Quarterly Reports of The Florida Officers and Committee Chairmen



Fall Board of Management Meeting Lakeland October 15 & 16, 2004

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 the 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, 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.

FLSSAR Board of Management Meeting October 15 & 16, 2004

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 NSSAR Officers- past & present Reports of NSSAR Committee Chairmen Report of NSSAR National Trustee Reports of State Officers State Committee Reports Unfinished business New business Closing **SAR Recessional** Benediction Adjournment

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FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT National Trustee

Lauren R. Bradley Reported by Alternate Trustee Frank X. Hodalski 15October2004

Fall Trustee Meeting: Louisville – 22-27September

As Trustee Larry Bradley was not able to travel to Louisville, I represented the Florida Society on the floor in my capacity as Alternate Trustee. Meetings attended included:

Executive Committee: 23, 25 and 26September JROTC and ROTC Committee (invited): 24September

Patriotic Education Committee: 24September

Council of Vice Presidents General (invited): 24September

Strategic Planning Committee: 24September

Trustee Meeting: 25September

Vice President General Ranking: Per the direction of the FLSSAR Board of Management, amendments to the NSSAR constitution and bylaws were drawn up and presented in accordance with NSSAR bylaw 29. If adopted, these amendments will restore the VPGs to the ranking held prior to the Boston Congress in 2000. PG McCarl announced submission of the amendments and a copy was circulated at the executive committee meeting.

At the regular meeting of the Council of VPGs on 24September, the Florida Society was invited to present its views on VPG ranking and protocol. I joined PG Carl Hoffmann and President Hal Miller in presenting the Florida position. At the 25September trustee meeting, the Coordinator for the Council of VPGs announced the unanimous support of the council for the Florida amendments.

JROTC Funding: At the scheduled JROTC/ROTC meeting which I attended as a guest, Committee Chairman Harris presented a proposed budget of \$4,000 for 2005 composed almost entirely of donations from individuals and organizations. The committee began the year with a balance of \$2,284 on hand. Also included was a line item showing \$500 from the Geo. Washington Endowment Fund Distribution Committee to cover the cost of postage for medals sent to Department of Defense schools in Europe. The budget was passed. The committee also passed motions to establish an endowment fund for JROTC/ROTC and to fund the ROTC program from the NSSAR operating budget.

On Saturday morning, Chairman Harris informed us that the \$500 request for postage had been denied by the GWEF on the grounds that the proposed budget indicated that JROTC had sufficient funds available.

The refusal was presented to the Executive Committee on Saturday, and discussed in depth. Chairman Harris will re-submit the request for funding. Individual donations were made throughout the day and evening, and the program for 2005 is on solid ground.

This is a temporary solution. The program remains on the books as an unfunded mandate. Funding will continue to be a year-to-year problem until an endowment trust is set up to provide enough income to adequately fund the program in perpetuity.

Knight Essay: The Executive Committee was informed that Kevin Yarnell, chairman of the FLSSAR Knight Essay Committee and FLSSAR secretary, provided a comprehensive evaluation of the program, with suggestions for improvement, and had received no response from the NSSAR committee. It was also reported that the SS number of each entrant was required under the existing contest rules, and should be eliminated immediately. In the Saturday afternoon session of the trustee meeting, the Knight Essay Committee chairman reported that SS numbers would only be required of the three winning contestants for purposes of making payment of prize money. He also reported that other suggestions for improving the contest were under review.

Genealogy: The genealogy committee reported discussion of a proposal for an NSSAR booth at national genealogy conferences. It was reported that such an effort was made in the past with no appreciable results in recruitment of new members. The committee will consider the possibility of a second effort.

History Fair: See History Fair Committee report.

Code of Ethics: Executive Director James Randall presented a code of ethics for the NSSAR and spoke to the need for its adoption. It included a code of ethics statement governing the NSSAR operation which employees, general officers and trustees would sign. ED Randall pointed out that adopting the code would level the playing field for NSSAR in competing for corporate and foundation grants. Florida supported the proposal from the floor, and the code of ethics was adopted unanimously.

Respectfully, Frank X. Hodalski

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT President

Harold (Hal) F. Miller Jr.

3 October 2004

Activities for this past quarter:

In spite of four debilitating, distracting, and destructive hurricanes, that hit our State within the last six week period of the quarter, we all managed to survive. I know of only one death of a compatriot, Harry A. Irvine-President Caloosa Chapter, and I believe that was not hurricane related.

The most important message I have is one of thanks to all the "Charley's Angels" who left their homes (some had to) and made the trip to our BOM in Lakeland on Friday the 13th of August. I am not faulting those that found it necessary to stay put because of health reasons, family concerns, or protection of property. Twenty-two SARs and twelve wives attended which, by the grace of God, gave us a quorum for both the Executive Board Meeting as well as the BOM Meeting. After contacting all of the writers of the twenty checks for registration fees and meal costs, I am pleased to report that 95% agreed not to accept a refund of the savings that occurred due to the hotel's lowering substantially the banquet meal charges on Friday night. Instead most agreed to donate the savings of \$500.00 to the JROTC National "Best of The Best" program which is not yet funded by any endowment.

While on this important subject of JROTC, I carried this \$500.00 check up to the Fall Trustee's Meeting in Louisville and presented it at the Fall Trustees Meeting on Saturday, September 25th. Early on during the gifting period I requested those trustees and members present to help with additional donations. Much to our glee, \$900.00 more was donated in the morning. During the lunch brake, we were informed by President General Hank McCarl that if \$1500.00 more could be raised, an anonymous donor would match it with another \$1500. This was accomplished that evening at the banquet, so that a total of \$4400.00 was raised that day. With a balance of \$2284.52 in the JROTC checking account as of August 31st, which included the \$400.00 from the sale of Art Chapman's book, "Another Visit To Valley Forge", that would bring the total to at least \$6684.52

as of Sept. 25, 2004. Any excess this year could be applied toward an effort to establish a trust to endow JROTC, a suggestion made by many top officers.

Florida was well represented at the Fall Trustee Meeting by the following 9 compatriots listed alphabetically: Lindsey Brock, Bob Burt, Richard Friberg, Fred Gaines, Ron Hamilton, Frank Hodalski, Carl Hoffmann, Hal Miller & William Stevenson. **Our presence was indeed felt.**

Please refer to Frank Hodalski's Alt.Trustee report regarding the issue of Protocol & VPG position. Our State Society's proposed NSSAR constitution and bylaw amendments addressing this issue were mailed to the NSSAR Bylaws Committee Chairman Edward Cailleteau and submitted to the NSSAR Secretary General Roland Downing, both with cc. to Exec.Dir. James Randall. Also please listen to Chancellor Carl Hoffmann's report regarding the powers of the Ethics Committee. FLSSAR's proposed NSSAR bylaw amendments were mailed to the NSSAR Bylaws Committee Chairman, with cc. to the President and Secretary General.

