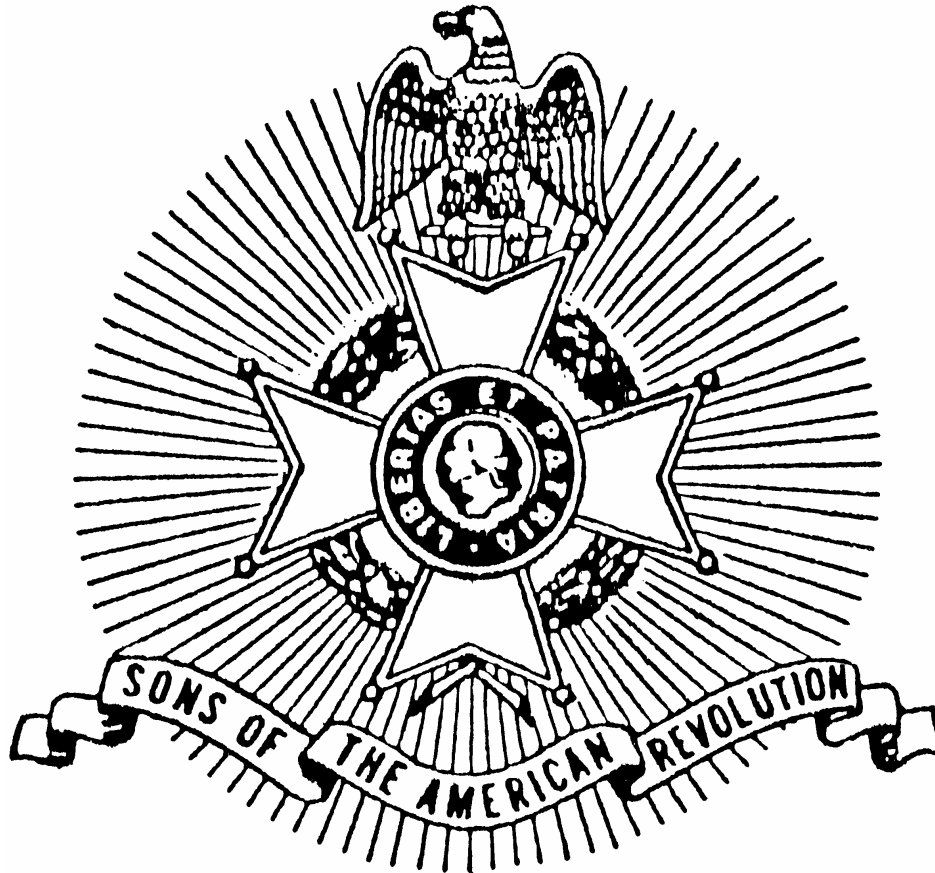


Quarterly Reports
of
The Florida Officers
and Committee Chairmen



Fall Board of Management Meeting
Kissimmee
October 31 – November 1, 2008

Sons of the American Revolution Mission

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

The Pledge of Allegiance

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

The Pledge to the SAR

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

The American Creed

I believe in the United States of America, as a government of the people, by the people, 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 31 – November 1, 2008

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Pledge to the SAR
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Introduction of first time attendees
Certification of a quorum
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FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

National Trustee

Ron Hamilton

As a member of the NSSAR Medals and Awards Committee I attended the committee meeting on September 26th , 2008. One of the agenda items for discussion was the Battle of Pensacola Medal proposed by the Pensacola Chapter. When I reviewed this proposal earlier I advised President Toops that only State Societies and NSSAR Committee Chairmen are permitted to submit proposals for medals. President Toops sent e-mail to Chairman Jacks noting that the FLSSAR Executive Committee and BOM members had approved the proposal. Chairman Jacks acknowledged the e-mail. When the item was brought up for discussion Chairman Jacks stated the proposal had to be reviewed by the NSSAR Historic Sites Committee prior to Medals and Awards approval. I advised Chairman Jacks that the FLSSAR had been assured by members of the Historic Sites Committee that the proposed medal would be approved and the Historic Sites Committee was meeting at same time as Medals and Awards. Chairman Jacks said medal would not be considered prior to Historic Sites Approval. There is a long standing precedent in Medals and Awards Committee of only considering medals proposed by a State Society or NSSAR Committee. It is my opinion, with a (99.99%) certainty, that the medal will not be approved unless it is presented as a Florida Society medal.

On September 27 I attended the Trustee Meeting. Sam Powell, Capital Campaign Manager, CAAH, briefed on the 5 year effort to raise funds for the CAAH. The President General's Report indicated the William C. Dunhard Charitable Foundation gave a one million dollar gift to the CAAH this past summer. Compatriot Powell estimated it would cost 8 to 10 million dollars to complete the CAAH. He emphasized, that in securing corporate donations, it is necessary to prove that the SAR membership also supports CAAH. The program to accomplish this is the State Recognition Challenge Campaign. All donations, by state, from 1999 to date are included in the totals. When state donations average \$250 per member, and at least 20% of the state's members have donated, the state's name will placed on a plaque displayed at the CAAH. The report for June 30, 2008 showed only two, (Delaware and DC), have achieved that goal. Florida had 8% of its members donating with average per member of \$49. Compatriot Powell showed architectural drawings of the CAAH. President Toops asked if it would be possible for the states to get copies of the drawings. He believed it would be of great help when soliciting donations. PG Appleby stated he thought this could be arranged.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

President

Ronald Toops

Extra! Extra! Read All About it! ... Just off the press: CAAH Campaign 3rd Qtr Report: NSSAR as raised \$3,118.97 in cash to date; Florida Society members have submitted **\$3,025**; The Florida Society is leading the pact so far, behind Delaware with \$1,200,350 (The Drinkard Estate) and Texas with \$3,050. ... It looks like a good race for the Florida Society. Let us continue to give donations to the SAR Foundation. This is an investment in "our" building ... "The Center". Below is some information that may be of interest.

I am very pleased with the chapters who are communicating the Florida Society's two most important objectives by way of their chapter newsletters and personally in their chapter meetings. As I have visited many of these chapters in the last few months, I have made an effort to share some basic information on the first of these priorities, the Fund Raising Efforts associated with "The Center". I have also presented some example spread sheets on how each chapter may set their local percentage objectives for member giving to the fund and membership growth. These spreadsheet also contain percentage ideas for membership growth. For example:

<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Membership (Dec 31, 07)</u>	<u>CAAH Fund Participation * @ 30%</u>	<u>Membership Growth ** @ 7 %</u>
Jacksonville	126	40 Members Give!	9 New Members
Deland	41	13 Give!	3 New
Lake-Sumter	52	16	4
Withlacoochee	49	15	4
Brevard	49	15	4
Tallahassee	<u>32</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>
Totals	349	109	27

* This implies that each individual has given some amount to the SAR Foundation.

It is important that the chapter record and give credit to each individual, if the chapter decides to collect the funds and then send them directly to the SAR Foundation.

I have provided an example form to the above chapters for this purpose ...very important!

** This growth rate (7%) will result in the Florida Society returning to a count of 2000 members in about four (4) years.

Note: I have asked Hall Reidiger and William (Steve) Stevenson to collect the results from the chapters over what is termed the Silent Phase, i.e. July thru Dec 31, 2008 and thereafter for Dec 31, 2009. This data, i.e. 30% of membership participation, will be used to leverage the participation of corporate and local community donors.

I have selected the above named chapters because they are the ones that I have visited or will visit prior to the Fall BOM. The Sr. Vice President and his team of Regional Vice Presidents are encouraged to spread the word and assist Hall Reidiger and Steve Stevenson in collecting the data over the next 18 months. I will make a brief presentation on this material at the Fall BOM.

I certainly appreciate the hospitality of the all of the chapters who have allowed me to visit their locations. I have really enjoyed their company and I appreciate their allowing me to present and answer questions about the business of the Florida Society.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Senior Vice President

William Stevenson

At the Summer BOM, the SVP Committee discussed: 1. CAAH Program; 2. Membership; 3. VP Award; 4. Youth Programs

1. CAAH (now "The Center": The committee took up the proposal Pres Toops made at the Executive Committee Meeting. His view (the second phase of fund raising) was that the whole Society must show support for "The Center" so it can proceed. Pres. Toops proposed that each Chapter donate \$25 and each FLSSAR member donate \$5 toward "The Center" project. A reporting sheet has been proposed to record donations. At the September NSSAR Leadership Meeting, Pres. Toops and I learned some other most welcome news regarding the subject. NSSAR reported it had received the bequest from the Drinkard estate -\$1 million which made available funds for construction in the Fulton-Conway Building at \$2.1 million. Unfortunately, inflation has had its way with the estimated sum needed to complete the remodeling. It is now estimated at \$8 million, some \$2 million more than the original \$6 million estimated. Additional expenses are: property taxes \$7,000; Gen. Ins. \$8,240; Flood Ins. \$2,312; and Liability Ins. \$751. NSSAR also believes it may at some future date sell \$300 Thousand tax credit.

With the money on hand, NSSAR has hired an Architectural Firm and have obtained preliminary floor plan-drawings of "The Center" layout. They were on display. Pres. Toops talked of obtaining copies for display here in FLSSAR.

Once the Second Phase of Fund Raising has been completed, which in FLSSAR the proposal was updated to 30% of membership (based on a 7% membership growth) rather than \$5 from each member, NSSAR will begin its "Capital Campaign" In that NSSAR will approach the major Foundations, etc., soliciting donations.

2. Membership: Sources -family members in both SAR and DAR in additional to "outside" sources. NSSAR has a prize for the DAR Chapter which has the largest of its recommendations approved as SAR members. My over-realistic goal is to reach 2000 members in the next two years. We reached that figure in 1996 in our centennial year, but also lost over 400 by the end of the year. After discussing it with Pres. Toops, he proposed a more realistic goal, to which I agree. The more realistic goal is based on four years. That figure is a yearly growth of 7 percent. To reach that goal, each chapter must eliminate loses by NPD (non payment of dues). While that can not be achieved completely, in cases of hardship, the chapter can carry the individual until the crises passes, thereby reducing NPD losses. Finally, each member is encouraged to recruit one member each year. If each member did, FLSSAR membership would double in just one year -that would be nearly 3,000 members. Lets hope.

3. VP Award: At the Summer BOM meeting the members of the SVP Committee approved the following motion: "Starting the 2009 calendar year, one chapter in each of the three chapter-size categories that produces the greatest increase in new chapter membership based primarily on the information reported on Item 16 of the Chapter Challenge will be honored at the Annual Meeting each year. The honor will take the form of a chapter prize (to be determined) and one representative from each of the three Chapter groups will be invited to attend the awards Banquet, dinner and registration fee expenses paid, where they will be introduced and asked to give a brief explanation as to how their chapter went about recruiting new members. They will also be asked to meet with the RVPs for the same purpose. In the event there was a tie in any of the three Chapter categories, other criteria than "greatest increase" would be used.

4. Youth Programs: I explained that the youth programs -NJROTC, Essay Contest, Oration Contest, and Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest -should also be promoted, especially the funding of same. Eagle Scout Scholarship program is in best financial position since it was originally established by a large donation, but the others need much help as they were not so funded. Ways to raise funds need to be found. I suggest a one way is to place a jar labeled for one of the programs, be at every Chapter meeting, to collect donations for that project. Jars could be rotated at meetings.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Northwestern Regional Vice President

Northwestern Region Edward D. Young, Vice President

Date: October 26, 2008

Period of this report: August 17, 2008 – November 1, 2008

ACTIVITIES THIS PAST PERIOD:

- Attended all meetings of the Pensacola Chapter and the Chapter Executive Committee serving as Chapter Secretary.
- Served the Florida Society as the Commander, Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade, Chairman, Endowment Trust Fund Disbursement Committee, Advisor to the Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest Committee and a member of the FLSSAR Officer Nominating Committee.
- Provided a report to the Region Chapter Presidents covering the actions and discussions of the FLSSAR Summer BOM.
- Presided over the Pensacola Chapter meeting on October 14, 2008 due to the illness of President Raymond Lantz. Made a presentation to the membership encouraging donations to the Center for the Advancement of America's Heritage.
- Attended the meeting of the Tallahassee Chapter with FLSSAR President Ron Toops on October 28, 2008.
- Assisted a prospective member develop his membership application.
- Commanded the Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade for the Presentation of the Colors at the Fall BOM in Kissimmee on October 31, 2008.

AARON SNOWDEN CHAPTER: The chapter meets regularly on the 2nd Saturday at 11:00 A.M. at Ryan's Steak House, 4955 Hwy 98, Pace, FL. President Nathan Williams presided over a joint meeting of the Aaron Snowden Chapter SAR, Three Rivers Chapter DAR and Santa Maria de Galvez Society CAR held on September 13, 2008 in celebration of Constitution Week. At this meeting 1st Vice President Carroll France, Jr. presented a NSSAR Flag Certificate. 2nd Vice President Lonnie Jones attended the FLSSAR Summer Board of Managers Meeting in Kissimmee on August 15-16, 2008.

