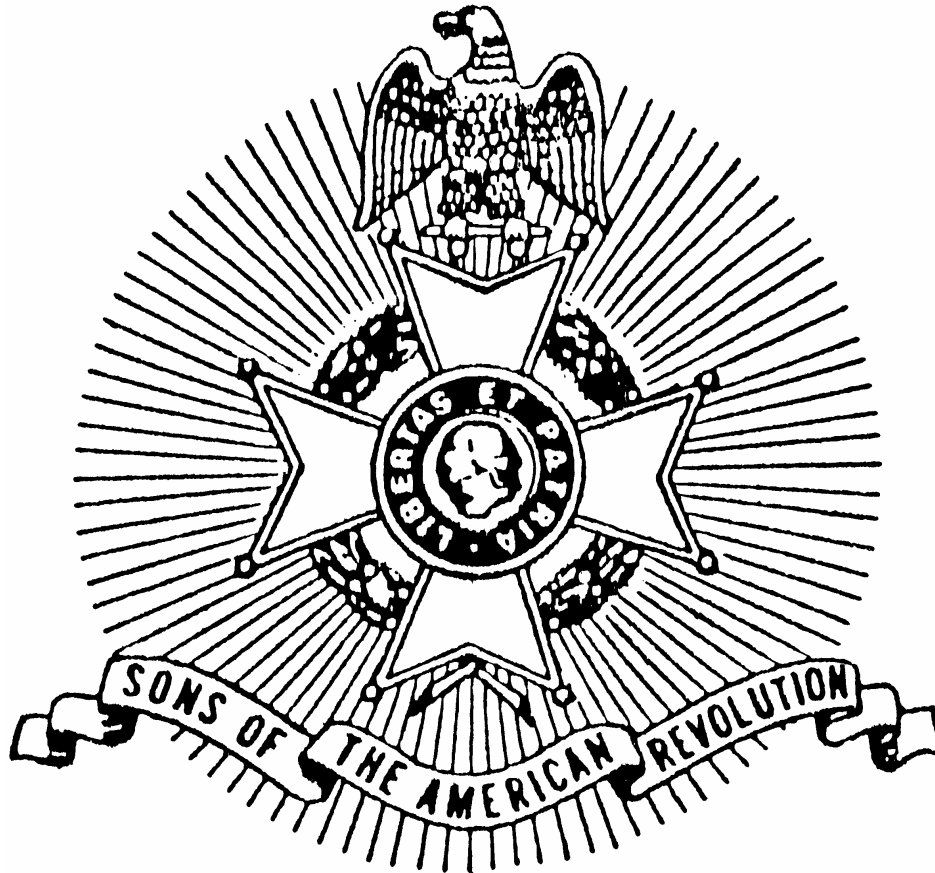


Quarterly Reports  
of  
The Florida Officers  
and Committee Chairmen



Winter Board of Management Meeting  
Kissimmee  
January 18-19, 2008

## **Sons of the American Revolution Mission**

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

## **The Pledge of Allegiance**

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

## **The Pledge to the SAR**

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

## **The American Creed**

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

## **Recessional**

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

**FLSSAR**  
**Board of Management Meeting**  
**January 18-19, 2007**

**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  
Election of Florida Society Nominee for Vice President General of the South  
Atlantic District, NSSAR  
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# FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

## National Trustee

Lindsey Brock

**January 12, 2008**

Since our October 2007 BOM meeting I have communicated with many of our FLSSAR officers, chapter officers, committee chairmen and various other compatriots relating to various topics. Contact has also been made with various officers and members of the NSDAR, NSCAR and Florida Society C.A.R. relating to various issues and topics.

On Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> I attended the C.A.R. Princess Malee Society's monthly meeting which was held at the Jacksonville Zoo. After a brief business meeting the C.A.R. members of the Princess Males Society attended the Halloween event which is held annually at the Jacksonville Zoo.

My wife, Billie and I attend the DAR Old Kings Highway Chapter's November 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. The speaker was David Bailey who gave a slide presentation of the Battle of Kings Mountain. After Mr. Bailey's presentation I was given the opportunity to give an announcement relating to the last the Naval Battle of the American Revolution. I also announced that on November 15<sup>th</sup> I would be speaking to our Dayton-Ormond Chapter, SAR about the Last Naval Battle and many of the DAR ladies expressed an interest in attending the November 15th meeting.

During this reporting period I attended the November 8th, December 13<sup>th</sup> and January 10th monthly meetings of the Jacksonville Chapter. And, on November 8<sup>th</sup> I attended the November 8<sup>th</sup> monthly meeting of the Jacksonville Chapter Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge.

On Monday November 12th I participated in the Jacksonville Chapter's color guard at the annual Jacksonville Veterans Day Parade. Some of the local DAR Chapters, the C.A.R. Princess Malee Society and military, retired and active, also participated in the parade. This year's event was one of the largest since its inception. The SAR had very good coverage of this event on the local TV stations.

Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> I was invited by our Dayton-Ormond Chapter to be their guest speaker. The title of my speech was: "The Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution." There were approximately 60 in attendance and flyers were distributed to everyone relating to the upcoming celebration of the 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution which will begin at 10:00 a.m. on March 8 2008 at Cape Canaveral, FL.

It was my privilege to attend the For Morris Annual "Come and Take It" Celebration, which was held on Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at the Fort Morris State Historic Park in Liberty County Georgia. The event is sponsored by the Georgia Society SAR. It was my honor to give the invocation and present a wreath on behalf of the Florida Society. I was also given the opportunity to bring greetings from the Florida Society and announce the Florida Society's upcoming 225<sup>th</sup> celebration of the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution.

Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> I attended the monthly meeting of the Ft. Cooper DAR Chapter in Homosassa, FL. My wife, Billie, was the guest speaker and her presentation dealt with the DAR Schools. There were about seven SAR members from the Withlacoochee Chapter that attended this meeting.

On Saturday December 29 I visited Lake City Veterans Hospital with the Princess Malee Society of Jacksonville. The members of the C.A.R. present a skit on George Washington and served sandwiches, candy, cookies and drinks to the veterans attending. Clothing and other personal articles were also presented to the veterans.

Saturday, January 5<sup>th</sup> was a historic day for the Florida Society. On that date the William Dunaway Chapter of Greenwood, FL was chartered. There were approximately 90 individuals attending, including the Mayor of Greenwood, President Grant Wallin, RVP Ed Young, VPG John Wallace of the Southern District and several past presidents of the Alabama and Florida Societies of SAR and other members of the Florida and Alabama Societies. It was a great pleasure to be in attendance. I have been asked to write a more detailed article, relating to our newest chapter for publication in *The Florida Patriot* and *The SAR Magazine* which should be in the next issue of those magazines.

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

### **President**

Grant Wallin, Jr.

My sincere hope is that all of you had a very Merry Christmas and will have a very Happy and Prosperous New Year! May all of your dreams be realized and all of your endeavors be successful

The Greenwood Florida Chapter has reported that they are ready to take their place in our Florida Society On January 5, 2008. I have indicated to our New Chapter Development Chairman, Steve Williams, that I will be there to help them celebrate this occasion.

In my visitation trips to many of our chapters around the state, I bring them greetings from the Florida Society and then proceed to tell them of all of the opportunities they have as a chapter to participate in the many programs which our Florida Society offers. My reception has been great and I salute the chapters who are making plans to be a participating chapter in the promotion of the SAR and it's ideals.

My biggest concern has been the relatively large number of what I call "certificate holders" who are inducted into a chapter's membership and never seen again. This is the reason that I am actively promoting chapters to use the Associate status for men who are working on their papers so they can become a member of one or more of the chapter's many committees and give them the opportunity to be involved in chapter activities. Naturally, they can not chair a committee, nor hold any chapter office and they do not have a vote on chapter activities, but they will see the chapter in action and hopefully become an active member upon their formal induction into chapter membership.

Also, I am beginning to use the words "GET INVOLVED" in my chapter visits. We have many members who sit on the sidelines and do nothing to help fill the offices or work actively on the many programs of the chapter. There are needs both at the chapter level and at the state level that need filling. Our Society has almost 1700 members and we turn out approximately 45 to 50 Compatriots at a Board of Management Meeting. To those participating Compatriots, I say THANKS for all of your hard work and dedication. Unfortunately, this is only about 3% of our membership. Not a very good showing for the third largest Society in the Sons of the American Revolution. So I am asking all of our 1600+ members to GET INVOLVED!

Lastly, I want to publicly thank Ron Toops who was elected as our Senior Vice President at our Fall Board of Management meeting. Ron has jumped in with both feet and is working hard to get everything done in time for the Spring BOM meeting. We will both be in attendance, along with a number of other Compatriots from our Florida Society, at the February Leadership Conference in Louisville and upon our return, will have a report for you regarding the action taken regarding the location of our National Headquarters.

Now is the time for all good SAR members to get back to work. There is much still to be done.

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

### **Senior Vice President**

Ron Toops

I must admit that it has been a challenge to attempt to get on board with this new position, which includes trying to find out the status of several new committees and then define the next courses of action. In addition, I have attempted to maintain success with the Education-Legislative activities, the Lake City New Chapter Development and the Middle School Essay "Pilot" program. I am also working as my Lake-Sumter Chapter Registrar and have successfully submitted about seven new applications to the NSSAR since early November, 2007. I do hope that you find my efforts acceptable.

My next challenges will include working with our current FLSSAR committee chairmen to see if they are willing to continue their fine efforts for 2008-2009. I really appreciate all the support that I have received so far from so many of our Florida Society members.



# **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

## **Northwestern Regional Vice President**

Northwestern Region Edward D. Young, Vice President

Date: January 13, 2008

### ACTIVITIES THIS PAST PERIOD:

- Attended all meetings of the Pensacola Chapter and the Chapter Executive Committee serving as Chapter Secretary.
- Served the Florida Society as the Commander, Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade, Chairman, Endowment Trust Fund Disbursement Committee and Advisor to the Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest Committee.
- Commanded the Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade for the Presentation of the Colors at the FLSSAR Winter BOM at Kissimmee, FL on 18 – 19 January 2008.
- Provided a report to the Region Chapter Presidents covering the actions and discussions of the FLSSAR Fall BOM.
- Presented four Flag Certificates to a business and three citizens.
- Met with and advised a prospective SAR member.
- Commanded the Chapter Color Guard for the Presentation of the Colors at the rededication of the grave of Aaron Snowden "A Revolutionary War Soldier" in the Milton Cemetery.
- Led the project to purchase classroom flags for the new Bennett Russell Elementary School in Milton
- In uniform, attended the Flag Ceremony at the Bennett Russell Elementary School when classroom flags were presented to the students at the school flag pole.
- Developed guidelines and instituted correspondence to school administrators regarding the Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest
- Worked with the leadership of the proposed new William Dunaway Chapter in Greenwood regarding the Chapter Institution process.
- Commanded the Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade Presentation of the Colors at the William Dunaway Institution Ceremony.
- Performed duties of the Master of Ceremonies at the William Dunaway Chapter Institution Ceremony in Marianna.
- Working with leadership of the proposed Milton Chapter regarding the Chapter Institution process.

### EMERALD COAST CHAPTER:

The chapter continues to meet monthly on the second Saturday at 8:00 A.M. at The Two Trees Restaurant, Fort Walton Beach Golf Course. The chapter participated in the City of Fort Walton Beach Veteran's Day Ceremony.

### PANAMA CITY CHAPTER:

The chapter meets regularly on the third Monday of each month at 11:30 A.M. at Po Folks restaurant in Panama City throughout the year. Please call 850-747-9366 for details. All are welcome. The chapter's Annual Christmas Luncheon was held on December 18, 2007. We ask for your continued prayers for our compatriot member 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. USMC Andrew Macak who is under fire in Iraq.

### PENSACOLA CHAPTER:

The chapter meets monthly at 11:15 A.M. on the second Saturday at Sonny's Bar-B-Que Restaurant, 630 North Navy Blvd. Pensacola. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Grover "Woody" Barnes inducted Steven Ray Simpson and Donald W. Fowler into membership in the Sons of the American Revolution. In addition, the membership application of Robert Langford was approved by NSSAR. Four NSSAR Flag Certificates were presented to Marie's Barber Shop, Mrs. Jane Reid, RADM George "Skip" Furlong, USN, Ret and CDR Terry Sutherland, USN, Ret. in recognition of their patriotic regular and proper display of the American Flag. The Chapter Color Guard Guardsmen Mark Kilgore, Raymond Lantz and Ed Young Presented the Colors at the grave of Revolutionary War Soldier Aaron Snowden during a Memorial Service conducted by the Three Rivers DAR Chapter in the Milton Cemetery, Guardsmen Lonnie Jones and Young participated in the presentation of classroom flags to the students of the new Bennett Russell Elementary School in Milton. Guardsmen Oscar Bellamy, Kilgore, Lantz, Price Legg and Young marched with the Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade to Present the Colors at the new William Dunaway Chapter Institution Ceremony in Marianna. Announcements and instructions have been provided to all of the public, private and home elementary school systems in Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties regarding the 2007-2008 Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest.

TALLAHASSEE CHAPTER: There have not been any activities undertaken during this reporting period.

## **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

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

North Central Region Gordon Greenwood, Vice President

GENERAL- The last quarter of 2007 was a busy one accompanied by much change. The Gainesville Chapter, of which I am a member, was visited on Oct. 15, Nov. 19, and Dec. 17. The Lake Sumter Chapter was visited on Nov. 3, the Ocala Chapter on Sept. 19 and Jan. 16 (for the installation of new officers), and the Withlacoochee Chapter was visited on Oct. 13.

GAINESVILLE-Although the Chapter President and 1VP both suffered from illness during this period, able leadership was provided by the 2VP, Bob Reeves. Two new members and six associate members were inducted into the Chapter during this period, bringing the dues-paying membership up to 45 regular members plus the 6 associates. At least 7 new prospective members are being vigorously pursued. Election of new officers will take place at a dinner on Jan. 21, and will be installed by President Wallin at a Feb. 18 dinner with Bob Reeves being the likely choice for President. Likewise Jim Thrasher, who lives in Lake City, is likely to be elected 2VP and play a central role in the future re-organization of the Lake City Chapter.

Besides regular 3rd Monday meetings, the Chapter engaged in a number of other activities during the quarter. Flag certificates were presented to the Santa Fe Community College Veterans Society and to the Board of Trustees. The Color Guard participated in the Univ. of Florida Homecoming Parade. Flag lapel pins were given to 50 new citizens at a Nov. Naturalization Ceremony. A number of patriotic presentations in uniform were given at four different elementary schools as well as at veterans programs at the WW II Memorial and Kanapaha Park in Gainesville, and in Old Town. Also the Chapter put out two editions of the Chapter newsletter, The Broadside, during the quarter.

The Gainesville Chapter renewed participation with the Gainesville DAR and members from both organizations attended the regular meetings of the other. The Chapter is reinstating its Telephone Tree, encouraging all members to order uniforms, instituting a Buddy Program (drive members to meetings), and plans to publish a Member Directory that contains personal as well as contact information.

LAKE SUMTER-During the quarter, the Lake Sumter Chapter had 4 new members approved bringing its membership up to 51. In addition it has 7 applications pending. The LS Color Guard was very busy participating in the Veterans Day Ceremony in Clermont, the Leesburg Christmas Parade, and the Ft. Mason Monument Celebration in Umatilla. Talks, especially Flag Talks were given to the Clermont DAR, the Loopers Village Club, and the Villages Singles Club. In addition, 7 members and 3 wives decorated the Lone Oak Cemetery with flags for Veterans Day. President Shukis and his wife, Joanne, represented the Chapter at the CAR Convention and at the St. Augustine Night Watch.

Ralph Nelson, a Chapter member who lives part time in Delaware, was very active during the quarter in FLSSAR activities, attending BOM Meetings, serving on the Education Committee, and marching with the Color Guard in Philadelphia, Chester, PA, and Delaware. He also gave talks to the Philadelphia Continental Chapter and the Pancader Area Heritage Society.

OCALA CHAPTER-The Ocala Chapter had two applications approved during the quarter bringing its membership up to about 45 members. Primarily due to the efforts of Owen Malcolm, the Chapter Secretary, regular meetings are being rotated between dinners (5:00 PM) at the Perkins Restaurant at Exit 350 off I75 and noon luncheons at the Elks Club, which has increased attendance and participation. In addition a full slate of officers was elected at the Dec. 12 meeting. The following officers will be installed by President Wallin at the Jan. 16 dinner: President-Dale Sutton; 1VP-Peter Fitzpatrick; 2VP-Dave Stormzand; and Sec.-Treas.,Owen Malcolm. Jim Partin, the Gainesville Chapter Genealogist is serving as genealogist for the Ocala Chapter as well. The Chapter does not currently have a Registrar to work on increasing membership and working with the 2VP on publicity. Hopefully the new President will be able to appoint someone to this critical position soon.

WITHLACOOCHEE CHAPTER-The Withlacoochee Chapter gained 16 new regular members during the year and has 14 members in its Ladies Auxiliary. Total dues-paying membership in the Chapter now consists of 49 regular members plus two associates.

John Camillo, who had served as President for four years, resigned as President at the Oct. 13 meeting and Dan Hans was installed as new Chapter President by President Wallin. At that meeting War service Medals with the Viet Nam Bar were given to 12 Viet Nam veterans who are Chapter members. Martha Washington Medals

were given to two ladies for their contributions to the Chapter, and framed copies of the Declaration of Independence were given to the Director of the Citrus Co. Library.

