### Quarterly Reports of The Florida Officers and Committee Chairmen



Summer Board of Management Meeting Kissimmee, Florida August 26-27, 2011

### 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 The American Creed Introduction of National Officers Introduction of first time attendees Certification of a quorum Approval of the minutes of the last meeting Reports of National and State Officers State Committee Reports Unfinished business **New business** Closing SAR Recessional Benediction Adjournment

### 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.

### The American Creed

I believe in the United States of America, as a government of the people, by the people, for the people, whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic, a sovereign nation of many sovereign states; a perfect union, one and inseparable; established on those principles of freedom, equality, justice, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes. I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it, to support its constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies.

### 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**

Correction: Correct language in statement for motion on electronic delivery of *The Florida Patriot* from 'failed' to 'passed'.

Correction: On page 18. In the discussion about reimbursement of Saramana Chapter from the endowment fund, the name Saramana is spelled as Saramantha.

### **National and State Officer Reports**

### **National Trustee**

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### **President**

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Since our annual installation meeting in May, I and along with our other State officers know we will have a very exciting and rewarding year. With our 33 chapters and our 1,800 members I know we will accomplish much for our society which would make our founding fathers proud of us. The fruits of our FL Society labor were recognized last month at Congress in Winston Salem with the number of awards we received. We had 15 delegates who attended and made various contributions to our SAR society. In our youth contest our FL Society excelled with our JROTC student winning first place, Americanism Poster Contest 2nd place and our Eagle Scout coming in third place nationally. Our State Rumbaugh Contest winner gave an excellent presentation but did not reach the finals as there was very stiff competition in this scholarship program.

Other awards that our FL Society received are as follows:

- 1.) Certificate for our Participation in the Center for Advancing America's Heritage
- 2.) C.A.R. Activities Award
- 3.) The Graham T. Smallwood, Jr. Award (for the Society with 500 or more members with the best news publication which included a \$250 check for 1st place thanks go to Steven Williams)
- 4.) . The John T. Haughton Award to the Society for sponsoring the winning JROTC cadet.
- 5.) The Eugene T. McGuire Award (For the state society enrolling the largest number of sons, grandsons and nephews of SAR's and DAR's.
- 6.) The Len Young Smith Award (to the state society which enrolled the largest number of new members under 40 years of age.
- 7.) The Admiral William R. Furlong Memorial Award (The state society that fulfilled the qualifications of NSSAR Flag Certificate Presentations)

Regarding my trips to visit our State chapters during my term I have already designated several to attend. Other chapters I am trying to schedule. However, a number of chapters I discovered meet on Saturday's which could create conflicts in scheduling a visit, but please contact me when you would like me to visit your chapter. Between chapter visits I will also be attending National meetings in Louisville, and Southeast Regional meetings like King's Mountain and Cowpens. In June, I attended the 230th Anniversary of the Battle of Ramsour's Mill where I laid a wreath for our Florida Society and Marjorie laid a wreath for the FL Ladies Auxiliary. As a final point, please don't forget to make a pledge this year even if a small one for our Center for Advancing America's Heritage. Some chapters might consider adding an extra line on their 2012 annual dues statement which could easily bring up our annual individual giving over our goal of 40% participation.

### **Senior Vice President**

Chairman: Phil Tarpley mp18pht@verizon.net

I attended the National Congress in Winston-Salem and enjoyed how FLSSAR led the way on many important issues. One was a very important issue regarding election of National Trustees.

The FLSSAR proposal slightly amended in committee was selected and used as the only proposal to settle this issue brought forward by TNSSAR to stop unelected members from becoming members of the Board of Trustees. Thanks to PG Carl K. Hoffmann for his excellent work and research that made his FLSSAR proposal the best.

We won several national awards for our Florida Society, Chapters and individual member's hard work. FLSSAR's membership drive moved us up to 2nd largest chapter in the world behind Virginia. With some more effort in new membership and good effort in member retention in these difficult times will keep us in this position or take the top spot. Falling back is not an option.

New member search has to be on every member's agenda. If I can make contact with over 70 men who when asked if they know their family heritage and convert over 50 to work with me for membership in past 20 months and even more applications in process, you can do it.

Be proud of your heritage and tell others you think may know something about their family history. I have made new members new friends in this effort. Take your old Patriot magazine, staple in your card and leave it at your doctors for men to read. They may call, works for me.

One of my goals this fall is to have all the RVPs gather current contact information Officers and Committee members of each chapter in their assigned region. I do this because I had a rough time dealing with JROTC schools contacting me for information on who to contact in their area to provide medals for cadets. Problem is no knowledge in too many cases who to contact myself to forward information back to the school Instructors. Some chapters have not sent in current officer information to the Secretary for the website since 2010.

Remember, we are one big extended family with two things in common, great American heritage and friendship with like minded men.

### **Northwestern Regional Vice President**

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### **ACTIVITIES THIS PAST PERIOD:**

- Attended all meetings of the Pensacola Chapter and the Chapter Executive Committee serving as Chapter Secretary.
- Served the Florida Society as the Advisor to the Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest Committee, Chairman, Battle of Pensacola Committee and Member, Audit Committee.
- Chairing the Pensacola Chapter planning committee for the Battle of Pensacola Commemoration on May 12, 20112
- Served on the Pensacola Chapter planning committee for the design and construction of the Revolutionary War Veterans' Memorial Monument in the Pensacola Veteran's Memorial Park.
- Master of Ceremonies, Memorial Day Observance, Azalea Trace Retirement Community, Pensacola on May 30, 2011.
- Installed Officers at Aaron Snowden Chapter on June 18, 2011.

### **AARON SNOWDEN CHAPTER: John Gillis, President**

The Chapter continues to meet monthly on the 3rd Saturday at 9:00 A. M. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church Office, 6849 Oak Street, Milton, FL Under the leadership of President France and 2nd V. P. Lonnie Jones approximately 300 NSSAR Good Citizenship Certificates were presented to students at Santa Rosa County Elementary Schools. At the June meeting Chapter officers were inducted for the 2011-2012 term by RVP Young. Four NSSAR ROTC Medals were presented to Outstanding JROTC Cadets at Santa Rosa County High Schools...

### **EMERALD COAST CHAPTER: Les Matheson, President**

The chapter continues to meet monthly on the second Saturday at 8:00 A.M. at The Two Trees Restaurant, Fort Walton Beach Golf Course, Fort Walton Beach, FL The Chapter has organized a Liberty Tree Grove to be planted on the grounds of the new Okaloosa County Court House (when completed). The plan is for the Chapter to start the grove with the planting of our Liberty Tree and invite other organizations to contribute trees to the project. The project was approved by the Count Commissioners in February. The Chapter Eagle Scout award winner attended the Chapter meeting in July and submitted an application for membership. The chapter now has three prospective member applications at NSSAR.

### PANAMA CITY CHAPTER: John Carter, President

The chapter meets regularly on the third Monday of each month at 11:30 A.M. at Po Folks Restaurant on 15th Street and Balboa Avenue in Panama City, FL throughout the year. Visitors are welcome. For further information and information on current activities, please contact John H. Carter at 850-747-9366. The Chapter did not have any further activity during this period.

### PENSACOLA CHAPTER: Robert R. Canavello, President

The chapter meets monthly at 5:00 P.M. on the second Tuesday at Beef O'Brady's, 4469 Mobile Highway, Pensacola, FL. The Chapter continues planning for the installation of the Revolutionary War Veteran's Memorial Monument in the Pensacola Veteran's Park. The minuteman statue for the monument has been ordered and is being poured in California. A grant request has been submitted to Impact 100, a women's group that supports selected local projects. Another grant request is being prepared for submission to the NSSAR George Washington Endowment Trust Fund. The target date for dedication of the monument is July 4, 2012. The Battle of Pensacola Commemoration Ceremony is scheduled to be held at Fort George in downtown Pensacola on May 12, 2012. Nathan Hale Camp #7 Color Guardsmen Lantz, Legg, D. Matthews and Turner Presented the Colors at the Azalea Trace Retirement Community Memorial Day Observance in Pensacola on May 30, 2011. On June 4, 2011, Guardsmen Lantz, Legg and Turner participated in the Battle of Pensacola reenactment in the Pensacola Historic Village which was sponsored by the University of West Florida. At the June meeting, President Canavello inducted Junior Members Nikolass Bowers-Mims, Gary Lee and Roy Lee and Regular Member Keith White. At the August meeting, the Chapter conducted a Memorial Service honoring deceased members Frank Ruckman and Joseph Ford. Chapter Medals and Awards Committee Chairman William Nobles provided 375 NSSAR Good Citizenship Certificates for presentations in Escambia County Elementary Schools.

### TALLAHASSEE CHAPTER: Donald Wilham, President

The Chapter meets quarterly at 6:30 P.M. at the Toreya Grill. The Chapter did not have any activity during this reporting period. The Chapter is planning a meeting on a Sunday in October with both local DAR Chapters and the CAR Society to tour the Mission de San Luis fort in Tallahassee and have a gathering afterwards.

### WILLIAM DUNAWAY CHAPTER: Larry R. Clere, President

The Chapter meets monthly on the 1st Thursday at 7:15 P. M. at Jim's Buffet and Grill, 4329 Lafayette Street, Marianna, FL. The Chapter received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Commanding Officer of the Holmes County JROTC Unit in recognition of the NSSAR Bronze ROTC Medal and Certificate the Chapter had presented to the unit's Outstanding Cadet. President Clere, V. P. Young and Past President F. Dunaway in uniform participated in the grave marking ceremony for Rev. War Soldier John Griffin at the Pea River Cemetery near Brundidge, AL on May 15, 2011 and F. Dunaway laid the Chapter wreath. On June 11, 2011, Clere and Young participated in a monument dedication ceremony for 14 Confederate veterans at Pope Cemetery in Sneads, FL. President Clere presented Compatriot Ed Wood his NSSAR Membership Certificate and Rosette Pin at the July meeting. At the August meeting, President Clere and Secretary Robert Dunaway were presented the "Apple Award" from the Big Springs Society, CAR. Also, President Clere presented Mrs. Mary Anderson the NSSAR Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of her dedication and commitment as a teacher since 1973, teaching children the Pledge of Allegiance and other patriotic and historic activities pertaining to the history of our country.

### **North Central Regional Vice President**

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### Gainesville Chapter, May - July, 2011

Roger L. Cox. President.

The Gainesville SAR Chapter performed in the following activities during the Second Quarter of 2011.

The Chapter held a regular meeting in May and took a summer break June through August.

The chapter participated in three Naturalization Ceremonies handing out Flag Pins to new citizens and participated in two JROTC Award Banquets and Programs along with presentations at three monthly "Flag Breakfast" events, one Masonic/Scottish Rite programs, and one Veterans Day Ceremony. There were a total of 680 in attendance at these events with three appearances in uniform.

During the quarter, the Gainesville Chapter had 4 New Member applications and 3 Supplemental applications approved with 12 awaiting approval. The current roster includes 53 SAR Members, 6 SAR Junior Members, and 5 Associate Members.

### Withlacoochee Chapter

SUMMER 2011 (May, June, July)

President: William G. Teater

The Withlacoochee Chapter ended its SAR Year with an Annual Banquet which included the swearing-in of new Compatriots Ron Irons, Russell Lewandowski, and Duane Finch; followed by the presentation of JROTC Scholarships to Cadets Thomas Harrison (Crystal River H.S., Citrus City) and Mallori Brooks (Central H.S., Hernando Cty); plus, Elementary School Poster Contest winner award to Mikah Kahler, Brooksville Elementary School; and long term highly recognized Compatriot Ron Toops as the Guest Speaker.

Memorial Day Flags for Veterans were placed in the Brooksville, FL Cemetery by Compatriots Richard Sumner, John and Paul Pardee.

Flag Day was coupled with the DAR and expanded to include 2 Citrus County Libraries (Ridge Library, Beverly Hills and Homosassa Library, Homosassa) with displays, information tables, membership welcomes, and the presenting of Vane Scott's PBS Documentary "Many Faces of Old Glory" during the Homosassa Library's celebration.