EMERALD COAST CHAPTER:

The chapter continues to meet monthly on the second Saturday at 8:00 A.M. at The Two Trees Restaurant, Fort Walton Beach Golf Course, Fort Walton Beach, FL. The Chapter planted a magnolia tree in Marler Park on Okaloosa Island and has had a plaque made. The Chapter will designate the tree as a Liberty Tree with an appropriate ceremony at the appropriate time, still to be determined. The Chapter Color Guard will participate in the City of Fort Walton Beach Veteran's Day Ceremony on November 11, 2008. The next meeting will be held on November 8, 2008.

PANAMA CITY CHAPTER:

The chapter meets regularly on the third Monday of each month at 11:30 A.M. at Po Folks restaurant in Panama City, FL throughout the year. Please call 850-747-9366 for details. All are welcome. There were no other Chapter activities during this reporting period.

PENSACOLA CHAPTER:

The chapter meets monthly at 5:15 P.M. on the second Tuesday at the First United Methodist Church Wright Place, 80 East Wright Street, Pensacola, FL. The Chapter participated in a Joint Constitution Week Luncheon meeting with the Pensacola Chapter DAR, Fort Pickens Chapter DAR and San Bernardo Society CAR at the Scenic Hills Country Club in Pensacola on September 13, 2008. President Raymond Lantz pronounced Grace at the meeting and the Chapter Color Guard consisting of Oscar Bellamy, Raymond Lantz and Price Legg Presented the Colors. NSSAR approved membership applications of John Mathews, Joel Jones, Jr. and Francis Jones. The Chapter received a \$1000.00 donation from Pen Air Federal Credit Union to assist with the presentation of "The Battle of Pensacola Commemoration" to be held on May 8-9, 2009. NSSAR Flag Certificates were presented to Frank Beeby and Edward Bradford. Chapter Ladies Auxiliary members Babe Kilgore, Dianna Lantz and Norma Young collected contributions for the creation of a Chapter Basket to be auctioned by the Auxiliary at the FLSSAR Fall BOM. The Chapter Color Guard will participate in the Veteran's Day Parade in Bay Minette, AL on November 11, 2008.

TALLAHASSEE CHAPTER: The Chapter meets quarterly at 6:30 P.M. at the Silver Slipper Restaurant, 531 Silver Slipper Lane, Tallahassee, FL. FLSSAR President spoke about Florida Society 2008-2009 goals at the quarterly Chapter meeting held on October 28, 2008. There was no other Chapter activity during this reporting period.

WILLIAM DUNAWAY CHAPTER: The Chapter meets on the 1st Thursday at Jim's Buffet and Grill, 4329 Lafayette Street, Marianna, FL. The Chapter Constitution and By-Laws were adopted at the Chapter meeting held in August, 2008. Two DAR members and a CAR member attended the September, 2008 meeting where the guest speaker, Mrs. Barbara Moore, a retired History teacher, spoke about "RX for America, We the People". On September 13, Chapter members attended the Chipola Chapter DAR Constitution Day program. Guardsmen Harry and Robert Dunaway and CAR member, Elizabeth Simpson, Presented the Colors. On Constitution Day, September 17, 2008, Guardsmen Harry and Robert Dunaway with 4 DAR members spoke to 220 students in eight, eighth grade history classes at Marianna Middle School about The Constitution, SAR and their patriot ancestors. During September, three new member certificates were mailed to out-of-state members. At the October Chapter meeting, guest speaker, Dirk Shores, History teacher at Marianna Middle School spoke about "How American History is Being Taught in Public Schools". The Chapter has one SAR application submitted to NSSAR for approval, three CAR applications at NSDAR for approval and one new SAR application being prepared to be sent to the FLSSAR Registrar. The Chapter will enter a float in the Marianna Veteran's Day Parade with SAR, DAR and CAR members participating.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

North Central Regional Vice President

North Central Region Gordon Greenwood, Vice President

GENERAL:

Due to the prolonged illness and death of his oldest son and subsequent will executor duties currently in progress, the RVP did not visit any NCR chapters this quarter.

Gainesville

The Gainesville Chapter currently has 61 active members and 16 associate members for a total of 77. It has 5 applications at NSSAR and 4 others sent to the FLSSAR Registrar. It also has at least 19 prospective members, 12 of which are future Lake City members. During the quarter it has given out the following certificates and awards:

- Law Enforcement Award & Certificate to Gainesville Police Officer Nicholas Byrd.
- Law Enforcement Award & Certificate to Alachua County Deputy Sheriff Jayson Francis.
- Certificate of Appreciation – Speaker Vikam Rangala; presentation "Coming to America".
- Certificate of Appreciation – Speaker Suwannee River Water District Rep.
- Flag Certificate to new Compatriot Jim Craig
- Flag Certificate to Eastside Village, Lake City

During the quarter it engaged in the following events:

*Aug – Two(2) Naturalization Ceremonies, brief overview of SAR & US Flag Lapel pins distributed to 46 new citizens by 2 SAR members [Ray Davis & Bob Reeves in Blazer-SAR tie]

* Sept. Constitution Week: 4 Members attended Regional DAR Celebration; 2 members in colonial uniforms received County Proclamation for SAR Constitution Week and 1 in uniform received the City Proclamation.

*September Naturalization Ceremony brief overview of SAR & US Flag Lapel pins distributed to 40 new citizens by 2 SAR members [Ray Davis & Bob Reeves in Blazer & SAR tie]

*Sept. Patriotic Presentation by Ray Davis in uniform at Foster Elementary School.

* Oct 7 Bob Reeves & Harry Hollien, in uniform, and Jack Crawford manned a table at Alachua County Candidate Night where hundreds of citizens turned out for a BBQ and meet local candidates; "What is SAR" flyers were distributed and and questions were answered.

*Oct. 11 Bob Reeves, in uniform, 1VP Jim Thrasher , Registrar Jim Partin met with Lake City members, prospects, DAR representatives and guests in Lake City to induct new members, brief the status of charter for Lake City Chapter, SAR Programs and answer questions..

* Oct. 13 Bob Reeves and Ray Davis in uniform presented Patriotic presentation and SAR briefing to Sons of Confederate Veterans

*Oct 14 Bob Reeves in uniform presented Good Citizenship Certificates to 26 Alachua County Elementary 5th Grade students at the County Student Government Week Closing Ceremony at the Gainesville City Hall with the Mayor.

*Oct. 23 Naturalization Ceremony brief overview of SAR & US Flag Lapel pins distributed to 31 new citizens by 2 SAR members [Ray Davis & Bob Reeves in Blazer & SAR tie]

* Bob Reeves and Ray Davis met with senior officer area veterans at three monthly meetings and with the Alachua County Veterans Advisory Board to discuss issues of mutual benefit and to assist in assisting the Chapter Veterans Committee.

* Bob Reeves met with VAMC, Gainesville Voluntary Services staff member and Veterans View personnel to outline support for local veterans by the newly formed Veterans committee.

*Two editions of Chapter newsletter, Broadsides, were published and mailed to all members and prospects;

*The Chapter is using a 'Telephone Tree' and a Buddy Program [drive members to/form meetings/events when they cannot drive themselves].

*Door prizes and drawings are being offered to entice more members to attend monthly meetings.

Ocala

The Ocala Chapter didn't meet in August but held well attended meetings at the Elks Club on September 17 and October 15. This chapter currently has 52 members.

Lake City

This future chapter is very successfully seeking re-chartering under the leadership of Jim Thrasher, 2VP of the Gainesville Chapter. Currently they have 5 members ready to transfer when the Chapter is re-chartered. 8 other members have had their applications approved by NSSAR. 3 more have been sent to NSSAR for approval and 4 have been sent to the FLSSAR Registrar. That gives a total of 13 members plus 7 others "in the pipeline" for a total of 20 possible members, not counting 5 others who are in the process of completing their applications. However, only 10 live in the area and only two (including Jim) have committed to serving as officers. They are shooting for re-chartering next January and currently are holding their meetings at Kazbor's in the new strip mall next to Publix.

Lake Sumter

The Lake Sumter Chapter engaged in the following activities during the quarter:

October 11, 2008 - Compatriot Steve Offutt working with the DAR and the Colonial Dames had a table set up with brochures at the GENEALOGY AFTER HOURS function at the Leesburg Public Library. Two prospective members from this function.

October 21, 2008 - Compatriot Bill Piper will present a Flag Talk to the Western States Group in The Villages.

November 8, 2008 - Compatriot Bill Piper will speak to the Umatilla DAR chapter.

November 11, 2008 - The Lake Sumter Chapter Color Guard will be in attendance for the Veterans Day Activities in Clermont.

New Members: One new member. Lake Sumter Chapter currently has 61 members.

Publicity: Lake Sumter Chapter had two notifications in two newspapers for the October meeting.

Withlacoochee

The Withlacoochee Chapter engaged in the following activities during the quarter.

At their Sept. and Oct. meetings the Color Guard posted the Colors in Honor of a special guest and presented (8) members with War Service Medals. They also presented (2) Martha Washington Medals (1)

Meritorious Medal, (2) Color Guard Medals and (2) Good Citizenship Medals and Awards. The Chapter donated (4) \$50.00 Gift Certificates from Outback Steak House to a Special Guest who is responsible for putting together Home Coming Baskets for returning Overseas Troops. Four (4) new members were installed into the Chapter with (1) more being accepted. Also (2) of members have had Supplementals approved. The State President gave a presentation on the new National Building and made award presentations.

Newspaper coverage has been good. Several papers printed a picture and article about the Chapters Pizza Party at the Veterans Home. Pictures and articles also appeared in newspapers concerning the Chapter's participation in the 4th of July parade and the induction of new members. A picture of the chapter's presentation of a Heroes Medal to 8 year old Adam York appeared in the Florida Patriot and the SAR Magazine.

The Chapter currently has 55 members, 4 of which are new, plus 1 transfer.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Northeastern Regional Vice President

Northeastern Region David Ramseur, Vice President

Flagler Chapter

7/4/08..Chapter Vice President, Compatriot TOM BEAUCHAMP, spoke at the City of Palm Coast 4th of July celebration at Heroes Memorial Park in Palm Coast. Compatriot BEAUCHAMP referred to our SAR Liberty Tree & Plaque located in this park and that

“our forefathers would be proud that we continue to pay special recognition to Independence Day for which they paid such a high price. The price for freedom continues to be high as our country finds it necessary to battle the forces that deny freedom to so many.”

9/16/08..DOUGLASS G. WOOD, Col, USAF retired, was the speaker at the September 16th Chapter Luncheon. During the Reagan Presidency, Colonel Wood was the Chief of Special Air Missions USAF managing all Presidential airlifts

9/16/08..2006 Chapter President Compatriot WILLIAM STORY CREAGER was presented the Meritorious Service Medal and Certificate at the September 16th Chapter Luncheon.

9/19/08..On September 19th, National POW-MIA Recognition Day, the Flagler Chapter of the Military Officer Association of America (MOAA) dedicated a Tree of Remembrance and Plaque “.to the memory of those military members that have gone Missing in Action or were listed as Prisoners of War..” The MOAA event was organized by Flagler Chapter SAR Compatriot TOM BEAUCHAMP (MOAA President) and Compatriot DAVID KELSEY (MOAA Master of Ceremonies). Over 100 people attended the dedication which was carried on Palm Coast Television, including Compatriots FRANK PIERCE, PERLEY MASON, RAY THOMPSON, TED ST. PIERRE, AND WALT MOORE. Five Ex-Pows were in attendance including Flagler Chapter Compatriot WALTER WARWICK MOORE. Compatriot Moore was piloting a B-17 over Checkoslovakia on a bombing mission in support of advancing Russian ground forces when his plane was shot down on St. Patricks day in 1945. He was captured by the Germans and remained a POW until the end of WWII in Europe later in 1945.

Jacksonville Chapter

August – No Chapter Meeting

September:

Compatriot David Ramseur and his DAR wife Marjorie gave a power point presentation program on the “Events leading up to the signing of the US Constitution “to the chapter, which was well received. On 21 Sep three compatriots attended the ground breaking of the new National Cemetery in Jacksonville that is scheduled to be opened in Dec 2008.

October

Compatriot Chuck Farmer gave a program to the chapter on the “Coast Guard Auxiliary their Mission and Their Importance”. On 7 Oct Compatriots Lindsey Brock and Dick Cardell presented wreaths on the 228th Anniversary of this most important battle that is viewed as a positive turning point in our fight for freedom. At this meeting the chapter presented a Law Enforcement award to Jacksonville Detective Jim Davis. Also at this meeting two new members were inducted into our society: Philip Geishert and Malcolm Williams. On Oct 23rd Compatriots Jim Gaskins and David Ramseur representing the SAR attended a new citizen Naturalization Court at the Federal Court House in Jacksonville, FL. Finally, we are all so proud and supportive of our Patriot Lindsey C. Brock for seeking the National Office of Historian General – Lindsey is certainly a hard working individual who our Patriot Ancestors would be proud of.

St. Augustine

September 28, 2008. The Chapter awarded Law Enforcement Commendation Medals/Certificates to Officer Eric Stevens and Support Person Ms. Jane Jakell of the St. Augustine Police Department. Presentation by Chapter President William A. Roberts.