On 18Sept2004, I attended, as part of our Nathanael Greene Camp # 8 Color Guard, the Annual Constitution Week luncheon and program sponsored by the Manasota Regents Council FSSDAR and the Saramana Chapter FLSSAR. At this event the highest DAR award to a non-DAR, the Medal of Honor, was presented to Frank X. Hodalski, currently FLSSAR alternate Trustee, by Carolyn Van Helden, Regent of the Sara De Soto Chapter FSSDAR. One so honored must be an adult Native-born American Citizen who has

displayed extraordinary qualities of Leadership, Trustworthiness, Service, and Patriotism. Recipients must have made unusual and lasting contributions to our American Heritage by truly giving of themselves to their community, state, country, and fellow man. The event was held at the Mission Valley Country Club in Nokomis, Florida, and hosted by the Myakka Chapter. The speaker for the event was Nancy C. Detert, State Rep. District. 70, Sarasota County.

On 17Sept2004, at 8:00 AM Frank Hodaski and I dressed in colonial uniform made a Revolutionary War presentation before a ninth grade social studies class at the Bayshore High School in Bradenton, Florida. Frank, with the help of his props, such as his replica musket that could be fired, two pistols, a powder horn and a large white feather in his tricorn hat, intrigued the students. It is not easy to cover a war of eight years in only forty-five minutes. Frank did, however, take a short break and called on me to talk about Washington's Crossing of the Delaware and the Battle of Trenton. The Chairs of the Social Sciences and Fine Arts Departments "were truly grateful for the willingness of the Sons of the American Revolution to join us in educating young minds" Because of the luncheon below I could not stay for the second class.

On 17Sept2004, the Sarasota Chapter of Military Officers Association of America held their September luncheon at Michael's On East to honor their outgoing Chairman of the Board, Admiral Jerry Johnson. Before a large crowd he returned the favor by presenting the chapter with MOAA's Four Star award. It was an honor for our color guard to be asked to present the colors for this very large patriotic and prestigious organization.

On 12Sept2004, after a hurricane postponement, Frank Hodalski and his wife Barb joined Pru-Ann and me to remember Dianne Jantzen, wife of Nelson Jantzen, State Regional Vice President. The memorial service was held at the St. Thomas Aquinas Roman Catholic Church just east Of New Port Richey on Old Country Rd #54. Many members of Nelson's Clearwater chapter were present. The service was beautiful and the comments at the gathering of friends afterwards were very touching.

On 24July2004, I was pleased to be asked to participate again with the American Legion, but in a different cause. The Glen Peters Post No. 266, located at 5201 Richardson Road, Sarasota, Florida, held their Annual Flag Disposal Ceremony. What made this year unique was the fact that they had just completed their new flag disposal fire pit in time for this event which was well attended. It was put to good use as more than 500 used and worn out flags were properly and ceremoniously destroyed. Donna Clark, State Representative, District 69, was also invited to participate in the program.

Future activities:

On 7October2004 the Florida Society has been invited by Le Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, North Carolina Society, SAR of Fayetteville, NC., to participate in the 224th anniversary celebration of the Battle of Kings Mountain at the Kings Mountain National Military Park, Kings Mountain, SC. I will be accompanied by RVPs, Lindsey Brock and Fred Gaines in the formal wreath laying ceremony at 11:00 AM.

On 16October2004 Al Snapp invited me to speak before the Lakeland Chapter which meets at 11:30AM. One does not say "no" to the "Snapper".

On 20October2004, the Clearwater Chapter has asked me to present the Silver Good Citizenship medal to Jessica Porter, the famous quilt girl. This medal is the highest award we can give for her act of remembrance and devotion. She has received national exposure with her strong desire to make quilts for the families of soldiers killed in the war in Iraq.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Senior Vice President

Harry F. Hollien

The effort during this period was marred by the hurricanes. However, some progress was made – primarily in the areas of Education and Membership (please see the reports). Also visited several organizations and individuals; included were political (Rep. L. Cretal), Heritage (Sons of Confederate Veterans), Military (American Legion, MCL) and Sports (GRTI, NCFSA) in order to better understand their goals/structure as potential support of our educational and recruiting programs.

Presented the Silver Good Citizenship medal to Florida DAR Regent Jean Dixon Mann on behalf of Past President Bradley, President Miller and FLSSAR. This effort was assisted by elements of the Gainesville Chapter Color Guard led by Compatriot Kevin Hollien.

Respectfully submitted, Harry Hollien, PhD Sr. VP

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT Northwestern Regional Vice President

Northwestern Region Edward D. Young, Vice President

Date: October 9, 2004

EMERALD COAST CHAPTER:

The chapter resumed monthly breakfast meetings in September at 8:00 A.M. at the Big City Café in Fort Walton Beach on the 2nd Saturday each month. A donation was received from Wal-Mart in the amount of \$1000.00 to support the chapter Veterans program. The chapter is partnering with two JROTC units whose members distribute the items purchased to veterans during visits to the Tuskegee Veteran's Hospital. This is a win-win-win arrangement that provides Wal-Mart the opportunity to support community activities, offers the students the opportunity learn more about the SAR and its members and contribute to the planning and execution of a rewarding project and provides the means for the chapter to enhance its Veterans program. The chapter distributed 42 American Heritage CDs to the Okaloosa County school system for their 39 schools and 17 CDs to the Walton County school system for their 13 schools.

PANAMA CITY CHAPTER:

There was no chapter activity for this period.

PENSACOLA CHAPTER:

The chapter continues to meet monthly year-round. President Lonnie Jones inducted Charles D. "Chip" Weeks into membership. His mother, Viv Weeks, pinned on his SAR Membership Rosette. Compatriot Steve Rine announced that the Florida State University's Institute on World War II and Human Experiences project honoring the World War II generation has been rescheduled for the spring of 2005 due to the impact of the hurricane season. Contact has been maintained with the ESSSAR (New York State) Oriskany Battle Chapter regarding the sinking of the USS Oriskany in the gulf as a fish and diving reef. The event has now been delayed until June, 2005, Three supplemental membership applications have been approved by NSSAR for Compatriot George Tate. A membership application for Eugene Struh has been submitted. Tours of duty for chapter officers have been changed to coincide with those of FLSSAR. The chapter Color Guard continues to fly the Betsy Ross flag at the grave of Dorothy Walton in ST. Michael's Cemetery in Pensacola on all flag holidays. Mrs. Walton is the wife of George Walton, of Georgia, a signer of the Declaration Of Independence. The chapter donated \$50.00 to the FLSSAR Endowment Trust Fund.

TALLAHASSEE CHAPTER:

Donald M. Wilham has assumed the presidency of the chapter upon the resignation of Fred Trautman for personal reasons. The NW RVP provided an American Heritage CD and booklet for review and consideration of implementing that program. Hurricane "Ivan" washed out the September meeting. The next meeting will be held in December.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT North Central Regional Vice President

North Central Region Sam Boone, Vice President

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT Northeastern Regional Vice President

Northeastern Region Lindsey Brock, Vice President

Date: 8 October 2004

Daytona-Ormond Chapter

The 2004 Florida Legislature passed House Bill 1757 that requires all Florida public schools, Kindergarten through Grade 12, to display the United States Flag in each classroom on a daily basis. The legislation mandates that all flags must be made in the United States, and must be at least two feet by three feet in size. The new law provides no funding and all public schools must comply with the law and display a flag in each classroom by no later that 1 August 2005.