In November the Chapter set up a joint display of activities with the Ft. Cooper DAR in the Crystal River Mall. A SAR Fire Safety Commendation Medal was presented to a Volunteer Fireman recognizing his 53 years of service, 22 of which were as Chief of the Crystal River Fire Dept. Also on Nov., 10 Chapter members and 4 ladies from the Ladies Auxiliary participated in the Veterans Day Parade. The next day the Color Guard participated in the Massing of the Colors at the Homosassa Methodist Church. In Dec., the Color Guard participated in the Brooksville Christmas Parade with a Washington Crosses the Delaware float.

At the regular Chapter meeting in Nov., the SAR Law Enforcement Award was given Sheriff's Deputy Lt. Larry Grant for saving the life of a 15 day-old infant. Also on Nov.28, 11 Chapter members and 8 members of the Ladies Auxiliary delivered Christmas gifts values in excess of \$4000 to veterans residing at the Lopez Veterans Home.

## **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

### **Northeastern Regional Vice President**

Northeastern Region Tom Beauchamp, Vice President

#### **FLAGLER CHAPTER**

The Chapter project of a Liberty Tree is on schedule. The tree has been planted in the Palm Coast Heroes Park and the plaque has been ordered. Dedication is scheduled for 22 February 2008. The annual SAR-DAR Christmas luncheon was held on 1 December 2008 at the Halifax Golf Club. Guest Speaker was Robert F Wright, Jr. PhD talking on the subject: "Misadventures of His Majesty's Sloop Otter in Central Florida. New Chapter officers will take office at the January 15th meeting. President will be Compatriot David Eldredge, a local Attorney in Palm Coast.

#### **JACKSONVILLE CHAPTER**

A Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Mrs. Harvey Clark and Daughter for Compatriot Harvey Clark for his service during World War II. He was a member of the Jacksonville Chapter. A Life Membership pin was presented to Compatriot Jack Coleman during the December meeting. Four new members were recognized during the December meeting.

#### **ST AUGUSTINE CHAPTER**

The chapter elected new officers at the December 15th meeting with William A Roberts becoming the new President. The Heroism award was given at this meeting to Detective Todd Davis of the Palatka Police Department for saving the life of a ten year old caught in the line of fire. The detective broke cover and risked his life to bring the child to safety. Guest speaker was Mr. Frank Ammel of the Jet Propulsion Laboratories.

#### **DELAND CHAPTER**

No Report

#### **DAYTONE-ORMOND CHAPTER**

No Report

## **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

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

East Central Region Ben DuBose, Vice President

I have been in contact with all of my Chapters since the last BOM. Quarterly reports have been submitted to FLSSAR Secretary. I have nominated Compatriot Herman "Hall" Riediger of the St. Luci River Chapter to fill my position of REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT for East Central Florida for the 2008-2009 season.

#### **Brevard Chapter**

10/20/07 - 6 members of the Color Guard, G. Darby, B. DuBose, R. Ryan, B. Shapbell, S. Williams & P. Wright, participated in the induction of our two newest members, Kevin Shaughnessy & Phil Wright.

10/26/07 - 2 members of our Color Guard, B. DuBose & S. Williams joined the FLSSAR Color Guard at the Fall BOM.

11/12/07 - 3 members of the Color Guard, B. DuBose, F. Smith & P. Wright, participated the Melbourne Veterans Day Parade.

11/17/07 - 6 members of the Color Guard, G. Darby, B. DuBose, R. Ryan, F. Smith, S. Williams & S. Wright participated in the induction of our newest member Raymond Norman, and in making an Eagle Scout presentation.

### **Central Florida Chapter**

11/1/07 Several articles on Chapter activities submitted to the Winter Park/Maitland Observer Newspaper.

11/11/07 Finalized article entitled "Last Men Standing" written by Chapter member Dabney Davis and submitted same to Patriot editor Dick Fowler.

Nov/Dec \* Four Resolutions of Regret presented to families of Chapter members. The Central Florida Chapter would like to express its sincerest thanks and appreciation to the Clearwater Chapter for sharing this very meaningful program with us and other Chapters.

\* Also during this period several new member prospects were identified and assistance offered by Registrar Cecil Thompson regarding their applications.

12/8/07 \* Conducted regular Chapter meeting. Guest speaker was Alex Moskovic who spoke on "Life in the Death Camps" and offered an emotional summary of his personal experience as a 13 year old youngster who was the only survivor of the Holocaust from his family.

\* Special guests Compatriot Donnie Ruyle and wife Sandy of Washington State were guests at this meeting.

\* Auxiliary member Anne Murray presented a "George Washington First President" button, obtained during her trip to Williamsburg, to auxiliary member Janet May. Anne also baked a delicious cake that she made from the recipe of George Washington. This was really enjoyed by all in attendance at this meeting.

12/18/07 We mourn the tragic road-accident death in Marietta, GA of Compatriot John and Carolyn Little's son-in-law Michael Copp. Our sincerest sympathy to their daughter and entire family.

### **Chapter Color Guard activities for this period included four to seven members who participated in uniform in the following community programs:**

- \* The Lake Highland Preparatory School's salute to Veterans – 2 appearances
- \* The Mayflower Retirement Center's program to Veterans
- \* The Orlando Veterans Day parade
- \* The Celebration Veterans Day Parade and Flag Retirement
- \* The William P. Duval DAR Chapter Veterans Day recognition – appearances
- \* The Orlando DAR Chapter 101<sup>st</sup> Anniversary and Christmas Celebration

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

The Chapter BOD met Oct. 12, 2007 with 6 officers attending. The chapter's regular October meeting was in Port St Lucie on the 13th. Four members attended the Fall BOM meeting at Kissimmee on Oct. 26 and 27.

The Liberty tree dedicated April 19, 2007 in the Okeechobee Veteran's Memorial Park died due to the extreme drought conditions in South Florida. A replacement tree was planted in the same site Nov. 3rd. The regular November Chapter meeting was held Nov. 10, 2007 in Port St Lucie. On Veteran's Day, Nov. 11, four members in uniform joined the Martin County Veteran's Council in their Veteran's Day parade in Stuart. That same day one member in uniform presented the Chapter colors at the St Lucie Veteran's Council Veteran's Day ceremony in Port St Lucie. Also, one member participated in the Veteran's Day service at the Congregational Church in Port St Lucie. After the Martin County parade one member in uniform replaced the flag at the Medal of Honor grave and at other veteran grave sites in Palm City. On Nov. 12 four members in uniform presented the Chapter colors at the Post #64 Okeechobee American Legion Veteran's Day ceremony at the Okeechobee Veteran's Memorial in Okeechobee. The Chapter had a BOD meeting on Nov. 30th with five officers present.

December 2nd six members in uniform participated in the Fort Pierce annual Christmas Parade in downtown Fort Pierce. On Dec. 7th, two members in uniform with the Chapter colors joined the St Lucie County Veteran's Council's annual Pearl Harbor Day service at the WW II Memorial in Port St Lucie. The regular December meeting of the Chapter was held Dec. 8th, 2007.

### **Treasure Coast Chapter**

All of the things reported in this report were done by Compatriot William R. Stevenson in full uniform.

10/1. He gave the TOAST TO THE FLAG for the Canaveral Council No.3566, National Sojourners at Patrick AFB.

10/15. He gave the TOAST TO THE FLAG at the Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Eagle Chapman Lever at the First United Methodist Church in Vero Beach.

11/5. He gave the TOAST TO THE FLAG for the Canaveral Council No.3566, National Sojourners at Patrick AFB.

11/10. He gave the TOAST TO THE FLAG & THE VOICE OF OLD GLORY at the Marine Corps League Detachment's Marine Corps Ball in Vero Beach.

11/11. He gave the TOAST TO THE FLAG & THE VOICE OF OLD GLORY at the Massing of the Colors at the Community College in Cocoa.  
11/19. He present the BUILD A FLAG program for the Cocoa Genealogical Society, in Cocoa.  
12/1. He gave the TOAST TO THE FLAG at the Vietnam Moving Wall in Ft. Pierce.  
12/3. He gave the TOAST TO THE FLAG for the Canaveral Council No.3566, National Sojourners at Patrick AFB.  
12/7. He gave the TOAST TO THE FLAG at the Pearl Harbor Day Program at Memoriaqkl Island in Vero Beach  
12/28. He gave the TOAST TO THE FLAG at the Installation of Officers of the Vero Beach Masonic Lodge No. 250 in Vero Beach

## **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

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

West Central Region Nelson Jantzen, Vice President  
January 18, 2008

As Regional V.P. I attended the Maj. John De Vane, Plant City Chapter dinner meeting on Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>.  
On Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> I attended the St. Petersburg Chapter luncheon.  
As Color Guard Commander of the Clearwater Chapter I attended the following parades. Veterans Day, Dunedin, New port Richey & Clearwater Holiday Parades.

#### **Clearwater:**

Members of the Color Guard joined the other chapters in posting the colors at the October BOM.  
Five members of the Color Guard marched in the Bay Pines Veterans Hospital, Veterans Day parade on 11/12/07.  
They also joined in the Holiday Parades in the cities of Clearwater, Dunedin & New Port Richey.  
October 1<sup>st</sup> they attended the DAR Caladisi Chapters 33<sup>rd</sup> birthday anniversary luncheon.  
Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> they attended their Compatriot member's funeral, Courtney Crutcher  
On September 19<sup>th</sup> they had speaker Mary Dresser at their luncheon.  
On October 17, at their luncheon they honored the Law Enforcement & EMS persons with certificates.  
On November 15, at their luncheon they had a speaker Wally Bowman Director of Educational the Safety Harbor Museum.  
On December 7<sup>th</sup> the Fla. State Pres. Grant Wallin installed the Chapter Officers for the year 2008 & two new members.

#### **St. Petersburg:**

\_On Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> the Chapter Pres. Spoke on the Battle of Cowpens.  
On Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> they had Dr. Bonez at their luncheon meeting.

#### **Maj. John DeVane**

On Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> a retired Marine spoke & the West Cen. Regional V.P. presented the SAR programs.

#### **Lakeland:**

On Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> the State Pres. Grant Wallin spoke on the SAR programs.  
On Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> their speaker at the luncheon was a 91 year old retired schoolteacher.

**Tampa:** Since the last BOM they have awarded the Law Enforcement certificate to a Hillsborough County Sheriff.  
Also had their annual joint meeting with the Fort Brooke Chapter of the CAR.

## **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

### **Southeast Regional Vice President**

Southeast Region Gerald Meeks, Vice President

Palm Beach Chapter--During the November the Chapter was treated to a thought provoking talk by former U.S. Senator Harry Johnson. He spoke on the oil industry, Oil Production, World-wide political unrest and how one is affecting the other. During December the Chapter enjoyed the annual luncheon with the Palm Beach Chapter of the DAR and Christmas Music by the King's Academy Chorus. The January 15 meeting featured the presence of President Grant Wallin and his Wife Pat, as guests. President Wallin installed the Chapters new officers for 2008-2009. The new Chapter President is Elwyn Lewis Moore.

The Miami Chapter-Thomas Paine Camp #9 (Miami) David Mitchell, Esq. Camp Commander. Guardsmen Doug Bridges and Richard Friberg participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Fall BOM. On December 29<sup>th</sup> , Guardsmen Jack Acton, Doug Bridges, Charles Pelton, Donald Pelton and Dr. Robert Liebler carried the Colors during the Annual Junior Orange Bowl Parade in Coral Gables, Florida. A brief history of the SAR and the Miami Chapter SAR was broadcast over the public address system and cheered by the Guardsman. After the parade the

Camp members regrouped to John Martin's Irish Pub where many questions were asked and answered regarding the SAR, who we were, qualification for membership, etc. Request for photographs before and after the parade were honored. I will be attending the President Luncheon on Sunday February 10, 2008 where the President General NSSAR will install the Miami Chapter Officers for the year 2008-2009.

Ft Lauderdale Chapter SAR- The Ft. Lauderdale Chapter had a very good year. They had speakers from Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Homeland Security and Southern Command. Each presentation was very informative and well received. They had other meetings where genealogy, Williamsburg, BOM and the Last Naval Battle of the Revolutionary War were presented. During the year the Chapter joined with the CAR and sent 25+boxes to Marines in Iraq. The packages contained food, toilet articles, candy and reading material. They also assisted in presenting a program to the Veterans Home along with serving Ice Cream and cake. The Chapter was also very active with the High School ROTC programs presenting medals and certificates to deserving ROTC personnel. 54 members renewed their membership for the coming year. The Chapter joined with the DAR for their Christmas program. The Chapter is financially sound and states that 2008 will be an even better year. On January 26, 2008 I will attend the Meeting of the Ft Lauderdale Chapter and install the officers for the year 2008-2009.

## **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

### **Southwest Regional Vice President**

Southwest Region Don Cahill, Vice President

Please note: Compatriot Cahill submitted his report in a timely manner however I did not actually view his attached document until late Wednesday evening at which time I realized an error that prevents its inclusion here. I will include his report in the archival copy of the proceedings of the BOM and apologize to Don and the membership for the inconvenience.

Kevin Yarnell, Secretary

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

### **Secretary**

Kevin Yarnell

The bulk of my efforts since the last meeting have been with the annual report. It was submitted a few days into January. My sincere appreciation goes to the chapter secretaries and treasurers for their efforts in getting the reports to me in a timely manner.

Here are some statistics that might be of interest to the members. These tables constitute the opening information of the FLSSAR annual report to the National Society.

<b>Membership Type</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>National Dues</b>	<b>Total</b>
Regular	1407	\$25	\$35,175
Junior	9	\$25	\$ 225
Life	42	\$0	
Emeritus 1	15	\$0	
Life & Emeritus 1	4	\$0	
New since 11/1/2007	24 Regular 2 Junior	\$0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1503</b>		<b>\$35,400</b>

We also have 25 youth members, 31 dual members, and 3 memorial memberships for a total of 1562.

Below are the changes based on the list pulled from the National database on 12/31/2007.

**Summary of changes:**

National database as of 12/31/2007	1684
Remove 4 deceased members	1680
Remove 192 dropped members	1488
Remove 1 memorial member	1487
Add 12 reinstated members	1499
Add 4 transferring members	1503

The number of dropped members is once again rather high. As can be seen below we had a significant improvement last year but did not repeat that this year.

Report Year	Number of Dropped Members
Dec. 2003	194
Dec. 2004	187
Dec. 2005	205
Dec. 2006	121
Dec. 2007	192

## FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

### Treasurer

Leon Hammock

**CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVES (BUDGET AND ACTUAL) 12-31-2007**  
I am not giving Condensed Statement

**FOR COMPLETE STATEMENT OF ACTIVES FOR 2007 PLEASE  
SEE BUDGET FOR 2008 UNDER FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

**ASSETS**

Checking	\$ 22,690.72
Wachovia CD's	\$ 33,205.06
Money Market Account	\$ <u>4,923.92</u>
TOTAL Bank Accounts	\$ 60,819.70

Investments (restricted)	<u>11,732.00</u>
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TOTAL ASSETS	84,196.59
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<b>LIABILITIES</b>	0.00
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EQUITY	84,196.59
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	84,196.59
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**Submitted by Leon R.  
Hammock, State Treasurer**

# FLSSAR STATE OFFICER'S REPORT

Registrar, William R. Stevenson Quarterly Report: End of 3rd Quarter, 2007-2008

January 11, 2008

Chapter	Membership Applications							Supplemental Applications						Remarks
	Received	Carry over from last report	Approval NSSAR			Returned to Chapter		Received	Carry over from last report	Approval NSSAR		Returned to Chapter		
			Pending	Received		State	NSSAR			Pending	Received	State	NSSAR	
Brevard	5	2		7					6	6				1 YM
Caloosa									2	3				
Central Florida	1	3		2	2			4	7	8	3			
Charlotte	1				1				2	2				
Clearwater	3	3		4	2			1	4	5				
Daytona-Ormond	1	5		4	2									
Deland		2		2				6	1	7				
Devane														
Emerald Coast		1		1					1	1				
Flagler									6	6				
Ft. Lauderdale	1	2		2	1			4	2	2				
Gainesville	1	3		3	1				2	2				
Jacksonville	8	6		12	2			2	8	7	3			2 Y.R.
Lakeland		4		4					4	4				
Lake/Sumter	7	2		9					4	4				
Miami		2		2					4	4				
Naples		3		2	1			1	3	3	1			
Ocala		1		1					2	2				
Palm Beach		11		9	2									2 memorials
Panama City		1			1			1	5	6				
Pensacola	8	5		9	4			3	3	6				
Saramana	4	3		7				1	19	19	1			7 youth
St. Augustine		3		3										
St. Lucie River		1		1					4	3	1			
St. Petersburg		4		3	1				3	3				
Tallahassee														
Tampa	1	4		3	2			2	5	5	2			
Treasure Coast		2		2					1	1				
Withlacoochee		4			4			1	12	11	2			
At-Large	1	2		2	1				1	1				
<b>Totals</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>79</b>		<b>91</b>	<b>30</b>			<b>23</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>15</b>			



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

### **Chaplain**

Randy Moody

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

Karl Sturgis Blount	Withlacoochee	11/20/2007
Rex Warden	Charlotte	12/22/2007

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

From the Secretary:

The deaths of the following compatriots were reported on the chapter annual reports and had not been previously known.

Bobby N. Whatley, Saramana, 3/15/2007  
Freeman Stittsworth, Saramana, 6/27/07  
Scott G. Fuller, Palm Beach, 10/23/07  
Everard Meade, Jr., Palm Beach, 10/11/07  
A. Lachlan Reed, Palm Beach, 11/14/07  
Frederick Kraus, Jr., Palm Beach, 12/14/07

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

### **Recording Secretary**

Terence Walton

Nothing to report

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

### **Chancellor**

Carl Hoffmann, PG

Nothing to report

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

### **Parliamentarian**

Frank Hodalski

Nothing to report

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

### **Genealogist**

Alvie Davidson

Nothing to report

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

### **Sergeant at Arms**

Alvin Bellamy

Nothing to report

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

### **Historian**

John Little

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

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

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

### **Editor, Florida Patriot**

Dick Fowler

We have gone to the U.S. Post Office "non-profit" mailing plan which will save us hundreds of dollars on every edition of ***The Florida Patriot***. Because this is a lower priority of mailing, we are going to reduce the cutoff date for acceptance of material for future ***Patriots*** by one week.

