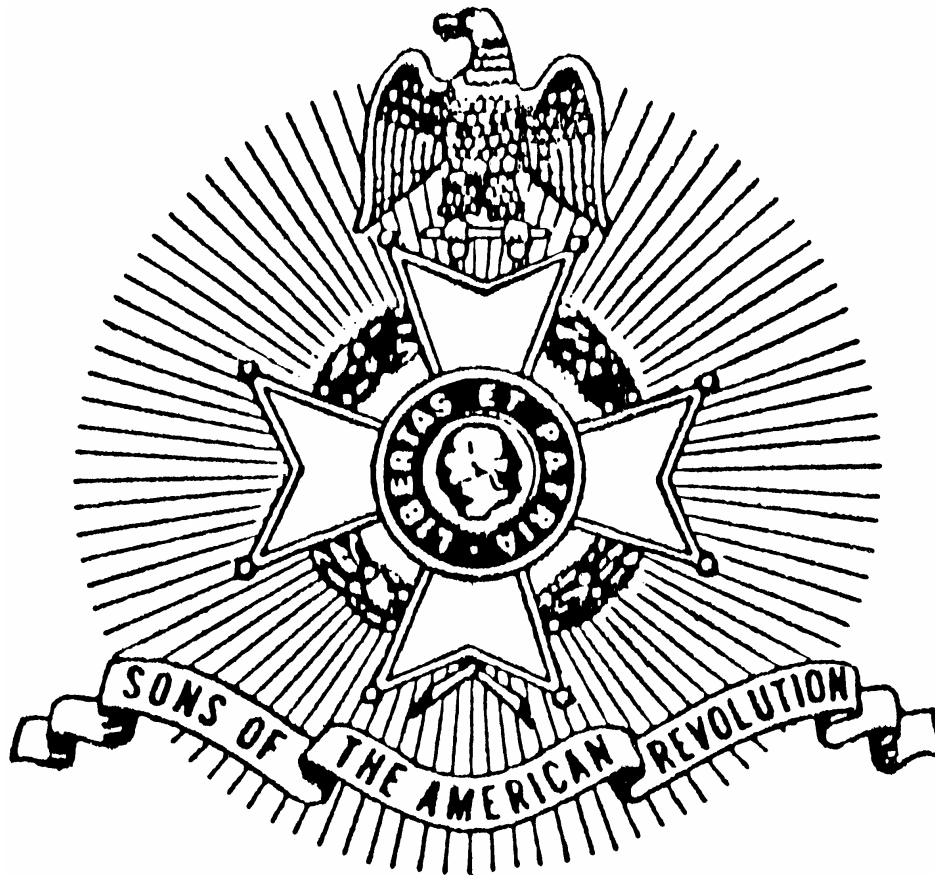


Quarterly Reports
of
The Florida Officers
and Committee Chairmen



Summer Board of Management Meeting
Kissimmee, Florida
July 27-28, 2007

Sons of the American Revolution Mission

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

The Pledge of Allegiance

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

The Pledge to the SAR

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

The American Creed

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

Recessional

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

FLSSAR
Board of Management Meeting
Date

Agenda

Call to order
Invocation
Pledge of allegiance
Pledge to the SAR
The American Creed
Introduction of National Officers
Introduction of first time attendees
Certification of a quorum
Approval of the minutes of the last meeting
Reports of NSSAR Officers- past & present
Reports of NSSAR Committee Chairmen
Report of NSSAR National Trustee
Reports of State Officers
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Unfinished business
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SAR Recessional
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FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

National Trustee

Lindsey Brock

First, allow me to again express my sincere appreciation to the support of the FLSSAR membership and especially the officers and chairmen/members of our many committees during this past year. During the past year we had over 100 at each of our BOM meetings and at the 2007 April/Annual meeting we had a record of 156 in attendance. It was truly a wonderful experience serving the Florida Society as President and I look forward to the duties and responsibilities of being National Trustee.

Over the past several months I have communicated with many of our FLSSAR officers, chapter officers, committee chairmen and various members relating to many topics at both the FLSSAR and NSSAR level. Contact has also been made with several State Society Presidents and officers of the NSSAR and Florida Society C.A.R. relating to various issues and topics.

On Sunday May 6th I attended the annual installation of the new officers of the Princess Malee Society's which was held in Jacksonville, FL.

Plans are already underway for the 225th celebration of the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution at Cape Canaveral, FL on March 8, 2008. You will recall that there were nearly two hundred color guard units in attendance and our total attendance approached 400. There were 35 wreath presenters and we had over 90 in attendance at our Friday, March 9th dinner. In 2008 we anticipate more color guard units to participate and our Friday March 7, 2008 dinner will have three menu selections, and Compatriot Ben DuBose will be mailing out the menu selections to those that plan to attend. Flyers, which advertise the March 2008 celebration, have already been printed and approximately 300 were handed out at the National Congress in Williamsburg, VA. Copies of the flyer will also be available at our July 27-28, 2007 BOM meeting for our RVPs and others to distribute. We will also have flyers available at the September 2007 and February 2008 NSSAR Leadership meetings in Louisville, KY. Many of you have already heard the great news that the **USS BARRY** will be in Cape Canaveral to join us in the 225th celebration. Final details relating to the USS BARRY participation are being coordinated with Lieutenant Bill Lamping, Operations Officer aboard the **USS BARRY**.

The Florida Society was well represented at the 117th Annual Congress in Williamsburg, VA. There were 21 compatriots and 17 members of the Florida Society's Ladies' Auxiliary in attendance. The Virginia Society under the leadership of President Joe Dooley conducted one of the best, if not the best, National Congress in memory. We had a record attendance of 609, with 109 of those being first time attendees. The food was outstanding and the tours were all well coordinated. It will be difficult for Larry Guzy, NSSAR's Chairman of the Congress Planning Committee to top the 117th National Congress.

All of the proposed amendments to the Bylaws of the NSSAR passed as outlined by the Bylaws Committee. Only one issue arose and that was the decision by the Executive Committee to permit the wearing of a gold star for not only all supplemental ancestors but also for each member's patriot ancestor. The Metals and Awards Committee took issue with the Executive Committee's by-passing their committee on this matter. We will likely hear more relating to this matter at the September 2007 Leadership Meeting in Louisville, KY.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve our great society at the national level as the Florida Society's National Trustee.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

President

Grant Wallin, Jr.

Summer is usually the time when I think of slowing down, going to the beach (or the mountains) and just taking it easy. However, this year has certainly been different. All of the committees of our great Society are filled with dedicated chairmen and members. We have forty-five committees, each dedicated to promoting our organization and giving us focus so we can better promote our organization's aims and objectives. I really appreciate the great chairmen who have stepped up to the plate and accepted the responsibility of one or more of these forty-five committees.

On May 11th, Pat and I had the distinct pleasure of meeting with the Major John DeVane chapter in Plant City where I met some great compatriots. Regional Vice President Nelson Jantzen accompanied us on this trip and I greatly appreciated his attendance. I am looking forward to hearing great things from this chapter as the year progresses.

On May 17th, Pat and I journeyed to Jacksonville chapter where I installed the new officers for the coming year. There too, I found enthusiastic compatriots and heard a litany of programs and activities which that chapter is both planning and participating in. They also recognized their Youth Awards at that meeting. I would be remiss if I did not personally thank Billie and Lindsey Brock for their kind hospitality during our overnight stay in Jacksonville.

On June 5th, our Treasurer, Leon Hammock, and I traveled to Kissimmee to visit with the Ramada Plaza people to talk about some of the problems mentioned to me at the May BOM. We had an excellent meeting with the food and room service people and I believe that most, if not all, of our problems will be taken care of. Of course, the proof is in the pudding so we will see when we gather for our July 27-28 BOM.

Since that meeting, I have been busy tending to the million and one little things that have to be addressed for any BOM meeting. Hopefully, I have not forgotten something important, but I am sure that our good compatriots will step up and see that I don't make a disastrous mistake.

In the meantime, Pat and I have attended the 117th Congress of the SAR in Williamsburg, Virginia and it was the largest Congress ever held by the National Society. In fact, the attendance is so large that not all of the attendees were able to attend the two banquets due to space limitations. It was a great Congress and I sincerely believe that our new President General, Bruce Wilcox, will inject a new spirit of growth and membership participation into our Society. I am also proud to report that the Florida Society took home some NSSAR Certificates and Streamers. The Florida Society was presented the CAR Activities Award and Streamer which was presented to the State Society which has documented their work with the Children of the American Revolution over the past year. We also received a Certificate and Streamer which was presented to the State Societies whose President and National Trustee attended both preceding Trustee meetings and the last Annual Congress. Added to this was the William M Melone Award presented to us for having the largest number of new and approved supplemental memberships in 2006-2007. And finally, our Society was presented The Eugene D. McGuire Award for enrolling the largest number of sons, grandsons, and nephews of SARs and DARs in 2006-2007. We need to point out that all of this happened on Lindsey Brock's watch and the credit goes not only to him and his leadership, but to the many of you who participated on a committee level to make it all happen. This just goes to show how reporting what we do to National can result in some great recognition for our Society. I hope that we do an even better job of reporting our activities in the 2007-2008 program year.

Please remember to talk SAR to someone every day! Also, work with other members of your chapter in promoting our Florida Society programs. We have many and they are varied enough so there is something there that should be attractive to everyone you come in contact with. Recruit, recruit and recruit. Remember, a chapter that is not recruiting new members is a dying chapter. Talk to your Regional Vice President and solicit his help if the need arises. He is there to serve you and your chapter.

Fraternally,

Grant R. Wallin, Jr.
President

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Senior Vice President

James Holyfield

This report was not available at the time of printing.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Northwestern Regional Vice President

Northwestern Region Edward D. Young, Vice President

ACTIVITIES THIS PAST PERIOD:

- Attended all meetings of the Pensacola Chapter and the Chapter Executive Committee serving as Chapter Secretary.
- Served the Florida Society as the Commander, Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade and Chairman, Endowment Trust Fund Disbursement Committee.
- Participated with the Florida Brigade for the Presentation of the Colors at the FLSSAR Summer BOM at Kissimmee, FL on 27-28 July 2007.
- Provided a report to the Region Chapter Presidents covering the actions and discussions of the FLSSAR Spring BOM.
- Installed new officers into the Pensacola Chapter.
- Presented Good Citizenship Certificates to deserving fifth graders at S.S. Dixon Elementary School in Pace.
- Marched with the Chapter Color Guard at Memorial Day Ceremony held at the Naval Chapel on Naval Air Station Pensacola.
- Marched with the Chapter Color Guard at the Memorial Day Service held at Azalea Trace Retirement Community in Pensacola.
- Participated with the Chapter Color Guard in Spirit Day at St. Michael's Cemetery in Pensacola as docent at the grave of Dorothy Walton, wife of George Walton, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, and manned a recruiting table.

