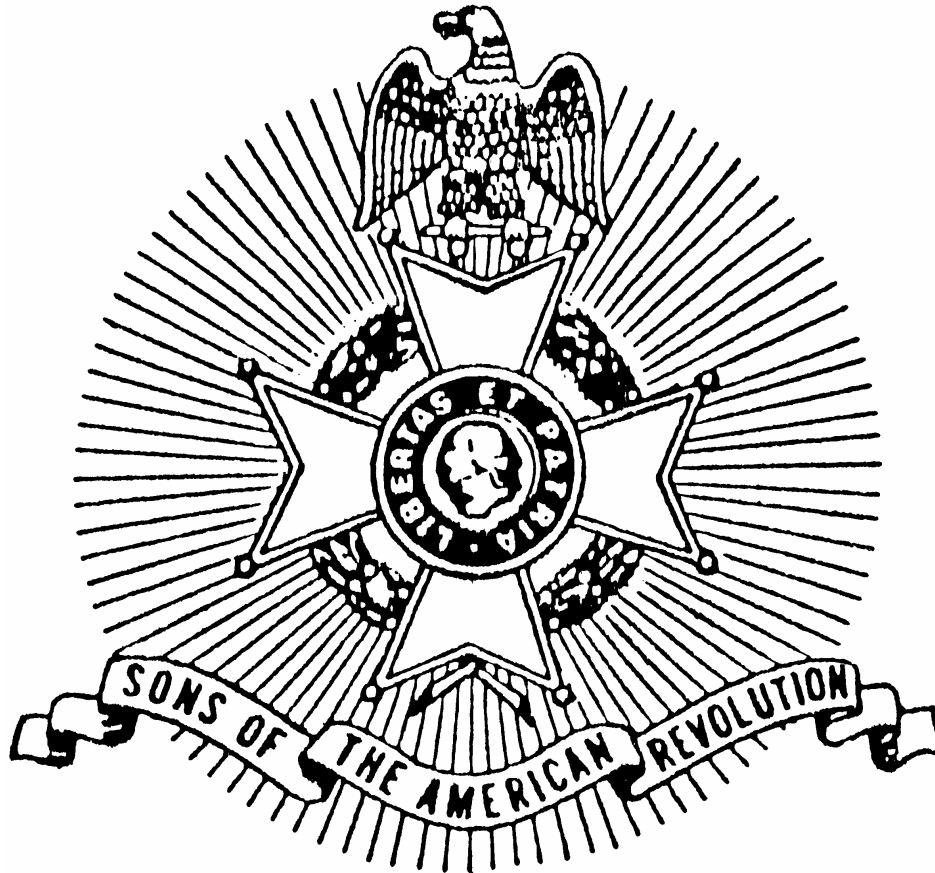


Quarterly Reports
of
The Florida Officers
and Committee Chairmen



Board of Management Meeting
Lakeland
October 28 & 29, 2005

Note: This copy includes additions made by the secretary at the meeting.

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 28 & 29, 2005

Agenda

Call to order
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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
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FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

National Trustee

Harold (Hal) F. Miller, Jr.
October 22, 2005

I wish to thank President Harry Hollien for starting the process of organizing a caucus of those of us that attended the Fall Trustee Meeting. Because of an important last minute conflict, Harry could not attend. However, SVP Lindsey Brock stepped up to the plate and offered his suite as a place to meet and decide where we should concentrate our time. Every effort was made to attend those committee meetings that directly affected our interests. The following 23 Committees were covered by our members: Bylaw, CAR, Color Guard, Congress Planning, Congress Site Selection, Council of VPG's, DAR Liaison, Finance, GWEF/Distribution, GWEF/Fund Raising, Historic Sites & Celebrations; Hospitality & Music, Investment, Knight Essay Contest, Law Enforcement, Fire Safety & Heroism, Patriotic Education, Protocol, Special Projects, Strategic Planning, ROTC/JROTC/Service Academy, Veterans, & War Graves.

It was good to have such a fine turnout from Florida. The eight members in attendance were: Lindsey Brock, Phil Carr, Dick Friberg, Fred Gaines, Ron Hamilton, Frank Hodalski, Hal Miller, and Bill "Steve" Stevenson.

I am today as upbeat as I was when I first reported as National Trustee at our Summer BOM. Our Constitutional Protocol success at the Congress in July, which restored the ranking of the VPG's to their proper positions following the PG, has put FLSSAR on the map. I must admit, however, that since that report much anxiety has occurred in the minds of many of Florida's SAR's. This came about with the rules of Protocol being rewritten by the new Protocol Chairman, former PG Howard Horn. His proposed rules were unacceptable to us, especially since the Trustees would have had no say as to the approval or disapproval of these rules. Our Florida State Chancellor, Carl K. Hoffmann, who is a member of the NSSAR Protocol Committee expressed our objections and submitted suggestions to Chairman Horn which helped bring about the necessary changes. At the Fall Trustee meeting our Florida Delegation received by hand from the Protocol Chairman a copy of the first page of the revised rules (Paragraph 2) which stated that "These rules of Protocol are subject to the approval of the annual Congress..." At the formal banquet that night these new rules of protocol were explained by PG Roland Downing and then executed.

That fact that news about these Constitutional and Bylaw actions taken at Congress failed to appear in the Summer SAR Magazine, which was mailed in early September, further added to our anxiety. It was not until I saw former PG Carl Hoffmann's attachment of September 13th's email from former PG Hank McCarl that I discovered the reason for this omission. It seems that "Charles Britton (*Bylaw Chairman*) went to work after the Congress to incorporate all the changes in the Bylaws and we just received his rewrite in digital format about two weeks ago (*October 1?*) so we did not have the exact wording of the revisions until after the deadline for the Summer issue of the SAR Magazine..."

Subsequently, I was much relieved to see in the Headquarter Dispatch that the minutes of the 115th Annual Congress were included. On page 13, the 7 Bylaw proposals were discussed as was the action taken on each by the Trustees. The 7th proposal was our amendments to Article IV, Section 1, of the Constitution concerning the precedence of the VPG's in the Society, placing them after the PG and ahead of the other general officers. It was adopted 165-38 or by 77%. By the way, this last Headquarter Dispatch was the final issue to be printed. In summary, as to Protocol, I hope we can now put all our anxiety behind us.

One of the first actions taken by PG Roland Downing was his establishment of a new ad hoc Bylaw Task Force that will function during 2005-6 and submit its work product to the NSSAR after the Dallas Congress and before the Fall Trustees meeting in 2006. The Task Force's goal is to create a self-consistent document having less ambiguous language and improved format. They must consult with the Bylaw's and Legal Advisory Committees whenever they think their new language may change the meaning of a provision as opposed to clarifying or removing conflicts. Proposing changes in law is not the function of this effort. The members of the Task Force are: Howard Horn, David Appleby, Peter Keltch, Carl Hoffmann, and Nathan White. In any case, we must continue to be vigilant.

At our Fall Trustee meeting a motion was made by Frank Hodalski, Alternate Trustee, laying out a road map for establishing an SAR Memorial Membership for the late USMC Corporal Timothy Creager, a true American hero, recently killed in Iraq. On October 10th a thank you letter from David John Kelsey, Sr., President of the Flagler Chapter, SAR, was received by President Harry Hollien, FLSSAR. It expressed a special thank you to compatriot Hodalski who guided the unanimously passed procedure as set forth in the FLSSAR proposal through the NSSAR. All fees were waived and a decision was made to look at any similar requests in the future on an individual basis.

Adding icing to the cake, we responded to Joe Harris, Chairman of the ROTC/JROTC/Service Academy Committee, who had expressed a need for an additional \$1000 to cover the Committee's 2005-6 operating expenses. Our response was immediate. At the beginning of the Trustee meeting, during the gifting period,

FLSSAR gave \$1050 to satisfy this need. The following Florida members, as well as our State and one chapter made this happen: Doug Bridges, Lindsey Brock, Alvie Davidson, Dick Fowler, Ron Hamilton, Carl Hoffmann, Hal Miller, John A. Williams, FLSSAR, and Deland Chapter SAR. A challenge was made to the other State Societies, Trustees, and members to help out, with some success. Joe Harris was also very pleased that his expenditure of \$787.97 for the printing/handling of ROTC pamphlets was approved for reimbursement (\$788.00) by the George Washington Endowment Fund Distribution Committee from 2005 money.

