# Quarterly Reports of The Florida Officers and Committee Chairmen



Spring Board of Management Meeting Gainesville April 28-29, 2006

### The Pledge of Allegiance

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

### The Pledge to the SAR

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

### The American Creed

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

### Recessional

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a nation of free men.

### FLSSAR Board of Management Meeting April 28-29, 2006

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# FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT National Trustee

Harold (Hal) F. Miller, Jr. 23 April 2006

My activities since my last report of 20 December 2005:

6-7 January 2006- It was a pleasure to be one of the 109 attending the Winter Board of Management Meeting held in Lakeland, Florida. Attendance has shown steady improvement after seven devastating hurricanes since "Charlie" on August 13, 2004. Good things are happening with membership and finance. After acting as a judge at my local chapter's Rumbaugh Oration Contest in December, I enjoyed listening to our winner's outstanding oration in the contest at the State level. Another highlight of the meeting was the board action taken to forgive the payment of Florida State dues for the year 2007 by any compatriot member serving on active duty in the armed forces.

1 February 2006-For the third year Saramana SAR was invited to judge the Sarasota Middle School History Fair. Along with many other Saramana members & wives, as well as Sara De Soto DAR members, I participated as a judge of the "best of the best" after some 400 projects were entered and pre-judged by faculty, resulting in about 32 individual and 8 group projects for our final judging. The first and second place winners advanced to the Sarasota County History Fair which took place in late February at the county school board headquarters. On 9 March at Spanish Point in Osprey, Fla., the awards ceremony took place from 5:30 to 6:30 PM which some of us attended in colonial uniforms. Saramana again presented an American Eagle plaque to the project judged best overall in all categories.

23-25 February 2006-I attended the NSSAR Spring Leadership Meeting (formerly called Trustee Meeting) in Louisville along with 10 other Florida State Members. On 15 February 2006, I received an email from PG Roland Downing which informed me that "Saturday week there will be a vote on a proposed amendment to start 2 year terms for PG, SG and TG in 2008.." He prepared some information in an attachment. Our caucus at the meeting decided that our response should be early when debate was allowed and should be read as follows:

This Bylaw amendment appears to contain more negative features than good ones. We have some concerns about it...and additional information appears warranted. The Florida Society membership will review the proposal at our Annual Meeting. We will respond as to their decision at the Dallas Congress. Until that time, our caucus has requested that I vote "No".

PG Roland Downing in his email of March 8<sup>th</sup> to SAR TALK stated that "The proposal to create 2-year terms for top officers failed to pass. Other avenues to improve future efficiency and policy continuity at National will be pursued..."

During this period, as Chairman of the NSSAR Investment Committee, I communicated by phone and email with members Jim Say, Rick Hollis, and NSSAR's Director of Finance, Craig Johnson regarding our Investment Committee Report dated 2-14-2006. Also as a member of the NSSAR George Washington Endowment Fund Board Distribution Committee, similar contact was made with Chairman John Wallace. Finally, as a member of the FLSSAR Nominating Committee, many phone conversations were held with Chairman Dick Fowler.

09 March 2006 - email correspondence with Florida Governor Jeb Bush requesting an *FLSSAR Proclamation-Centennial Anniversary SAR Congressional Charter 09 June-2006.* 

23-25 March 2006 – At the DAR State Conference at the Florida Mall Hotel, Orlando, I helped man the SAR information table.

### FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT President

Harry F. Hollien

As would be expected, greater administrative activity occurred during the Spring quarter than for any other like period during this president's watch. Principal among the issues were 1) the survey of member's thoughts about the Society (both state and chapter levels); 2) the FLSSAR reporting mechanisms (Web-site, FLATALK, and Patriot), 3) the progress of the ETF Review Committee, 4) review of several of the FLSSAR programs, 5) the FLSSAR interface with NSSAR, 6) the numerous Sons of Liberty Brigade activities (regional, state, local), 7) planning of the 2006 Annual Meeting and President General Downing's visit, and so on. Some progress was made this year -- and in several areas. It is expected that greater progress will be made next year during Compatriot Lindsey's watch.

As would be expected, the undersigned visited a number of chapters during this quarter: included were Palm Beach, Tampa, Naples, DeVane, Ocala, and, of course, Gainesville. Both of the state (annual) DAR and CAR meetings were attended, as were two Mayflower Colony meeting (the FLSSAR EdComA program was discussed there). Either full Colonial or, at least, Bravo uniforms were worn at all of these function; various presentations and programs were given as was the leading of, or participation in, a number of ceremonies.

Finally, this president attended the February 2006 NSSAR Trustees' -- or Spring Leadership -- meeting in Louisville, KY, with participation in a number of programs, committee meetings and so on.

Respectfully submitted

Harry Hollien, PhD President

# FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Senior Vice President

Lindsey Brock 21 April 2006

Since our last BOM meeting in January 2006, I have communicated with various officers within FLSSAR and chapter officers and members relating to upcoming ceremonial events, and upcoming BOM meetings for the year 2006-2007. During the past couple of months a considerable amount of time has been devoted to recruiting committee chairman and committee members to serve on the various committees of FLSSAR. I am pleased to report that all chairmanships have been assigned for the 2006-2007 year. During this time period, I have also communicated with various NSSAR staff personnel, and NSSAR committee chairmen and other state society officers.

On January 13–14, 2006, I attended the Florida Society C.A.R. seminar at Florida's Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park with members of the Princess Malee Society of Jacksonville. Nearly all of the F.S.C.A.R. members and many of the senior members took advantage of the event by swimming with the manatees. "Making Manatees Count" was the theme/project of F.S.C.A.R's Past President Robyn Carroll of the Princess Malee Society. The project focused on protecting Florida's manatees by educating the public about the many dangers manatees face and what can be done to keep them from becoming extinct.

Ben DuBose, Fred Gaines and I held our first preliminary meeting with officials of Cape Canaveral Port Authority on February 7, 2006. The purpose of this meeting was to obtain permission to erect a Florida Historical Marker to commemorate the "Last Naval Battle of the American Revolutionary War". And at the NSSAR Leadership meeting in Louisville on February 24th Fred Gaines and I presented this proposal to the NSSAR's Historical Celebration Committee. Our presentation was enthusiastically received by the committee and we were given strong support to continue with this endeavor. Thus, on March 23, 2006 Ben DuBose and I appeared before the Port Canaveral Port Commissioners and at that meeting we gained the approval of the commissioners, who signed a unanimous proclamation which permits the Florida Society to erect the Florida Historical Marker at Jetty Park in Port Canaveral. We are on track to conduct our first celebration of this historic event on March 10, 2007 and we will be celebrating the 225th in 2008. More information will be forthcoming.

It was a special honor and privilege to present a Memorial Membership Certificate to Michael Creager in memory of his son, Lance Corporal Timothy R. Creager, who gave the ultimate sacrifice while serving our country in Iraq. Lance Corporal Timothy R. Creager was killed in the area of Fallujah, Iraq on July 1, 2004 while on a mission with the USMC 2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, II Marine Expeditionary Force from Camp Lejeune, NC. William Creager, Tim's grandfather, who is the current President of the Flagler Chapter and several other members of the Creager family were present when the posthumous memorial membership was made at the February 21, 2006 meeting of the Flagler Chapter. More detailed information about this true American hero can be found in the spring 2006 issue of "The Florida Patriot".

#### OTHER ACTIVITIES OF THE SVP

It was my privilege, along with eight others from Jacksonville to attend the Winter BOM meeting in Lakeland, FL on January 6 and 7, 2006. At our January BOM meeting the Florida Society was privileged to have two of our National Officer in attendance, Ed Butler, Genealogist General and Ralph Nelson, VPG International.

My wife, Billie, and I had the honor of hosting the February 5, 2006 monthly meeting of the Princess Malee Society and our son, Compatriot Lindsey C. Brock III, was the guest speaker. His topic was: "The rights granted under the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States."

It was an honor and privilege to represent the Florida Society, by laying a wreath at the Battle of Kettle Creek Celebration which was held in Washington, GA on February 11, 2006.

And, it was my privilege to bring greetings from the Florida Society to the members and guest attending the joint meeting of the SAR/DAR President's Day Luncheon, which was held on February 18, 2005.

On February 23-26, 2006 I attended NSSAR's Spring Leadership Meeting in Louisville, KY. The next meeting of NSSAR will be the 116th Annual Congress in Dallas Texas on July 8-12, 2006. Check our NSSAR web site for complete details and registration instructions. It's not too late to make plans to attend the annual meeting in Dallas.

The Princess Malee Society held its March 19, 2006 meeting at the Fort Caroline National Park in Jacksonville, FL. The annual election of the Society's officers was conducted at this meeting. Park Ranger Craig Morris gave a very interesting presentation on the Timucuan Indians, which held the attention of all attending. Our newest Princess Malee applicant, Mark Dougherty, was awed by the presentation. Mark is the grandson of President General Roland Downing.

George Lockhart and I along with several other FLSSAR members attended the DAR State Conference in Orlando, FL, March 23-26, 2006. The DAR, as they have in previous years, graciously proved the FLSSAR with a table for displaying SAR Membership data.

On April 18-19, it way my honor and privilege to represent the Florida Society, by the laying of a wreath at the Georgia Society's Second Annual Celebration of the Frederica Naval Action at St. Simons, GA. This Revolutionary War event occurred on April 19, 1778 and the Georgia Society used this event as a Patriot's Day Celebration. The media (newspaper and TV) gave excellent coverage of this Patriot's Day Celebration.

Lastly, at the March 20, 2006 meeting of the Jacksonville Chapter it was my privilege to present the NSSAR Law Enforcement Medal and Certificate to Officer William T. Mauldin of the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office. Officer Mauldin was chosen by the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office as the Police Officer of the Year for 2006.

### FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

### **Northwestern Regional Vice President**

Northwestern Region Edward D. Young, Vice President

Date: April 23, 2006

Report and Recommendations:

#### **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 and Chairman, Endowment Trust Fund Disbursement Committee.
- Participated with the Florida Brigade for the Presentation of the Colors at the FLSSAR Winter BOM at Lakeland, Florida on January 6, 2006.
- Participated with the Chapter Color Guard Presentation of the Colors a meeting of the Pensacola Chapter, Military Officers Association of America on January 19, 2006.
- Judged exhibits at the Escambia County History Fair on February 14, 2006.
- Judged exhibits at the Santa Rosa County History Fair on February 24, 2006.
- Participated with the Florida Brigade on March 25, 2006 at the Grave Marking of American Revolution War soldier Zoarth Spooner at Faceville, Georgia with Sons of Liberty contingents from Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi.
- Manned an SAR Information Post with the Chapter Color Guard on 9 April, 2006 at the grave of Dorothy Walton, wife of Declaration of Independence signer George Walton, in Pensacola's St. Michael's Cemetery during an open public program describing grave restoration.
- Participated with the Florida Brigade on April 19, 2006 with the Georgia State Color Guard at the St. Simon Island Patriots Day Celebration.

