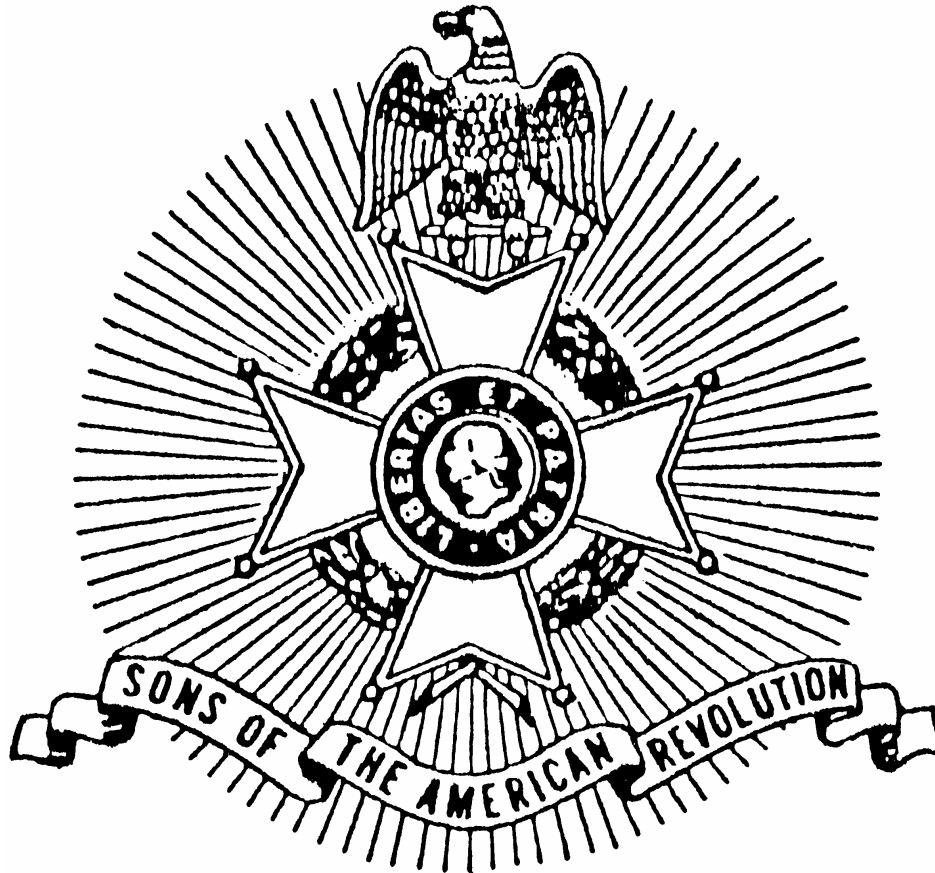


Quarterly Reports  
of  
The Florida Officers  
and Committee Chairmen



Spring Board of Management and Annual  
Meeting  
Sarasota, Florida  
April 29 – May 1, 2005

## **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**

**Agenda**

Call to order  
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Pledge of allegiance  
Pledge to the SAR  
The American Creed  
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Introduction of first time attendees  
Certification of a quorum  
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Reports of NSSAR Committee Chairmen  
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# FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

## National Trustee

Lauren R. Bradley

Reported by Alt. Trustee Frank X. Hodalski

Spring Trustee Meeting: Louisville, KY – 10-13March2005

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

Executive Committee: 10March

Genealogy Committee: 11March

Patriotic Education Committee: 11March

Council of Vice Presidents General (invited): 11March

Bylaw Committee: 11March

Strategic Planning Committee: 11March

Trustee meeting: 12March

Executive Committee: 13March

Vice President General Ranking: Per the direction of the FLSSAR Board of Management, amendments to the NSSAR constitution and bylaws relating to the ranking of the Vice Presidents General were presented and defended before Chairman Edward Cailleteau and two members of the NSSAR bylaw committee. Prior to the bylaw hearing, the FLSSAR amendments were officially endorsed by the Council of Vice Presidents General. Members of the FLSSAR delegation, VPG Ron Hamilton and Council of Vice Presidents General Coordinator, VPG Hockensmith, attended the hearing. The Florida Society was allowed 12 minutes to present its case and put on the clock by Chairman Cailleteau. After our presentation, VPG Hockensmith informed the committee of the Council of VPG endorsement, and spoke in support of the FLSSAR proposals.

The next day, a two page summary of the Florida Society position was given to all those attending the Trustee meeting. As expected, the FLSSAR constitution and bylaw amendments were reported out of the Bylaw Committee with an UNFAVORABLE recommendation. However, after reading the FLSSAR position paper and hearing presentations from FLSSAR and the Council of VPGs, the trustees voted to overrule the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee and send the FLSSAR proposals on to the 2005 Congress.

President General Carl Hoffman will report on the additional FLSSAR bylaw proposals.

JROTC Funding: The JROTC youth program suffered a major setback to its fundraising efforts when a proposal, which would have allowed contributors to the George Washington Endowment Fund to earmark donations to a specific fund such as JROTC, was voted down by the fellowship. At the same time, the JROTC committee was informed that no funds would be forthcoming from the GWEF to defray postage of JROTC medals to Department of Defense schools overseas. Currently, there are sufficient funds in the JROTC account to fund the 2005 awards. JROTC remains on the books as an unfunded mandate, and will continue to pose an annual problem until the corpus of a JROTC endowment trust is viable enough to support the financial needs of the program,

Supporters of a strong JROTC program view the actions of the GWEF as highly inflammatory and not in the best interests of the national society. The next day, representatives of the Eagle Scout program appeared before the executive committee and were given permission for an independent fund-raising program. Perhaps supporters of the JROTC might consider a similar approach.

History Fair: See History Fair Committee report.

Respectfully,

Frank X. Hodalski

# FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

## President

Harold (Hal) F. Miller Jr.  
22 April 2005

### Activities for this past quarter:

On March 11-12, 2005, I attended the Spring Trustee Meeting along with eight other Florida Delegates. Checking out the Meeting Directory, I noted that only California and Texas had larger delegations, with Pennsylvania tying us with nine in attendance. Our thanks go out to Lindsey Brock, Phillip Carr, Richard Friberg, Ron Hamilton, Frank Hodalski, Carl Hoffman, William Stevenson, and Bob Burt. Special thanks also to Trudy Burt, Jane Hamilton, and Patricia Hoffmann for joining their husbands. In addition to the Finance, Investment, History, ROTC, Council of State Presidents, Committee Meetings, I sat in on the Bylaws Committee meeting to see how our three amendments would make out in committee. After receiving an unfavorable recommendation in committee, our effort to reverse this and reposition the VPG's behind the PG was successful on the floor thanks to great efforts by Frank Hodalski, Alternate Trustee, Rev. David A. Hockensmith, Chairman of the VPG Committee, and Former PG Carl Hoffmann's history lesson about returning to the way it was originally. Please refer to Frank Hodalski's Report for more specific details.

On April 1, 2005, Frank and Barbara Hodalski joined me for an early morning trip to the Dunedin High School to participate as judges of exhibits for the 8th Annual Pinellas County History Fair. The National History Day theme for 2005 is "Communication in History: The Key to Understanding". The ten page booklet revealed that over 22 organizations and many other private individuals sent at least 57 judges to the History Fair. The three of us, who got on board too late to be listed, made it at least 60. The Florida Council for the Social Studies, and the Dunedin Rotary Club were sponsors for the event. There were Junior and Senior Projects, Individual and Group exhibits with the following seven schools participating: Dunedin High, Largo High, Tarpon High, Southside Fundamental, Shorecrest Prep High, Shorecrest Prep Middle, and Dixie Hollins High. Gene Brown and Grant Wallin recently advised us that the Social Studies Supervisor wants 500 of our "America's Heritage" CDs by early July as he plans on implementing the program in the 2005-6 school year.

On January 10, 2005, the Southgate post office in Sarasota, Florida, was renamed for the late Brig. Gen. John "Jack" McLain at a Dedication Ceremony behind the post office. General McLain, a former member of the Saramana Chapter SAR, died in September of 2003. During his four years with us, he had helped bring many color guard events to our attention. Having served 37 years of active duty which included World War II and the Korean War, he became a brigadier general in 1972. His wife Pat gave a heart warming talk in which she mentioned his membership in the SAR. Congresswoman Katherine Harris, who sponsored the bill naming the post office in his honor, also spoke. Four or five SAR members were in attendance, some in uniforms.

On January 18, 2005, I was happy to install the officers of the Palm Beach Chapter at the Sailfish Club. The members eat very well there, so did Pru-Ann and I. Being the only one in Alpha uniform, I stirred up some interest in uniforms.

On January 27, 2005, the Saramana Chapter participated again in the Annual 2005 Sarasota Middle School History Fair. With the preliminary judging already internally completed, the final judging duties took place on January 27, 2005, at the Sarasota Middle School History Fair. Again members of the Saramana Chapter SAR and the Sara De Soto Chapter DAR were given the opportunity to judge the "best of the best". Six SAR's, two DAR's, and one former history teacher judged these 34 projects which had been selected internally from a total of 360 entries. The true measure of the Fair's success was that 100% of the students of the six, seventh and eighth grade classes participated. The purpose and goal of the judging, as established by the National History Day program, "is to provide young people with a high-quality, educational experience-whether or not they win a prize." Feedback from the judges is important to the contestants, win or lose. Their comments will help winners revise their entries for advancement to the next round of competition. That evening the awards ceremony took place with students, teachers, and parents filling the school's Media Center. The overall individual competition winner was Courtney Colgan. Her "Best Overall" project was "Unbreakable; Navajo Code Talkers" for which she was presented an American Eagle plaque. Second place went to Alex Holland for "Ancient Roman Communication: Veni, Vidi, Vici", third place to Madison Flatt for "Windows of Communication: Artistic Expression of Alzheimer's Patients" and Honorable Mention (fourth place) to Ben Walbrow for "The Apostle Paul: A missionary to The Corinthians".

Most important to the Fair's success were the efforts of David Schimek, Social Studies Department, SMS History Fair Coordinator, Doug Holmes, teacher, and the school principal, Page Dettmann. The first, second, and third place winners advanced to the Sarasota County History Fair, which took place on February 25 & 26 at the county school board headquarters, located at 1960 Landings Blvd. Those judging were 15 Saramana SARs along with 6 DARs. The Sarasota Middle School "best overall" project came in second. I finally met the Sarasota History Fair Coordinator, Bernadette Bennett, who has asked for 100 American Heritage CDs, having responded to a recent letter from Saramana Member VP John A. Williams, Jr.

On February 11-12, 2005, representing the Florida Society, I laid a wreath at the 226<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Battle of Kettle Creek in Washington, Wilkes County, Georgia. The Georgia Society and the National Society of the SAR with the support of the Kettle Creek Chapter of the DAR and the Samuel Elbert SAR Chapter, Elberton, GA. Who sponsored the event. Also present were VPG Ron Hamilton and wife Jane, RVP Lindsey Brock, and my wife, Pru-Ann. Over 60 wreaths were laid before a very large crowd.

On February 15, 2005, at the monthly luncheon of the Lawrence Kearny Chapter, NSDAR in Cape Coral, Florida, I delivered a speech on "John Adams Deserves More" in alpha uniform before their membership.

On February 16-17, 2005, the Colonial Dames 17<sup>th</sup> Century Society held their State Conference at the Ramada Hotel Plaza Gateway, Kissimmee, FL. I attended with Pru-Ann, wore my alpha uniform to the Banquet, and was introduced by State President Nancy Watkins to bring greetings from FLSSAR..

On February 18, 2005, Pru-Ann and I attended the George Washington Luncheon held at the Selva Marina Country Club in Atlantic Beach. I extended greetings on behalf of the Florida Society to the nine DAR chapters that make up the Regents Council of Northeast Florida.

On March 5, 2005, I attended a dinner commemorating the 32nd Anniversary of the Naples Chapter, at the invitation of Jim Applegate, President. On behalf of the FLSSAR, I brought greetings and gave a short message about our History Fair Program.

On March 19, 2005, Pru-Ann and I attended the F.S.C.A.R. Annual Conference held at the Belleview Biltmore Hotel in Clearwater. I took the opportunity to present F.S.C.A.R. President Barry Marler with our Bronze C.A.R.-SAR Medal of Appreciation and a Certificate. FLSSAR also presented him with a \$1000.00 contribution to F.S.C.A.R. Lois Ann Swan, Senior State President of the F.S.C.A.R., received from our Society the SAR Medal of Appreciation and a Certificate. She has another year to serve in this office. We noted that they were well organized, dedicated, and know how to have a good time.

On March 29, 2005, I had the opportunity to give a "State of the State" message to the Major John Devane Chapter at their new feeding hole, "Buddy Freddie's" (I-4 exit 19) which is a favorite restaurant of mine. Good food, buffet style, all you can eat. Not a large chapter, but a quality one, one that showers their guests with strawberries, their county's largest export in the Spring..

On April 8-10, I joined my wife at the Annual DAR State Conference held at the Florida Mall Hotel in Orlando. I brought greetings from the FLSSAR

On April 19, 2000, we were invited by the Marshes of Glynn Chapter, GASSAR, and the Brunswick Chapter and the Fort Frederica Chapter NSDAR to participate at 10:00 AM at the Christ Church, Frederica Cemetery, St. Simons Island, Georgia, in the Dedication of Markers commemorating the service of four Revolutionary War Soldiers. Our Florida Society SAR and our Jacksonville Chapter SAR participated in the presentation of wreaths at the grave sites. After a luncheon at the Church, the April 19<sup>th</sup> Patriots Day Celebration Activities continued at 2:00 PM with the Historical Marker Dedication Ceremony. The combined Colors Guards of both Georgia and Florida were impressive in size. Our thanks to the 15 uniformed compatriots from Florida.

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

### **Senior Vice President**

Harry F. Hollien

The primary focus of the undersigned was on the Endowment Trust Fund problems, the distribution of the American (History) Heritage CD's throughout Florida and the expansion of the FLSSAR membership. These major efforts will be listed in turn.

1. Endowment Trust Fund. Most of the committee work here was carried on electronically. However, one meeting was scheduled/attended in February (Lakeland). The report (primarily authored by Compatriot Bauchspies) has been submitted.

2. Distribution of American History Teaching Aids. Over 2000 CD's are now in the FLSSAR distribution system (see Education Committee report). In my estimation, this project is 25-30% complete.

3. A recruiting program for FLSSAR. 1) Successes include expansion of the number of chapter Color Guards; 2) partial successes: the initiation of a FLSSAR Speakers Bureau; 3) failures: raising FLSSAR visibility.

Other activities have been as follows:

4. Visits to three chapters.

5. Continuing the Sons of Liberty Brigade program of purchasing and selling uniform items to chapter Color Guards.

6. Participation in the GSSAR dedication on St. Simon Island, GA in April.

7. Recruiting carried out at several veterans' groups (MCL, Legion, SCV, etc). This activity was a spin-off from other reasons to meet with them.