EMERALD COAST CHAPTER:

The chapter continues to meet monthly on the second Saturday at 8:00 A.M. at The Neighborhood Café in the Sun Plaza Shopping Center in Mary Esther. The chapter May meeting was a joint meeting/picnic held with the Choctawhatchee Bay DAR Chapter. Six JROTC Medals were presented in area high schools and one ROTC Medal was presented at Okaloosa-Walton College. Compatriot Doan presented the FLSSAR check to the JROTC Outstanding Cadet Contest winner, Tezdy Hernandez of Fort Walton Beach High School. The Chapter Color Guard presented a wreath at the Fort Walton Beach Memorial Day Ceremony. The chapter was awarded the Honorable Mention Streamer in the 2006 Chapter Challenge Contest.

PANAMA CITY CHAPTER:

The chapter continues to meet on the third Monday of each month at 11:30 A.M. at Po Folks restaurant in Panama City throughout the year. The chapter presented three JROTC Medals in Bay County, two in Washington County, one in Gulf County and one in Holmes County. The chapter asks your prayers for our Compatriot Lt. Andy Macak, USMC, who has been deployed to Iraq.

PENSACOLA CHAPTER:

The chapter meets monthly at Sonny's Bar-B-Que Restaurant, 630 North Navy Blvd., Pensacola. The chapter was awarded the 1st Place Streamer in the 2006 Chapter Challenge Contest and the Honorable Mention Streamer in the 2006 Earl Marlin Publicity Contest. The chapter presented 11 JROTC Medals at the high schools in Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties and an ROTC Medal at the University of West Florida. James P. Pendry was inducted into the society by Chapter President Wesley S. Odom. James' Patriot is Sgt. James Barron who served under Captain Thomas Lynch in the South Carolina Militia. Over 550 Good Citizenship Certificates were distributed to elementary schools for presentations to 5th graders who excelled in American History. Guardsmen O. Bellamy, Lantz, Legg and Young Presented the Colors at the Memorial Day Service held at the Naval Air Station Pensacola Chapel on 28 May 2007. Mark Kilgore participated in the program. On 30 May 2007, Guardsmen O. Bellamy, Kilgore, Legg and Young Presented and Retired the Colors at the Azalea Trace Retirement Community. On 2 June 2007, Guardsmen O. Bellamy, Kilgore, Lantz and Young performed docent duty at the grave of Dorothy Walton in St. Michael's

Cemetery in Pensacola and manned a recruiting table. Guardsmen O. Bellamy, Bowers, Kilgore and Legg marched with other Color Guards in the Presentation of the Colors at the Flag Day Ceremony held at the Scottish Rite Center in Pensacola on 14 June 2007. Compatriot Lonnie Jones represented the chapter at the New Mexico Society (NMSSAR) Annual Meeting.

TALLAHASSEE CHAPTER:

The chapter continues to meet quarterly. The chapter presented 9 JROTC Medals to deserving cadets in area high schools and 4 ROTC Medals to worthy cadets at colleges in the Tallahassee vicinity.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

North Central Regional Vice President

North Central Region Gordon Greenwood, Vice President

General: All four chapters in the NCR are taking the usual "summer sabbatical" from regular meetings but nevertheless some are quite active. On June 20, Ron Toops, former RVP, Bob Reeves, Gainesville Chapter 2VP, and I attended the last regular meeting of the Ocala Chapter to discuss with the 21 people present strategies for helping the Ocala Chapter survive. The focus was on recruitment of officers, new members, and publicity. More information will be presented under the Ocala report.

Gainesville: The Gainesville Chapter has added 3 new members plus 3 76ers this quarter to increase its dues-paying membership to 49. In April, ROTC awards were given to 3 senior units (UF Army, Navy, and Air Force) and 8 junior units. In May, 3 members (Ray Davis, Charles Rinek, and Bob Reeves) gave flag pins to new citizens at the quarterly naturalization ceremony in Gainesville. In June the Broadside newsletter was sent out to all members and Bob Reeves (2VP) completed the revision of the new Gainesville Chapter website (www.gflssar.org).

Members of the Chapter participated in several veterans types of events. Ray Davis participated in a Flag Day event conducted by the Scottish Rite in uniform with 78 people in attendance, and on July 4 Ray presented the Toast to the Flag in uniform at the dedication of a new Veterans' memorial in Waldo. On July 5, Ray and Charles Rinek gave the Toast to the Flag and told the Ft. McHenry story in uniform at a Sunrise Rotary Club breakfast in Gainesville with 28 in attendance. Finally, Ray participated in uniform at a vespers service at the Village Retirement home in Gainesville.

Revival of youth programs is a goal of the Chapter. Three Eagle Scout certificates were given out in June and a meeting with scout leaders about the program is planned for August. Future plans include a Flag Award to Santa Fe Community College in September. Finally the Chapter, particularly Ray Davis and Bob Reeves have been very active in distributing Keyholes to History CDs to schools.

Lake-Sumpter: The Lake/Sumpter Chapter elected a full slate of officers for 2007-08, naming Bill Shukis its new President. The Chapter has achieved its goal of 50 members and has 4 76ers in addition. One of its members, Ron Toops was awarded the Patriot Medal at the Annual FLSSAR Meeting and the Chapter was given a second place award for its newspaper clippings at the same meeting.

On May 5 the Chapter gave JROTC Awards to three schools (Mt. Dora, Leesburg, and South Lake) and presented an Eagle Scout certificate at a Court of Honor. The L/S Chapter continues to encourage participation in local schools in the Knight and Rumbaugh contests and has requested that three schools participate in the Middle School Essay Pilot Program, which they have agreed to do starting in 2007. Good Citizenship Award Certificates were given in uniform with presentations in three different classrooms at the Montverde Academy.

Several members of the Chapter were interviewed at different times for newspaper articles. The articles were about such topics as how one member went about proving his ancestry to George Washington's family. Another was about the importance of teaching social studies, especially American History and Government, in the public schools.

The L/S Color Guard has been very active. Four members participated in the Last Naval Battle Event while in May, two members participated in a Memorial Day ceremony in Clermont, which is a multi-year activity with a local DAR chapter. Several members participated in the placing of flags at a local cemetery for Armed Forces Day. The Color Guard also participated in July 4 parade in Tavares.

Ocala: Although the Ocala Chapter has 49 dues-paying members, it is having trouble getting new members and officers to serve in several vacant offices. The President, Ed Page, is also covering the offices of 2VP, Treasurer, Registrar, Sgt.-at-Arms, and Youth Contests Coordinator. A number of FLSSAR officers, including the President, Immediate Past President, and the RVP (both past and present) have met with the chapter a number of

times in an effort to help the Chapter survive and rebuild. Perhaps the next regular meeting on Sept. 19 will yield some clue as to the future direction the Chapter will take.

Withlacoochee: This Chapter is one of the most active chapters in the state due in great measure to its excellent leadership. It has 44 dues-paying members plus 5 junior members. It has set a goal of 15 new members and so far has attained 9 plus 3 76ers.

In May the Chapter presented 5 Flag Awards. On May 12, it gave certificates to 6 JROTCs (the medals had already been given at school ceremonies) and had over 70 participants in attendance. On May 30 members participated in Memorial Day services at Forrest hills Cemetery in Hernando Co. with several veterans organizations.

On June 25 the Chapter held a joint meeting with the Ft. Cooper DAR, which is a new chapter of 60 members, and presented them with a flag. In addition, a bronze good citizenship award was presented to a three-tour Marine, Michael Hardss, who is a grandson of SAR and DAR members. On June 28, 11 members of the Chapter presented \$1500 in gifts to the Baldonero Lopez Nursing Home, which has 135 residents.

The RVP will visit the Chapter on Oct. 13 at 11:00 AM at which time 9 service medals will be awarded.

Respectfully Submitted
Gordon E Greenwood, RVP-NCR

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Northeastern Regional Vice President

Northeastern Region Tom Beauchamp, Vice President

[Tom sent word that a recent computer failure resulted in the loss of his SAR records. He was thus unable to supply a report for this period.]

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

East Central Regional Vice President

East Central Region Ben DuBose, Vice President

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CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER

April Chapter members presented ROTC/JROTC Awards to 28 Junior and 2 Senior Corps at schools in Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties.

May 6 Thirteen Chapter members and guests attended memorial services for Compatriot Copeland's wife Murrell Copeland.

May 12 Annual Chapter awards presented as follows: Robert Murray the past president's pin; Anne Murray the Daughters of Liberty Medal; Good Citizenship Medal to George Andrews and Norman Myers and a Color Guard Medal to Raleigh Worsham. New Chapter Officers elected for 2007-2009 were: President, Norman Myers; 1st VP John Little; 2nd VP Daniel Stebbins; Treasurer Thomas McElroy; Corresponding Secretary Gordon Phillips; Recording Secretary Robert Copeland; Registrar Cecil Thompson and Chaplain George Andrews.

May 28 Chapter members attending in uniform were: John Little, Robert Murray, Norman Myers and Raleigh Worsham participated in uniform at the Flag change out ceremony at Celebration, Florida.

June 12 Three Chapter members (2 in uniform) and 2 guests attended the memorial services for Compatriot Gerald Morgan III. He was a past president of the Connecticut Society, a past regional VP of the Florida Society and an elected officer of the Chapter for several years..

June 15 Three Chapter members and one guest attended the Winter Park, Florida Flag Retirement ceremony during which 4,051 Flags were retired.

June 18 Conducted a newly elected officer orientation program.

July 1 President Norman Myers, in uniform, participated in the First Baptist Church of Winter Park July 4th program. Joining him was DAR member Donna Strait.

July 4 Four Color Guard members marched in the July 4th parade at Celebration, Florida with the DAR John Call Chapter and CAR members. Two Color Guard members attended in uniform the National Congress in Williamsburg, VA during July 4th.

St Lucie River Chapter

April 19, seven members, four in uniform, in conjunction with the American Legion Post #64 in Okeechobee dedicated a Liberty Tree planted in the Okeechobee Veteran's Memorial Park. The St Lucie County Commissioners proclaimed April 19 as Patriot's Day and one member in uniform accepted the Proclamation. The Okeechobee City Council also proclaimed April 19 as Patriot's Day and presented the Proclamation at the Liberty Tree dedication. The Chapter winner of the Eagle Scout Essay contest read his essay at the April 14th meeting. The Chapter also awarded the EMS Medal to an EMS member for his efforts in saving the life of a victim of an unusual auto accident. Five members attended the Annual BOM meeting where the Chapter won 3rd place in the Poor Paul Newsletter contest, 3rd place in the Chapter Challenge contest, and Honorable Mention in the Publicity Contest. We also awarded the Gold Good Citizens Medal to a Holocaust survivor for his life of teaching about the Holocaust at the Annual BOM.

May 12, RVP Ben DuBose installed the Chapter's 2007/08 officers.

May 28, Memorial Day. Three members in uniform were in the Veterans parade in Stuart. One member in uniform was at the St Lucie County Veteran's Council service in Port St Lucie. May 29, presented a Certificate of Appreciation to St Lucie County Sheriff.

June 10, and June 14, one member in uniform participated in two Elk's Lodge Flag Day ceremonies. June 19, the Chapter presented a Certificate and Medal to the future new JROTC unit at the St Lucie West High School A Certificate and Medal were presented to the local Scottish Rite Lodge. At the end of the school year seven JROTC Certificates and awards were presented to local units and sixteen Outstanding Citizenship Certificates were presented to eight middle schools.