The Dayton-Ormond Chapter understood the financial impact that this legislation would have on the public schools in Volusia County and made a decision to assist two schools in their area. On 11 August 2004, Compatriot Tom McNally, president of the chapter, along with Compatriots Leon Jordan and Doug Little and three members of the Jacksonville Chapter's Color Guard (George Lockhart, Dick Cardell and Lindsey Brock) in Revolutionary War Uniforms along with approximately twelve R. O. T. C. students of the Atlantic High School participated in a ceremony at the flagpole of Atlantic High School. At that ceremony, Compatriot McNally presented a check to principals, Ron Pagano of the Atlantic High and Earl Johnson, Jr. of Osceola Elementary schools, to purchase United States Flags for the 141 classrooms in both schools. Local media and Bill Kelly, CFO for the Volusia County Schools were present for the ceremony. The two schools were each given a plaque to commemorate this ceremony which indicated that the Daytona – Ormond Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution furnished the flags for the schools. Copies of NSSAR's America's Heritage CD's were also given to each principal for distribution to the teachers in their respective schools. Hopefully, other FLSSAR chapters will emulate the kind generosity extended by the Dayton-Ormond Chapter and consider assisting the schools in their local areas to purchase flags for the classrooms.

Deland Chapter

On 20 September 2004 my wife, Billie, and I attended the Deland Chapter's annual Constitution Week Banquet, which was held at the Deland Country Club in Deland, FL. The guest speakers were Robb Warren a/k/a Francis Lightfoot Lee and Frank Magaree a/k/a Richard Henry Lee. Richard Henry Lee and Francis Lightfoot Lee were brothers born into the politically prominent Lee family of Virginia and both served as members of the Continental Congress, where Richard introduced the resolution to declare independence from Great Britain. These gentlemen did an outstanding portrayal of the Lee brother's role in the Revolutionary War. There were over sixty in attendance at this meeting. Compatriot Vann Rhodes, president of the chapter, presented the SAR Silver Good Citizenship Award to David Finkle, who is the 2004 Teacher of the Year for Volusia County. Mr. Finkle is the author of "Making My Escape" and he writes a comic strip "Mr. Fritz" which has been published in the "Daytona Beach News Journal" since March of 2000. His comic strip can be read at www.mrfitz.com. President Vann Rhodes also presented SAR 25 year pens to three of the chapter's members: Compatriots Ross Mooty, Richard Brunning and Willard Utman.

Flagler Chapter

At the 21 September 2004 meeting of the Flagler Chapter I was given the honor of inducting the chapter's newest member, Compatriot William Story Creager. Past President Tom Beauchamp presided at the September meeting because President Ervin Bullard was out of town. The guest speaker was Tomme Mayne of the Flagler County Sheriff's Citizen Observer Patrol "C.O.P.". Mr. Mayne gave an excellent presentation relating to security methods to help prevent home burglaries. The C.O.P. provides a free home inspection to the citizens of Flagler County and makes recommended modifications, and then a C.O.P. representative performs a compliance inspection to insure

that the recommended modifications have been made. After Mr. Mayne's presentation, Compatriot Beauchamp presented him with NSSAR's Fire Safety Medal and Certificate.

Compatriot Robert E. Scott a member of the Flagler Chapter passed away on 12 December 2003 and was entombed at the Oakbrook Memorial Park in Greenwood, SC. On 24 August 2004 Compatriot Scott's daughter, Linda Sponenburgh had her father's mausoleum marked with a SAR bronze NSSAR marker. Linda is a member of the Old King's Highway Chapter of the NSDAR and in addition to her father who was a member of the Flagler Chapter she has two sons that are members of the SAR in the Flagler Chapter: Erik Sponenburgh and Bern Sponenburgh.

Jacksonville Chapter

The Jacksonville Chapter held its second annual Flag Retirement Ceremony at the home of President David Ramseur on 21 August 2004. Those participating in the retirement ceremony were: Compatriots David Ramseur, George Lockhart, Olin Lancaster, Father Johnson Pace and Lindsey Brock of the Jacksonville Chapter. All five participants were attired in the bravo uniform. Three new SAR members were inducted at this meeting: Compatriots Rodney E. Whitney, Richard M. Whitney II and Richard M. Whitney. Patriot Jack Coleman who is a past president of FLSSAR and a past president of the Jacksonville Chapter was presented with the NSSAR's Fifty Year Pin and Certificate by President Ramseur.

On 11 September 2004 the Jacksonville Chapter and the DAR Regents Council of Northeast Florida jointly celebrated Constitution Week at the Selba Marina Country Club. The guest speaker was Gregory Hull-Ryde, Special Agent of the Naval Criminal Investigative Service. Mr. Hull-Ryde gave an excellent overview of the contributions and role that the Naval Criminal Investigative Service has with regard to the security of the United States of America. Five members of the Jacksonville Color Guard presented and posted the Colors at the 11 September 2004 Constitution Week Luncheon.

St. Augustine Chapter

On 18 Sep 2004 I attended the St. Augustine Chapter's monthly meeting which was held at the LePavillon Restaurant in St. Augustine, FL. The guest speaker was Michael T. Isam, Commander, Disabled American Veterans of St. Augustine, FL. Mr. Isam gave an excellent overview of the assistance that organization provides to the veterans of the St. Augustine area. President Norman L. Antle advised the membership that the St. Augustine Chapter has been invited to participate in the upcoming Veterans Day Ceremony at the Palm Valley Cemetery on 11 November 2004. During this reporting period the chapter presented two Flag Certificates: on 21 August 2004 a Flag Certificate was presented to Jennifer J. Sickler, AVP and Manager of the Compass Bank who displays flags in the bank and also on an outside flag pole which is properly illuminated at night; and on 20 August 2004 Glen and Debbie Tilley of St. Augustine, FL were present a Flag Certificate for properly displaying the U. S. Flag on a flag pole and is properly illuminated at night.

Other Activities of the Northeast Regional Vice President

On 12 September 2004 I attended the 73rd Birthday Celebration of the Princess Malee Society Children of the American Revolution of Jacksonville, FL.

On 24-24 September I attended the Fall Trustees meeting in Louisville, KY.

Lastly, my wife, Billie, and I attended the 224th Anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain on 7 October 2004.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT East Central Regional Vice President

East Central Region Fred F. Gaines, Jr., Vice President

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT West Central Regional Vice President

West Central Region Nelson Jantzen, Vice President

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT Southeast Regional Vice President

Southeast Region Saul M. Montes-Bradley, Vice President

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT Southwest Regional Vice President

Southwest Region Basil Lancaster, Vice President

10 October 2004

<u>CALOOSA</u>: It is with deepest sorrow to report that Compatriot Harry A. Irvine, President and Registrar of our Caloosa Chapter for the past 3 years passed away September 20th. He and his wife Carole faithfully never missed a meeting during his tenure. Prior to his death and for the past 6 months in particular, Harry processed a significant number of new applications for our Chapter. As a result, at this months meeting we will be inducting the largest group of new members that our Chapter has ever had. We owe Harry a debt of gratitude. Our October meeting was held at Myerlee Manor. Our guest speaker was Basil Lancaster, SW Regional VP, who also inducted the 7 new members into Caloosa Chapter.