#### **EMERALD COAST CHAPTER:**

The chapter continues to meet monthly on the second Saturday at 8:00 A.M. at The Neighborhood Café in the Sun Plaza Shopping Center in Mary Esther. The chapter will present one Silver ROTC Medal and five Bronze JROTC Medals and has selected the Chapter Outstanding JROTC Cadet from four applicants. Initial coordination has begun with the City of Fort Walton Beach to place a Liberty Tree in a public area. Coordination has been effected with the City of Fort Walton Beach for the Mayor to issue a proclamation designating June 9, 2006 as "Sons of the American Revolution Day". The chapter DAR Outreach Program invited a Past Regent of the local DAR Chapter to attend the March chapter meeting. She invited the chapter's members to attend the May DAR meeting at which the State Regent will install their new officers.

#### PANAMA CITY CHAPTER:

The chapter meets on the third Monday of each month at 11:30 A.M. at Po Folks restaurant in Panama City throughout the year. At the March 20 meeting the chapter voted and installed their 2006-2007 officers. Outgoing Chapter President Tom Carter is followed by incoming President and Treasurer John Carter and Secretary Walter Sherman.

#### PENSACOLA CHAPTER:

The chapter meets monthly. Nine new members were inducted into the society this quarter; Fred Bowers, Mitch Cash, Jim Dunn, Pat Groner, Norm Jeter, Ray Lantz, John Register, Jr., Ed Tate and Mark Weeks. Compatriot Steve Rine transferred from the Tallahassee Chapter, Recognition of Washington's Birthday was celebrated with an annual joint meeting with two local DAR chapters. Four Guardsmen constituting the Florida Brigade participated in marking the grave of American Revolution War Soldier Zoarth Spooner in Faceville Georgia. The Color Guard Presented the Colors at the Annual Meting of the Pensacola Chapter, Military Officers Association of America, Two Guardsmen participated with the Florida Brigade at the FLSSAR Winter BOM. The Chapter Color Guard manned an SAR Information Both at St. Michael's Cemetery. Three Guardsmen participated with the Florida Brigade at the Georgia Patriots Day Celebration on St. Simons Island, Donations of \$100 were made to the Escambia and Santa Rosa County History Fairs and two members judged Exhibits at both fairs. Outstanding Citizenship Pins and Certificates were presented to three Escambia County History Fair Winners in Exhibits and Presentations who spoke to the chapter about their projects, Robert Kirkland Griffith was awarded the NSSAR Medal for Heroism in recognition of his selfless rescue of a couple from their burning automobile. Three NSSAR Flag Certificates were presented to patriotic citizens. The chapter selected its Outstanding JROTC Cadet. The chapter has been accepted as a non-voting member of the Escambia County Veterans Roundtable. The chapter has received a Consumer's Certificate of Exemption from payment of Florida sales and use taxes. Five NSSAR Certificates of Appreciation were presented in recognition of support provided to the chapter.

#### TALLAHASSEE CHAPTER;

The chapter's quarterly meeting was held on February 22 in celebration of George Washington's birthday. Compatriot Ashby Stiff was honored for his 54 consecutive years of membership by presentation to him of the NSSAR 50-year pin and certificate. Dr. Calvin Curry, Program Chairmen, gave a talk about George Washington's life after the Revolutionary War and before he became our first president. We are presently in the process of contacting area high schools and universities regarding presentation of ROTC medals. We plan to award 12 Bronze Medals and 4 Silver Medals. One new member application has been approved by NSSAR and another has been approved by the FLSSAR Registrar and forwarded to NSSAR. Secretary Don Wilham will present the FLSSAR History Fair Awards at the Florida History Fair Award Celebration in Tallahassee on May 6, 2006.

# FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT North Central Regional Vice President

North Central Region Ron Toops, Vice President

General: I was honored to install the officers at the Gainesville and Ocala Chapters during this period. I reviewed the region's Chapter Challenge Contest forms, as well. I found the Chapter Challenge review to be valuable in assessing the health of a chapter. I believe that the health of chapters in general, as well as that of the state organization, can be assessed, by these results. I am pleased to report that a number of individuals from all of the chapters within the North Central Region, plan to attend the upcoming Annual Meeting.

### Gainesville Chapter

The Gainesville Chapter has been honored to be the host for the Florida Society Annual Meeting. I was pleased to see that our FLSSAR President, Harry Hollien, was able to attend this chapter's recent Annual JROTC Award presentations. It is always an honor, when the FLSSAR President attends a chapter's meeting. This chapter is very proud of their efforts, related to the display of the American Flag in the Gainesville community. They will soon have a formal "Flag" dedication ceremony at a community college which will make visible, this community's American Flag Display statement.

#### Lake Sumter Chapter

The Lake Sumter Chapter is about to honor some of their local citizens and members with certificates, awards and other forms of recognition. The highlight will be the honoring of three Law Enforcement officers with appropriate medals for "Heroism". The chapter attended a DAR National Defense Luncheon and offered ideas on partnering with the five local DAR chapters. At a DAR chapter meeting, this chapter recognized a DAR member, with the Silver Good Citizenship Medal. The chapter's color guard participated in the city of Eustis' Washington Day parade. This chapter also presented NSSAR Eagle Scout Certificates to deserving Eagle Scouts.

They formally presented a large number of retired American Flags and a check to the local "Operation Shoe Box" organization. The "Op'n Shoe Box" organization fills boxes with necessities and other materials and then sends them to our armed forces personnel, in Afghanistan, Iraq, etc..

#### Ocala Chapter

The Ocala Chapter has taken a leadership role in having local city governments make proclamations related to the anniversary of the founding of the NSSAR. By the FLSSAR Annual Meeting, this chapter will have received a formal presentation/proclamation from the Dunnellon City Hall. Similar proclamations will be made by the administrations of Belleview and Ocala and from Marion County. In June, the Ocala Chapter will rededicate their Liberty Tree.

#### Withlacoochee Chapter

The Withlacoochee Chapter has achieved a very important milestone for the North Central Region. One of their Eagle Scouts has not only won their chapter's Eagle Scout Scholarship contest, but has gone on to be the win the FLSSAR state essay contest. The winner, Eli R. Nuzzi, will be honored at the Awards Banquet at the Annual Meeting.

I continue to praise the efforts that this chapter makes to continue to honor their community's veterans. I also am proud to acknowledge their effort to encourage participation of some of the youth in their American Revolutionary activities. Several of their youngsters wear their own

colonial period dress (both girls and boys) and march with the chapter's color guard, and participate in other related activities. This chapter has created a cadre of Junior Chapter Members.

The Withlacoochee Chapter recently participated in their "Swamp Festival" by setting up a Recruiting Tent. They also participated in their local St. Patrick's Day parade. In addition, they arranged a very formal "Flag Certificate" presentation at a local restaurant.

# FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT Northeastern Regional Vice President

Northeastern Region Tom Beauchamp, Vice President

Date: 28 April 2006

### **Flagler County Chapter**

Compatriot and FLSSAR Senior Vice President Lindsey Brock installed all chapter officers at chapter meeting on February 21, 2006. All standing committees and their chairmen were also appointed at that meeting,

Lance Corporal Timothy R. Creager, a descendant of Patriot Adam Creager and who was killed in action in the Iraq war on July1, 2004. was given an honorary Memorial Membership in the Sons of the American Revolution. The presentation was made to Tim Creager's father, Michael Creager by Senior Vice President Lindsey Brock. The complete article on this award including its inception and background on Corporal Creager is published on the inside back cover of the Spring 2006 issue of he Florida Patriot.

The Flagler County Board of Commissioners will present a Proclamation on May 15, 2006 establishing June 9, 2006 as "The Sons of the American Revolution Day in Flagler County".

Regional Vice President, Tom Beauchamp, presented official membership certificate to Compatriot David Overfield, Flagler County Chapter newest member.

Presentations to chapter meetings include the following:

January 17 – Member Frank Pierce presentation on ancestor Abner Whitney. March 17 – Commission Chairman Darby presented on Flagler County progress. April 18 – DAR member Lee Fasnacht, Old Kings Road Chapter, presentation on The Sugarloaf Massacre of 1780.

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Chapter Challenge Report was presented on time to Regional Vice President.

#### **Jacksonville Chapter**

Lindsey Brock and George Lockhart participated in a January 13-14 Florida Society C.A.R. outing at Florida`s Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park where those attending were given the opportunity to swim with the Manatees. This was part of State C.A.R. President Robyn Carroll project/theme "Saving the Manatees".

The chapter had a joint meeting with the Northeast Florida Regents Council, DAR, on 18 February. There were about 100 in attendance with 26 being from the SAR. The program was given by Dr, Benjamin Franklin as portrayed by Art Yeaman. Art gave an insight into the life of Benjamin Franklin who was a man of many talents and contributions to society that make our lives more enjoyable today. Art and his wife Jenny live in Green Cove Springs. The SAR color guard presented and posted the colors. The color guard consisted of Specialist Robert Nichols, US Army, David Ramseur and Lindsey Brock. Robert was given a standing ovation followed by the presentation of an SAR Certificate of Appreciation for his patriotic service in the US Army and his participation in the color guard. He has just returned from Iraq where he served two tours for a total of 18 months.

The chapter was represented at a Naturalization Ceremony at the Federal Courthouse in Jacksonville by David Ramseur.

The Jacksonville Chapter, Freedom Foundation gave the "Patriot of the Year" award to SAR Patriot Jack Coleman for his many years of patriotic service to their chapter, the community and the nation

Chapter president Lockhart attended in colonial uniform, a briefing conducted by the Cadet Staff of Sandalwood High School. This was the first cadet briefing in over 5 years and was made to an active duty USAF Brigadier General and US Army Colonel. The Colonel was the inspecting officer. This occurred on February 14.

In March a presentation of the history of the Stars and stripes was presented at Don Brewer Elementary School. Additional activity in March consisted of attendance at the DAR state conference. SAR members were in uniform. One ROTC and 13 JROTC awards were presented.

In April chapter members participated in wreath laying and color guard activities on St. Simmons Island, GA. The chapter has received a "Patriots Day" proclamation from Mayor John Peyton of Jacksonville. This will be presented to the chapter at the April 20 meeting.

The Chapter Challenge Report was submitted on time.

#### **Deland Chapter**

The Chapter Challenge Report was submitted on time.

