World War II	WSM
51	161690	8414	Frederick	Davis	Rockhill, Jr.	St. Lucie River	World War II	WSM
52	133297	6059	Frank	Augustus	Smith	Brevard	World War II	WSM
	117371	4397	William	Robert	Stevenson	Treasure coast	World War II	WSM
54	97141	6306	John	David	Tinny	St. Augustine	World War II/Korea	WSM
55	152616	7825	William	Holmes	Tomlinson	Jacksonville	World War II	WSM
56	167521	8829	Calvin	Herbert	Whitney	Naples	World War II	WSM
57	133446	6070	Roy	Ollis	Wilham	Tallahassee	World War II	WSM
	137770	6499	Patrick	Murphy	Williams, Jr.	Jacksonville	World War II	WSM
	149446	7562	Jay	Frank	Wise	St. Lucie River	World War II	WSM
	159703	8277	George	J.	Brenick, Jr.	St. Augustine	World War II	WSM

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#		StateNum	FName	MName	LName	Chapter	Washi War	Medal
	Sent to VA		Fred	B	Satterwhite	Dual w/VA	World War II	WSM
	172888	9246	Ralph	W.	Crews	St. Augustine	World War II/Korea	WSM
	172336	9212	Robert	Wilburn	Donnahoo III St. Lucie River		World War II	WSM
	129037	5482	Charles	Holloway	Boardman, III	Brevard	World War II	WSM
	143639	7069	George	Samuel	Darby	Brevard	World War II	WSM
	135409	6254	Douglas	H.	North	St. Lucie River	World War II	WSM
	170487	9056	Clarence	A.	Barrett	Saramana	World War II	WSM
	142130	6921	Philip	E.	Ballou	Naples	World War II	WSM
	149550	7569	Samuel	R.	Tarrant	St. Augustine	World War II	WSM
	177679	9622	Tandy	W.	Carter	Lake City	World War II	WSM
	144190	7128	Richard	H.	Sharps	Ocala	World War II	WSM
	145156	9111	Frank	A.	Hassell	Saramana	World War II	WSM
	136306	6340	John	C.	Manson	Saramana	World War II	WSM
	155699	8029	John	A.	Williams	Saramana	World War II	WSM
	177430	9611	Ivan	H.	Wallace, Jr	Lake City	World War II	WSM
	163476	8551	Gerald	L.	Munn	Saramana	World War II	WSM
	7946	79946	Charles	R.	Earnest	Gainesville	World War II	WSM
	118415	4536	Marvin	E.	McCain	Panama City	World War II	WSM
	62965	4601	Douglas	H.	Humm	Brevard	World War II	WSM
	154870	7989	Edward	H.	Neely, Sr	St. Augustine	World War II	WSM
		6772	Walter	W.	Moore	Flagler	World War II	WSM
82	168631	8932	James	Staub	Gunst	Daytona-Ormond	World War II	WSM
83	179997	9851	Frank	D.	Upchurch	St. Augustine	World War II	WSM
84	119842	4661	Charles	Edward	Doyle	Panama City	World War II	WSM
85	113051	3862	Roland	Guy	Walton, Jr	Caloosa	World War II	WSM
86	177247	9595	Walter	Orion	Sheppard	Caloosa	World War II	WSM
87	148418	9147	William	Harvey	Mellor	Caloosa	World War II	WSM
88	174162	9335	David	Logan	Penrod	Clearwater	World War II	WSM
89	129808	5558	Robert	Bradford	Strayer	Saramana	World War II	WSM
90	170528	9065	Lawrence	Eugene	Hurley	Charlotte	World War II	WAM
91	149303	7549	Ralph	Odell	Ward	Panama City	World War II	WSM
92	174829	9381	Gerald	Erwin	Melter	Brevard	World War II	WSM
93	125548	5210 [CA]	Raymond		Burges	Monterey Bay [CA]	World War II	WSM
94	102056	2569	Robert	Francis	Liebler	Miami	World War ll	WSM
95	164045	8580	David	Calhoun	Miller, Jr.	Miami	World War ll	WSM
96	176038	9490	Larry	Jackson	Calhoun	Palm Beach	World War ll	WSM
97	150197	7624	Manning	DuBose	Miller	St. Petersburg	World War II	WSM
98	139486	6674	Jack	Corbin	Acton	Miami	World War II	MSM
99	148303	7477	Harry	Francis	Hollien	Gainesville	WWII	MSM
100	146163		Edward	Swift	Buckley, IV	Palm Beach	WWII	WSM
101	108826	6275	Perley	H.	Mason, Jr.	Flagler	WWII	WSM
	156504	8078	John	Herschel	Dame	Lakeland	WWII/Korea	WSM
	123242	4967	Kenneth	Marion	Green	Palm Beach	WWII	WSM
	175070	9399	Oscar		Patterson III	St. Augustine	Vietnam	WSM
_	166346	8748	William	A.	Roberts	St. Augustine	Vietnam	WSM
	181360	9930	Daniel	Brian	McLaughlin	Gainesville	1st Gulf War	WSM