Respectfully submitted,

Harry Hollien, PhD



## **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

### **Northwestern Regional Vice President**

Northwestern Region Edward D. Young, Vice President

Date: April 17, 2005

Report and Recommendations:

#### ACTIVITIES THIS PAST QUARTER:

- Attended all meetings of the Pensacola Chapter.
- January 3-16: Attended FLSSAR Winter BOM.
- January 27: Worked on genealogy with prospective member.
- February 5: Participated at chapter recruiting table at Pensacola Genealogy Society Annual Meeting.
- February 8: Attended funeral service for Compatriot James C. Roth, Sr.
- February 12: Installed new officers at the Emerald Coast Chapter.
- February 17: Attended funeral service for Past Chapter President and Northwest Regional Vice President James "Ed" Lake.
- February 19: Participated with the Alabama Society Color Guard at the ALSSAR Annual Meeting.
- February 22: Judged at the Escambia County History Fair.
- February 23: Judged at the Santa Rosa County History Fair.
- March 9: Presented SAR ROTC Medal at Univ. of West Florida Army ROTC Awards Ceremony.

#### EMERALD COAST CHAPTER:

The chapter continues to meet monthly on the second Saturday at 8:00 A.M. at the L&J Café in the Sun Plaza Shopping Center in Mary Esther. The chapter sponsored Jillian Cahoon, Past Junior State President, FLCAR to attend a week-long Washington Workshops seminar in Washington, D.C. New officers were elected and then installed by the N.W. Regional V.P. All arrangements have been made for presentation of ROTC and JROTC awards to all units in Okaloosa County. American Heritage CD's have been presented to all public schools in Okaloosa County. Efforts are now underway to supply additional CD's to 350 families who home-school their children. In the near future, CD's will be delivered to schools in surrounding counties.

#### PANAMA CITY CHAPTER:

The chapter continues to hold monthly meetings. We have gained a few new members. We are working on ROTC medals and also on law enforcement and public service medals. We have installed new officers who are listed in the current issue of "The Florida Patriot".

#### PENSACOLA CHAPTER:

The chapter continues to meet monthly. All arrangements have been completed for the presentations of JROTC and ROTC medals in Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties. We presented an ROTC medal at Univ. of West Florida, Army Awards Ceremony. We inducted two new members; Eugene R. Stroh and Charles R. Weeks. We operated a recruiting table at the Pensacola Genealogy Society Annual Meeting. Wesley Odom was appointed the SAR Representative to the San Bernardo Society, CAR with duties as corresponding secretary and chaplain. The chapter selected Melissa Stubbs of Baker, Florida as the Chapter Outstanding ROTC Cadet. Fund raising is underway for the purchase of a gravestone marker in St. Johns Cemetery (Pensacola) for Mary Lewis Willis, the granddaughter of Betty Washington, George Washington's sister. The chapter Color Guard has been invited to lead the Veterans Memorial Day Presentation at Barrancas National Cemetery in Pensacola. The chapter Knight Essay Contest winner is participating at the FLSSAR level.

#### TALLAHASSEE CHAPTER:

The chapter held their George Washington Birthday celebration meeting on Tuesday, February 22, at the Silver Slipper Restaurant. Dr. Calvin Curry, one of our members, was the speaker. He talked on "George Washington and the Whiskey Rebellion". Members from the Carolina Brevard and Fort San Luis chapters of the DAR also attended the meeting. We have added four members to our chapter. The applications for Michael Vickers and Kevin Vislocky were approved in January plus Lance Barnard and Gregory Scott who transferred their membership to our chapter. We are saddened by the passing of former chapter president and Northwest Regional Vice President Glenn Youngman on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Former chapter vice president Floyd Jaggears passed away on April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

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

North Central Region Sam Boone, Vice President

This report was not available at the time of printing.

# **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

## **Northeastern Regional Vice President**

Northeastern Region Lindsey Brock, Vice President

Date: 24 April 2005

Since this is our Annual Spring BOM Meeting, this report will summarize and highlight some of the activities of each chapter in the Northeast Florida Region. This report covers the period from May 2004 through April 2005. I am pleased to report that each chapter in the region submitted their respective "Chapter Challenge Report" to FLSSAR's Chairman, Compatriot Norman Crews, on or before the due date of 10 March 2005 and all five chapters distributed copies of NSSAR's America's Heritage CD's to schools in their area. It was my honor and privilege to conduct the installation ceremony for the newly elected officers of the Deland, Flagler and the St. Augustine Chapter's during the past year.

### **Daytona-Ormond Chapter**

My first visit to the Daytona-Ormond Chapter was on 20 May 2004, which coinciding with Compatriot Tom McNally beginning his first term as president of the chapter. My next visit to this chapter was on 11 August 2005, along with three members of the Jacksonville Chapter's Color Guard. At the 11 August 2004 meeting, which held at the flag pole of Atlantic High School, the Daytona-Ormond Chapter presented a check to the principals of Atlantic High and Osceola Elementary schools to purchase United States Flags for the 141 classrooms in both schools. Effective 1 August 2005 all public schools must display a United States Flag in each classroom to comply with Florida legislation, which is unfunded, and mandates that the flag must be at minimum two feet by three feet in size. The generosity of the Daytona-Ormond was reported in the local media, which resulted in other organizations taking part in the initiative to furnish U. S. Flags to the public schools in Volusia County. Several DAR Chapters in Volusia County and other organizations emulated the generosity of the Daytona-Ormond Chapter and also provided U. S. Flags to other schools in Volusia County. Additionally, other FLSSAR chapters have also furnished U. S. Flags to schools in their respective counties. I had the opportunity to visit this chapter again on 18 November 2005 and hear Compatriot Tom McNally's speech which was entitled "Surviving Post Traumatic Storm Disorder". His speech was very timely since Florida had just experienced four hurricanes that impacted virtually every Florida County in 2004.

### **Deland Chapter**

At the 14 June 2004 meeting of the Deland Chapter I was given the honor of inducting the chapter's newest member, Compatriot William Ralph Morgan, Jr. And on 20 September 2004 my wife, Billie, and I attended the Deland Chapter's annual Constitution Week Banquet. There were over sixty in attendance at that meeting and Compatriot Vann Rhodes, the president at that time, presented the SAR Silver Good Citizenship Award to David Finkle, who was the 2004 Teacher of the Year for Volusia County. On 13 December 2004 I had the honor of conducting the installation ceremony for the newly elected officers of the Deland Chapter. Under the leadership of Compatriot Keith Haygood, the chapter distributed over one-hundred copies of the "America's Heritage" CD's to the schools in the western area of Volusia County. Mr. Jason Caros, Social Studies Director for the Volusia County School System, was the guest speaker at the Deland Chapter in February 2005 and he had very positive comments relative to the "America's Heritage" CD's and contends that the data in the CD's aligns with his philosophy relating to how U. S. History should be taught in our public schools.

### **Flagler Chapter**

Compatriot Robert E. Scott a member of the Flagler Chapter passed away on 12 December 2003 and was entombed at the Oakbrook Memorial Park in Greenwood, SC. On 24 August 2004 Compatriot Scott's daughter, Linda Sponenburgh had her father's mausoleum marked with a SAR bronze NSSAR marker. Linda is a member of the Old King's Highway Chapter of FSSDAR and she has over the years contributed immensely to the activities of the FLSSAR Flagler Chapter. At the 21 September 2004 meeting of the Flagler Chapter I was given the honor of inducting the chapter's newest member, Compatriot William Story Creager and since that time Bill Creager has contributed immensely to the Flagler Chapter. In fact, he is currently treasurer of the chapter. On 4 December 2004 the Flagler Chapter and the FSSDAR Old Kings Highway Chapter held a joint Christmas Luncheon at the Halifax Plantation Club and I was given the privilege of being their guest speaker for that occasion. Effective January 2005, the Flagler Chapter began posting their monthly newsletter to FLSSAR's web site.

### **Jacksonville Chapter**

On 15 May 2004 the chapter conducted its first ever "Liberty Tree Ceremony" at the Jacksonville Zoological Gardens. The Liberty Tree was planted near the Jacksonville Zoo's newest exhibit, "The Range of the Jaguars" which attracts over 500,000 visitors annually. The chapter had Jacksonville's Mayor, John Peyton, issue a Proclamation on 31 May 2004 to commemorate those who died in defense of America's freedom during World War II. On Sunday 30 May 2004 six members of the chapter's color guard presented and posted the U. S. and Christian Flags at the Sunday morning service of the First Baptist Church in Jacksonville, FL. The service was attended by over 7,000 individuals and was televised on one of the area's most popular local TV stations. On 12 June 2004 the chapter was represented at the flag pole dedication ceremony held at the Jacksonville Veterans Memorial Arena along with members of the Northeast Florida Veterans Council and the American Legion. On 4 July 2004, four members of the chapter's color guard participated in a "Massing of the Colors" at the sea walk pavilion in Jacksonville Beach. The chapter held its second annual Flag Retirement Ceremony at the home of President David Ramseur on 21 August 2004 and on 11 September 2004 the Jacksonville Chapter and the DAR Regents Council of Northeast Florida jointly celebrated Constitution Week at the Selba Marina Country Club. The chapter participated in the annual Jacksonville Veterans Day Parade on 11 November 2004; and on 14 November 2004 the chapter participated in the pre-game ceremonies, which paid tribute to our veterans, at the Jacksonville Jaguar's NFL game versus the Detroit Lions. The St. Augustine Chapter and the Jacksonville Chapter jointly participated in an SAR grave marking ceremony for Rear Admiral James H. Lipscomb II at the Evergreen Cemetery in Jacksonville, FL on 28 January 2005. On 3 February 2005 three members of the chapter's color guard attended a ceremony at the Veterans Memorial Wall to honor Corporal James E. Wright, USMC, Petty Officer Jose Ramos, USN and Specialist Danielle Green, USA. All three of these military personnel lost one or more limbs while fighting the war on terrorism in Afghanistan and Iraq. This ceremony was part of the Super Bowl 2005 activities. Mayor John Peyton presented Keys to the City of Jacksonville to the three military personnel. The chapter also placed a wreath at Jacksonville's Veterans Memorial Wall during Super Bowl Week 2005. On 17 February 2005 the chapter celebrated George Washington's birthday jointly with the Jacksonville Chapter, Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge. Five members of the Jacksonville Chapter participated with nine other members of the Florida Society's Florida Brigade at the Georgia Society's commemorative ceremony held at St. Simons Island GA on 19 April 2005. The Georgia Society's ceremony was conducted to commemorate four Revolutionary War Soldiers; Cyrus Dart, Robert Grant, William Page and Samuel Wright, who participated in the Frederica Naval Action of 19 April 1778. A Historical Marker was dedicated and wreaths were laid in memory of the four Revolutionary War Soldiers. Lastly, on 20 April 2005 the chapter presented Andrew Jackson High School sufficient funds to purchase seventy United States Flags to comport with legislation which mandates that all public schools in Florida must display a U. S. Flag that is at minimum two feet by three feet in size.

### **St. Augustine Chapter**

On 25 May 2004, at the request of President Norman Antle, the St. Johns Board of County Commissioners issued a Proclamation designating 31 May 2004 as Memorial Day and the Proclamation mentioned the World War II Memorial Monument that was dedicated in Washington, DC on 29 May 2004. On 10 June 2004 Anchorman, Compatriot John Tinny announced on PBS Radio Station WJCT in Jacksonville, FL that the St. Augustine Chapter participated in the Massing of the Colors at the St. Augustine National Cemetery on Memorial Day 2004; and on that same day Mayor George Gardner of St. Augustine read a Proclamation proclaiming 31 May 2004 as a special day of remembrance of World War II veterans. Michael T. Isam, Commander, Disabled American Veterans was the guest speaker at the chapter's 18 September 2004 meeting. At that meeting I mentioned the funding needed to purchase U. S. Flags for Florida's public schools. Shortly thereafter, Commander Isam launched his campaign to raise funds to purchase United States Flags for the classrooms in the St. Johns County Schools. Mr. Isam's fund raising effort garnered over \$4,000.00 and the funds were presented to the Superintendent of the St. Johns Schools in April 2005. The St. Augustine Chapter installed its new officers on 20 November 2004 and I was given the privilege of conducting the installation ceremony. As mentioned previously, the St. Augustine Chapter and the Jacksonville Chapter jointly participated in an SAR grave marking ceremony for Rear Admiral James H. Lipscomb II at the Evergreen Cemetery in Jacksonville, FL on 28 January 2005.

### **Other Activities of the Northeast Regional Vice President**

January through April 2005

14-15 January attended the FLSSAR's Winter BOM meeting in Lakeland, FL.

15-16 January attended the Florida Society C. A. R. State Projects seminar in St. Petersburg, FL.

20 January, 24 February and 24 March attended the monthly Naturalization Ceremony at the Federal Courthouse in downtown Jacksonville.

24 January, 28 February, 28 March attended the Northeast Florida Veterans Council's monthly meetings.

25 January attended the Duval County Social Studies Book Selection Committee at the Shultz Center in Jacksonville, FL.

11-12 February attended the Battle of Kettle Creek Ceremony in Washington, GA.

19 February attend the DAR Northeast Florida Regents Council's celebration of George Washington's birthday. President Harold "Hal" Miller brought greetings from the FLSSAR.

5 March participated as a judge at the Duval County History Fair which was held at Jacksonville University.

10-12 March attended the NSSAR's Trustees meeting in Louisville, KY.

18-20 March attended the Florida Society C. A. R. 74th Annual State Conference in Clearwater, FL.

1-3 April attended the Princess Malee Society C. A. R's outing at Florida's O'Leno State Park/Ichnetuckee State Park.

7-10 April attended the Florida Society DAR State Conference in Orlando, FL

18-19 April attended the GASSAR's dedication and wreath laying to commemorate the Frederica Naval Action of 19 April 1778.

22 April presented Air Force JRROTC Cadet Cordario Lee of Andrew Jacksonville High School with the NSSAR Bronze ROTC medal and certificate.

## **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

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

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

April 17, 2005

#### **Brevard Chapter:**

Feb. 19th - Five members of the Color Guard presented the Colors at the joint DAR/SAR Annual George Washington Luncheon.

Feb. 20th - Three members of the Color Guard participated in a Memorial Service for past Compatriot Lee Livingston.

April 3rd - 5 Members of the Color Guard participated in the Cape Canaveral Chapter of the DAR dedication of a monument to ALL WOMEN VETERANS OF ALL US WARS at the Brevard Veterans Memorial Park in Merritt Island.

April 5th - One member of the Color Guard, in uniform, gave a historical talk at the Cape Canaveral Chapter DAR luncheon & did recruiting afterwards.

April 5th - One member of the Color Guard, in uniform, gave a historical talk at the North Brevard Genealogy Society in the evening & did recruiting afterward.

6 ROTC Awards given out throughout Brevard County in April, most by members of the Color Guard.

April 26 - One member of the Color Guard, in uniform, gave a historical talk at the Philip Perry Chapter DAR & did recruiting afterwards.

One Compatriot spent 40 volunteer hours at a VA Hospital during this quarter.

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

The Central Florida Chapter has contacted 25 ROTC units in the Central Florida area and will be presenting ROTC Medals to cadets at each of the schools again this year.

February 21, 2005, two color guard members, John Little and Bob Murray, in Bravo uniforms and Bob's Wife Anne Murray along with members of the John Call DAR chapter in Celebration, FL presented an American flag that had flown over the U.S. Capital to the School of performing Arts in Kissimmee, FL.