TREASURE COAST CHAPTER

4/19 Compatriot Stevenson in uniform joined the Cape Canaveral Sojourners to do the BUILD THE FLAG at their monthly meeting

4/20 Compatriot Stevenson in uniform presented the SAR ROTC Award at Vero Beach HS and did the TOAST TO OLD GLORY.

4/21 Compatriot D. North in uniform presented the SAR ROTC Award at Okeechobee HS and Compatriot Stevenson in uniform did the TOAST TO THE FLAG.

4/27 Compatriot Stevenson marched with the FLSSAR Color Guard at the Spring BOM.

4/28 Compatriot Stevenson marched with the FLSSAR Color Guard at the Annual FLSSAR meeting. & did the TOAST TO OLD GLORY.

5/11 Compatriot Stevenson presented the SAR ROTC Award at Sabastian River HS & did the TOAST TO OLD GLORY.

6/5 Compatriot Stevenson in uniform did the TOAST TO OLD GLORY at the National Sojourners June meeting in Cape Canaveral.

6/5 Compatriot Stevenson in uniform did the BUILD A FLAG PROGAM at the Vero Beach Masonic Lodge.

6/12 Compatriot Stevenson in uniform, and with the team from the Sojourners, did the BUILD A FLAG program for the Scottish Rights in Titusville.

6/14 Compatriot Stevenson did the TOAST TO OLD GLORY and the VOICE OF OLD GLORY at the Village Green in Vero.

6/14 Compatriot Stevenson did the BILD A FLAG program at the Courtney Retirement Center on Merritt Island.

7/11 Compatriot Stevenson in uniform did THE TOAST TO THE FLAG and VOICE OF OLD GLORY at the NASSAR Congress in Williamsberg, VA

BREVARD CHAPTER

4/3 - Compatriot B. DuBose, in uniform, attended the Brevard Historical Commission meeting to make a presentation on the activities of the Brevard Chapter

4/17 - Compatriot B. DuBose, in uniform, drove a red convertible decked out with Revolutionary Flags in the Melbourne St. Patrick's Day Parade.

4/27-29 - 3 Compatriots, B. DuBose, D. Richardson and S. Williams attended the Spring BOM & Annual FLSSAR Meeting. The Brevard Chapter was awarded 2nd Place in the Newsletter Competition and won Honorable Mention in the Chapter Challenge.

4/27 & 4/28 - 2 Compatriots in uniform, B. DuBose & S. Williams, marched with the FLSSAR Color Guard.

5/5 - Compatriot B. DuBose, in uniform was the guest speaker at the Brevard Retired Submariners and did recruiting.

5/12 - Compatriot B. DuBose, in uniform and acting as FLSSAR RVP, Inducted the New Officers of the St. Luci River Chapter.

5/19 - 8 Compatriots in uniform, C. Corman, J. Davenport, J. Dibble, B. DuBose, R. Ryan, B. Shapbill, F. Smith and S. Williams participated in the SAR Induction Ceremonies of two new members: J. Compton and J. Irby.
5/19 - Compatriot DuBose, in uniform, attended the awards ceremonies for the David McCampbell Sea Cadets, where he received a Certificate of Appreciation and said a few words About the SAR.
5/28 - Compatriot B. DuBose, in uniform, participated the Memorial Day Services at the Liberty Bell Museum in Melbourne.
6/14 - Compatriot B. DuBose, in uniform, participated at the Annual Melbourne Elks Ladies Auxiliary Historic Flag Procession.
6/14 - Compatriot B. DuBose participated in the Honor America Flag Day Ceremonies at the Liberty Bell Museum.
6/16 - 7 Compatriots, in uniform, C. Corman, J. Dibble, B. DuBose, B. Shapbell, F. Smith, R. Ryan & P. Wright, presented the Colors at the joint DAR/SAR Flag Day Luncheon in Rockledge.
6/29 - Compatriot DuBose represented the Chapter at a Memorial Service for Mary Cope, past Regent of the Philip Perry Chapter DAR.
During this period 12 SAR ROTC AWARDS were presented. Nine were presented by Compatriots in uniform. Plus, one SAR Bronze Good Citizenship medal was presented to a member of the Cape Canaveral Sea Cadets
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4/27 - 29 Attend the Spring BOM and Annual meetings. Also marched with Color Guard both nights.
Was awarded a Meritorious Service Bronze Palm and Certificate of Distinguished Service by President Brock.
5/12 - In full uniform, Inducted the New Officers of the St. Luci River Chapter and gave a brief update of FLSSAR activities.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

West Central Regional Vice President

West Central Region Nelson Jantzen, Vice President
July 27, 2007

As Reg. V.P. I attended the 5/11 Maj. John DeVane chapter meeting in Plant City..

Clearwater:

Chapter Color Guard joined the FLSSAR Brigade in posting the colors at the BOM in Kissimmee, FL April. 2007. At their 5/16 luncheon James Welsh spoke on the Welsh family history before & during the American Revolution. They also inducted a new SAR member, Dr. Arthur Burt.
On 5/28 the Color Guard participated in the annual Memorial Day Ceremony at St. Dunstan's Church.

St. Petersburg:

5/12 they awarded a law enforcement certificate at their luncheon meeting.

Maj. John DeVane:

On 5/4 they attended the Academic Awards Ceremony at Plant City High School.

On 5/11 they had their dinner meeting at which our Fl. State Pres. Grant Wallin spoke on the SAR programs.

On 5/28 they joined the American Legion in observance of Memorial Day.

Lakeland:

In June they attended the funeral of one of their Chapter Presidents at Fla. Bushnell Cemetery.

They sponsored a History Fair 2nd place winner who also got the outstanding entry at the Nat'l. Level. .

Tampa:

The Color Guard participated in the Lutz, FL. 4th of July Parade.

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FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Southeast Regional Vice President

Southeast Region Gerald Meeks, Vice President

Palm Beach Chapter--Although the Palm Beach Chapter does not meet during the months of June, July, August and September they continue with an active, aggressive program. They currently have 139 members, with three new applications forwarded to State and National for approval. During this reporting period they have presented seven (7) JROTC medals, seven (7) Bronze Good Citizenship Medals and one (1) Outstanding Citizenship medal to an eighth grade student. The health of the Chapter continues to be excellent with meetings that will begin in September. Two new Liberty Trees have also been planted.

Ft Lauderdale--During this reporting period the Chapter has conducted five (5) meetings. The Chapter has awarded twenty-seven (27) JROTC medals and eight (8) Bronze Good Citizenship Medals to students in the US Naval Sea Cadets and The Civil Air Patrol, and has awarded approximately two hundred (200) Good Citizenship Certificates to deserving citizens. The Chapter presented the local Veterans Home with a cassette recorder/player with music cassettes and audio books. The Chapter has assisted the Lighthouse Point Chapter DAR in the photographing and transcribing of nearly 35,000 cemetery headstones in the last 18 months. Additionally the Chapter has welcomed nine (9) new members during 2007.

Miami Chapter-- The Chapter continues to meet with the exception of the month of June when several members attended the General Society Meeting in Williamsburg, Virginia. The Chapter is planning a joint picnic with the SAR/DAR/CAR on September 3, 2007. The Chapter participated in the Memorial Day Ceremonies with the local DAR Chapter. in Miami Springs, FL. On Flag Day, uniformed members of the Chapter participated with members of the Scottish Rite in Miami, FL.

FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Southwest Regional Vice President

Southwest Region Don Cahill, Vice President

22 July 2007

CALOOSA: The Chapter got Lee County to issue a formal PROCLAMATION declaring May 2007 "Early American History Month". Terence Walton, V.P. and Treasurer suggests you visit their website to check it out. It was my pleasure to attend their last meeting before the summer break as they installed their new officers led by Dr. Albert E. Myers, President. The Chapter was saddened by the passing of Frederick W. Curtis, past chapter President and a long time Treasurer as well as recipient of the Patriot Medal.

CHARLOTTE: May 11, 2007 was the Chapter's last meeting until September 14, 2007 at the Port Charlotte Elk's Club at noon. The May meeting program presented by Compatriot John Bittner, Chapter Chaplain on his Revolutionary War ancestor.

NAPLES: May 3, 2007 was the final meeting before the summer break. The election/installation of the 2007-2008 officers was held. I stepped down as President and turned the gavel over to John Logan McCullough. May also saw the scholarship and book award going to outstanding history or social studies students from each high school in Collier County. July 4, 2007 our Color Guard participated in the City of Naples Parade as it has done every year.

SARAMANA: Friday, May 11, 2007 was the last meeting for the Chapter until fall. The meeting was at noon at the Sarasota Cay Club at 7150 North Tamiami Trail, Sarasota. The speaker was Robert O. Woodburn. Six chapter members visited thirteen area high schools presenting the 2007 JROTC cadets with the SAR Medal and Certificate. Chapter President Phillip Tarpley and a few others members attended the National Society meeting in Williamsburg, Virginia.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Secretary

Kevin Yarnell

Since the annual BOM my work has dealt primarily with the updating of records for the 2007-2008 year. This includes entering committee and officer information into the database. I've also completed the new edition of the society bylaws incorporating the changes made at the annual meeting. I've asked members of last year's bylaws committee to proof the draft and will provide copies when the committee submits their approval. Stationary for the 2007-2008 officers was printed and is available for pickup at this meeting.

I would like to offer my apologies for those that did not receive timely responses to their emails in the past several months. Since January I've been enrolled in night classes (Calculus II in the spring and Differential Equations this summer) in order to renew my teaching credentials. These classes, while rewarding and successful, at times became quite time intensive and I found myself pushing tasks such as answering email to the back burner in order to stay current with membership and other higher priority issues for the society. The last class ended last week and I look forward to returning to a more regular schedule of work for the society.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Treasurer

Leon Hammock

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVES (BUDGET AND ACTUAL) 6-30-2007

	2007 Annual Budget	2007 Actual
Receipts		
Dues - net of rebates	\$31,000	\$26,784
Donations	2,000	1,841
Other	<u>1,500</u>	<u>315</u>
Total	34,500	28,940
Disbursements		
State Officers	\$19,500	\$9,111
Youth Programs	9,000	\$8,276
Committee Projects	<u>5,000</u>	<u>3,645</u>
Total	33,500	21,032
Receipts over Disbursements	\$1,000	\$7,908

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION JUNE 31, 2007

ASSETS

Checking	34,823.35
Wachovia CD's	32,566.03
Money Market Account	<u>4,915.21</u>
TOTAL Bank Accounts	72,304.59
Investments (restricted)	<u>11,892.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	84,196.59

LIABILITIES

0.00

EQUITY

84,196.59

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY

84,196.59

Submitted by Leon R.
Hammock, State Treasurer

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Registrar, William R. Stevenson

Quarterly Report: End of 1st Quarter, 2007

Chapter	Membership Applications							Supplemental Applications						Remarks
	Received	Carry over	Approval NSSAR			Returned to Chapter		Received	Carry over	Approval		Returned to Chapter		
			Pending	Receive		State	NSSAR			Pending	Receive	State	NSSAR	
Brevard	1	7		8					6	6				
Caloosa	1			1					2	2				1 memorial
Central Florida		1		1				1	5	6				
Charlotte									2	2				
Clearwater	8	6		14					4	4				
Daytona-Ormond		6		6										
Deland		2		2				2	3	5				
Devane		2			2									
Emerald Coast		1		1					1	1				
Flagler									8	8				
Ft Lauderdale	2	3		5					2	2				
Gainesville		4		4					2	2				
Jacksonville	5	5		10				2	7	9				
Lakeland	1	5		6					4	4				
Lake/Sumter		6		6				1	4	5				
Miami								1	3	4				
Naples	2	7		9				1	2	3				
Ocala		1		1					2	2				
Palm Beach	3	8		11				1	3	4				3 memorials
Panama City		1		1					4	4				
Pensacola		2		2					2	2				
Saramana	2	7		9				2	19	21				4 youth
St Augustine		4		4										
St Lucie River	1	3		4				1	2	3				2 junior
St Petersburg		3		3					3	3				
Tallahassee		1		1										
Tampa	1	4		5					5	5				
Treasure Coast		2		2					1	1				
Withlacoochee	3	6		9				4	18	22				
At-Large	2	6		8					1	1				
Totals	32	101		133				16	116	132				

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Chaplain

Randy Moody

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

Each chapter needs a person responsible for reporting the death of chapter members to the FLSSAR Chaplain and Secretary. There is an Obituary Report form on the web site (<http://www.flssar.org/Docs/Forms/ObitRpt.pdf>) that enables your Chaplain and Secretary to fulfill our responsibilities more efficiently. Please make sure that the "Next of Kin" portion is completed to ensure that the proper person receives the condolence card.