CHARLOTTE: No Report.

<u>NAPLES</u>: Our all-time favorite editor Sam Cahill has retired from the Crier in order to assume his new responsibilities as secretary of the Naples Chapter. Our new and very capable Newsletter Editor is Paul Young. Once again our August Election Day volunteers had another very successful day manning Precinct 137 Primary Election. These wholesome, untiring, patriotic workers greeted and aided the electorate on behalf of the Naples Chapter! Dan Summers, Director of Emergency Management for Collier County was our guest speaker for our October meeting.

<u>SARAMANA</u>: Although our Chapter lights have been our for nearly three months, the Saramana Chapter Color Guard has been active under the leadership of Commander Murry Wheeler and Deputy Commander Gene Bradley. They participated in five events. A large group of Saramana compatriots attended the DAR Constitution Week Luncheon in Nokomis. Following a fine luncheon, State Representative Nancy Detert gave an excellent talk on the Florida State Constitution complete with examples of the costs and effects of amendments as was the recent "class size" vote. Prior to closing the meeting the DAR Medal of Honor was presented to our Compatriot Frank X. Hodalski. This recognition is given to an adult man or woman who is a United States Citizen by birth and has shown extraordinary qualities of leadership, trustworthiness, service and patriotism! I am sure we all congratulate Frank upon his receipt of this unique honor.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Secretary

Kevin Yarnell

The last months have seen primarily routine work. We will soon be gearing up for the annual report and collection of dues. We are requesting dues and reports be submitted on December 1st. Last year's December 15th deadline did not leave enough time to complete the report. Please understand that our report is due to National on January 1st. As I did last year, I will mail the report on time regardless of whether all the chapters have reported.

With that said, I believe the process will be smoother this year for everyone, especially the local secretaries. The database of members is very accurate and only minor changes should be required. The biggest issue will be collecting the dues on time and I encourage the chapter leadership to be as proactive and creative as possible in this matter.

I will mail instructions to the secretaries later this month with a second mailing, that includes the membership list, after I receive my mailing from National.

Kevin Yarnell Secretary, FLSSAR

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Treasurer

James R. Holyfield

Holyfield, State Treasurer

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (BUDGET AND ACTUAL) 1/1 - 09/30/04 & 09/30/03

		2004 ANNUAL BUDGET		2004 YTD ACTUAL		2003 YTD ACTUAL
Receipts:	_		-		_	
Dues - net of rebates	\$	33,000	\$	29,671	\$	31,001
Donations	Ψ	2,000	Ψ	2,255	Ψ	1,736
Other		1,000		265		575
Otrici	_	1,000		200		373
Total	_	36,000		32,191		33,312
Disbursements:						
State officers		23,500		10,913		15,896
Youth programs		8,000		9,237		9,212
Committee projects		3,500		4,829		3,530
Committee projects	_	0,000		7,023		0,000
Total	_	35,000		24,979		28,638
Receipts over disbursements	\$ _	1,000	\$	7,212	\$ <u></u>	4,674
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		ASSET	S			
Cash and cash equivalents					\$	51,289
Investments (restricted)						7,756
Other assets						1,857
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Total assets					\$ _	60,902
		LIABILITI	ES			
Liabilities						
		FUND BALA	NCES	,		
Unrestricted						53,146
Restricted						7,756
						60,902
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Total liabilities and fund						
balances					\$ _	60,902
Submitted by James R.						

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FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Chaplain

Charles Schafer

The following compatriots have died since the last BOM.

LastName	FirstName	Date of Death	Chapter
Pagenta, Sr	Daniel	8/8/2004	Clearwater
Carleton	Charles	9/3/2004	Central Florida
Irvine	Harry	9/20/2004	Caloosa
Cole, Sr.	Joseph	9/24/2004	Palm Beach

(Note: This list has been inserted by the secretary.)

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Recording Secretary

Fred F. Gaines, Jr.

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Chancellor

Carl K. Hoffman, PG

Nothing to report

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Parliamentarian

R. L. Bauchspies, Jr.

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Genealogist

Alvie L. Davidson

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Sergeant at Arms

John Little

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Historian

Philip Ballou, Historian

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Editor, Florida Patriot

Saul Montes-Bradley

This report was not available at the time of printing.

Statutory Committees

FLSSAR Committee Report

Audit

Chairman: Sam W. Boone

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report

Executive

Chairman: Harold (Hal) F. Miller, Jr.

This report will be given orally.

FLSSAR Committee Report

Finance

Chairman: James R. Holyfield

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report Medals and Awards

Chairman: Gerald E. Meeks

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report Nominating

Chairman: Ed Sullivan

FLSSAR Committee Report Patriot Medal

Chairman: John Cahoon

This report was not available at the time of printing.

Standing Committees

FLSSAR Committee Report Archives

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell October 10, 2004

With the recent hurricanes I became aware of the vulnerability of our records. The electronic membership database is protected by backup but all the paper in my possession (applications, BOM minutes, etc) are at risk. I would be open to suggestions as to how and if this situation should be addressed.

FLSSAR Committee Report Charter & By Laws

Chairman: Harry Hollien

Members: Harry Hollien, chair, Lauren R. Bradley, John E. Cahoon, Robert Danneman, Albert B. Snapp, Richard E. Welty.

This committee must again consider the "Member-at-Large" ByLaws change as it could not be voted on at the 2004 annual meeting as the publication requirement was not met. Accordingly, this proposal has been sent to the committee members for consideration. Their response will be orally reported at the Fall meeting.

No other requests or suggestions for ByLaws changes have been received as of this date.

Respectfully submitted, Harry Hollien, PhD

FLSSAR Committee Report Chapter Challenge

Chairman: Norman C. Crews

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report CAR Liaison

Chairman: Richard E. Friberg

FLSSAR Committee Report Credentials

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell October 10, 2004

No activity; Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report DAR Liaison

Chairman: George Lockhart

The following is a report of DAR Liaison Committee activities during the period August and September 2004.

Attended the DAR Fall Forum held 24-26 September 2004. The SAR table was set up Friday morning (24 Sep) and manned Friday afternoon by George Lockhart and Fred MacLean until about 5:00 p.m. On Saturday, the table was manned by George Lockhart until about 11:00. Due to the coming hurricane the table was not manned Saturday afternoon or Sunday. During Friday and Saturday we had 38 guests visit the table.