#### **St Augustine Chapter**

The Chapter Challenge Report was submitted on time.

#### **Daytona - Ormond Chapter**

No report submitted.

# FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT East Central Regional Vice President

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

#### **Brevard Chapter;**

Jan 4<sup>th</sup> -3 members of he Color Guard in uniform joined the FLSSAR Color Guard at the Winter BOM, Darby, DuBose & S. Williams

Jan 16<sup>th</sup> – 1 member of the Color Guard, Dubose, gave a historical talk and Did recruiting at the Abigal Wright Chamberlin Chapter of the DAR

Jan 21<sup>st</sup> – 7 members of the Color Guard in uniform presented our newest Member, William Shapell, for his instillation. Corman, Darby, Davenport DuBose, Lane, Ryan and S. Williams

Feb 7<sup>th</sup> – Compatriot DuBose along with Sr. VP Brock & Regional VP Gaines Met with CEO Payne of Port Canaveral. RE: Location for National SAR monument Dedicated to "The last Naval Engagement of the Revolutionary War."

Feb 11<sup>th</sup> - 7 members of the Color Guard in uniform presented the Colors at the joint DAR/SAR George Washington Luncheon, Darby, Davenport, Dibble, DuBose, Ryan, F. Smith & S. Williams

March 18<sup>th</sup>- Scheduled Installation Ceremony of new member by Color Guard. Six members of our Color Guard in uniform presented our newest member, Installation Ceremony for new Member, Comp. John D. Williams, Jr. for his installation: Corman, Davenport, Dibble, DuBose, Ryan, F>Smith and S. Williams.

March 23rd -Comp. DuBose & FLSSAR Sr. VP Brock attended the Canaveral Port Authority Commissioner's Meeting and were granted permission to place an official Florida State Marker at Jetty Park to commemorate the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution.

#### **Central Florida Chapter:**

The Central Florida Chapters Knight Essay Contest winner went on to finish Second at the State level... We are now in the midst of making presentations to our 2 ROTC and 26 JROTC Medal recipients. These presentations involve multiple Compatriots at schools in Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties.

On April 15<sup>th</sup> the Chapter held its annual semi formal Patriots Day Dinner meeting. Invited guest included the Regents from Orlando, Winter Park and Celebration Chapters of the DAR. The Speaker for the meeting, Rafael Martinez spoke on growing p in Cuba to being greeted with open arms to his new home country of the United States of America and serving as a Public Delegate, representing the U.S. before the United Nations 57<sup>th</sup> General Assembly.

#### St. Lucie River Chapter:

January, Regular meeting presented Lt Donna Lastro a certificate of Appreciation. She was our guest speaker and is an 18 year veteran of the U.S. Army serving in Desert Storm and Afghanistan, also a Purple Heart awardee

Jan 28. 2 members manned a recruiting booth at the Fort Pierce Farmers Market, Jay Wise and Dick Fowler had several leads.

Received notification 4 members were approved.

February 4, St. Lucie History Fair 4 Members served as judges. Oscar Kraehenbuehl, Jay Wise, Dick Fowler and Jack Taylor.

February 10<sup>th</sup> Had joint meeting with the Halpaiokee Chapter DAR and presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the Rev. Neil Wyrick for his presentation of Abraham Lincoln.

February 18<sup>th</sup> Two members manned a recruiting booth at the Fort Pierce Farmers Market- Jay Wise and Hall Riediger. We had one good lead.

March 11. Regular meeting presented a certificate and SAR Police Medal to Michael Gerwan of the Stuart Police Department for his work in breaking up a car theft ring.

April 8, Regular meeting with the program being three of our members.

#### **Treasurer Coast Chapter;**

The Treasurer Coast Chapter held regular meetings in each of the three months\
Comprising this quarter. Guest speakers were present at two meetings. The February meeting was dedicated to a discussion about increasing membership.

The Chapter began the year with fifty three members, a net decrease of ten members compared to 2005. One new member was inducted at the March meeting. Another new member is pending.

Our own "Steve" Stevenson attended the recent NSSAR Trustee meeting in Louisville and the FLSSAR meeting in Lakeland. Stev also made Flag oratories at the Masonic Lodge in Sebastian.

In February a new Eagle Scout was presente a Certificate of Recognition for his Achievement and provided with an application for the Eagle Scout Essay Award program

It has been my privilege to serve these past two years as a Regional Vice President. I have met many worthy compatriots. While RVP I also served as Recording Secretary for the Florida Society. I attended all BOM's except this one.. I have attended and participated in the two National Congress' (plus the five before 2004) and have attended and participated in three of the last four Trustee (Leadership) meetings. I am looking forward to continuing my activities when I return in the fall.

### FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

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

West Central Region Nelson Jantzen, Vice President April 28, 2006

As your Reg. V.P. I joined the Maj. John DeVane Chapter, Plant City at their dinner meeting on 4/7/06. On 4/8/06 I installed the officers at the luncheon of the St. Petersburg Chapter.

I attended in uniform the Dunedin Review & inspection at the Gulf H.S. in New Port Richey, FL and at a different occasion presented an Eagle Scout certificate on 2/18/06.

<u>Clearwater</u>: Chapter Color Guard joined the FLSSAR Brigade in posting the colors at the BOM in Lakeland in January 2006.

At the January Chapter luncheon meetings we had a presentation on "Little Known Facts About George Washington".

At the February meeting there was a talk given on "Activities of Samuel Adams & Thomas Payne".

The April meeting we had Col. Jack Smith, US Army, US Central Command, Mac Dill Air Force Base Tampa, discuss the US CENTCOM in the Middle East.

At that same luncheon they awarded our past state Pres. The 50 year pin in the SAR.

The Chapter delivered 850 Good Citizenship Certificates to the Pinellas County schools & 800 to Pasco County.

**<u>St Petersburg</u>**: Compatriot Scott attended an Eagle Scout Presentation An installation of their new officers took place at their April luncheon.

**Maj. John DeVane:** At their last meeting they presented the JROTC & Good Citizenship awards. There was a dinner meeting where our State Pres. Harry Hollien spoke of the different SAR programs & Revolutionary War history in New England with a slide presentation. They will be celebrating their 50<sup>TH</sup> anniversary in June.

<u>Lakeland:</u> They meet once a month for a luncheon meeting from Sept. through May. They awarded a Law Enforcement Medal, and a Flag Certificate. They Celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary & attended a Liberty Tree planting. At their meeting they had speakers on "Patriots"

Tampa: The Tampa Chapter continues to provide excellent programs. The January meeting featured President Hollien who inducted the new officers and also spoke on one of his ancestors, Myles Standish. In February the members were treated to a presentation on the Mount Vernon Women's Society and the history of how that group preserved Washington's home. Shelley Jakes, the speaker, also presented the chapter with a wonderful framed portrait of George Washington for the chapter's use. Representatives from the Clearwater chapter color guard attended the March meeting and spoke on how the Tampa Chapter might organize its own camp. The chapter has decided to pursue this idea. April was the annual JROTC luncheon where the chapter honors those cadets receiving the JROTC awards. The meeting room was filled with cadets and their guests. Secretary Yarnell challenged the group with a talk entitled, "Are you an Historian?"

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# FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT Southeast Regional Vice President

Southeast Region Gerald Meeks, Vice President

### Miami Chapter

On Sunday, February 19, 2006 I was invited to teh President's Luncheon and Annual Installation of Officers at the Country Club of Coral Gables. It was a delightful afternoon event and very well attended. Miami, Ft Lauderdale and Palm Berach were all represented at this event. I installed the officers for 2006-200, the President Douglas H. Bridges and othere officers for the comming year. The theme of the meeting was Franco-American friendship. The speaker for the event ws Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeur, Comte de Rochambear, in the person of John Beresford Welsh, who travelled from Seattle, Washington for the occasion.

#### Palm Beach Chapter

On January 17th I attended the Palm Beach Chapters annual Installation of Officers at the Sail Fish Club in Palm Beach. In attendance was the Florida State President Dr. Harry Hollien who performed the installation ceremonies. I also attended the Chapter's March 15, 2006 meeting at the Ssil Fish Club where the annual Law Enforcement and Fire Rescue Awards were presented. Presentations were made to members of the Boca Raton Fire-Rescue Department, Palm Beach County Sherrif's Office Crossing Guard, Town of Palm Beach Police Department, Palm Beach County Fire-Rescue, Florida Highway Patrol, Boca Raton Police Department, and Palm Beach Fire-Rescue

# FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT Southwest Regional Vice President

Southwest Region Basil Lancaster, Vice President

#### 17 April 2006

<u>CALOOSA</u>: President Fred Learned's son, Andrew, is in the Naval ROTC at the University of Tampa and has applied for membership. The Chapters' major events of the year (JROTC and Good Citizenship Awards) took place in April. The featured speaker was James W.Browder, EdD., Superintendent of the School District for Lee County.Dr Browder also assisted in awarding certificates and medals to the districts ten outstanding JRORC Cadets, and eleven outstanding students who were recognized for Good Citizenship. Compatriot Fred Curtis and his wife, Peg, have relocated and joined their daughter in Eugene, Oregon. Fred is a longtime stalwart of the Caloosa Chapter and FLSAR. A Past President and Current Treasurer, he has been very active over the years at the State level by serving as chairman of the FLSAR Endowment Trust Fund Disbursement Committee. He is also one of three Caloosa Chapter members to receive the coveted SAR Patriot Medal in 1998.

**CHARLOTTE**: The newly elected Officers of Charlotte Chapter for the year were installed the 12<sup>th</sup> of January by the SW Regional VP Basil Lancaster. Basil also gave a speech on various Chapter Trust Funds, Patriots working in county voting precincts, and Florida Tax Exemptions available for FLSAR members.

<u>NAPLES</u>: Craig Zyburo, a junior a Barron Collier High School was the winner of the Naples SAR contest, which is based on an original five-minute speech designed to explore the influence of the Revolutionary War on present-day America. Craig won first place in the State also, and will represent the Florida SAR Chapters at their annual convention in Dallas this summer. Again this year out Chapter will 'adopt' a voting precinct for the general election in November. This undertaking requires eleven Compatriots to commit to a full day (twelve hours plus - polls are generally open 7am to 7pm!). You may well find this to be one of your more rewarding undertakings, as you are involved in the process of democracy, share fellowship with compatriots of unmatched character and talent, and help make our chapter financially sound and solvent.