What is really needed here are large donations to the ROTC/JROTC/Service Academy Committee Endowment Fund so that their annual needs of \$3000 to \$4000 could be met without having to ask for help every year.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

President

Harry F. Hollien

The undersigned visited several chapters (including his base chapter); as well as provided presentations for the Withlacoochee chapter Liberty Tree dedication (entitled History of the Liberty Tree) and Deland chapter's Constitution Week dinner (entitled Blood and Mayhem -- the Roots of Our Constitution). Also led the Gainesville SAR special unit in the University of Florida Homecoming Parade.

Administratively: 1) wrote the second in "Challenge" series articles for the Patriot, this one is entitled "Challenge II: Contributing to Our Survival," 2) participated in the review of the FLSSAR Endowment Trust Fund, and 3) carried out the usual administrative duties.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Senior Vice President

Lindsey Brock

Date: 23 October 2005

Since our August 2005 BOM meeting I have communicated with various FLSSAR officers, committee chairmen and with several of our chapters relating to upcoming ceremonial events, new members and other matters. I have also communicated with various NSSAR staff personnel and committee chairmen.

On Saturday September 10, 2005 I attended the C.A.R. Princess Malee Society's Safari Sleepover at the Jacksonville Zoo. I also attended a C.A.R. outreach event, on Sunday October 15th, at the Ronald McDonald House of Jacksonville. The members of the Princess Malee Society prepared a meal for the families and children who are staying at the House while a family member is receiving medical treatment at a nearby hospital in the Jacksonville area. On October 21st-23rd I attended the Crooked River and Cumberland Island field trip with the C.A.R. Princess Malee Society in Cumberland Island, GA.

On Saturday September 17, 2005 Hal Miller of the Saramana Chapter, Ben DuBose, Jim Lane, Ron Ryan of the Brevard Chapter and I participated as a color guard unit, in our Revolutionary War uniforms, at the annual ceremony that commemorates Commodore John Barry at Port Canaveral, FL. Commodore Barry commanded the Continental Navy Ship, "Alliance", which fought and was victorious in the final engagement against the British off the coast of Florida at Cape Canaveral in 1783. Fred Gaines, Ben DuBose and I are exploring the possibility of designating this engagement as an annual Revolutionary War Battle site celebration with NSSAR's Revolutionary War Committee.

George Lockhart, Chairman of FLSSAR's DAR Liaison and I attended the FSSDAR's Fall Forum on September 15 – 18, 2005 in Orlando, FL. Hal Miller, Frank Hodalski and I assisted George in manning FLSSAR's table at this event. This event is conducted annually and has produced excellent prospects for potential membership in the Florida Society SAR.

At the joint SAR/DAR Constitution Week Luncheon, which was held on Saturday September 24th, it was my privilege to bring greetings from the Florida Society to the members and guests of the Jacksonville Chapter SAR and the DAR Regents Council of Northeast Florida. The guest speaker at the joint SAR/DAR Constitution Week Luncheon was Ambassador Marilyn McAfee (retired). Ambassador McAfee is currently President of the World Affairs Council of Jacksonville, FL. I also attended the Jacksonville Chapter's October 20th monthly meeting.

Lieutenant Commander David E. Kalis of the Mayport Sector, United States Coast Guard was our guest speaker and it was my privilege to introduce LCDR Kalis.

The Jacksonville Chapter is a member of the Northeast Florida Veterans Council and it was my privilege to attend their monthly meeting on September 19th. And, on September 22nd I attended the Naturalization Ceremony which is held at the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida in downtown Jacksonville.

On September 30th – October 2nd I attended the 2005 Fall NSSAR Trustees meeting along with other members of the Florida Society. Certain aspects of that Trustees meeting will be covered in other report(s) of the SVP.

On October 7, 2005, my wife Billie, and I attended the 225th Anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain. I had the honor of laying a wreath on behalf of the Florida Society and Billie laid a wreath on behalf of the Florida Society DAR.

Lastly, on Saturday October 15th it was my privilege to bring greetings from the Florida Society to the members and guests of the St. Augustine Chapter. At that meeting the St. Augustine Chapter celebrated its first annual "Victory at Yorktown" and their guest speaker was Brigadier General Jack Quinn, USA, (retired).

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Northwestern Regional Vice President

Northwestern Region Edward D. Young, Vice President

Date: October 23, 2005

Report and Recommendations:

ACTIVITIES THIS PAST QUARTER:

- Attended all meetings of the Pensacola Chapter and the Executive Committee serving as Chapter Secretary.
- August 26-27: Attended FLSSAR Summer BOM and participated with the Sons of Liberty, Florida Brigade presentation of the colors at the Friday Evening Banquet.
- September 21: Participated in Chapter Color Guard for the Pensacola Chapter, DAR Constitution Day meeting
- October 1: Participated in Florida Brigade Color Guard at the Dedication of the Grave of Private Burriss Higginbotham, A Revolutionary War Patriot, near Yulee, Florida.

EMERALD COAST CHAPTER:

The chapter continues to meet monthly on the second Saturday at 8:00 A.M. at The Neighborhood Café in the Sun Plaza Shopping Center in Mary Esther. The chapter donated about \$1200 for Katrina Hurricane Relief. Individuals also made personal donations in the chapter's name. The chapter is gathering information about a Liberty Tree to place somewhere in the City of Fort Walton Beach.

PANAMA CITY CHAPTER:

The chapter continues to meet each month throughout the year. No report received.

PENSACOLA CHAPTER:

The chapter continues to meet monthly. Three new members have been approved by NSSAR and are awaiting formal induction into the chapter. Four additional applications have been submitted for processing, two more are ready for submission and six others are in various stages of completion. The Chapter Color Guard presented the colors at the Pensacola Chapter, DAR Constitution Day meeting and two members participated with the Florida Brigade Color Guard at Dedication Ceremonies at the grave of Private Burriss Higginbotham, A Revolutionary War Patriot, near Yulee, Florida. Three members joined the Florida Brigade Color Guard at the FLSSAR Summer BOM and will also participate at the Fall BOM. Immediate Past President Lonnie Jones presented the Martha Washington Medal to Norma W. Young and the NSSAR Medal of Appreciation to Shirley Jones in recognition of their dedicated support of the Pensacola Chapter and the Florida Society. President Oscar Bellamy presented two Supplemental Stars to Compatriot George Tate. Most of the arrangements have been completed for the dedication of the grave of Mary W. Willis, granddaughter of George Washington's sister, Betty at St. Johns Cemetery in Pensacola on November 1, 2005. The chapter presented two NSSAR Certificates of Appreciation to meeting speakers.

TALLAHASSEE CHAPTER:

There was no chapter activity this period. The next chapter meeting will be on November 3, 2005.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

North Central Regional Vice President

North Central Region Ron Toops, Vice President

General: Like most chapters, our region is struggling with trying to find effective strategies for encouraging chapter members to participate as officers and committee leaders. The dilemma is to having effective succession to these positions, while recognizing that the chapter may lose key members if they are overwhelmed by performing these same officer and committee obligations for an excessive period. We are also finding it challenging to encourage attendance at monthly chapter meetings.

Gainesville Chapter

The Gainesville chapter was honored to present a NSSAR Law Enforcement award to one of their community's police officers for heroic service. Members of this chapter attended a recent Naturalization Ceremony for new US Citizens, which must have been inspiring. This chapter reports that they have about six (6) prospective members. Growth is recognized to be a very important effort for this chapter.

Lake Sumter Chapter

This chapter is continuing to establish an Eagle Scout Scholarship program. They are actively meeting with several local troops and their leaders, to encourage participation in this scholarship award effort. They have also been able to present NSSAR Eagle Scout Certificates to several scouts. In their effort to continue their positive growth, they have participated in a local "Veterans Memorabilia Day" where they had two tables. This chapter is continuing a program to insure that their active members are recognized.