Ranking NSDAR visiting table: Mary Lou James, Chaplain General

Ranking FSSDAR visiting table: Rebecca Lockhart, current State Vice Regent

Ranking F.S.C.A.R. visiting table: Barry A. Marler, State President; Lois Swan, Senior State President

We handed out 9 brochures on Application Requirements, 11 brochures on Membership Requirements, 9 SAR Whats brochures and 9 Precious Heritage brochures. We did not wear uniforms. We did have a display on the table regarding The Continental Soldier, in the War for American Independence. We answered questions about membership in SAR, where to find assistance from local SAR Chapters and who to contact.

Respectfully submitted:

George A. Lockhart

FLSSAR Committee Report Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee

Chairman: David H. Ramseur

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report Education Committee

Chairman: Harry Hollien

Members: Phillip Ballou, Sam W. Boone, Jr., Lauren Bradley, Frank Hodalski.

Harry Hollien (chair), Robert Leibler, Gerald Meeks, Hal Miller, David Ramseur, Ronald Toops (co chair).

Consultants: William Boe, Jack Bovee, Richard Fowler, Lonnie Jones.

As with prior communications, this report is in three parts – one each focused on our current thrusts: legislative, textbook selection and teacher aides.

A. The "Legislative" Program.

As has been reported, we aided FASSS and other organizations in supporting three bills considered by the 2004 Florida Legislature. One of these three bills was passed; the one making it mandatory for all students to satisfactorily pass a set of courses in American History, Government and Economics as a requirement for High School graduation. We failed in our joint effort to ensure passage of two other bills; i.e., one requiring that students

pass test questions drawn from these areas in order to be promoted and another stating that questions of this type be included on the FCAT. We believe that this failure was due – in part, at least – to the rather modest support we received from our membership. Is it at all possible that the great bulk of our members would rather tell "horror stories" about these problems than try to do something about them?

The EdComA chair has contacted consultant Jack Bovee of FASSS with a request that he brief us as to the American History/Government needs and thrusts re: the upcoming 2004-5 Legislative session. Also requested of him is information about what we can do as an organization – and as individuals – to aid in these programs. If our support is not needed in this area, we will replace this thrust with one of those we cannot as yet address.

B. The Textbook Selection Committee.

As you know, we were able to place three Compatriots – John Carter, Richard Cardell and Richard Fowler – on each of the three state-level Textbook Selection committees. Unfortunately, John Carter had to withdraw and we were unable to replace him with another Compatriot. However, we still have members on two of the three committees. Compatriots Fowler and Cardell have been asked to give periodic reports and we have received information (especially from Dick Fowler) about the great number of books that they are having to review. David Ramseur (who previously was on one of the Science committees) has suggested that he (i.e., Dick) may have to add a wing to this home in order house them all and Dick is considering it. Since their work is not yet complete, their final reports will not be ready until Winter.

Second, we have asked our RVP's and chapters to attempt to have one of their members win a spot on their (respective) district committee as it now has reached the point in time where these committees are being completed. Again, the NE region and Jacksonville leads the way. RVP Lindsey Brock has been appointed to the Duval County, Social Studies Textbook adoption committee. Congratulations Lindsey! Are there others (we have heard rumors only)? If you have been successful, please notify the EdComA chair.

C. America's Heritage (i.e., the CD's).

At the present only about 2300 CD's have been distributed – and primarily to the RVP's, chapters and a few committee/BOM members. It is calculated that there are almost 15,000 individuals teaching American History in the public, private and homeschools of Florida (all levels). Hence, even if we had all of those we have "distributed" in the hands of a teacher, we have not yet reached 85% of them.

One problem is that we are having difficulty in obtaining copies of the CD's (we only have about 600 more available); another is that we have to prepare and distribute the pamphlets which accompany the CD's ((even the cut-down version of three (double-sided) pages is a drag to produce)). A third problem has been all of those hurricanes. However, our basic problem is that the support within FLSSAR has been spotty at best. Indeed, not even all of our RVP's have sets of CD's to transport to the chapters. There is some "Good News" however. A few members have programs moving. Examples: Gerry Meeks is working 50 CD's into the Palm Beach schools. Oscar Kraehenbueh is working with his local schools and Sam Boone and Gorden Greenwood have placed CD's in the hands of the relevant Alachua County school officials. Best yet, Al Snapp met with his Superintendent of Schools; they found that there were nearly 450 teachers in the District who taught American History. Presumably they all now have the CD's as Al personally transported them to him.

It is Fall now and this portion of the FLSSAR educational program needs to be "on the move." Please remember that these CD's provide lesson plans, lectures, source materials (books, articles, websites) and games for the teachers; they replicate all these functions for elementary, middle and high schools. Our early reports are that most of them (i.e., the teachers) find them most helpful. Our job is to distribute these teaching aids. Would each chapter be so kind as to 1) accept CD's from their RVP's and/or EdComA members, 2) appoint an Education Committee with Chair and 3) see that all teachers in their districts are provided the CD's? If you do, FLSSAR thanks you, EdComA thanks you, our Country thanks you, Florida thanks you, the schools thank you and – especially – the children will thank you.

Finally, we now must start considering a fourth program. Of course, we are committed to assist Frank Hodalski with the terrific History Fair thrust he is leading. However, what about our fourth effort? Suggestions please.

Respectfully submitted, Harry Hollien, PhD

FLSSAR Committee Report Electronic Technology Committee

Chairman: Dick Fowler

Activity on the web has increased greatly. Recently it has been over two hundred hits per day. The Benedict Arnold page has been getting a lot of hits because it has shown up on some web searches as the number one URL.

The four hurricanes have had a significant effect on all of us. From Charlie, who cut down our summer BOM Meeting attendance greatly, thru Jeanne it has been a tough go for most of us.

In appreciation for all the help we have received from all over America, including Canada, I put a series of pictures on the web. We had twenty-two linemen from Michigan who helped in my immediate area. They were just fabulous, working in over ninety degree heat with heavy protective clothes. The pictures can be seen on our photo gallery page. While it may not be SAR material, I thought it was appropriate to use whatever means available to show our thanks for all they did for us. Utility trucks from all over the country, and Canada, are still in our area.

Once again, the BOM meeting information on our website was, and is, the only information available since the "Patriot" is still not available (thanks to Jeanne). We need to encourage all members with computers to get this information to non-computer members who are interested in going to the meeting if this ever happens again.

The Florida Department of Education Textbook Review Committee took up a lot of my time, so not as much has been done with our website as I would have liked. We still managed to get on quite a few newsletters. More and more chapters are going to the .pdf format for their newsletters, and that really works well for me. Any chapters wanting their newsletters posted on-line are encouraged to send copies of it to the webmaster. We also encourage all chapters to share their pictures in our photo gallery pages.

I have received the Children of the American Revolution summer edition of their newsletter, and as soon as possible, that will be added. We need to do anything we can to encourage them. If you read their newsletter you will see what a deserving group they are.

Richard Q. Fowler, Chairman, Electronic Technology Committee St. Lucie River Chapter

FLSSAR Committee Report Genealogy

Chairman: Alvie L. Davidson

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report George S. & Stella Knight Essay Contest

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell October 10, 2004

Alas, again this year the National committee chose not to send out the information until very late which has put our efforts a bit behind schedule. Chapters that plan on conducting a local contest are asked to contact me so that the information can be put on the state website.