**SARAMANA**: In a first for the Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution, three generations of the Tarplay family were received in a single ceremony. They were youth member, John Phillip Tarplay, his father, Brian A. Tarplay, and grandfather, Phillip Tarplay. Fifty-eight compatriots, members and guests attended the annual Recognition Luncheon honoring members of our local Fire and Safety Departments. Cochairman Frank Hodalski has reported that the History Fair Committee has judged at the History Fairs at the Sarasota Middle Schools and the Sarasota County History Fair. The George Washington Birthday Luncheon was attended by ninety-four SAR's, DAR's, and guests. All were served a delicious luncheon and treated to an outstanding program. New Compatriots, Lester Hunt and Roy Williams were inducted.

### **FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT**

### **Treasurer**

James R. Holyfield

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (BUDGET AND ACTUAL) 1/1-04/30/06 & 04/30/05

		2006 ANNUAL BUDGET		2006 YTD ACTUAL		2005 YTD ACTUAL
Receipts:	_		-		_	
Dues - net of rebates	\$	33,000	\$	24,034	\$	24,399
Donations		2,000		370		2,429
Other	_	1,000		126		15
Total	_	36,000		24,530		26,843
Disbursements:						
State officers		23,500		5,848		2,712
Youth programs		8,000		6,968		6,579
Committee projects	_	3,500		2,253	_	1,469
Total	_	35,000		15,069		10,760
Receipts over disbursements	\$ _	1,000	\$	9,461	\$ =	16,083
		April 30, 2				
Cash and cash equivalents Investments (restricted)					\$ _	67,294 7,816
Total assets					\$ _	75,110
		LIABILITI	ES			
Liabilities					\$_	
		FUND BALA	NCES	<b>;</b>		
Unrestricted		1 0110 07127				67,294
Restricted						7,816
					_	75,110
					_	,
Total liabilities and fund balances					\$ _	75,110
Submitted by James R. Holyfield, State Treasurer						

### **FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT**

Registrar, William R. Stevenson; Quarterly Report: End of 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter, April 6, 2006

	Membership Applications						Supplemental Applications								
Chapter		from		Appr NSS	oval AR		urnec apter	l to		from	Appi NSS		Retu	irned	Remarks
	Received	Carry over from		Pending	Received	State	NSSAR		Received	Carry over from	Pending	Received	State	NSSAR	
Brevard	3	3		5	1					4	3	1			
Caloosa	1			1						2	1	1			
Central Florida		1		1					1	7	5	3			
Charlotte	2			2						3	3				
Clearwater	1	2		3						3	3				
Daytona-Ormond	1	2		3											
Deland		2		2					3	1	4				
Devane	2			2											
Emerald Coast	1	2		2	1					2		2			
Flagler		2			2					4	4				
Ft Lauderdale	9	2		10	1				3	4	3	4			
Gainesville		3		2	1					2	2				
Jacksonville	2	9		8	3					8	8				
Lakeland	2	4		6						5	5				
Lake/Sumter	1	2		3						5	4	1			
Miami										4	4				
Naples	2				2				1		1				
Ocala		2		2						2	2				
Palm Beach	1	8		7	2					1	1				
Panama City										5	5				
Pensacola	4	10		7	7				10	6	16				
Saramana	5	7		9	3				1	20	19	2			
St Augustine		4		3	1										
St Lucie Rtver		4			4					2	2				
St Petersburg	1	7		5	3					3	3				
Tallahassee	2			2											
Tampa	1	2		3						1	1				
Treasure Coast	1	2		3						1	1				
Withlacoochee	4			4		1			4	1	5				
At-Large		1		1						2	2				
Totals	46	81		96	31				23	98	107	14			

During membership year 2005 (1 April 2005  $_{-}$  31 March 2006), the Florida Society submitted new applications to the National Society SAR, as follows;

1.a. New Membership applications received	147
2. b. Brought forward from Previous Year	109
TOTAL	256
2. Status of these 256 as of 31 March 2006:	
a. Approved by NSSAR	158
b. Pending at NSSAR as of 31 March 2006	98
TOTAL	256

During membership year 2005 (1 April 2005 31 March 2006), the Florida Society submitted supplemental applications to the National Society, SAR, as follows:

1.	a.	New Supplemental appl	ications	submitted	89
	b.	Brought forward from	previous	year	85
		_	TOTAL	-	174
2.	a.	Approved by NSSAR			68
		Pending at NSSAR			106
		_	TOTAL		174

Chapters submitting 10 or more applications/supplementals

			Applications	Suppl	ementals.
		Sub.	Approved	Sub.	Approved
a.	JACKSONVILLE	18	18		
b.	SARAMANA	18	18		
c.	PENSACOLA	17	13	10	
d.	LAKE/SIMPER	10	11		
e.	FORT LAUDERDALE	12	7	11	7
f.	CENTRAL FLORIDA			12	9

# FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Secretary

The past quarter has been filled with primarily routine duties. One major improvement to the society's database involved actions taken by the Board of Management. Recent inquiries as to actions taken at previous BOM's led me to realize that the current method of storing the minutes made research of such questions very difficult and time consuming. I was able to device a way to catalog these motions and store them as part of our main database. The result is that the information is easily searchable. Thus far, I have all the motions from the Fall 2000 BOM to the present entered into the system.

With each quarter it becomes easier to generate lists and reports for officers and committee chairs. Please do not hesitate to request such things if it will aid in your work for the society.

Kevin Yarnell Secretary, FLSSAR

# FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Chaplain

Charles Schafer

The following compatriots have died since the last BOM.

FirstName	LastName	Date of Death	Chapter
Curtis	Eskew	1/4/2006	Saramana
Thomas	McCaskey	1/16/2006	Pensacola
John	Blackwelder	1/25/2006	Lakeland
Bruce	Wright	3/1/2006	Lakeland
Joseph	Nesbitt	3/11/2006	Miami
John	Pangborn	3/14/2006	St. Lucie River
Robert	Friend	3/15/2006	Lakeland
N. Cliffe	Smith	3/22/2006	Brevard
Robert	Carswell	4/8/2006	Panama City

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

# FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Recording Secretary

George Lockhart

The proceedings of the Winter Board of Management meeting held on 6-7 January 2006 were recorded on tape and written minutes were prepared and submitted to the State Secretary within the deadline for publication in "The Florida Patriot"

Respectfully Submitted, George A. Lockhart

# FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Chancellor

Carl K. Hoffmann, PG

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Parliamentarian

Sam W. Boone

This report was not available at the time of printing.

# FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Genealogist

Alvie L. Davidson

This report was not available at the time of printing.

# FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Sergeant at Arms

Lonnie Jones

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### **FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Historian**

John Little, Historian

Historians report for period January 28, 2006 thru April 27th, 2006

I am now receiving a few chapter Newsletters. However, I would like to receive a copy of all chapter newsletters so I can include them in the Florida Societies Archives.

I would appreciate each chapter placing me on their Newsletter mailing list. Please send a copy of the newsletter to Compatriot John little 533 Teakwood Drive, Altamonte Springs, FL 32714.

# FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT Editor, Florida Patriot

Saul Montes-Bradley

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### **Statutory Committees**

### **FLSSAR Committee Report**

**Audit** 

Chairman: Sam W. Boone

This report was not available at the time of printing.

# FLSSAR Committee Report Executive

Chairman: Harry Hollien

This report will be given orally.

# **FLSSAR Committee Report** Finance

Chairman: James R. Holyfield

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### FLSSAR Committee Report Medals and Awards

Chairman: Gerald E. Meeks

Sam W. Boone-Member Jack Coleman-Member Richard E. Friberg-Member

Several Awards have been authorized by the committee which will be presented at the Annual Board of Management Meeting in Gainsville. For that reason, in this report, the medals and awards will not be announced but will be part of the annual meeting. The committe would like to point out to the Chapters that strict guidelines are contained in the national handbook for awarding medals and the requirements and level of presentation is clearly outlined in Volume III-Insignia, Medals and Awards of the Official Handbook. Volume III can be easily downloaded by going to the official Web Site:http:www.sar.org. When the web page opens, find the "members only" box and highlight. A web page will open that will direct you to Volume III that you can download. This is a must for all chapters to have readily on hand for review prior to asking for approval and making awards to members. Please read the instructions carefully. The committee will follow the exact guidelines in making and approving awards. Please call the Chairman of the committee if you have question concerning this proceedure.

Gerald E. Meeks Chairman, Medals and Awards Committee

# **FLSSAR Committee Report Nominating**

Chairman: Dick Fowler

(The following was inserted by the secretary for clarity.)
Reprinted here are the nominations made by the committee at the Winter BOM, January 2006

President, Lindsey Brock (Jacksonville)

Sr. Vice President, Grant Wallin, Jr. (Clearwater)

Secretary, Kevin Yarnell (Tampa)

Treasurer, James Holyfield (Palm Beach)

Registrar, William Stevenson (Treasure Coast)

Regional VP NW, Edward Young (Pensacola)

Regional VP NC, Ronald Toops (Lake-Sumter)

Regional VP NE, Tom Beauchamp (Flagler)

Regional VP EC, Ben DuBose (Brevard)

Regional VP WC, Nelson Jantzen (Clearwater)

Regional VP SE, Gerald Meeks (Palm Beach)

Regional VP SW, Donald Cahill (Naples)

Chancellor, Carl Hoffmann (Saramana)

Chaplain, Charles Shafer (Clearwater)

Recording Secretary, Joseph Motes (Ft. Lauderdale)

Genealogist, Alvie Davidson (Lakeland)

Sergeant-At-Arms, Lonnie Jones (Pensacola)

Mbr. Exec. Comm. At Large, John Cahoon, Jr. (Emerald Coast)

Historian, John Little (Central Florida)

Parliamentarian, To be appointed by the incoming President

"Florida Patriot" Editor, Richard Fowler (St. Lucie River)

# **FLSSAR Committee Report Patriot Medal**

Chairman: John Cahoon

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### **Standing Committees**

### FLSSAR Committee Report

**Archives** 

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

We continued our task of preserving the societies records this quarter. In January, I finished entering the information from the old "card" system. These cards were used to track membership prior to the mid 1990's. The result is that our database now contains 4,234 members. This is just short of half the total number of members ever to hold membership in the Florida Society.

# FLSSAR Committee Report Chapter Challenge

Chairman: Norman C. Crews

The Chapter Challenge program is live and well in the FLSSAR. For the year ending on 12/31/05 we had 24 chapters do the self assessment and respond with their reporting forms (yellow this year). This is an increase of three over last year and hopefully this trend will continue. One chapter reported eighteen new members last year which helped significantly in their point standing — my hearty congratulations. As in prior years an evaluation of the form will be done to improve it to reflect positive and noteworthy activities benefiting the chapter, their community and the youth in the area. It was also good to get responses from chapters which did not respond the prior two years. This program reflects the pride and respect of our heritage and is vital that we continue to do these things that help our young people learn and remain cognizant of their democratic history. My congratulations to the red, white and blue ribbon recipients, your efforts make all of us proud as Florida continues to be a leader in the recognition of our proud heritage.