Ocala Chapter

This chapter re-established their Liberty Tree at the local veteran's park. They are planning in the future to rededicate the associated monument. They, like most chapters, are initiating their programs related to the Eagle Scouts, the Knights and the Rumbaugh programs. The chapter distributed magazines to their local Veteran's Home recently.

Withlacoochee Chapter

This chapter recently arranged a very impressive SAR Liberty Tree and monument ceremony. This ceremony was attended by the Florida Society President, Harry Hollien, NC Regional VP, Ron Toops, Representative Brown-Waite and many other dignitaries. The opening of the ceremony included many local color guards, as well as that of this local chapter, with members from the Lake Sumter Chapter. This chapter places a great emphasis on veteran programs and related assistance to the local veteran community. They have a number of activities planned for the October and November period related to these veteran programs, for example: Veterans Week, Veterans Day Parade, Massing of the Colors, Homeless Veterans.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Northeastern Regional Vice President

Northeastern Region Tom Beauchamp, Vice President

Compatriot Beauchamp is experiencing health concerns at this time and was unable to file a report.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

East Central Regional Vice President

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

October 29, 2005

Brevard Chapter:

August 26 - one member of Chapter Color Guard represented on BOM Color Guard at Lakeland.

September 10 - 5 members of Chapter Color Guard presented colors at joint SAR/DAR luncheon attended by 70 people.

September 15 - one member of Chapter Color Guard, in uniform, gave a historical talk at Patrick's Air Force Base NCO Club & did recruiting - attended by 40+ people.

September 17 - 4 members of Chapter Color Guard along with one from Jacksonville & one from Samamara attended ceremonies at Jetty Park, in Cape Canaveral, for Commodore John Barry, who fought last Naval Battle in Revolution. 100's in attendance

October 18 (Changed date from original report) - 3 members of Color Guard presented the Colors at a dedication for the oldest school building in Brevard County dating back to 1883.

October 28 - one member of Chapter Color Guard will be represented on BOM Color Guard. (NOTE: This may change to 2 members?)

Central Florida Chapter:

The Central Florida Chapter held its first meeting for the current year on October 8, 2005. This meeting was well attended and three of five new members were sworn in and several new supplementals were presented.

Two members of the Chapters Color Guard, John Little and Bob Murray, traveled to Yulee, FL on October 1, 2005 to participate with the Florida Brigade Color Guard in the dedication of the grave of Private Burris Higginbotham, Revolutionary Soldier. This dedication was conducted by the Amelia Island and Jacksonville Chapters of the DAR with assistance from the Princess Malee Society CAR. Upcoming Color Guard events: Annual Veterans Day ceremony at the Mayflower Center, A Salute to Veterans to be held at the Bob Carr Auditorium both on 10/11/05 and the annual Orlando Veterans Day Parade on 10/12/05.

Treasure Coast

Monthly meetings in July, August and September 2005. Attendance was very light. No additional committee activity. Compatriot Steve Stevenson attended the NSSAR Congress and Summer Board of Management Meetings.

St. Lucie River

Sept 5th Compatriots Riediger, Wise and Fowler appeared at the St. Lucie County Commission Meeting in uniform to receive a Constitution Week Proclamation.

Sept 9th St Lucie River Chapter SAR was joined by the Halpatiokee, St. Lucie River, Jupiter Lighthouse, and Indian River Chapters of the DAR for a joint Constitution Week luncheon at the Stuart Yacht and Country Club, State Senator Ken Pruitt was the guest speaker.

Sept 12 Compatriot Wise gave a short talk to the Gulfstream Lodge of the Sons of Norway in Uniform about the Proclamation and Medal of Honor Winner Reidar Waaler, the only Medal of Honor winner buried in South Florida. Sgt. Waaler was a native of Norway.

Sept 14 Compatriots Wise and North joined the Lincoln Park Fife and Drum Corp in uniform while they paraded and posted the colors at a program given by the history Dept at the Indian River Community College.

Oct 8th Compatriot North presented to Inspector Hamner of the St. Lucie Fire District the SAR Fire Medal for his efforts and determination in solving a long running arson case here in St. Lucie county. This was done during our regular meeting.

Oct. 18th Compatriot Riediger visited the grave of Reidar Waaler at Forrest Hill Cemetary and cleaned his marker and posted a new American Flag.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

West Central Regional Vice President

West Central Region Nelson Jantzen, Vice President
October 28, 2005

Clearwater: Chapter Color Guard joined the FLSSAR Brigade in posting the colors at the Clearwater BOM that they hosted on August, 28th..

On 10/19 at their monthly luncheon they presented the Law Enforcement & Fire Safety Certificates & medals to respective recipients..

On 9/11 the Color Guard attended a Liberty Tree planting in Spring Hill, FL.

On 9/21 at their luncheon they presented a silver certificate to the Toymakers of New Port Richey, FL.who voluntarily make toys & give them to the Ronald McDonald House in Tampa & other areas.

Many compatriots & their guests attended the Caladesi Chapter of DAR's birthday luncheon on 10/17.

St Petersburg: 9/14 luncheon they celebrated Constitution Day with the DAR Chapters.

Pres. Scott attended the dedication of the Tampa Chapters Liberty Tree ceremony.

At there 9/24luncheon they had the Law Enforcement Officer winner speak & was presented the certificate & medal.

There last luncheon meeting was held on 10/8..

At their 10/8 luncheon they presented the annual Fire Safety Award.

Maj. John DeVane: At their last meeting they presented the JROTC & Good Citizenship awards.

They also presented a wreath in Plant City Memorial Sq. on Veterans Day.

Lakeland: They meet once a month for a luncheon meeting from Sept. through May.

At the May 2004 meeting they elected the new officers for the coming year.

On 9/13 they attended the DAR's Bartow Chapter 's Constitution Day luncheon.

At their 9/17 meeting they had a speaker & Memorial Service for Deceased Members.

On 10/15 a luncheon meeting was held at the Cleveland Heights Golf Club in Lakeland.

Had a speaker on the Famous Residents of Polk County.

Tampa: There last meeting was 9/17/05. They had a program on the Revolutionary War in the South. A Law enforcement certificate & medal was presented at the October meeting. They previously had a Liberty Tree planting.

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FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Southeast Regional Vice President

Southeast Region Gerald Meeks, Vice President

[Secretary's note: Compatriot Meeks was unable to submit his normal report as his home is without electricity due to the recent hurricane. What follows was dictated to the secretary on Oct. 26th.]

Palm Beach Chapter had its first meeting on Oct. 18th. A Silver Good Citizenship award was presented with 25 members present. This is about the norm for attendance for this time of year.

I intend to visit the rest of the chapters during this next quarter.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Southwest Regional Vice President

Southwest Region Basil Lancaster, Vice President

20 October 2005

CALOOSA: The Caloosa Chapter has actively supported various Constitutional Week [3rd week of September] commemorations since its' inception. The Bicentennial Year saw the Chapter actively promoting the naturalization of new citizens. We actively support local, state and national libraries. Compatriot Terry Walton is now Chairman of FLSSAR's NSSAR Library Committee for 2005 - 2006. A major concern of the committee this year will be to encourage chapter and state participation in the planned NSSAR Library and Museum in Louisville, KY. The first Chapter meeting and luncheon since summer recess was held on October 12th. New Caloosa members include Robert A Bordeaus, Herbert Gray Chandler, Robert Chandler, Kenneth W Graves, Robert J Lionetti and John Elliott Walton.

CHARLOTTE: The Chapter met at the International Buffet at the corner of Forrest Nelson and Tamiami Trail (Route 41) during the months of September and October. The food was served buffet style and enjoyed very much. Birthday's & Anniversaries were recognized and the Rev. LaFontaine advised us that he dad his 95th Birthday in June. We were advised that Compatriot Walter Dow, who lives in Sarasota could no longer attend the meetings. Editor Rex Warden and his wife reported on their trip to Scotland, where they visited numerous places of genealogical interest. They flew to Glasgow, Scotland where they rented a car and drove around both countries for total of thirteen hundred miles. One positive thing about driving there is that drivers are very courteous. All in all it was a great experience, but they stated that they just didn't want to be "behind the wheel" on the next trip.