There is usually almost no material received during the week before the previous cutoff dates, so this should present no problem and will allow us to get future editions to our publisher by one week, which will result in your receiving those editions one week earlier than they would have otherwise have been received.

We apologize to those of you who did not receive your ***Patriot*** in a timely manner, and we anticipate that the earlier cutoff date should solve the problem.

We encourage you to submit articles and pictures for future editions. The Winter edition has some fine articles and pictures that were submitted by members, and we appreciate them very much. ***The Patriot*** is your magazine and will only be as good as the materials that you send in.

Because I will not be attending the Winter BOM meeting, I have asked for help in taking pictures of that event for the next edition of ***The Patriot***, and my thanks for that help.

## **Statutory Committees**

### **FLSSAR Committee Report**

#### **Audit**

Chairman: Ted Duay, III

Nothing to report

### **FLSSAR Committee Report**

#### **Executive**

Chairman: Grant Wallin, Jr.

This report will be given orally.

# FLSSAR Committee Report

## Finance

Chairman: Leon Hammock

### Purposed Budget for 2008

Acc. No.	Acc. Name	2007 Budget	Actual through Dec. 31,2007	Purposed 2008 Budget
601	Dues Income	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 72,887.00	\$ 75,000.00
503	Donations Received	2,000.00	1,841.00	3,000.00
504	Investment Income	600.00	416.00	450.00
505	Other Income	4,000.00	None	150.00
510	BOM Receipts	<u>17,500.00</u>	<u>17,451.00</u>	<u>18,000.00</u>
		\$	\$	\$
	Total Income Budget	90,500.00	92,595.00	96,600.00
601	Presidents Expense	1,200.00	467.00	1,200.00
602	Sr. Vp. Expense	300.00	88.00	200.00
603	Reg. Vp. Expense	None	88.00	100.00
604	Secretary's Expense	7,400.00	6,480.00	6,800.00
605	Treasurers Expense	500.00	2,118.00	700.00
606	Registrar's Expense	500.00	362.00	500.00
607	Recording Secretary	300.00	None	200.00
608	Editor's Expense	9,000.00	8,762.00	9,000.00
609	Other Officers Expense	300.00	None	300.00
611	Donations Paid	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	1,000.00
		\$	\$	\$
		20,500.00	19,365.00	20,000.00
701	BOM Expenses	17,000.00	17,007.00	17,500.00
725	National Dues	35,000.00	36,505.00	34,000.00
750	Dues Rebate	<u>4,000.00</u>	<u>3,858.00</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>
		\$	\$	\$
		56,000.00	57,370.00	55,500.00
801	Audit Committee	1,000.00	None	500.00
805	Eagle Scout Committee			

		2,000.00	1,915.00	2,750.00
808	Executive Committee	600.00	None	500.00
809	Elementary School Poster Contest	None	None	350.00
810	Genealogy Committee	100.00	None	100.00
812	Good Citizenship Certificates	None	1,200.00	1,200.00
815	Knight Essay Committee	2,000.00	1,816.00	1,800.00
817	Last Naval Battle Committee	None	2,698.00	2,000.00
820	Medals & Awards Committee	700.00	969.00	700.00
822	National Trustee Committee	100.00	None	100.00
825	NSSAR Library Committee	100.00	None	100.00
827	New Chapter Committee	None	1,424.00	1,000.00
830	Newsletter & Periodicals comm.	100.00	None	100.00
835	Oration Committee	3,000.00	2,333.00	2,500.00
840	Patriot Medal Committee	300.00	190.00	300.00
843	Procedures Manual Committee	100.00	None	500.00
845	Publicity Committee	500.00	846.00	800.00
847	Public Relations Committee	None	413.00	500.00
850	ROTC Committee	2,000.00	1,000.00	2,750.00
855	Sons of Liberty Brigade	100.00	254.00	300.00
857	Support The Troops	None	None	1,000.00
860	Other Committees	300.00	325.00	500.00
864	Webmaster Expenses	<u>None</u>	<u>212.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>
		\$	\$	\$
		13,000.00	15,595.00	20,650.00
		\$	\$	\$
	Total Expense Budget	<u>89,500.00</u>	<u>92,330.00</u>	<u>96,150.00</u>
		\$	\$	\$
		1,000.00	265.00	450.00

Summated By Finance Committee  
Leon R. Hammock, Chairman  
David Kelsey, Member  
Elwyn Moore, Member

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

Chairman: Gerald Meeks

There have been no requests made or awards presented requiring approval of the Medals and Awards Committee during this reporting period.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Nominating**

Chairman: Lindsey C. Brock, Jacksonville Chapter

Committee Members: John Cahoon, Emerald Coast Chapter, Alvie Davidson, Lakeland Chapter, Fred Gaines, Central Florida Chapter, Frank Hodalski, Saramana Chapter

This report will be given verbally at the January 2008 BOM meeting, per **ARTICLE III OFFICERS, Section 2, (1), (b) of FLSSAR's By-Laws.**

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Patriot Medal**

Chairman: John Cahoon, Jr.

Nominations are due to the committee by the end of this BOM meeting.

## **Standing Committees**

### **FLSSAR Committee Report Archives**

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

We continue to data entry work required to enter past members and other data into our every expanding database. We currently have 7,653 of the 9081 historical members of our society entered. The gap of 1,418 is getting harder to harder to close as I exhaust sources of information.

### **FLSSAR Committee Report Chapter Challenge**

Chairman: Nelson Jantzen

All the Chapters have the 2007 Chapter Challenge form& it is also posted on the FLSSAR website. They are to be completed & in my hands by March 1, 2008 in order to be in the program. The 2008 form is being submitted to the Board for approval of some additions.

# FLSSAR Committee Report Charter & By Laws

Chairman: Ron Toops

18 Jan 2008

Members: Lauren Bradley, John Cahoon, Robert Danneman, Ron Hamilton and John Tinny.

Charters: I have recently (December) downloaded and reviewed several of the Committee Charters and find opportunities for improvement. I will continue this review and with this committee define appropriate actions.

Chairman's comment: It was a very satisfying experience to find that these gentlemen very responsive to their responsibilities. Their responses were thoughtful and to the point. There were three amendments to the 2007 Bylaws, as follows:

## **FLSSAR Bylaw Amendment #1, Author - Bud Bauchspies:**

**ARTICLE V COMMITTEES, Section 1 – Executive Committee**, para. 2, pg 11, line 4

Underlined text were the words which were inserted.

... During intervals between meetings of the BOM, the members of the Committee shall have the duty to meet on call of the Chairman and to act for the Board of Management, including utilizing the powers of the Board of Management delineated in Article II Section 2. of these Bylaws, on any matter that the Chairman deems to be of such urgency and importance that the action must be taken before the next regularly-scheduled meeting of the BOM. ...

**... Go to: Article II - THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT, Section 2 - Powers**

The BOM shall have the following powers and duties:

- a. to exercise management and control over the affairs of the FLSSAR;
- b. to create and staff additional offices and committees as needed;
- c. to approve, and authorize adjustments in, the FLSSAR budget;
- d. to admit new chapters;
- e. to fix fees from applicants, dues from members, and raise funds by other means to meet the financial needs of the FLSSAR;
- f. to fill vacancies which may occur in any office, to serve until the next Annual Meeting of the FLSSAR except as otherwise provided in Article IV, Section 2, of these bylaws;
- g. to sign contracts for the purchase of services and materials, and to establish policies and procedures regarding reimbursement for expenses incurred in carrying on the business of the FLSSAR; and
- h. to adopt and enforce rules and procedures which shall not be inconsistent with the Bylaws of the NSSAR.

**... Go to: ARTICLE IV - DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 2 - Senior Vice President**

If the President is absent, the Senior Vice-President shall preside at meetings of the FLSSAR and of the BOM. He shall succeed to the President's office in the case of resignation, death or disability of the President, and he shall perform such duties as ordinarily pertain to that office and are assigned to him by the President or by the BOM.

**Recommendation:** The Charters & Bylaws Committee recommends that the BOM adopt this amendment.

**FLSSAR Bylaw Amendment #2, Author Jack Coleman:**

Text of Amendment – Indicates Some Affected Articles, Sections ...

**ARTICLE IV - DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 1 - President ...**

Insert the following text:

Section 2      President-Elect

President-Elect, Florida Society Presidency Training Oriented; Will join the FLSSAR President in the implementation of all Society activities that are expected of a sitting Florida Society President. He will attend all chapter, state, district and national meetings which the President attends. This position is intended to allow an incumbent President to begin his term with a thorough knowledge of the operation of the Office of Florida Society President. The sitting President may also assign appropriate committee chairmanships to the President-Elect which will enhance the President-Elect's ability to perform his duties when he does take office.

If the President is absent, the President-Elect shall preside at meetings of the FLSSAR and of the BOM. He shall succeed to the President's office in the case of resignation, death, or disability of the President and he shall perform such duties as ordinarily pertain to that office.

**... Modify ... Additional Bylaw Changes Necessary ...**

Section 3      Senior Vice President

Shall be the Chairman of the Regional Vice      President's Committee. He shall perform such      duties that are assigned to him by the President. Additional descriptions need to be defined!

....

**Recommendation:** The Charters & Bylaws Committee recommends that the BOM **not adopt** this amendment.

**FLSSAR Bylaw Amendment #3, Author Frank Hodalski:**

Insert the following "new" section:

**ARTICLE III - OFFICERS**

Add New Section:

Section 7.      Endorsement of Candidates for National Office

Candidates who have declared for election to General Offices in the National Society may appear before the Board of Management for the purpose of seeking the endorsement of the Florida Society. Formal endorsements will not be made by the Florida Society before the Fall Meeting of the Board of Management.

**Recommendation:** The Charters & Bylaws Committee recommends that the BOM **adopt** this amendment.

**FLSSAR Committee Report  
CAR Liaison**

Chairman: Doug Bridges

British Night Watch 2006

By Chrissy Herreid

State Organizing Secretary

This year's British Night Watch in St. Augustine Florida with all of its laughs and memories will never be forgotten. It all began on Friday the 30th when April Pearson, myself and Adrian Schell had dinner at St. Augustine's number one place to buy pizza, Pizza Alley. After walking down St. George Street, we joined a local Ghost Tour. Our tour guide was very friendly though she kept falling down; we were all hoping she wouldn't become a part of the tour herself. We went around to many different places and Senior President Dr. Charlene Herreid had a ghostly experience at one of the graveyards. It was very exciting and we all had fun.

After a good night's rest we traveled down to the Maria Jefferson Room of the Lightner Museum and met up with Christine Miller and April Pearson preparing for the meeting. A special surprise guest was National Organizing Secretary Andrew Green, who spent all night riding a bus down from Atlanta to be with us! President April Pearson called the meeting to order and our speaker Ms. Jane Wood talked to us about her books about pirates and ghosts set in North Florida.

We had a pizza lunch, with soda and delicious Chocolate Chip cookies and then April conducted our board meeting. While the seniors had their board meeting, the members split up and some went down into the old Town, while other hung out at the Museum. Afterwards, member and seniors went to change into their colonial clothing for the Annual British Night watch. Dinner was at the A1A Ale House. There were so many people that some of us (myself included) had to double up in the booths!

When we finished our meals, the time was getting late and we got in our places (after lots of group pictures), in front of the Governor's House. The younger children had a fun time running around the "cannons". Soon the procession began, the drums and pipes were fun to hear, then the bagpipes came in and everyone started to walk. We walked and walked, finally getting past the gates and onto St. George Street, and turned off to go to the White Lion. We only lost 4 people this year and they soon showed up. Instead of having hot chocolate inside away from the bitter cold like last year, some had cold soda and drinks while sitting outside.

This year's Night Watch had the biggest turn-out ever—over 60 members and seniors! Thanks to Kemie Mahan and Mrs. Maria Miller, from host Princess Malee Society and many thanks to Mrs. Delores Schmidt, Regent of Maria Jefferson Chapter DAR for letting us use their meeting room. Everyone had a great time and for those who didn't participate... well there is always next year, and the year after that. Make sure to go to the Seminar in Miami in January!

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

Chairman: John Little

Nothing to report at this time

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Credentials**

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

This committee has responsibilities beginning with the Spring / Annual meeting through the Summer BOM. There is no activity to report at this time.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report DAR Liaison**

Chairman: Gordon Greenwood

The DAR Liaison Committee, which consists of Gordon Greenwood (Chair), Lindsey Brock, George Lockhart, Fred Maclean, Hal Miller, and Steve Williams, has disseminated to all RVPs the contact information for all DAR officers above the local chapter level so that contact can be made as needed. Local Chapter Regents contact information is online at [fdar.org](http://fdar.org).

The committee has also disseminated the information and form involved in the DAR/SAR Membership Award to all SAR Local Chapter Presidents and the RVPs. Additionally, Steve Williams has made this information easily accessible online at [flossar.org](http://flossar.org). Hopefully this will help the Florida DAR in its competition with the Georgia DAR for the Award.

The DAR Liaison Committee will man a SAR information (recruiting) table at the DAR State Conference scheduled for March 14-16, 2008, at the Airport Marriott Hotel in Orlando.



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

Chairman: David Ramseur  
Jan 2008

The Eagle Scout Committee is currently reviewing seven Eagle Scout Scholarship Applications for our Calendar Year 2007 Awards. From these seven applications from seven chapter winners, three will be chosen to receive the FLSSAR scholarship awards amounting to \$1,000, \$500 and \$250, respectively for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners. In addition to these awards the Ladies Auxiliary also awards these outstanding scouts with additional scholarship money. The first place winner and his parents will be recognized and awarded at our Spring BOM.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Education Committee**

Chairman: Ron Toops

**Legislation/Florida:** Although the next sessions for the Florida House and Senate do not begin until March, there is some activity in the Florida House. Representative Charles Burney of District 16, Jacksonville, has created a bill, HB393. This bill is similar to the one submitted initially last year and focuses on an **emphasis on "civics (Civics & Government) education"** at all grade levels. At this time, I do not believe that any effort includes the other Social Studies topics, such as American History, Geography, Economics, World History! At this time, there does not appear to be any legislative activity on this in the Senate.

Since the representative listed is located in the Jacksonville area, we hope to make personal contact with him and the senator that also lives in this area. This senator was involved with the Florida Senate Education Committees last year. I will remind you, that although **the Florida House passed a positive Social Studies last year, the Senate refused to act!**

Jason Caros, will communicate the status of Florida legislation at our January BOM. He is a Social Studies Specialist and leader of the Florida Social Studies Supervisor organization. This organization has been the driving force behind our legislation in the past. They provided the lobbyist, who makes contact with and encourages Florida Legislators to perform, based on our expectations.

**Florida Sunshine State Standards:** It has been reported that the approval for the Social Studies Standards has been pushed back to September 2008!

**Middle School Essay Contest Proposal:** It was interesting to find that all three of the schools, that I originally mentioned, are still intending to provide middle school essays. However, each was not able to meet the original target dates! They all delayed them to mid-January for various reasons, including conflicts with the Florida FCAT. Some were delayed because of other conflicts, which did not allow the teaching of the American History period of interest, at the appropriate time for the topics selected. Since this is a pilot, our chapter is being flexible and is hoping that the essays will come in January.

This result highlights the difficulty that the FLSSAR will have with any of our educational programs. We need to be aware of what and at what time in the school year the various American History topics are taught and if they are taught at all!

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

Chairman: Dick Fowler

Our FLATALK list server is working and is serving as a good communication tool for members of the Florida Society. Steve Williams, FLATALK Administrator, has been able to get everything working well.

One problem that we have been having with NSSAR SAR-TALK is that when replying to a SAR-TALK message it automatically is sent to the SAR-TALK list. This has caused considerable problems, and many members have

dropped off of SAR-TALK because they have been deluged with superfluous messages that are usually only intended for the person who was the originator of the message responded to.

We had that problem briefly with FLATALK, but Steve has been able to correct it so FLATALK replies are automatically sent to the sender, rather than the list.

If you dropped off of FLATALK because you received a lot of "junk" message that you were not interested in when it was recently re-activated, please give it another try, since that problem has been solved. It is a very effective way of sending a message to hundreds of fellow Florida Society members, and the more members that use it the more effective it will be.

To join FLATALK, go to the Florida Society website at <http://www.flssar.org/> and click on FLATALK in the left column, or you can go directly to "FLATALK" at <http://www.flssar.org/Docs/FLATALK.pdf>

**The Last Naval Battle** Ceremonies for 2008 are less than two months away, and we are trying to use all available resources to publicize it. **The Florida Patriot** has an article and helpful information in it on page 20 with pictures of the 2007 Last Naval Battle Ceremonies on the inside back cover. **The Florida Patriot** can be found on-line on our Florida Society website at <http://www.flssar.org/> and is viewed by SAR members all over the country.

We have sent messages to SAR-TALK about it and we have sent copies of **The Florida Patriot** to each State Society President to further publicize it.

Last year we had over 400 in attendance, and we hope to have more this year. Please plan on attending on March 8, and I will see you there.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Genealogy**

Chairman: Ted Duay, III

The Genealogy Committee hosted a Genealogy Workshop at the October BOM. The guest speaker was Dr. Debbie Duay who gave a presentation on using various genealogical websites available on the Internet. Approximately 20 people attended the workshop. The Genealogy Committee will be hosting another workshop at the January 2008 BOM.