### Northeastern Regional Vice President

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### **Daytona-Ormond Chapter**

At the beginning of calendar year 2011, the chapter had 60 members. Two are now deceased, 12 are out-of-state members, one is active duty military and two are youth members. The chapter currently has four applications pending and two supplemental applications pending.

In May 2011, the Chapter instituted a color guard which was first demonstrated at the Ormond Remembrance Ceremony at Ormond Beach on Memorial Day.

The Chapter currently has two volunteers working in the genealogy section of the City Island Library to help prospective members. One of the volunteers is the Chapter Registrar and the other is a board member. This enables the Chapter to prepare, collate, proof, print, sign and mail application at the library.

The Chapter's brochure is available in all libraries in eastern Volusia County as well as at local chambers of commerce and welcome centers. The chapter also has its own web site (Google *fldocsar* and it will appear). Most importantly, the Chapter reports that they are financially "well off" with funds being used to purchase books for the library and make JROTC and ROTC awards to outstanding high school and college students.

### **DeLand Chapter**

Chapter president Harry Sellards reports that the Chapter continues their support of the JROTC Award program and made three such presentations in 2011. One presentation was made by the Chapter president and the other two by the Chapter secretary and another officer.

They also report that they have changed their meeting location. The DeLand Chapter now meets at the DeLand Public Library on the third Saturday of each month.

### Jacksonville Chapter

The Jacksonville Chapter presented an American Flag Certificate to the mayor of Neptune Beach, Florida, on July 4. Several compatriots participated in the presentation dressed in colonial uniforms.

On August 6, the Chapter held its annual Flag Retirement Ceremony, co-sponsored by the C.A.R. There were more than 50 in attendance including member of the community at large.

### St. Augustine Chapter

On May 23, the Chapter presented Bronze Good Citizenship Medals to four members of the Police Athletic League's Explorer Post #911 sponsored by the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office. Those receiving the awards were Explorer Capt. William Sewell, Lt. Kyle Cubbedge, Sgt. Bret Hardwick and Sgt. BreAna Bateman.

On Memorial Day, the Chapter, represented by William Roberts and Oscar Patterson III, participated in a Massing of the Colors at the National Cemetery in St. Augustine, FL. The Chapter was assisted in the ceremony by members of the NJROTC unit at Nease High School in St. Johns County.

On June 9 the Chapter presented Good Citizenship Certificates to 12 students at Sebastian Middle School in St. Augustine, FL. The presentations were made during the school's annual awards day by Chapter president Dr. Oscar Patterson III.

In June the Chapter presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Putnam County Deputy Sheriff Chris Vinson. Vinson has been a member of the Putnam County Sheriff's Department for 27 years working as a patrol deputy, a detective, a school resource officer and is currently assigned to the civil process section. Deputy Vinson was recognized for his selflessness and commitment to the Citizens of Putnam County. During the presentation it was noted that he regularly responds to nonemergency calls for service simply because he is closer to the site than the patrol deputy assigned to the call.

On July 27, 2011, the Chapter presented Law Enforcement Commendation Awards to five members of the St. Johns County Sheriff's office. Those receiving the award were Deputies Joeffrey Alvarez, William Lennon Jr., Cody Seckinger, Steve Gazdick, Shawn Emert and Alicia McWhorter. The presentations were made by the Chapter's past president William Roberts.

On July 18, the Chapter presented American Flag Certificates to two Florida National Guard units. The first presentation, made at 0800 hrs was to the Florida National Guard Headquarters, St. Francis Barracks, St. Augustine, FL. The certificate was accepted by MG James Tyre, Assistant Adjutant General of the Florida National Guard. The second presentation, made at 0930 hrs was to the Robert F. Ensiling Armory, Florida National Guard. The certificate was accepted by MSG James Bailey, facility manager. The chapter was represented at the presentations by Chapter president Oscar Patterson III, past president William Roberts and secretary Sydney Spink.

On August 23, the Chapter presented Law Enforcement Commendation Awards to Communication Officer Patrice Drinkard and Patrol Officer Michael Linsky of the St. Augustine Police Department, St. Augustine, FL. The ceremony was held at the St. Augustine Police Department headquarters. Representing the Chapter were Chapter president Oscar Patterson III and past president William Roberts.

### **East Central Regional Vice President**

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At the request of the Lakeland Chapter, FLSSAR Regional VP Jeff Sizemore installed their new officers at their May meeting. It was an eventful meeting in which chapter officer, committee chairmen, and members of the Ladies Auxiliary were recognized for their assistance to the chapter.

### The St. Lucie River Chapter

(Submitted by Robert Donnahoo, Chapter President): The Law Enforcement Commendation Medal was presented to Deputy Bryan Irvine, who serves as the Chaplain of the Martin County Sheriff's Office. Jay Wise represented the SAR at the Eagle Court of Honor for Troop 479 in Ft. Pierce. Bob Donnahoo and Jay Wise in uniform presented JROTC medals and certificates at Jensen Beach High School, Ft. Pierce Westwood High School, Treasure Coast High School, Ft. Pierce Central High School and Centennial High School. Members of The St. Lucie Chapter participated in Memorial Day services in Port St. Lucie and Stuart. Bob Donnahoo also attended the Tradition display of over 1400 crosses and Stars of David to honor Florida residents who died. Young people from a local organization erected the crosses and Stars of David and stood guard over them 24 hours a day. It was most impressive.

Flag certificates were presented to an assisted living and a condo organization. Several members attended the Board of Management meeting. Some of their family members also accompanied them. Seven of our members were the Color Guard for the Fourth of July baseball game at Digital Domain Stadium.

### **Central Florida Chapter**

(Submitted by Jeff Sizemore, Chapter President): At the May meeting, our chapter installed the new officer for the 2011-2013 term. An acknowledgement of the various committee chairmen was made; as well as, an announcement that Andy Showen has agreed to chair the color guard committee. He stressed at the meeting the importance of members stepping up to the plate to serve as color guard members.

Planning has been on-going throughout the summer for the big 50th anniversary event that the chapter is holding this coming December. Chapter Past President Norm Myers has been heading up this committee & making the arrangements for this spectacular event. If you would like to attend, please contact him with your RSVP so that he can send you the details & the cost of the meal. Chapter Registrar Cecil Thompson, along with follow up from our chapter president, has been working diligently over the summer to recruit new members & work with them on their paperwork. Lastly, we ask that you keep Jane Hamilton (wife of Ron Hamilton & Ladies Auxiliary Member) in your prayers.

### **West Central Regional Vice President**

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### Clearwater:

The Color Guard participated in presenting the colors at the Spring BOM.

5/18 at their luncheon, they inducted a new member & honored the State Poster Contest winner a certificate. Chuck Kerr presented the history of his Patriot ancestor.

They also presented an Eagle Scout certificate for exceptional leadership.

On 5/30 the color guard presented the colors at a Memorial Day ceremony.

### St. Petersburg:

At their luncheon on 5/21 they honored the Law Enforcement.

### .Maj. John DeVane:

No summer activity.

### Lakeland:

On 5/21 the installed their new officers at their luncheon.

### Tampa:

5/21 meeting, A speaker spoke on the War against Radical Islamism.

The Knight Essay winner read the essay & a Military Service certificate was given & anew member certificate.

### Southeast Regional Vice President

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### Ft. Lauderdale Chapter:

The chapter provided nothing to report for this period.

### Miami Chapter:

The chapter provided nothing to report for this period.

### Palm Beach Chapter:

Effective as of their first meeting of the 2011/2012 season, October 18, 2011, the Palm Beach Chapter will hold their regular monthly meetings on the third Tuesday of each month, October 2011 thru May 2012, at the Crown Plaza Hotel, 1601 Belvedere Road, West Palm Beach, FL at noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel T. Shepherd, SE Regional Vice-President, FLSSAR

### **Southwest Regional Vice President**

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### CALOOSA CHAPTER

The Caloosa Chapter did not meet during the current reporting period. Chapter meetings resume in October. Items of note during the reporting period:

6 applications for membership (5 Regular, 1 Junior) were approved by NSSAR

- 1 application for Regular membership was submitted to State & National
- President Randy Moody attended the 121<sup>st</sup> Congress in Winston-Salem
  - President Randy Moody announced his candidacy for Chaplain General for 2012-2013

Respectfully,

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Randy D. Moody, President

### **Charlotte Chapter**

May - August 2011

- 1. Awarded Bronze Medal, with certificate, to JrROTC cadet from Charlotte High School and cadet from Port Charlotte High School.
- 2. Presented \$100, \$75 and \$50 savings bonds to three students from Murdock Middle School as winners in out American History Contest. Five runner-ups were presented certificates for their efforts.
- 3. The Charlotte Chapter does not meet in June, July & August.

Larry Hurley, President

### **Highlands Chapter:**

The Chapter meets on the third Saturday of the month at 12:30 at Heartland National Bank, 600 US Hwy 27 North, Lake Placid, FL, except for July and August. November a December dates are subject to change. This is not a luncheon meeting. Visitors are welcome. Dress is "Florida Casual" A special luncheon meeting was held on June 18th in the Brick Room of Chicanes Restaurant in the Inn on the Lakes Hotel in Sebring. This special event was to thank the Patriot Chapter of the DAR for their years of effort in assisting in the formation of our SAR Chapter and have the DAR family members "Stand-In" for the Induction of their Out of State Highlands Chapter members as their "Authorized Personal Representatives".

The Patriot DAR Chapter was represented by Sheila Smith Regent and Jeanette Frey.

DAR ladies that "Stood-In" for family were Julie Bartlett for her dad, James Martell; Ramona Glenn for Chad, Gary and Jonah Shelton and Pat Leidel for Michael Leidel.

Steve Williams was also honored for his outstanding efforts in making the FLSSAR's 33rd Chapter possible.

Associates Pending applications include Wilfred Beaton, Milton Kron, James Dean, Rod Dilling, Dylan Dutton, Tim Holmes, Caleb Palmer and Walter Sheppard.

Woody Woodard, President

### Naples Chapter SAR

August 2011: FLSSAR Quarter Report

This report picks up where our last report left off. Specifically, this report addresses five areas as presented below. These areas were our principal focus during the past several months. Pictures of these events and activities are posted on our website at NaplesSar.Org.

May 2011: The Installation of Naples Chapter Officers for 2011-2012
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The Naples Chapter Board of Directors Creation. Per the Naples Chapter By-Laws our Board of Directors consists of nine members. They are the President, Immediate Past President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chancellor, and two At-Large Members. The At-Large Members are Don Cahill and John McCullough. Between these nine compatriots, there are 205 years of leadership experience and service to the Sons of the American Revolution: There are five current and past Naples Chapter Presidents, two former Chapter Presidents from State Societies other than Florida, and one current Colony Governor, Mayflower Society of Florida.

<u>June 2011</u>. With the arrival of June, many of our chapter members head north to return to their second residences or to visit family members outside of the State of Florida. Those Naples Chapter compatriots that remain (meaning those who are year-around Florida residents), carry on. As we know, June 14 is Flag Day. During the days leading up to this date, our Flag Display Chairman Dick Caldarone, with the assistance of his committee members, identify businesses and community homeowners associations that properly and proudly display the American Flag day-in and day-out within Collier County. Having done this, the Naples Chapter SAR Flag Display Committee creates and delivers a certificate of appreciation to each establishment for its display of patriotism and love of country. This year the Naples Chapter SAR delivered five such certificates.

<u>July 2011</u>. During this month, two significant events occurred. First, under the leadership of our Color Guard Commander (and Past Chapter President and Past SW Region VP), Compatriot Don Cahill rallied the troops. They formed behind the Big Cypress Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution in Colonial and Revolutionary War attire, to participate in the Annual Naples Fourth of July Parade. A good time was had by all. Pictures of this event are posted on our website at NaplesSar.Org. Next, Chapter President Chuck Sweeney attended the 121<sup>st</sup> NSSAR Congress in Winston-Salem, NC. Specifics of as to what occurred there and the posting of a list of our new NSSAR leaders will be forthcoming in our next newsletter, "The Naples Crier." Wearing his hat as Adjutant, FLSSAR World War II Veterans Company, Chuck Sweeney assisted NSSAR WWII Veterans Corps Adjutant, Dan McMurry, with the distribution of Certificates of Patriotism to State Societies. These certificates were personally signed by President General J. David Sympson and honored veterans for their meritorious service to country during World War II as members of the United States Armed Forces. Two members of the Naples Chapter will be presented Certificates of Patriotism at our October 2011 meeting. These WWII veterans are Compatriot Charles Cortright and Compatriot Calvin Whitney.