March 13, 2005, 4 color guard members, John Little, Norm Myers, Fred MacLean and Bob Murray, presented the colors during a joint Liberty Tree dedication in St. Cloud, FL. The Central Florida Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Joshua Stevens DAR Chapter dedicated a Liberty Tree to all veterans. Members of the Central Florida Chapter Color Guard presented the colors during the dedication ceremony.

One color guard member, Ron Hamilton, in uniform presented the National Wreath during the Cowpens ceremony on January 15, 2005. Ron, also, presented a wreath during the Dan Morgan ceremony in Spartanburg, SC on January 15, 2005.

Color guard member in uniform, Ron Hamilton, presented the South Atlantic District wreath during the Kettle Creek ceremonies on February 12, 2005.

The Central Florida Chapter's color guard will have 2 members, Ron Hamilton and Fred Gaines, in uniform attending the St. Simmons Island Ceremonies on April 19, 2005.

Chapter members have distributed 120 of the American Heritage CD's to school teachers and school officials in Central Florida. Many members have requested additional CD's to distribute.

Central Florida Chapter has organized and started a fund raising drive to increase our J Lester Williams Endowment Fund. Compatriot Norm Myers has done an excellent job putting together the Chapter's Endowment project, issuing and mailing brochures and pledge cards to chapter members. We have received two pledges of \$500 a year for 3 years, a cash gift of \$100, another cash gift of \$50 and 6 donations of \$60 to pay for the printing and mailing of the programs brochures and pledge cards.

#### **Treasure Coast**

No report.

#### **St. Lucie River**

COLLECTION OF DUES: Only four members could not be persuaded to pay their dues.

January 9: Capt. Michel Howard {Ret} USN Seal was the guest speaker at our chapter meeting and told us about the Seal Museum in Fort Pierce. Captain Howard is the Director of the Seal Museum.

January 14: The St. Lucie River Chapter was the host chapter at the Winter Board of Management meeting in Lakeland. Six members and three WOSAR's attended and assisted in hosting the hospitality room, table decorations, and registration. They also prepared and printed the programs and three members were in the color guard.

February 6: Chapter members Doug North and Bud Casey, in uniform, represented the Chapter at The Four Chaplains Service at Temple Beth El Israel in St. Lucie West. Chapter Chaplain, Rick Diekmann portrayed one of the four chaplains.

February 12: A joint DAR/SAR Chapter meeting was held. Phillip Carr, past NSSAR Vice President, was our guest speaker and talked about Law Enforcement. Phil is a retired FBI officer. Nine compatriots/wives attended the Winter BOM meeting, and all were given a certificate of appreciation for their contributions to the meeting. The Regents of three DAR Chapters sat at the head table and Betty Gill, DAR Chaplain, gave the Benediction.

March 12: A chapter meeting was held at Johnny's Restaurant in Port St. Lucie. Two first place certificates with accompanying checks for \$100 each went to the winner of the Treasure Coast Chapter and one went to the winner of the St. Lucie River Chapter meetings. Both 1st place winners read their essays.

March 19: A recruitment table was set up at the Farmer's Market in Fort Pierce. Compatriots Hall Riediger, Jay Wise, and Dick Fowler manned the booth. They answered questions of prospective members and distributed literature describing SAR activities and procedures for joining the SAR.

March 19: Compatriot Doug North fell and broke his leg while making a presentation of an ROTC Certificate at Okeechobee High School.

April 9: Phillip Carr presented a Hero's medal to a civilian who saved the life of a lady when her car plunged into a pond. Regional Vice President Frederic F. Gaines and his wife, Ruth, attended the meeting. Fred addressed the Chapter with laudatory and encouraging words. Two Fort Pierce Police officers were scheduled to receive Hero's

awards, but they were unable to attend. They saved the life of a fellow police officer by pulling him from his burning patrol car. Chapter nominations for officers were voted on and all were approved. Induction will be at the May meeting with Dr. Harry Hollien officiating.

Six ROTC Medals and Certificates were presented.

Two Eagle Scout Certificates were presented.

## **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

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

West Central Region Nelson Jantzen, Vice President

I regret that circumstances have prevented me from updated my report since the last BOM. I will be meeting with all of my Chapters & have a full report for the next BOM.

## **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

### **Southeast Regional Vice President**

Southeast Region Saul M. Montes-Bradley, Vice President

Palm Beach, Ft. Lauderdale and Miami chapters continue to produce informative newsletters available on the FLSSAR website and are participating numerous programs, all reported under the corresponding committee headings.

Ft. Lauderdale reports that Compatriot Oscar Krahenbuehl, long one of its most active and devoted members, will be moving to West Palm Beach and, while WPB has not reported yet, it is not a stretch to imagine they will be waiting for him with open arms.

The Miami Chapter has returned to the Coral Gables Country Club for its monthly luncheons, and under the leadership of President Mitchell has announced an ambitious program of lectures. The chapter has confirmed participation in May at the Memorial Day ceremonies of North Miami Beach and Miami Springs; in June there will be presentations in Coral Gables; in July they will participate in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July ceremonies in Coral Gables, Key Biscayne and Homestead and posting of the colors at fraternal organizations; and in November they have confirmed participation at the Veteran's day ceremony in North Miami Beach, the Harvest Festival and the Miami International Book Fair.

West Palm Beach Chapter continues to meet at the Sailfish Club in West Palm Beach, and to develop a variety of programs. In March, the chapter honored Law Enforcement and Fire Department personnel in an impressive ceremony that will surely be reported in the next Patriot.

Miami and West Palm Beach chapters have submitted the Chapter Challenge forms and, while every effort was made to facilitate it, the Ft. Lauderdale chapter was unable to do so at the time of this report

After the annual meeting, I will be stepping down as Regional Vice President and devote more of my time to the Florida Patriot. It has been a pleasure serving in this capacity for these past few years, and would like to thank all the members in our chapters who have consistently made every effort to make me feel at home in my visits and who have kept me abreast of their activities. I wish my successor an equally pleasurable and edifying tenure.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Saul Montes-Bradley  
Regional Vice-President, SE  
20 April 2005

## **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

### **Southwest Regional Vice President**

Southwest Region Basil Lancaster, Vice President

**CALOOSA:** Carolyn Ford, Education Coordinator with Lee County Genealogic Society, described new tools and technology available LCGS and the Fort Myers - Lee County Library's Genealogy Collection. Members were reminded that the local SAR and DAR Chapters played a role in creating one of Florida's richest genealogy resources 30 years ago. Her presentation was aimed at both experienced researchers and novices. Carolyn is also describer to some of the new and exciting things that have been happening at LCGS, including the Genealogy Lab. The second speaker in the genealogical research series was Bryan Mulcahy, Reference Librarian with the Fort Myers - Lee County Library. His presentation was aimed at both the experienced genealogist and the newcomer to family history searching. The primary focus was on colonial and Revolutionary War sources, as well as 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century tools and techniques for verifying /proving generational links. Prospective SAR applicants were encouraged to attend our meetings. James Anderson [Colonel, USAF, ret.] was our featured speaker at our March Luncheon Meeting. Col Anderson talked about his experiences with the SR-77, "Blackbird," also known as the "Habu," "SR," and the "Lady in Black," among other nicknames. Conceived as a successor to the U-2, Lockheed was awarded a contract for the first 6 SR - 71's in 1962. It was developed as a long-range strategic reconnaissance aircraft capable of flying at Mach 3.2 at 85,000 feet. Powered by 2 Pratt & Whitney J-58 engines it could cruise 3,200 nautical miles without refueling. Test-flown in 1964, the "Blackbird" flew its' first operational mission in 1968 and was retired in 1990. The USAF kept a few in service until 1998 and NASA flew the SR-71 from 1991 until October, 1999. JROTC & Good Citizenship awards were made at our April 13<sup>th</sup> Luncheon Meeting.

**CHARLOTTE:** Compatriot Wilmer Lane Smith is one of the most dedicated members of the Charlotte Chapter. He is beginning his tenth year as Secretary, was Vice President for one year and Editor for three. In the twenty-eight year history of our Chapter only two compatriots served as officers more than Wilmer. Twelve members and guests attended the March meeting at Victoria Estates. The meeting was opened with a pledge to the Flag, pledge to the SAR and a prayer by Chaplain Leo LaFontaine. President Bradley Lines welcomed visitors from Binghamton, NY. Compatriot Nelson Chandler's anniversary was noted and Robert Pulfrey spoke about his Compatriot ancestor.

**NAPLES:** Treasurer Phil Ballou proudly announced that the coffers of the Naples Chapter have grown to over \$4,000 due to the grand efforts of Past President Paul Young and his crew of election poll workers who worked the last three years elections here in Collier County. At our February meeting we recognized the Boy Scouts of America. Our recognition celebrated the positive influence the Boy Scouts of America have had on American young men for many years, teaching them the values of honesty, of faith and of patriotism. Guest speaker Florida State Representative Mike Davis. Representative Davis is currently the Majority Whip in the Florida House of Representatives. He exclaimed his admiration for our society which related to "the very beginning of community service." Representative Davis discussed his involvement with growth management and transportation in the state and how these issues relate to Southwestern Florida. He also discussed new ballot issues for 2006 before taking questions from the Chapter. Chapter Vice President Don Cahill introduced Steve Martin and his son Cody Martin who is a new Eagle Scout and returning to us after giving an oration on Boy Scouts five years ago. Cody is now about to turn 18 years old and a Junior Assistant Scoutmaster for troop 165 and soon attending the National Jamboree as Assistant Scoutmaster. Cody gave a very nice history and bio on his activities in scouting and what the Boy Scouts have meant to him.

**SARAMANA:** Chairman Peter Douglas and his Committee arranged an outstanding George Washington Birthday - 52 Anniversary Luncheon. Attendance remained about the same as the prior two years at 124 and both SAR and DAR chapters were well represented. Our Color Guard continues to perform in an outstanding manner under the able leadership of Commander Murray Wheeler and Deputy Commander Gene Bradley. After serving as Captain of the Color Guard for over 17 years Teddy Huss has notified us that he will terminate his active service at the end of 2005. The Sarasota Middle School History Fair was held on January 27<sup>th</sup> at the school and, for the second year Saramana Chapter was asked to judge the "best of the best." An outstanding display of Patriotism was demonstrated at the flag lowering ceremony held at the home of Captain Ralph Styles USN [Ret.] on the evening of January 27<sup>th</sup> with the cooperation of "mother nature" in providing an absolutely flawless sunset and a large gathering of interested spectators. There were well over 50 spectators and all were very impressed at the outpouring of Patriotism surrounding the event. Thanks to Compatriot Frank Hodalski for presenting two Flag Awards at the January Luncheon meeting. Those honored were Captain Ralph Styles and Palmer Ranch [7 flags at entrances] represented by Rick Barth and Susan Ambrecht. Also, thanks to Gene Bradley for his efforts on behalf of the Eagle Scout Program. His recipient this year was Erik Wolfe whose parents attended the luncheon.

The March 11 Luncheon honored members of the seven largest fire and safety departments in Sarasota and Manatee Counties. The speaker for this luncheon was Chief William Taaffe of the North Port Fire Department. Chief Taaffe gave a most interesting and informative talk on the many unusual and unique talents required to fight wild fires.

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

### **Secretary**

Kevin Yarnell  
Secretary, FLSSAR

I continue to work through the day to day membership issues. In addition I continue to make progress in researching and entering past members and information into our database. As of this writing, the next state number to be assigned will be 8623 yet only 2191 members are in the database. This means that only 25% of our historical membership can be accessed electronically. I've taken on this additional task voluntarily for fear that without the effort some of our society's history will be lost. A proposal involving this project is included in the Archive committee report.

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

### **Registrar**

William R. Stevenson

During the membership year 2004 (April 1, 2004 – March 31, 2005) the Florida Society submitted applications to the National Society SAR as follows:

#### **New Membership Applications:**

New membership applications received: 100  
New youth membership applications received: 7  
Brought forward from previous year: 88  
Total: 195

Status of these 195 as of March 31, 2005

- Approved by NSSAR: 83
- Approved for youth membership: 2
- Withdrew: 1
- Pending at NSSAR: 104
- Pending youth membership: 5

#### **Supplemental Applications:**

New supplemental applications submitted: 60  
Brought forward from previous year: 113  
Total: 173

Status of these 173 as of March 31, 2005

- Approved by NSSAR: 88
- Pending at NSSAR: 85



Registrar's Report Continued

Report for the end of the 4th Quarter, April 11, 2005

Chapter	Membership Applications								Supplemental Applications						Remarks
	Received	Carry over from last report	Approval NSSAR			Returned to Chapter			Received	Carry over from last report	Approval NSSAR		Returned to chapter		
			Pending	Received		State	NSSAR				Pending	Received	State	NSSAR	
Brevard	3	2		5						3	3				
Caloosa	1	2		3											
Central Florida	6	2		8					2	9	5	6			
Charlotte										4	3	1			
Clearwater	3	3		6						3	3				
Daytona-Ormond		4		4											
Deland	2	2		4						1	1				
Devane		1			1										
Emerald Coast		1		1						2		2			
Flagler	1			1						4	4				
Ft Lauderdale	1	5		5	1					17	1	16			
Gainesville		2		2						6	2	4			
Jacksonville	1	7		8						2	2				1 youth member
Lakeland	2	4		6						4	4				
Lake/Sumter	2	2		4					2	3	4	1			
Miami		4		4					1	4	2	3			
Naples	1			1					1	7	6	2			
Ocala	1	2		3						2	2				
Palm Beach	3	8		11					2	1	3				
Panama City										5	4	1			
Pensacola	2	3		3	2					7	6	1			
Saramana	5	5		9	1					19	18	1			4 youth members
St Augustine	1	5		6											
St Lucie Rtver		1		1						5	3				
St Petersburg		6		4	2					3	3				
Tallahassee		1		1											
Tampa		4		2	2				1	3	3	1			
Treasure Coast	1	3		3	1					1	1				
Withlacoochee	1	2		3											
At-Large		1		1						1	1				
Totals	37	82		109	10				9	115	85	39			

# FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

## Treasurer

James R. Holyfield

### Receipts:

#### Dues:

Total received	\$ 63,530
Less National dues	(35,360)
Less rebates to chapters	<u>(3,765)</u>
Net dues	24,405

#### Donations

Total receipts	<u>2,430</u>
	<u>26,835</u>

### Expenditures:

Officers' expenses	1,333
Newsletter	1,629
Youth programs	6,579
Committee activities	<u>1,211</u>
Total expenditures	<u>10,752</u>

Excess of receipts over expenditures \$ 16,083

### **BALANCE SHEET March 31, 2005**

#### Assets

Cash in checking account	\$ 31,602
Certificates of Deposit and Money Market	35,194
Investments	<u>7,756</u>
Total assets	74,552

#### Liabilities

None

Net worth \$ 74,552

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

## FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

### Chaplain

Charles Schafer

The following compatriots have died since the last BOM.

LastName	FirstName	Date of Death	Chapter
Heard	William	2/23/2005	St. Augustine
Harris, Jr.	Samuel	2/27/2005	Jacksonville
Roth, Sr.	James	2/6/2005	Pensacola
Lake	James	2/14/2005	Pensacola
Hammer	Christopher	3/4/2005	St. Lucie River
Marlin	Walter	3/18/2005	Naples
Schow, II	Horace	3/29/2005	Tallahassee
Jaggears, Sr.	Floyd	4/2/2005	Tallahassee
Brown, Jr.	James	4/5/2005	St. Lucie River
Rountree, Jr.	William	4/8/2005	Pensacola

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

## FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

### Recording Secretary

Fred F. Gaines, Jr.