Deaths since the Annual Meeting are:

James Marshall	Palm Beach	24 April 2007
Kenneth G. Miller	Withlacoochee	28 April 2007
James R. Reesman	Caloosa	16 May 2007
Olin Collier Bell	Caloosa	
Frederick W. Curtis	Caloosa	30 May 2007
Joseph D. Williams	St. Augustine	30 May 2007
Harvey Richard Clark	Jacksonville	4 June 2007
Gerald J. Morgan, III	Central Florida	6 June 2007
Richard Dudley Jordan	Caloosa	10 June 2007
Oliver Perry Williams III	Jacksonville	12 June 2007
John Larkin Whisler, Sr.	Lakeland	21 June 2007
Grover S. Higginbotham	Naples	July 8, 2007

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Recording Secretary

Terence Walton

Nothing to report

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Chancellor

Carl Hoffmann, PG

We have no activity to report at this time.

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Parliamentarian

Frank Hodalski

Nothing to report

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Genealogist

Alvie Davidson

Nothing to report

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Sergeant at Arms

Alvin Bellamy

Nothing to report

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Historian

John Little

April, 2007 thru July 2007

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

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

John Little

Historian

FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Editor, Florida Patriot

Dick Fowler

The Summer *Patriot* focused on *The First Battle of the American Revolution*, the story of The Battle of Point Pleasant, West Virginia, also known as *Dunmores War*. There is some question that this was the first battle of The American Revolution, but it was so designated by Congress and is recognized by *The Sons of the American Revolution*.

I will be addressing seven hundred four-grade students as Benjamin Franklin October 5 - 6, 2007 at the *First Battle* ceremonies in Point Pleasant, WV.

This edition contains five full color pictures on pages 9, 10, 11, 12 and the inside back cover.

Please send all news or pictures to me for the Fall *Patriot* by September 20, 2007 at fowlersar@yahoo.com. All chapters are encouraged to send the information they would like published for the Fall *Patriot* to for their chapters.

Statutory Committees

FLSSAR Committee Report

Audit

Chairman: Ted Duay, III

At the April 2007 Board of Management meeting, the Audit Committee presented its report on the internal audit of the Florida Society for the year ended December 31, 2006. The Committee will have nothing to report until April 2008, when it presents the results of its internal audit of the Florida Society for the year ended December 31, 2007."

FLSSAR Committee Report Executive

Chairman: Grant Wallin, Jr.

This report will be given orally.

FLSSAR Committee Report Finance

Chairman: Leon Hammock

Nothing to report.

FLSSAR Committee Report Medals and Awards

Chairman: Gerald Meeks

The committee has had no requests during the past quarter.

FLSSAR Committee Report Nominating

Chairman: TBA

[The nominating committee will be formed at this BOM.]

FLSSAR Committee Report Patriot Medal

Chairman: John Cahoon, Jr.

The Patriot Medal Committee had no activity during this reporting period.

Nominations for the Patriot Medal will be accepted until the termination of the Winter Board of Management meeting in January 2008."

Standing Committees

FLSSAR Committee Report Archives

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

As anticipated we've been able to make good progress this summer toward our long term goal of organizing the society records. The reader may recall that we've developed an extensive database that allows us to record information about current and former members including offices held at local, state, and National level, FLSSAR committee assignments, ancestors, BOM attendance, membership history, and awards received. This last item is a new feature added this summer. When completed the goal is to have an SAR "resume" of all members of the society.

I continue to plow through the scraps of paper and more formal documents for information. To date, we have information on 7476 of the 8992 FLSSAR former and current members. The current task is to indicate in the database whether or not the member's application is in our file. This is allowing us to enter members into the database that have heretofore be omitted. To date, we've completed a review of state numbers 1-1999. After this is completed we'll tackle the past annual reports and explore ways of collecting additional information regarding awards given to members.

FLSSAR Committee Report Chapter Challenge

Chairman: Nelson Jantzen

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report Charter & By Laws

Chairman: James Holyfield

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report CAR Liaison

Chairman: Doug Bridges

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report Commemorative Historic Sites

Chairman: Fred Gaines, Jr.

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report Credentials

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

Credentials for the Florida Society delegates to this summer's NSSAR Congress were prepared and mailed in mid June along with notices received from National. We are not aware of any delegates that experienced problems resulting from this work.

Members that wish to represent Florida at next year's Congress should indicate this at or around the time of the Spring 2008 annual meeting.

FLSSAR Committee Report DAR Liaison

Chairman: Gordon Greenwood

The 2007-2008 DAR Liaison Committee consists of the following members: (1) Gordon Greenwood, Gainesville, Chairman; (2) George Lockhart, Jacksonville; (3) Lindsey Brock, Jacksonville; (4) Fred MacLean, Central Florida; (5) Hal Miller, Saramana; and (6) Steve Williams, Brevard. The purpose of the Committee is to promote communication and cooperation between SAR and DAR. To further those goals, (1) the Committee will, with the help of incoming DAR State Regent, Sue Bratton, have a table to display and disseminate information regarding SAR membership, goals, and activities at the DAR Fall Forum on Sept. 21-23 at the Airport Marriott Hotel in Orlando, and hopes to do the same at the Spring Forum in March, 2008.

(2) Further, Regent Bratton has also agreed to make available the names and contact info for the incoming 2007-2008 DAR officers, especially the Chapter Regents and Regional Council Presidents as soon as that info is available, although the formal directory won't be available before the Fall Forum. Such info is often helpful to RVPs as well as committees such as the Chapter Development/Chapter Revitalization Committee, since it is not online as is the equivalent SAR info.

Respectfully Submitted, Dr. Gordon E. Greenwood

FLSSAR Committee Report Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee

Chairman: David Ramseur

I would like to congratulate two of our very own on receiving the new first annual NSSAR Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Award. This award is named in honor of our very own Compatriot Robert E Burt who has served faithfully many years in scouting and coordinated these activities to make more men knowledgeable of the SAR principles and opportunities to join our organization.

Also, I would like to congratulate my predecessor Grant Wallin who has served many years as a scout executive and who is now serving as our FLSSAR President. Both Compatriots Burt and Wallin are two of the first eighteen recognized at NSSAR Congress this year for this prestigious award.

Finally, as you are gathering the names and contacting new Eagle Scouts to complete their scholarship applications for this years contest, please contact your local scout offices for active adult leaders who might be interested in joining the SAR to become eligible for this prestigious award.

David Ramseur
Eagle Scout Chairman
FLSSAR

FLSSAR Committee Report Education Committee

Chairman: Ron Toops

Legislative Status: The Florida House created legislation, HB7151, which included Social Studies, with an emphasis on history, government and civics in the FCAT. It was passed in a timely manner by the Florida House and shortly thereafter delivered to the Florida Senate. The Florida Senate chose to not allow the bill to be brought to the floor. Some say that they didn't have time to read it, since it was so comprehensive. Efforts were made to get a similar bill into a special session of the Florida Senate in June/July. I will attend a meeting on July 23/24th and ask if this occurred. I will pass on the results as soon as I know. Members may want to ask their Senator, what are they going to do in the next session?

I have had several discussions with a U.S. Representative from Florida about the approach being taken to renew the No Child Left Behind legislation.

Florida Sunshine Standards for Social Studies

First Meeting Highlights (Jun 13/14, 2007): A diverse group of Florida citizens met at the University of Central Florida in order to begin the process of revising the Florida Sunshine Standards as they may apply to the teaching of Social Studies in Florida Public Schools.

Social Studies include, American History, World History, American Government, Civics, Geography and Economics.

I was pleased to find the first day and a half of the process very educational and successful in setting the stage for defining the new Social Studies standards. The Department of Education (DOE) organized and moderated the discussion and encouraged candid input from all members in attendance. The members, called "the Framers", were representatives of a number of areas and disciplines, including bankers, university personnel, book publishers and teachers.

The DOE and several experts presented materials on state standards from several other states. We all reviewed these standards and expressed our comments about them. Some state standards were selected as positive guidelines for defining the Florida Sunshine Standards. There also were several reports presented which indicated Florida's performance against some pre-determined 'Standards' criteria. In one case Florida's Grade was a "D" for U.S. History. This report highlighted that the Florida Sunshine Standards were confusing and weighed down with jargon, ..., i.e. failed to clearly specify what student's should know (about American History for example). I agree with this view.

The last half of the second day, seemed to support the premise related to Florida's poor performance. Specific teams were formed for the various topics (called 'Strands'). When these committees re-convened at the end of the day, most of the topic areas, had clear definitions associated with setting the guidelines for the 'Writers' to create the text for the associated standards. The group that I was in, was not open to 'any' ideas, and as such there was little guidance for a writer to create text for American History. This group also wasn't able to get to set the content of the High School Curriculum for American History.

I later discussed this lack of openness within the 'American History' group. The DOE leadership acknowledged the problem and insured me that this would be addressed. As a result a second set of meetings are scheduled for July 23/24th. These meetings hopefully, will result in more comprehensive description for American History, at the elementary, middle and high school level! The 'Writers' will be in attendance at these meetings and be able to understand what we the 'Framers' intend.

I intend to have additional input for the BOM, after these 'Framer's' Meetings.

Question Sets for www.rsar.org (R. Nelson): We have created an initial question set, which will be massaged and placed onto the mentioned NSSAR website. The concept has been presented to the Web Education Committee. Several ideas were offered by the committee members, including having the NSSAR Education Director and members of the CAR participate in defining some additional question sets.