<u>August 2011</u>. Focusing on the up-in-coming 2011-2012 chapter meeting schedule and programs, one event deserves special note, since it brings us full circle to the opening paragraph of this report.

On May 3, 2012, Vice President Southwest Region Florida Society, Vic McMurry, plans to attend and will serve as the Master of Ceremonies at that chapter meeting. His primary task will be the swearing-in and reading from our By-Laws the job descriptions of the new chapter officers that will be installed. Realizing that May 2012 is a considerable distance down the road, additional information and up-to-date changes concerning this and other chapter meeting schedules and programs can be found by visiting our website at NaplesSar.Org.

Prepared by Chuck Sweeney, President

### SARAMANA CHAPTER

**Board of Governors' Meeting**: June, July and August meetings are suspended to accommodate summer vacations and other absences. Our next Saramana BOG Meeting is 14 September 2011.

**Sarasota/Manatee Veterans' Council**: Compatriot Robert Castle covers Sarasota Meetings monthly; Compatriots James Allen and Harold Crapo, Jr. cover Manatee County meetings. This allows us to keep the membership updated.

**Partners in Patriotism:** The Saramana Color Guard commanded by Phillip Tarpley, participated in the Sarasota County Memorial Day Parade for 2011. Nathaniel Greene Camp #8 provided 12 participants in

uniform to march one mile with the JROTC students from the Sarasota Military Academy, Sojourners, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion contingents from Sarasota County. In addition, the Firefighters and Police units, with members of the Sheriff's Office were also participants in the parade. Our next parade will be Veterans' Day in 2011.

**Color Guard:** The Sons of Liberty Brigade commanded by Phillip Tarpley of the Saramana Chapter, provided the Color Guard for the FLSSAR Annual Meeting in May 2011. There were a total of five participants from the Saramana Chapter.

Six members of the Saramana Chapter participated in the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution during the 121<sup>st</sup> National Congress held in Winston Salem, N.C. in July 2011. There were four performances as follows:

- Church Memorial Service
- Opening of the Congress
- Preceding two Banquets

**Outreach Activities:** Saramana Chapter President Charles W. Riegle visited with the Connecticut and Massachusetts SAR, to discuss organizational and operational issues. He reports to have learned a great deal about the SAR, which can be useful to our chapter during the remainder of this year.

Our next Saramana Chapter luncheon meeting will be held in concert with the 5 local DAR Chapters on September 17<sup>th</sup>, 11:30AM at Laurel Oak Country Club, 2700 Gary Player Blvd. in Sarasota to celebrate Constitution Week. Please contact our Treasurer Ted Hornback to make your reservations. Ted's email is: Ted1538@aol.com; his phone # is: 941-485-4481.

**Publicity:** Compatriot Billie Lowe continues to relentlessly pursue publicity activities, soliciting involvement by the membership and never giving up on the printed media.

**Registrar Activities:** Our new Registrar Richard Mahaffey is working *diligently*, completing new member applications and supplements during this past quarter. We continue to try and understand that moving into the new CAAH facilities has slowed down the approval processing for new applicants. We constantly assure the applicants they have not been forgotten but after six months or more of waiting for approval, convincing them becomes ever more challenging.

**Liberty Tree:** The Saramana Chapter has agreed to plant a Liberty Tree with a granite marker on the site of the DAR Meeting House located on 12<sup>th</sup> Street in Historic District of Sarasota. Activities will take place on 28 August 2011 at 2:00 p.m. with full participation by the Chichi-Okobee Society; C.A.R. headed by Jennifer Turner, Senior Society President, Children of the American Revolution. All SAR and DAR members are encouraged to participate. We expect this activity to be informational as well as "fun" for the youth group.

### **Funeral Services:**

The Saramana Chapter has once again been selected by the office of U.S. Congressman Vern Buchanan to perform the duties of providing representatives to accept the burial flags of indigent veterans whose families are not able to be in attendance for the month of August 2011. The Saramana Chapter is most humbled by the Honorable Representative's personal request to perform these duties.

Web Site: Visit <a href="https://www.Saramanasar.com">www.Saramanasar.com</a> to see our updated web site.

**End of Report** 

Respectfully submitted

Harold Crapo, Jr. Vice President (Interim), Saramana Chapter, FLSSAR

### Secretary

Steve Williams swilliams16@cfl.rr.com

The BOM Proceedings (Draft) cost \$98.75 for 35 copies of 42 pages. If every one of the 61 attendees were to get a Proceedings (Draft) the cost would have been approximately \$160.23. An annual estimate for printing Proceedings would be in the range of \$400 to \$500 given that every attendee will not want a hardcopy.

A Chapter Secretary workshop focusing on the upcoming Chapter Annual report was presented this afternoon. It is critical that the chapters report their membership information and submit their members' dues as soon as possible. I will be sending out a report to each chapter's secretary & president of that chapter's membership roster right after this BOM – so look for it in your e-mail. Please return that roster with correct address, phone number, <u>E-mail address</u> for each chapter member and any other information that needs correction. Having bad information is worse than having no information at all. This information is necessary for updating National's database and ours as well. As in previous years, do not wait until you have every single

member accounted for. Send what you have by December 1<sup>st</sup>. Send any late stragglers up until December 28<sup>th</sup>. This will give me time to finalize the Florida Annual Report for National.

**NOTE!!** No member transactions such as Reinstatements or Transfers (between state societies) can take place until National completes their reconciliation. Last year it wasn't until May before that was done. Why? Because several state were late in submitting their Annual Reports or there were problems in those reports that needed to be resolved. Having time to compile and work through any apparent discrepancies will ensure that Florida submits a perfect Annual Report. And I need your help to have that accomplished.

### **Treasurer**

Hall Riediger allriedi42@bellsouth.net

	Income/ Exp	ense	Income /E	
Account	Actual2010	2011	2011 Budget	2012 Budget
101 Dues Income	\$66,590.00	70,370.00	85,000.00	75,000.00
103 OTF Distribution	2,508.07	2,665.88	2,500.00	2500.00
106 State Registrar Receipts	8,981.30	4,275.00	8,000.00	8000.00
109 State Secretary Receipts	340.00	1,275.00	200.00	200.00
112 Hospitality Income	0	286.56	0	0
115 Other Income	0	870.00	0	0
201 Pepco Stock Dividend	515.00	324.00	432.00	432.00
205 Interest Income	0	0	0	0
301 BOM Receipts	14,460.49	8,031.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
303 50/50 Income	166.00	_205.00	240.00	240.00
306 Donations Received	1577.00	1,144.79	0	0
F4F2 Income	137.00	50.00	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Income	95,274.86	89,487.23	111,372.00	101,372.00
401 President's Expense	3,900.28*	566.81	2,400.00	2400.00
403 Sr. VP's Expense	3,900.20	119.88	150.00	150.00
406 RVP's Expense	0	0	100.00	100.00
409 Secretary's Expense	873.17	447.02	100.00	1000.00
409 Secretary's Expense	073.17	447.02	1,000.00	1000.00
412 Treasurer's Expense	291.92	25.64	360.00	250.00
415 Registrar's Expense	426.02	291.98	600.00	600.00
418 Recording Secretary's Expense	36.55	0.00	120.00	100.00
421 Editor's Expense	525.54	0.00	600.00	600.00
424 Chaplain's Expense	000.00	86.40	300.00	300.00
427 Webmaster's Expense	0	0	600.00	600.00
430 Other Officer Expenses	140.79	97.47	300.00	300.00
440 Secretaries Archive & Records	3600.00	3,600.00	4800.00	4800.00
Expense	0000.00	0,000.00	1000.00	1000.00
450 BOM Expense	12963.08	9,064.10	15000.00	15000.00
455 Web Expenses	0	38.97	0	0
462 BOM Reimbursement	514.51	0	0	0
464 BOM Reimbursement	292.46			
HOSPITALITY				
501 Knight Essay Contest Committee	500.00	0	0	0
503 American History Teachers	0	0	0	0
Contest				
506 Eagle Scout Scholarship	1913.77	1877.30	2000.00	2000.00
Committee				
509 JROTC Committee	1997.30	2,224.21	2000.00	2000.00
515 Good Citizenship Committee	0	892.58	0	0
518 Patriotic Education Committee	475.00	475.00	500.00	500.00
521 Rumbaugh Oration Committee	2066.82		2500.00	3500.00
		1,730.42		
524 Education Committee	1000.00	0	1000.00	500.00
527 Americanism Poster Contest	360.50	350.00	400.00	400.00
533 FSCAR Collection Payments	700.00	0	0	0
536 FSCAR Annual Donation	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	

				1000.00
539 History Fair	0	0	600.00	100.00
601 Center for Advancing America's Heritage	1000.00	2000.00	1000.00	1000.00
606 NSSAR Constitution and Bylaws	0	0	0	0
609 NSSAR Library	0	0	0	0
612 Battle of Pensacola	1500.00	1,099.38	1500.00	1500.00
615 Last Naval Battle	829.60	1,315.42	1500.00	1500.00
621 Sons of Liberty Brigade	90.82	196.60	200.00	200.00
624 Support the Troops Expense	1780.33	504.76	1000.00	1000.00
701 National Dues	36830.00	41740.00	51000.00	45,000.00
	Income /Exp	ense	Income /I	Expense
Account	Actual 2010	2011	2011 Budget	2012 Budget
703 Dues Refunds	305.00	1,095.00	500.00	500.00
712 National Officers Development	0	0	0	0
801 Technology Committee	864.88	0	0	0
803 Medals and Awards Committee	579.68	264.00	600.00	600.00
806 Patriot Medal Committee	71.45	435.17	100.00	200.00
809 Newsletter and Periodicals Committee	500.00	450.00	500.00	500.00
812 Publicity Committee	450.00	425.00	500.00	500.00
901 Executive Committee	0	0	0	0
903 New Chapter Development		400.00	700.00	700.00
Committee	617.57			
906 Audit Committee	0	0	0	0
909 Genealogy Committee	0	0	0	0
918 Procedures Manual Committee	0	0	0	0
927 Other Committees Expenses	0	0	500.00	500.00
933 Bank Charges and Expenses	14.00	12.00	100.00	100.00
936 Miscellaneous Expenses	300.97	1,333.75	500.00	500.00
939 D&O Insurance Expense	769.23	0	800.00	800.00
1001 Florida Patriot Expense	9769.84	7,111.18	10000.00	10000.00
1003 Postage & Delivery	24.41	<u>61.63</u>	<u>50.00</u>	<u>75.00</u>
Total Expenses	92,337.49	81,331.67	107,880.00	101,375.00

The figures for the 2012 Budget are there for your review, please look at your Committee's budget and review the amount that you have been allocated and contact me to adjust your budget amount if it is not what you are going to need.

Also if you have a Chapter project that you are going to do this coming year (2012) please contact the Committee Chair and discuss this with him. We will be adhering to a strict policy with the ETF and if your project does not fall within ETF Rules then you will need to work with a Committee Chair and/or the Executive Committee and responding early is better than waiting.

Further if you have any questions with financial problems, please contact me as soon as possible, waiting until you have been dropped from IRS rolls or other problems can be unchangeable and expensive. A year ago I could not answer your questions, but after a year in the job and problems in our Chapter I have learned a huge amount about finances and how they affect the Chapter. If you have a question I cannot answer, I will make sure I learn how to clear up these problems.

