



SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

## BREVARD BEACON

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### Next Meeting

September 18, 2021

At Tides Collocated Club 1001 N. Highway

A1A, S. Atlantic Ave., Patrick SFB, FL  
32925

Arrive at 11:15

NOTE: SEATING IS COMPLIANT WITH  
COVID-19 DISTANCING GUIDELINES

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### New Member Application Process & Fees

The application fees were increased as an action of the Delegates attending the 131st Congress. This fee increase took effect at the end of the Congress on July 15th. The following is a quick breakdown of what this increase involves:

Regular New Member application fee increased from \$80 to \$100

Regular New Member – Family Plan application fee increased from \$30 to \$40

C.A.R. Applicant – current C.A.R. member in good standing, age 18-22 application fee \$0

C.A.R. Applicant – current C.A.R. member in good standing under 18 application fee \$0

Junior Member (under 18) on a NEW line or patriot application fee increased from \$80 to \$100

Junior Member (under 18) on an approved line and patriot or as part of the Family Plan application fee increased \$30 to \$40

Memorial Member (deceased male relative of an active SAR member within two generations) application fee increased from \$80 to \$100

Supplemental Application fee increased from \$60 to \$100

Supplemental Application – Family Plan fee increased from \$30 to \$40

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*(Application Fees from page 1)*

This is strictly an application fee increase and does not affect the National dues in any way. The National dues are still \$35 for each New Applicant or Memorial Member and \$5 for a Junior applicant or C.A.R. applicant under 18-year-old.

Now let's explain the "Grace Period" for those applications currently in the pipeline to National. During the discussions of the application fee increase on the floor of Congress, the agreement reached was to base the "Grace Period" on the date of the applicant's signature. This means if you have an applicant who has already made out a check and signed the application prior to the July 15, 2021 date it will be accepted at National at the old fee structure. It is expected that National will be receiving the applications that fit into this description within the next six to eight weeks.

If National receives applications that have the incorrect application fees, an email will be sent to the State Secretaries requesting the additional funds. The application will be held pending the receipt of the additional funds and processed upon receiving the additional funds.

Any application added to the pipeline on or after the July 15th date will require the new fees.

Thank you for your time,

Michael T. Scroggins  
Director of Operations, NSSAR

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**VMC Memorial Day Services**



**Cocoa Memorial Day Parade**

L to R Compatriot Jensen, CAR Noah Adamson, Emily & Tim Hicks, Linda Jensen, Bobbie Adamson. Not pictured are President James G Ward, Compatriot Tom and Barbara Dickman, Julie Adamson, Compatriot Donn Weaver was the keynote speaker for Cocoa's Festivities. Linda and Julie represented DAR Cape Canaveral.



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### BECOME A GUARDSMEN

**We are looking for volunteers to join Brevard Camp 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
  - Hunting
  - Checkered
- Fall-front trousers or britches
- Shoes

#### **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 2021*

### *Calendar of Local Events*

**May 31, 2021-** Memorial Day Parade, Cocoa, Services VMC, National Cemetery **Completed**

**July 03, 2021**—Merritt Island 3th of July Parade **Completed**

**August 08**—Purple Heart Ceremony VMC 10:00 **Completed**

**September 11**—Patriots Day and 9-11 Commemoration 16:30 VMC **Completed**

**November 11** - Veterans Day Ceremony VMC Merritt Island

**December 18-** Wreaths Across America

**March 12, 2022** Last Naval Battle VMC

### *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.



## Chapter Activities

### Program, and Menus

Our 2021 Meeting Schedule is as follows:

SEPTEMBER 18, 2021—Tides: Price \$20

BBQ Brisket with Roasted Potatoes or Salmon with Dill Cream Sauce;

OCTOBER 16, 2021—Tides: Price \$20;

Spicy Italian on Ciabatta or Roasted Vegetable Whole Wheat Wrap, both with House fried Chips

NOVEMBER 20, 2021—Tides: Price \$20;

Turkey with stuffing or Penne Pasta with Alfredo and roasted Vegetables

DECEMBER 18, 2021—Tides: Price \$20;

Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Roasted Vegetables or Crab Stuffed Sole with Jasmine rice

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.*

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### Coming in the Next Issue

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

Look for reports on the NSSAR 2023 Congress, the Museum initiative, NSSAR web site updates, plus other news from National and State.