These question sets will ultimately be found on line as on-line quizzes, which a student, teacher, citizen, member or other individual can take. Initially the participant will get feedback as to their personal knowledge and with the push of a key, will be able to find the correct answers and possibly some recommended readings and/or references on the subject(s). The long term objective will to discover, "what do we know about early American History and Government". The objective is to have the initial offering in September 2007. There are a number of other applications for these question sets.

Middle School Essay Contest Proposal: Frank Hodalski, chairman of the NSSAR Patriotic Education Committee again presented the Middle School Essay Award project to his committee. Frank pointed out how again Florida is the leader in this initiative. There appears to be more interest in our American History at the Middle School level.

I have tentative teacher's agreements from three schools, to participate in a Middle School Essay Award pilot project. There also will be an Oration Award pilot, since one of the teachers expressed an interest. Representation includes a public school, a charter school and a private school. Initially the awards will be funded at the local chapter level.

Keyhole to History (audio/video version): Frank Hodalski again presented the Keyhole to History CD project to the National organization. Frank shared the many opportunities where these CDs can be utilized. I am sure that Frank and Ben DuBose will provide an update on this exciting program.

FLSSAR Committee Report Electronic Technology Committee

Chairman: Dick Fowler

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report Genealogy

Chairman: Ted Duay, III

The Genealogy Committee sent an e-mail to various officers of each chapter in the state offering genealogical assistance with SAR prospective members. A number of chapters responded that they appreciated the offer but had no prospective members at present. The Genealogy Committee will be conducting one-on-one genealogical consultations at the July Board of Management meeting.

FLSSAR Committee Report

George S. & Stella Knight Essay Contest

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

The 2006-2007 contest proved to be comparable to those of previous years despite our hopes that the change in format would promote more entries. We did receive some significant positive feedback that indicates in some areas we are on the right track. For example, students appreciated the ability to email their entries; our judges very much liked the removal of all word length requirements; and students that signed up for our email reminders were given not only suggestions about their essays but also information about the SAR that in year's past would not have reached them.

At least two chapters have expressed interest in holding local contests and, as we did last year, we will be supportive of those efforts. We are only asking that the chapter forward all the entries to us for the state competition and not just the winning essay. An email will be sent to the local chapters regarding the contest in early August.

The reader may be aware of some limited but quality research we've conducted with regard to the Knight Essay and our other youth contests. This research seems to indicate that while our goal of supporting and promoting programs for youth are very worthy, the methods we are using – contests in particular – may no longer be the best means by which to accomplish the goal. We would welcome some discussion by the membership at both the local and state levels that might allow us to look for new directions. At this point this committee is not ready to make a formal motion to the society but if the numbers of entries into all our contests does not significantly improve in this year's contests we intend to ask the President to appoint a committee charged with the task of reviewing our participation in these programs with an eye to finding better ways by which we might contribute to the needs of our youth.

FLSSAR Committee Report Good Citizenship

Chairman: Douglas North

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report History Fairs

Chairman: Frank Hodalski

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report Joseph P. Rumbaugh Orations Contest

Chairman: Randy Moody

The Rumbaugh Oration Committee for 2007-2008 will have its first meeting during the Summer BOM. We have nothing to report at this time.

FLSSAR Committee Report Ladies Auxiliary Liaison

Chairman: Lindsey Brock

The FLSSAR Ladies Auxiliary was well represented at the National Congress in Williamsburg, VA, with approximately 17 ladies in attendance. Thanks to Jane Hamilton, Doris Bridges and Billie Brock, two very nice baskets were presented to the National Ladies' Auxiliary from the Florida Society's Ladies Auxiliary.

The President of the FLSSAR Ladies Auxiliary recently prepared a message for posting on the FLSSAR's web site, relating to the events at the 2007 National Congress. You may read the message by visiting: www.flssar.org

At the September, 2007 Fall Leadership Conference in Louisville, KY, Billie will be selecting some items from the National Society's Merchandise Sales Department, on consignment, which she plans to sell at our future BOM meetings. You may wish to let her know, at the July 2007 BOM Meeting, some of the items that you may be interesting in purchasing.

FLSSAR Committee Report Liberty Tree

Chairman: Ben Dubose

1. I would like to thank Compatriot Hall Riediger for volunteering to assist me on this committee.
2. Former Chairman Gene Brown has sent me a report on the past activities of this committee and I will have a complete report ready for the next BOM.
3. If your Chapter has ever dedicated a LIBERTY TREE, please contact me as to date, location, plaque (if any), and brief description of event. 321-952-2928 or BrevardSAR@cfl.rr.com

FLSSAR Committee Report Meeting Arrangements - BOM

Chairman: Lindsey Brock

July 20, 2007

The following are BOM meeting dates have been established with the Ramada Plaza Hotel & Inn Gateway of Kissimmee, FL for the years 2007-2008 and are repeated in this report to insure that our membership can make plans to attend our future meetings:

Summer BOM meeting – July 26-27, 2007
Fall BOM meeting – October 26-27, 2007
Winter BOM meeting – January 18-19, 2008
Annual BOM meeting – May 2-4, 2008

Our room rates will remain the same (\$61.00 + taxes) for the year 2007. For the year 2008 the room rates will be increased to (\$63.00 + taxes). Plaza tower rooms will also remain at (\$71.00 + taxes) for the year 2007. For the year 2008 Plaza tower rooms will be increase to (\$73.00 + taxes). However, Plaza tower one-bedroom suites will remain at (\$99.00 + taxes) during 2007-2008. Meal prices will be essentially in the same price range.

FLSSAR Committee Report Membership Promotion & Retention

Chairman: James Holyfield

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report National Officer Development

Chairman: Carl Hoffmann

We have no activity to report at this time.

FLSSAR Committee Report NSSAR Library

Chairman: Terence Walton

The Committee received a quarterly statistical report for the period 1/1/07 through 06/30/07 from Michael Christian, NSSAR Librarian. The report summarized membership data for members of the Friends of the SAR Library (FOL) for all state societies. FLSSAR remained in first place with a total of 50 personal and chapter members (down from 53 on 10/31/06), or 22% of the national total. FLSSAR currently has five chapter **SAR Library** memberships: **Caloosa, Clearwater, Miami, Pensacola, and St. Augustine**. The Committee encourages all chapters to become Friends of the Library by sending a \$25 check to: **SAR Library, 1000 South Fourth Street, Louisville, KY 40203, Att'n: Friends of the Library**.

80% of FOL membership fees are placed in the Library Endowment Fund, which is the permanent fund for the use of the library. The remaining 20% and income from the Endowment Fund is used to supplement the regular library operational budget, providing new services such as database subscriptions, books, and other materials for the library collection.

Memorial SAR memberships may be approved for a male who is a deceased close relative (within two generations) of an SAR member and whose application is based on (most of) the same lineage as the SAR member. There are no dues and a portion of the application fee (\$310) goes to the Society's Permanent Fund which also benefits the library. There are currently **three memorial memberships pending for Palm Beach and one for Caloosa Chapter**. Memorial memberships are an excellent way of benefiting ongoing library activities and the proposed **Center for Advancing America's Heritage**.

FLSSAR's NSSAR Library Committee would like to make two suggestions to the National Society, through FLSSAR's Executive Committee:

1. That the **NSSAR Library and Museum** investigate the feasibility and resulting benefits of applying for membership in the **Smithsonian Institution Affiliates Program**.
2. That **NSSAR** consider adding "**National**" to the name of the Center for Advancing America's Heritage, i.e., **National Center for Advancing America's Heritage**, or **NCAAH**

Enhanced visibility for the National Society and the broadening of our fund-raising efforts would be two direct outcomes if these suggestions were implemented.

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

FLSSAR Special Committee Report Newsletters and Periodicals

Chairman Edward "Bud" Casey

This committee continues to receive copies of newsletters and periodicals from many chapters in the Florida Society. Please send hard copies of your Chapter Newsletter to:

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

FLSSAR Committee Report Patriotic Activities

Chairman: Hal Miller, Jr.

July 20, 2007

First I would like to thank all the following committee members who agreed to serve back in January for another year and to our State President, Grant Wallin, who was happy with their decision.

The members as follows: Bud Casey (St. Lucie River) 772-460-2754
Earl Fowler (Saramana) 941-377-7366
Frank X. Hodalski (Saramana) 941-377-8232
Lonnie Jones ((Pensacola) 850-474-9029
Al Little (Deland) 366-734-5074
Owen Malcolm (Ocala) 352-873-8878
David H. Ramseur (Jacksonville) 904-737-0590 **New Member
Ralph O. Ward (Panama City) 850-535-2378

Since my last Committee report of April 22, 2007, another 175 e-mails at a time were sent out on 17 occasions, a total of about 2975 e-mails through July 19, 2007.

For the 2006-07 program year which began on 4/30/2006, ending April 29, 2007, 45 emails were sent out on 45 occasions to 175 recipients resulting in about 7875 emails.

Yours in Patriotism, Hal Miller

FLSSAR Committee Report Procedures Manual

Chairman: Steven Williams

Revision of New Officers/BOM from Annual Meeting & elections within Volume 1; Published FLSSAR form for Public Service and Heroism within Volume 3. Currently, awaiting changes to By-laws before publishing Revision to Volume 1.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Williams, Chair

FLSSAR Committee Report Public Service and Heroism

Chairman: Daniel Shepherd

Date: 18 July 2007

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

Jacksonville Chapter

30 March 2007 the Jacksonville Chapter presented the following medal and certificate:

Fire Safety Commendation Medal and Certificate

Frank Elkins, Firefighter

Nassau County Sheriff's Office

No media coverage for this 30 March 2007 presentation.

15 May 2007 the Jacksonville Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at the 15 May 2007 city council meeting:

Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate

Kimberly Robinson, Officer

Green Cove Springs Police Department

No media coverage for this 15 May 2007 presentation.

Lake-Sumter Chapter

6 January 2007 the Lake-Sumter Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at their 6 January 2007 chapter meeting:

Fire Safety Commendation Medal and Certificate

John Hoornstra, Battalion Chief

Leesburg Fire Department, Leesburg, FL

No media coverage for this 6 January 2007 presentation.

3 March 2007 the Lake-Sumter Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at their 3 March 2007 chapter meeting:

EMS Commendation Medal and Certificate

Calhoun Winningham, Paramedic

Lake-Sumter County Fire Department, Leesburg, FL

No media coverage for this 3 March 2007 presentation.

Saramana Chapter

9 March 2007 the Saramana Chapter presented the following medals and certificates at their 9 March 2007 chapter meeting:

Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate

Josh Cramer, Sergeant

Bradenton Police Department, Bradenton, FL

Edward Jackson, Officer

Longboat Key Police Department, Longboat Key, FL

Thomas Mattmuller, Detective

Venice Police Department, Venice, FL

Christopher McConnell, Deputy

Sarasota County Sheriff's Department, Sarasota Co., FL

Scott Patrick, Officer

Sarasota Police Department, Sarasota, FL

Ravi Rangoonanan, Deputy

Manatee County Sheriff's Department, Manatee Co., FL

Eric Sineath, Officer North Port Police Department, North Port, FI
Adam Spatafora, Officer Palmento Police Department, Palmento, FI
No media coverage for these 9 March 2007 presentations.