### Registrar

Ray Lantz <u>rclantz@bellsouth.net</u>

### FLSSAR Application Stats 07 May 2011 – 17 August 2011

		Application Type						
	Regular	Supplemental	CAR Transfer	Junior	Youth	Totals		
Submitted To NSSAR	45	22	0	12	2	81		

Approved* By NSSAR	47	1	9	0	4	N/A	70	
Pended* By NSSAR	5	2	2	0	0	0	7	
Pended By FSSAR	5	5	5	0	0	0	10	
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Average NSSA	Average NSSAR Approval			NSSAR	_	FLSSAR		
Time	9	141 I	Days	Pended Rate 9.1 % Pended Rate		Pended Rate	11.0 %	
DAR Finder Tot	al Year to dat	е	19	Average Supple	mental Only App	proval Time	170 Days	

<sup>\*</sup> 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:**

- NSDAR application is too old and lacks acceptable proof references for the majority of information contained in the application. It also does not contain a "Duplicate" or "Record Copy" stamp on the first page.
- NSDAR application used as a reference but no record copy submitted.
- NSDAR web site printouts from the "Descendants Database Search" submitted instead of a NSDAR record copy.
- Record of the day proof not submitted for Rev War service.
- Rev War service not adequately proven due to more than one resident of same name living in the same location at time of Rev War.
- Family history information not accepted for maiden name of wife or no documentation submitted to prove maiden name when required for generation linking.
- Application does not contain acceptable proof documents of Rev War service.
- Generational links for generations one or more generations not accepted or missing.
- Alternate applicant birth record not accepted.

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

- 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.
- Ensure all know 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.
- 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:**

- The newly elected GG Larry Cornwell is presently under way with strong effort to significantly improve the following issue. The GG met last week with the PG, genealogy staff and others to implement new or improved application processing procedures.
  - NSSAR application processing methods and processing time. Everyone is asked for your forbearance while NSSAR genealogy staff undergoes some changes, including additional hired help, to get caught up.
  - Reduce/eliminate application processing queue backlog. The delays will get worse for a while until they start to get better. I have been promised by the GG to look for a six week processing time by July 2012 compared to the current twenty week processing time. This would be a significant accomplishment.
  - o Reduce/eliminate long standing pended application backlog. All state registrars have been asked to verify all pended applications that are nearing or are 3-5 years old to see if they are still in work by the applicant or can be canceled. All pended applications which are 5 years or older will be canceled and shredded. Those FLSSAR chapter registrars who have not yet responded to me regarding the list I provided to you of your 3-5 year pended applications, please do so as soon as possible. Compatriot Jim Partin of the Gainesville Chapter has volunteered to assist any FLSSAR applicant that has a pended application needs assistance in obtaining the required additional documentation.
- You must now create a user account for access to the NSSAR Application Status Report and is highly recommended all chapter registrars apply for a user account so they will be able to monitor chapter applications. NSSAR Pended Application Status Report still available without NSSAR login and is normally updated on a monthly basis and available for viewing/download at http://www.sar.org/hg/application/PendingApps.pdf.
- Current FLSSAR & NSSAR Dues & Application Fees can be found at <a href="http://www.flssar.org/Docs/FeesDues.pdf">http://www.flssar.org/Docs/FeesDues.pdf</a> all chapter registrars should download and/or print this document for to ensure correct fees and dues are submitted with applications.

### Chaplain

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

The following compatriots have graduated from this life on earth to their eternal home. I have sent condolences to the families of our deceased compatriots for whom I have contact information on behalf of the FLSSAR.

Compatriot	National	State	Chapter
Paul F. Petty	155665	8337	Central Florida
Ross H. Mooty, Jr.	115920	4249	Deland
Thomas C. Steidley, Jr.	131697	5746	Central Florida
Eric Von Schnetzer	177329	9599	Clearwater

Harold A. Drake	90741	1729	Clearwater
Arthur Fred Wilkinson	173432	9284	Charlotte
LTC William Gemmill, Jr.	126149	5743	Withlacoochee
Frank William Ruckman	148721	8289	Pensacola
<b>CAPT James Wootton</b>	143819	7090	Lake-Sumter
Joseph P. Ford	148748	7508	Pensacola

Thank you for promptly reporting deaths to me and the FLSSAR Secretary so we can properly pay our respects to the families.

Respectfully submitted, Chaplain Randy D. Moody

### **Recording Secretary**

William Fuller azan04@netzero.com

Nothing to Report

### Chancellor

Carl Hoffmann, PG <a href="mailto:hoffmaria@yahoo.com">hoffmaria@yahoo.com</a>

**NTR** 

### **Parliamentarian**

Frank Hodalski fhodalski@msn.com

Nothing to Report

### **Genealogist**

Ted Duay, III <u>tedduay@yahoo.com</u>

### Dear Compatriots:

When I saw the July 22, 2011 SAR Application Status Report (Exhibit 1), I became curious about two recently approved applications for the Spain Society. Several things sparked my interest in these applications: the applications were approved within two days or less of receipt, there was no indication that the genealogy had been approved even though national numbers were issued, and the two applicants appeared to be members of a European royal house.

Always relishing a good mystery, I ordered the SAR record copies for these two new members. Soon after placing the order, I received the following e-mail on July 26, 2011 from Bev Hicklin at SAR HQ:

Mr. Duay Mrs. Acree was processing those applications you requested. Due to the need for an approval date needed before they can be sent,

Mrs. Acree his some details to finish; this should be completed in AM of 27 Jul 2011

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Beverly Hicklin < bhicklin@sar.org>

I found Ms. Hicklin's message above to be rather puzzling. Since these two new members had been issued national numbers two weeks prior, what possible approval or details needed to be completed by Mrs. Acree before the record copies could be sent to me?

On July 27, 2011, I received the below message from Ms. Hicklin:

Compatriot Duay see attached SAR Record Copies.

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Beverly Hicklin <br/> <br/> bhicklin@sar.org>

The two record copies that I received and paid for are included as **Exhibit 2**. When I reviewed these two record copies, I was shocked by the numerous deficiencies:

- (1) The only signatures were those of Susan Acree dated July 26, 2011, when she approved the genealogy two weeks AFTER national numbers were issued!
- (2) There is no Record Copy stamp.
- (3) Even though each Record Copy bears national SAR numbers, there is no signature from the Registrar General. How can this be when the Registrar General is the only national officer authorized to issue national numbers?
- (4) The lineage on each record copy bears the individual checkmarks that the genealogical data was verified; however, there is not a single source document listed on the record copies. So how could they have been verified?

My initial inquiries yielded the following response from GG Larry Cornwell and TG Joe Dooley:

From: LaCornwell@aol.com

To: joexyz@verizon.net, steveleishman@msn.com, lmagerkurt@aol.com

CC: Judge58@aol.com, ldmcc@comcast.net, sacree@sar.org

Sent: 7/27/2011 7:06:28 P.M. Central Daylight Time Subj: Re: Questionable Applications and Approvals

### Compatriots:

For the record, Judge Butler called me before Congress as the potential future genealogist general to give me a heads-up. He conveyed to me essentially the same information as past Genealogist General Joe Dooley related in his e-mail, below.

Yours in Patriotic Service,

Larry P. Cornwell

Genealogist General

Sons of the American Revolution

In a message dated 7/27/2011 5:58:56 P.M. Central Daylight Time, joexyz@verizon.net writes:

Susan reviewed these applications based on publically available information. When the Dukes of Mecklenburg were presented their applications to sign, I was told they would also be submitting their birth certificates.

What Paul Hays is circulating is not what will actually be maintained in the SAR files. Copies of the drafts of the Dukes' actual applications are attached, and as you can see, they cite genealogically sufficient documentation. These will be matched with Susan's review of the earlier drafts of the applications, and these are what will be kept in the SAR's files.

[Note: 'Almanach de Gotha,' which is cited extensively on the Dukes' applications, is recognized by most lineage societies as being a reliable source for royal and noble lineages. It is compiled from primary sources, which is the SAR's genealogical standard.]

When PG Butler asked me to prepare these applications, I told him that expedited review would require the approval of the President General. I suggested that, out of an abundance of caution, he should consult with both the outgoing and the incoming President General. I understood PG Butler discussed the situation with both PGs Sympson and Magerkurth, and that both acceded to his request that the Dukes' applications be reviewed in an expedited manner. I told PG Butler that I would no longer be the Genealogist General when these applications were reviewed. I believe PG Butler also discussed the situation with Larry Cornwell, the new and current Genealogist General. I hope these facts and the attached drafts dispel any impression that the SAR bends its genealogical standards to accommodate European nobility.

Joe Dooley

I found the following things about the above e-mail to be of interest:

(1) GG Larry Cornwell, TG Joe Dooley, and PPG Ed Butler were all aware of the circumstances of these two applications prior to the last SAR Congress.

- (2) If Susan Acree reviewed these applications based on "publicly available information", then why are these sources not listed on the record copies that I received? I was able to verify the lineage using Wikipedia and other internet websites, but these sources are not accepted for SAR applications.
- (3) What Paul Hays was circulating were the record copies that I ordered and paid for, so how can these not be "what will actually be maintained in the SAR's files?" How can TG Dooley have drafts of something different than what I was sent?
- (4) The archives of the source cited by TG Dooley, "The Almanach de Gotha", were destroyed by the Soviets in 1944. Volume II of this publication produced in 2001 was ridiculed by "The Economist" as being "the most laughably sloppy product of its kind ever to have been published." (Exhibit 3)
- (5) Based on communications from reliable sources who spoke with PPG David Sympson and former Executive Director, Joe Harris, neither of them was aware of the existence of these applications let alone authorized them to be expedited, as indicated in TG Dooley's e-mail.

Based on everything that I have seen, despite TG Dooley's comments, I strongly believe that SAR did bend its standards to accommodate these applications. How else could these applicants be issued national numbers two weeks prior to Susan Acree approving their genealogy and without the signature of the Registrar General? How else could these applications be approved without the applicant's birth certificates? How else could these applications be approved with no sources listed? How else could these applications be expedited without the knowledge of PPG David Sympson or then Executive Director Joe Harris? I am reminded of Queen Marie Antoinette's famous remark of "Let them eat cake" upon learning that the peasants had no bread. It seems that some of our national SAR leaders are as out of touch with the membership as she was with her people.

Given the ever more stringent genealogical standards being imposed on SAR registrars and genealogists and the current backlog of SAR applications, I am outraged and insulted by this whole situation. The Florida Society SAR should make a formal request of PG Larry Magerkurth to investigate the processing and approval of these applications to determine how and why these applications were expedited and verified and who the authorizing individuals were, so that similar situations do not occur again. Respectfully submitted,

Ted Duay, Genealogist, Florida Society SAR

Friday, July 22, 2011

 $Application \ Status \ Report$  Members, please contact your State Point of Contact for any information regarding the status of your application.

Patriot Ancestor	Mecklenburg, Alexander, Du King of Spain, Charles III,	King of Spain, Charles III,
Name	klenburg, Alexander, Du	Mecklenburg, Borwin, Duke
Society	ES Mec	ES Mec
Registered S Date	7/14/2011	7/14/2011
Genealogy Approved		
Date of Status	7/14/2011	7/13/2011
Current Status	Approved	Approved
App Type	New	New
Date Received	12-Jul-2011	12-Jul-2011
Natl No.	180173	180172
ACN No.	44405	44404

EXHIBIT 1



National number 180172

State number

Chapter, the

Spain

State Society

### NATIONAL SOCIETY

I hereby apply for membership in this Society by the right of bloodline descent from CARLOS III de Borbón, King of SpainGen.# 10 who assisted in establishing American Independence while acting in the capacity of a benefactor of the American cause, who supplied money, men and arms, and who declared war on Great Britain in support of the American Revolution. NAME OF APPLICANT Borwin, Duke of Mecklenburg (First) (Middle) (Last)

Street, R. D. or P.O. Box

City

Telephone.