Two small but significant changes have been made to the National rules this year, both at the request of this FLSSAR. The students are no longer required to submit their social security number on the title page and a rule concerning sources was reworded for clarity. I hasten to add that both of these changes were made after Frank and Hal graciously brought them up at the recent trustees meeting. Prior to that, our suggestions (five in all) had been completely ignored.

If you have any responsibilities for this contest on the local level, please remember that there are some minor differences between the state and national rules. We use our rules in judging the contest at the local and state level. I'd be glad to discuss this practice with a member if that would be helpful.

FLSSAR Committee Report Good Citizenship

Chairman: Douglas H. North

September 21, 2004

The committee is continuing to promote with a mailing to each Chapter for their general information and interest in the Good Citizenship Program for the schools. Certificates are available for the asking from the Chairman, as well as a supply at the Fall Board of Management Meeting.

Remember this great way of getting our name to the public each and every year at the smallest amount of work on our part!!!!

Continue the Good Work !!!!!

Douglas H. North, Chairman

FLSSAR Committee Report Joseph P. Rumbaugh Orations Contest

Chairman: Robert Danneman

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report Ladies Auxiliary Liaison

Chairman: Lonnie G. Jones

This report was not available at the time of printing and will be given from the floor.

FLSSAR Committee Report Law Enforcement, Fire Safety and Heroism

Chairman: Lindsey C. Brock

Date: 10 October 2004

Committee Members: Compatriots: Norman L. Antle, St. Augustine Chapter, Jim R. Armitage, Devane Chapter, Cyril P. Gamber, Tampa Chapter, I. Newell Kellogg, Lakeland Chapter, Robert H. Moody, Lake Sumter Chapter,

Edward O. Payne III, Palm Beach Chapter.

Charlotte Chapter

On 8 April 2004 the Charlotte Chapter presented the following medals and certificates:

Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate

Deputy Christopher Cowan Charlotte County Sheriff's Department, Punta Gorda, FL

Fire Safety Commendation Medal and Certificate

Fireman Matt Averbeck Charlotte County Fire Department, Punta Gorda, FL

There was media coverage (Charlotte Sun Newspaper) for the 8 April 2004 presentations made by the Charlotte Chapter.

Flagler Chapter

On 21 September 2004 the Flagler Chapter presented the following medals:

Fire Safety Commendation Medal and Certificate

Mr. Tomme Mayne, Citizen Observer Patrol Flagler County Sheriff's Office, Flagler Beach, FL

There was no media coverage for the 21 September 2004 presentations made by the Flagler Chapter.

During this reporting period there were several chapters that were unable to present awards or have their schedule meetings due to the hurricanes that hit or threaten virtually every area throughout the State of Florida.

On 24 September 2004 the NSSAR Law Enforcement, Fire Safety and Heroism Committee met in Louisville, KY and the committee voted to recommend that a Emergency Medical Service "EMS" Commendation Medal and Certificate be awarded to technicians, nurses, paramedics and other emergency responders that are usually first on the scene and many have a dual role of life saving and fire suppression. The committee considered several designs and one was selected which will be further evaluated to determine the associated costs of designing and making this award. As a member of this NSSAR committee I plan to notify all FLSSAR chapters when the EMS award will be made available for presentation to the Emergency Medical Service responders.

FLSSAR Committee Report Liberty Tree

Chairman: Gene Brown

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report Meeting Arrangements - BOM

Chairman: Al Snapp

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report Membership Promotion & Retention

Chairman: Harry Hollien

Members: Sam W. Boone, Jr., Larry Bradley, Lindsey Brock, Fred Gaines, Jr., Ron Hamilton,

Frank Hodalski, Harry Hollien (chair), Nelson Jantzen, Basil Lancaster, Saul

Montes-Bradley, William Piper, Edward Young.

This period has been spent attempting to reorganize this committee after the disruption of its time-table created by the recent unpleasantness. Functionally, we are only at about the point in time we would have been at the Summer BOM -- that is, excepting for the following.

NSSAR Regional VP Ron Hamilton has been asked to join this committee and he has accepted. The structure of his first set of contributions will be found in the Fall issue of The Patriot. It is expected that – if approved by the Executive Committee and the BOM – these approaches will be melded with those that can be found in this committee's Summer 2004 report (summarized below). Following such coordination, a number of them will be put into action.

Second, interaction with NSSAR Trustee Frank Hodalski has led to his acceptance of a position on this committee also and consideration of the History Fairs program he heads for collaborative interaction with the MPRC program. Hopefully, a combined plan in support of membership recruitment can be presented for consideration (verbally) at this (i.e., the Fall) BOM. Briefly, however, we want to 1) assist him in communicating the importance of the History Fairs to our membership – and secure their active cooperation, 2) structure a "recruitment" program focused on the student competitor's parents, 3) assist with student recognition and so on.

Third, unfortunately, the interface with Chairman Gerald Meeks (Medals and Awards) and Chairman Robert Raup (Publicity) had to be deferred until this BOM.

Finally, a very brief listing of our current objectives are:

- 1) Establish a formal FLSSAR Speaker's Bureau
- 2) Increase the number of Color Guards
- 3) Assist, and coordinate with, the History Fairs program
- 4) Develop a formal Extra-FLSSAR awards program and coordinate it with "publicity"
- 5) Coordinate recruitment with the NSSAR SE Region
- 6) Develop new types of SAR "recognition" programs.

In short, we will attempt to markedly expand our recruitment effort and formalize sections of it. Also, we will attempt to materially upgrade communication with our membership.

Please note. Anyone who wonders at the need for an aggressive recruitment program should remember that our membership has now shrunk to just 1625 members.

Respectfully submitted, Harry Hollien, PhD Chair

FLSSAR Committee Report National Officer Development

Chairman: Carl K. Hoffman

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report NSSAR Library

Chairman: George Lockhart

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Special Committee Report Newsletters and Periodicals

Chairman Edward N. "Bud" Casey October 4, 2004

MEMBERS: Richard Q. Fowler (St. Lucie River); Kevin A. Yarnell (Tampa)

PARTICIPATION:

Meeting Attendance No meeting.

Correspondence Only routine correspondence.

Telephone Bud Casey's telephone number is (772) 460-2754

E-Mail: budcasey1@aol.com

FLSSAR Committee Report Patriotic Activities

Chairman: Dick Cardell

FLSSAR Committee Report Publicity

Chairman: Robert A. Raup

Four Chapters have submitted points through September 30 for the Annual Earl Marlin Publicity Contest. They are:

Lakeland Chapter - 263 points Pensacola Chapter - 95 points St. Augustine Chapter - 231 points St. Lucie River Chapter - 211

The Earl Marlin Publicity Contest awards cash and ribbons to winners at the Annual Florida Society Meeting. The contest runs for the calendar year. Points are to be submitted to the Chairman, Publicity Committee no later than January 31 of the following year. Any Chapters with questions about the contest Rules should contact the Publicity Committee Chairman, as listed below.