13 April 2007 the Saramana Chapter presented the following medals and certificates at their 13 April 2007 chapter meeting:

Fire Safety Commendation Medal and Certificate

Robert Austin, Inspector Cedar Hammock Fire Department, Cedar Hammock, FI
Louis Chiochio, Firefighter/Engineer Bradenton Fire Department, Bradenton, FI
Eric Cumberland, Firefighter/Paramedic Longboat Key Fire Dept., Longboat Key, FI
Timothy L. Mason, Firefighter/EMT North Port Fire Department, North Port, FI
Keith Medvar, Firefighter Englewood Area Fire Control District, Englewood, FI
Gerard R. Stause, Firemedic Venice Fire Department, Venice, FI
Douglas E. Wolfe, Captain Sarasota County Fire Department, Sarasota Co., FI

No media coverage for these 13 April 2007 presentations.

St. Augustine Chapter

20 April 2007 the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at the City of St. Augustine Fire Rescue, 101 Malaga St., St. Augustine, FI:

Fire Safety Commendation Medal and Certificate

Edward Tyler, Captain St. Augustine Fire Rescue, St. Augustine, FI

No media coverage for this 20 April 2007 presentation.

10 May 2007 the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at the Office of Sheriff Dean Kelly, 130 Orié Griffin Blvd., Palatka, FI:

Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate

Dwayne Foreman, Deputy Putnam County Sheriff's Department, Palatka, FI

No media coverage for this 10 May 2007 presentation.

16 May 2007 the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medals and certificates at the St. Johns County Fire Rescue, Station #14, St. Augustine, FI:

Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate

Brian Freeland, Firefighter St. Johns Co. Fire Rescue, St. Augustine, FI
Marc Grabert, Lieutenant St. Johns Co. Fire Rescue, St. Augustine, FI
Darren Hendrix, Firefighter St. Johns Co. Fire Rescue, St. Augustine, FI
John Rigney, Firefighter St. Johns Co. Fire Rescue, St. Augustine, FI

EMS Commendation Medal and Certificate

Jeffery Wittmer, EMS/Engineer St. Johns Co. Fire Rescue, St. Augustine, FI

No media coverage for these 16 May 2007 presentations

19 May 2007 the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at their 19 May 2007 chapter meeting at Le Pavillon Restaurant, St. Augustine, FI:

Heroism Medal and Certificate

Alexander Glen, (Civilian) – who on 12 March 2007 saved Ms Kristina Demato from drowning when the car she was driving slid into a retention pond and submerged. Mr. Glen who was a passenger in a passing car saw the accident. He dove into the pond and rescued Ms Demato from the submerged vehicle saving her life.

No media coverage for this 19 May 2007 presentation.

22 May 2007 the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at the Office of Chief of Police Loran Lueders, 75 King St., St Augustine, FI:

Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate

Richard Warner, Officer St. Augustine Police Department, St. Augustine, FI

No media coverage for this 22 May 2007 presentation.

4 June 2007 the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at the City of St. Augustine City Hall, St. Augustine, FI:

Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate

Jeffrey Wallace, Officer St. Augustine Beach Police Department, St. Augustine, FI

No media coverage for this 4 June 2007 presentation.

18 July 2007 the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at Rosen Shingle Creek Resort, Orlando, FL:

EMS Commendation Medal and Certificate

Joseph Guidry, Fire Marshall/ EMS St Johns County Fire Rescue, St. Augustine, FL

No media coverage for this 18 July 2007 presentation.

Tampa Chapter

19 May 2007 the Tampa Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at their 19 May 2007 chapter meeting:

Fire Safety Commendation Medal and Certificate

Carl Sullivan, Paramedic/Engineer Temple Terrace Fire Rescue, Tampa, FL

No media coverage for this 19 May 2007 presentation.

**FLSSAR Committee Report
Publicity**

Chairman: Hermann Riediger

Nothing to report

**FLSSAR Committee Report
ROTC**

Chairman: Lonnie Jones

The JROTC Committee had no action this quarter.

**FLSSAR Committee Report
Veterans Affairs**

Chairman: John Camillo

On June 28th the members of the Withlacoochee Chapter delivered to the Baldomero Lopez State Veterans Nursing Home in Land-O-Lakes toilet articles, clothing, games, books, movies and cash exceeding \$ 1,500.00.

NSSAR Veterans Affairs Chairman Stansberry advised that the Florida Society's participation in the USS Stark Memorial Contest is among the lowest of the larger state societies. We can do better as a State Society. Several chapters that engaged in veterans affairs failed to file a report for 2006. For guidelines concerning the contest rules do not use the NSSAR Handbook as a source since the information in the handbook is outdated. The current information is on the National Web Site. At the top of the web site front page links click on membership; then click on National committees with websites, next click on veterans. The USS Stark Memorial Contest reports and rules that are displayed are current. You will learn that it is not necessary for a chapter to take gifts or visit veterans in a nursing home to be awarded points for participating in many areas of veterans affairs: e.g.. attending a veteran's funeral; participating in patriot's parades, etc.

Chapter categories will be designated by the number of its members as of January 1 of the contest year as follows:

1-49

50-99

100-199

200+

The contest rules provide only for a 1st place in each category both state and national.

Ad hoc Committees

FLSSAR Committee Report Advancing America's Heritage

Chairman: James Holyfield

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report American History Teacher Award

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

In August the committee will be sending to the local chapters a variety of suggestions by which they might promote and honor exemplary teaching of American History. We hope the chapters will consider the ideas for addition to their local efforts.

FLSSAR Committee Report Last Naval Battle

Chairman: Ben DuBose

1. All necessary permits and plans have been submitted to the authorities at the CANAVERAL PORT AUTHORITY requesting permission to hold our event on March 8, 2008. Awaiting their approval.
2. Press Releases submitted to the SAR MAGAZINE and our PATRIOT MAGAZINE concerning the March 8, 2008 event.
3. Submitted proposed Charter to make this committee a STANDING COMMITTEE to President Wallin - to be submitted to the Executive Board at our July meeting with hopes it will be brought before the BOM for approval.
4. A Flyer was created.
5. 150 Rooms were blocked out at the Country Inns & Suites @ \$99.00 inc. breakfast.
6. Friday night dinner plans have been booked once again at the Radison Convention Center.
7. President Wallin and past President Brock will be talking up this event at the Annual NSSAR Meeting in Williamsburg, VA., and flyers will be passed out - (7/7-11/07).
8. The list of local Color Guard groups participating in next year's event is already growing. We expect this event to be BIGGER & BETTER!!!
9. If you wish to see what last year's event looked like go to BrevardSAR on Google, click on CHAPTER & CHAPTER NEWSLETTERS & COMMEMORATIVE. Please make plans to have your Chapter represented for this 225th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION. Contact me at BrevardSAR@cfl.rr.com or call 321-952-2928 for further information, dinner registration, Parade registration and Wreath Laying Ceremony.
10. Past President Brock will be giving a follow-up report on the response received at the NSSAR Meeting.

FLSSAR Committee Report Middle School Outreach

Chairman: Ben DuBose & Frank Hodalski

Nothing to report

FLSSAR Committee Report NSSAR Constitution & ByLaws Review

Chairman: Carl Hoffmann

Nothing to report

New Chapter Development

Chairman: Steve Williams

Milton A letter was sent to the 88 Three Rivers DAR chapter members requesting their assistance in identifying prospective members within their circle of family, friends, and acquaintances with a stamped RSVP post card for providing up to three names for us to contact. The requested return date is July 11th.

As of July 1st, I have received 5 post cards with 10 names.

- Four of the names are from the same surname; one in Louisville KY and one in Brevard County.
- The rest are in Milton, Pace, Jay, Pensacola, and Gulf Breeze.
- Four names have e-mail addresses, six have phone numbers, and all have street addresses.

Rosa Seymour, Three River Chapter Regent, is getting the Milton Library for our initial meeting on August 25th. We'll be setting up an SAR calling/contact committee which will call/contact the prospectives and begin the process. We are working from a checklist so we can review the overall process and milestones. I've also included here a link to the proposed (and draft copy until the final version is made available soon) of National's document, Creating New SAR Chapters Guide.pdf. <http://www.flssar.org/Docs/CreatingNewSARChaptersGuide.pdf>

Lake City Ron Toops talked to Jim Partin and he agreed to attend the Lake City DAR luncheon. As we get closer to the date (Sep 8th), the committee will define some objectives and some materials to consider, for the male attendees, etc.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Williams, Chair

FLSSAR Committee Report Public Relations

Chairman: Ben DuBose

1. Submitted proposed Charter to make this committee a STANDING COMMITTEE to President Wallin - to be submitted to the Executive Board at our July meeting with hopes it will be brought before the BOM for approval.
2. Newly revised KEYHOLE TO HISTORY CD's should be ready for nationwide distribution by Frank X. Hodalski at the Annual NSSAR Meeting in Williamsburg, VA. (7/7-11/07). I have asked Frank to make a follow-up report on this.
3. Have been in contact with Compatriot Ron Troops who was recently nominated to participate on the Florida State Sunshine Standards for Social Studies Review. I suggested our KEYHOLE TO HISTORY CD's and our GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARDS be incorporated into any proposed American History and/or Social Studies programs. Doug North, Chairman of the GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARDS COMMITTEE, and Frank X. Hodalski my Co-chair on the MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAMING COMMITTEE are both in agreement.

Supplemental: One hundred "Keyhole to History" CDs were presented as a gift to the NSSAR by the Florida Society at the initial business meeting of the Williamsburg Congress. The label and the insert read: "Compliments of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Broadcast Club of Sarasota, Florida." The CDs were turned over to Educational Director Colleen Wilson for distribution; two copies for each state society. Presentation copies were given to each of the four presidents general who served during the life of the project: PGs McCarl, Downing, White and Wilcox. A copy was also presented to Secretary General David Appleby, who was a strong supporter of the project. Former PG Downing, who directed our society to undertake the project, recognized FLSSAR in his personal remarks to the delegates. He held up the CD and remarked: "What a gift this is." The Keyholes were played at the Patriotic Education table on Tuesday, and by days end, eighteen state societies had picked up their copies along with two handouts. The remaining one hundred fifty CDs will be available to chapters of the Florida Society through the FLSSAR Public Relations committee.

Submitted by Frank X. Hodalski

FLSSAR Committee Report

SAR-CAR Aide

Chairman: Lindsey C. Brock, III

We had three young men of the F.S.C.A.R. that participated as Aides at our April 28, 2007 Annual Youth Awards Luncheon. The three were: Ethan Connor Brock, Paul Austin Pardee and David Paul Sovran. Conner Brock led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and Paul Pardee led us in the American's Creed. All three participated in the 2007 youth awards luncheon program which recognized the winners in the Eagle Scout, Knight Essay and R.O.T.C. programs of FLSSAR.

All participants were given a small gift (book about the America Revolution) and a NSSAR Certificate of Appreciation for serving as Aides at our April 2007 Annual Meeting. At the next F.S.C.A.R. state meeting I will be making a report relating to this joint endeavor by the FLSSAR and F.S.C.A.R.

Compatriot George Lockhart of the Jacksonville Chapter reported shortly after our April 28, 2007 meeting that David Paul Sovran had already made an inquiry relating to joining the SAR. Hopefully, all three of these young men and other future participants will have a better understanding of SAR and its youth programs as a result of their participation as Aides.