NAPLES: We encourage the proper display and respect for the American Flag. Six selected sites in Naples received special SAR flag plaques for the manner in which they displayed the American Flag. Compatriot Charles Cortright is Chairman, Flag Display. The Naples Chapter is still sponsoring a program to reimburse members of half the expense of uniform purchases. Now is the time to consider getting a period uniform and become involved in presenting the colors and perform ceremonies all in Revolutionary era uniforms! Compatriot James McGarity, Past President of Naples Chapter took 15 young men of Naples based Boy Scout Troop 325 on a trip of a lifetime to Yellowstone Park and Camp Buffalo Bill Cody in Western Wyoming!

SARAMANA: Commander Gene Bradley has reported that the Color Guard has been active during the past months participating in 6 events. The State of Florida Tax Commission approve our request for a five-year extension of our Sales Tax Exemption as of September 14, 2005. We are now exempt from sales tax through September 14, 2010. This represents a savings of approximately \$800 per annum. We now have a total of six approved Youth Registrants in our chapter with several more pending. Also, between 10 and 12 newly approved Saramana Chapter compatriots who will be inducted in the October and November luncheons which will be held in the Pierside Room at Sarasota Cay Club, 7150 Trail North in Sarasota.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Secretary

Kevin Yarnell

We fast approach the end of the year and must make arrangements to collect the 2006 dues. In the past few years we've had a significant number of members (nearly 200 in 2005) who either did not renew their membership or paid their dues late. I encourage the local chapters to do anything they can to help cut down on these numbers.

The procedure for submitting the dues will be similar to last year

- The state secretary will mail a current roster to the chapter secretary in mid-November
- The local secretary will record any corrections (we anticipate only minor ones) and mark which members have renewed their membership
- The notated roster and one dues check for both state and local dues should be returned to the state secretary on or around December 10th.
- All the information will be compiled and the Florida report filed with National on Dec. 31st.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Treasurer

James R. Holyfield

January 1, 2005
to
September 30,
2005

Receipts:

Dues:

Total received

\$ 69,550

Less National dues

(35,425)

Less rebates to chapters

(3,765)

Net dues

30,360

Donations

3,704

Total receipts

34,064

Expenditures:

Officers' expenses

4,172

Newsletter

7,861

Youth programs

9,833

Committee activities

4,182

Donations for Katrina Hurricane Relief

300

Total expenditures

26,348

Excess of receipts over expenditures

\$ 7,716

BALANCE SHEET September 30, 2005

Assets

Cash in checking account

\$ 23,378

Certificates of Deposit and Money Market

35,520

Investments

7,816

Total assets

66,714

Liabilities

none

Net worth

\$ 66,714

Submitted by James R. Holyfield, State Treasurer, October 28, 2005

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Registrar, William R. Stevenson; Quarterly Report: End of 2nd Quarter, Oct 14, 2005

Chapter	Membership Applications							Supplemental Applications						Remarks
	Received	Carry over	Approval NSSAR			Returned to Chapter		Received	Carry over	Approval		Returned to Chapter		
			Pending	Receive		State	NSSAR			Pending	Receive	State	NSSAR	
Brevard	1	2		3				1	4	3	2			
Caloosa		2			2			5		5				
Central Florida	2	1		1	2			7	4	10	1			
Charlotte									3	3				
Clearwater		4		2	2				3	3				
Daytona-Ormond	1	2		2	1									
Deland		2		2				2	1	1	2			
Devane														
Emerald Coast		2		1	1			2		2				
Flagler									4	4				
Ft. Lauderdale		3		1	2				5	5				app. 3/9/05
Gainesville		2		2					3	2	1			
Jacksonville	9	5		7	7			1	3	2	2			
Lakeland	3	6		4	5			1	4	4	1			
Lake/Sumter	4	5		3	6			2	5	3	4			app. 3/9/05
Miami		1			1			7	1	3	5			
Naples	1			1					5	5				app. 3/9/05
Ocala		2		2					2	2				
Palm Beach	2	8		7	3				1	1				
Panama City	3			1	2				5	5				
Pensacola	2	4		3	3				4	4				
Saramana	4	9		4	9				18	17	1			
St. Augustine														
St. Lucie Rtver	1				1				2	2				
St. Petersburg		6		4	2				3	3				
Tallahassee		2			2									
Tampa		6		2	4				3	1	2			
Treasure Coast		2		2					1	1				
Withlacoochee	2	1		2	1									
At-Large		1		1										
Totals	35	81		60	56			28	86	82	32			

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Chaplain

Charles Schafer

The following compatriots have died since the last BOM.

National#	State#	LastName	FirstName	Date of Death	Chapter
141360	6852	Smith	Richard	9/16/2005	St. Lucie River
132006	5771	Young	James	9/25/2005	Emerald Coast
145545	7254	Roberts	Vincent	9/26/05	Brevard
150035	7612	Johnson	Lowell	10/15/2005	Lake/Sumter

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

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Recording Secretary

George Lockhart

The proceedings of the Summer Board of Management meeting held on 26-27 August 2005 were recorded on tape and written minutes were prepared and submitted to the State Secretary within the deadline for publication in "The Florida Patriot".

Respectfully submitted,
George A. Lockhart

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Chancellor

Carl K. Hoffmann, PG

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Parliamentarian

Sam W. Boone

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

Lonnie Jones

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Historian

John Little, Historian

Subject: Historians report for period August 27th thru October 28th, 2005

Presently only two (2) Florida SAR Chapters are forwarding me a copy of their regularly issued newsletter. I would like to receive a copy of each chapter's newsletters so I can include them in the Florida Societies Archives.

I would also like to receive a copy of the minutes of the BOM Meetings for filing in the Florida Societies Archives.

John Little

Historian

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: Harry Hollien

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

There were no requests for state level awards that needed approval during this reporting period.

FLSSAR Committee Report Nominating

Chairman: Dick Fowler

This report was not available at the time of printing and added by the secretary from a written report submitted during the meeting.

A new form has been instituted by President Harry Hollien which will be used by all candidates for 2006-2007 officers. This will be made available at the Fall 2005 BOM. Photographs of as many candidates as possible will be made at this BOM meeting.

The Nominating Committee will be contacting present officers to see if they will be willing to rerun for office. All members are encouraged to seek office if they are interested. See Dick Fowler, Nominating Committee Chairman for details.

Dick Fowler, Chairman, Nominating Committee
St. Lucie River Chapter

FLSSAR Committee Report Patriot Medal

Chairman: John Cahoon
Date: 28 October 2005

Members: Compatriots John Carter, Bud Casey, Dick Fowler, Carl Hoffmann

All Compatriots are reminded that nominations for the Patriot Medal must be submitted through the FLSSAR Patriot Medal Committee. Deadline for submission is the end of the Winter Board of Management meeting on 7 January 2006. Because of time constraints at NSSAR, no submissions can be considered after this cut-off date.

For your guidance, the following is quoted from the National Handbook:

"...The Patriot Medal is awarded only by a State Society. It is the highest award given for service at the state or chapter level. This Medal is presented only to individuals and may be received only once. It represents long, faithful, and outstanding service at the State or Chapter level. Service at the National level should not be considered in making the award..."

"...All requirements should be thoroughly reviewed before requesting this medal..."

"...The Patriot Medal cannot be accepted by a representative..."

Further information may be found on the NSSAR web site at: <http://www.sar.org/forms/patriot.pdf> (nomination form) and <http://www.sar.org/forms/handbook/2003Vol3web.pdf> (Volume III, page 5 of the NSSAR Handbook).

Respectfully submitted,

John Cahoon

The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

PATRIOT MEDAL NOMINATION

Nomination of _____ for the Patriot Medal.

Compatriot _____ is a member in good standing of the Florida State Society, SAR.