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State

Zip Code

Having living or deceased children by bloodline of applicant and not by adoption, by my wife as listed: Child Name Wife# Date of Birth

Relationship

Place of Birth

State

### STATEMENT OF BLOODLINE TO PATRIOT ANCESTOR

(Give all names, dates, and places known. Show dates as day, month, and year e.g. 01 Jan 1900) DATE CITY/COUNTY/STATE 16 Jun 1956 Borwin, Duke of Mecklenburg 1. I am born Freiburg, Baden-Württemberg, DE and my 1 wife Aliee Wagner 02 Aug 1959 born Hinterzarten, Germany NSDAR# died married (If Remarried) 19 Jul 1986 Hinterzarten, Germany my wife born NSDAR# died married 2. I am the son of Geo. Alexander, D. of Mecklenburgborn 27 Aug 1921 Nice, France NSSAR# 26 Jan 1996 Mirow, Mecklenburg, Germany died Ilona, Archduchess of Austria and his 1 wife born 20 Apr 1927 Budapest, Hungary NSDAR# 12 Jan 2011 Freiburg, Baden-Württemberg, DE died religion Who is the son / /daughter of 30 Apr 1946 Sigmaringen, Germany 3. Grandson of Josef Franz, Archduke of Austria born 28 Mar 1895 Brünn, Bohemia, Austria NSSAR# died 25 Sep 1957 Carcavelos, Portugal Anna Monika Pia, Pss of Saxony and his 1 wife 04 May 1903 born Lindau, Bavaria, Germany NSDAR# died 09 Feb 1976 München, Bavaria, Germany Who is the son \( \times \) /daughter \( \times \) of 04 Oct 1924 married Sibyllenort, Germany (now, Poland) 4. Great-Grandson of Josef, Archiuke of Austria 09 Aug 1872 Alcsút, Hungary born NSSAR# 06 Jul 1962 died Rain, Bavaria, Germany and his 1 wife Auguste, Princess of Bavaria born 28 Apr 1875 München, Bavaria, Germany NSDAR# 25 Jun 1964 died Regensburg, Bavaria, Germany Who is the son ☐ /daughter ☒ of 15 Nov 1893 married München, Bavaria, Germany 5. Great Grandson of Leopold, Prince of Bayaria 09 Feb 1846 München, Bavaria, Germany born NSSAR# 28 Sep 1930 died München, Bavaria, Germany Gisela, Archduchess of Bavaria and his 1 wife born 12 Jul 1856 Laxenburg, Austria NSDAR# died 27 Jul 1932 München, Bavaria, Germany Who is the son \( \square\) /daughter \( \sqrt{o} \) of 20 Apr 1873 married Vienna, Austria 6. Great Grandson of Franz Josef, Emperor of Austria 18 Aug 1830 born Schönbrunn, Vienna, Austria died 21 Nov 1916 Schönbrunn, Vienna, Austria and his 1 wife Elisabeth, Duchess of Bavaria born 24 Dec 1837 München, Bavaria, Germany NSDAR# died 10 Sep 1898 Geneva, Switzerland Who is the son A /daughter of married 24 Apr 1854 Vienna, Austria 7. Great Grandson of Franz Karl, Archduke of Austria (07)Dec 1802 Vienna, Austria born died 08 Mar 1878 Vienna, Austria and his 1 wife Sophie, Princess of Bavaria born 27 Jan 1805 München, Bavaria, Germany Vienna, Austria died 28 May 1872 Who is the son /daughter of married 04 Nov 1824 Vienna, Austria 8. Great Grandson of Franz IJ Emperor of Austria Florence, Italy born 12 Feb 1768 02 Mar 1835 died Vienna, Austria and his (1) wife Maria Teresa, Pss of the Two Siciliesborn 06 Jun 1772 Naples, Italy died - 13 Apr 1807 married 5 (19 Sep 1790 Vienna, Austria Who is the son 🛛 /daughter 🗌 of Vienna, Austria



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(Give all names, dates, and places known. Show dates as day, month, and year e.g. 01 Jan 1900)

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1. I am	Alexander, Duke of Mecklenburg born	17 Jul 1991	Freiburg, Baden-Württemberg, DE
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2. I am the son of	Borwin, Duke of Mecklenburg born	10 Jun 1956	Freiburg, Baden-Württemberg, DE
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and his 1 wife	Alice Wagner born	02 Aug 1959	Hinterzarten, Germany
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NSSAR#	died	26 Jan 1996	Mirow, Mecklenburg, Germany
and his wife	Ilona, Archduchess of Austria born	20 Apr 1927	Budapest, Hungary
NSDAR#	1, died	12 Jan 2011	Freiburg, Baden-Würftemberg, DE
Who is the son /d	aughter of religions	30 Apr 1946	Sigmaringen, Germany
4. Great-Grandson of	Josef Franz, Archduke of Austria born	28 Mar 1895	Brünn, Bohemia, Austria
NSSAR#	died	25 Sep 1957	Carcavelos, Portugal
and his 1 wife	Anna Monika Pia, Pss of Saxony born	04 May 1903	Lindau, Bavaria, Germany
NSDAR#	died	09 Feb 1976	München, Bavaria, Germany
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5. Great <sup>2</sup> Grandson of	Josef, Archduke of Austria born	09 Aug 1872	Alcsút, Hungary
NSSAR#	died	06 Jul 1962	Rain, Bavaria, Germany
and his 1 wife	Auguste, Princess of Bavaria born	28 Apr 1875	München, Bavaria, Germany
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and his 1 wife	Gisela, Archouchess of Bavaria born		Laxenburg, Austria
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FROM 1763 until the Russians stopped the presses when they swept into eastern Germany towards the end of the second world war, the Almanach de Gotha published elaborate lists and potted genealogies of Europe's royal, semi-royal and

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The sine qua non of any reference book, however frivolous, is accuracy. Unfortunately, the latest instalment of the Almanach, which purports to document those families that aren't quite royal but are still pretty grand, is perhaps the most laughably sloppy product of its kind ever to have been published. It used, in the old days, to be in French. Now it is in English, albeit the English of someone apparently in desperate need of both a dictionary and a spell-check function on his PC. The book's very first page, addressing the Hamiltons of Abercorn, Ulster's only ducal family, contains no fewer than six howlers, starting on the third line, where a lymphad (a Viking ship common in west-coast Scottish coats of arms) becomes a "hymphad".

Bloopers and typos abound: "moddel", "marshall", "sollicitor", "baronett", "the Scotts Guards", "the Royal Human Society". Translations are quirky: try "annulated" for annulled, or "secret camerist" for chamberlain. Place-names are particularly wayward: witness "Marocco", "Varsaw", "Turquey" and "Tchechoslovaquia". The editor even manages to place the principality of Liechtenstein (misspelt, of course, without its first "e") in

If the Almanach's genealogical accuracy is of a similar standard, the matchmaking dowagers perusing its pages had better watch out. Their eyebrows might in any event twitch if they were to read on the Almanach's website that its editor, John Kennedy, was "a former member of the [British] royal household" who is "separated from his partner, Princess Lavinia of Yugoslavia". Eh? Mr Kennedy, formerly Jovan Gvozdenovic, is a sometime Conservative candidate for parliament who lobbied for Radovan Karadzic and once worked for Prince Michael of Kent. Presumably he dated the lovely Lav, herself born out of wedlock to a Karageorgevic. Gosh!

But if you go by the number of families still carrying royal-sounding prefixes, it is the Germans, of course, who provide Europe, and the Almanach, with its princely ballast, thanks mostly to the Holy Roman Empire. Some 16 German families, excluding the Habsburgs and the Liechtensteins, are deemed top-flight royalty by virtue of being more Most commented

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or less sovereign at some relatively recent historical moment, and are therefore included in the first volume. Among them is the family of Reuss, all of whose males are, confusingly enough, called Heinrich, 35 of whom were born in the last century.

The second part of volume one catalogues "mediatised princely families": those which at some early point became subordinate to a greater royal house. There are 47 such families, whose members all call themselves princes and princesses. They have, it seems, survived quite well. They still overwhelmingly marry within caste; many still live in the ancestral schloss; they still have some cash; but few play much part in public life or politics.

It is in the second and newest volume that one enters a realm of fully-fledged absurdity. The choice of families is largely arbitrary. Only seven of Britain's 24 non-royal dukedoms are chronicled, and those very patchily; most of the others are merely mentioned in the contents pages, while three of the grandest, Norfolk, Beaufort and Northumberland, are ignored altogether. Of Europe's 274 non-royal but princely or ducal families considered worthy of entry, about a hundred listed in the contents pages are then bizarrely revealed to be extinct or documented only in previous, pre-1944 editions. It is an almanac with a most random kind of calendar.

How grand is a prince? In terms of commonness, Italian princeliness is the most devalued. Some 84 Italian families pop into the book, about a sixth of them Sicilian. (This represents a considerable drop from earlier, more vainglorious times: in 1800 Sicily alone boasted more than 100 princely and ducal families.) The French come next, with about 40 families chosen, a quarter of which flaunt dukedoms of mostly martial Bonapartist creation (Berthier, Davout, Junot, MacMahon, Murat and Ney among them); roughly half of the rest are post-Revolutionary creations. The Germans are still doing well, with another 29 third-division princely families listed, to add to the 63 in the first volume. A good many Russian and Polish families are given princely documentation, though once again with some glaring omissions.

To put it kindly, there are princes and princes. At a guess, there are probably more than 2,000 German ones—three times the number of hereditary British peers. Britain's royal house has fewer than a score of living princes and princesses. To the unwary Almanach-reader, they would appear to be outshone by the family of Beguin Billecocq Durazzo, who have a full score of members bearing a seemingly royal prefix. No matter that their title was acquired in 1929 from Albania's King Zog when grandpa was an insignificant French ambassador.

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Cost for the 1000 ea (768 compatriots) 32 page Summer issue was \$2,230; Cost for the 24 page 1800 ea Spring Issue (1575 compatriots) was \$2,369. The Fall issue will in all likelihood be 24 pages and should come in at \$1,200. There will be approximately 895 e-mail recipients out of the approximate 1780 Florida Compatriots for the Fall Issue after adjusting for 23 OPT OUT (2.31%) requests. This is roughly 50%.

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RECEIPTS:	2011 Actual	Budget
Dues Income	75,920.00	93,000.00
Operating Trust Income	2665.88	2500.00
BOM Income net of expenses	(1033.10)	856.49
Other Income	2880.35	672.00
TOTAL	80,433.13	97,028.49
DISBURSMENTS:		
State Officers	5235.20	6470.00
Youth Programs	7549.51	9400.00
Other Committees	57,020.86	92,010.00

TOTAL	69,805.57	107,880.00
Receipts over disbursements	10,627.56	( 10,851.51)

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Assets:	
Checking	\$ 41,873.54
Wachovia CD #2020 @ 1.01%	\$ 8,583.42
Wachovia CD #5795 @ 0.05%	\$ 8,505.82
SM BUS MM #1823 @ 0.85%	\$ 22,377.25
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Pepco Holding 400 shares @ 18.83	\$ 7,532.00
TOTAL	\$ 88,872.03
Liabilities: Fund 4 Florida's Future	\$187.00
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Finance Committee: Lindsey Brock, David Kelsey, Elwin Moore, Jay Wise and Hall Riediger, Chairman

### **Medals and Awards**

Chairman: Gerald Meeks <a href="mailto:gerrym44@comcast.net">gerrym44@comcast.net</a>

Report given orally.

### **Nominating**

Chairman: Gerald Meeks <u>gerrym44@comcast.net</u>

Members added are Ed Young, Charles Sweeney, Lindsey Brock, and Scott Bushnell.

### **Patriot Medal**

Chairman: Frank Hodalski fhodalski@msn.com

Reminder that nominations are due by January 2012.

### **NSSAR Affairs**

### Advancing America's Heritage (ad-hoc)

Chairman: David Ramseur <a href="mailto:ramseur@surfbest.net">ramseur@surfbest.net</a> <a href="mailto:ramseur@surfbest.net">ramseur@surfbest.net</a> <a href="mailto:ramseur@surfbest.net">mp18pht@verizon.net</a>

### What is The Center for Advancing America's Heritage?

A Discussion by Roland Downing – PG 2005-6

During 2007-9, committees and a special Advisory Task Force composed of dozens of dedicated members worked on this question with the express purpose of defining the functions of The Center in enough detail so that feedback could be given to the SAR Leadership and the architect. At that time the functions (library, Center Store, galleries/museum, education spaces) were to be completed simultaneously in our newly acquired West Main Street property.