A report was made at the National C.A.R. Committee's meeting which was held at the National Congress in Williamsburg, VA relating to the FLSSAR's **first ever** joint participation with the young men of the F.S.C.A.R. Hopefully this will result in other SAR State Societies emulating the Florida Society in utilizing the young men of the C.A.R. in their respective state and local chapter meetings.

FLSSAR Committee Report

Support the Troops

Chairman: Frank Hodalski

FLSSAR Compatriots contributed a total of \$467.00 at the Annual Meeting for "Support the Troops" boxes. Doris Bridges of Miami contributed \$20.00 and the Tequesta CAR Chapter of Miami contributed \$22.00 and materials which, when supplemented with additional items, produced 25 care boxes. A total of 33 boxes have been sent to four units in Iraq to date. All were posted at the old rate, a savings of over \$35.00. From a total of \$509.00 in contributions, we have \$241.70 currently available for purchases and postage.

We have added a Navy unit to our Army and Marine units. Thanks to a referral by Withlacoochee Chapter Treasurer Jack Townsend, we were able to add a Navy river patrol squadron to our list and sent them ten boxes. Two Army units received sixteen boxes and the Marine unit six boxes. An additional box was sent to an individual Marine.

Items collected by Tequesta Chapter CAR included: Large and small Ziplock bags, Tabasco and dry spice seasonings, Pringles, toothpaste, wet wipes, disposable razors, power bars, chewing gum, cookies, Slim Jims, peanuts, twizzlers and skittles, AA batteries and white sox. These items were supplemented by: Bubble gum, bar soap, shampoo, Q-Tips, lotion, playing cards, hand held games, magazines, Sunday comics, foot powder, cheese crackers, tea and coffee, hand sanitizers, hard candies, music CDs small Beanie Baby type dolls for the Iraqi kids, and much more.

We are listed, along with the DAR, on the "Support Our Troops" website as a sponsor of the SOT project, and have received many emails and responses for what we have done to date.

The FLSSAR Support Our Troops Ad Hoc Committee will go out of business when our troops come home. Until then we need your help in donating the usable and needed items mentioned above, and funds for purchase of supplemental items and postage to send our SOT boxes to our servicemen and women stationed in Iraq.

Other Reports

FLSSAR Report

Operating Budget Trust Fund Trustees

Chairman: Ted Duay, III

Trustees: Ted Duay, Hal Miller & John Carter

Report follows on the next 5 pages

FLSSAR Report
Endowment Trust Fund Trustees

Chairman: Ted Duay, III

Trustees: Ted Duay, Hal Miller & John Carter

Report follows on the next 7 pages

FLSSAR Committee Report Endowment Trust Fund Disbursements

Chairman: Ed Young
July 20, 2007

This report covers the period January 1, 2007 through July 20, 2007. During this period, Thirty-one applications for reimbursement grants have been received. Of those, twenty-six have completed processing, have been approved for reimbursement and sent to the Trust Fund Treasurer for payment of 50% of the authorized amounts. These payments amount to \$3237.30. Four applications are being processed and one application is waiting processing. The current Endowment Trust Fund Grant Request Guidelines and Application Form are now on the FLSSAR Web Site. They can be located under FORMS. At the top of the Guidelines page are directions on how to complete the application and e-mail one copy to me at ednoy@earthlink.net. (Contact Steve Williams at swilliams16@cfl.rr.com if you need assistance.) These two pages will be maintained in current status. Please check them from time to time in insure that you are using current information.

FLSSAR Committee Report Trust Fund Development

Chairman: Jack Coleman

This report will be given orally.

FLSSAR Report Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade

Commander: Ed Young
July 20, 2007

The period of this report is from 29 April 2007 through 28 July 2007. Twenty-one Guardsmen participated in the Presentation of the Colors at the FLSSAR Spring BOM on 27 April 2007 and the Massed Colors Formation on 28 April 2007. Camps continue to provide colonial color guards at patriotic, veterans, fraternal and civic events. Francis Marion Camp #2 (Ocala) is temporarily inactive. Discussions are underway with the President, Emerald Coast Chapter regarding initiating a new Outpost of the Brigade at that chapter. The State Color Guard will parade, present and post the Colors at the 27 - 28 2007 FLSSAR Summer BOM. Individual camp and outpost activities during this period are as follows: (The term Guardsman means a Color Guard member in colonial uniform.)

A. George Washington Camp #1. (Jacksonville) Dick Cardell, Commander. On 27-28 April 2007, Guardsmen Brock, Lockhart and Ramseur participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Spring BOM and Annual Meeting. Guardsmen Cardell and Owens led the assembled Color Guards in the Jacksonville Beach Fourth of July Parade.

B. Francis Marion Camp #2. (Ocala) Ed Page III, Chapter President. Camp is inactive pending selection of a new commander. No activity during this period.

C. Cape Canaveral Camp #3. (Brevard) Ben DuBose, Commander. On 27-28 April 2007, Guardsmen DuBose and S. Williams participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Spring BOM and Annual Meeting. Guardsman DuBose gave a talk about The Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution to the Brevard Retired Submariners and did recruiting on 5 May 2007. On 12 May 2007, Regional Vice President Guardsman DuBose inducted the new officers of the St. Lucie River Chapter. Compatriots Corman, Davenport, Dibble, DuBose, Ryan, Shapbell, Smith and Williams participated in the SAR induction of J. Compton and J. Irby on 19 May 2007. On 19 May, Guardsman DuBose spoke about SAR To the David McCampbell Sea Cadets and received a Certificate of Appreciation. Guardsman DuBose participated in the Memorial Day Services at the Liberty Bell Museum in Melbourne on 28 May 2007. On 14 June 2007, Guardsman DuBose participated at the Annual Melbourne Elks Ladies Auxiliary Historic Flag Procession. Guardsman DuBose participated in the Honor America Flag Day Ceremonies at the Liberty Bell Museum on 14 June 2007. On 16 June 2007, Guardsmen Corman, Dibble, DuBose, Shapbell, Smith, Ryan and

Wright Presented the Colors at the Joint SAR/DAR Flag Day Luncheon in Rockledge. Compatriot DuBose, wearing a Tricorn hat and dark suit, represented the chapter at the Memorial Service for Mary Cope, Past Regent of the Philip Perry DAR Chapter on 29 June 2007. Guardsmen presented nine ROTC Medals.

D. Samuel Adams Camp #4. (Clearwater) Nelson Jantzen, Commander. On 27-28 April 2007, Guardsmen Jantzen, Kitchen and Wallin participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Spring BOM and Annual Meeting.

E. Yorktown Camp #5. (St. Lucie River) Doug North, Commander. On 27-28 April 2007, Guardsman Riediger participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Spring BOM and Annual Meeting. One Guardsman participated in the Morning Service at the First Congregational Church in Port St. Lucie on 27 May 2007. On 28 May 2006, one Guardsman participated in the United Veterans of St. Lucie County Memorial Day Celebration at Veterans Park. One Guardsman participated in the Elks East Chapter Flag Day Celebration on 10 June 2007 in Port St. Lucie. On 14 June 2007, one Guardsman participated in the Elks West Chapter Flag Day Celebration in Port St. Lucie. One Guardsman led the recitation of the American's Creed at the First Congregational Church Port St. Lucie Fourth of July Celebration on 1 July 2007.

F. Marquis de Lafayette Camp #6. (Gainesville) Harry Hollien, Commander. There was no activity during this period. No reportable activity this period.

G. Nathan Hale Camp #7. (Pensacola) Ed Young, Commander. On 27-28 April 2007, Guardsmen Bellamy, Jones, Kilgore and Young participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Spring BOM and Annual Meeting. Guardsmen Bellamy, Legg, Lantz and Young led the Color Guard procession at the Memorial Day Ceremony held in the Naval Chapel at Naval Air Station Pensacola on 29 May 2007. Mark Kilgore participated in the program. On 30 May 2007, Bellamy, Kilgore, Legg and Young Presented and Retired the Colors at the Memorial Day Service held at Azalea Trace Retirement Community in Pensacola. On 2 June 2007, Guardsmen O. Bellamy, Kilgore, Lantz and Young participated in Spirit Day at St. Michael's Cemetery in Pensacola where they manned a recruiting table and provided docent duties at the grave of Dorothy Walton, wife of George Walton a signer of the Declaration of Independence. Guardsmen O. Bellamy, Bowers, Kilgore and Legg marched in the Color Guard Procession at the Flag Day Ceremony held at the Scottish Rite Center in Pensacola on 14 June 2007.

H. Nathanael Greene Camp #8. (Saramana) Gene Bradley, Commander. On 27-28 April 2007, Guardsman Tarpley participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Spring BOM and Annual Meeting. Guardsmen Crandell, Miller, Tarpley and Reigle marched in the City of Sarasota Veterans Day Parade. Later that day they were in a Color Guard that opened the Sarasota Concert Band's tribute to Veterans at Phillippi Gardens Park. On 4 July 2007, the local ABC Network TV station, Channel #7, paid tribute to Veterans at Bayfront Park where Guardsmen Ashcroft, Bradley and Crapo marched with other Color Guards. The Chapter Color Guard was a part of a Massing of the Colors at the local ball park in recognition of youth baseball teams playing in the Southeastern USA Tournament on 20 July 2007.

I. Thomas Paine Camp #9. (Miami) John Thomson, Commander. Guardsmen Mitchell, Williams, Miller and Sovacool Presented and Posted the Colors at the John McDonald DAR Chapter Memorial Day Ceremony at the Miami Springs Circle Monument on 28 May 2007. On 29 June 2007, Guardsmen Bridges and Friberg Presented and Posted the Colors at the Annual Scottish Rite Meeting.

J. Daniel Morgan Camp #10. (Central Florida) John Little, Commander. On 27-28 April 2007, Guardsmen Little and Myers participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Spring BOM and Annual Meeting. Four Guardsmen participated in the Memorial Day Flag Ceremony at Celebration, FL. Four Guardsmen marched in the Fourth of July Parade with the John Call DAR Chapter and CAR members in Celebration, FL. Two Guardsmen attended the NSSAR Congress in Williamsburg, VA on 4 July 2007.

K. Thomas Jefferson Camp #11. (Withlacoochee) Richard Sumner, Commander. On 28 April 2007, Guardsman P. Pardee led the FLSSAR Youth Luncheon attendees in the American's Creed. Guardsmen R. Moody, P. Moody, J. Pardee, P. Pardee, Rawson and Townsend Posted the Colors at the Chapter banquet honoring six JROTC Cadets on 12 May 2007. On 30 May 2007, J. Pardee, P. Pardee, Sumner and Townsend marched in a Memorial Day Parade in honor of the veterans at the Florida Hills Cemetery. Guardsmen J. Pardee, P. Pardee, Sumner, Townsend and Tucker Posted the Colors and presented a new Chapter Flag to the new Fort Cooper DAR Chapter on 25 June 2007.