Robert A. Raup Chairman, Publicity Committee, FLSSAR 1420 Water View Dr W Unit 103 Largo, FL 33771-6401 (727) 585-8133 E-mail - res1rzc4@verizon.net

FLSSAR Committee Report ROTC

Chairman: Bob Copeland

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report Trust Fund Development

Chairman: Jack Coleman

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report Veterans Affairs

Chairman: James Edwin "Ed" Lake

Ad hoc Committees

FLSSAR Committee Report Advancing America's Heritage

Chairman: Harry Hollien

Members: H. Hollien (chair); S. Boone, L. Brock, F. Gaines, N. Jantzen, B. Lancaster, S.

Montes-Bradley, E. Young

Nothing to report.

Respectfully submitted, Harry Hollien, PhD

FLSSAR Committee Report Commemorative Historic Sites

Chairman: Fred F. Gaines, Jr.

Chairman, a member of the National Historic Sites and Celbration Committee, attended the Trustee meeting and the meeting of this committee in Louisville, September 24 and 25, 2004.

Four members of the Florida Society, VP General Ron Hamilton, President Hal Milller, and Florida Regional VP's Lindsey Brock and Fred Gaines, attended and participated in the 224th anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain in Gaffney, South Carolina on October 7, 2004.

FLSSAR Committee Report George Washington Memorial

Chairman: Saul Montes-Bradley

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report History Fairs

Chairman: Frank X. Hodalski

NSSAR Patriotic Education Committee History Fair Sub-Committee And FLSSAR Committee Report

Chairman: Frank X. Hodalski

REPORT TO BOM - FALL 2004

Date: 14October2004 Committee: History Fairs

Members: R. Bauchspies, Edw. Casey, F. Hodalski (Chair), Harry Hollien (EdComChair), Carl Hoffmann

Activities: Presentation on history fair and distribution of printed materials to NSSAR Executive Committee.

Presentation on history fair to NSSAR Patriotic Education Committee at the direction of President General

McCarl.

Presentation on history fair at trustee meeting by PG Carl Hoffmann. Distribution of two page informational piece on National History Day to trustees.

Telephone and email communication with committee regarding Florida History Fair primer.

After a presentation on the progress of the Florida history fair program, the NSSAR Executive Committee moved the activities of the History Fair Sub-committee from the Strategic/Long Range Planning Committee to the Patriotic Education Committee for implementation in 2005. President General McCarl has expressed his desire that we go forward with an effort to promote National History Day through participation in local, district, county and state history fairs by NSSAR chapters in as many state societies as possible.

The final draft of the FLSSAR Primer on participation in history fairs has been completed, and will be distributed by the regional vice presidents to each of the chapters in the various regions. The goal of the booklet is to make the process of chapter participation in local and county history fairs both understandable and enjoyable. It provides all of the necessary information to enable first-person contact between FLSSAR members and educators, students and school officials. The reward is a thoroughly enjoyable "feel-good" experience.

A similar publication with generic information on the National History Day events is in preparation for NSSAR distribution to state societies. Deadline for submission to Patriotic Education committee is 01November. President General McCarl is committed to making the program operational in time to encourage NSSAR participation in 2005.

FLSSAR Committee Report Procedures Manual

Chairman: Rollin L. Bauchspies, Jr.

This report was not available at the time of printing.

Other Reports

FLSSAR Standing Committee Report Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements

Chairman: Fred W. Curtis

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Report Endowment Trust Fund Trustees

Chairman: I. Newell Kellogg

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Report Operating Budget Trust Fund Trustees

Chairman: I. Newell Kellogg

FLSSAR Report Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade

Commander: Rollin L. Bauchspies, Jr.

5 October 2004

The period of this report is from 15 August through 16 October 2004. Camp activities were curtailed during this time due to the state being lashed by four hurricanes: Charlie, Francis, Ivan, and Jeanne. In addition, the period length was only for two months. Priority was given to survival, and recovery from nature's wrath. It is believed that activity will pick up during the next reporting period which will include Veterans Day activities, and Christmas and New years parades. Specific activities of the individual Brigade camps during August to October were as follow:

- a. George Washington Camp # 1. (Jacksonville) Dick Cardell Commander. On 21 August, five Camp members in "Charlie" uniform conducted a "Flag Retirement Ceremony" at the home of the Jacksonville Chapter President. Attending the ceremony were members of the DAR and the CAR. On 11 September, at a joint Jacksonville SAR Chapter / DAR Northeast Florida Regents Council Constitution Week luncheon held at the Selva Marina Country Club in Atlantic Beach, five camp members in colonial uniform presented and posted the Colors
- b. Francis Marion Camp # 2. (Ocala), Claude Grubs Commander. Nothing to report.
- c. Cape Canaveral Camp # 3. (Bravard). Ben DuBose Commander. On 11 October, one member in colonial dress is scheduled to give a historical presentation to the Bravard Genealogical Group and recruit for the SAR. On 16 October, the Bravard color guard is scheduled to present the Colors at a joint meeting of the SAR and DAR.
- d. Samual Adams Camp # 4. (Clearwater), Nelson Jantzen, Commander. Nothing to report. Camp members will participate in the Fall BOM Color Guard.
- e. Yorktown Camp # 5. (St. Lucie River), Doug North Commander. Nothing to report. This was the area in which the "eyes" of Francis and Jeanne made landfall in a three week periodl, and recovery efforts have had the highest priority.
- f. Marquis de LaFayette Camp # 6 (Gainsville), Harry Hollien Commander. On 23 September, the Camp Commander assisted by another Camp member, both in colonial uniform, representing the FLSSAR President, presented the NSSAR Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Florida DAR State Regent Jean Dixon Mann. The Camp is attempting to obtain a horse and wagon to use for the Camp participation in the University of Florida Homecoming Parade. The Camp now has eight members who now have their own personal colonial uniforms.
- g. Nathen Hale Camp # 7. (Pensacola), Ed Young Commander. Camp members fly the United States flag over the grave of Mrs. Dorothy Walton at St. Michael's cemetery in Pensacola on all flag holidays. Mrs. Walton was the wife of George Walton of Georgia who signed the Declaration of Independence. Two camp members plan to participate in the color guard at the Fall BOM in Lakeland.
- h. Nathaneal Green Camp # 8. (Saramana), Murray Wheeler Commander. On 4 August, 8 members of the Camp in colonial uniform together with two ladies from the DAR and five members from the American Legion formed a thirteen person color guard to present the Colors to an eight hundred person plus group at an early morning pancake breakfast honoring World War II veterans for their service to our country. U.S. Senator John McCain of Arizona was the guest speaker. Hurricanes cancelled two activities for the Camp in September. These have been rescheduled for November during Veterans Week. In September, between hurricanes, five Camp members in colonial uniform presented the Colors at a joint meeting of two Military Officers of America Association chapters, and other veteran organizations, with an audience of about three hundred. The Camp offered to provide color guard ceremonies to other veteran organizations. Eight groups accepted. During Constitution week, the Camp provided a four man color guard in colonial uniform who presented the colors at the joint Constitution luncheon meeting of the Saramana SAR Chapter and the local DAR chapters.
- i. Thomas Paine Camp # 9, (Miami), Saul M. Montes-Bradley Adjutant. On 22 September members of the camp in "Bravo" uniform presented the colors at the DAR Constitution luncheon at the Miami Women's Club. In October the Camp provided a uniform guard for the dedication of two patriot graves with SAR markers one in Massachusetts and one in New Hampshire. Full report at the Winter BOM. Veterans Day, Harvest Festival, Book Fair activities planned for November including manning SAR Recruiting Tables.
- j. Daniel Morgan Camp # 10. (Central Florida) John Little Commander. Several Veterans Day activities planned for November. In addition, a joint Liberty Tree dedication with the DAR planned for November as part of the Veterans Day Activities.