The Task Force's work was interrupted when Phase I was devised that divided the project so that the library could be moved by 2010 thus improving SAR's visibility and promoting interest among potential donors. As a result our focus during the last two years has been on the successful completion of Phase I

Now the SAR faces the challenge of completing the remaining 3 functions of The Center – Phase II. This is a daunting assignment because it requires additional personnel and funding, and, unlike the library, these functions are "plowing new ground" for the SAR.

This communiqué is a brief summary of the unfinished work from 2009 on the question, "What is the Center for Advancing America's Heritage?" This summary is advanced now for review by compatriots in preparation for the

issues Trustees will consider at Congress. (Task Force Chairman Larry Guzy has assembled a multi-page report that is available upon request.)

### **Public Mission Statement**

(The required one sentence succinct statement of purpose)

The Center for Advancing America's Heritage is an integral component of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution providing patriotic and civic education for all people based on our shared heritage and the experience of the Country's Founders.

### **More Detailed Descriptions**

The Center for Advancing America's Heritage (The Center) is defined as the educational outreach mission of the Sons of the American Revolution that seeks to present to the community-at-large visions and lessons from the founding era that enable citizens to understand and appreciate the principles of responsible citizenship.

The Center (Main Street property) is primarily an extension of SAR's education mission; however, it will house the National Headquarters as well. It is composed of the educational galleries, meeting spaces, Center Store and genealogical library. The Center will be the "public face" of the SAR and will be viewed as an educational institution.

The Center will be open to the public, perhaps six days a week, in order to promote the SAR and meet the educational needs of the public. Appropriate fees will be charged. It is strategically located in Louisville's cultural corridor having high tourist and conventioneer foot traffic. This select location is conductive to professional collaborations with neighboring respected cultural organizations.

The Center will feature presentations using multimedia techniques that entertain and teach. The content for these presentations will be unique to the SAR and will be one of the primary "magnets" that draws visitors to The Center.

The Center will offer visitors inspiring and entertaining programs that promote patriotism and the value of American cultural unity. Lessons learned from our shared heritage and from the founding era of our nation will be taught. Both adults and youth will leave The Center feeling proud to be an American Citizen.

The term "gallery" will be used instead of "museum." Our artifacts/art will be used in a thematic manner to inspire and engage in various presentations. The Center may host traveling exhibits.

Grants will be sought to help fund the public education initiatives.

The Center will have the latest internet capabilities and will engage the public on a new interactive website. As appropriate The Center's educational content will be packaged for distribution and presentation by States Societies and local chapters.

The Center will be staffed by professionals in civic and history education and in advanced communication techniques so that our programs may be efficiently promulgated over the internet and to our local chapters for their use.

The Center will enhance and expand programming already initiated with area school groups. It will promote itself as the location for appropriate lectures and seminars. The Center will feature a versatile meeting space. Fees may be charged.

The store will be referred to as the "Center Store." The items sold there will be thematic with our mission.

Organizational Considerations

It is clear that The Center needs a governing Board of Directors that is different than anything we now have in the SAR and SAR Foundation, Inc. The Center's Board should contain outsiders who would lend their reputations and knowledge to The Center. This Board would provide continuity of policy and insulate The Center from SAR politics.

At this point it is not clear how to accommodate the above needs into an efficient, practical SAR organization. Perhaps there are successful models available for SAR to copy?

I fully expect PG Downing to give us an update now that the land sale in KY will provide about \$410,000 after debts plus the nearly \$200,000 donations and pledges made at the Congress to begin the Phase 2 project. I believe we should use that money to start the basic phase of getting the area ready so States Societies like FLSSAR can target a part of Phase 2 to pay for. That is my suggestion and some agreed at the Saramana Caucus before Congress.

### Credentials

Chairman: Charles Riegle criegle@comcast.net

**NTR** 

### NSSAR Constitution & By-Laws Review (ad-hoc)

Chairman: Frank Hodalski fhodalski@msn.com

The NSSAR Committee to Rewrite the Bylaws has been folded into the duties of the NSSAR Bylaw Committee and for practical purposes does not exist as it was initially charged. I suggest that the Ad has been Hocked and the FLSSAR committee should be dissolved by the BOM with thanks to those who have served. It may be reconstituted at any time the Florida Society/BOM feels the need. As Chairman, my thanks to those who served on this important oversight committee, with a fond remembrance and recognition of the work done by Dick Fowler, who put together two side by side versions of existing and proposed NSSAR Constitution and Bylaws. This made it possible for our immediate comparison and evaluation of the two documents, and allowed us the time for development and effective presentation of the various FLSSAR positions in committee and on the floor.

### **NSSAR Library**

Chairman: Terry Walton <u>terence.walton@comcast.net</u>

Thanks to the continued support of individual members and chapters, Florida remains the leading state society supporting the activities of the SAR Library. The new Library is now a reality on Main Street in Louisville.

As of June 30, 2011 Florida ranked 2nd in terms of total Friends of the Library members.

The top 5 state societies are: Tennessee (50); Florida (47); Georgia (44); Kentucky (42); and Pennsylvania (38).

SAR is now moving into the second fund-raising phase and will continue to need your support. A reminder that library memberships expire on the anniversary of the month a member joins, rather than by calendar year, so the number of active members constantly changes .

We continue to depend heavily on the support and generosity of the Miami Chapter to keep us in the forefront of state societies supporting our national library and the national Center for Advancing America's Heritage (CAAH). Let's try to share this responsibility by committing our chapters to at least one new membership each this year, including one in the name of the chapter. The ideal chapter membership pledge is \$500, which will earn the chapter a plaque in the new Heritage Center. Regardless of the amount, new pledges will give us an excellent chance of winning the NSSAR Library Franklin Flyer Award for 2010!

Your support will bring Louisville closer to Florida for research – you can even restrict your donation to "digital conversion" projects if you wish – simply note it on your tax-deductible check for \$25 or more. Send it to Friends of the SAR Library, 1000 South Fourth Street, Louisville, KY 40203, noting the name of the individual and chapter.

Committee Members: Don Humphrey, Al Little, Saul Montes-Bradley, Grant Wallin, Terry Walton

### **National Officer Development**

Chairman: Carl Hoffmann hoffmaria@vahoo.com

NTR

### **FLSSAR Affairs**

### **Archives**

Chairman: Steve Williams swilliams16@cfl.rr.com

Nothing new to report

### **Chapter Challenge**

Chairman: Nelson Jantzen <u>nelson7772008@hotmail.com</u>

2011 Form on website, due in 1<sup>st</sup> week of March, 2012.

Charter & By Laws

Chairman: Phil Tarpley <a href="mp18pht@verizon.net">mp18pht@verizon.net</a>

Nothing new to report----

Except an issue raised regarding source of authority regarding (Installation of new Officers) is required by Past Chapter President, etc at chapters & State.

Question is where is that stated? Frank Hodalski stated when asked "I don't see it either."

### Committee Consolidation Study Group (ad-hoc)

Chairman: Ben DuBose bdubosefl@gmail.com

Committee Dismissed

### Genealogy

Ray Lantz <u>rclantz@bellsouth.net</u>

The FLSSAR Genealogy Committee was called to order at 09:30 AM on Saturday, May 14, 2011. Committee members present at the meeting were: Ray Lantz, Ron Toops, Ted Duay, William Stevenson, Charles Day and Jim Partin. Committee members absent were; Gerry Meeks and Saul Montes-Bradley. The following items were discussed by the committee and other FLSSAR members in attendance:

- 1. NSSAR Genealogy Committee Meeting Minutes March 11, 2011.
  - a. Use of "indirect evidence of service" verses "records of the day" analysis.
    - Christian Harnish Rev War Analysis as published in the NSSAR Magazine. Since the meeting the both the NSDAR and NSSAR genealogical departments have review and formally accepted the discussed analysis.
  - b. NSSAR PG "Review Ready" unpublished application policy.
    - i. Application Examples were given and discussed.
  - c. NSSAR application "Fast Track" program.
    - i. Current program status and unpublished guidelines were discussed.
  - d. NSSAR determination and designation of "unreliable secondary sources and books."
  - e. NSSAR "Grandfathered" line clarifications.
    - i. Limitations regarding "Grandfathered" eligibility were presented and discussed.
- 2. NSSAR Web site application database access development proposal.
  - a. Acquisition of DAR software or develop similar software by SAR volunteers.
  - b. Application data entry SAR volunteer feasibility was discussed.
  - c. Motion was made from the floor by Steve Williams and seconded by Ted Duay for consideration of the Executive Committee to submit to the next National Congress for the consideration of the membership to approve the allocation of sufficient funds to purchase a web based database system similar to or identical to the NSDAR system. Motion passed by unanimous vote of the committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 AM.

### **Meeting Arrangements - BOM**

Co-Chairman: Lindsey Brock <u>lindsey.brock@comcast.net</u> mp18pht@verizon.net

Committee Members: Frank Hodalski, Saramana, George Lockhart, Jacksonville, Steve Williams, Brevard,

For the contract year 2011-2012 the room rates at the Ramada Plaza Hotel-Inn Gateway, 7470 Highway 192 West, Kissimmee, FL will remain at the reduced rate of (\$55.00 + taxes). Plaza tower rooms will also remain at the reduced rate of (\$65.00 + taxes). Plaza tower one-bedroom suites will remain the same (\$99.00 + taxes) for 2011-2012. Meal prices will also remain in the same price range during the contract period.

The contract dates for 2011-2012 are listed below:

August 26 – 27, 2011 October 21 – 22, 2011 - Please note this is a change. January 27 – 28, 2012 May 4, 5, 6, 2012 (Annual Meeting)

### **Membership Promotion & Retention**

Chairman: Phil Tarpley <a href="mp18pht@verizon.net">mp18pht@verizon.net</a>

**NTR** 

**New Chapter Development** (ad-hoc)

Jeffrey Sizemore swampfox96@cfl.rr.com

Nothing to report at this time.

### **Newsletters and Periodicals**

Jeffrey Sizemore swampfox96@cfl.rr.com

For the upcoming year, chapters that wish will to participate in the Fowler Newsletter Contest will either need to post their newsletters on their website that is accessible from the FLSSAR website or provide submittals of them. We encourage all chapters to consider creating a newsletter that they can keep in constant communication with their chapter members. If you need suggestions or assistance, please feel free to contact me.

The Fowler Newsletter Contest will look predominantly at the October, December, February, and April issues as part of the evaluation process. Note that there are some items such as the events notice, sympathy/get-well announcements, membership announcements, & special events that the committee will look at each of your upcoming year's newsletters to see how your chapter newsletter has handled them in conducting this contest evaluation.

### **Procedures Manual**

Chairman: Phil Wright WrightSAR@cfl.rr.com

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### **Technology Advisory Committee**

Chairman: Scott Bushnell sbushnell@USNA64.org

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### Florida Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade

Commander: Phil Tarpley mp18pht@verizon.net

Your Commander attended the NSSAR Congress in Winston-Salem, NC

Several members noted below of the FL Society Sons of Liberty Brigade marched in the National Color Guard and were part of presenting the Colors during several events.

The Sunday Memorial Service at the 140 year old Baptist Church

Presentation of the Colors for the Opening Ceremony of the 121st Congress

Presentation of the Colors for the Tuesday Night Banquet

Presentation of the Colors for the Wednesday night Installation Banquet

Change of the National Color Guard Commander Ceremony and retiring of the Colors.

Members involved in all or some events; David Ramseur, Phillip H. Tarpley, Hal Miller Vernon "Ted" Hornback, and Lindsey Brock

I also attended the Color Guard Committee breakfast and provide the results of 3 important motions voted on. One after amendments and passed and 2 tabled for more study and research.

Motion Passed: The NSSAR CG Rule that restricted any medals to be worn on our Colonial Uniform including our neck ribbons was modified. The NSSAR no medals rule is still applied for all National events. The rule is amended as stated below.

### Wearing of SAR Medals

"If a Color Guardsman insists on wearing SAR medals on his uniform because he would not otherwise have an opportunity to wear them, then they may be worn only during SAR internal events such as chapter, state and national meetings where the general public is not present. In any case, the Color Guard Commander in charge makes the final decision on the permission to wear medals on the Color Guard uniform during SAR internal events."