	96834	9875	Gregory	Т.	Scotten	Saramana	Vietnam	WSM
	181606	9957	Frederick	Yates	Smith	Saramana	Cold War	MSM
	176524	9523	Oliver	W.	Woodard, Jr.	Highlands	Cold War	MSM
	121066	6166	Robert	Royal	Canavello	Pensacola	Iranian Hostage	WSM
	156011	8054	Melvin	Lonnie	Sellers	Lakeland	Cuban Missile	WSM
		8690	Richard	Edward	Hagerman	Lakeland	Cold War	MSM
		9342	Henry	Darrell	Goss	Jacksonville	Vietnam	WSM
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199	172482	9221	Ronald	Carl	Bryant	Central Florida	Cold War	MSM
200	149794	7584	Arthur	Caleb	Herrington	St. Augustine	Korean War	WSM
201	151916	7775	George	Evans	McCabe, Jr.	St. Augustine	Korean & Vietnam	WSM
202	146895	7368	Sydney	Arnold	Spink	St. Augustine	Korean War	WSM
203	164040	8575	Henry	Bachus	Stewart, Jr.	Jacksonville	Cold War	MSM
204	173202	9270	Raymond	Joseph	Judd	Pensacola	Vietnam	MSM
205	149367	7553	Billie	West	Lowe	Saramana	Cold War	MSM
206	178778	9742	Thomas	Nelson	Gilmore	St. Lucie River	Cold War	MSM
207	146942	10007	Robert	Morton	Haff	Charlotte	World War II	WSM
	178872	9752	Lewis	Terry	Rich	Jacksonville	Cold War	WSM
	175350	9436	Victor	Bernhard	Johnson, Jr.	Panama City	Cold War	MSM
210	158845	8223	Edward	McDowell	Duvall	Panama City	Vietnam	WSM
211	136391	6350	Robert	Howard	Moody	Lake-Sumter	Cold War	MSM
212	177680	9623	Tandy	Warren	Carter, Jr.	Lake City	Gulf War (OT)	MSM
213	159702	8272	Richard	Allen	Baxter	Lake-Sumter	Vietnam	WSM
214	159700	8274		Dellis	Crandall	Lake-Sumter	Korean	WSM
215	73536	8541	Edward	Dyer	Young*	Pensacola	Vietnam	WSM
216	185964	Unknown	John	Michael	Curry	Palm Beach	Cold War	MSM
	145052	7201	Richard	George	Osborn	Withlacoochee	Cold War	MSM
217	123426	4991	Jack	В.	Ridenour, Sr	Clearwater	Cold War	MSM
218	174158	9331	Bobbie	Gene	Overcash	Lakeland	Vietnam	WSM
219	147345	7406	Christopher	James	Reader	Gainesville	Vietnam	WSM
220	181363	9933	Stephe	Sheldon	Atwood II	Central Florida	Cold War	MSM
221	163257	8536	James	Warner	Lohmeyer	FT Lauderdale	Cold War	MSM
222	164451	8611	Ronald	William	Ryan	Brevard	Korean War	WSM
223	143118	7017	Joseph	Mark	Motes	FT Lauderdale	Vietnam	WSM
224	146486	7329	Leslie	Powell	Matheson	Emerald Coast	1st Gulf War	WSM
225	150378	7643	Charles	Theodore	Hough	Emerald Coast	Vietnam	WSM
226	138900	6618	Frederick	Ashby	Rall	Emerald Coast	Vietnam	WSM
227	180652	9883	James	Carr	Weatherbee	Emerald Coast	Vietnam	WSM
228	166733	8770	Martin	Myrl	Burdick	Emerald Coast	Vietnam	WSM
229	132960	6019	John	Esten	Cahoon, Jr.	Emerald Coast	Vietnam	WSM
230	158605	8207	Terry	Reeves	Silvester	Emerald Coast	Vietnam	WSM
231	167467	8817	Frank	Harvard	Dunagan, Sr.	Emerald Coast	Vietnam	WSM
232	169588	9007	Harold	Chris	Hanson	Naples	Vietnam	WSM
233	118620	4561	Jon	Frederic	Lowdermilk	Naples	Vietnam	WSM
234	168625	8926	Benjamin	Gaufman	Martin	Naples	Vietnam	WSM
235	182683		Jay	Francis	Jewett	Naples	Vietnam	WSM
236	167667	8865	Charles	Thomas	Sweeney	Naples	Vietnam & 1st GW	WSM
237	140720	6791	James	Madison	McGarity, III	Naples	1st Gulf War	WSM
238	145342	7469	James	Bennett	Applegate, Sr.	Naples	Cold War	MSM
239	161941	8442	Hildreth	Caldwell	Bailey	Naples	Cold War	MSM
240	76391	9068	John	Newman	Dennis	Naples	Cold War	MSM
241	176280	9507	Lawrence	Gene	Fehrenbaker, Sr.	Naples	Cold War	MSM
242	163064	8517	Wallace	Richard	Hazen	Naples	Cold War	MSM
243	179813	9844	Ned	Granger	Kendell	Naples	Cold War	MSM
244	107915	6161	Edward	James	Lopus	Naples	Cold War	MSM
-	115559	4146	John	Logan	McCullough	Naples	Cold War	MSM
246	127586	7629		Edgar	Ransom	Naples	Cold War	MSM
-	138648	8546	Roy	Gerald	Richardson	Naples	Cold War	MSM