October 6, 2008. The Chapter awarded a Law Enforcement Commendation Medal/Certificate to Officer Ed Martinez of the St. Augustine Beach Police Department. Presentation by Chapter President William A. Roberts at the St. Augustine Beach Commissioners' quarterly meeting.

October 18, 2008. The St. Augustine Chapter made its Fourth Annual Victory at Yorktown presentation. Chapter President William A. Roberts brought the appearance and condition of the Yorktown and Gloucester Battlefields, and news of the Williamsburg area, up to date.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT East Central Regional Vice President

East Central Region Hall Riediger, Vice President
3rd Quarter 2008

We received a quarterly report from four Chapters: Brevard, Central Florida, Treasure Coast and St. Lucie River. We have also begun the process of collecting money in the new fund drive for the Center for Advancing America's Heritage, with President Ron Toops and Senior Vice President William Stevenson visiting the St. Lucie River Chapter's, September Constitution Week meeting. This meeting is in conjunction with the DAR Chapters in our operational area, Halpatiokee, Jupiter Light, Saint Lucie River, Cora Stickney Harper, and Okeechobee with over 100 people attending.

Treasure Coast Chapter

Listed Below is an accounting of my activities during the last three months: July, August and September
25 July - Gave the "build the Flag" program at the MOWW Youth conference at Fla. Tech. in Palm Bay, Fla.
30 July - Attended and represented the FLSSAR pres. Ron Toops at the 58th Annual Southeastern Regional Meeting, NSCAR, at Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.
9 Sept. - Gave the "Build the Flag" program for the Senior Ladies Group in Cocoa, Fla., for National Sojourners.
13 Sept. - Visited SAR/DAR (St. Lucie River Chapter SAR/ Treasure Coast DAR Chapters joint Constitution Week Luncheon at Stuart, Fla.
14 Sept. - Gave the "Toast to the Flag" and the "Voice of Old Glory" at the Eagle Court of Honor For Zackary Schmitz at Troop 513, in Vero Beach, Fla.
16 Sept. - Gave the "build the Flag" program for the Retired Educators in Merritt Island, Fla., for national sojourners.
21 Sept. - Gave the "Toast to the Flag" and the "Voice of Old Glory" at the double Eagle Court of Honor for Devan A. Faillace and Christopher Powell of Troop 599, at the Elks Club, in Sebastian, Fla.

William R. Stevenson, AG, KH

St. Lucie River

On July 10th and 11th several Chapter members attended out Compatriot Mel Knouse's viewing and funeral. He was a faithful and active member and past Secretary of our Chapter and will be sorely missed. Several Chapter members attended the Summer BOM Meeting on August 15&16 in Kissimmee. A meeting of the Chapter Board of Directors was held on August 21, 2008. Five members of the Board were present.

In preparation for the annual joint constitution Week and Citizenship Day Luncheon with the DAR, two members in uniform appeared at the Fort Pierce City Commission meeting and accepted a Proclamation, proclaiming the week of Sept 17th to 23rd as Constitution Week in Fort Pierce. On Sept 9 one member in uniform appeared at the St. Lucie county Commission Meeting and accepted another proclamation from St. Lucie County. On Sept 13, nine members attended the joint SAR/DAR Constitution Week and Citizenship Day meeting with the local DAR Chapters. Three members in uniform presented the colors at the beginning of the meeting. Ron Toops, President of the FLSSAR and William Stevenson, FLSSAR Sr. Vice President also attended. A special meeting of the

chapter was held after the luncheon so A presentation could be done with information about the Cemnter for Advancing America's Heritage.

Martin County declared the month of September as a special month to honor the casualties of the 9/11 terrorists attack in New York, Washington, D.C. and Pennsylvania. On Sept. 20, the St. Lucie River Color guard, 4 members marched in a parade this special month.

Sept. 22 Hall Riediger conducted 6 Revolutionary War History lessons at the Treasure Coast High School in Port St. Lucie in colonial uniform. Students from the 11th grade American History Classes totaled about 180 persons, they listened to Hall presentation of the "Story of Simon Knowles, a Revolutionary War Soldier"

Central Florida Chapter Activity

Several Chapter members attended the **Summer BOM** and participated with Color Guard. Also at this meeting Compatriot **Bob Murray was elected as Historian for FLSSAR**. The Chapter resumed its formal monthly meetings on **September 13, 2008 with Compatriot John Little making a presentation regarding the Battle of Cowpens**. During the September and October meetings the Chapter inducted the following **six new members: Mark Bagozzi, Daniel Dall, Michael Danforth, George Gastfield, Robert Peecher, and Joshua Wilson. Ten Year old** Mark Bagozzi became the Chapter's first Youth member. The October meeting was held on the 11th with **Compatriot Bob Copeland's presentation about "Patriot Pirates" – The Role of American Privateers during American Revolution.** **Four Flag Certificates** were presented to neighborhood residents and organizations by Compatriots Robert Murray & Norm Myers, bringing Chapter's 2008 total of Flag Certificates to ten. Photographs were taken of each presentation and published in Minuteman Newsletter. **Conducted Chapter Executive Board Meeting** to plan the New Year schedule that began September 13th. Minuteman Editor Jeff Sizemore and President Norm Myers devoted an good amount of time **converting the Chapter newsletter from four to six pages** which will now contain color photographs and member profiles whenever possible. The Chapter's entire membership, except for eight who don't have computers, have agreed to receive their copy of the newsletter by e-mail instead of regular snail mail. This process has saved the Chapter a substantial amount of money in postage and printing costs. **Central Florida's Color Guard** continued to be active during the summer months as previously mentioned in the Summer BOM report. Central Florida Chapter members John Little, Bob Murray, Ron Hamilton & Norm Myers joined with Steve Williams, Brevard Chapter; George Lockhart, Jacksonville Chapter; and Ted Duay, Fort Lauderdale Chapter; on September 20th to post the Colors during the Fall Forum of the **Florida State DAR** at the Orlando Airport Marriott Hotel. Also scheduled is our participation in the **Orlando Veterans Parade** and the **Mayflower Community Center's Veteran's Day celebration**.

Brevard

The chapter held only one meeting during this period September.

Events held during July, August and September

7/4 Compatriot C. Corman, in uniform, was a guest speaker at the 4th of July celebrations at the Indian River Colony Club in Viera.

7/4 Compatriots B. Dubose, F. Dunagan, F. Smith, S. & P. Wright (with his Daughter Katie) joined the city of Melbourne July 4th Parade.

7/4 Compatriot Ryan presented the colors and gave a talk on the SAR in Wickham Park.

7/8 Compatriot Dubose gave a historical talk to the Pittsburg Club and did recruiting.

8/11 Compatriot Dubose attended a meeting with the Brevard Veterans Council concerning their planned Memorial park – where the revolutionary War will be a focal point.

9/7 Compatriot Phil Wright presented a flag Certificate to the first United Methodist church of Melbourne for their annual flag distribution program at Melbourne's 4th of July Parade.

9/8 Compatriot Dubose attended a meeting with the Brevard Veterans council concerning their planned Memorial Park – The Revolutionary War will be a focal point.

9/9 Compatriot Phil Wright presented Certificates of Appreciation and Cannon Medals at BSA Troops 51's court of Honor to Scouts assisting us with the color guard.

9/13 In the AM Compatriots Dubose and Dunagan represented the Chapter at the annual John Barry Celebration.

9/13 Joint SAR/DAR meeting hoisted by the Brevard Chapter. Color guard members were: Dubose, Ryan, Williams, Wright and Kate Wright. A moment of silence for the victims of 9/11 was held.

9/20 Compatriot Steve Williams participated in the SAR Color Guard in Uniform at the DAR Fall Forum.

9/23 Compatriot Dubose gave a talk on "the Last Naval Battle" to the Melbourne Beach Rotary Club and did recruiting.

9/27 Compatriots Steve Williams and Phillip Wright attended and presented information on the SAR, LNB and SAR Youth Programs at the Central Florida Council Camporee at Camp La-No-Che.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

West Central Regional Vice President

West Central Region Nelson Jantzen, Vice President
October 31, 2008

Clearwater:

Members of the Color Guard joined the other chapters in posting the colors at the Summer BOM.

The Chapter joined the DAR in their celebration of Constitution Sunday on 9/14.

At their monthly luncheon, DAR member Barbara Branscum spoke of the history of the U.S. Army, Marines, Air force, Navy & Coast Guard from formation to the present..

They also inducted a new member to the SAR, David George.

10/15 at their monthly luncheon they had their yearly Police & Fire Dept. awards.

St. Petersburg: On 9/13 they had their Fire Safety award at their luncheon.

10/18 they had a joint meeting with the DAR.

Maj. John DeVane: They will be hosting the 10/31 BOM.

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Lakeland:

In August they attended the Bartow DAR Chapter meeting.

9/14 they attended the Constitution Sunday service.

At their 9/20 meeting they had a memorial service for their deceased members.

10/18 they had their monthly meeting & speaker on Florida History Fair.

They inducted two new members. Compatriot Wooden attended the 118th Annual Congress.

Tampa

September: Our speaker was Drew Lisciandrello a senior history major at the University of Central Florida, due to Graduate in December. Drew spoke on the impact of the Spanish and French fleets on the outcome of the Revolution.

October: Chapter Vice President Bob Yarnell spoke on the Electoral College. The origins of this method of election were discussed as were the ramifications for this year's election.

Nelson Weeks Jantzen, nelson7772008@hotmail.com <<<< New e-mail

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Southeast Regional Vice President

Southeast Region Gerald Meeks, Vice President

I have adopted the format suggested by Compatriot Ben DuBose that I think addresses most of the important areas of interest for the Chapters in the Society. During the past quarter I have visited the Palm Beach Chapter at the Sail Fish Club in Palm Beach. It was their opening meeting for the coming season. I will visit each chapter in the coming year and will follow this format in future reporting.

The following are responses received from Palm Beach and Miami chapters to a questionnaire designed to assert the viability of the chapter.

Fort Lauderdale

*We have had five chapter meetings for the year through September.

*We presented 28 JTOTC medals, 6 Bronze Good Citizenship Medals, and over 300 Good Citizenship Certificates.

*We manned an SAR booth at the Genealogy Fair held at Nova Southeastern University.

*We presented a \$200 donation to our local CAR Chapter, the Swamp Fox Society.

*Our chapter Treasurer facilitated the shipping of 28 boxes of goods collected by the Swamp Fox CAR to servicemen overseas.

*We have produced 5 chapter newsletters through September.

*The President of the Fort Lauderdale Chapter participated as a member of the SAR Color Guard at the Florida DAR Fall Forum held in Orlando. He carried and posted the American Flag.

*We have welcomed 4 new SAR members to our chapter.

Palm Beach

HEALTH of the PALM BEACH CHAPTER

1. RAMBAUGH ORATION CONTEST.....0
2. JROTC AWARDS.....2
3. EAGLE SCOUT CERTIFICATE.....3
4. HIGH SCHOOL GOOD CITIZENSHIP CERTIFICATE.....4
5. 5TH & 6TH GRADE GOOD CITIZENSHIP CERTIFICATE.....0
6. HISTORY FAIRS.....3
7. HISTORY AND EDUCATION DISC DISTRIBUTION.....0
8. MEMBERSHIP PROMOTION.....4
9. PUBLIC SERVICE AWARDS.....6
10. CHAPTER NEWSLETTER.....12
11. FLAG FLYER CERTIFICATES.....42
12. SONS OF LIBERTY COLOR.....4
13. LIBERTY TREE PROGRAM.....1

B. Attended Charter Program for the Greenacres' Chapter of the CAR held in Lantana
D. Plan an event for PATRIOT'S DAY-April? yes

Attended 2 programs+ 1 I plan to attend in 2009.....2+1 (3)

Chapter Newsletters should be sent to the State Secretary, Newsletter committee, Historian, and your Regional Vice President.....YES

Miami

Here's what we offer in no particular order:

1. RAMBAUGH ORATION CONTEST NONE
2. JROTC AWARDS - Cost Chapter nothing! FLSSAR pays for medals! ALL OF DADE, BROWARD AND SOME IN PALM BEACH COUNTIES
3. EAGLE SCOUT CERTIFICATE - 1+ per year THREE PENDING NOW AND SEVERAL EARLIER IN THE YEAR
4. HIGH SCHOOL GOOD CITIZENSHIP CERTIFICATE - 1+ per year NONE
5. 5th & 6th GRADE GOOD CITIZENSHIP CERTIFICATE - 1+ per year NONE
6. HISTORY FAIRS - Check with Frank Hodalski on this one. NONE
7. HISTORY & EDUCATION DISC DISTRIBUTION - 1+ per year NONE
8. MEMBERSHIP PROMOTION - 1+ per year (new or reinstatement) SEVERAL PENDING (NEW & SUPPL).
9. PUBLIC SERVICE AWARDS, Heroism, etc. - 1+ per year ONE THIS YEAR
- * 10. CHAPTER NEWSLETTER - We should all have 6 per year. ONGOING 12 PER YEAR
11. FLAG FLYER CERTIFICATES - 1+ per year NONE
12. SONS OF LIBERTY COLOR - Active Chapter Color Guard SEVERAL OCCASION THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. MOST RECENT DAR CONSTITUTIONAL WEEK. REGULAR PARTICIPANTS AT BOM AND AT NATIONAL CONGRESS.
13. LIBERTY TREE PROGRAM - If you have one tree - try for two, etc., etc. NONE

If your Chapter is not involved in SIX (6) of the above programs, maybe you would like to investigate these alternatives to make up for shortfall, or to add on to your "to-do" list:

A. Get involved in this year's 100th Anniversary of our SAR CONGRESSIONAL CHARTER - Go to your local County, City or Town and ask them to create a proclamation for this event. NOT GOOD ANYMORE

B. Start a CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION CHAPTER (CAR). CURRENTLY CO-SUPPORTS TEQUESTA CHAPTER CAR

C. Start a LADIES AUXILIARY in your Chapter. OUR LADIES ARE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS OF FLSSAR LADIES AUXILLARY AND MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL AUXILLARY.