April 16, 2005

Nothing to report at this time.

## FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

### Chancellor

Carl K. Hoffman, PG

A. At the request of Bud Bauchspeis, Chairman of the Ad Hoc ETF Review Committee, Sam W. Boone, Jr. [Boone & Zettler, LLP, Gainesville, FL] Chairman of the Audit Committee, requested a Trust Accounting on April 6, 2005 of the FLSSAR ETF and FLSSAR OBTF trust funds from Faster Systems, LLC of East Haven, CT. They are specialists in trust fund accounting.

B. Your Chancellor is pleased to report that the Emerald Coast Chapter received \$1,000 from The Wal-Mart Foundation for use in their veterans program. Your Chancellor applied for and received a check for \$1,000 from The Wal-Mart Foundation payable to FLSSAR for use as prize money for the winners of our four (4) Youth Programs at the state level.

Leroy Stewart, our NSSAR Chaplain General, and Don Bailey, President of Saramana Chapter, have received forms for Wal-Mart Grant Requests. Your Chancellor will be pleased to send you forms and a cover letter to make these applications.

C. The Jacksonville and Saramana Chapters are the only known chapters to have sales tax exemptions from the State of Florida. You should contact those chapters if your chapter is interested in obtaining an exemption.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl K. Hoffmann  
FLSSAR Chancellor

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

### **Parliamentarian**

R. L. Bauchspies, Jr.

Nothing to report

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

### **Genealogist**

Alvie L. Davidson

This report was not available at the time of printing.

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

### **Sergeant at Arms**

John Little

Nothing to report

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

### **Historian**

Philip Ballou, Historian

This report was not available at the time of printing.

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

### **Editor, Florida Patriot**

Saul Montes-Bradley

I would like to thank all who have contributed material for the previous issues, but especially to Compatriot Bud Casey, who has the record for a submission for each of the last four Patriots.

I have noticed a small increase in the number of submissions from chapters, and hope it is the beginning of a trend. As a reminder, please send pictures and captions to **The Florida Patriot, P.O.Box 3556, Hallandale, FL 33008**. Submissions can also be made electronically to **saul@bradleyfoundation.org**. Please remember that image files must be at least 300dpi and preferably JPG.

So far, a single compatriot has responded to our request for historical material on the Patriot Ancestors of our members, although a second submission has been announced. Please let us know about the great deeds of your ancestor!

Finally, the deadline for the Summer 2005 issue is May 15<sup>th</sup>, so what are you doing reading this? C'mon! Go get some pictures and stories that will show all of us what a wonderful work is being done in your chapter!

Respectfully Submitted,  
Saul Montes-Bradley  
Editor  
20 April 2005

# Statutory Committees

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Audit**

Chairman: Sam W. Boone

This report was not available at the time of printing.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Executive**

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

This report will be given orally.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Finance**

Chairman: James R. Holyfield

This report was not available at the time of printing.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Medals and Awards**

Chairman: Gerald E. Meeks

This report will be distributed and given from the floor.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Nominating**

Chairman: Carl Hoffman

The report of the Nominating Committee was published in The Florida Patriot Spring 2005 on page 16. It is reprinted below.

*President:* **Harry Hollien**, Gainesville

*Senior Vice President:* **Lindsey Brock**, Jacksonville

*Secretary:* **Kevin Yarnell**, Tampa

*Treasurer:* **James Holyfield**, Palm Beach

*Registrar:* **William Stevenson**, Treas Coast

*Chancellor:* **Carl Hoffmann**, Saramana

*Genealogist:* **Alvie Davidson**, Lakefield

*NW Regional Vice President:* **Edward Young**, Pensacola

*NC Regional Vice President:* **Ron Toops**, Lake Sumter

*NE Regional Vice President:* **Tom Beauchamp**, Flagler

*EC Regional Vice President:* **Frederic Gaines, Jr.**, Central Florida

*WC Regional Vice President:* **Nelson Jantzen**, Clearwater

*SE Regional Vice President:* **Gerald Meeks**, Palm Beach

*SW Regional Vice President:* **Basil Lancaster**, Saramana

*Parliamentarian:* **Rollin Bauchspies**, Jacksonville

*Historian:* **John Little**, Central Florida  
*Chaplain:* **Charles Schafer**, Clearwater  
*National Trustee:* **Harold Miller, Jr.**, Saramana  
*Alternate Trustee:* **Frank Hodalski**, Saramana  
*Patriot Editor:* **Saul Montes-Bradley**, Miami  
*Recording Secretary:* **George Lockhart**, Jacksonville  
*EC member at large:* **Grant Wallin, Jr.**, Clearwater  
*Sergeant at Arms:* **Lonnie Jones**, Pensacola

Respectfully submitted,  
Carl K. Hoffmann

## **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

The hurricanes last fall brought to the forefront the inherent risks involved in our current method of storing paper files. The FLSSAR membership applications are stored in a fire-proof file cabinet. Annual reports, BOM minutes, and other similar items are in regular file cabinets. While the applications are more secure, all our records are at risk in the event of a natural disaster hitting my area.

One possible solution to this problem involved converting the most important documents to electronic files. The membership applications, for example, could all be stored on a few CD's and multiple copies made. In this form it is easier to safeguard the data. We would, of course, continue to maintain the paper copies, but the data would no longer be in a single form and thus so highly at risk.

At the Winter BOM I solicited comments from the membership and was asked to look into the equipment and expense that would be entailed in such a project. There are two issues:

Scanner: We would need to purchase a scanner with the capability of handling what we estimate to be 30,000 images. A document feeder would be essential. Fujitsu makes a scanner that meets these requirements which retails for \$1,495. (I appreciate that this is a far cry from the \$49 scanners some of us own for personal use, but my research indicates that only a high quality scanner would be suitable.)

Labor to scan the documents: I've received two quotes. The best quote works out to \$0.10/image. This would yield an expense of nearly \$3,000.

At this point I am proposing that we purchase the scanner and allow the secretary, by experience, to estimate the amount of time that would be required for him to do the scanning. In this way, we will be better able to determine whether an expense of \$3,000 is justified. He could, most likely, report his findings at the Summer BOM.

Therefore, the Archive chairman moves that the BOM authorize the purchase of a document scanner for use by the state secretary. The total price shall not exceed \$1,600.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Charter & By Laws**

Chairman: Harry Hollien

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

This report provides notice of three actions and one informational item to the BOM and our membership.

1. The attached By-Laws change is presented to the membership only. It already has been approved by this committee and the Winter BOM. It has been published in the current issue of the Patriot.
2. The change in status of the History Fairs Committee from Ad hoc to Standing has been requested. This upgrade has been approved by this committee and must now be voted on by both the BOM and the membership.
3. Ad hoc status is requested for the Honors Council Committee. This committee was approved at the Winter 2005 BOM. The full membership must now vote on it.
4. Informational item. Compatriot S. W. Boone, Jr. has proposed that term limits be placed both the FLSSAR officers and the chairs of the FLSSAR committees. Since this proposal would necessitate a By-Laws change, it has been referred to this committee which will report its recommendation to the BOM at the Winter 2006 meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harry Hollien, PhD  
Chairman

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Chapter Challenge**

Chairman: Norman C. Crews

The Chapter Challenge program was successfully offered to all FLSSAR Chapters to reflect their activities for year 2004. Of the twenty-nine chapters, twenty-one completed and returned the form. As before, a few questionable areas on the form were identified and these will be studied by the committee to make the form more clear and fair. Changes will be made as needed in point allocation and language. Regrettably, only about half of the Chapters added narratives to the last page for extra point credit by their respective Regional Vice Presidents. Nevertheless, this was a successful program as reflected by the point totals and the "all other" narratives citing activities not identified with any individual item. Some of the noteworthy activities cited by chapters for "other" points include:

- Four members of the Miami Chapter went to Boston to help sponsor and participate in a genealogical workshop with the NE Historical Society. They also traveled to Stirling Mass., and New Hampshire to help in marker dedications.
- In Pensacola a SAR member served on the American History Textbook Selection Committee. They also served as history fair judges and distributed 200 American History CD's to all public schools in Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties.
- Central Florida members were players in a local production of "1776" at a local high school. They also distributed 120 history CD's and established an endowment fund to support future activities. The fund now stands a \$3,000
- St. Augustine Chapter collected \$3,795 for classroom flags. They also helped plan extensive Memorial Day activities with the City and were honored when Mayor Gardner read a City Proclamation recognizing the Chapter. These activities also included participation in the Massing of Colors and gracing 141 classrooms with new US flags
- Deland Chapter gave a variety of gifts during Christmas season to the Bennett Veterans Nursing Home and honored four high school students with Good Citizenship Certificates and \$100 honorariums at the respective "honors night" observances.
- Jacksonville Chapter participated in many naturalization ceremonies and was represented at Kings Mountain, NC in a commemorative event.
- Clearwater Chapter recognized Miss Jessica Porter, (featured in *Time* and *Readers Digest*) the "Quilt Girl" of Hudson, FL, with the FLSSAR's Good Citizenship Silver Medal who at 19 began making memorial quilts for GI's who fell in Afghanistan and Iraq. She is now assisted by the Pasco Quilters Guild, and they have made over 900 quilts and sent them to families of the deceased. During the luncheon, those attending collected \$324 to help with quilt postage expense. The Chapter also gave \$200 to the Largo Library, where the officers regularly meet, to help fund the new library building.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report CAR Liaison**

Chairman: Richard E. Friberg

This report was not available at the time of printing.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Credentials**

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

Members planning on attending the National Congress are asked to contact the secretary so that proper credentials may be filed with the National Society. National's deadline for submission is June 1<sup>st</sup>. A sign up sheet is available at this BOM. Individual credentials will be mailed in early to mid June.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report DAR Liaison**

Chairman: George Lockhart

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

I attended the DAR 103<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference 8, 9 and 10 April 2005 held in Orlando, Florida. The SAR table was set up Friday afternoon and manned Friday afternoon by Hal Miller, George Lockhart, David Ramseur, Lindsey Brock and Bud Bauchspies until about 5:00 p.m. On Saturday, the table was manned by on and off by the same group from 8:00 a.m. until about 4:45 p.m. Frank Hodalski assisted during a part of Saturday. The table was not manned on Sunday. During Friday and Saturday we had 75 visitors to the table.

Ranking NSDAR visiting table: Hilda Dobrzanski past National Recording Secretary.

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

Ranking F.S.C.A.R. visiting table: Barry A. Marler, State President and Robyn Carroll, F.S.C.A.R. State President Elect.

We handed out 29 brochures on Application Requirements, 28 brochures on Membership Requirements, 29 SAR "Whats" brochures and 24 Precious Heritage brochures 12 Welcome brochures and about a dozen application worksheets. We did wear uniforms and as usual had many photo opportunities. We had a display on the table regarding The Continental Soldier, in the War for American Independence. We answered questions about membership in SAR, the application process, documentation for the application, how to download the SAR application from the National Web Site, application fees and dues, how to find information about other states SAR Chapters where to find assistance from local SAR Chapters and who to contact. We had numerous mothers who were interested in getting their sons in SAR and a few women who were going to work on their husbands' applications. We had two male contacts that were referred to the St. Lucie Chapter and one of the conference photographers expressed an interest and took information. At the next conference I plan to have copies of the Heritage CD available for handout and promotion.

Respectfully submitted:  
George A. Lockhart



## **FLSSAR Committee Report Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee**

Chairman: David H. Ramseur  
March 29, 2005

I want to publicly thank the eight chapters which submitted applicants for this year's program. These chapters were Ocala, St. Augustine, Miami, Clearwater, Jacksonville, Saramana, St. Petersburg and Central Florida. This level of participation is up 60 percent from last year but there is still room for participation from more chapters. If your chapter does not have an Eagle Scout Chairman, please appoint someone and have them contact me at 904-737-0590 or email at ramseur@surfbest.net.

Jonathan Samuelson is our Florida Society State winner this year. Jonathan is a member of Troop 434, chartered to St. Alfred's Episcopal Church of Palm Harbor. He will be presented a check in the amount of \$1,000 from our society at our Youth Award Luncheon on Saturday April 29. He is a member of Mu Alpha Theta Club, Physics Club and the Academic Team. He is also a wrestler at Tarpon Springs High School and tutor peers who have a difficult time in math, computer expert, and takes violin lessons in his spare time. One thing that impressed me was in his Eagle Scout Project - where he saw a need for children in foster care needing school supplies. Jonathan with his computer skills set up a database of 100 churches in Pinellas County then formed a committee which contacted these churches and collected over \$2,000.00 in supplies. Since Jonathan set this program up, other community agencies have followed his lead, setting up a program for Clothing for Kids Program. His personal goal and dream in his Eagle Scout Project is to establish a temporary intake shelter for abused and neglected children in North Pinellas County. He has also earned both God and Life and God and church religious recognition awards as well many other contributions for the community

Our first runner up was Eagle Scout Authement from the St. Petersburg Chapter and was presented a Florida Society check in the amount of \$500.00 at a recent chapter meeting. Eagle Scout Tyler York of the Central Florida Chapter was judged to be Second Runner-up and was presented a check of \$250. from the Florida Society. Both of these two Eagle Scouts had numerous awards and I hope to see them competing again next year in this scholarship program.

Once again let me stress the importance of the Eagle Scout Program as well as all of our SAR youth programs. Lets all make an effort to support our youth who participate in these programs, who will become the future leaders of this great nation tomorrow.

David H. Ramseur

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Education Committee**

Chairman: Harry Hollien

Members: Phillip Ballou, Sam W. Boone, Jr., Lauren Bradley, Frank Hodalski, Harry Hollien (chair), Robert Leibler, Gerald Meeks, Hal Miller, David Ramseur, Ronald Toops (Assoc. chair).

This report is structured in two parts. The first is the Legislative Report. It is written by Associate Chairman Ronald Toops – who heads this thrust. The second is a report on the CD distribution program; it is lead by committee chairman Harry Hollien.

### **A. Legislative Report (Toops)**

Since early March, many personal conversations have been carried out with our front line contacts, Jack Bovee and Ann McDowell. They have focused on the legislation which adds Social Studies to Student Progression Statutes, F.S. S.1008.25 and S. 1003.51. The two original bills, which contained this wording, were HB0445 and SB1566. It is understood that Mr. Dave Sigerson, a lobbyist, also has been working to get these bills into committee and ultimately onto the House and Senate floors for a vote, and do so before the current sessions end (i.e. by April 19th).

Early on, Ann McDowell stated that “we are at a critical point and I think some actions by others (presumably she meant the SAR, DAR, Am. Legion, etc.) may be prudent, but I would like to consult with Jack

Bovee and Dave Sigerson to map out a 'game plan' before asking you and your fellow SAR members to do anything."

Since this time, substantial interaction has been forthcoming (i.e. among Bovee, McDowell, and me). We have tried to react to the non-activity of these bills, as well as the concerted effort by legislators to rewrite them so that they no longer provide the same meaning or impact as the original bills. So too have I had several interviews with various member of Senator Baker's staff.

HB0445 then became HB0445 CS (Committee Substitute), which incorporated the very grandiose comment that it should "provide each student with a complete education..." However, SB1566 could not even obtain a hearing by committee, even though Senator Carey Baker went directly to the chair and made an effort to get it placed on the agenda.