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

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

The deadline for this year's contest is January 31<sup>st</sup>. As of this writing five students have submitted essays but we are hopeful for more as the deadline nears.

As reported at the last meeting, I am looking to hand this committee over to another member this spring. I'd be grateful for suggestions or volunteers to take on the responsibility.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Good Citizenship**

The secretary has certificates available to chapters that require them. Please see him at this meeting or email your requests.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report**

### **History Fairs**

Chairman: Frank Hodalski

Nothing to report

## **FLSSAR Committee Report**

### **Joseph P. Rumbaugh Orations Contest**

Chairman: Randy Moody

The contest will be conducted at this BOM and the winner announced at the Friday evening banquet.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report**

### **Ladies Auxiliary Liaison**

Chairman: Lindsey Brock

January 9, 2008

The FLSSAR Ladies Auxiliary had five members that attended the chartering ceremony for the William Dunaway Chapter that was held on January 5, 2008. The ladies of the William Dunaway Chapter were given a special initiation to become members of the FLSSAR Ladies Auxiliary.

You will recall that the President of the FLSSAR Ladies Auxiliary, Billie Brock, selected many items from the National Society's Merchandise Sales Department, on a consignment basis, for selling to our membership. This saved our members many dollars in shipping cost. Over \$800.00 worth of NSSAR merchandise was sold at our October 2007 BOM meeting and at the Jacksonville Chapter's monthly meetings. Please go to FLSSAR's web site, [www.flssar.org](http://www.flssar.org), to get the latest news about the FLSSAR's Ladies Auxiliary.

If you have not already done so, please make plans for your special lady to attend the upcoming February 21-23, 2008 Fall Leadership Conference in Louisville, KY. There are always luncheons and special events for all ladies who attend our Leadership Conferences. Remember, the ladies attending do not have to be a member of the Ladies Auxiliary to attend the various events at both of the Leadership Meetings or the Annual Meeting of the NSSAR. But for the small sum of \$5.00 your special lady can be a member at both the state and national level.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report**

### **Last Naval Battle**

Chairman: Ben DuBose

The following things have been done by Ben DuBose & Lindsey Brock:

Permits and plans for event on March 8th have been submitted & approved by the CANAVERAL PORT AUTHORITY. Various PRESS RELEASE have started to go out. All of last year's Color Guard units, plus others have been given notification. Rooms at Country Inn have been blocked-out. Friday night diner has been booked. Contact & confirmation with the USS BARRY concerning their presence has been established. Arrangements have been made for 250 chairs, a PA system with generator & podium - including set-up & knock-down. Letter to Coca Cola has been sent out requesting soda & water donation - request same as last year. The BREVARD CHAPTER will once again supply ice, coolers, garbage cans and men to man refreshment areas, plus they will supply newly created 2008 Flag Steamers to ALL Color Guards units that attend. We have only received four Color Guard confirmations from SAR units to date.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report**

### **Liberty Tree**

Chairman: Ben Dubose

St Lucie River Chapter dedicated a LIBERTY TREE in 2007. See their report for further information. Once again I am requesting ALL chapters who have dedicated LIBERTY TREES to forward me dates & locations.

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

Chairman: Lindsey Brock

**January 11, 2008**

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

Summer BOM meeting – August 15-16, 2008

Fall BOM meeting – October 31-November 1, 2008

Winter BOM meeting – January 30-31, 2009

Annual BOM meeting – April 24-26, 2009.

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

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

Chairman: Ron Toops

Chairman's Comment: It will be important for all of the Regional Vice Presidents to review this Committee's Charter. The goal will be to determine if it addresses the spirit of the objectives and then how these objectives can be pursued with measurable results.

### Charter - Highlights:

Purpose: To Recruit and Retain Members for the Florida Society

Members: The Regional Vice Presidents and other members appointed by the FLSSAR President. The terms concurrent with that of the appointing officer.

Functions: Provide guidance to the Florida Society chapters on recruitment and retention objectives and proposed approaches for success.

Discussion: Many of the Regional Vice Presidents communicated their local efforts to meet the purpose of this committee. It was pointed out, that a number of chapters continue to setup recruiting tables in their regions. There also is a great deal of effort by the members of the New Chapter Development Committee and associated area FLSSAR members who are being successful in their efforts to form new chapters.

Another area of success in some regions, is that associated with joint cooperation with the local DAR chapters. It was also pointed out, that the Chapter Challenge includes points for recruiting candidates to full membership, 25 points for each new member; Also points for efforts to reinstate members who had dropped their membership earlier, 25 points each.

We should recognize that some of our most successful recruiting efforts are associated with the chapter color guards, who participate in parades and other ceremonies and create publicity in local newspapers.

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

Chairman: Carl Hoffmann

Nothing to report

## FLSSAR Committee Report NSSAR Library

Chairman: Terence Walton

The Committee received the Friends statistical report for the period 1/1/07 through 12/31/07 from the NSSAR Library. 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 55 personal and chapter members, an increase of three memberships during the calendar year 2007, or .033 percent of our total membership of 1,684 as we enter 2008.

The Florida Society encourages all personal members and chapters to become Friends of the Library by sending a \$25 check to: **SAR Library, 1000 South Fourth Street, Louisville, KY 40203, Attn: Friends of the Library. This is an excellent way of getting involved and showing your commitment to the SAR, even though you may not be able to participate in other ways.**

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** memberships are also an excellent way of benefiting ongoing library activities and the proposed national **Center for Advancing America's Heritage**.

## FLSSAR Committee Report Newsletters and Periodicals

Chairman Edward "Bud" Casey  
Nothing to report

## FLSSAR Committee Report Patriotic Activities

Chairman: Hal Miller, Jr.

Date January 9, 2008

On October 23, 2007, I reported that during the first six months of the 2007-2008 program year which began on April 29, 2007, "...that 173 emails at a time were sent out on 41 occasions to 173 recipients resulting in about 7093 emails."

Since the date of this prior report, 10/23/07, through the date of this current report, 1/9/08, 173 emails at a time were sent out on 19 occasions, a total of about 3287 e-mails. Adding this number of 3287 emails to the six months report above of 10/23/07, which amounted to 7093 emails, **resulted in about 10380 emails, as emails to 173 recipients at a time were sent out on 60 occasions (41 + 19) over about an 8 ½ month period, 4/22/07 through 1/9/08. During the prior program year, April 29, 2006, through April 28, 2007, 175 recipients on 45 occasions had received only about 7875 emails.**

Thanks again to the following members of this committee for your assistance:

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

And, of course, many of the recipients who have shared their messages with me.

Most important, our Committee Charter includes as one of its functions the administration of **the Flag Program for the Florida Society** which includes competition for the Rear Admiral William R. Furlong Award to the State Society with the best Flag Program, awards and presents the NSSAR Flag Certificate to individuals and

activities in the name of the FLSSAR, encourages FLSSAR chapters to participate in Flag Day, June 14, ceremonies, and promotes respect and honor to the Flag of the United States.

My thanks to Frank Hodalski for accepting this function duty of our Committee, especially considering he is currently acting as State Parliamentarian, Chairman of the State History Committee, and the Chairman of the NSSAR Patriotic Education Committee. At his local chapter, Saramana SAR, later this week, he is to present the Chapter Flag Program which he has done for many years. Five awards will be prepared and hopefully all recipients will be present. My thanks also to Ed Young, Regional V.P.-N.W., who notified us that, as Chairman of the Flag Committee of the Pensacola Chapter, his Chapter presented four NSSAR Flag Certificates in October & November, 2007.

**We respectfully request assistance from S.V.P. Ronald E. Toops, and the 7 Regional V.P.s to help us contact their respective chapters to request their participation and replies to us by April 1<sup>st</sup>, the date given me by the NSSAR FLAG COMMITTEE.**

## **FLSSAR Committee Report**

### **Patriotic Education** (Formerly Public Relations)

Chairman: Ben DuBose

All FLSSAR Chapters should have received 3 CDs since last meeting. Some Chapters have requested hard copies of the scripts. That is being worked on and should be available via email within the next 30 days. Contact me if you would like a hard copy.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report**

### **Procedures Manual**

Chairman: Steven Williams

No new activity. Again, anyone seeing incorrect information or seeing a need for new content should forward those suggestions to the committee.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report**

### **Public Service and Heroism**

Chairman: Daniel Shepherd

Date: 13 January 2008

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

#### **Central Florida Chapter**

10 November 2007 the Central Florida Chapter presented the following medals and certificates at their November chapter meeting.

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

Phyllis Williams, Lieutenant Longwood Fire Rescue, Longwood, FL

**No media coverage** for this 10 November 2007 presentation.

#### **EMS Commendation Medal and Certificate**

Bill Campbell, Lieutenant St. Cloud Fire Rescue, St. Cloud, FL

**No media coverage** for this 10 November 2007 presentation.

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

Ryan Cooper, Firefighter/Paramedic at the Lake Mary Fire Department, Lake Mary, FL was off duty on 10 July 2007 at his home in Sanford, FL. He was standing in his driveway when he saw a small airplane loose control and crash into two homes in his neighborhood. Firefighter Cooper immediately called 911 and headed for the scene of the crash. The fire units had not arrived by the time he arrived at the scene. Both homes were in flame. Firefighter Cooper entered both structures several times in search of trapped victims. He was able to rescue a 10 year old boy and his father from one of the homes, and then provided medical assistance to them until responding emergency

units arrived. Firefighter Cooper continued to assist the victims until he succumb to smoke inhalation and was transported to the hospital for treatment where he remained for several days. Since that tragic day, Firefighter Cooper has spearheaded and participated in fundraisers to help the families who lost so much that day.

**No media coverage** for this 10 November 2007 presentation.

12 November 2007 the Central Florida Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at the Osceola County Sheriff's Office.

**Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate**

Mike Fisher, Sergeant Osceola County Sheriff's Department

**No media coverage** for this 12 November 2007 presentation.

**St. Augustine Chapter**

27 November 2007 the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at the Palatka City Hall, Palatka, Fl.

**EMS Commendation Medal and Certificate**

Gregory M. Brown, Lieutenant EMS Putnam County Emergency Services, Palatka, Fl

**No media coverage** for this 27 November 2007 presentation.

15 December 2007 the St. Augustine Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at their December chapter meeting.

**Heroism Medal and Certificate**

Todd Davis, Detective Palatka Police Department, Palatka, Fl

On June 15, 2007, Detective Davis responded with numerous other officers from the Palatka Police Department and the Putnam County Sheriff's Office to a complaint of a man kidnapping a young woman. As the incident developed, the suspect fled into an apartment located in the James A. Long Apartment Complex. The apartment was occupied by numerous persons, including small children. The suspect began firing a gun in the apartment and then out the back door of the apartment as officers responded. Detective Davis responded and took up a position at the rear of the apartment. He observed the suspect firing a gun from the rear doorway. As the firing continued, he observed a small child, 10 year old male, running from the apartment's rear door. As the child ran toward Detective Davis' position, the suspect continued firing his gun. Detective Davis saw the child fall to the ground, possibly hit by gunfire. Detective Davis immediately left his position of cover and extracted the child from the line of fire, carrying him to a position of cover. He examined the child for injuries and found that the child had been shot and was bleeding. Detective Davis applied temporary first aid and eventually got the child to Emergency Rescue personnel for medical treatment.

**No media coverage** for this 15 December 2007 presentation.

**St. Lucie River Chapter**

13 October 2007 the St. Lucie River Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at their 13 October 2007 chapter meeting at Delmonico Grill. Port St. Lucie, Fl

**Heroism Medal and Certificate**

Ricky Costello, 18 year old Civilian and Stevie Ferguson, 17 year old Civilian both from Port St. Lucie, Fl on 31 March 2007 were on spring break. On their way home from Jensen Beach High School ball field, they saw car light coming from a wooded area off the road. When they check the source of the lights they found a woman screaming into her cell phone standing next to a car that was on fire. The boys found a man slumped over in the driver's seat. With the flames already on the passenger's side of the car, the boys pulled the 200 pound driver from the car and carried him approximately 120 feet from the burning car. Ricky Costello even went back to the burning vehicle and retrieved the woman's purse from the flames that had begun to engulf it. The man had suffered a seizure and ran off the road hitting a tree. Thanks to these two young men he survived.

**No media coverage** for this 13 October 2007 presentation.

**Tampa Chapter**

17 November 2007 the Tampa Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at their November 2007 chapter meeting at Tampa, Fl

**Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate**

Jeff Jones, Sheriff's Deputy Hillsborough County Sheriff's Department, Tampa, Fl

**No media coverage** for this 17 November 2007 presentation.

**Withlacoochee Chapter**

3 November 2007 the Withlacoochee Chapter presented the following medal and certificate during the Veteran's Fair at Crystal River, Fl

**Fire Safety Commendation Medal and Certificate**

Brown Dumas, Fire Chief Crystal River Volunteer Fire Department, Crystal River, Fl

**No media coverage** for this 3 November 2007 presentation.

17 November 2007 the Withlacoochee Chapter presented the following medal and certificate at their November 2007 chapter meeting held at the Inverness Country Club, Inverness, FL

**Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate**

Larry "Buddy" Grant, Lieutenant      Citrus County Sheriff's Department, Inverness, FL

**Media coverage** – this presentation was covered by television station WYKE and published in the Citrus Chronicle newspaper.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Publicity**

Chairman: Hermann Riediger

The Publicity Committee submitted to the 31 major Newspapers and the 15 Public Radio Stations in the State of Florida, two press releases, one in late October and another in December to help publicize the Knight Essay Contest. We are waiting to see what the results were and if it helped the turnout for the Essay Contest. If the results prove positive then during this coming year all contests sponsored by the FLSSAR will have releases to the above outlets. Further, those of you, who have seen the articles in the newspaper and heard the announcement on the radio can use that for your local chapter Publicity Contests.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report ROTC**

Chairman: Lonnie Jones

At the Fall BOM the JROTC Seminar was attended by 5 interested compatriots. It was a successful meeting and several issues were addressed including;

1. Using a challenge to compete letter with the Program Instructions.
2. Include a pre stamped and addressed return post card.
3. Distribution of packages to schools.
4. Expanded Program packages due State Chairman before 1 April 2008
5. Essay requirements, word count, Nomination form, recommendations.
6. Presentation of medals.
7. Recommendation of awarding Good Citizenship Medals to retiring Instructors.

**Complete** packages were prepared, one for each of the **29 Chapters** and one for each State Committee member and one for each Regional Vice President. Inside were pre-addressed and stamped envelopes and a request for each Chapter JROTC Chairman's information. I appreciate the **6 Chapters** that returned the information as requested.

After discussing the issues with the National JROTC Committee Chairman It appears that we are to consider the Bronze JROTC Medal Program and the Enhanced program as two separate programs. Yes, you may end up presenting a Bronze JROTC Medal and a JROTC Medallion to two different Cadets at one of the Schools. There is no National or State program to recognize any competitor at the Chapter level except the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner.

1. The "JROTC Bronze Medal Program" Recipient is selected by the Senior Instructor and can be from any class year. But it is strongly felt that a freshman should not receive this award as he has not had enough time in the program to prove our requirements. The Bronze JROTC Medal Program does not require a nomination form to be submitted. The Senior Instructor will notify the Chapter JROTC Committee Chairman of the Time, Place, of the ceremony and Name and Rank of the Chosen Cadet. The ROTC Silver Medal program for the College/University level programs is the same. Cadet chosen by the Instructor. Instructor notifies the Committee Chairman of the Date, Time, Name and Rank for the presentation ceremony. Chapter responds accordingly.



2. The "Enhanced Program" Cadet chosen by the Senior Instructor must be in his next to last year(junior year of a four year school Program) of JROTC.. This can, but does not have to, be the same cadet receiving the Bronze Medal. He must submit the Nomination Form, Essay, and recommendation letters from both the Senior Instructor and the Principal of the school. The Instructor and Principal certifies that he meets the requirements of Class standing and GPA by submitting their recommendations.
3. The Essay shall be between 500 and 700 total words. If it is less that 500 total words it is disqualified and shall not be forwarded to State. If it is over 700 words contact the state chairman for instructions. The Essay shall have a title and it shall be "**How the JROTC has prepared me to be a better citizen of the United States**"
4. Just a friendly reminder, all chapter JROTC Enhanced Program Packages are due to the Chairman **Before April 1, 2008.** Please ensure that packages are complete. For more information see the Updates JROTC Page at the National and FLSSAR ROTC/JROTC Website.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Veterans Affairs**

Chairman: John Camillo

On November 28 eleven of the Members of the Withlacoochee Chapter and 8 members of the Chapter's Ladies Auxiliary delivered Christmas gifts in the excess of \$4,000 to the Veterans residing in the Baldomero Lopez Nursing Home.

As of January 10<sup>th</sup> only two chapters, Jacksonville and Withlacoochee, have reported engaging in Veterans Affairs for the USS Stark Memorial Contest.

## **Ad hoc Committees**

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

Chairman: Ron Toops

Charter of Purpose/Objectives:

There has been significant information provided about "Headquarters Explores Downtown" (Louisville) Option", both in The SAR Magazine and in other direct communications from the NSSAR President General, Bruce A. Wilcox. It is recommended that all members read and digest that information.

Since these presentations were made new information has been received from President General, Bruce Wilcox, with highlights as follows: A second option, the Fulton Conway Building, has been investigated which appears to be more suitable for the purposes of a location for the NSSAR Headquarters, Library and Museum. The space allocation fits our requirements and is a natural place for a library. The lower price for this building frees up extra funds for the build out budget. The building has about 100 feet of street frontage which will allow for the creation of a grand façade that is suitable for a museum and a national headquarters.