### The new NSSAR Color Guard book with updates is now on line from NSSAR Note: Parades or such other publicly attended events still restrict wearing your medals.

I plan to discuss this with the CG members at our BOM to make a decision agreeable with the majority. Only the normal size medals are to be worn (miniatures are still for formal wear only) and shall be properly worn according to NSSAR guidelines.

Motion tabled for more committee work to make recommendations such as design and final name of the medal for our ladies who help us in our color guard events. The name first suggested is the "Molly Pitcher Medal". The medals would be presented at the chapter and state levels. I am sure this medal will be presented many times knowing how our wives have helped all of us over the years.

Motion tabled for more committee work on design and approval of a Color Guard medal for those who have received the Bronze and Silver but no chance of receiving the Gold normally presented to the outgoing National Commander. This is the medal for those active for five years after receiving the silver.

### **Chapter Camp Reports**

### Samuel Adams Camp #4 Clearwater Chapter

May - Compatriots David Kitchen, Dan Hooper, George Pratt and Grant Wallin, on Memorial Day, of the Clearwater Chapter SAR Color Guard, participated in a memorial service at St. Dunstan's Anglican Church by presenting the Colors to open the ceremony.

At the May Chapter Meeting, Regional VP Nelson Jantzen presented David Kitchen with a Bronze Color Guard Medal for his faithful participation in both the Chapter Color Guard as well as the State Color Guard. Three years of service are required to be qualified for this medal.

At the May BOM and Annual meeting, Compatriots Kitchen, Pratt, Jantzen and Hooper participated in the presentation of the Colors before each meeting

### Yorktown Camp #5 St Lucie River Chapter

Yorktown Camp #5 Two of our members joined the Fri. night and Sat. night Banquet Color Guards at the Annual 2011 BOM meetings. May and June were when the eleven annual JROTC Certificates and Medals are awarded by our members. Also several Good Citizenship Awards to various schools were awarded by members in uniform during these two months and one Eagle Scout Certificate was awarded.

On May 29<sup>th</sup> Wise and Kraenbuhl were part of the Color Guard at the Fernhill Memorial Cemetery in Stuart for their Memorial Day Service.

On May 30<sup>th</sup> Compatriots Pattisen and Riediger joined the color guard at the St Lucie Veterans council Memorial Day Service in Port St Lucie. Riediger visited the grave of the Medal of Honor Veteran Reidaar Waaler and replaced flags marking Veteran's graves at the same cemetery as Waaler's grave.

June 12 Pattisen and Wise in uniform joined the Elks Club and a JROTC unit to present the Elk's annual American Flag ceremony honoring all American Flags used from the Revolution to the present.

On June 19 Wise and Kraenbuhl in uniform awarded a flag Certificate to the Brighton Gardens assisted living home and a MIA/POW flag donated by Compatriot North. On July 4<sup>th</sup> all the members of our Color Guard in uniform and in formation presented the flags for the opening of the local Mets baseball game and fireworks celebration.

Jay Wise Commander

### Nathan Hale Camp #7 Pensacola Chapter

The following is the Pensacola Chapter, Nathan Hale Camp #7 color guard activity for the period 13 May – 25 Aug 2011:

June 4<sup>th</sup>, Guardsmen Lantz, Turner, Legg participated in the University of West Florida Battle of Pensacola 230th Anniversary Battle Re-Enactment.

June 14<sup>th</sup>, Guardsmen Lantz, Legg, Matthews, Turner, & Bellamy presented the colors at the Pensacola Chapter monthly meeting to honor the induction of new chapter members.

August 9<sup>th</sup>, Guardsman Lantz, Matthews, & Turner presented colors at the Pensacola Chapter monthly meeting in honor of a memorial service to chapter Compatriots Ford and Ruckman. Ray Lantz Commander

### Nathaniel Greene Camp #8 Saramana Chapter

**Partners in Patriotism:** The Color Guard commanded by Phillip Tarpley, participated in the Sarasota County Memorial Day Parade for 2011. Nathaniel Greene Camp #8 provided 12 participants in uniform to march over one mile with other Patriotic organizations including: JROTC students from the Sarasota Military Academy, and four other JROTC units, Boy Scout Troops, DAR Chapters, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion and many other contingents from Sarasota County area. In addition, the Firefighters and Police units, with members of the Sheriff's Office were also participants in the parade.

Several public events will have our unit busy over the next 3 months including the Veterans' Day in Sarasota, 9/11 events, 2 Liberty Tree planting presentations and the DAR Constitution Week luncheon.

Saramana Chapter provided five participants in the Color Guard for The Sons of Liberty Brigade at the FLSSAR BOM and Annual Meeting in May 2011.

There were a total of six members of the Saramana Chapter that participated in the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution during the 121<sup>st</sup> National Congress held in Winston Salem, N.C. in July 2011. There were four CG performances as follows:

- Church Memorial Service
- Opening of the Congress
- Two evening formal Banquets

Capt Clarence Barrett Vice Commander

### Bernardo de Galvez Camp #13 Naples Chapter

Our guardsmen John McCullough and Don Cahill served in the Spring BOM Color Guard. The Naples has no regular meeting until October but the Color Guard participated in the Naples July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade from the pier through town and enjoyed the camaraderie of the Big Cypress DAR unit just ahead of us-ladies first of course. The guardsmen will open our chapter meeting again this year at all meetings.

Don Cahill Commander

### Thomas Paine, Sons of the Brigade Miami Chapter

Compatriots Brian Swanson, Otto Williams, Richard Friberg and Doug Bridges served as the Thomas Paine, Sons of the Brigade, Color Guard, Miami Chapter SAR during the Miami Springs City Memorial Day celebration being held May 29, 2011, in Miami Springs Memorial Park. Doug Bridges Commander

### General Lighthorse Harry Lee Camp Caloosa Chapter

Commander Randy Moody participated in a Memorial Day program for which U.S.

Representative Connie Mack was the keynote speaker. He also participated with the CG at May BOM and Annual meeting. There was no other activity for the reporting period.

Randy D. Moody, Commander

### Withlacoochee Chapter

On May 10th Guardsmen R Sumner, P Pardee, and J Pardee placed American Flags on Grave Markers of Veterans at the Brooksville Cemetery in Brooksville Florida

On May 13th C Day and H Nelson Posted the Colors at the Spring BOM with the State Color Guard

On May 21st Guardsmen R Sumner, H Nelson, P Pardee and J Tucker Posted the Colors at our May meeting to Honor the JROTC and Poster winners

Richard Sumner

Color Guard Commander

### Liaisons

### **CAR Liaison**

Chairman: Lindsey Brock lindsey.brock@comcast.net

Committee Member: Doug Bridges, Miami Chapter

- On May 22, 2011 the Brocks hosted the annual meeting of the Princess Malee Society. At that meeting the newly elected 2011-12 officers of the Princes Malee officers were installed.
- I attended the attended the June Board Meeting of the National Society Children of the American Revolution in the NSDAR headquarters building in Washington, DC on June 3-4, 2011.
- During July it was my pleasure to attend the Mid Southern Regional meeting in Lexington, KY on July 22 & 23, 2011 and the Southeastern Regional meeting in Pawleys Island, SC, on July 26 & 27, 2011.
- The Jacksonville Chapter SAR and the C.A.R. Princess Malee Society held its annual flag retirement ceremony at the Mandarin Community Club on Saturday, August 6, 2011. It was my honor to be a participant that ceremony.

### C.A.R. and SAR Junior Members Aide (ad-hoc)

Chairman: Lindsev C. Brock, III thebrocks@bellsouth.net

The purpose of this committee is to develop a better relationship between the SAR, its Junior Members and the C.A.R. It also provides SAR members an opportunity to promote the many youth programs that SAR offers. Every FLSSAR Chapter should encourage its Junior Members and local C.A.R. Society to actively participate in our Annual meetings as either an Aide or Page.

The Florida Society had three Florida Society C.A.R. members participate in our 2011 Annual Youth Awards Luncheon on May 14, 2011. The participants were: Paul Pardee, Caroline Gans, and Christina Petty. Please note that we have changed the name of this committee so that young ladies of the C.A.R. may participate at our Annual meetings as Pages.

### **DAR Liaison**

Co-Chairman: Randy Moody sarrevdoc@comcast.net Co-Chairman: George Lockhart georgelockhart@comcast.net

Co-chair Randy Moody attended the FSSDAR Luncheon in Miami Beach honoring the new State Regent Donna Cullen and her officers on July 23.

Fall Forum is September 23-25. The DAR Conference Chair requests an SAR Color Guard to post the Colors for the Saturday (9/24) evening banquet scheduled for 7:00 pm. Please contact Randy Moody as soon as possible if you are able to participate. Compatriots Steve Williams and Randy Moody have committed to man a recruiting

table on Saturday, the 24th; the DAR is an excellent source to recruit new SAR members—remind them the State DAR Society that refers the most new SAR members receives a \$500.00 award each year. When a DAR member refers a new member, include the DAR Finder Form that is found on the SAR and FLSSAR (http://www.flssar.org/Docs/Forms/DAR500.pdf) web sites when submitting the application to give them proper credit. Chapters should consider awarding the SAR Medal of Appreciation to DAR members who refer multiple new SAR members.

Respectfully, Randy D. Moody

### **Ladies Auxiliary Liaison**

Chairman: David Ramseur ramseur@surfbest.net

The Ladies Auxiliary membership is composed mostly of wives of SAR compatriots. Moreover, any lady may join who has a relationship with a Compatriot, such as aunt, sister, cousin, and/or daughter and is interested in the events and work of the Ladies Auxiliary. Dues are \$5.00 and are renewable every year. A member is also part of the National Ladies Auxiliary organization.

The Auxiliary looks forward to being part of the SAR youth awards every year by giving certificates along with scholarship checks to the winners. A fun way the Ladies Auxiliary raise funds for these awards is by donating beautiful and bountiful gift baskets which are then auctioned off by drawing at the BOM Dinners and the proceeds then used to assist in the various endeavors of the Auxiliary. The Auxiliary also donates and assists in the mailing of various gift packages to overseas troops during the year as well as contributing to worthy causes and assisting various projects of individual SAR chapters.

The Auxiliary also participates and assists in the hospitality room by contributing delicious food and drinks for SAR compatriots during the BOM and annual meetings.

Members of the Ladies Auxiliary have also represented the Florida Ladies Auxiliary at Patriotic events held throughout the State such as the Battle of Pensacola, and the Last Naval Battle. Many Ladies have represented Florida in several events in the South Atlantic District in the activities of SAR chapters in other states. Several ladies are active in support of SAR compatriot husbands by wearing colonial dress and in laying wreaths and attending commemorative ceremonies held by various SAR chapters.

### **Historic Sites**

### **Commemorative Historic Sites**

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

No activity this Quarter

Battle of Pensacola (ad-hoc)
Chairman: Ed Young ednoy@earthlink.net

Planning for the 2012 Commemoration of the Battle of Pensacola is underway. The event is scheduled to be held on Saturday, May 12, 2012 at 9:00 A. M. at Fort George in downtown Pensacola. Accommodations are available at the Days Inn Downtown, 710 North Palafox Street, Pensacola – 11/2 blocks from the fort The Commemoration Ceremony will consist of Presentation of the Colors, guest speaker, wreath laying and Musket Salute.

**Last Naval Battle** 

Chairman: Ben DuBose bdubosefl@gmail.com

**NTR** 

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

Chairman: Harold Crapo

NTR

### **Youth Programs**

Americanism Elementary Poster Contest (ad-hoc)

Chairman: David Ramseur ramseur@surfbest.net

The Americanism Elementary Poster Contest is a great new venue for stimulating interest in the Elementary Grades. I am proud to announce that our Florida Winner from the Jacksonville Chapter came in second place at this year's Congress in Winston-Salem, NC. The contest this year will be based on "The Battle of Guilford Courthouse". Also, this year's 3rd grade students have been included with the 4th & 5th grade students from public, private and home school students. Marjorie and I were able to tour the battlefield at Greensboro, NC (named for General Nathanael Greene). Even though our contest ends in April 2012, bring your winning chapter posters to our annual meeting by 4 May 2012. Go to the FLSSAR website for more information.