It became clear during the week of April 11th that there was, again, not enough time to counter the delaying actions. However, at this writing, new developments have appeared. Two bills, HB1737 CS and SB2480 CS have entered the scene and it is suggested that they "compare to HB0445". At this point, however, they appear to hold no relationship to HB 0445 or SB1556! There is information as of this date (April 20, 2005) that there may be activity on HB1737/SB2480. But it appears that neither Jack Bovee nor Ann McDowell have had time to read, analyze or react to them. Hence, they still remain a mystery.

A strategic planning meeting with Jack Bovee and Ann McDowell has been requested, one which will look to the 2005-2006 legislative period. They have agreed to attend such a meeting. The requested key topics are: the identification of the "opposition," an understanding of the reasons for their position, the understanding of the objectives (i.e., those of the League of Women Voters, FASSS, FLSSAR/Ed Comm, etc.) and how success will be measured. It now seems clear that we do not know our opposition.

A need to develop clear objectives is now necessary. They must include a strategy which makes us as effective as is the "opposition", which has been effective over the past few years at smothering any effort to add the knowledge of the Social Studies as a requirement for Florida students. The Social Studies curriculum includes the teaching of American History, American Government, Geography and Civics – and those areas should hold a special focus for FLSSAR.

## **B. Distribution of American History Teaching Aids (Hollien)**

The distribution of the American History CD's to all History teachers in Florida has resulted in a rather active program. NSSAR has provided about 4,000 of these units (some directly to specific chapters) and another 1,500 have been requested. This program, one that was originally designed to be completed in 2004, has proven to be about as complex and cumbersome as anticipated. Two minor and two major problems have been encountered. As to the two lesser ones: 1) NSSAR has been a little slow in sending the necessary materials, and 2) some (limited) opposition has been encountered – mostly from the public schools (see reports below). The major problems have resulted from the difficulty in identifying the target teachers (especially in the home-school programs) and the spotty cooperation and support by our members (see again the tables below). The balance of this report will be found in these tables.

### **DISTRIBUTION OF AMERICAN HERITAGE CD'S**

1. S. Boone (four chapters; NC)      Received: 400; reports receiving only 250  
Distributed: 150

- a. Gainesville                      57
- b. Ocala                              E. Page reports that an unknown number of CD's were placed in the hands of Compatriot B. Saxon who is a History teacher in the Marion County Schools.
- c. Lake Sumter                      Not reported
- d. Withlacoochee Not reported

Responses: two; both positive

2. L. Brock (five chapters; NE)                      Received: 450 (confirmed) Also 100 from NSSAR  
Distributed: 504

- a. Daytona-Ormond              25
- b. Deland                              123      R. Haygood reports all Volusia Co. teachers have been given a copy and Supervisor Caros, of the Volusia Schools, is strong positive. Also 15 were placed in private and home schools; the response there also was positive.
- c. Flagler                              25
- d. Jacksonville                      272 (including 25 forwarded to a GSSAR chapter)
- e. St. Augustine                      74 to St. John's County schools

Responses: "All five chapters have responded positively."

3. F. Gaines (four chapters;) Received: 137  
The St. Lucie chapter received 300 but reports receiving only 10.  
Distributed: ? ("there are 25 left")

St. Lucie River Chapter reports burning ? copies; distributing ? to various teachers and high schools and 10 to UCF

- a. Brevard 5 (plus ?)
- b. Central Not reported
- c. St. Lucie River (?, see above)
- d. Treasure Coast Not reported

Responses: Not reported

4. N. Jantzen (five chapters; WC) Received: 180

A. Snapp received 450 separately

G. Wallin and G. Brown have requested 500. They have arranged to place them in the Pinellas Co Public Schools.

Distributed: Not reported

Distributed: Lakeland (Snapp) 444 to Polk County Public Schools

Distributed: G. Wallin will receive 400 on April 30.

- a. Clearwater (see above)
- b. DeVane Not reported
- c. Lakeland (see above)
- d. St. Petersburg Not reported
- e. Tampa Attempts to place CD's in the Hillsborough County Schools have failed. Attempts now will be to insert them via the JROTC units.

Responses: Not reported

5. B. Lancaster (four chapters; SW) Received: 410

Distributed: 240

- a. Caloosa 60
- b. Charlotte 60 W.L. Smith reports that the 60 were placed in the hands of the Charlotte District course development administrator. "No response as yet."
- c. Naples 60
- d. Saramana 60

Responses: Not reported

6. S. Montes-Bradley (four chapters; SE) Received: 170; 120 acknowledged

G. Meeks received 70 separately

Distributed: 120 to ?

Distributed (Meeks): (?) to Palm Beach Public Schools

- a. Boca-Deerfield Not reported
- b. Ft. Lauderdale Not reported
- c. Miami Not reported
- d. Palm Beach (see above)

Responses: Not reported

7. E. Young (four chapters; NW) Received: 400 (confirmed)

Distributed: 200

- a. Emerald Coast J. Woodward reports that 650 CD's have been received directly from NSSAR with the 42 going to Okaloosa Co and 17 to Walton County. The balance is in reserve for home schools.
- b. Panama City ("did not repond")
- c. Pensacola 200 E. Young reports distributing most of them to the Escambia Public Schools
- d. Tallahassee ("did not respond")

Response: "none as yet"

The following tally lists our EdComA, BOM and individual members who have received lots of greater than 10 CD's (that is, in addition to A. Snapp and G. Meeks who received 450 and 70 respectively – see chapter reports).

- 1. P. Ballou (EdComA) Received: 30  
Distributed 30 To the Collier County Public Schools
- 2. G. Brown (BOM) Received: 20  
Distributed ? To: ? No report
- 3. A. Davidson (BOM) Received: 20

Distributed: 15 to the Lakeland Christian School: 5 to the Durham, NC public schools, 4 to home schools (via churches)

4. H. Miller (BOM) Received: 20  
Distributed ? To: ? No report

5. D. Ranseur (EdComA) Received: 25

Distributed 20. Private schools received 15; home schools, 5. Will need 20 more to send to the public schools via the JROTC program

6. W. Stevenson (BOM) Received: 20  
Distributed ? To: ? No report

7. K. Yarnell (BOM) Received: 24  
Distributed 0 Original distribution plan failed; another is in process

With the exception of 66 CD's now held in reserve, all others have been parceled out in lots of 1-9. A record of their distribution resides with the chair.

Finally, our textbook selection thrust is complete. Both Dick Fowler and Dick Cardell did positively outstanding jobs at the State level and several other Compatriots did well at District. All other EdComA programs are on hold.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harry Hollien, PhD, Chair  
Ronald E. Toops, Assoc. Chair

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Electronic Technology Committee**

Chairman: Dick Fowler

The FLSSAR website is the focal point for communications within the Florida Society.

The main focus of the period from February through April was the addition of the Procedures Manual to the flssar.org website. Thanks to Larry Guzy and the Georgia Society, we were able to save a lot of time by using the GASSAR Source Book as a template for our Procedures Manual.

The FLSSAR Procedures Manual consists of 231 separate web pages and when printed out yields over 340 pages. The GASSAR Source Book (on CD) was modified, using Florida Society activities as examples which replaced Georgia Society examples. A new "Procedures Manual Index" was provided that allows the viewer to merely click on any subject, and he will be taken to that subject's web page. This eliminates the need to hunt for a paper PM reference and to manually thumb through it to find the information desired.

Any pages or additions can easily be made electronically without the need to issue paper copies. Changes or additions should be sent to the Procedures Manual committee. Any individual who maintains a paper copy can make paper copies of any page to replace those in his three-ring binder. Paper copies can be made, and some were provided to members of the Executive and Procedures Manual Committee. It is recommended that each chapter have at least one paper copy for members who do not have computers.

In other areas, an alphabetical listing of FLSSAR Committee members was implemented. Additionally, a new listing of FLSSAR members who are members of National Society committees was provided.

Numerous changes in addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses and officer listings were made. All chapters are urged to keep their web page current because it is the major source of reference to all members of the FLSSAR and NSSAR. Members are encouraged to add their e-mail addresses to the FLSSAR e-mail list. A new version of this list will be sent only to members of the list next month.

Eight new entries were made in the photo gallery pages and three new chapters were added to the newsletter pages. Thirty-three new chapter newsletters were added during this period. Several hundred newsletters can be found on our website, some dating as far back as 1998. Some of these newsletters are referred to daily by Internet searchers who are looking for specific names, places or events. Our daily number of viewers continues to increase, as evidenced by website traffic reports. All chapters are being encouraged to submit photos for the photo gallery pages and to submit their chapter newsletters to be added to our website.

The Senior President of the Florida Society of the Children of the American Revolution President has agreed to send the last two copies of the C.A.R. **Orange Blossom** on CD so they can be added to our website.

The Florida Society website continues to be a major source of information and photos for **The Florida Patriot**. Our website continues to be the initial source of information available to members for Board of Management and other meetings.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Genealogy**

Chairman: Alvie L. Davidson  
April 28, 2005

It is time to consider having some representation from the FLSSAR at the annual educational conference held by the Florida State Genealogical Society. This conference will be held on 11 & 12 November 2005 at the Bay Point Marriott Resort, 4200 Marriott Drive, Panama City, FL.

This annual conference attracts between 200 and 300 avid genealogists who will be able to visit the ever-growing number of vender's booths. I feel it is time for the FLSSAR to become one of those vendors and provide inquirers with information about the FLSSAR and give advice about becoming a member of one of our Chapters.

This venture will require some help from members of chapters in the panhandle and elsewhere if available. We will need some volunteers to staff the booth and hand out literature. It would be great if those volunteers could be dressed in full colonial uniform.

There will be some costs involved in this but this can be discussed by the BOM and find out how this can be handled.

One other matter which has been before this office is the new procedure for using DAR applications to prove a new applicant for SAR. These changes are only minor but no less a change and my plan it to approach it in a very forthright manner and keep the membership in FLSSAR in the growth mode.

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

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

I am pleased to report that fourteen chapters participated in our essay contest this year. That is wonderful representation and I'm very appreciative to those at the local level that did so much to promote the contest. Here are the results:

- First place: The American Revolution- Scattering the Seeds of Liberty Around the World  
By Kathleen O'Neal, 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Baker, Florida; Pensacola Chapter
- Second place: The Spirit of Compromise in the Framing of the Constitution  
By Kerry Anne Bradford, 12 grade, Ocala, Florida; Ocala Chapter
- Third place: Abigail Adams: A One-Women Force  
By Rikki Klaus, 12 grade, Vero Beach, Florida; Treasure Coast Chapter

The winning essay was forwarded to the National contest last month.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Good Citizenship**

Chairman: Douglas H. North

At the first of the year I sent letters to each chapter requesting the number of certificates they would need for 2005. Only ten chapters replied and the needs ranged from 1 to 1,900 certificates. With the inventory of 10,000 on hand I will be able to fill all these requests and have a sizeable number left at this time.

I am unable to attend this BOM, but with the cooperation of Richard Fowler and Nelson Jantzen there will be plenty of certificates on hand. This is a worth while project and I hope that more of the chapters will include it in their annual programs.

Sincerely,  
Doug North

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

Chairman: Bud Casey & Frank Hodalski

This report was not available at the time of printing.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Ladies Auxiliary Liaison**

Chairman: Lonnie G. Jones

This report will be given orally from the floor.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Law Enforcement, Fire Safety and Heroism**

Chairman: Lindsey C. Brock

**Date: 23 April 2005**

**Committee Members:** Compatriots: Norman L. Antle, St. Augustine Chapter, Jim R. Armitage, Devane Chapter, Cyril P. Gamber, Tampa Chapter, I. Newell Kellogg, Lakeland Chapter, Robert H. Moody, Lake Sumter Chapter, Edward O. Payne III, Palm Beach Chapter and Daniel T. Shepherd, Palm Beach Chapter.

### **Central Florida Chapter**

On 12 February 2005 the Central Florida Chapter presented the following medal and certificate:

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

Brandon "Basco" Cashen

General Contractor, Orlando, FL

**No media coverage** for the 12 February 2005 presentation made by the Central Florida Chapter.

### **Flagler Chapter**

On 19 April 2005 the Flagler Chapter presented the following medal and certificate:

#### **Fire Safety Commendation Medal and Certificate**

Captain Gerald Forte

Palm Coast Fire Department, Palm Coast, FL

No media coverage for the 19 April 2005 presentation made by the Flagler Chapter.

### **Jacksonville Chapter**

On 20 January 2005 the Jacksonville Chapter presented the following medals and certificates:

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

Ruth Coursey

Sandalwood Senior High School JRROTC Student, Jacksonville, FL

Rachel Coursey

Sandalwood Senior High School JRROTC Student, Jacksonville, FL

**No media coverage** for the 20 January 2005 presentations made by the Jacksonville Chapter.

### Palm Beach Chapter

On 15 March 2005 the Palm Beach Chapter presented the following medals and certificates:

#### Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate

Trooper Eric J. Devaul	Florida Highway Patrol, Lantana District Office, Palm Beach, FL
Detective Michael C. Fincannon	Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, Palm Beach, FL
Detective Joseph Recarey	Town of Palm Beach, Palm Beach, FL
Officer Chris Somers	City of Boca Raton Police Services Department, Palm Beach, FL

#### Fire Safety Commendation Medal and Certificate

Lieutenant Richard Ellis	Palm Beach County Fire Rescue, Palm Beach, FL
Captain Bob Nelligan	City of Boca Raton Fire Rescue Service Department, Palm Beach, FL

#### Heroism Medal and Certificate

Fire Medic Frank Mavigliano	Palm Beach Fire Rescue Emergency Responders, Palm Beach, FL
Angela Stephens, School Crossing Guard	Palm Beach Sheriff's Office, Palm Beach, FL

**No media coverage** for the 15 March 2005 presentations made by the Palm Beach Chapter.

### Saramana Chapter

On 19 February 2005 the Saramana Chapter presented the following medal and certificate:

#### Heroism Medal and Certificate

Christine Thomason, Deputy Sheriff	Manatee County Sheriff's Department, Manatee, FL
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There **was media coverage** for the 19 February 2005 presentation made by the Saramana Chapter

On 11 March 2005 the Saramana Chapter presented the following medals and certificates:

#### Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate

Captain John Elwood	Sarasota County Fire Department, Sarasota, FL
Firefighter, Rescue/EMT Mark Fultz	Longboat Key Police Department, Longboat Key, FL
Firefighter, Medic/EMT Richard Lanigan	Venice Police Department, Venice, FL
Fire Medic/EMT Raymond Reese	Englewood Fire Department, Englewood, FL
Lieutenant Dana Tindall	Bradenton Fire Department, Bradenton, FL
Lieutenant Jeremy R. Tuttle	Nokomis Fire Department, Nokomis, FL
Christopher T. White Firefighter/EMT	North Port Fire Department, North Port, FL

There **was media coverage** for the 11 March 2005 presentations made by the Saramana Chapter.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report**

### **Liberty Tree**

Chairman: Gene Brown

The Tampa Chapter will be planting a Liberty Tree in Tampa on Saturday, May 7th at 1:30 p.m. at the Al Lopez Park. All members of nearby chapters are invited to attend. More information can be furnished by Dwight Tetric of the Tampa Chapter.