I am sure that we all have questions and concerns about this new direction and I recommend that you review the Question/Answers on this topic found in the SAR Magazine. I have listed a couple of these Questions and Answers (Paraphrased) which may be of interest:

Question: How should this proposed change affect our willingness to contribute to the CAAH? Answer: If we take this course of action, your contributions will be more important than ever;

Question: When will we know what is going to happen? Answer: (The) goal is to have sufficient information to make a recommendation to proceed or to reject the proposal at the Spring Leadership /Trustees Meeting.

It is expected that the Executive Committee will discuss these approaches and advise our Trustee on the Florida Society's recommendation.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report American History Teacher Award**

Chairman: Kevin Yarnell

At this writing we do not have an entry to submit for the National Contest. However, we are still pursuing alternative ways by which local chapters may recognize outstanding American History teachers.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Americanism Elementary Poster Contest**

Chairman: Wesley Odom

January 13, 2008

The committee has been formed with the chairman and seven committee members representing the seven FLSSAR regions. The committee has approved the Guidelines and the chapter's Entry Form for the state contest. These documents were distributed to the chapters through the Regional Vice Presidents at the 2007-2008 Fall FLSSAR Board of Managers Meeting. Chapters may design their own entry form for their contests or modify the "Florida Society Contest Entry Form". The chapter winner's poster must be brought or sent (DO NOT MAIL) to the May 2-4, 2008 FLSSAR Spring Board of Managers Meeting (BOM). The completed "Florida Society Contest Entry Form" must be forwarded to Florida Society Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest Committee Chairman Wesley S. Odom, 52 West Gonzalez Street, Pensacola, FL 32501 by April 1, 2008. The entry form for the National Society Poster Contest will be completed at the BOM for the winning chapter entry. Direct any questions to Wesley S. Odom. E-Mail: [www.wlodom@cox.net](mailto:www.wlodom@cox.net), Home Phone: 850-436-6666, Office Phone: 850-470-8005.

## **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

## **FLSSAR Committee Report New Chapter Development**

Chairman: Steve Williams

There have been three areas of continuing activity: Milton, Marianna(Greenwood), and Lake City.

In the **Milton** effort, Ray Lantz is reporting (12/2/07) that 4 applications were awaiting signature for submission, 3 had been submitted to National, and 3 had been approved. Currently, there are Pensacola chapter members waiting to transfer to the Milton chapter. A late February/ early March is likely for the charter meeting. A charter application will be circulated among those prospects for signing and submission to FLSSAR.

**Lake City** effort includes an upcoming meeting on January 29th in the Lake City Public Library similar to the one held for Milton - a presentation on the SAR & DAR and opportunities for attendees to discuss genealogy and lineage with SAR/DAR volunteers. Florida compatriots are encouraged to support this meeting with their attendance. Contact Ron Toops.

The Florida Society now has 30 chapters. The **William Dunaway** [Marianna/Greenwood] chapter has been chartered at a January 5th meeting. Compatriots Young, Yarnell, and Stevenson were instrumental in seeing this effort through to completion and deserve our thanks for their unflagging efforts. Also deserving thanks are

President Grant Wallin and Lindsey Brock for their support by providing leadership in guiding the process through its final chartering stages.

In support of these new chapters (Milton and Dunaway), the following were purchased as approved by the BOM at the Fall meeting:

- 2 Flag sets: American, SAR, and State of Florida
- 2 Flag pole sets: (3 ea) pole, base, and end piece (Eagle)

## **FLSSAR Committee Report SAR-CAR Aide**

Chairman: Lindsey C. Brock, III  
**January 9, 2008**

We have approximately 4-5 members of the F.S.C.A.R. that have expressed an interest in participating as Aides at our Saturday May 3, 2008 Annual Youth Awards Luncheon. As mentioned previously, we should insure that these young men also participate in our **program agenda** at the 2008 Youth Awards Luncheon by leading in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the U. S. Flag and the America's Creed.

As many of you know this committee was begun during the term 2006-2007 and one of its purposes is to develop a better understanding of SAR's youth programs among the membership of the Florida Society C.A.R. and more importantly enhance relations between the SAR and Florida Society C.A.R.

In fact the establishment of this committee has already generated positive PR from the Florida Society C.A.R. and the NSSAR and other state societies throughout the country. Additionally, at the chartering ceremony of our newest chapter, the William Dunaway Chapter, which was held on January 5, 2008, one Florida Society C.A.R member began the process of becoming a member of our 30th FLSSAR Chapter.

## **FLSSAR Committee Report Support the Troops**

Chairman: Frank Hodalski

Nothing to report

## **Other Reports**

## **FLSSAR Report Florida SAR Endowment & Operating Budget Trust Funds**

Chairman: Ted Duay, III

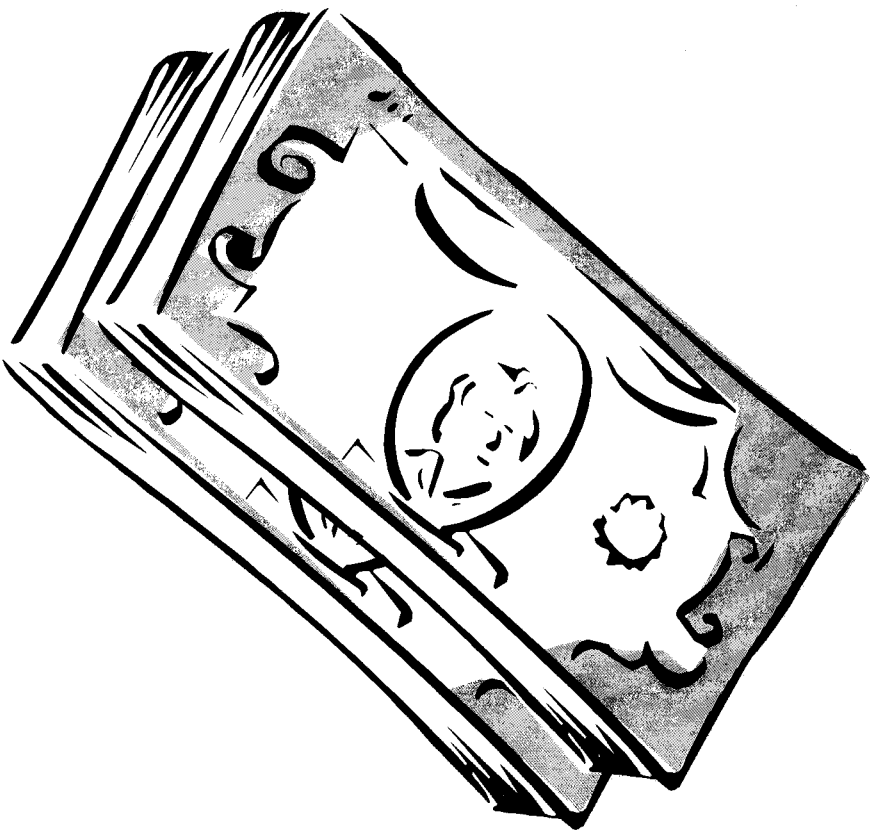
### **Report on the ETF and OTF Trust Funds as of 12/31/2007**

Trustees: Ted Duay, Hal Miller, Jr., David Kelsey

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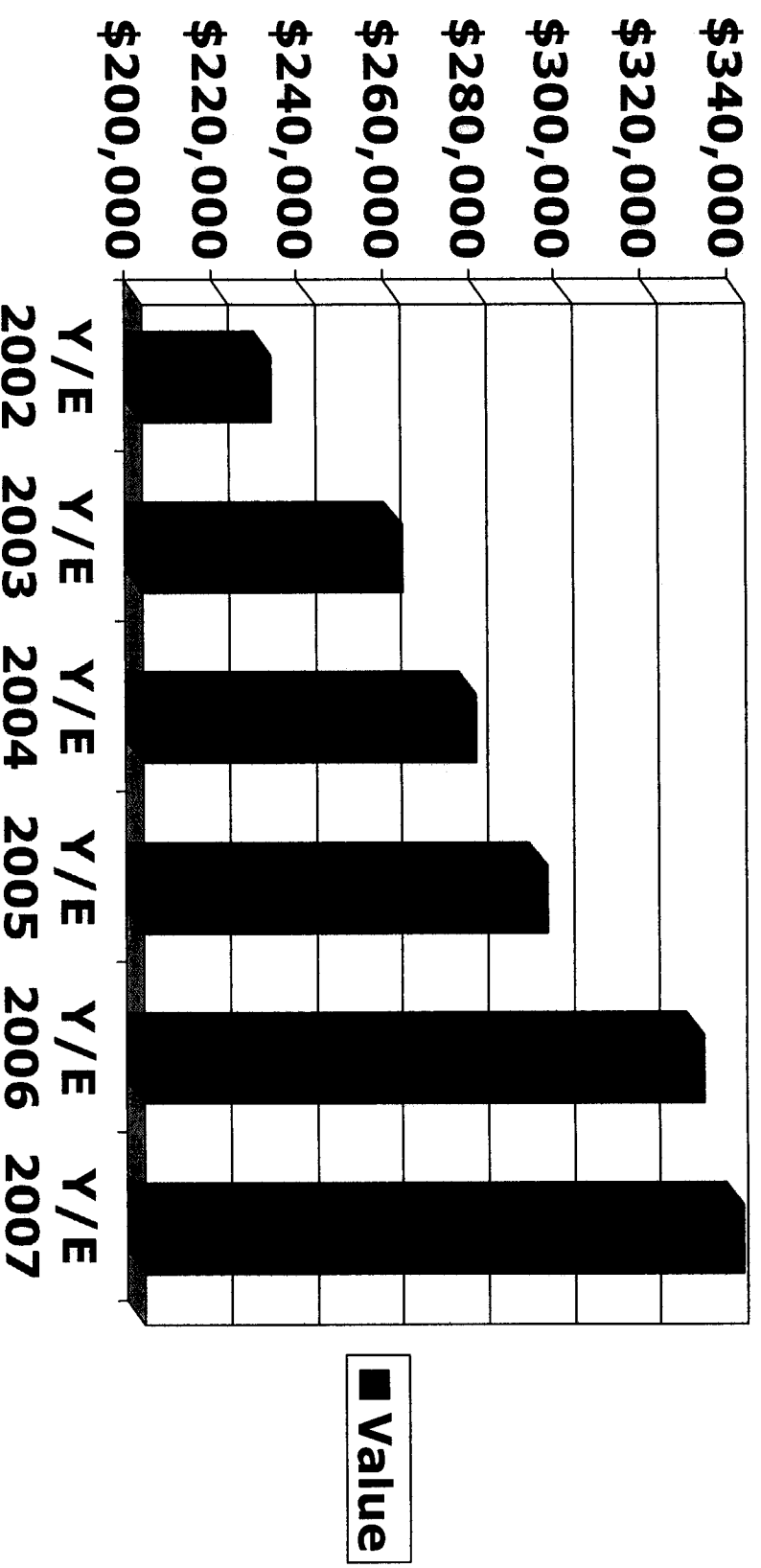
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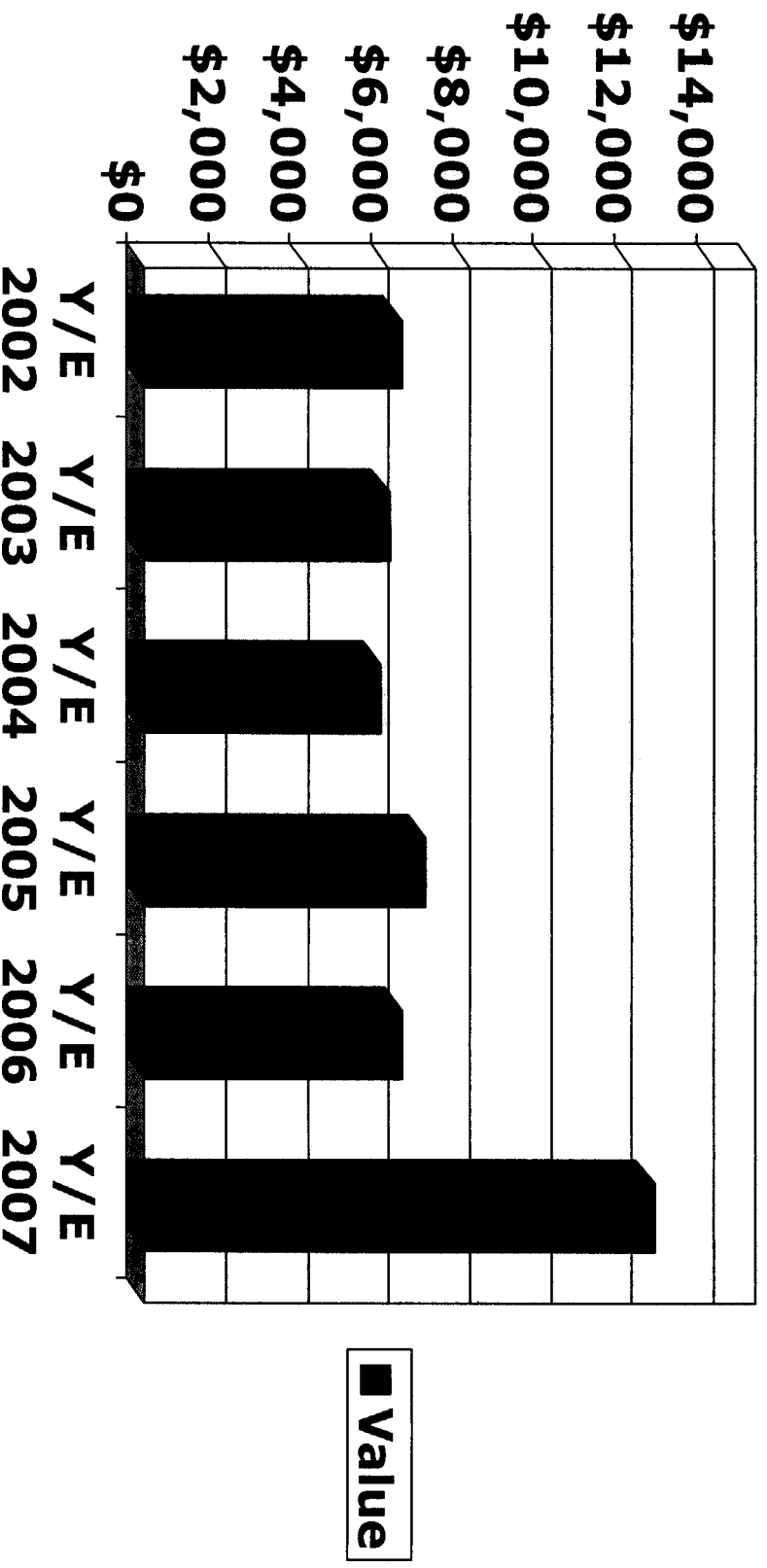
# Endowment Trust Fund Ending Market Value

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# Endowment Trust Fund Income for Distribution

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THE FLORIDA SAR ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND  
 JANUARY 1, 2007 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007

	INCOME	PRINCIPAL	TOTALS
I. Starting Balance			
Assets per Inventory or on Hand at Close of Last Accounting Period	6,308.68	296,870.88	303,179.56
II. Receipts			
Schedule A:	12,535.99	1,003.00	13,538.99
III. Disbursements			
Schedule B:	-	(327.30)	(327.30)
IV. Distributions			
Schedule C:	(6,308.68)	-	(6,308.68)
V. Capital Transactions and Adjustments			
Schedule D: Net Gain or (Loss)	-	18,569.17	18,569.17
VI. Assets on Hand at Close of Accounting Period			
Schedule E: Cash, Stocks, and Mutual Funds	12,535.99	316,115.75	328,651.74
Income Available to Spend in 2007	-		
Income Available to Spend in 2008	12,535.99		

THE FLORIDA SAR ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND  
 JANUARY 1, 2007 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007

**SCHEDULE A RECEIPTS**

Date	Brief Description of Item	Income	Principal
1/2/2007	Income Dividend 400 Shares AG Edwards Inc	80.00	
1/2/2007	Income Dividend 350 Shares Compass Bancshares Inc	136.50	
1/4/2007	Income Dividend 360 Shares GlaxoSmithKline Plc	162.17	
1/10/2007	Income Dividend 250 Shares Altria Group Inc	215.00	
1/16/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	157.10	
1/16/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Value Advantage	30.51	
1/22/2007	Jacksonville Chapter		25.00
1/22/2007	1776 Contributions		136.00
1/25/2007	Income Dividend 600 Shares General Electric Company	168.00	
1/30/2007	Income Dividend Schwab One	0.20	
1/31/2007	Income Dividend 5,882.353 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Select	59.13	
2/5/2007	Saramana Chapter		30.00
2/15/2007	Income Dividend 315 Shares Procter & Gamble	97.65	
2/15/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	198.65	
2/23/2007	Income Dividend 400 Shares Citigroup Inc	216.00	
2/27/2007	Income Dividend Schwab One	0.02	
2/28/2007	Income Dividend 5,882.353 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Select	249.05	
3/1/2007	Income Dividend 380 Shares Rohm & Haas Co	125.40	
3/1/2007	Income Dividend 290 Shares BP PLC	179.66	
3/12/2007	Income Dividend 260 Shares 3M Company	124.80	
3/13/2007	Income Dividend 300 Shares Johnson & Johnson	112.50	
3/15/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	121.79	
3/30/2007	St Lucie River Chapter		100.00
3/30/2007	Income Dividend 5,882.353 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Select	265.26	
4/2/2007	Income Dividend 350 Shares Compass Bancshares Inc	150.50	
4/2/2007	Income Dividend 200 Shares Federal National Series N 5.5% Preferred	137.50	
4/5/2007	Jacksonville Chapter		25.00
4/10/2007	Income Dividend 250 Shares Altria Group Inc	215.00	
4/12/2007	Income Dividend 360 Shares GlaxoSmithKline Plc	198.59	