My thanks to the committee members who assisted in the design and review of the reporting form.

### **Ranking For Ribbon Awards**

**RED CHAPTERS** 

Lake Sumter — 1<sup>st</sup>, Blue Ribbon
Pensacola - 2<sup>nd</sup>, Red Ribbon
Withlacoochee — 3<sup>rd</sup>, White Ribbon
St. Augustine — Hon. Mention Yellow
Caloosa — Yellow Ribbon
Emerald Coast — Yellow Ribbon

Flagler — Yellow Ribbon

Tampa — Yellow Ribbon

WHITE CHAPTERS
Central Florida — 1<sup>st</sup>, Blue Ribbon
Lakeland — 2<sup>nd</sup> Red Ribbon
Brevard — 3<sup>rd</sup>, White Ribbon
St. Lucie River — Hon. Mention Yellow
Deland — Yellow Ribbon
Ft. Lauderdale — Yellow Ribbon
Gainesville — Yellow Ribbon
Ocala- Yellow Ribbon
St. Petersburg — Yellow Ribbon
Tallahassee — Yellow Ribbon
Treasure Coast — Yellow Ribbon

**BLUE CHAPTERS** 

Jacksonville — 1<sup>st</sup>, Blue Ribbon
Palm Beach — 2<sup>nd</sup>, Red Ribbon
Miami — 3<sup>rd</sup>, White Ribbon
Saramana — Hon. Mention Yellow
Clearwater — Yellow Ribbon

# FLSSAR Committee Report Charter & By Laws

Chairman: Lindsey Brock

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

The following amendments to the Florida Society's Bylaws were discussed at our January, 2005 and were published in "The Florida Patriot". You will recall that at the Winter BOM meeting in Lakeland, FL, the Bylaws Committee recommended that the following bylaw amendments not be adopted by the Florida Society. For clarity the recommendations made at the January/Winter BOM will be repeated after each proposed bylaw change.

The first two amendments were submitted by Sam Boone of the Gainesville Chapter and both propose to add a new Section to Article III Officers and Article V Committees of our bylaws.

Article III Officers – proposes to add the following new section:

#### Section 7 Tenure

"The president and senior vice president are each elected for one-year terms and may not be again elected to either of these offices until a period of two years has elapsed. All other officers, except the secretary and treasurer, shall hold office for no more than three consecutive one-year terms. The secretary and treasurer may be elected for up to five one-year terms."

Article V Committees – proposes to add the following new section:

#### Section 7 Tenure of Chairmen

"Since the chairmen of all committees (statutory, standing and ad hoc) are appointed by the president, the term-of-office of all committee chairmen will be co-terminal with that of the president who appointed them. The chairman of all committees can be re-appointed by the succeeding president; provided, however, no compatriot shall serve as chairman of any given committee for more than three consecutive one-year terms."

Recommendation by the Charter and Bylaws Committee: The committee recommends that the BOM not adopt the addition of Section 7 Tenure and likewise the committee recommends that the BOM not adopt the addition of Section 7 Tenure of Chairmen.

The second proposed amendment to our bylaws was submitted by Jack Coleman of the Jacksonville Chapter and he proposes that our BOM meetings be changed from four meetings each year to three.

Article II The Board of Management, Section 3 Meetings.

Section 3 Meetings of FLSSAR's Bylaws are currently as follows:

- "The Board of Management shall hold at least four regular meetings each year, as follows:
- a. a meeting in either June, July, or August, to be known as the Summer Meeting;
- b. a meeting in September or October, to be known as the Fall Meeting;
- c. a meeting in either January or February, to be known as the Winter Meeting; and
- d. a meeting on the day before the date fixed for the opening of the Annual Meeting of the State Society, to be known as the Spring Meeting."

Recommendation by the Charter and Bylaws Committee: The committee recommends that the BOM not adopt the proposal to reduce our BOM meeting from four to three.

The third proposed amendment to our bylaws was submitted by President Harry Hollien of the Gainesville Chapter. This proposed amendment would add a Section 7 to Article III Officers of our bylaws.

President Hollien's proposed amendment states:

"That the following officers shall be required to arrange for the appointment of an Assistant. The appointment process would involve nomination of the Assistant by either the Officer or the BOM, with the approval of the other.

The role of the Assistant would be to assist and understudy the Officer in his duties for the purpose of improved efficiency and continuity of office. The Officers included in this group are:"

1. Secretary, 2. Treasurer, 3. Registrar, 4. Chancellor, 5. Chaplain, 6. Genealogist, 7. Historian, 8. Sergeant-at-Arms, 9. Editor.

Recommendation by the Charter and Bylaws Committee: The committee recommends that the BOM not adopt the proposal to appoint an Assistant to the nine (9) Officers included in this proposed amendment.

### FLSSAR Committee Report CAR Liaison

Chairman: Doug Bridges

Douglas Bridges, C.A.R. Liaison Chairman, and Lindsey Brock, C.A.R. Liaison Vice-Chairman, attended the 75th Annual State Conference, of The Florida Society, Children of the American Revolution, Altamonte Springs, Florida, May 31 to April 2, 2006. Friday, May 31st, before the evening Italian Luau, the candidates for state office gave their campaign speeches.

Chairman Bridges and Compatriot Brock sat in on the business meeting of the State C.A.R. meeting on Saturday morning which included a Call to Order, Invocation, Presentation of Colors and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the singing of the National Anthem, reciting of the American's Creed, C.A.R. Creed and Preamble of the Constitution of the United States of America. This was followed by the introductions of the candidates, the elections were held and results announced. A number of the outgoing officers of the Florida C.A.R. expressed interest in holding national office and have thrown their hats into the political ring.

During the Awards Banquet greetings were extended by Dr. Harry Hollien, Florida State S.A.R. President. Dr. Hollien presented \$1,000.00 to State C.A.R. on behalf of the FSSAR. Chairman Bridges, made a presentation of \$500.00 on behalf of the Miami Chapter, FSSAR. An expression of gratitude was extended to both Societies for these awards.

The 2004-2005 year's C.A.R. State Theme and project was "Making Manatees Count." In February, 2006, approximately 75 members and sponsors gathered at the Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park, Homosassa Springs, Florida, to swim with, observe and study the Manatee in its natural habitat. They came away with a better understanding and appreciation for the plight of the Manatee and the dangers they face. A pin depicting a Manatee was developed and sold by the C.A.R. with the proceeds (\$3,100.00) going to replenish the emergency funds at Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park. Their 2006-2007 theme to be announced.

Respectfully Submitted, Douglas H Bridges, Sr, C.A.R. Liaison Chairman

### FLSSAR Committee Report Credentials

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

Members who plan on attending this year's Congress should contact the secretary so that proper credentials might be generated in a timely manner. A signup sheet is available at this BOM meeting.

# FLSSAR Committee Report DAR Liaison

Chairman: George Lockhart

The following is a report of DAR Liaison Committee activities since the last report.

Attended the DAR Fall Forum held 24-26 March 2006. The SAR table was set up Friday morning (24 March) and manned Friday afternoon by George Lockhart, Lindsey Brock (in uniform both days) and Hal Miller until about 5:00 p.m. On Saturday, the table was manned by George Lockhart, Lindsey Brock and Hal Miller (part time) until about 4:00 p.m. The table was not manned on Sunday. During Friday and Saturday we had 95 guests visit the table. A special thanks to Hal Miller for his assistance during the conference.

Ranking NSDAR visiting table: Mary Lou James, Chaplain General

Ranking FSSDAR visiting table: Rebecca Lockhart, State Regent

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

We handed out about 30 of the various SAR brochures and about 10 application worksheets. We answered questions about membership in SAR, where to find assistance from local SAR Chapters and who to contact.

At the next meeting we need to have copies of the Heritage CD available for those interested. Following Dr. Hollien's announcement at the State conference we had many inquiries about the CD's.

Respectfully submitted: George A. Lockhart

# FLSSAR Committee Report Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee

Chairman: David H. Ramseur

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### FLSSAR Committee Report Education Committee

Chairman: Harry Hollien

The supply of our American History teachers' aid materials (i.e., the Heritage CD's, etc.) is essentially exhausted. More have been requested of NSSAR and it is hoped that a supply of at least 1,500 can be received by early summer. Our requests are hampered by the fact that we have received very few responses from the History teachers who have been given these materials. Would our EdComA committee members, the Regional Vice Presidents, the Chapter Presidents/Secretaries and individual Compatriots who have provided teachers with these units please contact the recipients and request that they complete the form they were given (an electronic copy can be found on our Web-site if you do not have one for duplication) or, at least, send us a note as to how effective they believe these materials to be.

Vice Chair Ron Toops is working on the legislative thrust with Consultant Jack Bovee. However, he reports that there is little activity in this area.

Finally, Governor Fran Lopus of the Florida Society of Mayflower Descendants and the undersigned have discussed a joint educational program between FSMD and FLSSAR; the interface portion would involve both the upgrading of American History teaching and collaboration with our efforts to improve the area by means of Legislative action. These collaborations are being developed.

Respectfully submitted, Harry Hollien, PhD Chairman

# FLSSAR Committee Report Electronic Technology Committee

Chairman: Dick Fowler

The Florida Society website continues to be the focal point for communications within the Florida Society. Many members rely on it for up-to-date information about meeting information, chapter officers (office, name, phone number, address and email address), committee member information (including a special alphabetical listing of every member who is a member of a FLSSAR or a NSSAR committee). While most chapters do send in updates, it is suggested that every member check their chapter listings to be sure they are current and advise the webmaster of any needed changes.

The website address is <a href="http://flssar.org/">http://flssar.org/</a>.

May is traditionally the busiest month for website activity when most chapters have office changes.

Unfortunately, the summer is a slow period. We encourage those chapters that are active during the summer months to send any pictures of their events that they would like to share on our photo gallery pages.

I am planning on attending the National Congress in Dallas in July and hope to bring back a lot of pictures of things such as "rodeos," "barbecues," etc. and a lot of pictures of members. We have been sharing those pictures for the past six years on our website and are the only chapter in the NSSAR that does so. (To see these pictures, go to our website and look under "About the NSSAR" for "National Congress Pictures"). Theses have always been among our most-visited web pages. Why don't you join us there? The National Congress is a great place to spend your vacation. Next year, we go to Williamsburg.