D. Plan an event for PATRIOT'S DAY - APRIL ? OK

E. Nominate an outstanding Compatriot for the 200? STATE HONORS COUNCIL. PENDING

FYI: KNIGHTS ESSAY CONTEST will only be held at STATE LEVEL in 2007.

Watch for NEW PROGRAMS.

Put Feb. 28, 2009 on your calendar for FLSSAR dedication = "THE LAST NAVAL BATTLE OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION." HAVE ATTENDED AND COLOR GUARD HAS PARTICIPATED SINCE BEGINNING.

Make a list of radio stations you've lined up for our 60 second Public Service Announcements. NONE

* Chapter newsletters should be sent to the State Secretary, Newsletter Committee, Historian and your Regional Vice President..BEING DONE

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Southwest Regional Vice President

Southwest Region Don Cahill, Vice President
October 27, 2008

CALOOSA: by Terry Walton, Vice President/Treas./Editor/Webmaster

Lt. Col. Tom Madigan, Lee County School District Director of JROTC programs, was the featured speaker at the season's first luncheon on Wed., October 8th. This year will be the first time that the county JROTC program will select an outstanding cadet district-wide. In addition to the outstanding cadets from each of the 13 public high schools.

The Chapter presented Compatriot Midshipman Andrew Learned a silver ROTC medal and certificate at the May 14th meeting. Andrew, a senior at the Univ. of Tampa, is a member of FLSSAR's ROTC Committee. He was also recently elected student body president at the University.

Compatriot Terry Walton was named a George Washington Fellow at the SAR National Congress in July. A certificate and distinctive lapel pin were presented by NSSAR Vice President Lindsey Brock at the Summer BOM Meeting in Kissimmee. Fellows are recognized for their support of the GWEF and the Center for Advancing America's Heritage.

Several flag certificates were presented to organizations which prominently display the American flag 24/7/365, illuminated at night.

Charter member Nevin Salot, 98 years young, was honored by his nephew Frank Mann, County Commissioner and other members of the Lee County Commission, during their annual presentation on Sept. 9th. Their proclamation designated Sept. 17th as Constitution and Citizenship Day. Compatriot Mann attended the DAR-sponsored Constitution Day luncheon and presented the proclamation; other officers of the Caloosa Chapter also participated, including Chaplain Randy Moody who offered the invocation in full dress uniform.

CHARLOTTE: by Bradley Lines, President

Charlotte Chapter SAR reports that after summer hiatus, we rejoiced in receiving Frank Taylor Walton as a member at our September meeting. We are hearing reviews of the book "1776" through November.

We continue to meet at Port Charlotte Elks Club second Friday of month. Compatriots wishing to stop by should phone 941-743-3962 for directions and reservation choices.

NAPLES: by Don Cahill, Historian & Past President

October 2nd was Naples Chapter's first meeting after the summer break on Thursday, noon at the Elk's Lodge, 3950 Radio Road. The Color Guard presented the colors and President John McCullough welcomed everyone back from their summer travels/activities.

The speaker was Kathleen Slebodiansk of the League of Women Voters. She presented thoughts on what might be of interest to voters in the upcoming election such as the constitutional amendments, judge's positions, etc.

The members who will man the voting precinct the Chapter adopted are all trained and retrained and ready for November 4th! The Chapter will raise over \$1,600 for their efforts which will go to supporting our youth programs. Also the County elections place a sign in front of the polling place stating that the precinct volunteers are members of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Our November 6th meeting speaker will be retiring Sheriff Don Hunter. The Chapter will honor the Sheriff for his years of service to Collier County and wish him well as he leaves office to retire (?). The Chapter will also kick off its membership drive seeking new members.

SARAMANA: by Phil Tarpley, President

Saramana Chapter is in the process of instituting a new national school educational project thanks to Publicity Chairman Harold B. Crapo, Jr. The idea for this educational project began after a short speech by Harold during the Manatee County Commission Meeting. Harold received a Proclamation to Saramana SAR for Constitution Week. The Proclamation was one of several from our two Counties and local city Councils. One Commissioner asked Harold if he and SAR members would work up an educational video on the Constitution for school use. Harold called me and was encouraged to proceed. Manatee Education TV staff met with Harold and developed a format. Harold was tasked to write the script and address all of the Articles of the Constitution and reduce them to cover the intent without all the language as it would take too much time to read the entire Constitution. He needed to have readers from Saramana SAR, DAR, and then invited others to join such as two JrROTC Cadets, an Eagle Scout, etc. I was unable to be there and recommended Compatriots Sgt-at-Arms Clarence Barrett and Frank X. Hodalski to join him as readers. Frank was impressed by the product and suggested to Harold our chapter request approval from the Manatee County Commissioners and School Board to use the

DVD as part of our educational program with the intent to establish a Nationwide program of SAR Compatriots reading The Declaration of Independence, The Constitution, Bill of Rights and important moments of Early American History for DVD production.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Secretary

Kevin Yarnell

The quarter was busy in a number of ways. The work was routine for this time of the year but of greater volume than in previous years.

The annual reports and 2009 dues will be compiled and submitted soon. Chapter secretaries will receive the current roster from the state database and instructions for submitting their annual reports in early November. The reports are due around December 10th. Chapter Presidents are encouraged to verify that the report is filed in a timely manner.

With regard to the annual report two items need approval from the BOM.

1. Motion: State dues for 2009 be forgiven for any member that is an active member of the military. This action has been adopted by the BOM for the past 2 years. This motion would continue this practice. Six members qualified for this exemption in 2008.
2. Motion: Chapters submitting required 2009 membership reports and dues to the FLSSAR Secretary in a timely manner will be eligible to receive a rebate in the amount of \$2 per qualifying paid-up member. This would continue a long standing practice of the Florida Society. Note that I am proposing a decrease of \$1. Last year rebates totaled \$3,858. A change of \$1 would add roughly \$1,200 to the state budget. Several new initiatives including the Battle of Pensacola commemoration will tax the current state budget. Reducing the rebate would alleviate some of this pressure.

At this meeting I am submitting four changes to the FLSSAR By-Laws. Each of these is relatively minor. Cumulatively they are an attempt to have the By-Laws conform to our current practices. Copies of these changes are available from the secretary if requested.

I'm also looking to improve the production of this BOM report booklet. Currently we are expending a significant amount of resources producing 80-100 copies of a nearly 50 page document. I'm proposing that on the Sunday prior to the meeting the secretary email the reports to all chapter and state officers, all BOM members, and any other member that wishes to receive the reports. The secretary would also run 20-25 paper copies to be available for those BOM attendees without email access. Members receiving the report via email would have the time to read and review all the reports and could, at their preference, print a copy for their use.

There are 3 significant advances:

1. We'd save considerable resources
2. The reports would have a wider circulation resulting in increased communication
3. BOM attendees would have sufficient time to review the reports. Currently, unless the member devotes a block of time to reading the reports upon arrival at the hotel they are not fully prepared to participate in the meeting and any discussion. This secretary's report is a case in point. The discussion of the proposals in this report would most likely be more productive if members had time to read and consider the ideas prior to their arrival at the meeting. Further, chapter delegates could, as they see fit, seek the advice of their chapter as to voting for or against any proposals.

I would like to propose that this idea be tried for the Winter 2009 BOM.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Treasurer

Leon Hammock

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVES (BUDGET AND ACTUAL) 9-30-2008

	2008 Annual <u>Budget</u>	2008 <u>Actual</u>
Receipts		
Dues - net of rebates	\$37,000	\$31,734
Donations	3,000	3,443
BOM Income net of expenses	500	-309
Other Income	<u>600</u>	<u>420</u>
Total	41,100	35,288
Disbursements		
State Officers	\$19,000	\$11,095
Youth Programs	11,350	\$8,153
Other Committee	<u>10,300</u>	<u>9,797</u>
Total	40,650	29,045
Receipts over Disbursements	\$450	\$6,243

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION SEPTEMBER 30, 2008

ASSETS

Checking	28,933.60
Wachovia CD's	33,787.63
Money Market Account	<u>4,936.83</u>
TOTAL Bank Accounts	67,658.06

Investments (restricted) 9,164.00

TOTAL ASSETS 76,822.06

LIABILITIES 0.00

EQUITY 76,822.06

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 76,822.06

Submitted by Leon R.
Hammock, State Treasurer

Dear Compatriots:

There has been quite a bit of confusion over the new NSSAR policy regarding DAR Record Copies. In several recent postings on SAR-Talk, Joe Dooley, our Genealogist General, has mentioned a supposedly "new" DAR verification procedure involving "a single large check mark down the middle of the page or on the margin." I am writing this message to clarify the issue and to provide examples of DAR Record Copies to substantiate my points.

1) The issue is not about a "single large check mark." As I pointed out in my original posting on this new NSSAR policy, DAR uses three different methods to indicate verification of information on a DAR Record Copy.

"Center checks" indicate that the information was taken from a previously verified NSDAR application.

"Individual checks" indicate that new information has been proven with documentation. Brackets or parentheses indicate that the information has not been proven.

When "center checks" are used, each name, date, and place verified from a previous DAR application is checked above or next to the words "born," "on," and "married."

When "individual checks" are used, each name, date, and place verified from new documentation is checked above the name, date, and place.

When a name, date, or place has not been verified using either new documentation or a previous DAR application, the name, date, or place is enclosed in brackets or parentheses.

2) This DAR verification is NOT new. DAR has been using this procedure since at least 1995.

Thus, this new NSSAR policy is NOT about a "new" DAR verification procedure. Rather, this NSSAR policy is about no longer allowing DAR Record Copies that were verified from previously accepted DAR applications. The following examples of DAR Record Copies illustrate this point.

The first example (#853XXX) is a 2007 DAR Record Copy. For generation 1 (the applicant), the DAR used "individual checks" to show that the information was verified through documentation. (The applicant submitted her birth certificate, marriage certificate, etc.) For generations 2 through 8, the DAR used "center checks" to show that the information was verified from a previous DAR application. The staff genealogist also wrote the number of the previous application that he/she used in the verification process (# 852291) in the empty space between each generation. Example #853XXX is the DAR Record Copy of the DAUGHTER of a Florida SAR prospective member. It was

PENDED just a few days after the Fall Leadership Meeting as a result of this new NSSAR policy.

Example #769XXX is a DAR Record Copy from 1995. Generations 1 through 5 contain "individual checks" indicating that the information was verified through new documentation. Generations 6 through 8 contain "center checks" indicating that the information was verified from a previous DAR application (#765809).

Example #797XXX is a DAR Record Copy from 2000. "Individual checks" are used in generations 1 through 4. "Center checks" are used in generations 5 through 8 (# 499413 A468 & # 714184).

According to what I read on SAR-Talk, this new policy/interpretation, as it relates to the acceptability of NSDAR Record Copies, was adopted by the Genealogy Committee at the last NSSAR Leadership Conference. As a member of that committee, I received NO communication from anyone that this issue was going to be discussed, let alone voted on. I have requested the minutes of the said meeting where this issue was supposedly discussed and voted on, and have not yet received the requested minutes or any acknowledgement of my request for said minutes. My personal belief is that this new rule/interpretation was adopted without sufficient explanation, discussion, or voting by the Genealogy Committee.

I will be discussing this issue at the upcoming FLSSAR BOM. I would encourage all of you to express your thoughts about this new rule/interpretation directly to Joe Dooley, Genealogist General or Richard Fetzer, Chairman on the NSSAR Genealogy Committee. Their contact information is as follows:

Joe Dooley
3105 Faber Drive
Falls Church, VA 22044
703-534-3053
joexyz@verizon.net

Richard Fetzer
Old Kent Farm, POB 203
Aurora, OH 44202
330-562-5781
treeclimber123@yahoo.com

Sincerely,

Ted Duay
Registrar, FLSSAR

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Chaplain

Randy Moody

Since our last meeting, the following compatriots have graduated from this life on earth to their eternal home. I have sent condolences to the families of our deceased compatriots on behalf of the FLSSAR.

Albert Francis Barrett	Jacksonville
Kevin Hollien	Gainesville
Ira C. Crandall	Deland
Wendell Daniel Dibrell	Lakeland
Alvin Horning	Withlacoochee
James A. Van Fleet, Ph.D.	Naples
Murray King Wheeler	At-large

It is important that someone from each chapter report deaths to me and the FLSSAR Secretary in a timely manner so we can properly pay our respects to the families. Thank you for your cooperation.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Recording Secretary

Terence Walton

The BOM Minutes for Summer, 2008 appeared in the Fall issue of the Florida Patriot.