National # _____ State # _____ Date of Admission _____

Current address _____

RECORD of SERVICE to the SOCIETY

(To be completed by the State Society making the nomination)

Services as an officer to a local Chapter and/or State organization. (Service at the National level is not to be considered.)

Record of exceptional services rendered, as Chairman of, or as a member of a committee, enrolling new members, organizing a chapter, etc.

Record of services to the community or State.

(Additional information may be included on the reverse side or on attached pages.)

Nominated by the Florida State Society

Signed _____ Date _____

Signed _____ Date _____

President

Secretary

NATIONAL SOCIETY RECORD

Nomination Received _____

Acknowledged _____

Medal Sent _____

Award Made _____

Standing Committees

FLSSAR Committee Report

Archives

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

The work of preserving our records continues though at a slower pace than I had anticipated. As of this writing the database contains 3,441 records, which is about 40% of the total number of historic members. The preparation of our yearly membership report to the National Society will cut into the time allocated for this task but we will continue to make as much progress as possible.

FLSSAR Committee Report

Chapter Challenge

Chairman: Norman C. Crews

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report

Charter & By Laws

Chairman: Lindsey Brock

21 October 2005

Committee Members: Lauren Bradley, Vice Chairman, Clearwater Chapter, John Cahoon, Emerald Coast Chapter, Dr. Robert Danneman, Ocala Chapter, Albert Snapp, Lakeland Chapter and John Tinny, St. Augustine Chapter.

The committee members are currently reviewing several proposed bylaws amendments and will make a recommendation to the Board of Management at the January 2006 BOM meeting in accordance with FLSSAR's Bylaws, Article III, Section 3.

All proposed bylaws changes should be directed to the Charter and Bylaws Committee in compliance with FLSSAR's Bylaws, ARTICLE VIII Section 3, to insure that proper notification and publication can be made to FLSSAR's membership so that the proposed amendment(s) can be voted upon at the Annual 2006 BOM meeting.

FLSSAR Committee Report

CAR Liaison

Chairman: Richard E. Friberg

Co-Chairman: Lindsey C. Brock

Members: Douglas H. Bridges, Sr.; Frank Hodalski; Wesley S. Odom

The Chair and Co-Chairman attended the Fall National Society Trustees Meeting in Louisville, KY on September 30 and October 1, 2005. At that time they participated at the National CAR Committee meeting as well as other committee meetings.

The emphasis at the CAR Committee meeting was for greater participation at the State and Local Chapter levels of the two organizations. Some of the suggestions offered were as follows:

- Sponsor a C.A.R. Society
- Have joint SAR/CAR meetings
- Sponsor a picnic for the C.A.R.
- Assist with fundraisers, auctions, raffles
- Volunteer SAR Color Guard to serve at C.A.R. State and National meetings

Challenge other SAR Chapters to membership drives signing up our children, grandchildren,
and other relatives
Have an article about C.A.R. in the SAR newsletter or magazine
Conduct a flag retirement ceremony and meeting for C.A.R.
Budget an annual SAR stipend at the State and Local levels for C.A.R.
Recognize individual C.A.R. with citizenship awards and/or SAR CAR Medals
Contact the Sr. C.A.R. and offer support in the activities

Let us all try to have more Chapter participation with the local CAR Societies.

We shall continue to serve the CAR as best we can.
The Committee

FLSSAR Committee Report Credentials

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

This committee has no responsibilities at this time of the year. There is nothing to report.

FLSSAR Committee Report DAR Liaison

Chairman: George Lockhart

The following is a report of activities at the SAR table during the DAR Fall Forum, Orlando, Florida, 16-18 September 2005.

The table was manned from 2:30 to 5:00 p.m. Friday, 16 September and from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday, 17 September, by George Lockhart and Lindsey Brock. Lindsey Brock was in Revolutionary War Uniform without weapons on Saturday and George Lockhart was in Class C uniform. We maintained a visitor sign in sheet and collected 53 signatures. We would estimate that this represents about 80% of the total number of visitors to the table.

Ranking NSDAR visiting table: Mary Lou James, Chaplain General; Jean Mann, Vice President General

Ranking FSSDAR visiting table: Rebecca Lockhart, Regent

Ranking C.A.R. visiting table: None

We handed out copies of the application worksheet, and copies of the tri-fold materials and the information sheet regarding the NSSAR's \$500.00 award. There were several DAR daughters that indicated that they had a male family member that was interested in joining the SAR or that they hoped would be interested. We asked them of the location of the prospective SAR member and referred them to the SAR chapter closest to the prospective if there were further questions or they needed help. We also referred them to the NSSAR and FLSSAR web site for further information

In our opinion this event was well received by all visitors and those interested in getting applications for family members seemed to appreciate the information and assistance provided.

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, David Ramseur, Ronald Toops (Vice Chair).

We will continue to structure this report in two parts.

A. American Heritage (Hollien)

The group responsible for this part of the program has not been as active this quarter as it has been in most others. The reasons are three: 1) the chair is involved in a number of other FLSSAR program upgrades, 2) we have only a few American Heritage (History) CD's available for the schools and 3) the Summer and early Fall are not the most opportune times to interact with the various facets of school systems. However, one of the committee members currently is organizing the distribution of the History CD's to the Home Schoolers. While still not the largest in number, this group probably is the most important of the three K-12 cohorts. Finally, there are still requests for CD's from Compatriots who are interacting with the public and private school sectors and these programs will be upgraded once additional teaching aids become available.

B. Legislative (Toops)

The following is a summary of my views related to Social Studies (American History, et. al) legislation. It is based on my attendance at a meeting with the association of Florida Social Studies Supervisors (FCSS/FCSSS):

1) The FCSS members attending recognize that there is still a need to pursue legislative remedies, but they need to better understand their own objectives and how to communicate them. They need to have more effective lobbyists and they recognize that they need to pay them appropriately. The FCSS members planned to devote their entire October meeting to defining a legislative strategy for the future.

2) I found that many individuals within the Social Studies community are trying to develop plans and programs within their school systems which present American History fully and in a good light. There were many examples of these plans, which included assessments. I believe they represent material consistent with our purposes.

3) There are undercurrents of opposition to taking action to increase Florida's focus on Social Studies (Am. History, Civics, Geography, Economics...) within some local school administrations, within the DOE and with some of our legislators. Again, it is my view that (some) school administrators in many Florida schools are purposely not providing support for the teaching of Social Studies. Not only do they do not support teaching or measuring our Florida students' knowledge of Social Studies, they actively oppose these efforts!

4) It is obvious to me that the SS teachers and supervisors are at a disadvantage, since their jobs and performance ratings depend on these same administrators... therefore it is difficult for them to push too hard against the system.

5) There is some fear that the new DOE Chancellor will not be friendly to the cause of Social Studies. Hearsay implies that this is the reason she was rejected in Minnesota, but then recommended for the position in Florida.

6) Some of the FCSS group suggested that, since they know the content of the Social Studies topics that they teach (i.e., American History), they could not only assess students' knowledge but also report this performance data to their own organization (FCSS). They might also share it with the media, the public and their supporters (not likely, however). It will be interesting to see if the FCSS members can agree on this strategy. I believe the Social Studies community (teachers, supervisors...) is performing a fine job, one consistent with our (FLSSAR) ideas, but is receiving little support from the State of Florida, the DOE and, even, some of their school administrators!

Finally, I have requested that Jack Bovee provide us feedback on the October FCSS meeting.

Respectfully submitted

Ronald Toops
Vice Chair

Harry Hollien Ph.D.
Chair

FLSSAR Committee Report Electronic Technology Committee

Chairman: Dick Fowler

This report was not available at the time of printing and added by the secretary from a written report submitted during the meeting.

Numerous pictures taken at the Summer Board of Management meeting in Lakeland have been published on the FLSSAR website.

The Knight Essay pages have been updated to conform to 2005-2006 rules and procedures by Knight Essay Committee Chairman Kevin Yarnell, and these changes have been reflected on the FLSSAR website.