Dick Fowler, Webmaster FLSSAR St. Lucie River Chapter

# FLSSAR Committee Report Genealogy

Chairman: Alvie L. Davidson

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### FLSSAR Committee Report George S. & Stella Knight Essay Contest

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

Results of the 2005-2006 contest 1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$1000 and trophy

Erik King, for his essay, "Benjamin Franklin: Integral to American Independence".

Erik won the St. Augustine Chapter contest.

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$600

Mitali Jahagirdar, for her essay, "Two Hundred Years of Hindsight".

Mitali won the Central Florida Chapter contest.

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$300

Ishmal Lewis, for his essay, "The Philosophies Behind American".

Ishmal won the Jacksonville Chapter contest.

At the last two meetings this committee has "floated" the idea of running the essay contest solely at the State level. As of this writing no one has spoken against the idea and so we'd like to proceed along those lines for 2006-2007.

Here is a recap of the issues. Please note that the committee is in no way implying that the challenges listed are the result of poor efforts by the chapters.

#### Challenges / Issues:

- The number of entries is not especially high. We've averaged between 100 and 150 for the last few years.
- Students entering the contest learn very little about the SAR and so while we do promote education concerning the revolutionary war era we do not promote our organization.
- The current system for entering the contest is not especially easy for students. They find it difficult to determine where to send the essay and the deadlines vary from chapter to chapter.
- Because the contact person changes from year to year in many chapters it is hard to build any reputation for the contest among teachers and other contacts in the school.
- In fact, our contest has no reputation.

We propose the following organization for the 2006-2007 contest.

- Information concerning the contest would be made available to interested students and schools via email, a website, and personal contacts. We would enlist those who have worked with the contest at the local level to assist in this effort.
- All entries would be due January 31, 2007 to one central address.
- Students who contact us via email would, if they opt in, regularly receive emails from the contest. These would offer encouragement in their work on the essay, provide ideas on how to write a better essay, and most importantly, provide information about the SAR. These would be sent monthly in the fall and then more often as the deadline approached.
- A website devoted to the contest would be developed and updated with information about the SAR appropriate to the intended audience. Further, we'd offer students who enter the contest the option of having their essay posted on the website. This would, in modern terms, make them a published writer. We'd remove the essays once the winners were announced.
- The winner of the contest would, as in the past, be honored at the annual meeting, and the essay forwarded to National for participation in the National contest.

The committee is prepared to continue the contest as it has been organized in the past but feels that the approach outlined here is far superior. Please note too, that choosing to run the 2006-2007 contest as suggested would not mean that all future contests would be run in the same way. If an evaluation of the new method does not show it to be a promising approach, we could revert to the previous organization for the subsequent year.

# FLSSAR Committee Report Good Citizenship

Chairman: Douglas H. North

The Good Citizenship Committee has had a good year as far as contacts with the many schools in the State. At this meeting we will have new supply of Certificates ready for YOUR PICKUP!!!!! Get an early start on the 2006-2007 school year....

It has been a pleasure working with each and every one.

Doug. North, Good Citizenship Chairman.

# **FLSSAR Committee Report History Fairs**

Chairman: Frank X. Hodalski

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Members: 1. R. L. "Bud" Bauchspies (Jacksonville)

Edward N. "Bud" Casey
 Carl Hoffman (Saramana)
 Harold F. Miller, Jr. (Saramana)
 Grant Wallin (Clearwater)
 President Harry Hollien (ex officio)

**Participation:** 

Meeting Attendance: No meeting.

**Correspondence:** Email from and with chapters reporting participation in 2006 local and county fairs. By

telephone and fax with Sarasota Trophy Inc. for production of FLSSAR awards for Florida

History Fair.

Telephone: Articulation with RVP Ed Young requesting his assistance in seeking and officer or

member of the Tallahassee Chapter to attend the awards day assembly and present the FLSSAR Colonial Heritage Award at the 2006 Florida History Fair in Tallahassee on

06May2006.

**Report and Recommendations:** Five American eagle plaques were sent to Ms. KC Smith, coordinator of the Florida History Fair, for presentation on 06May2006 to the winner(s) of the Colonial Heritage Award, sponsored by the Florida Society, SAR. A generic streamer was designed for presentation to participating FLSSAR chapters. It may also be used by any chapter as a very nice but inexpensive award for outstanding student projects in local or county fairs. Promotion of history fair participation continues to occupy a significant place on the agenda of the NSSAR Patriotic Activity committee and is included as part of NSSAR presentations as one of our recently developed outreach programs.

In some areas, the aftermath of hurricane activity adversely affected county participation in the 2006 Florida History Fair. The domino effect would also have an impact on chapter participation in some areas.

As chairman of the History Fair Committee, I wish to thank my committee members for encouragement and assistance during this past year. It is my hope to keep the committee intact and we welcome the support of the new FLSSAR president in supporting the 2006-2007 National History Day, Florida History Fair and local and county events.

Respectfully submitted, Frank Hodalski, Chairman

### FLSSAR Committee Report Joseph P. Rumbaugh Orations Contest

Chairman: Ted Duay

The Florida Rumbaugh Contest was held on January 6, 2006. The two contestants were Craig Zyburo from the Naples chapter and Matthew Vogler from the Saramana chapter. Craig was the 1st place winner and Matthew was the 2nd place winner. They received their awards at the banquet that evening.

Flight and hotel arrangements for Craig and his companion and have been made so that he can compete in the National Rumbaugh Competition.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Duay Chairman, Florida Rumbaugh Committee

# FLSSAR Committee Report Ladies Auxiliary Liaison

Chairman: Harry Hollien

Since the President of the FLSSAR Ladies' Auxiliary attended the NSSAR Spring Leadership Meeting in Louisville, KY, February 2006, she was able to provide a report of the ongoing activities of the Auxiliary at the national level. Several programs have been structured; most notable perhaps is their activity in assisting development of the new NSSAR Center.

She also reported that their (state level) program of sending "flat rate" boxes of useful items to our service men and women fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan continues -- as does their philanthropic giving to homeless lady veterans being rehabilitated at **VetSpace**. Additional items will be contained in her report.

Respectfully submitted, Harry Hollien, PhD

# FLSSAR Committee Report Liberty Tree

Chairman: Gene Brown

The Lakeland Chapter held a Liberty Tree Ceremony in the Bartow Civic Center on April 19th in memorial to Al Snapp. Mayor Leo Longsworth of Bartow was the principal speaker. In May, a new elm tree will be planted in an extension to an existing city park and the bronze plaque will be installed on a concrete base. There will be a brief dedication ceremony at the site of the Liberty Tree.

A total of (24) Liberty Trees have now been planted.

The Miami Chapter still has plans to plant a tree this fall.

# FLSSAR Committee Report Meeting Arrangements - BOM

Chairman:

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### FLSSAR Committee Report Membership Promotion & Retention

Chairman: Lindsey Brock

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

Throughout the past year we received many notifications of SAR members relocating to the State of Florida. The Georgia Society forwarded the most notifications during this time period. The names of those prospective members were sent to the individual FLSSAR chapters and we have had many positive results. We are confident that the same positive trend will continue during 2006-2007.

You will recall that in December 2005 the Jacksonville Chapter instituted a new membership category. The new membership category is, Associate Member, and through March, 2005 the chapter has gained five new Associate Members. Two of the new Associate Members have already initiated the application process to become members of SAR. Associate Members will not be permitted to wear NSSAR insignia, unless authorized by NSSAR rules, nor can they hold any officer position nor can they be chairman of any committee. However, they may be members of committees at the chapter level and pay only local chapter dues. It is anticipated that this new category of membership will aid the chapter in accomplishing its goals and objectives and thereby redound to the benefit of NSSSAR and FLSSAR. If any of our chapters would like more detailed information relative to this category of membership, please contact either George Lockhart at 904.744.2357, email: <a href="mailto:georgelockhart@comcast.net">georgelockhart@comcast.net</a> or Lindsey Brock at 904.251.9226, email: <a href="mailto:lindsey.brock@comcast.net">lindsey.brock@comcast.net</a>.

Lastly, allow me to remind you that you may check on a pending application with National by visiting NSSAR's web site and click on For Members and then click on Application Status and lastly click on the Florida Society (Florida Flag) and a list of Current Application Status for the Florida Society will be listed alphabetically.

# FLSSAR Committee Report National Officer Development

Chairman: Carl K. Hoffmann

This report was not available at the time of printing.

# FLSSAR Committee Report NSSAR Library

Chairman: Terence (Terry) M. Walton

April 18, 2006

The Committee's main emphasis during the current period has been on the centennial observance of NSSAR's Congressional Charter, granted on June 9 1906. Communications were initiated via SARTALK and national headquarters earlier in the year, followed by contact with various FLSSAR and NSSAR individuals/committees. Chapters have been encouraged to contact their local congressional delegations to promote co-sponsored legislation to observe June 9, 2006 as Sons of the American Revolution Day. Many chapters are also encouraging their local municipalities and counties to proclaim June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2006 as Sons of the American Revolution Day. Caloosa Chapter, for example, has already received printed proclamations from the cities of Bonita Springs and Cape Coral.

As an additional way of commemorating the Charter Centennial, chapters are encouraged to send special \$25.00 gifts to the Center for Advancing America's Heritage, NSSAR, 1000 South Fourth Street, Louisville, KY, 40203, with the checks earmarked "CAAH – CHARTER CENTENNIAL" and the name of the chapter.

Members: Donald P. Humphrey; Albert C. Little; John D. Tinny; Grant R. Wallin; Terence M. Walton

### FLSSAR Special Committee Report Newsletters and Periodicals

Chairman Edward N. "Bud" Casey

April 22, 2006

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

PARTICIPATION (Identify Member by Number): Meeting Attendance No meeting.

Correspondence Telephone & E-mail with individual Committee

Members.

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

E-Mail: Budee@copper.net

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

No report.

# FLSSAR Committee Report Patriotic Activities

Chairman: Dick Cardell

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### FLSSAR Committee Report Public Services and Heroism

Chairman: Daniel T. Shepherd

Date: 20 April 2006

**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; Edward O. Payne III, Palm Beach Chapter.

#### Palm Beach Chapter

21 March 2006 the Palm Beach Chapter presented the following medals and certificates at their 21 March 2006 chapter meeting:

**Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate** 

Eloit Gonzalez, Trooper
Leslie Barbalaco, Deputy
Glenn Wright, Sergeant
Robin Smith, Officer
Florida Turnpike Troop K, Florida Highway Patrol
Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office
Palm Beach Gardens Police Dept., Palm Beach Gardens, FL
Town of Palm Beach Police Dept., Palm Beach, FL

**Emergency Medical Service Commendation Medal and Certificate** 

Edward Moss, Firefighter/Paramedic Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Daniel Zitnick, Firefighter/Paramedic Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Robert Pieris, Firefighter/ Paramedic Palm Beach Gardens Fire Dept., P.B.Gardens, FL Raymond P. Herr, Firefighter/Paramedic Town of Palm Beach Fire Dept., Palm Beach,FL

No media coverage for these 21 March 2006 presentations.