Minutes for the Fall , 2008 BOM meeting with be recorded by compatriot Albert Myers (Caloosa), and later transcribed and edited by Terry Walton for publication in the Winter issue on the Florida Patriot.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Chancellor

Carl Hoffmann, PG
October 1, 2008

The Chancellor worked with Leon Hammock, the FLSSAR Treasurer, to obtain a Certificate that FLSSAR has complied with the registration requirements Chapter 496 of the Florida Statutes. We are pleased to report that the Certificate was issued dated August 27, 2008. This Certificate covers all FLSSAR Chapters.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Parliamentarian

Frank Hodalski

Nothing to report

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Genealogist

Gerald Meeks

Nothing to report

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Sergeant at Arms

Phillip Tarpley

No activity requiring a report for this period

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Historian

Robert Murray

Nothing to report

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Editor, Florida Patriot

Dick Fowler

The pictures on the inside cover and pages 9 thru 12 are now individually framed. This is in contrast to previous *Patriot* editions where each picture was shown merged with the pictures adjacent to it, without any border. This gives them a more professional look; and, unless there is objection, will be carried on in future editions.

Thanks to Doug Bridges and Dick Cardell for sharing their photos.

Our publisher, **All Service Graphics** of Melbourne, Florida has initiated a new method of submitting proofs of the *Patriot* before it is published. They took all of the pages of the Fall edition and merged them into one .pdf file which they sent to me for approval. I shared this with other members, but unfortunately we all missed the posting on page 2 of Officers which should have been 2008-2009 - not 2007-2008.

The Summer edition of *The Patriot* did correctly list the 2008-2009 officers.

Those things happen, but I will redouble my efforts to put out error free editions in the future.

Statutory Committees

FLSSAR Committee Report

Audit

Chairman: Ted Duay, III

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report

Executive

Chairman: Ronald Toops

This report will be given orally.

FLSSAR Committee Report Finance

Chairman: Leon Hammock

Compatriots it is getting time for the finance committee to start putting together the new budget for 2009. If you are an officer of committee chairman and would like to have input regarding the budget for your office or committee I would appreciate receiving it ASAP. You can mail it to me at 1683 Robinhood Ln. Clearwater, FL 33764 or send it to me by e-mail at lhammoc1@tampabay.rr.com.

FLSSAR Committee Report Medals and Awards

Chairman: Gerald Meeks

There has been no medals and awards awarded at the State Level, or requiring State approval during this reporting period. The Committee did recommend the adoption of a medal by the Pensacola chapter for approval by the National Medals and Awards Committee. This Medal will honor the Battle of Pensacola . A ceremony and availability of the medal will occur in 2009.

FLSSAR Committee Report Nominating

Chairman: Grant Wallin, Jr.

Meeting attendance: Grant Wallin, Ben DuBose, Ed Young and Hal Miller. Absent – George Lockhart.
Email contact: Six (6) updates have been transmitted to the committee members regarding the status of the committee's efforts.

Report: The committee has been hard at work contacting possible candidates for the 2009-2010 FLSSAR program year. Compatriots interested in becoming a FLSSAR Officer for this next year should go to the FLSSAR Website at www.flssar.org and download the form titled *Recommendation for nomination as officer year 2009-2010*. This completed form should be mailed by the applicant to the Chairman at 10037 62nd Terrace North #18, St. Petersburg, FL 33708 prior to the Winter Board of Management meeting.

The committee will be prepared to submit it's report and recommendations at the Spring 2009 Board of Management meeting.

FLSSAR Committee Report Patriot Medal

Nothing to report

Standing Committees

FLSSAR Committee Report Archives

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

The work load of the secretary's job impacted work on the archives however, we continue to make progress. For the last several months all newly approved applications have been scanned. Eventually we look to convert all the applications on file to electronic form but this will take considerable time.

FLSSAR Committee Report Chapter Challenge

Chairman: Nelson Jantzen

The 2008 forms are available on the FLSSAR website.

Regional V.P.s please request your chapters to submit them to you & you forward them to me by March 1, 2009.

Nelson Jantzen, nelson7772008@hotmail.com

FLSSAR Committee Report Charter & By-Laws

Chairman: William Stevenson

Steve Williams, Brevard Chapter submitted three by-law changes. Copies have been made and sent to each of the five committee members.

Secretary's note: In order to save space the proposed by-law changes have not been printed in the report booklet. A limit number of copies are available from the secretary. These copies also include additional changes that will be present to the Charter and By-Laws committee during the meeting. The secretary will gladly email electronic copies of the proposals to all who send a request to kayarnell@hotmail.com.

FLSSAR Committee Report CAR Liaison

Chairman: Lindsey Brock

As you know, F.S.C.A.R. President Valerie Bagenski's State Project and Theme this year is: "**Discovering Florida's Roadside Attractions**" from their humble beginnings up to the days before Disney World and other modern day attractions. To date over \$1,000.00 has been raised by selling the F.S.C.A.R. State Project pins. The Florida Society SAR sold approximately \$350.00 of the F.S.C.A.R pins this year. The monies raised will be presented to the Museum of Florida History in Tallahassee, FL. F.S.C.A.R. is being given a guided tour of the Museum on November 15th at 1:00 P.M. State President Valerie Bagenski has invited Florida's Governor Charlie Crist to participate in the November 15th event. All SAR and DAR chapters in Florida are invited to attend. The Museum of Florida History is located in the R. A. Gray Building, South Bronough Street in Tallahassee.

The Senior President, Billie S. Brock and President Valerie Bagenski have been conducting Packet Meetings throughout the State of Florida over the past several months to promote this year's F.S.C.A.R.'s project. They also explained the project of National President, Kevin Barker. The various C.A.R. Societies from all over the state attend these meetings and participate in skits to promote this year's project, "**Discovering Florida's Roadside Attractions.**"

Lastly, Senior President Billie S. Brock attended the October, 2008 N.S.C.A.R. Board Meeting in Washington, DC.

FLSSAR Committee Report Commemorative Historic Sites

Chairman: Lindsey Brock

Compatriot Ray Lantz of Pensacola met with the NSSAR Historic Sites Committee at the Fall/September 2008 Leadership meeting and gave a presentation on the upcoming celebration of the **225th Battle of Pensacola** which will be hosted by the Pensacola Chapter and the Florida Society on May 8-9, 2009. The Florida Society requested funding from the GWEF for funding in the amount of \$4,000.00. Compatriot Lantz mentioned that the total budget was \$26,000.00 and that the local citizens in the Pensacola area would be providing most of the funding. The request was forwarded by Chairman George Thurmond to the GWEF Distribution Committee for final action. President Ron Toops will be requesting that the Florida Society also provide funding for this celebration.

Plans are already underway to celebrate "**The Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution**" on Saturday, February 28, 2009 at 445 Challenger Road, Cape Canaveral, FL. Our guest speaker will be Commander Douglas L. Edson USN Commanding Officer, USS BARRY (DDG-52). A complimentary Social Hour, from 5pm to 6pm will

be held in Room 432 of the Country Inns & Suites, 9009 Astronaut Blvd., Cape Canaveral, FL. Dinner will be served at the Country Inn & Suites at 6:30pm. A flyer has been published listing all of the details. All SAR State Society Color Guard Units attending will be presented a Flag Streamer. A block of 65 rooms have been reserved at the Country Inns & Suites and will be held until February 1, 2009, so make your reservations **now** if you plan to attend.

Lastly, Billie and I attended the Battle of Kings Mountain on October 7, 2008 and the Battle of Savannah on October 9, 2008. At both events it was my pleasure, as VPG, to present a wreath on behalf of the South Atlantic District and Billie presented a wreath as Senior President of the Florida Society C.A.R.

FLSSAR Committee Report Credentials

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

In light of the fact that the next National Congress will be in Atlanta there is a good chance that the number of members wishing to attend will exceed the number of voting delegates the Florida Society is permitted. In that case, the Society will need to choose its voting members at the Annual Meeting. In order to plan for this possibility it would aid the credentials committee if members planning to attend would advise the chairman as soon as possible.

FLSSAR Committee Report DAR Liaison

Chairman: Steve Williams

The DAR Fall Forum was attended by committee members George Lockhart and Steve Williams and was assisted by John Camillo of the Withlacoochee Chapter. The coverage was for Saturday from 8 am to 4:15 pm for the purpose of passing out SAR informational material and to encourage DAR members to participate in membership referrals. At this forum a display was used to present the current standing of the Florida DAR Society's standing in the competition for the \$500 prize (Referral program) with the intention of generating a sense of competition within the DAR community with other states, most notably Georgia, and to act as a springboard for the recruiting of SAR applications.

Some information pertaining to the weekend:

1. 39 of the 106 Florida DAR chapters (37%) visited our table.
2. 79 DAR ladies signed the guest sheet ~ 26% of Forum attendees.
3. 21 of these stated they had male prospects and took the SAR Worksheet and DAR Referral Form to support those male prospect applications.

Observations and Recommendations

Observations:

1. While most of the Forum attendees passed by the SAR table, only ~26% could be induced to approach and/or sign the guest log.
2. The DAR Referral status board mentioned above did generate interest in the \$500 prize and offered an opening into handing out worksheets/DAR Referral forms.
3. The participation of 7 SAR compatriots in the Color Guard at the Saturday Banquet created positive goodwill and publicity in the Florida DAR community as judged by the large number of personal comments I received.
4. Outside of the stated purpose for the SAR table, our presence affords the compatriots an opportunity to socialize and establish contacts and friendships with individual DAR ladies and, by extension, their chapters.

Recommendations

1. Some form of expanded 'Outreach' should be considered to increase the percentage of coverage of SAR information to the number of DAR chapters and Forum attendees. This might include, but not be limited to, a Forum workshop session centered around SAR/DAR liaison, activity participation, and cooperation in like interests. These interests include youth activities, education, and other patriotic events/activities.

This Outreach could also include providing a information package to each Forum attendee. The package might include:

- DAR Referral form
- SAR Worksheet

SAR Application requirements brochure

Brochures for SAR Youth activities, e.g., Rumbaugh, Knight, Eagle Scout.

Ticket for surprise gift drawing*

* The 'surprise gift' would be something of nominal value and the ticket would have to be turned into the SAR table - thus, the DAR attendee would have to stop by our table and would, thereby, increase our exposure.

2. Continue to use a means of visibly showing status of DAR referrals and the progress towards the FSSDAR 'winning' the \$500.

3. Continue to offer our Color Guard to the FSSDAR at their Spring and Fall Forums. This would be a recognized state Color Guard event and could be used to receive the Bronze Color Guard medal.

4. As a further attractant, a second table might be used for the placement of interesting memorabilia and artifacts, e.g., a musket and bayonet, cartridge container, wooden 'canteen', quill & ink pot, wax and stamp seal, pewter mugs & flatware, replica coinage. Other items of historical or educational interest might be included - anything to draw visitors to the tables.

FLSSAR Committee Report Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee

Chairman: Charlie Day

The Camporee adventures of Phil Wright and Steve Stevenson, Brevard Chapter, have received fairly widespread acknowledgement. I think they are worth repeating here (with the Author's permission). There are a number of good ideas presented. Most Boy Scout Councils/Districts have two Camporees a year.

"Compatriot Phil Wright and myself (Steve Stevenson) participated in the Central Florida Boy Scout Camporee at Camp La-No-Che in Paisley on September 27th. We set up a display table with handouts of Declaration of Independence & US Constitution provided by the Heritage Foundation, Eagle Scout Scholarship information, and flyers for the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution. We also were dressed in our period costumes with 2 muskets and other display materials.

During the time period from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. we interacted with between 400 and 500 scouts and 50 to 75 scouting leaders. We discussed the muskets and materials – the muskets and Phil's routine explaining the loading/firing steps were a big hit and attracted the most interest of the younger scouts (and most adults, too). The Eagle Scout Scholarship program was explained to all Life and Eagle scouts present with our (business) cards handed out to many for further contact.

Several adult leaders expressed interest in the application process for both the SAR and DAR and were also given cards for follow-up information.

Phil and I were especially gratified to notice the lively interest in the SAR and the Eagle Scout program and would recommend that each chapter Youth Activities committee consider doing something similar in their areas."

Reported by *Steve Williams*, **Brevard SAR President**

Next – We all need to make what efforts we can to receive end of the year Eagle SAR Scholarship applications. The deadline is December 31, 2008.

I would like to thank David Ramsuer for submitting the application for my NSSAR, Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award and thank those in Withlacoochee Chapter, FLSSAR, and Gulf Ridge Boy Scout Council for supporting the application. **Thank you** for the Award. There are obviously other scouters in our FL Society that would qualify. We need to recognize them and get paperwork started.

FLSSAR Committee Report Education Committee

Chairman: Ron Toops

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report Electronic Technology Committee

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

Please see the ad-hoc Electronic Technology & Information Study Committee report later in this booklet.