4/16/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	140.04	
4/20/2007	Income Dividend 400 Shares AG Edwards Inc	80.00	
4/25/2007	Income Dividend 600 Shares General Electric Company	168.00	
4/30/2007	1776 Contributions		76.00
4/30/2007	Income Dividend 5,882.353 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Select	243.02	
5/14/2007	Saramana Chapter		10.00
5/15/2007	Income Dividend 315 Shares Procter & Gamble	110.25	
5/15/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	130.75	
5/25/2007	Income Dividend 400 Shares Citigroup Inc	216.00	
5/31/2007	Income Dividend 5,882.353 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Select	259.19	
6/1/2007	Income Dividend 380 Shares Rohm & Haas Co	140.60	
6/4/2007	Income Dividend 290 Shares BP PLC	179.66	
6/8/2007	Deland Chapter		25.00
6/12/2007	Income Dividend 300 Shares Johnson & Johnson	124.50	
6/12/2007	Income Dividend 260 Shares 3M Company	124.80	
6/15/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	142.98	
6/19/2007	Jacksonville Chapter		25.00
6/29/2007	Income Dividend 5,882.353 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Select	264.02	
7/2/2007	Income Dividend 350 Shares Compass Bancshares Inc	150.50	
7/2/2007	Income Dividend 400 Shares AG Edwards Inc	80.00	
7/2/2007	Income Dividend 200 Shares Federal National Series N 5.5% Preferred	137.50	
7/6/2007	Income Dividend 173 Shares Kraft Foods Inc	43.25	
7/10/2007	Income Dividend 250 Shares Altria Group Inc	172.50	
7/12/2007	Income Dividend 360 Shares GlaxoSmithKline Plc	173.04	
7/16/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	147.84	
7/25/2007	Income Dividend 600 Shares General Electric Company	168.00	
7/30/2007	1776 Contributions		62.00
7/31/2007	Income Dividend 5,882.353 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Select	256.22	
8/3/2007	Jacksonville Chapter		25.00
8/3/2007	1776 Contribution on behalf of Lakeland Chapter		200.00
8/8/2007	1776 Contributions		24.00
8/15/2007	Income Dividend 315 Shares Procter & Gamble	110.25	
8/15/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	136.00	
8/24/2007	Income Dividend 400 Shares Citigroup Inc	216.00	
8/28/2007	1776 Contribution on behalf of Lakeland Chapter		25.00
8/31/2007	Income Dividend 5,882.353 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Select	169.47	
9/4/2007	Income Dividend 290 Shares BP PLC	188.36	

9/4/2007	Income Dividend 380 Shares Rohm & Haas Co	140.60	
9/11/2007	Income Dividend 300 Shares Johnson & Johnson	124.50	
9/12/2007	Income Dividend 260 Shares 3M Company	124.80	
9/17/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	152.97	
10/1/2007	Income Dividend 400 Shares AG Edwards Inc	80.00	
10/1/2007	Income Dividend 200 Shares Federal National Series N 5.5% Preferred	137.50	
10/1/2007	CD Interest Indymac Bank NA CD 5.2%	108.27	
10/5/2007	Miami Chapter		25.00
10/5/2007	Income Dividend 173 Shares Kraft Foods Inc	46.71	
10/10/2007	Income Dividend 250 Shares Altria Group Inc	187.50	
10/11/2007	Income Dividend 360 Shares GlaxoSmithKline Plc	178.10	
10/15/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	67.27	
10/25/2007	Income Dividend 600 Shares General Electric Company	168.00	
10/29/2007	Pensacola Chapter		75.00
10/29/2007	1776 Contributions		40.00
11/1/2007	CD Interest Indymac Bank NA CD 5.2%	88.33	
11/15/2007	Income Dividend 315 Shares Procter & Gamble	110.25	
11/15/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	103.29	
11/19/2007	Jacksonville Chapter		25.00
11/19/2007	CD Interest Bank Hapoalim NA 5.2%	260.71	
11/21/2007	Income Dividend 400 Shares Citigroup Inc	216.00	
11/26/2007	CD Interest Indymac Bank NA CD 5.2%	71.23	
11/29/2007	CD Interest Capmark Bank NA 5.1%	385.64	
11/29/2007	CD Interest Washington Mutual Bank NA 5.05%	318.22	
12/3/2007	Income Dividend 290 Shares BP PLC	188.36	
12/3/2007	Income Dividend 380 Shares Rohm & Haas Co	140.60	
12/11/2007	Income Dividend 300 Shares Johnson & Johnson	124.50	
12/12/2007	Income Dividend 260 Shares 3M Company	124.80	
12/17/2007	Income Dividend 393 Shares Wachovia Corp New	251.52	
12/26/2007	Jacksonville Chapter		50.00
12/31/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	180.95	
12/31/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Value Advantage Money Fund	444.15	
12/31/2007	Income Dividend 200 Shares Federal National Series N 5.5% Preferred	137.50	

**TOTALS**

**12,535.99**

**1,003.00**

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**SCHEDULE B      DISBURSEMENTS**

Date	Brief Description of Item	Income	Principal
3/9/2007	Bank Charge	-	4.00
7/30/2007	Babione Kuehler & Co. (Trust Fund Tax Research and Advice)	-	281.50
7/30/2007	Treasurers Expense - Theodore M. Duay III (Reimbursement for postage stamps)	-	41.80
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>		-	<b>327.30</b>

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**SCHEDULE C DISTRIBUTIONS**

Date	Brief Description of Item	Income	Principal
3/19/2007	Central Florida Chapter - ck dated 3/9/07	210.38	
3/19/2007	Withlacoochee Chapter - ck dated 3/9/07	140.88	
3/20/2007	Jacksonville Chapter - ck dated 3/15/07	71.79	
3/21/2007	St Augustine Chapter - ck dated 3/9/07	10.00	
4/2/2007	Naples Chapter - ck dated 3/15/07	120.25	
5/7/2007	Void Lost Check Payable to Pensacola Chapter - ck dated 12/23/06	(73.32)	
5/7/2007	Reissue Check Payable to Pensacola Chapter - ck dated 4/29/07	73.32	
5/23/2007	St Lucie River Chapter - ck dated 5/12/07	50.00	
5/23/2007	St Lucie River Chapter - ck dated 5/12/07	90.00	
6/4/2007	Gainesville Chapter - ck dated 5/24/07	103.25	
7/24/2007	Jacksonville Chapter - ck dated 7/15/07	431.50	
7/25/2007	Saramana Chapter - ck dated 7/15/07	484.50	
7/26/2007	Caloosa Chapter - ck dated 7/15/07	400.00	
7/26/2007	St Augustine Chapter - ck dated 7/15/07	50.00	
7/27/2007	Clearwater Chapter - ck dated 7/15/07	138.00	
8/2/2007	Tampa Chapter - ck dated 7/15/07	82.50	
8/6/2007	Withlacoochee Chapter - ck dated 8/1/07	37.50	
8/10/2007	Fort Lauderdale Chapter - ck dated 8/1/07	224.25	
9/4/2007	Withlacoochee Chapter - ck dated 8/27/07	50.63	
9/4/2007	St Augustine Chapter - ck dated 8/27/07	118.50	
9/5/2007	St Petersburg Chapter - ck dated 8/1/07	18.00	
9/18/2007	Lake Sumter Chapter - ck dated 9/19/07	74.75	
9/26/2007	Pensacola Chapter - ck dated 7/15/07	79.50	
10/12/2007	Gainesville Chapter - ck dated 11/12/07	18.25	
11/23/2007	Miami Chapter - ck dated 11/12/07	108.75	
11/26/2007	Emerald Coast Chapter - ck dated 8/27/07	26.25	
12/18/2007	Withlacoochee Chapter - ck dated 11/12/07	50.00	
12/19/2007	Jacksonville Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07	399.71	
12/20/2007	Pensacola Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07	127.17	

12/20/2007	Pensacola Chapter - ck dated 12/13/07	80.63
12/24/2007	St Lucie River Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07	111.19
12/24/2007	Flagler Chapter - ck dated 12/13/07	92.87
12/24/2007	Flagler Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07	73.76
12/26/2007	Caloosa Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07	317.68
12/26/2007	St Augustine Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07	141.76
12/26/2007	Miami Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07	86.37
12/28/2007	Clearwater Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07	149.51
12/28/2007	Clearwater Chapter - ck dated 12/13/07	50.25
12/31/2007	Gainesville Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07	96.49
12/31/2007	Saramana Chapter - ck dated 12/13/07 outstanding at 12/31/07	92.98
12/31/2007	Tampa Chapter - ck dated 12/13/07 outstanding at 12/31/07	10.00
12/31/2007	Central Florida Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07 outstanding at 12/31/07	167.08
12/31/2007	Emerald Coast Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07 outstanding at 12/31/07	20.85
12/31/2007	Fort Lauderdale Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07 outstanding at 12/31/07	178.10
12/31/2007	Lake Sumter Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07 outstanding at 12/31/07	59.37
12/31/2007	Saramana Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07 outstanding at 12/31/07	458.63
12/31/2007	St Petersburg Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07 outstanding at 12/31/07	14.30
12/31/2007	Tampa Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07 outstanding at 12/31/07	73.46
12/31/2007	Withlacoochee Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07 outstanding at 12/31/07	221.59
12/31/2007	Naples Chapter - ck dated 12/16/07 outstanding at 12/31/07	95.50

**TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS**

**6,308.68**

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**SCHEDULE D CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS**

Date	Brief Description of Items	Net Proceeds	Carrying Value	Net Gain (Loss)
<b>SALES</b>				
8/20/2007	5,882.353 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Select	55,588.24	57,000.00	(1,411.76)
9/12/2007	350 Shares Compass Bancshares Inc	23,793.27	20,032.95	3,760.32
10/3/2007	Merger of AG Edwards into Wachovia Corp			16,220.61

Date	Brief Description of Items	Net Proceeds
<b>PURCHASES</b>		
1/24/2007	5,882.353 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Select	57,000.00
1/24/2007	200 Shares Federal National Mortgage Series N 5.5% Preferred	9,862.95
10/3/2007	393 Shares Wachovia Corp New	8,124.37

**TOTAL NET GAIN (LOSS)**

**18,569.17**

NOTE: ON APRIL 1, 2007, ALTRIA GROUP DISTRIBUTED KRAFT STOCK AS A STOCK DIVIDEND TRANSACTION. 173 SHARES OF KRAFT WERE RECEIVED WITH A CARRYING VALUE OF 4,766.16. THE CARRYING VALUE OF 250 SHARES ALTRIA GROUP WAS REDUCED BY THE SAME AMOUNT.

ON OCTOBER 3, 2007, AG EDWARDS WAS MERGED INTO WACHOVIA CORPORATION. IN EXCHANGE FOR ITS 400 SHARES OF AG EDWARDS, 393 SHARES OF WACHOVIA CORPORATION WAS RECEIVED, WITH A BASIS OF 8,124.37 (MARKET VALUE OF 20,149.11), AS WELL AS CASH OF 14,359.08.

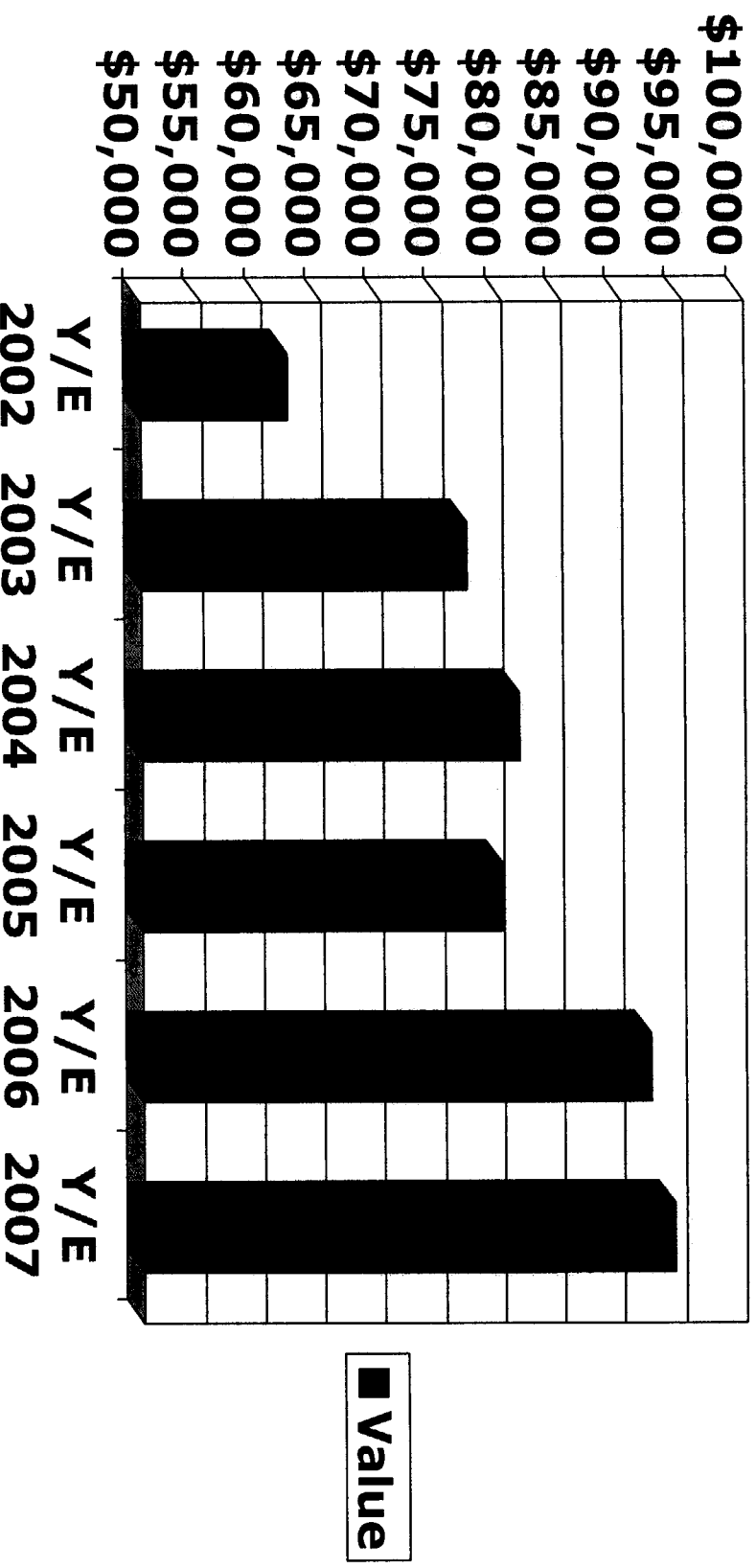
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**SCHEDULE E** ASSETS ON HAND AT CLOSE OF ACCOUNTING PERIOD

	Estimated Current Value	Carrying Value
<b>Common Stocks</b>		
250 Shares Altria Group Inc	18,895.00	15,226.67
290 Shares BP PLC	21,219.30	19,852.43
400 Shares Citigroup Inc	11,776.00	20,282.87
393 Shares Wachovia Corp New	14,945.79	8,124.37
600 Shares General Electric Company	22,242.00	17,431.90
360 Shares GlaxoSmithKline PLC	18,140.40	19,848.92
300 Shares Johnson & Johnson	20,010.00	19,710.66
173 Shares Kraft Foods Inc	5,644.99	4,766.16
315 Shares Proctor & Gamble	23,127.30	19,840.78
260 Shares 3M Company	21,923.20	19,947.50
380 Shares Rohm & Haas Co	20,166.60	20,102.79
<b>TOTAL COMMON STOCKS</b>	<b>198,090.58</b>	<b>185,135.05</b>
<b>Preferred Stocks</b>		
200 Shares Federal National Mortgage Series N 5.5% Preferred	7,450.00	9,862.95
<b>TOTAL PREFERRED STOCKS</b>	<b>7,450.00</b>	<b>9,862.95</b>
<b>Cash</b>		
Schwab Cash Reserves	11,177.67	11,177.67
Schwab Value Advantage Money Fund	120,444.15	120,444.15
Wachovia Bank Checking	2,031.92	2,031.92
<b>TOTAL CASH</b>	<b>133,653.74</b>	<b>133,653.74</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS ON HAND</b>	<b>339,194.32</b>	<b>328,651.74</b>