Many chapter newsletters have been added to the chapter newsletter pages. All chapters are encourage to share their newsletters online on the Florida Society website.

All Children of the American Revolution newsletters have been removed and will no longer be published on the FLSSAR website. This was done at the request of the C.A.R.

Extensive changes to the NSSAR website have been reflected by updated links on the Florida Society website.

Viewership continues to increase on our website and the LaFayette and Benedict Arnold pages continue to be in the forefront. Anyone interested in any information on the website traffic report should contact the webmaster.

Dick Fowler, Webmater FLSSAR
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 15, 2005

Information concerning this years contest was sent to all chapters last month. The response has been very good. The local chapters continue to struggle to generate entries and the committee realizes this situation is not the result of lack of effort on the part of the local chairman. We continue to encourage those involved to do the best they can given their situation.

In exploring new ways to organize and promote the contest the committee is examining the possibility of running the contest solely at the state level. There are many advantages to such an arrangement. We are wondering if the local chapters would view this idea as relief of a yearly burden, removal of a valuable local program, or in some other, intermediate, manner. The committee would be grateful for your input. Please email any comments you might have to kayarnell@hotmail.com. If such a change is to be made, it would be presented for approval at the spring 2006 BOM.

FLSSAR Committee Report Good Citizenship

Chairman: Douglas H. North

I was semi-pleased with the response from the Chapters last spring, but have hopes that it will be more active in 2006. I will have about 2,000 Certificates at the BOM, including 500 for the Lakeland Chapter.

Let's get together and use these Certificates!!!! They are easy to present to the many schools in the State.

Doug. North, Good Citizenship Chairman

FLSSAR Committee Report History Fairs

Chairman: Frank X. Hodalski

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report Joseph P. Rumbaugh Orations Contest

Chairman: Ted Duay

All SAR chapters in the state of Florida have been contacted by e-mail. This correspondence included the details and instructions for the Rumbaugh contest. As of the writing of this report, only a handful of chapters have responded to the Rumbaugh Chairman and indicated interest in participating in the contest.

FLSSAR Committee Report Ladies Auxiliary Liaison

Chairman: Harry Hollien

President Patricia A. Hollien
FLSSAR Ladies' Auxiliary
229 SW 43rd Terrace
Gainesville, FL 32607

Dear Patti:

Thank you for your communication regarding the concerns by your members that your communication link via the Patriot has not been printed during the past two quarters. I have received a couple of complaints also (sent directly to me).

You must understand that we of the FLSSAR greatly admire your activities -- especially those that involve and support our Society. You are invaluable to us. We also understand that you sometimes need assistance communicating with each other and with us.

Your columns are to appear in the Patriot and, while I cannot provide you with relief for the two that were submitted but not published, I can assure you that those you send us will be published during the rest of my tenure.

Again, thank you for your support -- and your patience.

Sincerely,

Harry Hollien, PhD
President

FLSSAR Committee Report Law Enforcement, Fire Safety and Heroism

Chairman: Daniel T. Shepherd

This report was not available at the time of printing.

Phil Carr reported orally. Significantly Phil Carr moved and William Stevenson seconded that the current Law Enforcement, Fire Safety and Heroism committee name be changed to Public Safety and Heroism Committee in accordance with the change made at the National Society. The motion passed without dissent.

FLSSAR Committee Report Liberty Tree

Chairman: Gene Brown

On September 12th a letter to all FLSSAR Chapter Presidents was mailed with the current listings of all Liberty Trees planted as recorded of that date. Thanks to all of you who responded. With these corrections and updates, we are listing below by Chapters all of the trees planted, which now come to a total of (22).

Several Chapters requested information about planting a tree and this has been sent out. We would like to see all Chapters as having planted one (1) Liberty Tree and hope to hear from them soon.

LIBERTY TREES PLANTED
By
FLSSAR CHAPTERS
July 4th, 2000 through October 14, 2005

BREVARD

Brevard Veterans Center	Merritt Island	7/4/03
Veterans Memorial Park (next to Liberty Bell Museum)	Melbourne	7/5/04
Veterans Memorial Park	Titusville	7/4/05

CENTRAL FLORIDA

Mayflower Property	Winter Park	11/8/02
City Hall	St. Cloud	3/13/05

CHARLOTTE

Punta Gorda History Park		2/ /04
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CLEARWATER

Coachman Paark	Clearwater	7/4/00
Veterans Memorial Park	Safety Harbor	11/11/01
Salvation Army-Oak Tree Pre-School	Clearwater	7/3/02
Louis A. Vanech Recreational Complex	Dunedin	12/6/02

GAINESVILLE

Sweetwater Park		11/11/01
GTRI		?

JACKSONVILLE

Jacksonville Zoo		5/15/04
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LAKE SUMPTER

County Court House	Tavares	2/18/02
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MIAMI

Ingraham Park Coral Gables
Joint project with Tequesta Society C.A.R. & So. Florida Regents Council, D.A.R.
(Rescheduled planting to Dec. 2005 due to Hurricane Katrina)

OCALA

Veterans Park Ocala, Marion Cty. 3/17/01

PALM BEACH

V.A. Medical Center Riviera Beach 11/20/01
Equestrian Trails Elem. School Wellington 4/28/05

PENSACOLA

Plaza Ferdinand Pensacola 12/16/02

SARAMANA

Manatee Veterans Monument Park Bradenton 11/11/01

TAMPA

Al Lopez Park Tampa 5/7/05

TREASURE COAST

Sebastin 2001

WITHLACOOCHEE

Liberty Park Inverness 11/11/02
Veterans Memorial Park Springhill 9/11/05

For more information, Chapters can contact me by writing:

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8601st Way North
Seminole, FL 33776

By phoning: (727) 596-7402 **or by e-mailing:** genegcb1alf@aol.com

**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: Lindsey Brock
21 October 2005

Committee Members: Vice Presidents: Tom Beauchamp, NE Region, Fred Gaines EC Region, Nelson Jantzen, WC Region, Basil Lancaster, SW Region, Gerald Meeks, SE Region, Ron Toops, NC Region, Ed Young, NW Region, and William Piper of the Lake-Sumter Chapter.

Since our August 2005 BOM meeting several of the Regional Vice Presidents have reported positive results in membership promotion and retention for their respective regions. For example, RVP Ron Toops reports that, "The Lake Sumter Chapter has an active program for membership growth, which has been successful...We plan to take some additional steps in the near future, to continue our positive growth". At our Fall 2005 BOM meeting RVP Toops will share with the other RVP's the details of the Lake Sumter Chapter's membership and retention program.

Over the past several months the Florida Society has received many notifications of SAR members who have relocated to Florida from other State Societies and those notifications have been sent to the respective chapters within FLSSAR. It is very important that when your chapter receives notification of a membership transfer to your area that follow-up with the compatriot is given priority handling.

FLSSAR Committee Report National Officer Development

Chairman: Carl K. Hoffmann

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report NSSAR Library

Chairman: Terence M. Walton

The committee submitted a brief news item describing current goals and activities to the FLSSAR Patriot for inclusion in the Fall issue.

The Library Committee chair attended the Trustees Meeting in Louisville, Sept. 30-Oct.1, 2005, at the invitation of the national chair, and as a new member of the *Friends of the Library Committee*. The proposal to join OCLC was discussed at length and it was agreed to review it for implementation as a part of the new Center for Advancing America's Heritage (CAAH) in the future.

The NSSAR Library/Friends of the Library Committee was gratified to acknowledge the receipt of a check in the amount of \$1,000, representing 40 individual memberships, from the Miami Chapter of FLSSAR. Additional FOL membership annual contributions were received from various chapter and individual FLSSAR members (an updated list will be prepared for the next BOM meeting).

The Florida Society has more Friends of the NSSAR Library memberships than any other state society. FLSSAR, third in membership size, continues to show its commitment to the Center for Advancing America's Heritage - a building architecturally inspired by Jefferson's Monticello that will house the SAR Library & Museum.

