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President's Message

Welcome to all the new members who have joined our chapter and the soon to be members!



I would like to thank the patriots in our chapter who have stepped forward to fill some of our staff positions. We still desperately need someone to take on the chapter news letter. If you have any interest please let us know. The news letter does not have to be a one person affair several members can take it on as a group to publish.

We have started to get inquiries from other organizations to come and talk about the SAR. Anyone interested in representing the SAR and the Brevard chapter please let one of the chapter officers know.

As some of you know Maria and I have been gone several weeks traveling to see relatives and attending our grandsons first birthday in Wisconsin. We returned just days before the October meeting. On our way back to Florida we stopped at the National Headquarters of the Son's of the American Revolution. From the time we introduced ourselves we were treated like family. We toured the Library, Offices and the area set aside for the Museum. Afterward we sat down with the people who review all the applications and talked for almost 2 hours on issues we have and they have seen in the application process including a discussion on how and when to use DNA results. It was worth the entire trip! I hope to have a meeting soon with our assistant registrars and chapter genealogist to talk about some of their comments. If you are ever in the area I strongly recommend visiting the National Headquarters.

As a bonus the Louisville Slugger Museum is just across the street from the SAR headquarters!

Roger Bonnett
 President

November Meeting

November 17, 2018

at Tides Restaurant, PAFB

Come On Down!

Arrive at 11:15

Submit reservations to Carroll Lord 638-4879

Send Pre-Payment and meal choices to Carroll Lord 830 Thrasher Dr, Viera FL 32955

November Program

Speaker Nic Mihora

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BREVARD CHAPTER COLOR GUARDSMEN

IN ACTION !

Events for the coming year with dates, times, and locations to be communicated by Color Guard Commander, include but not limited to: various Veterans Day events and Wreaths Across America.

So be on the look-out for a Call To Assemble coming to an INBOX near you.



Uniform Reimbursement Fund:

Please remember that the chapter will reimburse any member obtaining a Color Guard uniform/costume. It does NOT have to be a Military Uniform. The rate of reimbursement is:

- \$100.00 for a complete set - Hat to shoes.
- \$50.00 for 1/2 of the above set.

Contact the Color Guard commander for information.

Thank You, Current Color guard Members for your participation in past events. You helped us to Honor our Country, Military, Citizens, Patriots and Forefathers. I would like to extend a welcome to those of you who are new members. As you consider

how you wish to participate in SAR, please consider joining the Color guard. The events can be enjoyable and can be another outlet to meet with other Patriotic Americans. The necessities for Color Guard attendance is a Colonial outfit and a Tricorn Hat. The outfit can be purchased or it can be made or modified from existing wear. There is also a refund for a part of the purchase price that can be issued. However you choose to participate, I hope you will enjoy your participation as well as the Fellowship of our members.



Chapter Color Guard 2018 -2019

Calendar of events

September - Constitution Day meeting
Presentation of Colors *Completed*

November 10th - Veterans Day Parade
Melbourne

December - Wreaths Across America-
Cape Canaveral National Cemetery

March Last Naval Battle

May - Memorial Day Parade, Melbourne

JOIN This COLORFUL Group !



Get your uniform now and sign up to join this handsome - and beautiful crowd.

Veterans Day Parade
Melbourne, FL



Veterans Day
Ceremony Merritt
Island Veterans
Center





Chapter Activities

Program, and Menus

The 2018-2019 Meeting Schedule is as follows:

SEPT 22, 2018 - HOLIDAY INN, VIERA JOINT MEETING WITH DAR; PRICE \$20; Menu Choices: TOP ROUND BEEF POT ROAST or CHICKEN FRICASSE- SAUTEED WITH CARROTS, ONIONS, TOMATOES, WHITE WINE & CHICKEN BROTH.