# Operating Budget Trust Ending Market Value

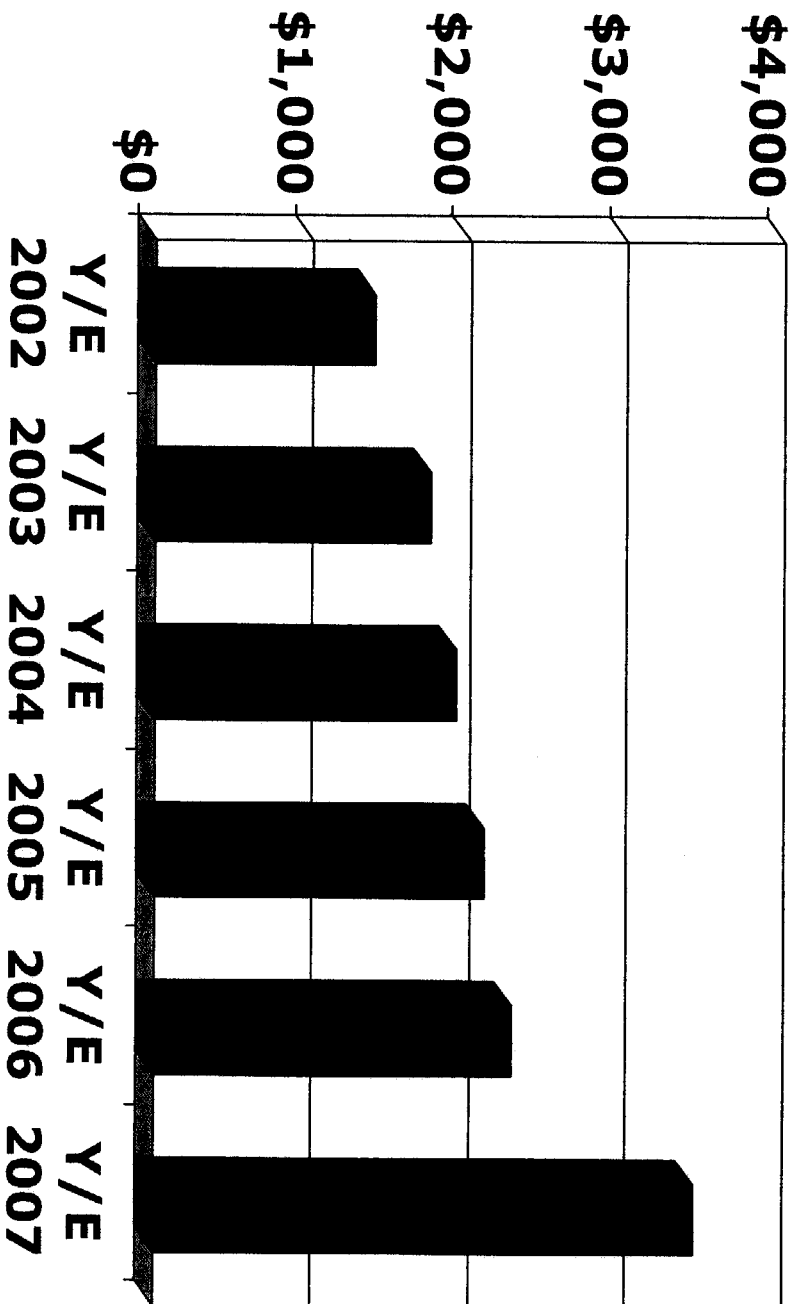
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# Operating Budget Trust Income for Distribution

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■ Value

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	INCOME	PRINCIPAL	TOTALS
I. Starting Balance			
Assets per Inventory or on Hand at Close of Last Accounting Period	1,816.33	70,722.41	72,538.74
II. Receipts			
Schedule A:	3,443.27	3,520.64	6,963.91
III. Disbursements			
Schedule B:	-	(187.50)	(187.50)
IV. Distributions			
Schedule C:	(1,816.33)	-	(1,816.33)
V. Capital Transactions and Adjustments			
Schedule D: Net Gain or (Loss)	-	20,020.04	20,020.04
VI. Assets on Hand at Close of Accounting Period			
Schedule E: Cash, Stocks, and Mutual Funds	3,443.27	94,075.59	97,518.86

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**SCHEDULE A RECEIPTS**

Date	Brief Description of Item	Income	Principal
1/2/2007	Income Dividend 240 Shares AG Edwards Inc	48.00	
1/16/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	9.70	
1/25/2007	Income Dividend 520 Shares General Electric Company	145.60	
1/31/2007	Income Dividend 3,178.535 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Investor Shares	8.81	
2/15/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	26.87	
2/28/2007	Income Dividend 3,178.535 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Investor Shares	131.06	
3/13/2007	Income Dividend 4,579.439 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund	100.29	
3/15/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	27.08	
3/30/2007	Income Dividend 3,178.535 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Investor Shares	139.29	
4/2/2007	Income Dividend 100 Shares Federal National Mortgage Series N 5.5% Preferred	68.75	
4/16/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	32.12	
4/30/2007	Income Dividend 3,178.535 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Investor Shares	127.68	
5/15/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	29.87	
5/31/2007	Income Dividend 3,178.535 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Investor Shares	136.15	
6/12/2007	Income Dividend 4,579.439 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund	253.70	
6/15/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	32.63	
6/22/2007	Income Dividend 287.198 Shares UMB Scout International Fund	102.27	
6/29/2007	Income Dividend 3,178.535 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Investor Shares	138.76	
7/2/2007	Income Dividend 100 Shares Federal National Mortgage Series N 5.5% Preferred	68.75	
7/16/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	34.65	
7/31/2007	Income Dividend 3,178.535 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Investor Shares	134.68	
8/15/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	34.18	
8/31/2007	Income Dividend 3,178.535 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Investor Shares	89.07	
9/11/2007	Income Dividend 4,579.439 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund	227.60	
9/17/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	56.71	
10/1/2007	Income Dividend 100 Shares Federal National Mortgage Series N 5.5% Preferred	68.75	
10/1/2007	Income Dividend Indymac Bank NA CD 5.2%	81.21	
10/15/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	34.48	
11/1/2007	CD Interest Indymac Bank NA 5.2%	66.25	
11/15/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	37.05	
11/26/2007	CD Interest Indymac Bank NA 5.2%	53.42	
11/29/2007	CD Interest Capmark Bank NA 5.1%	192.82	
12/1/2007	Capital Gain Dividend 4,579.439 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund		1,413.21

12/11/2007	Capital Gain Dividend 4,579.439 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund		1,934.36
12/14/2007	Capital Gain Dividend 287.198 Shares UMB Scout International Fund		54.54
12/14/2007	Income Dividend 287.198 Shares UMB Scout International Fund	30.01	
12/14/2007	Capital Gain Dividend 287.198 Shares UMB Scout International Fund		118.53
12/28/2007	Income Dividend 4,579.439 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund	423.50	
12/31/2007	Income Dividend 100 Shares Federal National Mortgage Series N 5.5% Preferred	68.75	
12/31/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Cash Reserves	53.21	
12/31/2007	Income Dividend Schwab Value Advantage Money Fund	129.55	
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>3,443.27</b>	<b>3,520.64</b>

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**SCHEDULE B DISBURSEMENTS**

Date	Brief Description of Item	Income	Principal
7/31/2007	Babione Kuehler & Co. (Trust Fund Tax Research and Advice)	-	187.50
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>		-	<b>187.50</b>

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<b>SCHEDULE C</b>		<b>DISTRIBUTIONS</b>	
<b>Date</b>	<b>Brief Description of Item</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Principal</b>
1/29/2007	Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution (2006 Income)	1,816.33	
	<b>TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS</b>	<b>1,816.33</b>	

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**SCHEDULE D CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS**

Date	Brief Description of Items	Net Proceeds	Carrying Value	Net Gain (Loss)
<b>SALES</b>				
12/29/2006	60 Shares American Fund Washington Mutual Inv Class A	2,091.60	1,910.40	181.20
1/24/2007	1,510.352 Shares American Fund Washington Mutual Inv Class A	53,330.53	48,089.60	5,240.93
1/24/2007	520 Shares General Electric Company	19,070.46	14,757.86	4,312.60
1/24/2007	240 Shares AG Edwards Inc	15,968.15	4,920.00	11,048.15
8/20/2007	3,178.535 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Investor Shares	30,037.16	30,800.00	(762.84)
<b>PURCHASES</b>				
1/25/2007	4,579.439 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund	39,200.00		
1/25/2007	287.198 Shares UMB Scout International Fund	9,400.00		
1/25/2007	100 Shares Federal National Mortgage Series N 5.5% Preferred	4,882.95		
1/29/2007	3,178.535 Shares Schwab YieldPlus Investor Shares	30,800.00		
12/11/2007	243.01 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund	1,934.36		
12/11/2007	177.539 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund	1,413.21		
12/14/2007	1,4770 Shares UMB Scout International Fund	54.54		
12/14/2007	3.21 Shares UMB Scout International Fund	118.53		

**TOTAL NET GAIN (LOSS)**

**20,020.04**

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**SCHEDULE E** ASSETS ON HAND AT CLOSE OF ACCOUNTING PERIOD

	<b>Estimated Current Value</b>	<b>Carrying Value</b>
<b>Mutual Funds</b>		
4,999,988 Shares American Century Equity Income Fund	38,999.91	42,547.57
291,885 Shares UMB Scout International Fund	10,910.66	9,573.07
<b>TOTAL MUTUAL FUNDS</b>	<b>49,910.57</b>	<b>52,120.64</b>
<b>Preferred Stocks</b>		
100 Shares Federal National Mortgage Series N 5.5% Preferred	3,725.00	4,882.95
<b>TOTAL PREFERRED STOCKS</b>	<b>3,725.00</b>	<b>4,882.95</b>
<b>Cash</b>		
Schwab Cash Reserves	5,385.72	5,385.72
Schwab Value Advantage Money Fund	35,129.55	35,129.55
<b>TOTAL CASH</b>	<b>40,515.27</b>	<b>40,515.27</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS ON HAND</b>	<b>94,150.84</b>	<b>97,518.86</b>



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

Chairman: Ed Young

January 13, 2008

This report covers the period January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007 and is the final report for 2007. During this period, forty-one applications for reimbursement grants were received and processed by the committee. All applications were approved for reimbursement and sent to the Trust Fund Treasurer for payment of 50% of the authorized amounts. These payments amounted to \$3516.16. There remained \$2792.52 in the Endowment Trust Fund to be distributed to the chapters towards the \$3516.09 that the chapters were owed. The final distribution of \$2792.52 to the chapters brought their reimbursements to a total of \$6308.68 or 89.71% of the \$7032.25 they were authorized to receive. Thus, \$723.57 or 10.29% of their authorized reimbursements could not be paid.

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

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

Chairman: Jack Coleman

Nothing to report

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

Commander: Ed Young

January 13, 2008

The period of this report is from 28 October 2007 through 19 January 2008. Twenty-three Guardsmen participated in the Presentation of the Colors at the FLSSAR Fall BOM on 26-27 October 2007. Camps continue to provide colonial color guards at patriotic, veterans, fraternal and civic events. Francis Marion Camp #2 (Ocala) is temporarily inactive. The Brigade Color Guard, with Guardsmen Oscar Bellamy, Lonnie Jones, Mark Kilgore, Ray Lantz, Price Legg, Grant Wallin and Ed Young, Presented the Colors for the Institution Ceremony of the new William Dunaway Chapter at Marianna, FL on 5 January 2008. The Brigade Color Guard will Parade, Present and Post the Colors at the 18-19 January 2008 FLSSAR Winter 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 26-27 October 2007, Guardsmen Brock, Cardell, Lockhart and Ramseur participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Fall BOM. No report received.

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

C. Cape Canaveral Camp #3. (Brevard) Ben DuBose, Commander. On 26-27 October 2007, Guardsmen DuBose and Williams participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Fall BOM. Guardsmen Darby, DuBose, Ryan, Shapbell, Williams and Wright participated in the induction of new members Kevin Shaughnessy and Phil Wright at a chapter meeting on 20 October 2007. On 12 November 2007, Guardsmen DuBose and Williams participated in the Melbourne Veteran's Day Parade. Guardsmen Darby, DuBose, Ryan, Smith, Williams, Wright participated in the induction of our newest member, Raymond Norman and in making an Eagle Scout presentation.

D. Samuel Adams Camp #4. (Clearwater) Nelson Jantzen, Commander. On 26-27 October 2007, Guardsmen Brown, Jantzen, Kitchen and Wallin participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Fall BOM. Guardsmen Honeywell, Jantzen, Kitchen, Tanner and Wallin marched in the Bay Pines Veteran's Hospital Veteran's Day Parade on 12 November 2007 and subsequently in Holiday Parades in Clearwater, Dunedin and New Port Richey.

E. Yorktown Camp #5. (St. Lucie River) Doug North, Commander. On 11 November 2007, Guardsmen Carr, Eisenhardt, Massey and Riediger participated in the Stuart Veteran's Day Parade, Guardsman Wise participated in the Ceremony at the St. Lucie Veteran's Park in Port St. Lucie and Guardsman North participated in the Memorial Service at the First Congregational Church in Port St. Lucie. On 12 November 2007, Guardsmen Eisenhardt, Massey, North and Wise attended the Veteran's Day Ceremony at the Okeechobee Veteran's Memorial. Guardsmen Eisenhardt, Kraehenbuehl, Massey, North, Riediger and Wise participated in a parade on 2 December 2007. On 7 December 2007, Guardsmen North and Wise participated in the observance of Pearl Harbor Day with local veterans organizations in Port St. Lucie.

F. Marquis de Lafayette Camp #6. (Gainesville) Harry Hollien, Commander. Four Guardsmen, under the command of Vice Commander Robert Reeves, participated in the 2007 Veteran's Day Ceremonies at the Kanapaha Veteran's Park where they stood guard at the Revolutionary War Memorial and received the wreath honoring those who sacrificed their lives in the formation of the United States. One Guardsman represented the SAR at the 2007 Veteran's Day Memorial Ceremony at Oldtown. Three members in "Bravo" uniforms greeted new citizens at the official swearing-in ceremony in Gainesville.

G. Nathan Hale Camp #7. (Pensacola) Ed Young, Commander. On 25-27 October 2007, Guardsmen Jones and Young participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Fall BOM. Guardsmen Kilgore, Lantz and Young Presented the Colors during a Memorial Service conducted by the Three Rivers Chapter DAR at the grave of Aaron Snowden "A Revolutionary War Soldier" in the Milton Cemetery on 11 November 2007. On 14 November 2007, Guardsmen Jones and Young participated in presenting classroom flags to the students of the Bennett Russell Elementary School in Milton. On 5 January 2008, Guardsmen O. Bellamy, Jones, Kilgore, Legg, Lantz and Young marched with the Brigade at the Institution of the new William Dunaway Chapter in Marianna.

H. Nathaniel Greene Camp #8. (Saramana) Gene Bradley, Commander. On 26-27 October 2007, Guardsmen Miller, Riegle and Tarpley participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Fall BOM. No report received.

I. Thomas Paine Camp #9. (Miami) David Mitchell, Commander. On 26-27 October 2007, Guardsmen Bridges, Friberg and Pelton participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Fall BOM. On 12 November 2007, Guardsman Bridges rode in the Homestead Veteran's Day Parade. Guardsmen Acton, C. Pelton, D. Pelton and Mitchell Posted the Colors at the 79<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Luncheon of the Coral Gables DAR Chapter on 17 November 2007. Guardsman Bridges spoke before the Golden Anchor DAR Chapter Meeting on 24 November 2007. On 29 December 2007, Guardsmen Acton, Bridges, C. Pelton, D. Pelton and Liebler carried the colors in the Annual Junior Orange Bowl Parade in Coral Gables. A brief history of the SAR and the Miami Chapter was announced at the parade and recorded for TV coverage.

J. Daniel Morgan Camp #10. (Central Florida) John Little, Commander. On 26-27 October, Guardsman Myers participated with the Brigade Color at the Fall BOM. Guardsmen Gaines, Hamilton, Little, Murray, Myers and Worsham Presented the Colors during two programs at the Lake Highland Preparatory School's Salute to Veterans on 9 November 2007. Also on 9 November 2007, Guardsmen Gaines, Hamilton, Little, Murray and Myers Presented the Colors during the Mayflower Retirement Center's program to Veterans. Guardsmen Gaines, Little, Showen and Worsham marched as the second unit in the Orlando Veteran's Day Parade on 10 November 2007. On 11 November 2007, Guardsmen Gaines, Little, Murray, Showen and Worsham marched in the Celebration Veteran's Day Parade. Guardsmen Gaines, Little, Murray, Showen and Worsham participated in the City of Celebration Flag Retirement at the city flag pole on 11 November 2007. On 3 December 2007, Guardsmen Gaines, Hamilton, Little and Myers Presented and Posted the Colors at the William P. Duval DAR Chapter's Veteran's Day Recognition meeting in Winter Park. Guardsmen Gaines, Hamilton, Little, Myers and Worsham Presented and Posted the Colors at the Orlando DAR Chapter 101<sup>st</sup> Anniversary and Christmas Celebration on 15 December 2007.

K. Thomas Jefferson Camp #11. (Withlacoochee) Richard Sumner, Commander. On 13 October 2007, Guardsmen Craig, Nadolny, J. Pardee and P. Pardee Posted the Colors at the monthly chapter meeting to honor our Viet Nam Service members. Guardsmen Nelson, J. Pardee, P. Pardee, Sumner, Townsend and Tucker marched in the Inverness Veteran's Day Parade on 10 November 2007. On 11 November 2007, Guardsman Sumner led the Massing of the Colors with the chapter's Betsey Ross Flag and J. and P. Pardee carried the American and SAR

Flags at the First Methodist Church in Homosassa. Guardsmen Nelson, J. Pardee, P. Pardee, Rawson and Sumner rode in a float depicting George Washington Crossing the Delaware in the Brooksville Christmas Parade on 8 December 2007.

L. General Thomas Sumter Camp #12. (Lake Sumter) Bill Piper, Commander. On 26-27 October 2007, Guardsmen Shukis and Toops participated with the Brigade at the Fall BOM. No report received.

M. Bernardo de Galvez Camp #13, (Naples) Paul Young, Commander. On 26-27 October 2007, Guardsman D. Cahill participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Fall BOM. The Camp has posted Guardsmen for the Flag Detail at each chapter meeting during this reporting period. Guardsmen Applegate, Ballou, D. Cahill, S. Cahill, Lopus, McCarity and McCullough plan to participate in the Naples Patriotic Moment, an evening Flag Retirement and Program honoring the Armed Services of the United States on 27 January 2008.

N. Hillsborough River Camp #14. (Tampa) Alan Bell, Commander. The camp did not have any activity during this reporting period. No report received.