L. General Thomas Sumter Camp #12. (Lake Sumter) Bill Piper, Commander. On 27-28 April 2007, Guardsman Toops participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Spring BOM and Annual Meeting. Guardsman Piper, accompanied by Guardsman Toops, presented a talk about Dan Morgan at the Boy Scout Camp on 14 April 2007. On 21 April 2007, Toops, in Bravo uniform, recognized Eagle Scout Mathew Brunold at Mathew's Court of Honor. Toops, in Bravo uniform, presented the JROTC Medal to Cadet Kyle Plussa at South Lake High School on 9 May 2007. On 23 May 2007, Guardsman Toops presented the NSSAR Good Citizenship Certificate to Lindsey Murdoch at Mt. Verde Academy Middle School. Guardsman Toops presented the NSSAR Good Citizenship Certificate at the Mt. Verde Academy High School on 24 May 2007. On 28 May 2007 Guardsmen participated in the Memorial Day Ceremony in Clermont, On 5 June 2007, Guardsman Piper presented a talk and the "Many Faces of the Flag" video to the De La Vista Women in The Villages. Toops presented the NSSAR Good Citizenship Certificate at the Mt. Verde Academy Elementary School on 6 June 2007. On 20 June 2007, Guardsman Piper presented the NSSAR Good Citizenship Certificate at the New Covenant United Methodist Church in The Villages. Guardsmen Moody, Piper, Shukis and Toops marched in the Tavares Fourth of July Parade.

M. Bernardo de Galvez Camp #13 (Naples) Paul Young, Commander. On 27-28 April 2007, Guardsmen D. Cahill and McCullough participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Spring BOM and Annual Meeting. The Naples Chapter fielded a contingent of seven compatriots for the traditional Naples Fourth of July Parade. Guardsmen President McCullough, Applegate, D. Cahill and Joanne Applegate rode in an open car, accompanied by the flag marching contingent. Also during this period, Guardsmen presented Revolutionary History books plus cash stipends to outstanding students selected by the teaching staffs of the nine Collier County high schools.

N. Outpost A (Treasure Coast). On 27-28 April, Guardsman Stevenson participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Spring BOM and Annual Meeting. Guardsman Stevenson presented the "Build the Flag" program to the Cape Canaveral Sojourners, the Vero Beach Masonic Lodge, the Titusville Scottish Rite and the Merritt Island Courtney Retirement Center on April 19 2007 – 14 June 2007. On 20 April 2007 – 11 May 2007, Guardsmen Stevenson presented JROTC Medals and the "Toast to Old Glory" program at Vero Beach High School, Okeechobee High School and Sebastian River High School. Guardsman Stevenson presented the "Toast to Old Glory" program to the National Sojourners in Cape Canaveral on 5 June 2007. On 14 June 2007 – 11 July 2007, Guardsman Stevenson presented the "Toast to the Flag" and "Voice of Old Glory" programs at the Village Green in Vero and the NSSAR Congress in Williamsburg, VA.

Summer Board of Management Meeting

July 27th – 28th, 2007, Kissimmee

By Terence M. “Terry” Walton, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by President Grant Wallin at 9:01 p.m., July 27th, 2007. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Randy Moody. The Pledge of Allegiance, the Pledge to the SAR, and the American’s Creed were led by Grant Wallin. President Wallin recognized the National Officers: Phil Carr, Jack Coleman, and Dick Friberg. President Wallin asked Secretary Kevin Yarnell to call the role of chapters present at the BOM: Brevard, Caloosa, Central Florida, Clearwater, Flagler, Fort Lauderdale, Gainesville, Jacksonville, Lakeland, Lake Sumter, Miami, Naples, Ocala, Palm Beach, Pensacola, Saramana, St. Lucie River, Tampa, Treasure Coast and Withlacoochee (20).

First-time attendees included members from Brevard (Ron Ryan and Phil Wright), Lake Sumter and St. Petersburg, including dual member Joe Dooley, President of the Virginia Society. A quorum was established by Secretary Yarnell. President Wallin requested approval of the minutes of the Spring/Annual BOM Meeting, which were then approved unanimously.

President Wallin then requested reports by State Officers and Committee Chairmen. Those reports are found in the Quarterly Reports (“Blue Book”), Summer BOM, 2007, which are made a part of these minutes.

NATIONAL TRUSTEE, Lindsey Brock reported that plans are underway for the 225th celebration of the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution at Cape Canaveral, March 8th, 2008. The USS Barry will be present for the event. A suggestion was made from the floor that the USNA in Annapolis be involved in next year’s event. This and other suggestions should be addressed to the Last Naval Battle Committee. This year’s event had nearly 200 color guard units and a total attendance of almost 400; 35 wreath presenters and over 90 guests attended the March 9th dinner. About 300 2008 flyers were distributed in Williamsburg, and more will be available to RVP’s and the upcoming NSSAR Leadership Meetings. FLSSAR was represented at the 117th Annual Congress by 21 compatriots and 17 members of the Ladies’ Auxiliary. Total attendance was a record 609, including 109 first time attendees. Lindsey also reported that all proposed NSSAR Bylaws amendments passed. The NSSAR Executive Committee decided to “permit the wearing of a gold star not only for all supplemental ancestors but also for a member’s patriot ancestor.” NSSAR Medals and Awards Committee took issue with the Executive Committee’s by-passing their committee on this matter, and it may be pursued at the Fall Leadership Meeting.

PRESIDENT Grant Wallin noted that FLSSAR’s 45 committees are all functioning with chairmen and members, all focused on our State Society’s aims and objectives. Visits were made to Major John DeVane and Jacksonville chapters, as well as to Kissimmee to meet with Ramada staff to resolve problems experienced at the Spring Meeting. FLSSAR received a number of NSSAR certificates and streamers at the Annual Congress, including the CAR Activities Award and Streamer, and the William M. Melone Award for having the largest number of new and approved supplemental applications in 2006-2007, as well as the Eugene D. McGuire Award for enrolling the largest number of sons, grandsons, and nephews of SAR’s and DAR’s in 2006-2007. Grant pointed out that all of

this happened on President Lindsey Brock's watch, with credit due to everyone who participated to make it possible.

President Wallin reported on the Executive Committee meeting held on July 27th. There was a discussion of the National Poster Contest in which the Society has not previously participated. An ad hoc committee was formed, *Americanism in Elementary School Poster Contest*, with Leslie Oldham (Tallahassee) as chairman. Leslie will report back with committee member names so the information can be posted on the Society website. Ben DuBose will be handling orders for Last Naval Battle medals, with lapel buttons available at no charge. The Executive Committee discussed the need to possibly convert some certificates of deposit to the money market account to facilitate liquidity. The RVP's will redraw the regional boundary map in order to better identify schools that overlap districts. They will submit the revised information to the Secretary. The Executive Committee approved the recommendations of the Library Committee that: 1) the NSSAR Library and Museum investigate the feasibility and resulting benefits of membership in the **Smithsonian Affiliates Program**; 2) that NSSAR consider adding "National" to the Center for Advancing America's Heritage, i.e., **National Center for Advancing America's Heritage**, or **NCAAH**. The EC agreed that enhanced visibility for the National Society and the broadening of our fundraising effort would be two direct outcomes if these suggestions were to be implemented. The sharing of museum resources at both the national and local levels would be an additional direct benefit. A motion was made to approve the recommendations and send them to National, which was seconded, and passed unanimously.

President Wallin noted that three candidates for national office have asked for FLSSAR endorsement: Charles F. "Chuck" Bragg, candidate for Treasurer General, 2008-2009; Judge Edward F. "Ed" Butler, Sr., candidate for Secretary General, 2008-2009; and Joseph W. "Joe Dooley, candidate for Genealogist General, 2008-2009. Dick Friberg raised a point of order stressing that all candidates had not declared for office and that an endorsement would be premature before the September meeting in Louisville. He urged the postponement of an endorsement until the January BOM. A motion was then made to table any discussion of endorsement of candidates until the Fall Meeting; the motion was seconded, and 24 members present, a majority, voted aye. **Recording Secretary's Note: a motion to endorse the candidates was not on the floor at the time the motion to table discussion was made.**

President Wallin then reported that the EC had discussed changing two ad hoc committees to standing committees: *Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution*, and the *Public Relations Committee*, both chaired by Ben DuBose. The *Last Naval battle* commemoration will be a recurring annual event and it is proposed that *Public Relations* be changed to *Patriotic Education* to reflect its ongoing activities (distinct from publicity). A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

Archives Committee Chairman Kevin Yarnell reported on the progress made toward the organization of the Society records and to update the ongoing database of member information. In order to facilitate the preservation of future paper records (in addition to machine-readable records), he requested that future applications of all types should be submitted with two copies on acid-free paper; the first for National, and the second for the State Society. The request was framed in a motion, seconded, and passed by a

majority of members present. Kevin will notify all state chapter presidents, secretaries, and registrars of the new requirement.

Frank Hodalski read a follow-up report from Education Committee Chairman Ron Toops describing a 2-day DOE meeting he attended on July 23-24 which may have compromised earlier gains in setting K-12 curriculum standards. Chairman Toops remains confident that something confident may come out of the continuing process which involves input by the framers via a website. FLSSAR will have a table at the Fall DAR Forum (Airport Marriott Hotel, Orlando, Sept. 21-23) to promote Society membership, goals and activities. Incoming DAR Regent Sue Bratton will make available contact information for all incoming Officers, Chapter Regents and Regional Council Presidents. *History Fairs Committee Chairman* Hodalski reported orally that the contests concluded in July at the University of Maryland. 3 contestants were sent from Manatee County, and he was recently informed of others. Streamers will be available from Jerry Meeks for all participating chapters. *Support the Troops Committee* Chairman Hodalski also read excerpts from letters received from Iraq, and provided a fund balance update. *Operating Budget Trust Fund Trustee* Chairman Ted Duay reported that income available to spend thus far in 2007 is \$5512, with an additional \$5724 estimated for 2008.

Unfinished Business – Compatriot Hodalski returned to the subject of a Society endorsement of the three candidates for National office who are also dual members of FLSSAR. Since a motion to endorse had not been previously made, and the motion to table discussion had been approved, he then introduced a motion to formally endorse the three candidates. The motion was seconded. A motion was then made to table the endorsement. The motion to table was put to a vote and defeated 17 to 12. The motion to endorse was then put to a vote, and passed 23-7.

President Wallin announced the members of the 2008-2009 Nominating Committee (a statutory committee that cannot have members who have served during the preceding two years): Lindsey Brock, Fred Gaines, John Cahoon, Alvie Davidson, and Frank Hodalski. Members later selected Lindsey Brock as Chairman.

Billie Brock, President of the Ladies Auxiliary, would like to receive suggestions from the membership on specific NSSAR merchandise they would like to see available for sale at Society meetings. Members would benefit from not having to pay shipping, and the Ladies Auxiliary would receive a portion of the proceeds for programs. Members should review the merchandise catalog on the national website, and contact her with suggestions.

New Business –*Genealogy Committee* Chairman Alvie Davidson discussed the Association of Professional Genealogists position paper on access to public records. It was suggested that a reference or abstract to the paper be published in *The Florida Patriot*, and that the paper be placed on the website, together with a suggested letter to legislators.

The Summer Board of Management Meeting adjourned at 10:54 p.m., July 27th, 2007.