OCT 20, 2018 - THE TIDES; PRICE \$15; Menu Choices: : BRATWURST & SAUERKRAUT or GRILLED FLANK STEAK SALAD

NOV 17, 2018 - THE TIDES; PRICE \$15; Menu Choices: ROAST TURKEY W/STUFFING or GRILLED CRISPEY CHICKEN SALAD

DEC 15, 2018 - THE TIDES; PRICE \$15; Menu Choices: ROAST BEEF or CHICKEN/TUNA SALAD

JAN 19, 2019 - THE TIDES; PRICE \$15; Menu Choices: MEAT LOAF or TRADITIONAL CHEFS SALAD

FEB 23, 2019 - THE TIDES; JOINT MEETING WITH DAR; PRICE \$20; Menu Choices: PETITE FILET or SALMON

MAR 23, 2019- THE TIDES; PRICE \$15; Menu Choices: CORN BEEF & CABBAGE or TRADITIONAL CHEFS SALAD

APRIL 20, 2019 - THE TIDES; PRICE \$15; Menu Choices: BAKED HAM or SAUTEED SHRIMP SALAD

MAY 11, 2019 - THE TIDES; PRICE \$15; Menu Choices: TILAPIA or FRUIT SALAD

Remember to mark your calendar for this year's meeting schedule.

DOORS OPEN 11:00 AM - Meetings are at **The Tides Restaurant, PAFB** unless otherwise noted, They begin at **11:30** unless otherwise noted. **Pay by check.**

BREVARD CHAPTER



Coming in the Next issue

More History, Updates on chapter's fall activities, pictures, and other "stuff."

Look for reports on the NSSAR National Leadership Conference - the discussions on the proposed Genealogy policy change, the Museum initiative, the new NSSAR web site, plus other news from National.

State & National Events

National events -

Spring Leadership -

February 28 - March 2, 2019 Brown Hotel Louisville KY

Congress -

July 5 - 10 2019 Costa Mesa, CA

State events -

Florida SAR Winter BOM - Feb 2, 2019 at Embassy Suites Orlando - Lake Buena Vista South Orlando

Florida Society Richard Fowler Award
winner for Best Newsletter - 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2017(tie); 2nd Place 2009; Honorable Mention: 2014, 2016;

NSSAR Carl Bessent Newsletter Award - 1st Place- 2015; 2nd Place 2012, 2013, Honorable Mention 2009, 2016;

NSSAR Winner Periodical - 2009

BREVARD CHAPTER

Chapter Activity & Helpfulness to readers

CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Brevard Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution took place at The Tides Collocated Club located at 1001 N. Highway A1A, S. Atlantic Ave., Patrick AFB, FL 32925. The meeting was attended by 36 persons. Compatriot Norm Desmarais was in period attire and Compatriot Fuller Jones was in Class A attire.

- This regular meeting was called to order by President Roger Bonnett at 11:40 AM. Reverend David Ralston gave the Invocation. Secretary Barry Eller led the attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and the SAR Pledge.

- President Bonnett acknowledged Past Chapter Presidents Norm Desmarais, Barry Eller, Carl Greene, and Bob Humker in attendance.

- President Bonnett discussed his visit to the SAR National Headquarters and Library in Louisville, KY.

- President Bonnett called for Officer Reports and there were none. President Bonnett called for Committee Reports. James Ward announced the guest speakers for November will be Compatriot Nick Mihora and Sheriff Wayne Ivy in January.

- Joel Etherton and Jay Steinke were sworn in as new members. Compatriot Brian Jensen took photographs of the ceremony.

- President Bonnet and Compatriots Eller, Green, and Ralston received Supplement Ancestor Certificates.

- Compatriots Jones was presented his 5-year pin (late) and a Challenge Coin for his meritorious service as Chapter Genealogist.

- President Bonnett informed the audience that two types of name tags were on sale for \$10 each and suggested that all who wanted one should enter names on the sign-up sheet in the back of the room.

- President Bonnett stated that the Chapter would be represented at the Melbourne, Florida Veterans Day Parade on Saturday, November 10, 2018.

- President Bonnett swore in new members Jay Clayton Steinke and Michal Palmer. Compatriot Brian Jensen took photographs of the ceremony.