	169002	8958	Lester	Kenneth	Staley	Naples	Cold War	MSM
	92239	4561		H.	Van Hoesen	Naples	Cold War	MSM
	180142	9864		Benjamin	Woodruff	Naples	Cold War	MSM
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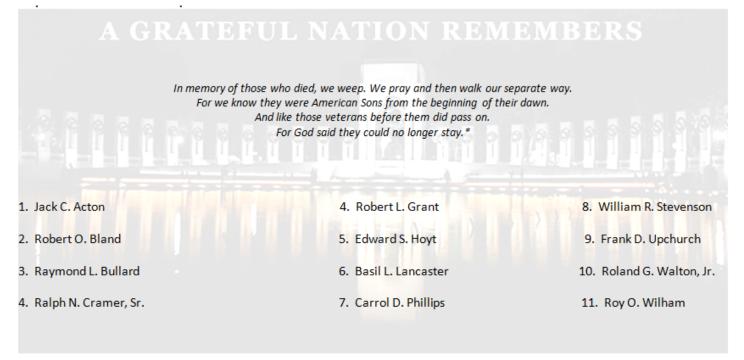
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#	NatNum	StateNum	<b>FName</b> William	MName	LName Battles III	Chapter	War	Medal
	90158	8948		Е.	Battles, III	Saramana	Vietnam	WSM
	178381	9789	William	<b>X</b> 7 4	McPherson	St. Augustine	Vietnam	WSM
254 255		9077	James	Yost	Gaskins	Jacksonville	1st Gulf War	WSM
	159384	8258	Norman	L.	Myers	Central Florida	Cold War	MSM
	139301	6744	Robert	F.	Tanner	Clearwater	Cold War	MSM
	177857	9657	Michael	E.	Flood	Highlands	Cold War	MDM
	179671	9836	William	Robert	Bosley	Lakeland	Cold War	MSM
	12036	4723	Dabney	Carr Terrell	Davis IV	Central Florida	Cold War	MSM
	174152	9325	Dean	Obert	Smith	St. Augustine	Cold War	MSM
	148106	7471	Gerald	Eldridge	Meeks	Palm Beach	Vietnam	WSM
-	157248	8113	David	John	Kelsey, Sr.	Flagler	Vietnam	WSM
	181605	9956	Mark	Partridge	Miner	St. Augustine	Iraq; Global WonT	WSM
	166163	8721	Raymond	Clyde	Lantz	Pensacola	Iranian Hostage	WSM
	159458	8547	Karle	William	Lee	Ft Lauderdale	Cold War	MSM
	164064	8599	Charles	Louis	Day, Jr.	Withlacoochee	Cold War	MSM
	176275	9502	Jimmie	Edward	Barnes	Withlacoochee	Cold War	MSM
	168994	8950	Daniel	W.	Hans	Withlacoochee	Cold War	MSM
	158709	8231	Norman	Lee	Antle	St. Augustine	Cold War	MSM
1	149919	7602	Chave	Stevens	Aspinall	St. Petersburg	Cold War	MSM
271		7324	John	Alfred	Crandall	St. Petersburg	Cold War	MSM
	165228	8684	Hardy	William	Bryan III	St. Petersburg	Vietnam	WSM
	186231	5225	Edward	Deland	Sullivan	Ft. Lauderdale	Cold War	MSM
274	181359	9929	John		Brady	Panama City	Cold War	MSM
275	164067	8602	Richard	Lee	Gilbertson	St. Augustine	Cold War	MSM
276	139353	6655	John	Richard	Bond	Jacksonville	Vietnam	WSM
277	176795	9549	Robert	Charles	Houk	Jacksonville	Cold War	MSM
278	127959	5402	Caleton	L.	Weidemeyer	Clearwater	Cold War	MSM
279	179244	9768	J.	W.	Porter	Palm Beach	Cold War	MSM
280	180140	9862	Raymond	Francis	Wess	Palm Beach	Vietnam	WSM
281	120431	4917	Jim	Rodgers	Armitage	John DeVane	Vietnam	WSM
282	180734	9886	Ronald	Dean	Stark II	Flagler	1st Gulf War	WSM
283	150918	7685	Roger	Winston	Shurtleff, Jr.	Miami	Vietnam	WSM
284	119817	4653	Donald	David	Slesnick II	Miami	Vietnam	WSM
285	161934	8435	Douglas	Harman	Bridges, Sr.	Miami	Vietnam	WSM
286	134059	6129	Donald	Alan	Randolph	Miami	Cold War	MSM
287	123931	5023	Lawrence	Gerald	Percival	Miami	Cold War	MSM
288	124814	5082	Harold	Loyd	Smith	Miami	Cold War	MSM
289	179811	9842	Robert	Willis	Wells, Jr.	Miami	Cold War	MSM
290	176555	9948	Charles	Rhinelander	Leo	Miami	Cold War	MSM
291	133236	6053	Frank	Allen	Lane	Miami	Cold War	MSM
292	177684	9627	Charles	Warner	Griswold	Miami	Cold War	MSM
	180889	9890	John	Charles	Cooper	Miami	Cold War	MSM
	94060	1898	John	M.	Thomson	Miami	Cold War	MSM
295	138899	6617	Victor	George	McMurry	Saramana	Cold War	MSM
	97087	8997	David	W.	Cromer	Gainesville	Quemoy & Matsu	WSM
	181952		Larry	Ernest	Hall	Gainesville	Vietnam	MSM
	168095	8895	Robert	D.	Reeves II	Gainesville	Vietnam	MSM
	159505	8393	Richard	Б. К.	Mahaffey	Saramana	Cold War	MSM
	88621	1609	William	T.	Moore, Jr.	Gainesville	Vietnam	WSM
	162952	8505	William	Story	Creager, Jr.	Flagler	Cold War	MSM
	140383	6761	Frank	Xavier	Hodalski	Saramana	Cold War	MSM
	183447	10062	James	Gordon	Alderman	Saramana	Cold War	MSM
	166346	8748	William	Albert	Roberts	St Augustine	AFEM-K, RVN	WSM
305	185050	10196	Hans	Fritz	Hunt	Palm Beach	AFEM-K, SWA	WSM