O. Outpost A (Treasure Coast). William Stevenson, Commander. On 26-27 October 2007, Guardsman Stevenson participated with the Brigade Color Guard at the Fall BOM. Guardsman Stevenson presented the "Toast to the Flag" at the National Sojourners Canaveral Council No. 3566 at Patrick AFB on 1 October, 5 November and 3 December 2007, the Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Eagle Scout Chapman Lever at the First United Methodist Church in Vero Beach on 15 October 2007, the Viet Nam Moving Wall in Ft. Pierce on 1 December 2007, the Pearl Harbor Program at Memorial Island in Vero Beach on 7 December 2007, at the Vero Beach Masonic Lodge No. 250 Installation of Officers on 28 December 2007 and at the Institution Ceremony of the new William Dunaway Chapter in Marianna on 5 January 2008. Guardsman Stevenson also performed the "Toast to the Flag" and "The Voice of Old Glory" at the Marine Corps Ball in Vero Beach on 19 November 2007 and at the Community College's Massing of the Colors in Cocoa on 11 November 2007.

P. Outpost B (Lakeland). Inactive

Q. Outpost C (Emerald Coast). Terry Doan, Commander. The Outpost participated in the City of Fort Walton Beach's Veterans' Day Ceremony and presented a wreath in honor of departed veterans.

## **FLSSAR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT**

To the Board of Management

Don Cahill, Southwest Regional Vice President  
January 13, 2008

**CALOOSA** : January' marks this chapter's 35th anniversary! 1973 charter members still active today are Alvin Frederick Grebey, III and Nevin Edgar Salot Chapter President 1975-1976 and past FLSSAR Regional Vice President. January 9 Luncheon meeting speaker was Lt. Col. (USA Ret.) Paul N. Yacovich held at the Royal IPalm Yacht Club, Fort Myers. New Caloosa transfer member and FLSSAR Chaplain is Rev. Dr. Randy Moody.

**CHARLOTTE** : Noon meeting held second Friday each month September thru May at the Port Charlotte Elk's Club, 20225 Kenilworth, Port Charlotte.

**NAPLES**: The November meeting featured local law enforcement with Naples Police Chief Moralez introducing speaker Detective David Harris. He focused his presentation on Identity Theft. December meeting speaker was the President of the Collier County League of Women Voters, Ms Chris Straten. She discussed how the League was formed, its history and goals. and the importance of being informed and voting in the January 29 Presidential Primary which will include the State Constitutional Amendment. January was the Chapters Rumbaugh Contest as well as a presentation on Marquis de Lafayette given by DAR speaker Brigitte Van de Hove-Smith. Ms Smith was responsible for the Naples Chapter getting 3 new members , all who live in France!

**SARAMANA** : The Chapters officers were installed at the December 14, 2007 meeting with Compatriot Phillip H. Tarpley serving another year as President. It was my pleasure as RVP to do the ceremony. A Liberty Tree was planted on the grounds of the Sarasota Military Academy with 400 JROTC Cadets gathered. Members of the Chapter's Nathaniel Greene Color Guard were present and Compatriot Harold Crapo spoke about the history of the Liberty Tree. Saramana is to host the January 18 and 19, 2008 BOM. The Southwest Region Chapters will now have hosted 3 of the last 4 BOM's, with Caloosa and Naples Chapters as previous recent hosts. I guess our Region is very "Hospitable".

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

Check 1009	Ladies Auxiliary FLSSAR	\$814.45
Check 2130	FLSSAR	519.75
Check 5423	Donation Chas. Riegle	200.00
Check 6679	Donation Compatriots Jakes-Congelio	100.00
Check 924	Donation Marilyn Blausten	20.00
Check 655	Donation Ann Eggers	10.00
Cash	Donation Sara De Soto DAR	36.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,700.20</b>

Expenses

F. Hodalski	Received submission to FLSSAR	\$519.75
F. Hodalski	Received for purchase of items:	
Walgreen	\$45.99	
Walgreen	48.26	
Walgreen	37.62	
Walgreen	35.84	
<u>Big Lots</u>	<u>31.85</u>	
Total	\$199.56	\$199.56

Postage	12 boxes 15Nov07 @ \$8.95 each	107.40
Postage	8 boxes 26Dec07	71.60
Postage	13 boxes 04Jan08	116.35
Reimbursement due F.Hodalski	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1074.66</b>

Funds available	\$1,700.20
Less reimbursement for funds expended	1,074.66
Funds currently available for S.O.T.	<b>\$ 625.54</b>

Winter Board of Management Meeting  
January 18-19, 2008, Kissimmee  
By Terry Walton, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by President Grant Wallin at 8:56 p.m., 18 October 2008. The invocation was given by Jack Coleman, substituting for Chaplain Randy Moody, who was otherwise engaged in Rumbaugh oration contest matters, who later made a belated entrance. Grant Wallin then led the Pledge of Allegiance, the Pledge to the SAR, and the American Creed. Secretary Yarnell circulated an attendance sheet, with the following chapters constituting a quorum: Brevard, Caloosa, Central Florida, Clearwater, Emerald Coast, Flagler, Fort Lauderdale, Gainesville, Jacksonville, Lakeland, Lake-Sumter, Miami, Naples, Palm Beach, Pensacola, Saramana, St. Lucie River, Tampa, Treasure Coast, and Withlacoochee (20 of 30). President Wallin requested reports, if any, from national officers and committee chairs; there were none.

The report of the national trustee, Lindsey Brock, appears on p.7 of the **Quarterly Reports of the Florida Officers and Committee Chairmen, Winter Board of Management Meeting, Kissimmee, January 18-19, 2008 (BLUE BOOK)**, a publication that is an integral part of the official minutes. Page numbers cited in these minutes refer to the Blue Book. **A copy of the BLUE BOOK is available through all local chapters.** State officers were then asked for reports. The seven RVP reports appear in the Blue Book (pp.9-14), with the exception of the Southwestern RVP, Don Cahill, who gave his report orally. Other state officer reports appear on pp.14-18 of the Blue Book; Frank Hodalski, Parliamentarian, requested permission to give his Support the Troops report, summarizing recent activity (33 boxes sent), and various correspondence and photos, as well as a detailed financial report. Other members offered various ideas for contributing to the Support the Troops effort. Alvie Davidson announced that he would be stepping down as Genealogist after ten years of service, offering high praise for the nomination of Gerald Meeks as his successor.

After receiving three responses from printers, Grant Wallin reported that the Executive Committee decided to stay with the current *Florida Patriot* printer, but recommended that submission deadlines be moved up two weeks beyond the present requirement to prevent future publication delays. The publication submission deadlines will be available on the website.

The Finance Committee report, given by Treasurer Leon Hammock, appears on pp.19-20. Ted Duay requested a clarification of several accounts: 503, Donations Received, should be changed to Operating Budget Trust Fund to distinguish it from other gifts; 604, Secretary's Expense, is for the rental of a room to house Society records and other items; 608, Editor's Expense, is for *Florida Patriot* printing and mailing expenses; 857, Support the Troops, is for mailing expenses. Ben Dubose asked that account 847 be changed to Patriotic Education Committee. President Wallin made a motion to approve the two account name changes; it was seconded and passed unanimously.

Members attending BOM for the first time introduced themselves: Carl Brown, Jacksonville; Daniel Hans, Withlacoochee; and Weymouth Reed, Jacksonville. Lindsey Brock, Chairman of the Nominating Committee (Lindsey Brock, John Cahoon, Alvie Davidson, Fred Gaines, and Frank Hodalski), reported the following nominations for 2008-2009 officers: President: Ron Toops; Sr. Vice President: William Stevenson;

Northwest Regional Vice President: Ed Young, North Central Regional Vice President: Gordon Greenwood; West Central Regional Vice President: Nelson Jantzen; North East Regional Vice President: David Ramseur; East Central Regional Vice President: Hall Reidiger, South East Regional Vice President: Gerald Meeks; Southwest Regional Vice President: Don Cahill; Secretary: Kevin Yarnell; Treasurer: Leon Hammock; Registrar: Ted Duay, III; Genealogist: Gerald Meeks; Chaplain: Randy Moody; Recording Secretary: Terry Walton; Chancellor: Carl Hoffmann; Sergeant-at-Arms: Phil Tarpley; Historian: Bob Murray, Editor: Dick Fowler; Executive Committee Member-at-Large: John Cahoon, Jr. The election will be held May 3, 2008, at the annual meeting, which coincides with the Spring BOM meeting, May 2-4, 2008. All eligible FLSSAR members can vote and additional nominations may be made from the floor.

President Wallin discussed the bylaws pertaining to BOM voting eligibility, pointing out the need and difficulty of making changes to the bylaws. He requested the Secretary to determine the voting eligibility of BOM registrants and to verify them later in the meeting. Chairman Nelson Jantzen, Chapter Challenge Committee, reported that the 2007 forms must be in the hands of the RVP's by March 1<sup>st</sup>, and that the Executive Committee had approved revisions to the 2008 form to be submitted in 2009. Both forms will be on the website. There was discussion of the Marlin awards, and the cash incentives associated with them. Ron Toops, Chairman of the Charter and Bylaws Committee, reported on the three proposed amendments (pp.22-23) submitted at the Fall BOM. The Committee voted to adopt amendment 1, to not adopt amendment 2, and to adopt amendment 3. The amendments will be formally put to a membership vote at the annual meeting on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

President Wallin reported that John Little has resigned as chair of the Commemorative Historic Sites Committee, and requested Lindsey Brock to report. Lindsey recapped recent developments relating to the Last Naval Battle (related in recent SARTALK/FLATALK communications, and the *Florida Patriot*. The highlights include the presence of the USS Barry and the US Naval Band, as well as the approval of large and small medals.

Ben Dubose reported that he and Lindsey Brock are willing to assume responsibility for the Commemorative Historic Sites Committee, under the aegis of the Last Naval Battle Committee, until such time as a chairman is appointed.

President Wallin received the voting eligibility verification from Secretary Yarnell, indicating that all members present were eligible to vote (57). He then explained that nominations for the position of Vice President General South Atlantic District, NSSAR, would be requested.

Ron Hamilton nominated Frank Hodalski and described his background and qualifications for the specified three minutes.

Jack Coleman then nominated Lindsey C. Brock and described his background and qualifications for the position. Both candidates spoke for the stipulated three minutes. Tellers were then appointed: David Kelsey for Lindsey Brock, Ron Hamilton for Frank Hodalski, and John Cahoon as Head Teller. Ballots were then distributed.

Reports for the Credentials and DAR Liaison Committees appear on p. 24. Chairman David Ramseur updated his Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee report which appears on p.25. Eight applications were received, with three scholarships awarded: 1<sup>st</sup> place went to Tampa (\$1,000), 2<sup>nd</sup> place to Brevard (\$500), and 3<sup>rd</sup> place to Clearwater (\$250).

The Ladies Auxiliary will also be awarding additional scholarship funds to the three outstanding scouts. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner and his parents will be recognized and awarded at the Spring BOM meeting on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Ted Duay, III reported that the Genealogy Committee workshop held on 18 January 2008 had 30 participants, and that another workshop will be hosted at the Spring meeting.

The Joseph P. Rumbaugh Orations Contest Committee chairman, Randy Moody, reported that the three entrants were judged on 18 January 2008, and the winners were: 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Jinan Martiuk, Saramana Chapter; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Matthew Berning; 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Arash Nasajpour. Cash awards were \$500, \$250, and \$100 respectively, plus additional awards from the Ladies Auxiliary. The 1<sup>st</sup> Place contestant, Jinan Martiuk, will be going to national. Judges were Dick Cardell, Gordon Greenwood, and Terry Walton. Doorkeeper was Lonnie Jones.

President Wallin announced that the ballots had been counted and the next Vice President General, South Atlantic District, will be Lindsey C. Brock. Since Florida is next in rotation for the position, his actual election will be a formality.

The meeting recessed at 10:12 p.m., 18 January 2008.

The BOM reconvened at 8:30 a.m., 19 January 2008.

Education Committee Chairman Ron Toops's report is on p.25. He added that our dinner speaker, Jason Caros, was right on target with his assessment of the lack of current legislation promoting Social Studies, Civics & Government, American History, and History in general.

President Wallin reported for the Executive Committee. He noted that the combined federal campaign reports were due on December 31, and that the information gathered should benefit the SAR at all levels. The Treasurer will keep chapters informed of IRS reporting requirements as they are updated. There was a discussion of the possible move to a new location for NSSAR HQ, which will be discussed here at a later point. There was a discussion of ETF distribution of funds. The rules will remain the same (25% contribution by chapters, 50% initial distribution of the reimbursement amount), and that there will be adequate funds to cover the year-end shortfall. A motion to leave the rules in place and to approve payment of the final installment to chapters was made. It was seconded and passed.

The Last Naval Battle Committee chairman, Ben Dubose, reported on arrangements made so far for the March 8<sup>th</sup> event. He requested that chapters email him with the number of attendees they expect to have. Registration & reservation details are available on the website.

Ben Dubose also went on to make the Liberty Tree Committee report. The Committee is proposing that Liberty Tree reimbursement requests be increased by \$100 to a total of \$350 per chapter. They will formally submit this proposal to the Executive Committee for approval.

Lindsey Brock confirmed that a contract will be signed with the Ramada Plaza Hotel & Inn Gateway for the 2008-2009 period. His report appears on p.28.

The NSSAR Library Committee report appears on p.29. Chairman Terry Walton urged all FLSSAR members and chapters to show their commitment and involvement by becoming a **Friend of the SAR Library** by sending a \$25 check to **SAR Library, 1000 South Fourth Street, Louisville, KY 40203, Att'n: Friends of the Library**. Grant



Wallin noted that there is a national contest for societies with the greatest percentage of membership increase that we can win if we can increase our membership this year. Terry Walton added that although we remain first in the nation in FOL membership, we are rapidly being overtaken by the Georgia Society which will be our major competitor. Patriotic Activities Chairman Hal Miller's report appears on pp.29-30. He urged all chapters to become involved in the Flag Program, and to report their chapter flag activities by email to Frank Hodalski (fhodalski@msn.com) by April 1<sup>st</sup>, the date set by the NSSAR Flag Committee. The Florida Society will compete for the Rear Admiral William R. Furlong Award based on their statewide Flag Program activities.

The ROTC Committee report appears on pp.32-33. Chairman Lonnie Jones clarified the distinction between Bronze JROTC Program and the Enhanced Program. JROTC Enhanced Program packages (includes Nomination Form, 500-700 word essay, recommendation letters from both the senior instructor and school principal stating that the candidate meets the requirements of class standing and GPA) are due to the chairman before April 1, 2008.

Chairman Ron Toops's Advancing America's Heritage Committee report appears on p.33 and focuses exclusively on the issue of relocation options for the national headquarters, which was discussed at the Executive Committee meeting.

The Americanism Elementary Poster Contest report appears on p.34. Ed Young noted that the chapters should be in contact with their schools, presenting the requirements of the contest, and establishing the guidelines/procedures for judging any submissions. The chapter's winning poster should be brought (not mailed) to BOM on May 2<sup>nd</sup> where there will be displayed.

NSSAR Constitution & Bylaws Review Committee Chairman Carl Hoffmann noted that the only development that came out of the last Leadership meeting was the suggestion that a new national officer be created: "Inspector General." The reaction of BOM members present was uniformly jocular.

The New Chapter Development Committee, chaired by Steve Williams (not to be confused with William Stevenson), is reported on pp.33-34. Both Steve and Grant Wallin were happy to report that the Florida Society now has 30 chapters, the latest being the William Dunaway Chapter (Marianna/Greenwood) which was chartered at a January 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

FLSSAR Endowment & Operating Budget Trust Funds, including the ETF and OTF Trust Funds status, was reported by Chairman Ted Duay. Ted asked if members would prefer an abbreviated report at the quarterly meetings with a detailed summarization at the annual meeting; member response was affirmative. Ted was once again complimented on the terrific job he and his committee are doing.

Trust Fund Development Committee Chairman Jack Coleman delivered an unusually restrained but inspiring appeal to the collective consciences (and wallets) of those present. Commander Ed Young's report for the Sons of Liberty Florida Brigade appears on pp.56-58. It was also noted by a BOM member that the new Dunaway Chapter may qualify as an Outpost. With the transfer of two Brigade members to the Caloosa Chapter (Moody father and son), Caloosa Chapter has been approved as Outpost D.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: A lengthy dialog ensued between a dozen members on ideas and techniques for recruiting and retaining members. 192 members failed to renew this year, of which, Kevin Yarnell estimates, probably half will return.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Chancellor Carl Hoffmann requested time to discuss the proposed relocation of national headquarters to Main Street. He recounted the recent history of the NSSAR and the backstory for the move from Washington to Louisville some 30 years ago. His analysis and observations were not supportive of the proposed move. He feels that at this stage the process has not been subjected to sufficient due diligence, and the proposed relocation should not be approved until due diligence has been assured. Dick Cardell, Dan Shepherd, Don Cahill, and Frank Hodalski raised a number of pointed questions and observations that provided an added dimension with differing viewpoints to the discussion. Frank Hodalski, a member of NSSAR's Strategic Planning Committee, observed that he sat in on a 5 ½ hour meeting of a subcommittee that addressed this issue at the last Leadership meeting. He left the meeting with the realization that after 8-10 years of fundraising if nothing is done now it would never be done. He noted that the present building is in a red-lined district, that some teachers will not bring their students into the neighborhood, that the building is subject to flooding, and that the proposed expansion across the street would have the same location deficits. His bottom line was that nothing be done without due diligence and everything be done to maximize our position.

Carl Hoffmann introduced a motion that would instruct the national trustee to "withhold his vote to purchase this building until he is satisfied that due diligence has been done." The motion was seconded, and passed by a majority vote of members present.

A question was raised about the changes to the national bylaws that would affect the Vice Presidents General. Frank Hodalski feels the measure should be tabled until the subcommittee studying the issue makes its report.

The 50/50 drawing was exactly \$200 and was won by David Ramseur, who donated \$100 to the general fund and \$100 to support the troops.

Chaplain Moody gave the benediction, the recessional was recited, and the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m., 19 January 2008.

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