- President Bonnett recessed the meeting for lunch at approximately 12:10 PM and Reverend Ralston gave the blessing of the meal.

- Compatriot Eller sold tickets for the 50/50 drawing during the recess.

- The meeting was called back to order at approximately 12:55 PM. First Vice-President Ward introduced today's speakers from the Cocoa Beach Kiwanis Club. Ms. And Ms. Gave an impressive dissertation of the groups charitable activities

- Veterans Affairs Chairman recognized Compatriot Robbie Carlisle's service to his country and present him with the Military Service Medal set and certificate.

- The 50/50 drawing was held and door prizes distributed to the winners.

- Reverend Ralston gave the Benediction. President Bonnett led the assembly in the recitation of the SAR Recessional.

- There being no further business to discuss, President Bonnett adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
BREVARD CHAPTER OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Bob Humker, Alternate Recording Secretary

Welcome New Members

BREVARD CHAPTER

National News

FORT MORRIS 13TH ANNUAL COME AND TAKE IT COMMEMORATION

EVENT LOCATION

Fort Morris Historic Site, 2559 Fort Morris Rd,
Midway, GA 31320 Exit #76 off I-95

EVENT DATE & TIME

Friday, November 16, 2018 5:00 PM
Fort Morris 13th Annual "Come and Take It!"
Commemoration Georgia Society Sons of the American
Revolution

This year's program will focus on the Patriots of St. Johns Parish who led Georgia's fight for freedom from England. Speakers will describe the origin and actions of the Midway Society - "the cradle of the Revolution in Georgia" - and the Patriotic and Military Service of some of the Revolutionary War Patriots buried in the Midway Colonial Cemetery. This year's program will focus on the Patriots of St. Johns Parish who led Georgia's fight for freedom from England. Speakers will describe the origin and actions of the Midway Society - "the cradle of the Revolution in Georgia" - and the Patriotic and Military Service of some of the Revolutionary War Patriots buried in the Midway Colonial Cemetery.

Featured groups will be the Georgia and Florida SAR Continental Color Guards, Colonel Elijah Clarke Militia, Georgia Society Children of the American Revolution and the Liberty County JROTC Honor Guard. Fort Morris "Come and Take It!" flag streamers will be presented to each participating CAR, DAR, SAR & other Heritage Society Chapter.

Friday, Nov. 16th

5:00pm – Hospitality & Lodging: Holiday Inn, 4601 Hwy 17; Richmond Hill; Exit #87 off I-95; Call 912-756-6668 ask for Sons of the American Revolution Rate- \$109.00

6:30pm - Dinner: Love's Seafood Restaurant, 6817 Chief of Love Rd (912-925-3616)

Saturday, Nov. 17th 10:00am – Fort Morris- Sunbury Memorial Ceremony;

11:30am - Lunch: Sunbury Crab Co, 541 Brigantine-Dunmore Road (912- 884-8640)

New members Jay Steinke, Joel Etherton, and Frank Fisher were recently Inducted; Frank at the September meeting (see photo), and Jay and Joel at the October meeting (see Photo). Compatriot Fisher's Patriot Ancestor was John Hansbrough a Pvt in the VA militia. Compatriot Etherton's Patriot Ancestor was Phillip Cansler of NC a Petit Juror, Lincoln Co, NC Apr 1778. Compatriot Steinke's Supplemental Patriot Ancestor was Abel Farwell a Pvt in MA Militia.

We currently have *many* prospects working on their applications as they have been reported to the chapter Registrar.

If you have anyone who is interested and you wish to help them or are working on their application, report their name and information to the Registrar so that we can assist when needed and to ensure that the application is completed correctly. National Genealogists report that there are sloppy applications being submitted by persons not familiar with the SAR application process and requirements.