Committee Members: Donald Humphrey (Vice-Chair); Albert C. Little (Vice-Chair); John Tinny (Vice-Chair); Grant Wallin (Vice-Chair); Terry Walton (Chair).

Submitted: 21 Oct 2005

FLSSAR Special Committee Report Newsletters and Periodicals

Chairman Edward N. "Bud" Casey

October 10, 2005

Meeting Attendance No meeting.
Correspondence Only routine correspondence.

Telephone Bud Casey's telephone number is (772) 460-2754
E-Mail: budcasey1@aol.com

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

This committee continues to receive newsletters and other print publications from most of the active chapters in the Florida Society. Please address your Chapter's Newsletter and other print publications to:

FLSSAR Newsletters and
Periodicals Committee
348 European Lane
Fort Pierce, FL 34982-3929

If your chapter only produces an electronic newsletter, please print a copy and mail it to the above address for it to be included in our Florida Society Newsletter competition.

The Florida Society Newsletters will be judged at this Fall BOM meeting by a special ad hoc committee appointed by President Hollien. Then they will be forwarded to the National Newsletter Chairman for consideration for the Carl F. Bessent Award.

FLSSAR Committee Report Patriotic Activities

Chairman: Dick Cardell

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report Publicity

Chairman: Robert A. Raup

Publicity Committee has received Earl Marlin Publicity Contest Submissions and Points from two Chapters for the period January 1 - October 15, 2005.

Pensacola Chapter - 127 Points
St. Augustine Chapter - 413 Points

The Earl Marlin Publicity Contest is an annual contest running from January 1 to December 31 of each year. Publicity information and points for year 2005 should be submitted to Chairman, Publicity Committee, FLSSAR by January 31, 2006. Monetary and ribbon awards are made at the FLSSAR Annual Meeting.

Robert A. Raup
Chairman, Publicity Committee, FLSSAR

FLSSAR Committee Report ROTC

Chairman: Mark A. Kilgore

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Lonnie G. Jones, Co-Chair
Lindsey C. Brock, Member
John D. Tinny, Member
Charles S. "Lani" Wingate, Member
Robert Copeland, Advisor

During this past quarter, the committee received three requests for participation in the ROTC/JROTC Program: Williston High School, Williston, Florida; Antilles Military Academy, Puerto Rico; and Alexander M. Patch American High School, Stuttgart, Germany. Williston High School was received via National Headquarters, and the two Overseas DOD Schools were forwarded from the National ROTC/JROTC Service Academy Committee. Williston will be referred to the Gainesville Chapter (16.5 miles distant), and participation with the Antilles Military Academy and Alexander M. Patch High School will be addressed at the Fall BOM.

Compatriots are reminded that this program is not only an excellent public relations venue for SAR, but also rewarding for the selected Outstanding JROTC Cadets. In addition to whatever the individual Chapter may award,

FLSSAR awards 1st Place \$1,000, 2nd Place \$500, and 3rd Place \$250 while NSSAR awards \$1,000 with up to an additional \$1,000 for travel expenses to the National Congress for the overall Outstanding JROTC Cadet. Several comments have been received concerning the difficulty in getting the required 500-700 word essay ("How JROTC has prepared me to be a better citizen of the United States of America") submitted and in a timely manner to reach the FLSSAR Committee by April 1, 2006. The aforementioned financial award information should provide an incentive to those Cadets selected.

The ROTC/JROTC Program should have its own page on the FLSSAR website to facilitate the dissemination of information concerning the program, benefits, incentives, and other pertinent items. The ROTC Committee Chairman will investigate the feasibility of this with the FLSSAR Webmaster during the next quarter.

To date, only eight of twenty-nine (28%) Chapters have provided their Chapter ROTC Committee Chairmen contact information: Central Florida, Clearwater, Emerald Coast, Jacksonville, Ocala, Palm Beach, Pensacola, and St. Lucie River Chapters.

FLSSAR Committee Report Veterans Affairs

Chairman:

This report was not available at the time of printing.

Ad hoc Committees

FLSSAR Committee Report Advancing America's Heritage

Chairman: Lindsey Brock
21 October 2005

Committee Members: Vice Presidents: Tom Beauchamp, NE Region, Fred Gaines EC Region, Nelson Jantzen, WC Region, Basil Lancaster, SW Region, Gerald Meeks, SE Region, Ron Toops, NC Region and Ed Young, NW Region.

If you have not already done so, please visit our new NSSAR web site which was recently update to more effectively communicate the goals and objectives of NSSAR to not only our membership, but to those outside our membership that are increasingly visiting our National web site. There are several links within the new web site that have more in depth coverage relating to the fund raising program for the construction of the "Center for Advancing America's Heritage." Hopefully, the knowledge gleaned from visiting the new web site will motivate more members of the Florida Society to contribute to this worthy endeavor.

At the Fall 2005 Trustees meeting in Louisville, KY it was announced that the "Center for Advancing America's Heritage" had recently received donations totaling approximately \$500,000. An anonymous donor challenged our membership to donate to the "Center for Advancing America's Heritage" before the end of February 2006 and has pledged a matching grant of up to \$18,000. So now is the time to make a donation. If 180 members gave \$100.00 each the total donation would be \$36,000!!

The members of this committee continue to collectively and individually promote the many NSSAR and FLSSAR programs and activities within each chapter that will continue our tradition of Advancing America's Heritage.

FLSSAR Committee Report Blue Star Salute: Partners in Patriotism

Chairman: Dick Cardell

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report BOM Program

Chairman:

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report Commemorative Historic Sites

Chairman: Fred F. Gaines, Jr.

In conversation with Senior Vice-President Lindsey Brock and Brevard Chapter Compatriot Ben Dubose, we are obtaining information and background for an annual celebration of the last naval battle of the Revolutionary War off of Cape Canaveral. This I presented to the National Historic Sites Committee at the NSSAR Congress in Louisville, Kentucky in September 2005.

FLSSAR Committee Report Honors Council

Chairman: Harry Hollien

Committee members: John Cahoon (vice chair), Philip Car, Gordon Greenwood, Carl Hoffmann, Harry Hollien (chair), Gerry Meeks.

Only three nominations have been received as of this date. Since this is a new program, nominations will be held open until November 21, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,
Harry Hollien, chair

FLSSAR Committee Report Planning Board

Chairman:

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR Committee Report Procedures Manual

Chairman: Dick Fowler

This report was not available at the time of printing and added by the secretary from a written report submitted during the meeting.

A number of pages have been updated in the procedures manual based on recommendations by members of the Procedures Manual Committee.

Discussions with interested members have resulted in suggestions for over-all improvements in the design of the procedures manual. The current edition was based on the George Society "Handbook" and modified for Florida Society use. It has been very useful as an interim tool, but we are aiming to make it even better.

Some of the information is superfluous or duplicates other information. Our goal is to streamline the procedures manual to make it more useful and appealing to our members.

Suggestions by members to help in this goal will be appreciated.

Dick Fowler, Chairman, Procedures Manual Committee
St. Lucie River Chapter

FLSSAR Committee Report Public Relations

Chairman: Ben DuBose

At our August 2005 BOM I agreed to accept the chair of a new state committee called "Public Relations." The focus of this committee will be to create and package various programs that will become available to all state chapters for distribution to their local mass media. Our aim is to get the SAR some state-wide attention, and of course, attracting NEW MEMBERS. At the August BOM my idea of creating weekly 60 second Public Service Announcements for radio stations was presented to the representatives in attendance and it was met by overwhelming approval. Since that time Compatriot Stevenson, a professional historian, has agreed to join this committee.

As of this date all fifty-two (52) scripts have been written and sent out to committee members for observation and corrections. Compatriot Stevenson, who agreed to be our "proof-reader" and "fact checker," found some minor grammatical errors, and corrections have been made to the original drafts. President Hollien is working with a local college to produce these spots, and he will try to have some samples ready for this meeting. When completed, they will be made available to local chapters for distribution. We are also considering giving these tapes to local schools for airing over their PA systems every Monday morning.