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306	181419	9938	Eugene	Richard	Wright	Naples	AFEM-K	WSM			
307	184153	10120	Wilfred	Lewis	Beaton	Highland	Cold War	MSM			
308	115343	4129	John	Т.	Bittner, Jr	Charlotte	WWII/Korea	MSM			
309	182541	10006	George	William	Sparks	Saramana	Korea	MSM			
310	148507	7500	Endwell	Ellerson	Buell	Charlotte	Cold War	MSM			
311	179814	9845	Steven	Edward	Adams	Jacksonville	SWASIA; Kosovo;GWOT	WSM			
312	186231	10271	Douglas	Norman	Twitchell	Palm Beach	Cold War, NDSM 71-75	MSM			
313	185975	10204	Larry	Alan	Dean	Saramana	Cold War	MSM			
314	185675	10233	John	R.	Vetter	Emerald Coast	Vietnam	WSM			
315	179383	9797	John	Leland	Fitzpatrick	Saramana	Cold War	MSM			
316	152614	7823	Edward	Frank	Engelhardt	Saramana	Cold War	WSM			
317	165229	8665	Harold	Burton	Crapo, Jr	Saramana	UN Mission Congo	WSM			

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Remember, you are a veteran of the United States Armed Forces if you have engaged in active duty with the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard; or you were a National Guard or Reserve enlistee who was called to active duty for other than state or training purposes. You are a veteran if you were a cadet or midshipman at one of the service academies. You are a veteran if you served in any one of the aforementioned categories, and then you were released from active duty under a condition other than dishonorable.