Membership Status

With new members and new Associates (Pending approval) our membership levels are:

Junior = 11

Life = 5

Memorial = 1

Regular = 94

Youth = 2

Dual (w/ GASSAR & NCSSAR) = 2

Dual (In-state) = 1

Associate = 3

With our 1 Associate and 1 In-state Dual (not counted by the state or National) the membership is 119

This allows the Brevard Chapter to have **4** voting Delegates to any Board of Management meetings (BOMs). They are: The Chapter President, the **IMMEDIATE** past chapter President, and two other designated delegates.

For the upcoming Spring BOM and Annual Meeting Board of Management Meeting in October the voting delegates would be:

President Bonnett

Immediate Past President Eller

(40 - 80 members) - * TBD

(81-120 members) - * TBD

Past President General Brock

Past President General Tomme

Patriot Medal DuBose

Patriot Medal Williams

* **TBD** - these appointed delegates need to be submitted to the state secretary **BEFORE** the BOM

BREVARD CHAPTER

Revolutionary War Time line

November / December

1773

- Dec. 16 The Boston Tea Party

1775

- Nov. 10-21 Ninety Six, SC, Patriots sieged
- Nov. 13 The patriots under Montgomery occupy Montreal in Canada
- Dec. 11 Virginia and NC patriots rout Loyalist troops and burn Norfolk
- Dec. 22 Col. Thomson with 1,500 rangers and militia capture Loyalists at Great Canebrake, SC
- Dec. 23-30 Snow Campaign, in SC, so-called because patriots are impeded by 15" of snow
- Dec. 30-31 American forces under Benedict Arnold fail to seize Quebec

1776

- Nov. 16 The Hessians capture Fort Washington, NY
- Nov. 20 Lord Cornwallis captures Fort Mifflin from Nathanael Greene.
- Dec. 26 Washington crosses the Delaware and captures Trenton from Hessians

1777

- Nov. 16 British capture Fort Mifflin, Pennsylvania
- Dec. 5-7 Americans repulse British at Red Bank, Pennsylvania
- Dec. 19 Washington's army retires to winter quarters at Valley Forge

1778

- Dec. 29 The redcoats occupy Savannah

1779

- Nov.-June 23, 1780 Washington's 2nd winter at Morristown, NJ (the harshest winter of the 18th century)

1782

- Nov. 30 British and Americans sign preliminary Articles of Peace.
- Dec. 14 British leave Charleston, SC

1783

- Dec. 23 Washington resigns as Commander



Brevard Executive Board Meeting Schedule

Brevard Executive Board meetings generally will be held on the Saturday before Chapter membership meetings. These will be held at a designated location generally in Viera at 9 a.m. until further notice or notification by President Bonnett. Officers are requested to submit their reports to President Bonnett before the meeting for distribution to all officers.

Last Naval Battle Medal sets

Order NOW!

The Brevard Chapter and the Last Naval Battle committee are selling official LNB - National Society SAR - Medal sets (large & small in presentation case) for \$25. see below for Medal set.

Brevard Chapter LNB Medals are SOLD OUT

For CHAPTER Medal orders contact Carroll Lord at 321-638-4879 / pugbar@cfl.rr.com

For National Society LNB medal sets (image below) contact Hall Riediger at 772-336-0926 / allriedi42@bellsouth.net



BREVARD CHAPTER

September Brevard SAR meeting at Viera Holiday Inn
Frank Fisher Induction L-R Barry Eller, Roger Bon-
nett, Frank Fisher, Ben DuBose, Robert Humker



October Brevard SAR meeting at Tides Sup-
plemental Application Presentation. Roger
Bonnett, Barry Eller



October Brevard SAR meeting at Tides Induction
Ceremony. President Roger Bonnett, Jay Steinke, Joel
Etherton Norm Desmarais in attire.



October Brevard SAR meeting at Tides
Supplemental Application Presentation. Dave
Ralston, Roger Bonnett



Brevard SAR meeting at Tides Supplemental Appli-
cation presentation Carl Green Roger Bonnett



October Brevard SAR meeting at Tides Mili-
tary Service Medal presented to Robbie Carl-
isle by Robert Humker



BREVARD CHAPTER

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