



SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

BREVARD BEACON

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Next Meeting

9 December 2023

Ornament exchange

At Tides Collocated Club

1001 Florida A1A

Patrick SFB, FL 32925

Doors open at 11:00

Program starts at 11:30

Lunch Starts 12:00

Ham, Mashed Potatoes and Vegetables

Or

Grilled Shrimp, Buerre Blanc, Jasmine Rice,
Green Beans

&

Key Lime Pie

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President's Message

Greetings Compatriots.



Our chapter has had a busy summer/fall. The 4th of July parade in Merritt Island was well attended. From all accounts, the National Congress in Orlando was very successful. Our Florida Society President received

many compliments for the event. We appreciate all chapter members who volunteered for this event. The September Constitution Day joint luncheon with the DAR was excellent.

Membership renewals are well under way. If you have not done so yet, please send in your money to the Chapter Secretary Hunt. The National portion of the annual dues increased this year. Our chapter receives \$10 per member for our expenses.

We had planned to participate in the Veterans Day Parade in Cape Canaveral, but due to the overwhelming positive response from participants, the parade was cancelled for this year. With additional planning, they plan to hold the parade next year.

Our Christmas Meeting will be December 9 with an ornament exchange. Wreaths Across America is the following Saturday, December 16. Also, mark your calendar for the Last Naval Battle Observance on March 16.

Please take a look at the chapter webpage www.brevardsar.com for additional information. Our list of officers and committee members are on the Officers tab. The meeting schedule and other events are on the Calendar tab. Copies of the chapter newsletter are also available, as is chapter meeting minutes and other chapter documents. Much appreciation to Webmaster Carlisle for keeping the website up to date.

We do have a need for the officer position of Recording Secretary. Please let me know if you would be willing to help out in that role.

Respectfully, Joel Allen Etherton

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Our 2023/2024 Meeting Schedule is as follows:

Note: Menu items subject to change

December 9, 2023 - Tides: Price \$20;
Ham, Mashed Potatoes and Vegetables

or Grilled Shrimp, Buerre Blanc, Jasmine Rice,
Green Beans and Key Lime Pie

January 20, 2024 — Tides: Price \$20;

French Dip with Coleslaw

or Salad Niçoise with green beans, potatoes, hard-boiled egg, olives, seared tuna

and Grilled Pound Cake with Strawberry Sauce

February 17, 2024 — Tides: Price \$20;

Reuben with House Fried Chips

or Eggplant Parmesan, Vegetables, Breadsticks

and Cheesecake with Berry Compote

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

DOORS OPEN 11:00 AM - Meetings are at The Tides Collocated Club is open at 11:00, Meetings begin 11:30 sharp unless otherwise noted.

Pay by check to

*Mark Russell
275 Woodridge Drive
Geneva, FL 32732*

mark.russell@earthlink.net

Or pay at meeting with cash or check

Coming in the Next Issue

More History, Updates on chapter's activities, pictures, and events.

National and State Events

National Events

SAR Spring Leadership Meeting

Thursday, February 29, 2024 - 9:00 AM

Saturday, March 2, 2024 - 11:00 PM

Brown Hotel 335 West Broadway, Louisville, KY, 40202

State Events

LNB — 16 March at VMC



New or Reinstated Members 2023

Member	Patriot
Robert Alan Adamson	James Alexander PVT MD
Richard William Haeflein	Charles Kemper Ensign VA
Frederick Franklin Haeflein	Charles Kemper Ensign VA



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

Regular	107
Junior	8
Life	5
E-1	1
Active Duty/Military	2
Dual	0
Total	123

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Reminder!!!!

Dues for 2024 are now due

Dues have gone up for national this year so here is the breakdown:

National dues: \$50

State dues: \$20

Chapter dues: \$10

TOTAL: \$80

We have a suspense of 25 November 2023 to collect the dues for next year

You can mail your dues check made out to:
BREVARD SAR

Mail To:

Hans Hunt

3040 Refuge Ct.

Melbourne, FL 32940

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BECOME A GUARDS- MEN

We are looking for volunteers to join Commodore John Barry Camp #3 of the Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade.

It is preferred to have the same type of uniform or clothing in which your Patriot ancestor would have worn during the Revolution.

Continental Army, Navy, or Marine Uniform, is the traditional dress in a unit, however Militia personnel wore everyday clothes of the era.

Militia clothing consists of:

- Hat round or tricorn
- Shirt
 - White

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, 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 uniform 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 2023

Calendar of Local Events

July 4 - Parade Merritt Island

August 7 - Military Order of the Purple Heart (VMC)

September 11 - Patriots Day and 9-11



Donn Weaver, Florida Veterans Hall of Fame Inductee for 2023!

The 2023 inductees to the Florida Veterans Hall of Fame were recently announced by the Governor's Office and it included our member Donn Weaver (Cpt USA, Former). Donn will be formally recognized by the Governor on November 14th in Tallahassee. The Florida Military Hall of Fame recognizes and honors military veterans who, through their works and lives during or after military service, made a significant contribution to the state of Florida through civic, business, public service, or other pursuits.

June Meeting Events



2nd Place—Outstanding JROTC Cadet Awarded to James Captain



June Meeting Events (Continued)



Music for the meeting provided by the DAR



Barry Shaffer — Guest Speaker

September Meeting Events



Nic Mahora is recipient for the Color guard bronze medal



Our guest Speaker was Clifton P. Lewis who talked about our Constitution from a Black perspective

October Events



Inductions:

**Top left: Frederick Franklin Haeflein—
presented to his sister Mari**

**Top right: Richard William Haeflein—
presented to his sister Mari**



**Speaker: Ben Bydelak who
talked about the Vietnam War
Exhibit and Education Center**

Veterans Upcoming Events

11 Nov — Veterans Day ceremony—
Pass in Review at Veterans Memorial
Center

15 Nov — Inaugural Brevard No One
Veteran Left Behind (BNOVLB)) Commit-
tal Service for the unclaimed cremains of
20 veterans and spouses. Held at Cape
Canaveral National Cemetery in Mims
1400-1600

18 Nov — Veterans and Military Support
MOAACC Good Deeds Foundation Golf
Tournament at IRCC 0800-1400

13 Dec — 0930- 1200 Gray Hall at
VMC : Annual Veterans Memorial Center
Christmas Party during our monthly gen-
eral membership meeting

16 Dec — Wreaths Across America Spe-
cial Ceremony 1500-1630 at Pinecrest
Cemetery on Clearlake Road in Cocoa



Remember our Veterans



2023—2024 Officers

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2022-2023 Officers

President - Joel Etherton

1st VP - Christopher Ratzel

2nd VP - Carl Miller

Secretary - Hans Hunt

Recording Secretary - Vacant

Treasurer - Mark Russell

Member-at-large: Doug Bisset

Member-at-large: Donn Weaver

Committee Chairs:

Registrar - Brian Jensen

CG Commander - Nic Mihora

Genealogist- Ray Norman

Webmaster- Robbie Carlisle

Parliamentarian - Dale Bottom

Editor/Publisher - Carl Oehmann

ROTC / Youth - Jerry Scarpate

Veteran's Affair—Doug Bisset, Donn Weaver

Flag Committee—Nic Mihora

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