FLSSAR Committee Report Genealogy

Chairman: Ted Duay, III

At the Summer 2008 BOM, Dr. Debbie Duay, Regent of the Lighthouse Point Chapter DAR and wife of Registrar Duay, gave a presentation on Locating and Documenting Revolutionary War Ancestors. Approximately thirty people attended the presentation and found it both useful and informative.

At the Fall BOM, Registrar Duay will be presenting a workshop to discuss the recent policy change regarding the acceptability of NSDAR Record Copies as proof of lineage for NSSAR applications.

FLSSAR Committee Report George S. & Stella Knight Essay Contest

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

Information regarding the contest is available on line. We continue to promote the contest as opportunities present. Chapters conducting local contests are encouraged to send all their entries to the chairman (not just the winning essay). The deadline is Jan. 31, 2009.

FLSSAR Committee Report Good Citizenship

Certificates are available from the Secretary.

FLSSAR Committee Report History Fairs

Chairman: Frank Hodalski

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report Joseph P. Rumbaugh Orations Contest

Chairman: Gordon Greenwood

The following information has been sent out to all local chapter presidents regarding the FLSSAR Rumbaugh Contest to be held at the Winter BOM Meeting.

The Rumbaugh Oration Contest: Some Questions & Answers

1. What is an oration?

An oration is a carefully prepared formal speech written in advance (and given to the contest judges in advance), committed to memory, and delivered word for word without notes. In this case, a speech of at least five minutes in length but not more than six.

2. What topics can the oration be about?

Oration topics should be about a Revolutionary War event (e.g.: The Battle of King's Mountain or the Boston Tea Party), a document (e.g.: Declaration of Independence or the Bill of Rights), or a personality (e.g.: Benjamin Franklin or Sir William Howe), showing the relationship it bears to America today. For example, the 2005 winning oration was about the separation of church and state as provided in the Bill of Rights and its implications for religious activities in schools and other public places.

3. Who can participate in the Rumbaugh Oration Contest?

Any high school student, public, private, or home-schooled, in grades 9-12 at the time of the contest.

4. When and where is the contest?

The state (FLSSAR) competition will be held at the winter Board of Management meeting on January 30, 2009. Therefore, local chapter level competitions should be held before that time. Probably most local chapters hold their contest in the November-December time frame. The national (NSSAR) competition will be held at the 119th Annual NSSAR Congress in Marietta, Georgia, on July 4-8. All state organizations will send at state expense one winner and a companion (e.g.: parent, coach) to the national contest. The last Florida winner was in 1997.

5. What are the prizes for the contest?

a. Local chapter level prizes will be determined by each local chapter. Many local chapters provide a first prize of \$50, a second prize of \$25, and a third prize of \$15, since they may be reimbursed by the ETF for those amounts. The local chapter will also need to make reservations and provide for transportation and expenses (hotel room, dinner) for the winner and a companion (parent, coach) to the Winter Board of Management meeting. Such expenses may be reimbursable. The contest usually takes place in the late morning or early afternoon of the first meeting day and the results announced at the Friday evening banquet.

b. State level (FLSSAR) prizes are as follows:

First Place: \$1000.

Second Place: \$500.

Third Place: \$250

All Others: \$100

c. National level prizes are:

First Place: \$3000.

Second Place: \$2000.

Third Place: \$1000.

All other finalists: \$300.

All other contestants: \$200.

6. How will the competition be judged?

At the state level the three judges, who must be given a copy of the oration in advance, will use the following criteria:

a. Composition (organization, vocabulary, logic) 20 points

b. Delivery (voice, body movement, gestures) 40 points

c. History (research, accuracy, American Revolution based) 20 points

d. Significance (relation to current issues) 20 points

In addition, penalty points will be deducted for orations violating the at least 5 minutes but not more than 6 minutes time limits for delivery, and for deviations from the copy of the oration given to the judges.

7. How can the local chapter recruit students to enter the contest?

Designate at least one person in the chapter to contact local public and private schools as well as home-schooled students. Who to contact will vary locally, of course, but many public school systems have English or Language Arts Coordinators or Supervisors who are in charge of providing curriculum materials and textbook adoptions. These professionals are in an excellent position to advise you as to how to proceed or who to contact.

Otherwise, the next best course would be to contact the Superintendent's office and/or building Principals for guidance as to what English teachers to contact. The Superintendent's office should also be able to provide the names of students being home schooled.

Additionally, it's good to keep in mind that most senior high schools are divided into departments and the Chair of the English Department may turn out to be the most helpful person of all. Often one or two English teachers will be most interested in speech and/or debate and may even supervise extra-curricular activities such as a Debate Club.

8. How does the local chapter enter its winner in the FLSSAR contest?

First, go to the NSSAR website (www.sar.org), click on Rumbaugh Oration under Education/Youth at the top, and print out: (1) Procedures, (2) Contest Rules, (3) Chapter Entry Form, (4) Judging Sheet, (5) State and National Entry Forms, A&B. Send in the Chapter Entry Form and State and National Entry Forms (Forms A&B) along with a picture of the orator and 4 copies of the oration to: Dr. Gordon Greenwood, 4117 NW 33rd Place, Gainesville, FL 32606, by not later than January 12, 2009.

9. In case I have further questions about the Rumbaugh Oration Contest, who do I contact?

The FLSSAR committee conducting the next state contest is as follows:

- a. Gordon Greenwood Chairman, Gainesville
(352) 378-8764 gordonegreenwood@aol.com
- b. Doug Bridges Miami
(305) 248-8996 dougbridges@bellsouth.net
- c. Mark Kilgore Pensacola
(850) 458-0559 kilgore.fra@att.net
- d. David Ramseur Jacksonville
(904) 737-0590 ramseur@surfbest.net
- e. Lonnie Jones Pensacola lonnieg385@aol.com
(850)474-9029

FLSSAR Committee Report Ladies Auxiliary Liaison

Chairman: Lindsey Brock

The FLSSAR Ladies Auxiliary had several members in attendance at the September/Fall Leadership meeting in Louisville, KY. The ladies present had the opportunity to attend several events that was arranged exclusively for them during the Leadership meetings. Several members also attended the Commemoration of the Battle of King's Mountain and the Battle of Savannah.

If you have not already done so, please make plans for your special lady to attend the upcoming Spring Leadership Meeting in Louisville, KY on March 5-7, 2009. There are always special events for all ladies who attend. Remember, the ladies attending do not have to be members of the Ladies Auxiliary to attend the various events at any of our Leadership Meetings nor the National Congresses. Your special lady can be a member of the Ladies Auxiliary, at both the state and national level, for a mere \$5.00 annually.

FLSSAR Committee Report Last Naval Battle

Chairman: Ben DuBose

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report Liberty Tree

Chairman: Ben Dubose

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report Meeting Arrangements - BOM

Chairman: Lindsey Brock

Listed below are the remaining BOM meeting dates that have been established with the Ramada Plaza Hotel & Inn Gateway of Kissimmee, FL for 2008-2009:

Winter BOM meeting – January 30-31, 2009

Annual BOM meeting – April 24-26, 2009.

Room rates will remain the same (\$63.00 + taxes) for the year 2008. For the year 2009 the room rates will be **increased** to (\$65.00 + taxes). **Plaza tower** rooms will also remain at (\$73.00 + taxes) for the year 2008. For the year 2009 Plaza tower rooms will be **increased** to (\$75.00 + taxes). **Plaza tower one-bedroom suites** will remain the same (\$99.00 + taxes) during 2008-2009. Meal prices will be essentially in the same price range.

FLSSAR Committee Report Membership Promotion & Retention

Chairman: William Stevenson

The report for this committee is included in the report of the Senior Vice President.

FLSSAR Committee Report National Officer Development

Chairman: Carl Hoffmann

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report NSSAR Library

Chairman: Terence Walton

Thanks to the support of local chapters and members statewide, the Florida Society has surged ahead of our closest competitor, Georgia, to maintain our number one position as Friends of the SAR Library. We now lead 61 to 57, and hope to increase this lead through the last quarter of 2008.

There will be a national first place award given to the state society with the greatest increase in Friends of the Library members through December, 2008. Please help FLSSAR to qualify for this award at the 2009 Congress to be held in Atlanta. Our goal is to have all FLSSAR chapters represented as library supporters, in addition to as many individual members as possible.

We can win this award if all chapters and individual FLSSAR members can see their way clear to send a check for \$25 to the NSSAR Library, 1000 South Fourth Street, Louisville, KY 40203 Please indicate "FOL" on your checks. All donations are tax deductible.

FLSSAR Committee Report Newsletters and Periodicals

Chairman Terry Walton

The Newsletters & Periodicals Committee continues to receive chapter newsletters, both by email and regular mail, and welcomes additional chapters to participate. They should be sent to the committee chairman, Comp. Terry Walton, 2797 First St., #804, Fort Myers, FL, 33916 or Sarcaloosa@comcast.net. FLSSAR recognition awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place will be presented at the 2009 Spring/Annual Meeting, based on newsletters received by December 31, 2008.

Information about the national Newsletter and Periodicals Committee, including Guidelines for Judging, and the various awards in different categories, appear on the website at www.sar.org. A synopsis of the guidelines are:

1. To be eligible for competition, there should be a minimum of two issues per year submitted to the national committee chairman by December 15, 2008. However, editors are encouraged to place the committee chairman on their normal distribution list.
2. Judging will include editorial content (writing, style, content, punctuation, spelling, typo's, appropriateness of content, helpfulness to readers, general interest of articles, clarity of production and overall quality) and appearance (general layout, use of photographs, use of art/graphics and verall appearance). The address to submit state and chapter newsletters is:
Comp. Steve Pittard
NSSAR Newsletter Chairman
414 Wilder Drive
Fayetteville, NC 28314
3. The minimum number of pages should be four pages each issue or twelve pages total per year.
4. The method of printing, whether Xerox, print, or mimeograph, is not to be of primary concern.
5. Quality of production will be judged looking at mistakes and errors.
6. Is there an identifiable masthead with the state or chapter name and SAR logo prominent?
7. Are the officers' or editor's name given or a contact number/address?
8. Has color been used?
9. Do pictures make up part of the coverage?
10. Does the content include: state activities, calendar of events, a welcoming of new members, deceased members remembered, special observances announced and reported, chapter events given coverage in state newsletters, special stories, national SAR events?
11. Cost of production should not be the major factor in determining the "best all-round newsletter. It is true with more money to spend, the quality of the print, pictures, and design will be high, but content, but making do with available resources should be considered.

The national award that will be of interest to most FLSSAR chapters will be the Carl F. Bessent Award. This award has two categories: single sheet, up to 8 ½ by 11 inches, with print on both sides; and multiple sheet, 8 ½ by 11 inches, with print on both sides. The award is presented to chapter editors for best multiple and single sheet periodicals. A certificate is presented during the annual congress to both first place and honorable mentions in each category.

Chapters should pay particular attention to SAR's Newsletter and Periodicals Handbook. There newsletter workshops at BOM meetings from time to time, and we hope to benefit from the national workshop that the Florida Patriot editor attended at the last national congress.

FLSSAR Committee Report Patriotic Activities

Chairman: Hal Miller, Jr.

Date October 24, 2008

Since my last Committee report of August 5, 2008, through the date of this report (about 2 ½ months), currently 164 (average) e-mails at a time were sent out on 27 occasions, a total of about 4428 e-mails. Therefore, during the first six months of the 2008-2009 program year which began on May 4, 2008, my report of April 20, 2008 through the date of this report, October 24, 2008, (about six months), reveals that 164 emails at a time were sent out on 79 occasions to 164 recipients resulting in about 12956 e-mails.

If we do as well in the last six months of this program year, our mailings could almost double last year's results when emails were sent out on 82 occasions to 168 (average) recipients at a time resulting in about 13812 emails. My thanks go out to the members of this committee, all SAR's, friends, and recipients who have sent me great patriotic material to work with and forward on. Please keep it coming.

SINCE NO ADDITIONAL CHAPTERS HAVE MADE A FLAG AWARD PRESENTATION SINCE OUR LAST REPORT, WE RESPECTFULLY MAKE ANOTHER APPEAL THAT THEY DO SO. THERE ARE ONLY TWO MONTHS REMAINING, NOVEMBER & DECEMBER, DURING THIS 2008 CALENDAR YEAR. PLEASE NOTE BELOW THE 7 CHAPTERS THAT HAVE REPORTED TO DATE. WE ARE 9 CHAPTERS SHORT OF THE 16 NECESSARY. As you know, our Committee Charter includes as one of its functions the administration of the Flag Program for the Florida Society. This includes competition for the NSSAR Rear Admiral William R. Furlong Award to the State Society with the best Flag Program. It awards and presents the NSSAR Flag Certificate to individuals and activities in the name of the FLSSAR, encourages FLSSAR chapters to participate in Flag Day, June 14, ceremonies, and promotes respect and honor to the Flag of the United States. In order for our State Society to earn the Admiral Furlong Ribbon Award from the NSSAR Flag Committee, at least 50% of its chapters (16 chapters) must present at least one or more Flag Certificates during the calendar year. Since Walter Baker, Chairman of the NSSAR Flag Committee, has asked that all St. Patriotic Committees forward their chapter report to him by April 1st, we respectfully ask all chapters to respond to us whenever they make a presentation but never after March 15th. PLEASE DO NOT RESPOND AGAIN IF YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY DONE SO DURING THIS 2008 CALENDAR YEAR.