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1. Vernie D. Ashby	21. Frank G. Cowherd	41. Howard E. Hensleigh	61. Edward H. Neely, Sr.	81. Ivan H. Wallace, Jr
2. Silas K. Baker	22. Ralph W. Crews	42. Douglas H. Humm	62. Harley B. A. Nelson	82. Ralph O. Ward
3. Philip E. Ballou	23. George S. Darby	43. Charles C. Humphries	63. Douglas H. North	83. Calvin H. Whitney
4. John E. Balson	24. George R. Dennis	44. Lawrence E. Hurley	64. Richard G. Osborn	84. John A. Williams
5. Clarence A. Barrett	25. John Dibble, Jr	45. Richard K. Kichline	65. Johnson H. Pace, Jr	85. Patrick M. Williams, Jr
6. Charles H. Boardman III	26. Robert W. Donnahoo III	46. Robert F. Liebler	66. David L. Penrod	86. Jay F. Wise
7. Herbert J. Boothroyd	27. Charles E. Doyle	47. Judson D. Lincoln	67. Robert E. Pulfrey	87. Harry Francis Hollien
8. Louis H. Boyd, Sr	28. Charles R. Earnest	48. John C. Manson	68. Richard H. Quigley	88. Edward Swift Buckley, IV
9. Eugene L. Bradley	29. Richard N. Egbert	49. Robert G. Marshall	69. Robert A. Raup	89. Perley H. Mason, Jr.
10. George J. Brenick, Jr	30. Herbert Flanders	50. Paul S. May	70. Luther A. Reedy	90. John H. Dame
11. Raymond Burges	31. Richard E. Friberg	51. James B. May	71. Charles W. Rinek	91. John T. Bitter, Jr.
12. Robert E. Burt	32. William M. Fuller	52. Marvin E. McCain	72. Frederick D. Rockhill, Jr	
13. Larry J. Calhoun	33. William B. Gennill	53. William Harvey Mellor	73. Fred B. Satterwhite	
14. Phillip B. Carr	34. Henry C. Gibson, Jr	54. Gerald E. Melter	74. Richard H. Sharps	
15. Tandy W. Carter	35. Charles G. Green, Jr	55. Manning D. Miller	75. Walter O. Sheppard	
16. Jack. H. Chaille	36. Kenneth M. Green	56. David C. Miller, Jr	76. Frank A. Smith	
17. Frank E. Cockerham	37. James S. Gunst	57. William V. Millman	77. Robert B. Strayer	
18. Jack Coleman	38. Kenneth E. Harrison	58. Horace T. Moody	78. Samuel R. Tarrant	
19. Burton R. Corbus	39. Frank A. Hassell	59. Walter W. Moore	79. John D. Tinny	
20. Charles E. Cortright	40. John E. Hennen	60. Gerald L. Munn	80. William H. Tomlinson	