### **Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee**

Chairman: Charlie Day dmdaycday@aol.com

The SAR/Boy Scouts of America Good Citizenship patch is available at National for the sum of \$2.50 each. The patch is a fund raiser for our SAR National Eagle Scout Recognition Program. I am sure you can think of a number of times you might use it during the course of a year. It could be presented along with personal presentations of Eagle Recognition Certificates and with the presentation of our Eagle "Citizenship Triplet Certificate". The Eagle Recognition Requests that I receive from National have been slow getting to me this past year. I am still

working on this. There are some things we can do to encourage having these request come directly to your Chapter representatives that handle these recognition request. One thing is letting your BSA District Executive(s), the District Advancement Chairman for Eagle Scouts, the District Commissioner and District Commissioners know where your Chapter would like to have these request sent. We will talk a little more about this at the Fall BOM. Brevard and Withlacoochee Chapters have made their initial presentations of the Triplet Merit Badge awards and we will be looking for some results in the fall and winter months.

If you would like to see some of the early preparations for The Bechtel Summit, 2013, National Jamboree go to http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uve2oVsy\_R0&feature=youtube\_gdata\_player

I will not be at the Summer BOM but regularly continue to be available by email. THANK YOU to all our

Compatriots that do so much for our SAR Eagle Scout Program.

### George S. & Stella Knight Essay Contest

Chairman: Robert Yarnell rsyarn@aol.com

NTR

**Good Citizenship** 

Chair: Oscar Patterson opatters@comcast.net

He will provide certificates at the Fall BOM.

**History Fairs** 

Chairman: Frank Hodalski fhodalski@msn.com

**NTR** 

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

Chairman: Randy Moody <a href="mailto:sarrevdoc@comcast.net">sarrevdoc@comcast.net</a>

The FLSSAR Rumbaugh Oration Winner for 2011, Braden Causey, represented us well in the NSSAR Contest. The competition was especially tight this year. She did not make the finals.

Each chapter is encouraged to contact their local public schools, private schools, and home school groups to recruit orators for this year. This competition is one of the highlights of Congress each year. Orators are available IF we make the competition known to them. Contact religious organizations with active youth groups, scouts, and other groups that attract outstanding young people.

The 2012 FLSSAR Rumbaugh Contest will be held at the Winter BOM in January.

Respectfully submitted, Randy D. Moody, Chairman

### **ROTC**

Chairman: Phil Tarpley <u>mp18pht@verizon.net</u>

FLSSAR Outstanding JROTC Cadet Lt/Col. Sierra McVey of Eustis HS presented by Lake Sumter Chapter also won the NSSAR competition. She is a remarkable young woman and truly deserved to win.

I was disappointed that she received only \$1,000 cash scholarship award compared to other youth program winners sitting on stage with her receiving up to \$8,000 cash awards.

Compatriot PG Carl K. Hoffmann .stood up and addressed the Congress assembled and requested \$3,000 to be included in the budget for next year, to fund the ROTC Committee. I was disappointed to see opposition to that from some of our former National leaders. One stated it was an unfunded program similar to a unfunded mandate and should not be funded in the budget but added only by the will of the Trustees.

I stood to be recognized and suggested another way to fund JROTC. I asked for advice and help to establish an endowment fund similar to Eagle Scout, Rumbaugh and Knight Essay scholarship funds. The first time I got a thank you from the chair and they moved on. Carl stood up again to defend his request. I again stood up to be heard on my proposal as a serious proposal and not ignored. This time the idea of a ROTC endowment trust fund suggestion attracted some more Delegate attention. This discussion by more Delegates (many were Veterans) led to donations of a few thousand dollars to kick this proposal off. Our Veteran members stood and stated how important this JROTC program is and wanted it funded by an endowment fund that will produce enough earnings each year to fund as close as possible the other scholarship award stated above.

I need help to get this moving forward and any and all help and suggestions are welcome. I asked the new Treasurer General Joe Dooley to work with me to set up the legal format and make sure the money donated does not go into the general funds. He agreed to do same, but have heard nothing since.

I ask all our members to seek help with this by chapters or members. This issue I pray will receive attention at the Fall Leadership meeting.

This school year the date to receive applications for the Enhanced JROTC Cadet program is moved up 1 month earlier than this past year by the National Chairman. I have the updated information on the FLSSAR ROTC/JROTC pages of the FLSSAR website. The NSSAR page has not been updated in two years so use FLSSAR link for current information.

### **Community Outreach**

### **Legislative Affairs**

Chairman: TBD

NTR

**Patriotic Activities** 

Chairman: Hal Miller, Jr. halmiller@verizon.net

Message from Frank Hodalski concerning Hal's condition. Eleven or twelve chapters have reported Flag Certificates. Among them are: Jacksonville, St Augustine, Clearwater, St Lucie River, Naples.

### **Patriotic Education**

Chairman: Jeffery Sizemore

Frank Hodalski presented discussion on Outreach programs and grant. Specifically, a Flag kit program for new owners of Habitat for Humanity homes: porch mount and a flag history pamphlet, and annotated version of the Constitution. He proposed to have this be the third Outreach program at the National level for chapter and state societies to participate in. Motion forwarded from Executive Committee: FLSSAR approve Flag kit program for Chapter to participate new owners of Habitat for Humanity homes. Motion passed.

### **Public Service and Heroism**

Chairman: Daniel Shepherd dts@bellsouth.net

**NTR** 

**Publicity** 

Chairman: Hall Riediger allriedi42@bellsouth.net

No activity this Quarter

Support the Troops (ad-hoc)

Chairman: Frank Hodalski fhodalski@msn.com

Thirty Boxes were sent to units serving in Afghanistan. The Tequesta C.A.R. Chapter and Miami S.A.R. Chapter have indicated they will be bringing items for the troops to the Summer B.O.M. These will enable us to do another mailing in October or November. I will report further during the B.O.M meeting.

### **Veterans Affairs**

Chairman: James Gibson <u>ildvgibson@msn.com</u>

FLSSAR World War II Veterans Prepared by Chuck Sweeney, Naples Chapter President

Congratulations to 58 Florida Society Compatriots. They are World War II Veterans and members of the NSSAR WWII Corps. At an appropriate chapter meeting for the 2011-2012 Season, each of these Compatriots will receive a Certificate of Patriotism for meritorious service to country during World War II as a member of the United States Armed Forces.

**Background** concerning the NSSAR World War II Corps. During Spring BOM meeting, Compatriot Richard E. Friberg, Miami Chapter, FLSSAR, took the floor to address the ongoing national effort to identify current members who are World War II veterans. Specifically, Compatriot Friberg indicated that he attended the Spring 2011 Leadership Meeting in Louisville. While there he went to a gathering chaired by Compatriot Daniel R. McMurray, NSSAR Adjutant, World War II Corps. A key point in Compatriot McMurray's presentation was a request for chapters and states to support the initiative of President General J. David Sympson in identifying and honoring our nation's veterans, especially those World War II veterans who are members of the SAR. Since the Spring 2011 Leadership Meeting, Compatriot Friberg has spearheaded an effort to identify all current WWII veterans in the FLSSAR.

Following Compatriot Friberg's comments, President General Sympson took the floor and amplified the importance of the SAR World War II Corps. He further suggested that the FLSSAR seek a volunteer to act as the Adjutant, Florida Company, SAR World War II Corps.

When that day's BOM session closed, Chuck Sweeney met with President General Sympson, FLSSAR President Meeks, and Compatriot Friberg to volunteer as the Adjutant, Florida Company, SAR World War II Corps. They agreed to this appointment, with the understanding that Compatriot Friberg would serve as the Company Commander and Chuck Sweeney would attend to the administrative duties as he directed. At the NSSAR 121st Congress in Winston-Salem, NC, over 500 Patriotic Certificates were distributed to the State Societies, with the Florida Society receiving a large number of these certificates.

**Current Situation**. A review of our FLSSAR Database, based upon dates of birth, show numerous other members of our society might have served in the Armed Forces during World War II. If any compatriot in any of our chapters is a WWII Veteran and wishes to join the NSSAR WWII Corps, they are encouraged to contact the FLSSAR Company Adjutant, NSSAR WWII Veterans Corps, for the appropriate survey form. His contact information is in the last paragraph of this report.

Further, Compatriot Daniel R. McMurray, Adjutant NSSAR World War II Corps, recently noted that when NSSAR started the program a WWII Vet who was alive, who was a member in good standing as of July 2010, and who had completed/forwarded his survey form, would received a Certificate of Patriotism at the 121st Congress. If a member passed away subsequent to the July 2010 date, but had a survey form forwarded, a certificate would be produced and issued so that it could be presented to that compatriot's family. This was, and is, the only time that the NSSAR will have en masse issuance of certificates. Henceforth, a WW II veteran who wishes to become a member of the NSSAR World War II Veterans Corps and have a Certificate of Patriotism issued to him, he must be a member in good standing. He must complete a survey form and forward it on an individual basis through his State Society. There is no intent to issue posthumous certificates.

FLSSAR Point of Contract for the NSSAR World War II Veterans Corps from whom one can obtain a survey form is Colonel Charles T. Sweeney, USMC (ret); President Naples Chapter/Adjutant FLSSAR Company, NSSAR WWII Veterans Corps; 7007 Greentree Dr., Naples, FL 34108-7527; Home Phone: (239) 566-3307; email: chuck\_sweeney@msn.com.

### **Trust Funds**

### **Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements**

Chairman: Victor McMurry vicmc4@gmail.com

**NTR** 

### **Trust Fund Development**

Chairman: Jack Coleman

NTR

### Florida SAR Endowment & Operating Budget Trust Funds

Chairman: Ted Duay, III tedduay@yahoo.com

(see following pages)

# THE FLORIDA SAR ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH JULY 31, 2011

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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	
21,061.84	ı	3	,	5,045.44	16,016.40	INCOME/ UNITRUST
262,795.27	8,371.70	1	(1.00)	424.32	254,000.25	PRINCIPAL
283,857.11	8,371.70	1	(1.00)	5,469.76	270,016.65	TOTALS

## THE FLORIDA SAR ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH JULY 31, 2011

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

		Cash		Exchange Traded Funds	
TOTAL ASSETS ON HAND	TOTAL CASH	Schwab Government Money Fund Wachovia Bank Checking ING Direct Savings	TOTAL EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS	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 PowerShares Financial Preferred Portfolio (PGF) 135 Shares SPDR Gold Trust (GLD) 555 Shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund (BND)	
372,033.66	36,385.01	187.66 10,828.52 25,368.83	335,648.65	30,524.76 18,962.82 47,476.00 21,754.80 57,066.12 18,702.00 19,193.16 30,375.54 24,570.00 21,369.15 45,654.30	Estimated Current Value
283,857.11	36,385.01	187.66 10,828.52 25,368.83	247,472.10	20,417.57 11,936.48 43,329.86 11,696.90 40,252.56 11,921.89 11,865.96 25,043.01 15,692.70 11,830.77 43,484.40	Carrying Value

# THE FLORIDA SAR OPERATING BUDGET TRUST FUND JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH JULY 31, 2011

		INCOME/ UNITRUST	PRINCIPAL	TOTALS
-	Starting Balance Assets per Inventory or on Hand at Close of Last Accounting Period	2,665.88	85,978.88	88,644.76
=	Receipts Schedule A:	1,191.01	161.74	1,352.75
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# THE FLORIDA SAR OPERATING BUDGET TRUST FUND JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH JULY 31, 2011

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

		Cash		Mutual Funds		Exchange Traded Funds	
TOTAL ASSETS ON HAND	TOTAL CASH	Schwab Government Money Fund Wachovia Bank Checking ING Direct Savings	TOTAL MUTUAL FUNDS	6,184.907 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)	
88,412.67	4,860.90	36.22 1,727.81 3,096.87	58,210.92	44,778.73 13,432.19	25,340.85	9,711.00 6,581.25 9,048.60	Estimated Current Value
87,331.63	4,860.90	36.22 1,727.81 3,096.87	61,106.28	49,147.57 11,958.71	21,364.45	8,613.35 4,248.35 8,502.75	Carrying Value