Chapters Presented to date in 2008

1. Brevard (3/15/08)
2. Central Florida (4/7/08)
3. Clearwater (3/27/08)
4. Flagler (2/19/08)
5. Panama City (1/31/08)
6. Saramana (1/11/08)
7. Withlacoochee

The Committee members as follows:

Doug Bridges (Miami) **** New Member ****
305-248-8996

Bud Casey (St. Lucie River) 772-460-2754
Lonnie Jones ((Pensacola) 850-474-902982

Al Little (Deland) 366-734-5074

Owen Malcolm (Ocala) 352-873-8878

David H.Ramseur (Jacksonville) 904-737-0590

Ralph O. Ward (Panama City) 850-535-2378

ADMINISTRATOR OF FLAG PROGRAM

Frank X. Hodalski (Saramana) 941-377-8232

Thanks, Hal Miller (Saramana) 941-924-1444; e-mail <halmiller@ verizon.net>

FLSSAR Committee Report Patriotic Education

Chairman: Ben DuBose

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report Procedures Manual

Chairman: Phil Wright

No changes were posted to the Procedures Manual this quarter. Contest Committee chairmen are invited to submit material describing their contest and its governing procedures. See the Earl Marlin Publicity Contest entry in Section 6 of Volume 2 as an example.

FLSSAR Committee Report Public Service and Heroism

Chairman: Daniel Shepherd

Date: October 25, 2008

Committee Members: Compatriots: Lindsey C. Brock – Vice Chairman, Jacksonville Chapter; William Roberts, St. Augustine Chapter; Jim R. Armitage, DeVane Chapter; Cyril P. Gamber, Tampa Chapter; Robert H. Moody, Lake Sumter Chapter.

St. Augustine Chapter

25 September 2008, the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medals and certificates at the City Hall of St. Augustine, 101 Malaga St., St. Augustine, FL 32084

Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate

Eric Stevens, Police Officer St. Augustine Police Department, St. Augustine, FL

Jane Jakell, Civilian Support St. Augustine Police Department, St. Augustine, FL

No media coverage for these 25 September 2008 presentations.

6 October 2008, the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at the City Hall of St. Augustine Beach, FL

Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate

Ed Martiez, Police Officer St. Augustine Beach Police Department, St. Augustine Beach, FL

No media coverage for this 6 October 2008 presentation.

FLSSAR Committee Report Publicity

Chairman: Hermann Riediger

There has been no activity by the Publicity committee this quarter.

FLSSAR Committee Report ROTC

Chairman: Lonnie Jones

Your completed packages are due before 1 April 2009 and must be received before this date to be considered in the 2008/2009 Competition.

Lonnie G. Jones, Chairman
8256 Squire Road, Pensacola Florida 32514 (850) 474-9029

Complete information is posted on the National Web Site and unless further notified will govern the 2008/2009 competition. Please continue to check the National site for changes/updates

FLSSAR Committee Report Veterans Affairs

Chairman: John Camillo

The Miami Chapter sponsored four high school students in the Miami VA Medical Center Summer Volunteer Program. They were recognized during a program for the students on August 8, which Compatriot Richard Friberg attended representing the Miami Chapter. The participating youth contributed 400 hours to this program.

Two members of the Miami Chapter attended meetings and Chapel services helping patients during this period. A total of 100 hours were accumulated during these meetings and service.

In April Compatriot Richard Friberg attended the Meeting of the National Advisory Committee of the Veterans Administration for Voluntary Service. Compatriot Friberg is a Deputy Representative on that committee for our National Society SAR. That committee advises the Under Secretary for Health and other members of VHA

Headquarters staff on how to coordinate and promote volunteer activities within the VA healthcare facilities and on matters relating to volunteerism.

The new clinic at Oakland Park opened over Labor Day week-end with the Grand Opening ceremony during this past Columbus Day week-end.

No report was received from either the Palm Beach or Broward Chapters.

Respectfully submitted, Doug Bridges, FLSSAR Veterans Affairs Committeeman for the South East Florida District.

Ad hoc Committees

FLSSAR Committee Report Advancing America's Heritage

Chairman: William Stevenson

Please see the report of the Senior Vice President earlier in this booklet.

FLSSAR Committee Report American History Teacher Award

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

We continue to encourage local chapters to find some method, appropriate for their situation, to recognize excellent teaching of American History in our schools. Nominations for the National Award should be directed to the chairman.

FLSSAR Committee Report Americanism Elementary Poster Contest

Chairman: David Ramseur

The Americanism Elementary Poster Contest is a program specifically designed by the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution to stimulate interest in American History in the fourth and fifth grade. This is a group that has not been addressed by any other NSSAR program. The topic chosen for this years contest (2008-2009) is "Paul Revere's Ride".

Being this contest is only in its second year please get the word out to all interested 4th and 5th grade teachers in public, private and home schoolers. You may also contact clubs and other groups such as boy and girls clubs and scouting organizations that have 4th and 5th grade students.

The details of the program which ends on April 1, 2009 can be found in the Forms section of the state web site www.flssar.org/Docs/Forms/AmerPosterltr.pdf or by contacting our committee members.

FLSSAR Committee Report Middle School Outreach

Chairman: Ben DuBose & Frank Hodalski

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report NSSAR Constitution & ByLaws Review

Chairman: Frank Hodalski
29 October 2008

Report and Recommendations: Contrary to previous information indicating that the project to rewrite the NSSAR bylaws would be discontinued, the committee meetings scheduled for the Fall meeting included a meeting of PPG Horne's sub-committee. The Florida Society attendees included our national trustee, and outnumbered the committee members present for the meeting.

PPG Horne reviewed a previous presentation of rewritten bylaws outlining the duties of the general officers. In general, they added language to flesh out the rather sparse descriptions that are currently in the bylaws. We were informed that PPG Horne collaborated with Bylaw Committee member Charles Britton in improving the proposed language. In general, they are not contentious, the one exception being the office of Inspector General. In brief, the IG's areas of responsibility would include:

- Providing leadership in self governance and compliance with governmental regulations, NSSAR bylaws, and internal controls at all levels of the organization.
- Responsibility for compliance with NSSAR code of conduct, and Human Resources practices and procedures.
- Ensure that financial controls are in compliance with highest possible standards
- Oversee audits of NSSAR and the SAR Foundation through utilization of outside independent auditor.
- Oversee an annual audit of NSSAR finances by the Independent Audit Committee.
- Have access to legal counsel, as necessary.
- Report to the Board of Trustees and the Congress
- Serve as a member of the Executive Committee and deliver findings and reports, copies of which will be archived for future reference.

This office was created by appointment of the President General shortly after the Sacramento Congress. The IG is currently serving, and delivered reports to the Executive Committee at the fall meeting in Louisville. There are serious parliamentary questions as to the validity of the appointment.

The Florida Society must develop a basic position on the issue of the bylaw revision itself, which FPG Horne now admits far exceeds the original housekeeping and grammatical charge given the committee. In the future, issues that will be contentious will be introduced. These involve the committee structure and responsibility, and include the executive, finance, investment, nominating, ethics, and foundation committees. Substantive changes will be introduced, contrary to the limitations placed on the original charge to the committee. Some possible courses of action:

- Advise PG and Sec. General of Florida Society position
- Inform PPG Horne and committee members of FLSSAR position
- Advise other state societies of issues
- Develop legislative strategy including position statements and appropriate motions
- Assign speakers and topics
- Write "white papers" on issues and how passage would affect NSSAR for handouts

FLSSAR Committee Report New Chapter Development

Chairman: Steve Williams

At the recent completed Florida DAR Fall Forum, the DAR Liaison committee had another successful table presentation. Out of the many contacts, Ramona Glenn presented us with the most interesting prospect. She stated that she had approximately 40 prospects for SAR membership from the Sebring area. These prospects are relatives of DAR members and are interested in starting an SAR chapter there. She will begin to gather the information and complete the applications shortly.

I told her that our committee would work with her to set up an organizing meeting for these and any other prospects. Further communications will be forthcoming on this effort and will include the RVP for that area, Don Cahill.

FLSSAR Committee Report SAR-CAR Aide

Chairman: Lindsey C. Brock, III

State F.S.C.A.R. President Valerie Bagenski's State Project and Theme this year is: "**Discovering Florida's Roadside Attractions**" from their humble beginnings up to the days before Disney World and other modern day attractions. To date over \$1,000.00 has been raised by selling the F.S.C.A.R. State Project pins. The Florida Society SAR sold approximately \$350.00 of the F.S.C.A.R pins this year. The monies raised will be presented to the Museum of Florida History in Tallahassee, FL on Saturday, November 15, 2008. State President Valerie Bagenski has invited Florida's Governor Charlie Crist to participate in the November 15th event. All SAR and DAR chapters in Florida are invited to attend. The Museum of Florida History is located in the R. A. Gray Building, South Bronough Street in Tallahassee.

The Senior President, Billie S. Brock and President Valerie Bagenski have been attending various C.A.R. Societies throughout the State of Florida over the past several months to promote this year's project. The various C.A.R. Societies from all over the state attend these meetings and participate in skits to promote this year's project, "**Discovering Florida's Roadside Attractions.**"

FLSSAR Committee Report Support the Troops

Chairman: Frank Hodalski

29 October 2008

Report and Recommendations: A total of 40 SOT boxes were sent to our Army units and the Marines at Camp Falujah. The boxes were sent in increments of 20, 10, and 9, on 18August, 20August, and 23August, respectively. A single box was sent on 08October. Forty three packets of hot cocoa mix were purchased on 10September and included in that mailing. Items for these boxes were collected by the Chi Chi Okobe chapter of the C.A.R., with the assistance of the Sara De Soto D.A.R. chapter.

Many thanks to our Ladies Auxiliary for their generosity in absorbing half of the cost of the beautiful presentation case which houses the flag presented to us by the Marines of Camp Falujah. Because of the improvement in conditions on the ground in Baghdad, Camp Falujah has been closed, and the marine unit that we have supported for so long has been deployed elsewhere. The flag, certificate, and picture on display are not only reminders of their sacrifice and our gratitude, but they express the appreciation of these Marines for our continuing efforts to send them a little bit of home.

Thanksgiving and Christmas are coming. Contributions will be gratefully accepted.

Current Status of funds available for "Support the Troops" activity:

Balance Forward	\$1,073.30
Donation Steve Williams	20.00
Donation Ann Egars (DAR)	10.00
Funds available	\$1,103.30
Less expenses	548.16
Funds currently available	\$ 555.14
Expenses	
Sarasota Trophy	\$105.00
43 single serving packs of cocoa	5.16
Postage 40boxes @ \$10.95	438.00
Total	\$548.16

FLSSAR Committee Report Electronic Technology & Information Study Committee

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

This ad hoc committee has committed to working on a number of issues related to the society's website, Patriot magazine, historical and archival records, and other technology items. In the Summer we outlined several initiatives. At this meeting we wish to focus on the positions of webmaster and Patriot Editor.

As we indicated at the last BOM, we feel that the positions of webmaster and editor of the Patriot magazine are equal in importance and so should be treated equally in how these positions are filled. Currently the webmaster is appointed and the editor is elected. We are recommending that both be appointed positions.

We did not receive much feedback regarding this recommendation. All the responses agreed that both positions should be treated equally however not everyone agreed that the positions should both be appointed. Instead, some preferred that both should be elected.

While we still hold to our view that both be appointed, we thought it best to submit to the Charter and By-Laws committee two different, competing By-Law changes. In the first, the changes would make both positions appointed. The second proposal would make both elected. By doing this, the membership will have a chance to decide the best way to organize the society and fill these important positions.

One additional comment is needed. In our deliberations the committee specifically and intentionally, at the request of the chairman, did not discuss any of the issues under our consideration with respect to any individuals now holding or having held the offices of webmaster and editor. We did this so that our approach and decisions might reflect what we thought would be best for the society both now and into the future without regard to personalities. Our recommendation that the webmaster and editor positions be appointed should not be construed as an attempt to remove either of the gentlemen now in office from continuing to do so in the future.