This certificate perpetuates the memory of the 103 FLSSAR Veterans who served during World War II. It was established on 11 November 2012. Since that time, nine of our WWII Veterans have pass on. We will remember them too for as it is etched permanently in granite at the entrance to our nation's World War II Memorial: "...we honor those twentieth century Americans who took up the struggle during the Second World War and made the sacrifices to perpetuate the gift of our forefathers entrusted to us-a nation conceived in liberty and justice.

Theadare Duay, 3rd Theodore Duay, III, President FLSSAR

Charles T. Sweeney Charles T. Sweeney, Adjutant FLSSAR Veterans Battalion

# **Trust Funds**

#### **Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements**

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> With 2012 being such a successful year, it is going to be a challenge to improve upon your Committee's efforts. For this year, we changed our Endowment Trust Fund Grant Application from a Microsoft Word based form to a form used with the FREE Adobe Reader. We did have compatriots that did not own and did not want to purchase Microsoft Word, thus the change.

> The Adobe Reader based form does present some challenges. First, Adobe suggests that you always use the latest version of Adobe Reader. Yes, that may require you to download the latest version from the Adobe web site http://www.adobe.com/, but at least it is FREE.

The second problem we have encountered on the three that have been submitted to date, is that our Compatriots are not used to reading the Adobe "ToolTips". We state on EVERY Adobe form: When you place your mouse over most of the "text" data entry fields below, a feature called a "tooltip" will display as a window/popup to give you additional instructions concerning what should be entered in that field. The ToolTip control helps the form designer provide helpful information to our users. When a user moves the mouse pointer over a graphical component, the ToolTip control pops up and displays text that provides information about the component. We use the ToolTips to guide users as they work with our application.

The main area of concern on our current form is in the "Financial details:" section. We have a box labeled "Less chapter / member contributions." The "ToolTip" message is: "Enter the Chapter and/or Member Contributions to the above listed projects. Please make sure you place a MINUS SIGN before the AMOUNT."

Unfortunately our members are failing to read the "ToolTip", do not use a minus sign, and then I am told the amount for "Total Amount Request" does not calculate correctly.

Hopefully as we get used to these Adobe forms, we will get used to reading the "ToolTips".

Please remember that this Committee's goal is to serve EVERY Chapter in the Florida Society. To that end, we ask that each Chapter read and follow the rules. Items to be considered for reimbursement must be given to non SAR members, and must be given in accordance with the rules as described in the Official SAR Handbook Volume III.

Please contact your Committee Chairman if you have any questions.

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 2012.