His phone number is: 813-949-4746.

The Clearwater Chapter is working with the V.A. Center at Bay Pines, St. Petersburg to plant a tree on their grounds sometime this fall.

Fifteen trees have been planted to date. We encourage all chapters that have not had a planting to work with your local community officials to see if this can be done sometime this year.

For more information, Chapters can contact me by writing to:

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Seminole, FL 33776  
By phoning: (727) 596-7402  
OR by e-mailing me at: [geneqcb1alf@aol.com](mailto:geneqcb1alf@aol.com)

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Meeting Arrangements - BOM**

Chairman: Al Snapp

This report was not available at the time of printing.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Membership Promotion & Retention**

Chairman: Harry Hollien

Members: Sam W. Boone, Jr., Larry Bradley, Lindsey Brock, Fred Gaines, Jr., Ron Hamilton, Frank Hodalski, Harry Hollien (chair), Nelson Jantzen, Basil Lancaster, Gerald Meeks, Saul Montes-Bradley, William Piper, Edward Young

The focus (during this period) continues to be on the six programs outlined previously. While some activity occurred within all six, the best progress was made with respect to those discussed below.

One effort has been to expand the number of Color Guards in the Sons of Liberty Brigade and provide inexpensive uniforms for an additional number of Compatriots. This program is progressing reasonably well.

The second thrust was on the development of a Speakers Bureau. The Bureau has been established and a Director (Compatriot W. Piper) selected. However, only a very few Compatriots have volunteered to participate. This program needs additional work.

The third program has been even less successful. Its focus was to recruit new members through upgrading the visibility of our Society. Attempts were to have been made to select outstanding Floridians as BOM speakers, award them with a medal (when they spoke) and slant the entire activity in a way that would attract the media. Accomplishing these goals would have required close collaboration among this committee, the medals/awards committee and publicity committee. So far the major contribution has been by the Chairman of the Medals and Awards Committee. Moreover, it has been difficult even to find out how BOM speakers are selected/attracted.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harry Hollien, PhD

## **FLSSAR Committee Report National Officer Development**

Chairman: Carl K. Hoffman

Although efforts have been made to identify and encourage compatriots to seek to serve at the national level, the results will have to be published in a future report.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carl K. Hoffmann

## **FLSSAR Committee Report NSSAR Library**

Chairman: George A. Lockhart

The following is a report of NSSAR Library Committee activities since the last Board of Management Meeting

The following individual has expressed an interest to be on the Committee:

Terence (Terry) Walton  
Secretary, Caloosa Chapter

It is requested that Compatriot Walton's name be placed on the committee



I attended the DAR's 103<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference on 8, 9 and 10 April 2005. I had Friends of the Library brochures on the SAR table, and received two inquiries but no participation. I plan to have the brochures out during the SAR BOM.

Respectfully submitted:  
George A. Lockhart

## **FLSSAR Special Committee Report Newsletters and Periodicals**

Chairman Edward N. "Bud" Casey

Date of Report April 14, 2005

### **MEMBERS:**

Richard Q. Fowler (St. Lucie River)

Kevin A. Yarnell (Tampa)

Lindsey Brock (Jacksonville)

### **PARTICIPATION :**

Meeting Attendance	No meeting.
Correspondence	Only routine correspondence.

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

President Miller appointed an ad hoc committee that judged the 2004 chapter newsletters of the Florida Society at the Fall 2004 Board of Management meeting. Those judges were: Compatriots Carl Hoffmann, Frank Hodalski and Lindsey Brock. The winner will be announced at the awards banquet on Friday night of this (Spring) BOM.

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

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

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Patriotic Activities**

Chairman: Dick Cardell

This report was not available at the time of printing.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Publicity**

Chairman: Robert A. Raup

Earl Marlin Publicity Contest points for 2004 were:

Lake-Sumter Chapter	519 points
Saramana Chapter	471 points
St. Augustine Chapter	371 points
St. Lucie River Chapter	368 points
Lakeland Chapter	263 points
Jacksonville Chapter	219 points
Withlacoochee Chapter	206 points
Pensacola Chapter	157 points

Awards checks and ribbons will be handed out at the Banquet on 30 April 2005.

Robert A. Raup  
Chairman, Publicity Committee, SAR

## **FLSSAR Committee Report ROTC**

Chairman: Bob Copeland  
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### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

Ronald (Ron) J. Hamilton, Vice-Chair  
John E. Cahoon  
Dr. Harry F. Hollien  
John Tinny  
Charles "Lani" S. Wingate

### **COMMITTEE ACTION AND CORRESPONDANCE**

During this reporting period the committee was contacted by both the FLSSAR President and FLSSAR. Secretary on various JROTC high school units requesting they be contacted by Chapter of the Florida Society. In addition the Chairman was contacted directly by ten JROTS units requesting the name of local FLSSAR chapters. It appears that a number of our chapters are not making contact with their JROTC units in spite of notification of new JROTC units in the State of Florida.

In response to the CEO/Executive Director of the NSSAR, a letter was prepared addressing questions on how our ROTC Committee operates in the Florida Society. It was emphasized that our committee work through the local chapters in the presentation of both the ROTC and JROTC awards. Local chapters make contact with the local JROTC units, budget for the medals and certificates, arrange the presentations. It was emphasized that a number of FLSSAR Chapters work with these JROTC units presenting historical programs. Also, the chapters work with these units in participation of Veterans' Day programs and other events including programs for retirement communities.

We stated that the key to success was the local chapter ROTC Chairmen. With the increase of JROTC units, the CEO/Executive Director and the NSSAR ROTC Committee are addressing this issue.

Sixteen letters were sent to FLSSAR Chapters with copies to various JROTC units on locations of chapter.

A notice was again sent to all FLSSAR Chapter about the NSSAR ROTC Outstanding Cadet (The BEST of the BEST)

The committee received NSSAR ROTC Outstanding Cadet from only four (4) of our chapters. They are listed in order received: Central Florida, Pensacola, St. Augustine, Clearwater and Jacksonville. The winner will be announced at the FLSSAR Annual Assembly.

A list was prepared for each FLSSAR (Chapter showing the largest number of JROTC units in their jurisdiction. While the Chapter Challenge consideration of JROTC chapter was low, the committee was informed that 20 chapter exceeded the number suggested for reorganization. The top chapters with their ROTC units are listed below:

Brevard Chapter	10 JROTC Units
Caloosa Chapter	9
Central Florida Chapter	23
Clearwater	10
Ft. Lauderdale Chapter	18
Jacksonville Chapter	22
Lakeland Chapter	14
Miami Chapter	24
Palm Beech Chapter	10
Panama City Chapter	10
Pensacola	11
Saramana Chapter	10
Tampa Chapter	15
Tallahassee	14

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Trust Fund Development**

Chairman: Jack Coleman

This report was not available at the time of printing.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Veterans Affairs**

Chairman:

This report was not available at the time of printing.

## **Ad hoc Committees**

### **FLSSAR Committee Report Advancing America's Heritage**

Chairman: Harry Hollien

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

Nothing to report.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harry Hollien, PhD

### **FLSSAR Committee Report Blue Star Salute: Partners in Patriotism**

Chairman: Dick Cardell

This report was not available at the time of printing.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Commemorative Historic Sites**

Chairman: Fred F. Gaines, Jr.  
April 16, 2005

Nothing to report at this time.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report George Washington Memorial**

Chairman: Saul Montes-Bradley

Nothing to report

Respectfully Submitted,  
Saul Montes-Bradley  
Chairman, Washington Memorial Committee  
20 April 2005

## **FLSSAR Committee Report History Fairs**

Chairman: Frank X. Hodalski  
Date: 20 April 2005

Dates: 15 January 2005 through 28 April 2005  
Committee: History Fairs  
Members: R. Bauchspies, Edw. Casey, F. Hodalski (Chair), Harry Hollien (EdCom Chair), Carl Hoffmann

Activities: Articulation by telephone, email and fax with Executive Director Randall on presentation of National History Day primer to trustees at March meeting in Louisville.

Drafted FLSSAR History Fair Committee Charter for presentation to Charter and Bylaw Committee and action by FLSSAR Board of Management. Would raise the History Fair Committee to the status of a standing committee of the Florida Society.

Provided NSSAR Patriotic Education Committee working copies of the booklet and the proposed FLSSAR committee charter, as well as a copy of the current history fair charter in use at the chapter level.

Participated in judging the Sarasota County History Fair in liaison with Sara De Soto FSSDAR members. Was present at awards ceremony with chapter president and FLSSAR president for presentation of American Eagle plaque to "best project": winner.

Participated in judging the Pinellas County History Fair. Congratulations to the Clearwater Chapter for its fine work in using history fair as a springboard to meetings with school officials which will result in placing hundreds of our "American Heritage" CDs in the hands of teachers throughout the county school system.

Telephone and email communication with committee members.

Action: After review, the History Fair proposal was presented to the NSSAR Trustees by the Patriotic Education Committee with the recommendation that it be adopted as a nation-wide initiative of the SAR. The recommendation was approved unanimously. National History Day is now recognized and will be promoted as a means of effective SAR outreach and dialog with teachers and students in middle and high schools throughout the nation.

Thanks to President General McCarl for his enthusiasm and support for History Fair and National History Day and for his confidence in the Florida Society to make the project do-able. Thanks also to Secretary General Roland Downing and the Strategic Planning and Patriotic Education Committees, which helped steer the project to a successful conclusion. A special thanks to PG Carl Hoffman, who immediately recognized the potential of a national program of participation in encouraging young people to have fun with history.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Honors Council**

Chairman: Harry Hollien

Members: John Cahoon, Gordon Greenwood, Harry Hollien (chair), Frank Hodalski, Gerald Meeks

The report of the Honors Council Committee consists primarily in the description to follow. The committee also has requested Ad Hoc status for this program.

### **THE FLSSAR HONORS COUNCIL**

Many of our long-time leaders are now growing older and/or are limited in the contributions they currently can make to our Society because of physical limitations. At present there are but few ways that their long-term leadership and outstanding contributions can be rewarded – or even recognized – by FLSSAR. Moreover, as these men “retire,” we are denied both their wisdom and knowledge about SAR in general and our State Society in specific. Therefore, an Honors Council has been established. This organization would serve as a combination Hall-of-Fame and Senior Advisory Board.

To be eligible for election to the Honors Council, a Compatriot would have to have served our Society for a period of not less than 10 years, held a number of positions both as a FLSSAR officer and/or committee chairman and made signal contributions to our Society. They also would have to be functionally retired even though they might still attend meetings and serve on committees.

Nominations to the Honors Council must be made by at least three Compatriots. When doing so, they must document (in writing) the service and contributions made by the nominee and verify that he is retiring from full and active participation in the FLSSAR. There would be no limit upon the number of nominees proposed any given year.

Up to five members will be elected Honors Fellow the first year the Council is established and up to three members can be elected each year subsequently. The final election will be by a two-stage process. First, the names of all nominees will be collected by the Honors Council Committee and sent to the BOM. They will be voted on by secret ballot, by the members of the BOM at the Fall meeting. The five (or subsequently three) nominees garnering the top number of votes will be placed before the entire membership. A majority vote on each will be sufficient to place an individual on the Council. The Honors Council committee would then be responsible for the establishment of the program for those Honors Fellows elected.

The Honors Fellows will receive a plaque and be placed in permanent advisory status to FLSSAR. They would be kept apprised of FLSSAR activities by the usual means plus afforded the systematic forwarding of other information about the FLSSAR (the minutes of all meetings, special updates, etc.) and would be permitted a voice at each BOM (in person or electronically). Once a year they would be honored at a luncheon hosted by FLSSAR. In turn, they would be asked to provide counsel and advice to the FLSSAR Executive Committee, Board of Management and membership.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Procedures Manual**

Chairman: Rollin L. Bauchspies, Jr.

20 April 2004

Earlier this year, I requested that Dick Fowler our Webmaster place the FLSSAR Bylaws and the FLSSAR Committee Charters on the web. We initially restricted access to them since this was a work in progress. I then requested Dick Fowler to open access to them to all which he did. Currently all members have access to the Bylaws and Committee Charters: [flssar.org](http://flssar.org)

We used the Georgia Source Book, their Procedures Manual, as a model for the FLSSAR Procedures Manual. Dick Fowler was assigned the tremendous task to convert this for our use and to bring the Procedures Manual on line. As of 19 April 2005 Dick Fowler has the Procedures Manual on line.

Dick Fowler and Lindsey Brock are to be commended for all their great work they have accomplished in getting the Manual on line. While this is still a work in progress, the majority of the work has been done. There are still some sections that have to be revised but it is a great start. Check out the Procedures Manual on line at: <http://flssar.org/flssarhandbook/contents.htm>

# **FLSSAR Committee Report**

## **The Endowment Trust Fund (ETF) Review Committee**

Chairman: R.L. Bauchspies, Jr.

### **Executive Summary**

11 April 2005

The Endowment Trust Fund (ETF) Review Committee reviewed the operations and disbursements of the ETF from 1 January 2001 through 31 December 2004 in order to determine the cause of the apparent shortfall of disbursement funds in 2004 to pay for approved grants to chapters from the ETF in 2004.

The review revealed that the shortfall was caused by ETF Treasurer-Trustee's failure to follow the directives of the BOM to:

Disburse funds generated by the ETF in one year the following year.

Place all contributions to the ETF only in the ETF corpus.

In addition, the Treasurer-Trustee counted funds being reinvested by the Trustees as available for distribution giving an erroneous amount of funds available for distribution.

The Treasurer-Trustee stated that his predecessor had informed him that this was the manner in which disbursements were conducted in the ETF and the way he had been administering the disbursements the past twelve years. There was no evidence or indication of misappropriation of funds. A full review of the funds of the ETF would have to await an accounting of the ETF as required by the Florida Statutes.

The review indicated that a total of \$ 2,272.00 in 2004 approved grants remained to be paid. \$526.10 remained in 2004 disbursement funds in the ETF checkbook to pay these grants leaving a shortfall of \$1,745.90. In addition, there were no funds available to be disbursed in 2005. Funds generated for disbursement in 2005 were disbursed as grants in 2004 as well as were contributions to the corpus.

On 21 January 2005 the Trustee-Treasurer had \$600.00 withdrawn from the American Fund Group to assist in paying 2004 grants. Arrangements were made with the Trustees to withdraw an additional \$ 6,200.00 on 10 March 2005 from the American Fund Group of which \$647.62 was to be used to help pay for the 2004 grants, and the remainder of \$5,552.38 to be used for grants and ETF operating expenses in 2005.

An additional \$498.28 was required to pay the remaining 2004 grants. The ETF Committee recommended that these funds come from the Operating Budget Trust Fund (OBTF) Dividends paid on 4 March 2005 to the FLSSAR general fund. The recommendation was approved by the Executive Committee for the BOM and all funds required to pay all authorized grants in 2004 were available and in place.

Recommendations to prevent a reoccurrence of the problem of a shortfall are attached as Enclosure (3) of the full committee report. The full report is available for review.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

The ETF Review Committee submits the following recommendations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the administration and disbursement of grants by the ETF.