Other Reports

FLSSAR Report Florida SAR Endowment & Operating Budget Trust Funds

Chairman: Ted Duay, III

These reports are on the next 4 pages

THE FLORIDA SAR OPERATING BUDGET TRUST FUND
 JANUARY 1, 2008 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2008

	INCOME	PRINCIPAL	TOTALS
I. Starting Balance			
Assets per Inventory or on Hand at Close of Last Accounting Period	3,443.27	94,075.59	97,518.86
II. Receipts Schedule A:	1,699.47	-	1,699.47
III. Disbursements Schedule B:	-	(75.00)	(75.00)
IV. Distributions Schedule C:	(3,443.27)	-	(3,443.27)
V. Capital Transactions and Adjustments Schedule D: Net Gain or (Loss)	-	-	-
VI. Assets on Hand at Close of Accounting Period Schedule E: Cash, Stocks, and Mutual Funds	1,699.47	94,000.59	95,700.06

THE FLORIDA SAR OPERATING BUDGET TRUST FUND
 JANUARY 1, 2008 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2008

SCHEDULE E ASSETS ON HAND AT CLOSE OF ACCOUNTING PERIOD

	Estimated Current Value	Carrying Value
Mutual Funds		
4,999.988 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund	34,399.92	42,547.57
291.885 Shares UMB Scout International Fund	8,365.42	9,573.07
TOTAL MUTUAL FUNDS	42,765.34	52,120.64
Preferred Stocks		
100 Shares Federal National Mortgage Series N 5.5% Preferred	326.00	4,882.95
TOTAL PREFERRED STOCKS	326.00	4,882.95
Cash		
Schwab Government Money Fund	18,696.47	18,696.47
GE Capital Finance 3.2% CD, FDIC Insured Due 1/16/09	10,002.90	10,000.00
Wachovia Mortgage 3.25% CD, FDIC Insured Due 10/16/08	10,000.00	10,000.00
TOTAL CASH	38,699.37	38,696.47
TOTAL ASSETS ON HAND	81,790.71	95,700.06

THE FLORIDA SAR ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND
 JANUARY 1, 2008 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2008

	INCOME	PRINCIPAL	TOTALS
I. Starting Balance			
Assets per Inventory or on Hand at			
Close of Last Accounting Period	12,535.99	316,115.75	328,651.74
II. Receipts			
Schedule A:	7,374.60	391.00	7,765.60
III. Disbursements			
Schedule B:	-	(152.38)	(152.38)
IV. Distributions			
Schedule C:	(3,854.57)	-	(3,854.57)
V. Capital Transactions and Adjustments			
Schedule D: Net Gain or (Loss)	-	8,024.60	8,024.60
VI. Assets on Hand at Close of Accounting Period			
Schedule E: Cash, Stocks, and Mutual Funds	16,056.02	324,378.97	340,434.99
Income Available to Spend in 2008	8,681.42		

THE FLORIDA SAR ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND
 JANUARY 1, 2008 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2008

SCHEDULE E
 ASSETS ON HAND AT CLOSE OF ACCOUNTING PERIOD

	Estimated Current Value	Carrying Value
Common Stocks		
250 Shares Altria Group Inc	4,960.00	4,617.82
290 Shares BP PLC	14,549.30	19,852.43
400 Shares Citigroup Inc	8,204.00	20,282.87
393 Shares Wachovia Corp New	1,375.50	8,124.37
600 Shares General Electric Company	15,300.00	17,431.90
360 Shares GlaxoSmithKline PLC	15,645.60	19,848.92
300 Shares Johnson & Johnson	20,784.00	19,710.66
173 Shares Kraft Foods Inc	5,665.75	4,766.16
250 Shares Philip Morris International Inc	12,025.00	10,608.85
315 Shares Proctor & Gamble	21,952.35	19,840.78
260 Shares 3M Company	17,760.60	19,947.50
TOTAL COMMON STOCKS	138,222.10	165,032.26
Preferred Stocks		
200 Shares Federal National Mortgage Series N 5.5% Preferred	652.00	9,862.95
TOTAL PREFERRED STOCKS	652.00	9,862.95
Cash		
Schwab Government Money Fund	90,123.81	90,123.81
Wachovia Bank Checking	415.97	415.97
GE Capital Finance 3.5% CD, FDIC Insured Due 4/16/09	25,015.00	25,000.00
GMAC Bank UT, NA 3.35% CD, FDIC Insured Due 1/16/09	25,016.00	25,000.00
Wachovia Mortgage 3.25% CD, FDIC Insured Due 10/16/08	25,000.00	25,000.00
TOTAL CASH	165,570.78	165,539.78
TOTAL ASSETS ON HAND	304,444.88	340,434.99

FLSSAR Committee Report Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements

Chairman: Ed Young
October 26, 2008

This report covers the period January 1, 2008 through October 26, 2008. At the beginning of this year \$723.57 was paid to the chapters for their unreimbursed 2007 expenses. During this year, 28 applications for reimbursement grants were received by the committee. Twenty-seven approved applications have been forwarded to the Treasurer, FLSSAR Endowment Trust Fund for payment of \$3130.93. (50% of the authorized amounts) No applications are being processed and one application is waiting to be sent to the committee members for their consideration. **Please submit any remaining applications for this calendar year by November 15, 2008 to insure sufficient time for processing and payments to the chapters by the end of the year.**

The current Endowment Trust Fund Grant Request Guidelines and Application Form are on the FLSSAR Web Site (www.flssar.org). They can be located under FORMS. At the top of the Guidelines page are directions on how to complete the application and e-mail one copy to me at ednoy@earthlink.net. Contact Steve Williams at swilliams16@cfl.rr.com if you need assistance. These two pages will be maintained in current status. Please check them from time to time in insure that you are using current information.

FLSSAR Committee Report Trust Fund Development

Chairman: Jack Coleman

This report will be given orally at the meeting.

FLSSAR Report Florida Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade

Commander: Ed Young
October 26, 2008

The period of this report is from 17 August 2008 through 1 November 2008. Twenty Guardsmen participated in the Presentation of the Colors at the FLSSAR Summer BOM on 15 August 2008. On 20 September, Guardsmen Ted Duay, Ron Hamilton, George Lockhart, John Little, Bob Murray, Norm Myers and Steve Williams marching as the Brigade Presented and Posted the Colors at the State DAR Fall Forum in Orlando. FLSSAR President Ron Toops and Guardsmen Lindsay Brock and Dick Cardell represented the Brigade by participating in the Color Guard and presenting wreaths at the Battle of Kings Mountain Commemorative on 7 October 2008. Brigade Camps continue to provide colonial color guards at patriotic, veterans, fraternal and civic events. Francis Marion Camp #2 (Ocala) is temporarily inactive. The Brigade Color Guard will Parade, Present and Post the Colors at the 31 October – 1 November 2008 FLSSAR Fall BOM. Individual camp and outpost activities during this period are as follows: (The term Guardsman means a Color Guard member in colonial uniform)

A. George Washington Camp #1. (Jacksonville) Dick Cardell, Commander. On 15 August 2008, Guardsmen Cardell and Ramseur participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Summer BOM. On 20 September 2008, Guardsman Lockhart marched with the Brigade to Present and Post the Colors at the State DAR Fall Forum in Orlando. Vice President General Brock, Cardell and Ramseur attired in the Bravo uniform attended the Jacksonville National Cemetery dedication on 21 September 2008. On 23 September, Chapter President Skip Brown in Bravo uniform, with Cardell and Reed in attendance, received a proclamation regarding The Treaty of Paris from Jacksonville Mayor John Peyton. These same three members were also included with members of the Southern Genealogist's Exchange Society and the Jacksonville Public Library Genealogy staff recognizing "Family Genealogy Month". On 7 October 2008, Guardsmen Brock and Cardell participated in the Color Guard and presented a wreath at the Battle of Kings Mountain Commemorative. Guardsman Brock participated in the Battle of Savannah Program on 8 October 2008.

B. Francis Marion Camp #2. (Ocala) Dale Sutton, Chapter President. Camp is inactive pending selection of a new commander. The camp did not have any activity during this reporting period.

C. Cape Canaveral Camp #3. (Brevard) Ben DuBose, Commander. On 15 August 2008, Guardsmen DuBose, Williams and Wright participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Summer BOM. Guardsman P. Wright presented appreciation certificates and Cannon Medals to scouts assisting the Chapter Color Guard at BSA Troop 51's Court of Honor on 9 September 2008. On 13 September 2008, Guardsmen DuBose and Dunagan represented the Chapter at the annual John Barry Celebration. Guardsmen DuBose, Ryan, Williams, Wright and his daughter Kate and the Chapter hosted a Joint SAR/DAR meeting, at which a moment of silence was held, on 13 September 2008. On 20 September 2008, Guardsman Williams participated in the Brigade Color Guard at the DAR Fall Forum. Guardsman DuBose gave a talk about "The Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution" to the Melbourne Beach Rotary and did recruiting on 23 September 2008. On 27 September 2008, Guardsmen Williams and P. Wright attended and presented information on SAR, LNB and SAR Youth Programs at the Central Florida Council Camporee at Camp La-No-Che.

D. Samuel Adams Camp #4. (Clearwater) Nelson Jantzen, Commander. On 15 August 2008, Guardsmen Jantzen and Wallin participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Summer BOM. Guardsman Jantzen attended the Constitution Sunday Program on 14 September 2008 with the DAR.

E. Yorktown Camp #5. (St. Lucie River) Doug North, Commander. On 15 August 2008, Guardsman North and Riediger participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Summer BOM. No report received.

F. Marquis de Lafayette Camp #6. (Gainesville) Harry Hollien, Commander. No report received.

G. Nathan Hale Camp #7. (Pensacola) Ed Young, Commander. On 15 August 2008, Guardsmen Lantz and Young participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Summer BOM. Guardsmen O. Bellamy, Lantz and Legg Presented the Colors at the Joint Constitution Week Meeting with the Pensacola Chapter DAR, Fort Pickens Chapter DAR and San Bernardo Society CAR held at the Scenic Hills Country Club, Pensacola. Guardsmen O. Bellamy, Lantz, Legg and Young and Ladies Auxiliary members Dianna Lantz and Norma Young in period attire will ride in the Veteran's Day Parade in Bay Minette, AL on 11 November 2008.

H. Nathanael Greene Camp #8. (Saramana) Gene Bradley, Commander. On 15 August 2008, Guardsmen Crapo and Tarpley participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Summer BOM. Guardsmen Crandall, Crapo, and Tarpley Presented the Colors and took part in the opening of the Constitution Day Ceremony by the DAR on 27 September 2008. On 31 October 2008, Guardsmen Bradley, Barrett and Reigle Presented the Colors and participated in the opening ceremony at the Veteran's Recognition Program at the Church of Hope in Sarasota.

I. Thomas Paine Camp #9. (Miami) David Mitchell, Commander. On 15 August 2008, Guardsmen Bridges and Friberg participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Summer BOM. Guardsmen Acton, Bridges, Friberg, Liebler, Miller, Mitchell and Williams Posted the Colors at the DAR Constitution Luncheon on 13 September 2008.

J. Daniel Morgan Camp #10. (Central Florida) John Little, Commander. On 15 August May 2008, Guardsman Myers participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Summer BOM. Guardsmen Hamilton, Little, Murray and Myers marching as the Brigade Presented and Posted the Colors at the State DAR Fall Forum in Orlando on 20 September 2008.

K. Thomas Jefferson Camp #11. (Withlacoochee) John Pardee, Commander. On 13 September 2008, Guardsmen Nelson, J. Pardee, P. Pardee and Tucker Posted the Colors at the Chapter meeting for new membership and award presentations. Guardsmen Nelson, J. Pardee, P. Pardee and Tucker Posted the Colors at a Chapter meeting for awards presentations on 11 October 2008.

L. General Thomas Sumter Camp #12. (Lake Sumter) Bob Krey, Commander. On 15 August May 2008, Guardsman Toops participated with the Brigade at the Summer BOM. There was no other Camp activity during this period.

M. Bernardo de Galvez Camp #13, (Naples) Paul Young, Commander. On 15 August 2008, Guardsmen D. Cahill and McCullough participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Summer BOM. We are pleased that "The Florida Patriot" Fall Issue had an article featuring Governor Bernardo de Galvez that was adopted from an article written by

our member, Florida Society Past President Ralph Cramer. The Chapter Color Guard opened the Chapter October meeting as usual with the Posting of the Colors.

N. Hillsborough River Camp #14. (Tampa) Alan Bell, Commander. The Outpost did not have any activity during this reporting period.

O. Outpost A (Treasure Coast). William Stevenson, Commander. On 25 July 2008, Guardsman Stevenson presented the "Build the Flag" program at the MOWW Youth Conference at Florida Tech. in Palm Bay. Guardsman Stevenson presented the "Build the Flag" program for the Senior Ladies Group in Cocoa for National Sojourners on 9 September 2008. On 14 September 2008, Guardsman Stevenson presented the "Toast to the Flag" and the "Voice of Old Glory" programs at the Eagle Court of Honor for Zackary Schmitz at Troop 513 in Vero Beach. Guardsman Stevenson gave the "Build the Flag" program for the Retired Educators in Merritt Island for National Sojourners on 16 September 2008. On 21 September 2008, Guardsman Stevenson gave the "Toast to the Flag" and the "Voice of Old Glory" program at the double Eagle Court of Honor for Devin A. Faillace and Christopher Powell of Troop 599 at the Elks Club in Sebastian.

P. Outpost B (Lakeland). Inactive

Q. Outpost C (Emerald Coast). Terry Doan, Commander. The Outpost did not have any activity during this reporting period.

R. Outpost D. (Caloosa). Randy Moody, Commander. On 15 August May 2008, Guardsman R. Moody participated with the Brigade at the Summer BOM. Guardsman Randy Moody lectured about the American Revolution to all of the American History classes at Lehigh Senior High School in Lee County on 5 September 2008. It was estimated that over 300 students attended the talk.