FLORIDA SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION MINUTES SUMMER BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING AUGUST 13-14, 2004

The meeting was called to order by President Hal Miller Jr. at 9 P.M.. The Pledge of allegiance was led by Compatriot Frank Holdalski, followed by the SAR Pledge and the American Creed led by Vice President General Ron Hamilton.

National officer were introduced by President Miller. Included were President General Carl Hoffman, and Vice President General Ron Hamilton. First time attendees were asked for, and none were present.

Secretary Kevin Yarnell certified a quorum was present. It was then moved the minutes of the Spring 2004 BOM and those of the 2004 Annual Meeting be approved as printed in the last issue of THE FLORIDA PATRIOT. The motion passed.

Reports by National Officers were called. National Trustee, Frank Hodalski, referred to his printed report and President Miller added that without the support of the whole Florida Delegation to the National Congress that the necessary work of the Florida Society would not have been such a success. This was confirmed by remarks of President General Hoffman, who gave great praise to our national Trustee and the Florida Delegation. President Miller gave his and the Florida Society's thanks to both of these Compatriots for all of there hard work and preparation.

President General Hoffmann, as new Chairman of the Protocol Committee, reported his intentions to introduce several items at the Fall Trustee Meeting, and presented to the BOM—a change in the National Bylaws dealing with the Ethics Committee, giving them more power. The Florida Society empowered him to proceed on our behalf in this regard.

A motion to this affect was made, seconded and passed.

Compatriot Hodalski then proposed a change be made in the National protocol dealing with the ranking of the Vice Presidents Generals. The Florida Society empowered him to proceed on our behalf. in this regard. A motion was made, seconded and passed. He also proposed a change to the National Bylaws dealing with the ranking of the Vice Presidents Generals. He was empowered and a motion was made, seconded and passed.

Reports of the Florida State Officers were called :they, and those of the Committee Ch airman, are found in the Quarterly Reports which are made a part of these minutes, along with additional remarks and reports . Regional Vice President Montes-Bradley stated that his report will be given in the future .The Society is invited to the marking of two graves this fall, one in Massachusetts and one in New Hampshire.

Compatriot Stevenson, State Register, added to his report that the National Society will not accept Linage Book reference as proof of ancestral lines. He also brought up the fact that as a member of the National Boy Scout Committee, he is aware of the fact the Boy Scout Trust Fund alone, can not fund the national program. He made a motion that the Florida Society Make a contribution to the National SAR Boy Scout Endowment Fund. After much discussion the motion was withdrawn.

State Genealogist, Compatriot Alvie Davidson informed the BOM that Polk County is taking a census of the cemeteries in the county. They expect it will cover seven volumes, of which the first three are already printed. THE FLORIDA PATRIOT editor, Compatriot Saul Montes-Bradley stated that the drop dead deadline for the next issue is September 2, 2004. Anything received after this date WILL NOT be used

President Miller, Chairman of the Executive Committee, reported that the committee met at 2 P.M., Friday August 13, 2004 and offers the following:

That he is appointing the following to the Nominating Committee , John Cahoon, Fred Gaines Jr., Carl Hoffman. Lindsey Brock and Ed. Sullivan, all agreed to serve if elected. Nominations from the floor were called, hearing none, Frank Hodalski moved and Saul Montes-Bradley seconded that the nominations be closed and that a unanimous ballot be cast for those nominated. Motion passed. The members present met and elected Ed Sullivan to be the chairman.

He reported that Recording Secretary Compatriot Robert Denneman has asked to resign his position, after discussion a motion to accept his resignation was made and passed. President Miller then appointed Frederic F. Gaines Jr., to fill the position.

The State Society's check in the amount of \$200 will be presented at the n ext annual meeting of the State Children of the American Revolution which will be in March 2005.

The nest BOM will be held October 15 and 16, 2004 in Lakeland . A host chapter will be named in the very near future.

That a request from the Miami Chapter for reimbursement of \$366 for their ROTC and JRROTC program. The Executive Committee recommended the request and the BOM approved the request.

That the Executive Committee recommends approval of a request made by Compatriot Hodalski for \$125 sponsor donation toward the State History Fair.. A motion was made, seconded and passed.

President Miller restated that the Goals and Vision of the Florida Society are Education and History Fairs and reminded all of us from the chapter level up to make a concerted effort to report all our activities to the proper chairs.

End of Executive Committee Report

Compatriot Cahoon stated that the Winter BOM will be the deadline for nominations for the Patriot Medal. The Education CD disk which were sent direct to the BOM were given to the two attending Regional Vice Presidents for distribution.

Ladies Auxiliary Liaison chairman Compatriot Jones reports the thanks of the Ladies for the support of those attending and reported the opertunity tickets brought in a large amount to them. President Miller expressed his gratitude to the ladies for all of

support given to the Florida Society.

Compatriot Cassey, chairman of the Newsletters and Periodicals Special committee, asked the president to appoint three members to be judges of the chapter newsletters at the Fall BOM. Compatriots Carl Hoffman, Larry Bradley and Frank Holdalski were named..

The President stated that he will add a Co-Chair to the Veterans Affairs Committee. Compatriot Lake is not in the best of health at this time.

President Miller, speaking on the Advancing America's Heritage, stated that now that Florida has helped in getting the trust bylaws changed that the solicitations and contributions to this worth cause should increase and the this Heritage Center could and would be a reality.

It was stated by President Miller that at least four compatriots will be attending the 224 th celebration of the battle of Kings Mountain on October 7th. Vice President General Ron Hamilton, Compatriots Lindsey Brock and Fred Gaines Jr., and he as President of the Florida Society.

Chairman Frank Hodalski of the History Fairs Special Committee, thanked the BOM for the Support in Voting the \$125 for the sponsoring of the Florida Society at these Fairs. He passed Primers, which provide information necessary for successful participation.

Compatriot Jones was thanked for providing the recording equipment to this BOM

A general discussion of how and what is needed to raise funds for our youth activities in the chapters was had. This information will be posted on our web site in the future.

The meeting closed with recitation of the SAR Recessional and the Benediction by our President Hal Miller Jr.

Frederic F. Gaines Jr. Recording Sectetary