#### **Pensacola Chapter**

11 February 2006 the Pensacola Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at their 11 February 2006 chapter meeting:

#### **Heroism Medal and Certificate**

Robert Kirkland Griffith rescued two people from their burning vehicle 27 July 2005 on the Pensacola Bay Bridge. **No media coverage** for this 11 February 2006 presentation.

#### St. Augustine Chapter

12 April 2006 the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at the Putnam County Sheriff's Office, Palatka, Florida:

#### **Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate**

Robert Pinner, Deputy Sheriff

Putnam County Sheriff's Office

Media coverage – a local newspaper article was published of this 12 April 2006 presentation.

### St. Lucie River Chapter

11 March 2006 the St. Lucie River Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at their 11 March 2006 chapter meeting::

#### **Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate**

Michael J. Gerwan, Detective

Stuart Police Dept., Stuart, FL

No media coverage for this 11 March 2006 presentation.

### FLSSAR Committee Report Publicity

Chairman: Robert A. Raup

Eight Chapters participated in the Earl Marlin Publicity Contest in 2005.

They were: Jacksonville, Lakeland, Lake-Sumter, Pensacola, Saramana, St. Augustine, St. Lucie River, and Withlacoochee

Winners will be announced at the Awards Ceremony, Friday, April 28, following Dinner. Cash awards and ribbons will be presented.

Robert A. Raup Chairman, Publicity Committee, FLSSAR"

### FLSSAR Committee Report ROTC

Chairman: Mark A. Kilgore 107 Ruberia Avenue Pensacola, FL 32507-2458 (850) 458-0559 (Home/FAX) (850) 293-7881 (Cell) E-mail: kilgore.fra@att.net

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Lonnie G. Jones, Co-Chair Lindsey C. Brock, Member William A. Roberts, Member Charles S. "Lani" Wingate, Member Robert Copeland, Advisor

The Committee is pleased to announce Cadet 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Tanya Capper, Apopka High School, Central Florida Chapter, as the FLSSAR 2005-2006 Outstanding JROTC Cadet. The 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up is Cadet Major Susannah Stokes, Pensacola High School, Pensacola Chapter; and 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-up is Cadet 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Michael J. Niemiec, Fort Walton Beach High School, Emerald Coast Chapter. A total of seven nomination packages were submitted (Central Florida, Clearwater, Emerald Coast, Jacksonville, Lake/Sumter, Pensacola, and Saramana), and the final selection was a difficult task for the Committee.

Judging this year's Enhanced JROTC Program pointed out several inconsistencies within the nomination criteria; however, specifics will not be addressed here since this report receives limited distribution. The Committee will take their "Lessons Learned" to produce specific guidelines for compiling the nomination package, filling out the nomination form, and especially for the required original cadet essay. These guidelines will be on the FLSSAR website as well as promulgated to the chapters for further transmission to the Senior Military Instructors of the JROTC Units. The possibility of a special article on the ROTC Program in the Fall issue of *The Florida Patriot* is also being considered as well as a quarterly or semiannual newsletter.

Of the two overseas DOD-sponsored JROTC Units, only Alexander M. Patch American High School in Stuttgart, Germany responded to correspondence sent. A Bronze JROTC Medal and Certificate were mailed with a cover letter for presentation at their awards ceremony in May.

Communications is the benchmark for success with any program. The Committee Chairman directly received numerous requests for Bronze JROTC Medals from the Senior Military Instructors or via the NSSAR National Chairman. When fielding these requests, the FLSSAR website proved invaluable in matching the schools with the responsible Chapters. With the exception of one first-year program, the other JROTC Units have been supported by their respective Chapters for many years. It is hoped that when the guidelines are published that each Chapter ROTC Chairman will personally present a copy to each of the JROTC Units within their area of responsibility.

The final count of Chapters reporting their Chapter ROTC Chairman was only twelve out of the twenty-nine Chapters in the State. These twelve were: Central Florida, Clearwater, Emerald Coast, Flagler, Jacksonville, Lake/Sumter, Ocala, Palm Beach, Pensacola, St. Augustine, St. Lucie River, and Tampa. There are many more Chapters participating as evidenced in the preceding paragraph. An ROTC Report from the Chapters detailing their participation, i.e. number of JROTC Units supported and Bronze JROTC Medals provided would be an invaluable tool for the Committee to ensure that optimum coverage is achieved.

As mentioned in previous reports, this program offers a great venue for public relations and as a conduit for other youth programs such as the Rumbaugh Oration and Knight Essay Contests.

Finally, a BRAVO ZULU to each member of the Committee this year for their diligence, constructive criticism, and most of all their support.

### FLSSAR Committee Report Veterans Affairs

Chairman: Richard Friberg

Compatriots,

When I was appointed Chairman of the Veterans' Affairs Committee in February, it was too late to gather the reports from the various chapters for submittal to NSSAR for inclusion in the USS Stark Memorial Award this year. The national committee had changed the date for submittal of points to the end of December.

I must beg the assistance of all the Chapters that are working with the various VA Medical, Out-Patient Centers and Nursing Homes throughout the state to start the compilation of points listed for the Stark Award now, so that we can submit in 2007 for the year, Jan.-Dec., 2006. Information for categories and points can be found in the NSSAR Handbook or on line at <a href="https://www.sar.org">www.sar.org</a>.

The Florida Society was the top performer and winner of the Stark Memorial Award in the past and with the help of Chapters like Withlacoochee, we can do it again.

Veterans Affairs Committee Lindsey Brock Charles Wingate Stanley Shank Richard Friberg, Chairman

### Ad hoc Committees

# FLSSAR Committee Report Advancing America's Heritage

Chairman: Lindsey Brock

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

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

If you should wish to make a donation to the "Center for Advancing America's Heritage", please forward your donation to:

The Executive Director National Society Sons of the American Revolution 1000 South Fourth Street Louisville, Kentucky 40203

Remember, your donations to the "Center for Advancing America's Heritage" are tax deductible and will advance our collective endeavor to insure that future generations will remember the personal sacrifices that our founding fathers made in establishing the governmental principles upon which this country was established.

# FLSSAR Committee Report Blue Star Salute: Partners in Patriotism

Chairman: Dick Cardell

This report was not available at the time of printing.

# FLSSAR Committee Report BOM Program

Chairman:

This report was not available at the time of printing.

# **FLSSAR Committee Report Commemorative Historic Sites**

Chairman: Fred F. Gaines, Jr.

Ref: THE LAST NAVAL ENGAGEMENT OF THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

This committee has been very active since our last report. On February 7<sup>th</sup> three members met with CEO J. Stanley Payne, of the Canaveral Port Authority. We presented our proposal for obtaining and placing a historic marker at the place designated by him and his board, for the commemoration of the "Last Naval Engagement of the Revolutionary War', he was in agreement, with a few added proposals of his own, one that we secure a Revolutionary War cannon for the Port Authority Building grounds. The Brevard Chapter of the FLSSAR has now made that commitment, for a replica, the cost of which will be born by Brevard Chapter. Senior Vice President Lindsey Brock and I presented the project to the National Historic Celebration Committee at the Leadership Meeting in Louisville late February. Our proposal of erecting a historic marker with the appropriate wording and having a celebration complete with brochures, pins and color guard was well received by Chairman George Thurmond and the rest of the committee present. At that time we received a very enthusiastic response. Background work before this time had been completed in regard to the marker, placement and etc Senior Vice President Lindsey Brock has been in touch and working with several members of National in the effort to publish and promote this celebration.

Senior Vice President Lindsey Brock and Comp. Ben DuBose on March 23, 2006, went before the Canaveral Port Authority Commissioner's Meeting to present and propose this project. They were well received and at that time the final approval for the erection of a historic marker, at Jetty Park in Port Canaveral, was given with their Resolution 2006-02 duly signed by the Chairman and presented to the Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution.

We propose to move toward a celebration in March 2007 with our goal to hold the 225<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration with all the bells and whistles March 2008. We will need the full support of our Florida Society and will make a monetary request for the marker, and all that will be needed, when cost can be determined.

I received a request from SRVP Brock to add the name of Mark Kilgore of Pensacola to our committee. We now have six members.

Having been chair of this committee now for three years it is very gratifying to now have a National Historic Celebration about to happen in our state. A very special "thank you" to all.

### FLSSAR Committee Report Honors Council

Chairman: Harry Hollien

Three Compatriots will be honored by election to the FLSSAR Honors Council at the April 2006 Awards Banquet. They are George Avant, Rollin (Bud) Bauchspies and Howard (Russ) Ford.

The committee will call for the 2007 nominations at the Summer 2006 BOM and receive/process them at the Fall BOM.

Respectfully submitted, Harry Hollien, PhD

# FLSSAR Committee Report Patriot Oversite

Chairman: George Lockhart

The Patriot Oversight Committee has nothing to report.

# FLSSAR Committee Report Patriot's Day Observance

Chairman: Hall Riediger

(The following is adapted by the secretary from an email sent March 8<sup>th</sup> to the President. It is presented to give some clarity as to the purposes of this committee.)

The goal of this Ad Hoc Committee is to have April 19th declared as Patriot's Day in the State of Florida.

The note will detail what has been done to this point and what I propose to do next. I have written a letter to Gayle Harrell, House rep. for St. Lucie County, Ken Pruitt State Senator for this district to sponsor the bill through the Florida Legislature and also a letter to Jeb Bush to support the legislation. I have heard from Jeb Bush or at least his Policy Coordinator on the Governor's position. He is in support of all veterans and others, who have made sacrifices for their country, etc. etc. I have not heard from Gayle Harrell or Ken Pruitt.

At the last meeting of our Chapter (joint meeting with the Halpatiokee Chapter of the DAR) I began the process of getting the DAR on line as well.

I have also contacted the County Commission for St. Lucie County and I believe at this time they are going to issue a proclamation declaring April 19th as Patriot's Day.

Further I am getting my annual letter out to the local newspaper telling the editorials about Patriot's Day and that is as far as I have gone as an individual. Now with the acceptance of the Chairmanship and the blessing of the FLSSAR I will proceed.

I plan to contact FlaTalk and all Florida members of SAR Talk an see if we can get them to write Gayle Harrell and Ken Pruitt and encourage their sponsorship and then to write their local representatives to support the effort. At the same time I will fill out the committee with anyone who would like to volunteer support for this effort.