- a. That the ETF Trustees closely adhere to the directives of the FLSSAR and BOM concerning the distribution of funds from the ETF. This should prevent a like occurrence of a shortfall of funds from occurring in the future.
- b. That the FLSSAR and BOM amend the Trust Indenture to provide for an Alternate Trustee. This individual would work directly with the Treasurer-Trustee and assist him as required. The Alternate Trustee will become familiar with the current fiscal status and be able to assume the duties of Treasurer-Trustee on short notice. In addition, the Alternate Trustee would also be available to assume the position of any Trustee on short notice should he be unable to perform his duties as a Trustee.
- c. That serious consideration be given to combining the ETF and the OBTF into one ETF. The original purpose for the OBTF appears to have overcome by events. As long as the FLSSAR remains to be fiscally responsible, with the current dues it should remain in the black for the foreseeable future. Combining the funds would provide the ETF with an additional \$80,000 for the corpus and an additional income for grants of about \$ 2,000.
- d. That an accounting of the Trust Funds be required on an annual basis.
- e. That the FLSSAR Secretary ensure that Chairmen of Committees are informed of BOM actions passed by the BOM that affect the operation of their committees.

- f. That Chapters be made aware that additional restrictions may have to be imposed on the disbursement of grants from the ETF such as a percentage reduction of an authorized grant in order to try to provide some funds throughout the year to honor grants that are submitted for actions at the end of the year. The current reimbursement guidelines state that: "Chapter should absorb 25 % of eligible expenses except for Medals."
- g. No grants requests will be accepted in excess of the \$ 350.00 limit. Break the request into two or more requests to be under the \$ 350.00 limit
- h. That requests for grants for actions that are started in one calendar year and completed in the following calendar year be submitted in the year the action was completed. However, nothing would prevent the chapter from submitting a request for a grant for action expenses incurred in one calendar year, and another request for a grant for the action expenses incurred the following year.
- i. That the Trustees be permitted to continue to be authorized to reinvest up to one third of the corpus of the ETF and OBTF for growth and income or for income only. We would have been hard pressed to obtain the \$ 6,800.00 in funds to help pay for the not funded 2004 grants, and provide funds for disbursement in 2005 from any other source. It was well for the ETF and the Florida Society that the Trustees were reinvesting funds into the corpus.

R.L. BAUCHSPIES, JR.

ETF Review Committee  
 From: Frank Hodalski, Member  
 Subject: ETF Committee Recommendations

Per our conversation of 12April, I am submitting my observations on the nine-point series of proposals contained in Endowment Trust Fund Review Committee Recommendations. As I indicated, I have some reservations that I will enumerate as follows:

- A: I agree.
- B: I agree.
- C.: I do not think the current situation warrants dissolution of the Operating Budget Trust Fund. We have produced a plan that will make the Endowment Trust Fund disbursement program fiscally sound for 2005 and back on track for 2006. The FLSSAR trust funds are widely admired throughout the national society. Dissolving the OBTF should be done only if absolutely necessary and after all other possibilities have been exhausted, including fundraising. If FLSSAR membership continues downward, the OBTF may become important in funding our youth programs.
- D: An annual accounting would cost several hundred dollars per year. If we implement the alternate-trustee principle, and the current trustees adhere to the proper administration and distribution of the income from the trusts, we may not have to stand the cost of an annual accounting. Perhaps, every three years?
- E. Such a recommendation should specifically refer to the actions of the BOM in approving chapter grants held up for cause by the ETF disbursement committee. Because the chairman of the ETFDC does not normally attend the BOM meetings, it is important that he be informed of actions relating to mandatory BOM approval of payment of chapter grants. These cases involve grants that have been held up on issues of timeliness, being over the \$350 limit, or on the basis of non-compliance with the guidelines for submission. What is important is educating the chapters that they must read and comply with the guidelines for submission.
- F. I agree. The implementation of a co-payment of 25% will ease the funding for 2005, and allow a careful evaluation of strategy for 2006 disbursements.
- G. I agree.
- H. I agree. However, if these recommendations had been in place, the situation would not have been allowed to become critical in the first place.
- I. I agree.

## Other Reports

### **FLSSAR Committee Report Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements**

Chairman: Fred W. Curtis

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### **FLSSAR Report Endowment Trust Fund Trustees**

Chairman: I. Newell Kellogg

This report was not available at the time of printing.

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

Chairman: I. Newell Kellogg

This report was not available at the time of printing.

### **FLSSAR Report Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade**

Commander: Rollin L. Bauchspies, Jr.

20 April 2005

The period of this report is from 16 January through 30 April 2005. Members of the Brigade have been participating in District and National Color Guard events. During the period of this report, members of the Brigade participated in Color Guard events at the 19 April Battle of Kettle Creek ceremonial, the NSSAR Winter Trustees meeting, and the new Georgia Patriots Day Activities at St. Simons Island, GA. Camps continue to participate at joint CAR and DAR Chapter meetings, and at State meetings of these organizations. In addition, Camps continue to provide colonial color guards at civic and fraternal meetings and events. Another new Camp has been added to the Brigade roster. Lake Sumter formed Camp # 12 with the name of "General George Thomas Sumter Camp. Bill Pipar is the Camp Commander. At the Spring BOM / Annual Meeting in Sarasota, The State Color Guard will parade, present, and post the Colors at the 29 April BOM dinner. At the Annual Meeting banquet on 30 April, the Camps of the Brigade will conduct the "Massing of the Brigade Colors". Individual Camp activities during this period were as follow:

- a. George Washington Camp # 1. (Jacksonville), Dick Cardell Commander. On 15 January, 4 members in colonial uniform participated with the State color Guard at the Winter BOM. On 28 January, Three members in colonial uniform participated with members of St. Augustine Chapter in a grave marking ceremony of a departed compatriot at Evergreen Cemetery in Jacksonville. In February, one member of the Camp participated with the FLSSAR President, both in colonial uniform, in ceremonies commemorating the Battle of Kettle Creek outside Washington, GA. In February three members in colonial uniform participated in services at the Veterans Memorial Wall honoring three servicemen who had lost limbs in the Iraq War. On 17 February, four members posted the colors at a joint meeting with the Freedoms Foundation. On 19 February, three members in colonial uniform attended the Northeast Florida DAR Regents Council Washington Birthday luncheon. At the Trustees Meeting in Louisville on March 10-12, one member in colonial uniform participated with the National color guard. On 8-9 April, four members attended the DAR Spring Conference in colonial uniform and manned the SAR recruiting table. On 19 April six members in colonial uniform are scheduled to



participate in Patriots Day ceremonies at St. Simons Island, GA with the GASSAR color guard. On 28-29 April four members are scheduled to participate with the FLSSAR color guard at the Spring 2005 BOM / Annual Meeting in Sarasota.

- b. Francis Marion Camp #2. (Ocala), Claude Grubbs Commander. No report.
- c. Cape Canaveral Camp #3. (Brevard), Ben DuBose Commander. On 19 February, five members of the Camp presented the Colors at the joint SAR/DAR annual George Washington luncheon. 75+ in attendance. On 20 February three members of the Camp participated in a memorial service for a departed compatriot. On 3 April, five members of the Camp participated in the Cape Canaveral DAR dedication of a monument to: "All Women Veterans of All United States Wars" at the Brevard Veterans Memorial Park in Merritt Island. Over one hundred were in attendance. On 5 April a member in colonial uniform gave a historical talk to the April luncheon meeting of the Cape Canaveral DAR Chapter and recruited for the SAR after the meeting. That evening one member of the Camp gave a historical talk to the North Brevard Genealogy Society and recruited for the SAR after the meeting. Members of the Camp presented six JROTC medals in Brevard County in April. On 26 April a member of the Camp in colonial uniform is scheduled to give a historical talk to the Phillip Perry Chapter of the DAR.
- d. Samuel Adams Camp #4. (Clearwater), Nelson Jansen Commander. Three members of the Camp participated in the State color guard at the Winter BOM. On 6 March, five members of the Camp in colonial uniform participated in the "Massing of the Colors" in St. Petersburg.
- e. Yorktown Camp #5. (Clearwater), Doug North Commander. On 6 February two Camp members were included in the United Veterans organization at the Four Chaplains service held at the local synagogue in Port St. Lucie. On 12 February, four members in colonial uniform presented and posted the Colors for the joint SAR/DAR Presidents' Day program and luncheon.
- f. Marquis de LaFayette Camp #6. (Gainesville), Harry Hollien Commander. At the February meeting of the Chapter, five members of the Camp and the teenage son of one of the members, presented and posted the colors. Three of the members and the son were dressed as "Rangers". One member was in colonial uniform, and the sixth member in colonial dress. On 19 April, two camp members participated in Patriot Day ceremonies at St. Simons Island, GA with the GASSAR color guard. Ceremonies include Patriot grave markings and placing a historical marker commemorating a sea battle between the Georgia and British navies.
- g. Nathan Hale Camp #7. (Pensacola), Ed Young Commander. On 14 January, two members of the camp participated with the State color guard at the Winter 2005 BOM. On 8 February, one member in Bravo uniform attended the funeral of compatriot James C. Roth in Pensacola. Memorial services were conducted by the chapter for both compatriots at chapter meetings. On 17 February, four members of the Camp in Bravo uniform attended the funeral services for compatriot James Edwin Lake in Pensacola. On 19 February, one member in colonial uniform participated with the Alabama color guard at the Alabama Society annual meeting in Mobile, AL. On 19 April two members participated in colonial uniform at the Patriots Day ceremonies at St. Simons Island, GA. Two members in colonial uniform plan to participate with the Florida color guard at the Spring 2005 BOM / Annual Meeting.
- h. Nathaneal Green Camp # 8. (Saramana), Murray Wheeler Commander. No report.
- i. Thomas Paine Camp # 9. (Miami), Saul Montes-Bradley Adjutant. On 12 February, a four member color guard in colonial uniform presented the colors at the Anniversary Luncheon of the John McDonald DAR chapter in Miami Springs, FL. On 29 February a color guard detachment in colonial uniform with two flags and a musket escort led the opening Parade of Athletes at the Area 11 final of the Special Olympics in North Miami Beach. A second four member color guard in colonial uniform presented and posted the Colors at the Annual Meeting of the Miami Chapter, SAR, held at the Coral Gables Country Club. The camp has been invited to return to Veterans Day ceremonies at North Miami Beach and Miami Springs. It has also been invited to return to the Memorial Day ceremonies at North Miami Beach, to Homestead, and the opening of the Miami International Book Fair. Functions of the Camp in the past year have been published in all community papers and the Miami Herald. In addition, television coverage of activities has been obtained in local cable and open wave TV (channels 4 and 6), regional TV (WLRN-PBS) and national cable (C-Span2).
- j. Daniel Morgan Camp # 10. (Central Florida), John Little. On 15 January one camp member in colonial uniform presented the National Society wreath at the Cowpens annual ceremony. He also presented a wreath the same day during the Daniel Morgan ceremony in Spartanburg, SC. On 12 February one Camp member presented the South Atlantic District wreath during the Battle of Kettle Creek ceremonies outside Washington, GA. On 21 February, two camp members in Bravo uniform, together with members from the John Call DAR chapter, presented an American flag that had flown over the U.S. Capital to the School of the Performing Arts in Kissimmee, FL. On 13 March, four camp members and members of the Joshua Stevens DAR chapter conducted a joint "Liberty Tree" dedication to "All Veterans" in St. Cloud, FL. The camp presented the Colors during the dedication ceremony. Two members from the camp participated in the 19 April Patriots Day ceremonies at St. Simons Island, GA.

- k. Thomas Jefferson Camp #11. (Withlachooci) Richard Sumner Commander. On 18 March two camp members in colonial uniform acted as a two man color guard, accompanied by a member's three children two girls in colonial dress and a boy in colonial uniform, marched in a St. Patrick's day parade at the Clover Leaf Farms Park. The group was put together on short notice, and it was a huge success receiving lots of applause along the entire parade route. They were asked to come back next year.
- l. General Thomas Sumter Camp #12. (Lake Sumter), Bill Piper Commander. On 4 December one outpost member participated in colonial uniform in the Christmas Day parade with members from Bertha Hereford Hall DAR Chapter at Tavares, FL. On 5 December, three members in colonial uniform presented a plaque to Company A, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 124<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Florida National Guard. On 9 December, three members made a historical presentation to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade class at the Villages Elementary School. On 5 February, four members in colonial uniform presented and posted the Colors at the February meeting of the Lake Sumter chapter meeting. On 19 February, two members in colonial uniform set up a memorabilia table at the Veterans Memorial Park Memorabilia Day event. On 26 February, two members in colonial uniform participated in the Washington Birthday parade in Eustis, FL. The General Thomas Sumter Camp was formally established on 1 April 2005 by the Florida Brigade commander. Recognition was given for presenting and posting the colors at the Chapter's February meeting. On 19 April one camp member in colonial uniform participated in the Patriots Day ceremonies at St. Simons Island, GA.

## Appendix A: FLSSAR Members serving on National Committees

Name	Chapter	
Lauren R. Bradley	Clearwater	Eagle Scott Genealogy
Lindsey C. Brock	Jacksonville	Fire, Safety, & Law Enforcement
Rev. George A. Burns, Sr.	Jacksonville	Chaplains
Robert E. Burt	Miami	Eagle Scout Youth Activities
Phillip B. Carr	St. Lucie River	Capital Development & Fund Raising Co-Chairman: Fire, Safety, & Law Enforcement
John H. Carter	Panama City	Strategic Planning
Dr. Robert E. Danneman	Ocala	Rumbaugh Oration Knight Essay
Alvie L. Davidson	Lakeland	Lineage Research Workshop
Richard Q. Fowler	St. Lucie River	Info. Technology Internal System Sub-Com. Vice Chair: Newsletters & Periodicals
Richard E. Friberg	Miami	GWEFB Fund Raising Committee History Hospitality Knight Essay Contest Minuteman Award Special Projects Veterans
Fred F. Gaines, Jr.	Central Florida	Historic Celebrations Committee
Renaldo J. Hamilton	Central Florida	Council of Vice President Generals DAR Liason Vice Chairman: ROTC & JROTC Strategic Planning
Frank X. Hodalski	Saramana	Patriotic Education Strategic Planning
Carl K. Hoffmann	Saramana	Council of Presidents General Chairman: Legal Advisory Minuteman Award Chairman: Protocol Committee
W. Douglas Little	Daytona-Ormond	Chairman: Patriots Revolutionary War Graves
Harold F. Miller, Jr.	Saramana	Finance Chairman: Investment
Saul M. Montes-Bradley	Miami	Lineage Research Workshop
William R. Stevenson	Treasure Coast	Eagle Scout Color Guard Genealogy
Edward D. Sullivan	Ft. Lauderdale	Resolutions
Charles S. Wingate	Jacksonville	Eagle Scout
Harry L. Young, Jr.	Ft. Lauderdale	Americanism Liberty

## **Appendix B: Minutes of the 2004 Annual Meeting, May 1, 2004**

*Note: The minutes are reprinted here as recorded and submitted by the Robert Danneman, Recording Secretary*

Annual 2004 Meeting: 233 pm, May 1, 2004

Meeting called to order by President Bradley, Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation, Pledge to SAR and The American's Creed were given.

Motion made and seconded to approve last Annual Meeting, seconded passed.

New Business:

1891 SAR Application for membership for John Henry Bull given to President Bradley.

National Trustee Hodalski reported that 198 Valley Forge books have been sold. President Bradley stated that all profit from sale would be donated to National JROTC and Trustee Hodalski was made Chairman of Valley Forge book sales.