### Florida SAR Endowment & Operating Budget Trust Funds

Chairman: Ted Duay, III

tedduay@yahoo.com

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Assets on Hand at Close of Accounting Period Schedule E: Cash and Marketable Securities	Capital Transactions and Adjustments Schedule D: Net Gain or (Loss)	Distributions Schedule C:	Disbursements Schedule B:	Receipts Schedule A:	Starting Balance Assets per Inventory or on Hand at Close of Last Accounting Period		THE FLORIDA SAR ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013
19,602.54	,	,	,	1,197.41	18,405.13	INCOME/ UNITRUST	
262,159.68	I	ı		2,124.00	260,035.68	PRINCIPAL	
281,762.22			r	3,321.41	278,440.81	TOTALS	

Cash		Exchange Traded Funds	SCHEDULE E
Charles Schwab Bank Sweep Wells Fargo Bank Checking Capital One 360 Savings TOTAL CASH TOTAL ASSETS ON HAND	TOTAL EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS	Inds 252 Shares SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average (DIA)   306 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Aerospace & Defense Index Fund (ITA)   440 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU)   360 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Real Estate Index Fund (IYR)   972 Shares iShares MSCI EAFE Index Fund (EFA)   180 Shares iShares Nasdaq Biotechnology Index Fund (IBB)   292 Shares iShares Dow Jones U.S. Technology Sector Index Fund (IYW)   234 Shares iShares Trust S&P 500 Index (IVV)   1,400 Shares SPDR Gold Trust (GLD)   555 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	
135.90 8,557.78 25,596.44 <b>34,290.12</b> 405,255.97	370,965.85	<b>Estimated</b> <b>Current Value</b> 36,620.64 22,870.44 48,901.60 25,012.80 57,328.56 28,787.40 21,406.52 36,822.24 25,942.00 20,853.45 46,420.20	
135.90 8,557.78 25,596.44 <b>34,290.12</b> 281,762.22	247,472.10	<b>Carrying Value</b> 20,417.57 11,936.48 43,329.86 11,696.90 40,252.56 11,865.96 25,043.01 15,692.70 11,830.77 43,484.40	

THE FLORIDA SAR ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013

Starting Balance Assets per Inventory or on Hand at Close of Last Accounting Period	THE FLORIDA SAR OPERATING BUDGET TRUST FUND JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013
2,840.55	INCOME/ UNITRUST
86,2	PRINCI

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Assets on Hand at Close of Accounting Period Schedule E: Cash and Marketable Securities	Capital Transactions and Adjustments Schedule D: Net Gain or (Loss)	Distributions Schedule C:	Disbursements Schedule B:	Receipts Schedule A:	Starting Balance Assets per Inventory or on Hand at Close of Last Accounting Period	
448.77	i	(2,840.55)	ĩ	448.77	2,840.55	UNITRUST
86,245.90	,	ţ	ţ	,	86,245.90	PRINCIPAL
86,694.67	ı	(2,840.55)	ŀ	448.77	89,086.45	TOTALS

		Cash		Mutual Funds		Exchange Traded Funds		SCHEDULE E	
TOTAL ASSETS ON HAND	TOTAL CASH	Charles Schwab Bank Sweep Wells Fargo Bank Checking Capital One 360 Savings	TOTAL MUTUAL FUNDS	6,249.592 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund (TWEIX) 407.53 Shares UMB Scout International Fund (UMBWX)	TOTAL EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS	90 Shares iShares Barclays Intermediate Credit Bond Fund (CIU) 375 Shares PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF) 110 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)		ASSETS ON HAND AT CLOSE OF ACCOUNTING PERIOD	THE FLORIDA SAR OPERATING BUDGET TRUST FUND JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013
96,816.91	3,716.16	36.40 555.08 3,124.68	66,949.00	52,934.04 14,014.96	26,151.75	10,002.60 6,948.75 9,200.40	Estimated Current Value		
86,694.67	3,716.16	36.40 555.08 3,124.68	61,614.06	49,655.35 11,958.71	21,364.45	8,613.35 4,248.35 8,502.75	Carrying Value		