Past president Frank X. Hodalski explained at the last meeting that he had already presented this proposal to National and they gave the FLSSAR the go ahead. Plus, if it goes as expected it will become a National SAR project. Earlier this month Frank presented the new scripts to National, and he will be discussing this at this BOM.

Some future projects under discussion include weekly articles for newspapers that include illustrations, and even TV spots. So, we are presently looking for some ILLUSTRATORS to join our committee. Please contact me if you are interested in working on this very important project.

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FLSSAR Committee Report Endowment Trust Fund Review

Chairman: Sam W. Boone

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Other Reports

FLSSAR Committee Report Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements

Chairman: Fred W. Curtis

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FLSSAR Report Endowment Trust Fund Trustees

Chairman: I. Newell Kellogg

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FLSSAR Report Operating Budget Trust Fund Trustees

Chairman: I. Newell Kellogg

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FLSSAR Committee Report Trust Fund Development

Chairman: Jack Coleman

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FLSSAR Report Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade

Commander: Ed Young

October 23, 2005

The period of this report is from 28 August 2005 through 29 October 2005. Two members in colonial uniforms attended the 225th Anniversary Celebration of the "Battle of Kings Mountain" on 7 October 2005. Compatriot Lindsey C. Brock laid a wreath on behalf of the Florida Society SAR and Billie Brock laid a wreath on behalf of the Florida Society DAR. Compatriot David H. Ramseur laid a wreath on behalf of the Jacksonville Chapter SAR and Marjorie Ramseur laid a wreath on behalf of the Katherine Livingston Chapter DAR. Six members in colonial uniforms, Lonnie Jones, John Little, George Lockhart, Bob Murray, Steve Owens and Ed Young Presented the Colors for the dedication of the grave of Private Burriss Higginbotham, a Revolutionary War soldier, near Yulee, Florida on 1 October, 2005. Camps continue to provide colonial color guards at patriotic, veterans, fraternal and civic events. Francis Marion Camp #2 (Ocala) is temporarily inactive. At the Fall BOM in Lakeland, The State Color Guard will parade, present and post the Colors at the 28 October 2005 BOM dinner. Individual Camp activities during this period were as follows:

- a. George Washington Camp #1. (Jacksonville) Dick Cardell, Commander. On 26 August, two camp members in colonial uniform participated with the State Color Guard at the Summer BOM. Guardsmen George Lockhart and Steve Owens in colonial uniforms participated with the State Color Guard honoring Private Burriss Higginbotham, a Revolutionary War soldier, at Evergreen Cemetery near Yulee, Florida on 1 October. On 17 September, one Guardsman in colonial uniform joined the Cape Canaveral Camp Color Guard in a ceremony for Commodore John Barry who fought in the last naval battle of the American Revolution. Guardsmen Lindsey Brock and David Ramseur attired in colonial uniforms participated in the Color Guard and laying of wreaths at the 225th Anniversary of the "Battle of King's Mountain" on 7 October at Blacksburg, South Carolina. On 28 October, at least three camp members plan to participate in the State Color Guard at the Fall BOM.
- b. Francis Marion Camp #2. (Ocala) Ed Page III, Chapter President. Camp is inactive pending selection of a new Camp Commander. However, Secretary Owen Malcolm in full Continental Uniform, President Ed Page in full civilian regalia and Past President Peter Fitzpatrick and wife Tevis Fitzpatrick tended a table at the entrance to the Highland Memorial Park Cemetery handing out 400 3"X 5" U.S. flags and taking donations (over \$300.00) at the annual "Avenue of Flags" on Memorial Day. President Page helped the Forest High School JROTC unit raise 130+ flags along the road.
- c. Cape Canaveral Camp #3. (Brevard) Ben DuBose, Commander. On 26 August, one camp member in colonial uniform participated with the State Color Guard at the Summer BOM. Five camp members in colonial uniforms Presented the Colors at a joint SAR/DAR meeting attended by 70 people on 10 September. On 15 September, one camp member in colonial uniform gave a historical talk at the Patrick Air Force Base NCO Club and recruited prospective members. The attendance was 40+ people. Attendance was in the 100's, on 17 September, when four camp members in colonial uniforms participated with one member from the Jacksonville Chapter and one member from the Saramana Chapter in a ceremony for Commodore John Barry who fought in the last naval battle of the American Revolution. On 11 October, three camp members in colonial uniforms Presented the Colors at the oldest

school building, built in 1883, in Brevard County. On 28 October, one camp member will participate in the State Color Guard at the Fall BOM.

d. Samuel Adams Camp #4. (Clearwater) Nelson Jantzen, Commander. On 26 August, five camp members in colonial uniforms participated with the State Color Guard at the Summer BOM. On 11 September, the Camp Color Guard attended a Liberty Tree Dedication at Veterans Memorial Park in Spring Hill, Florida.

e. Yorktown Camp #5. (St. Lucie River) Doug North, Commander. On 26 August, two camp members in colonial uniforms participated with the State Color Guard at the Summer BOM. On 9 September, four camp members in colonial uniforms Presented the Colors at the Joint DAR/SAR Constitution Week Luncheon held at the Stuart Yacht Club. Two camp members in colonial uniforms acted as the Color Guard for the Lincoln Park Academy Fife and Drum Corps in the presentation of the Colors at the Indian Rover Community College in Fort Pierce Constitution Week celebration on 14 September.

Three camp members will participate with the State Color Guard on 28 October at the Fall BOM.

f. Marquis de Lafayette Camp #6. (Gainesville) Harry Hollien, Commander. One camp member in colonial uniform participated with the Withlacoochee Chapter Color Guard at their 11 September dedication of a Second Liberty Tree. One camp member in colonial uniform joined with the Deland Chapter and its Color Guard at Constitution Week festivities. Members of the Color Guard in colonial uniforms organized a special unit or "float" and marched in the University of Florida's Homecoming Parade which was seen by over ten thousand spectators and a large T.V. audience.

g. Nathan Hale Camp #7. (Pensacola) Ed Young, Commander. On 26 August, three camp members in colonial uniforms participated with the State Color Guard at the Summer BOM. Three camp members in colonial uniforms Presented the Colors at the Pensacola Chapter DAR Constitution Week meeting on 24 September. Two camp members in colonial uniforms joined the Florida Brigade Color Guard on 1 October to Present the Colors at the grave site ceremony for Private Burris Higginbotham, a soldier in the Revolutionary War, near Yulee, Florida. On 28 October, three guardsmen will participate with the State Color Guard at the Fall BOM.

h. Nathanael Greene Camp #8. (Saramana) Gene Bradley, Commander. On 26 August, two camp members in colonial uniforms participated with the State Color Guard at the Summer BOM. No report received.

i. Thomas Paine Camp #9. (Miami) Saul Montez-Bradley, Commander. No report received.

j. Daniel Morgan Camp #10. (Central Florida) John Little, Commander. On 26 August, four guardsman in colonial uniforms participated with the State Color Guard at the Summer BOM. Camp members Bob Murray and John Little, in colonial uniforms, and their wives, Anne Murray and Caroline Little, participated in the Florida Brigade Color Guard with the Amelia Island and Jacksonville Chapters DAR in a graveside ceremony honoring Private Burris Higginbotham, a Revolutionary War soldier, near Yulee, Florida on 1 October.

k. Thomas Jefferson Camp #11. (Withlacoochee) Richard Sumner, Commander. On 11 September, the camp color guard with members of the Marquis de Lafayette Camp and the General Thomas Sumter Camp participated in the chapter's second Liberty Tree Dedication. This planting is at the Spring Hill Veterans Memorial Park. No report received.

l. General Thomas Sumter Camp #12. (Lake Sumter) Bill Piper, Commander. On 11 September, two camp members in colonial uniforms participated with the Withlacoochee Chapter at the Liberty Tree Dedication at the Spring Hill Veterans Memorial Park. Three camp members Presented the Colors at the chapter meeting on 1 October. On 8 October (Memorabilia Day) President Ron Toops manned a Recruiting Table at The Villages. Commander Bill Piper attired in colonial uniform gave a talk on "The American Flag" at the Tennessee Club in The Villages on 22 October.