Former VPG Carr requests Trustee Hodalski "keep on top" of the VPG position ranking paper submitted by FLSSAR to National.

Motion by Northwestern VP Ed Young to accept the Treasurer's (Budget) Report, seconded passed.

Nominating Committee Chairman Hamilton added former PG Hoffmann to be Chancellor, Compatriot Saul Montes-Bradley to be Editor Florida Patriot and Compatriot Charles Schafer to be Chaplain to slate of officers list. It was moved and seconded the slate of officers be accepted, passed by acclamation.

Compatriot John Cahoon, Jr. gave JROTC report in absence of JROTC Chairman Leslie Matheson.

Former PG Hoffmann moved that Trustee Hodalski keep FLSSAR informed about status of JROTC medals and programs, seconded passed.

PG Musgrave spoke on the National JROTC and National Fire Safety Programs.

Compatriot AL Snapp reported on future BOM meeting information.

There being no further business the recessional was led by Trustee Hodalski and the benediction was given by Chaplain Burns.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dr. Robert Danneman  
Recording Secretary

**SPRING BOARD OF MANAGEMENT AND 109TH ANNUAL  
MEETING  
FLORIDA SOCIETY SONS OF THE MERICAN REVOLUTION  
SARASOTA, FLORIDA  
APRIL 29-MAY 1, 2005**

The Spring Board of Management meeting was called to order at 1:15 P.M. April 29, 2005 by State President Harold F. Miller Jr.. The invocation was given by Chaplin Charles Schafer. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Senior Vice President Harry F. Hollien, the Pledge to the SAR was recited as was the American Creed National Officers were introduce by President Miller. Included were President General Henry N. McCarl; Vice President General , South Atlantic District, Renaldo J. Hamilton; President General Carl K. Hoffmann; Registrar General Bruce A. Wilcox; Registrar General, Richard E. Friberg,; Georgia State President, George Thurmond; North Carolina State President, Joe E. Harris; Vice Presidents General, Jack Coleman, Phillip D. Carr, Ralph A. Nelson Jr. and Larry Guzy; Eagle Scout Chairman Robert E. Burt; Chairman of Government and Congressional Relations, Timothy R. Bennett; Florida State President, George Avant and National Alternate Trustee, Frank X. Hodalaski.

State members with National committee memberships were announced and those present introduced. Included were Loren R. Bradley, Lindsey C. Brock, Rev. George A. Burns, Robert E. Burt. Phillip D. Carr, John H. McCarter, Dr. Robert Danneman, Alvie L. Davidson, Richard Q. Fowler, Richard E. Friberg, Frederic F. Gaines Jr., Renaldo J. Hamilton, Frank X. Hodalaski, Carl. K. Hoffmann, W. Douglas Little, Harold F. Miller, Jr, Saul Montes-Bradley, William R. Stevenson, Edward D. Sullivan, Charles S. Wingate and Harry L. Young Jr.

First time attendies were introduced and included the following: Dave Halls, St. Lucie River, Martin Greenwood, Gainesville, and Dave Celsey, Flagler Palm Coast.

Secretary Kevin Yarnell certified that a quorum was present. Compatriot Jack Coleman moved that the minutes of the Winter Board of Management Meeting as printed in The Florida Patriot be approved; seconded by Compatriot Steve Stevenson. The motion passed.

President General McCarl addressed the BOM and stated that he was pleased to be here in Florida for our BOM and Annual Meeting, that he was proud of the Florida Society in the role and activities of the compatriots. He stated that education was one of the salvations of our society and commended Compatriot Frank Hodalski for his part in getting the History Fair Project started in Florida and for presenting it to National, where it is now a national program. At this time several states have implemented the program. He remarked on two new awards by National. The awards are to be made to an outstanding Coast Guard Cadet and West Point Cadet. Funding is needed and several matching grants have been set up.

Vice President General Hamilton remarked on his busy year. He thanked the Florida Society for placing his name in nomination, and stated it was a honor to serve as Vice President General. He has several events to participate in before his term of office ends at the National Congress in Louisville.

President General Hoffmann remarked on the by-law change, On the ranking of Vice President Generals, which was placed on the agenda at the Trustee Meeting and will be voted on at the National Congress. He also revisited the ease of asking for monetary help, for our society and chapters, from large corporations.

Alternate Trustee Hodalski remarked on the above and how that it will be an up and down vote in Louisville. At this time he also remarked on the History Fair and that he was very pleased with the support and sponsorship of the different chapter in the state which held the Fairs and stated that 6 or 7 states now participate. He moved and Grant Wallin Jr. seconded that the History Fair Committee status be changed from an ad-hoc to a standing committee, the motion passed. He also moved that \$55 be authorized for two "American Eagle" awards to be given at the State History Fair to be held in the next week, it was seconded and passed

Reports of the Florida State Officers were called: they and those of the Committee Chairman are found in the Quarterly Reports which are made a part of these minutes along with additional remarks and reports

Senior Vice President Hollien added to his printed report that the Jacksonville Chapter participated in judging a History Fair on March 5 with two members in uniform.

The Patriot Editor, Compatriot Saul Montes-Bradley stated that the dead line for the next issue is May 15, 2005.

The Florida SAR Endowment Trust Fund trustee, Comp. Avant reported on a drive for funds for the trust in now in progress and that the goal is an additional \$10,000 of which \$7,300 has been pledge with about \$3,000 cash in hand. He gave us some history on the founding and funding of this trust and asked that all participate. The three trustees are Jack Coleman, Newell Kellog and he.

At this time the report of The Endowment trust Fund (ETF) Review Committee, Compatriot Bud Bauchspies Jr., Chair, was reiterated as printed in the Quarterly Reports. It is stressed that the Trust is now on track and that all monies are accounted for and that there is \$5400 for the payment of 2005 request and that there is money to pay all request that were approved for 2004.

The Executive Committee removed that payment moratorium on 2004 requests, and recommended and moved that 50% of each grant request for 2005 be paid when it is approved and after a December 31, 2005 deadline any funds remaining would be prorated between all that years requests and disbursed at that time. The motion was seconded, after much discussion the motion passed with several no's. President General Hoffmann recommended and moved that any request made to the Endowment Trust Fund be limited to \$350.00. No request over this limit will be reviewed by the Executive Committee and the BOM as is now the custom. The motion was seconded and was passed without dissent.

Compatriot Newell Kellog, Trustee of the above trust was then called on and he then presented checks for the balance of 2004 request to the several chapters having unpaid submitted requests .

Vice President General Coleman, trustee, then offered remarks and the following;

We, the men of the Florida Society, Sons of the American Revolution in order to form a more perfect organization, establish financial longevity to our cause, provide for the teaching of Americanism, promote the general welfare of our society and secure the

blessings of our republic, promise to continue what our patriot ancestors who gave their lives and fortunes so nobly established.

Done in General Session, Sarasota, Florida, April 29-30, 2005.

State President Miller stated that the Executive Committee met on this date and offers in addition to the above motions the following: He called on Secretary Yarnell to present a proposal dealing with converting all the BOM proceedings and membership applications into electronic format. Secretary Yarnell gave some background concerning how the membership data is stored and the risk inherent in that storage method. The proposal includes the purchase of a scanner for approximately \$1,600. Questions were answered, and Compatriot Frank Hodalski moved the BOM approve the purchase of a scanner not to exceed \$1,600 if the treasurer could verify that money was available. The motion was seconded and passed.

Medals and Awards Committee Chair, Compatriot Meeks passed out his written report, which did not arrive in time for the printing of the quarterly reports. He stated that he has in his stock several miniature medals and to please check with him if you are entitled and need one.

Compatriot Frank Hodalski added to the CAR report that the men attending this BOM have contributed \$240 toward pins in the new CAR President's project. He stated that in the past several years that the compatriots have been among the first if not the first to purchase these project pins.

Patriot Medal Committee Chair, Compatriot John Cahoon thanked the chapters and individuals for their nominations for this year's awards.

Electronic Technology Committee Chair, Compatriot Dick Fowler reported that the new Procedures Manual with a easy look up index was now on line and that he had several printed copies in binders for those who would like to purchase one.

Genealogy Committee Chair., Compatriot Alvie Davidson reported that he would like to have addition help at the Florida Genealogical Society Conference in Panama City this coming November. He is still trying to get National help in attending this type of conference. President General McCarl, stated, that he is giving his support along with Compatriot Nathan White to get this type of outreach on the national agenda

Law Enforcement, Fire Safety and Heroism Committee Chair Compatriot Lindsey Brock reminded us that after this next National Congress in Louisville that a new form of this award will be available, the EMS Medal and certificate. More information is forth coming.

Meeting Arrangements BOM Chair, Al Snapp stated that our incoming President Hollien will announce the dates and places of our future BOM's

Membership Promotion and Retention Chair Senior Vice President Hollien asks that all who are willing to share their talks to please register with the Speakers Bureau.

Patriotic Activities Committee Report Chair. Dick Cordel reminded us that May 21<sup>st</sup> is Armed Forces Day and asked that we contact our clergy to offer prayer, talk to our mayors to issue proclamation. He asked all our participation in the Blue Star Salute and any other patriotic activity be reported to him.

ROTC Committee Vice Chair, Vice President General Ron Hamilton added the names of the chapter winners in The Best of the Best, they are, third place, St. Augustine; second place Pensacola and first place Central Florida.

Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements and Operating Budget Trust Fund Trustee, Chair Newell Kellog added to his report that was distributed to the BOM.

Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade Commander Bud Bauchspies Jr. added to his report that May 15<sup>th</sup> is "Peace Officers Day" and that flags should be flown at half staff.

Unfinished business was called, none.

New Business was called, none.

President Miller recessed the BOM at 4:15 P.M. until 6:15 P.M. Saturday, April 30, 2005

President Miller reconvened the BOM at 2:00 P.M. Saturday April 30, 2005 to hear additional reports.

Ladies Auxillary Chair Lonnie Jones reported the thanks of the ladies for the 14 baskets and reported that they met with 20 members and one guest and that they held election of officers and that they will be installed this evening (Saturday).

CAR Liaison Committee Registrar General Richard Friberg encourages all chapters to sponsor or at the least help the CAR chapters in their area. At this time only about seven SAR chapters do.

FLATALK Chair, Al Snapp, asked that we support this program. Only 82 of our 1500+ members do so. He passed a sign up sheet for those interested.

National Report was given by Vice President General Ralph Nelson Chairman of the National Electronic Technology Committee announced that there is now a new program that furnished an award to the best "Web Site". That a National Officers data base is now on line and that his committee is putting up a web site on information of the American Revolution.

Quartermaster, Senior President Hollien, is putting all equipment of the quartermaster in the hands of our Sgt at Arms until a new Quartermaster is named..

President Miller recessed the BOM until 6:15 P. M.

The BOM was reconvened at 6:15 p.m. For dinner, introductions, and the awarding of Patriot Medals to the following, Basil L. Lancaster, Robert H. Moody and Grant H. Wallin Jr.. The President General addressed the BOM followed by the installation of officers elected at the Annual Meeting. The BOM was closed with the SAR Pledge and the Benediction by Chaplin Schafer

**109<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING  
FLORIDA SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN  
REVOLUTION  
SARASOTA, FLORIDA  
APRIL 30, 2005**

The 109<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Florida Society of the Sons of The American Revolution was called to order by President Harold F. Miller Jr., at 2:15 P.M., Saturday April 30, 2005

The invocation was given by Chaplin Charles Schafer. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was let by Senior President Harry F. Hollin and the SAR pledge was recited.

Compatriot Gerald Meeks moved that the minutes of our last annual meeting be approved as printed; seconded and passed.



In the Treasurer's absence, President Miller reported that the 2005-2006 budget would be the same as this past years, and that the money to fund the History Fair Committee would be taken care of. A motion was made by Comp. Stevenson to accept the budget, seconded and passed.

Senior President Hollien, on behalf of the Charter and By-Laws Committee, presented the following amendment for consideration;

AMEND FLSSAR ARTICLE 1, Section 3 which reads as follows; "Members. The Florida Society is made up of members in good standing of the National Society, each of whom shall have been admitted to membership in the FLSSAR, and each of whom is a member in good standing of the FLSSAR. A member in Good Standing is a person who has been admitted to membership in NSSAR and the FLSSAR, who is not now in arrears in payment of his dues, and whose membership is not now suspended or terminated under the provisions of Section 3 of Bylaw 17 of the National Society.

BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING;

a. Normally members of the FLSSAR will hold memberships in one of the FLSSAR Chapters.

b. Members may request and be designated as Members at Large. These members may attend BOM meetings but may not vote as members of the BOM unless they qualify for membership under the provisions of ARTICLE II, Section 1, of these Bylaws. Members at large shall pay an additional fee in the amount of the FLSSAR current dues. This is in addition to regular NSSAR and FLSSAR yearly dues.

The amendment was seconded passed without dissent.

Senior President Hollien gave a brief over view of the Honors Council program presented in The Florida Patriot and asked for a vote of support from the membership. Comp. Kowalski moved: Be it resolved that the membership of the Florida Society affirm the formation of an Honors Council and Hall of Fame to acknowledge their service to the FLSSAR and lends its support of the ad-hoc committee established for this purpose. The motion was seconded and passed.

Compatriot Dick Cardell recognized the following chapters, with certificates, for their participation in 2004 in the "Partners In Patriotism" program: Jacksonville, Ocala, Penscola, St. Lucie River and Saramana.

President General Hoffmann, Chairman of the Nominations Committee, presented the 2005-2006 slate of nominations for state officers. Nominations from the floor were asked for, hearing none, the members voted to approve the slate by acclamation the following officers: President, Harry Hollien; Senior Vice President, Lindsey Brock; Secretary, Kevin Yarnell; Treasurer, James Holyfield; Registrar William Stevenson; Chancellor, Carl Hoffman; Genealogist, Alvie Davidson; Regional Vice Presidents, Edward Young, Ron Toops, Tom Beauchamp, Frederic Gaines Jr., Nelson Jantzen, Gerald Meeks and Basil Lancaster; Historian John Little; Chaplin, Charles Schafer; National Trustee, Harold Miller, Jr.; Alternate Trustee, Frank Hodalski; Patriot Editor, Saul Montes-Bradley; Recording Secretary, George Lockhart; Executive Council member at Large, Grant Wallin Jr.; Sergeant at Arms, Lonnie Jones.

(Note: The BOM minutes included the Parliamentarian. This is an appointed position and not part of the elected slate.)

President Miller asked for unfinished business; none. He then asked for new business

Vice President General Coleman remarked that we might want to again consider having only three BOM's per year.

President General Carl Hoffmann then led a lengthy discussion on the ROTC program. The out come of this was his donation of money for the National ROTC trust fund and asking the members to do the same. \$470 was collected. It was decided the Comp. Frank Hodalski will present this and any additional monies to the National Congress in July at the same time, challenging other state societies to make donations to the ROTC Trust.

Compatriot Al Snapp presented tentative dates for our future BOM: Aug 4 & 5 2005, Oct. 14 & 15, 2005, Jan. 6 & 7, 2006 and our annual meeting Apr 27-29, 2006.

President Miller led us in the SAR Recessional and then asked Chaplin Schafer to pronounce the Benediction . The 109<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting was then adjourned.