# FLSSAR Committee Report Planning Board

Chairman:

This report was not available at the time of printing.

# **FLSSAR Committee Report Procedures Manual**

Chairman: Dick Fowler

The online Procedures Manual is one of the busiest places on the FLSSAR website. All members are asked to let the webmaster know whenever a change is needed.

Richard Fowler, Chairman, Procedures Manual Committee

# FLSSAR Committee Report Public Relations

Chairman: Ben DuBose

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MEMBERS: 1. Frank X. Hodalski (Saramana)

President Harry Hollien (ex officio)

**PARTICIPATION:** 

Meeting Attendance: No Meeting

Correspondence: Regular and Email between Ben DuBose and Frank Hodalski. Email between

Frank Hodalski and Don Blair of the Broadcast Club of Sarasota.

Telephone: Conversations with William R. Stevenson regarding historical accuracy and

proof reading scripts. Conversations with Frank Hodalski regarding progress of

producing the one-minute public service announcement project. Conversations between

Frank Hodalski and Don Blair regarding the project.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Frank Hodalski is a member of the Broadcast Club of Sarasota, a group of current and retired broadcast and media professionals living in the Sarasota/Manatee county area. Saramana Chapter and the Florida Society have a ten-year association with the Broadcast Club as both groups are active participants in the Manatee County History Fair. A presentation of the proposed spot announcement project was made at the January meeting of the club. The presentation was received and a number of members signed on to help in the production. After review and editing by Bill Stevenson, a complete set of 52 scripts were given to the president and program chairman of the Broadcast Club. After their review, it was pointed out that further editing would be necessary due to the length of the story-line portion of the scripts, which runs between 55 and 58 seconds, leaving little or no time for intro and tag. Revisions to the intro and tag portions have been suggested which will help to bring each segment in or under the one-minute limit with as little alteration of the script as possible. Any editing of scripts will likely be done by the broadcast pros on the spot in order to keep each presentation under the one-minute time limit

The project was discussed informally before and after the April meeting of the club. During the past two weeks, Mr. Don Blair, Broadcast Club program chairman, has put together a team of four broadcast professionals to do the recording, including himself. Thanks to Don, Clear Channel radio of Port Charlotte has offered studio time, and he is awaiting an answer from WSRQ in Sarasota. In any event, we will have a base from which to record professionally. Fife and drum corps selections will likely be used in the production.

If the project proceeds as planned, we will be able to take the pilot project forward in Florida on or before the 04July target date. In any event, a progress report on the project will be delivered to the NSSAR Strategic Planning and Patriotic Activities Committees at the Dallas Congress. If things go according to plan, we will soon achieve another timely and productive national outreach program to complement the History Fair initiative.

Report submitted by Frank Hodalski at the request of Chairman DuBose.

### FLSSAR Committee Report Endowment Trust Fund Review

Chairman: Sam W. Boone

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### Other Reports

### FLSSAR Committee Report Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements

Chairman: Ed Young

Sixteen approved applications that were only partially paid or not paid at all during 2005 remain in the committee's active file. \$1359.49 is owed to the chapters for these 16 applications. The chapters involved are St. Lucie River, Pensacola, Gainesville, Miami, Clearwater, Fort Lauderdale, Flagler and Palm Beach.

Four 2006 applications from Saramana, Central Florida and Naples Chapters have been processed, approved by the committee and await Executive Committee direction to be paid. An additional five 2006 applications from Clearwater, Withlacoochee and Tallahassee Chapters are currently being processed by the committee.

Proposed changes to the "Guidelines for Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements Authorized Reimbursements" have been prepared for presentation to The Executive Committee and The Board of Management for approval.

### FLSSAR Report Endowment Trust Fund Trustees

Chairman: I. Newell Kellogg

This report was not available at the time of printing.

# **FLSSAR Report Operating Budget Trust Fund Trustees**

Chairman: I. Newell Kellogg

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### FLSSAR Committee Report Trust Fund Development

Chairman: Jack Coleman

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### FLSSAR Report Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade

Commander: Ed Young

April 23, 2006

The period of this report is from 8 January 2006 through 28 April 2006. Twenty-five Guardsmen participated in the Presentation of the Colors at the FLSSAR Winter BOM in Lakeland Florida on 6 January 2006. Four Guardsmen marched as the Florida Brigade with SAR Color Guards from Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi at the Presentation of the Colors, grave marking and dedication of the grave of Revolutionary War Soldier Zoarth Spooner on 25 March 2006 at Faceville, Georgia. On 19 April, seven Guardsmen marched as the Florida Brigade with the State Color Guard from Georgia at the St. Simons Island, Georgia Patriots Day Celebration. Camps continue to provide colonial color guards at patriotic, veterans, fraternal and civic events. Francis Marion Camp #2 (Ocala) is temporarily inactive. The State Color Guard will parade, present and post the Colors at the 28 April 2006 Spring BOM Banquet and will parade and mass the Colors at the 29 April 2006 Annual Meeting Banquet. Individual camp 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 6 January, four Guardsmen participated with the State Color Guard at the Winter BOM. On 18 February, Guardsmen David Ramseur, Lindsey Brock and Specialist Robert Nichols Presented and Posted the Colors at a joint meeting with the Northeast Florida Regents Council, DAR with about 100 in attendance. Guardsmen Brock, Lockhart and Ramseur participated in a wreath laying and color guard activities at the St. Simons Island Georgia Patriots Day Celebration on 19 April. Members of the camp will participate with the Florida Brigade on 28-29 April at the FLSSAR Spring BOM/Annual Meeting.
- b. Francis Marion Camp #2. (Ocala) Ed Page III, Chapter President. Camp is inactive pending selection of a new Camp Commander. No report.
- c. Cape Canaveral Camp #3. (Brevard) Ben DuBose, Commander. On 6 January, three Guardsmen participated with the State Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Commander Ben Dubose presented a historical talk and recruited at the Abigal Wright Chamberlin Chapter, DAR on 16 January. Guardsmen Corman, Darby, Davenport, DuBose, Lane, Ryan and S. Williams, on 21 January, presented the newest chapter member, William Shapell, for his installation. On 11 February, Guardsmen Darby, Davenport, Dibble, DuBose, Ryan, F. Smith and S. Williams Presented the Colors at the Joint DAR/SAR George Washington Luncheon. Guardsmen Corman, Davenport, Dibble, DuBose, Ryan, F. Smith and S. Williams presented the newest chapter member, Compatriot John D. Williams, Jr. at the 18 March chapter meeting.
- d. Samuel Adams Camp #4. (Clearwater) Nelson Jantzen, Commander. On 6 January, three Guardsmen participated with the State Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Camp Commander Jantzen attended the Dunedin Review and Inspection at Gulf High School in New Port Richey.
- e. Yorktown Camp #5. (St. Lucie River) Doug North, Commander. On 6 January, one Guardsman participated with the State Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Two Guardsmen participated in the Color Guard at the Four Chaplains Service held at the St. Bernadette Catholic Church, led by the United Veterans of St. Lucie County on 5 February. On 4 March, two Guardsmen manned an information table at the Farmers Market in Ft. Pierce to answer questions about the SAR.
- f. Marquis de Lafayette Camp #6. (Gainsville) Harry Hollien, Commander. On 6 January, one Guardsman participated with the State Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Camp Commander Hollien, in either Alpha or Bravo uniforms, attended state meetings of the DAR and CAR, seven chapter meetings and the NSSAR Trustees' meeting. Two other Guardsmen mad presentations. The Brigade Quartermaster located and purchased a full Colonial uniform for \$85.00 which will be on display (but not for sale) at the Spring BOM.
- g. Nathan Hale Camp #7. (Pensacola) Ed Young, Commander. On 6 January, two Guardsmen participated with the State Color Guard at the Winter BOM. On 19 January, Guardsmen Bellamy, Jones, Kilgore and Young Presented the Colors at the Annual Meeting of the Pensacola Chapter, Military Officers Association of America. Guardsmen Brigade Commander Young, Bellamy, Jones and Kilgore, marching as the Florida Brigade, joined other SAR Guardsmen from Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi, Presented the Colors at the grave marking and dedication of the grave of Revolutionary War Soldier Zoarth Spooner in Faceville, Georgia on 25 March. Guardsmen Young,

Bellamy and Jones marched with the Florida Brigade on 19 April during wreath laying and Presentation of the Colors at the St. Simons Island Georgia Patriots Day Celebration.

- h. Nathanael Greene Camp #8. (Saramana) Gene Bradley, Commander. On 6 January, one Guardsman participated with the State Color Guard at the Winter BOM. Five Guardsmen Presented the Colors at the Venice Country Club on 25 February in celebration of George Washington's Birthday. On 4 March, four guardsmen Presented the Colors and maintained an SAR Information Booth at the Manatee County Heritage Fair, Four Guardsmen Presented the Colors at a meeting of the Military Officers Association of America on April 27, 2006 at the Bradenton Country Club.
- i. Thomas Paine Camp #9. (Miami) John Thomson, Commander. On 6 January, three Guardsmen participated with the State Color Guard at the Winter BOM. No report.
- j. Daniel Morgan Camp #10. (Central Florida) John Little, Commander. On 6 January, three Guardsmen participated with the State Color Guard at the Winter BOM. On 6 April, Guardsman Fred Gaines attended the SAR Leadership meting held in Louisville, KY. Guardsmen participated in the Florida Brigade Color Guard at the St. Simons Island Patriot Day Celebration. Guardsman Ron Hamilton marched with the Florida Brigade during wreath laying and color guard activities at the St. Simons Georgia Patriots Day Celebration.
- k. Thomas Jefferson Camp #11. (Withlacoochee) Richard Sumner, Commander. On 4 January, Guardsmen Commander Sumner, Vice Commander J. Pardee, Adjutant Townsend, Rawson and P. Pardee Posted the Colors at the chapter meeting honoring the Chapter Eagle Scout Contest winner. Guardsmen Sumner, J. Pardee, Rawson and P. Pardee manned a recruiting table at the Weeki Wachee Swamp Festival on 4 March. On 17 March Guardsmen Sumner, J. Pardee, Rawson, Townsend and P. Pardee marched in the Brooksville, FL St. Patrick's Day Parade, winning the \$50 Special Recognition Award.
- I. General Thomas Sumter Camp #12. (Lake Sumter) Bill Piper, Commander. On 22 February, Guardsmen Toop and Piper spoke about "Daniel Morgan" to a 5<sup>th</sup> Grade class. Four Guardsmen marched in the Eustis, FL George Washington Day Parade on 25 February. On 27 February, Guardsmen Toops and Piper presented American Flags for "Shoe Box" gifts to be sent to soldiers in Iraq.