### National and State Events

#### National Events -

132nd Annual Congress  
08-14 Jul 2021 Renton, Washington

2021 Fall Leadership  
23-25 Sep 2021 Louisville KY

#### State Events -

Fall BOM Oct 01-03, 2021

Fall BOM to be hosted by East Central Region (Brevard, Central Florida, Daytona-Ormond)

Embassy Suites Orlando - Lake Buena Vista South  
4955 Kyngs Heath Road  
Kissimmee, Florida, 34746

Florida Society Richard Fowler Award winner for Best Newsletter - 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2017(tie), 2018; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 2009; Honorable Mention: 2014, 2016;

NSSAR Carl Bessent Newsletter Award - 1<sup>st</sup> Place- 2015, 2018; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 2012, 2013, Honorable Mention 2009, 2016;  
NSSAR Winner Periodical - 2009

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*Chapter Activities & Helpfulness to readers*

## CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

**Sons of the American Revolution (SAR)**

**Brevard County, Florida Chapter**

### MINUTES OF THE CHAPTER MEETING

**Saturday, May 15, 2021**

**Armed Forces Day**

A regular meeting of the Brevard FL Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) took place at The Tides Collocated Club, 1001 North Highway A1A, South Atlantic Avenue, Patrick Space Force Base, FL 32925.

The meeting was attended by 30 people, consisting of 21 SAR Compatriots, 6 spouses, of which were 3 were in DAR, 2 guests and the Speaker. Attendees included: Compatriots Ashdown, B. Bridgham, L. Bridgham, Brock, and wife Marianna, Burnett, and wife Lona (DAR), Carlisle and wife, Dance and guest, Dickmann and wife Barbara, Etherton, D Hansen and wife Jo Solley (DAR), Herman, Jensen, S Jones, Lord, McWaters, Miller and wife Sue, Pierce, Ratzel, Scarpate, Trousdale, President James G. Ward, Weaver, and our Guest Speaker Colonel Patrick Keane (USA-Ret.). Compatriot Jensen attended in period attire. Compatriot Jones was in Class A attire.

The meeting was called to order by Chapter President James Ward at 11:30 AM, who also acknowledged that today was Armed Forces Day.

Chapter Secretary Jensen stated that a quorum was present.

Attendees were asked to stand and were led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance by Veteran Compatriot and Chapter Webmaster Carlisle, in recognition of Armed Forces Day. The SAR Pledge was then led by 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Scarpate, also a Veteran.

President Ward offered the Invocation, invited the attendees to take their seats, and spoke of fellow Compatriots that are currently dealing with health issues including Past Presidents Bonnet and Eller.

There were no current or past National or State Officers present. There were no Past Presidents in attendance.

President Ward welcomed DAR members, guests Marianna Brock and our Guest Speaker Colonel Patrick Keane (USA Ret.).

### Election of Slate of Chapter Compatriots for Positions Noted for the 2021-2022 FY

For President	James G. Ward
For 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Joel Etherton
For 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Jerry Scarpate
For Treasurer	Lawrence Herman
For Secretary	Brian L. Jensen
For Recording Secretary	Bob Humker
For Member-at-Large	Fuller "Sonny" Jones
For Member-at-Large	Marvin Doug Bisset

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, the Chapter's 2020 yearly election was delayed until the October Meeting, with the stipulation that the elected officers would hold their term until May of 2022. President Ward then presented the Slate of Chapter Compatriots for the 2021-2022 FY Positions, which consisted of the same Compatriots elected last October, each having consented to run again. President Ward turned the meeting over to 1<sup>st</sup> VP Joel Etherton, so that Ward could leave the room to facilitate the filling of the position of President. 1<sup>st</sup> VP Etherton then announced President Ward's name as a candidate for President, and asked if any other candidates for President were present. 1<sup>st</sup> VP Etherton then asked two additional times, and there were no further nominations from the floor. Compatriot Pierce moved to close nominations, accept the Slate as presented and proceed with the election. Compatriot Jones seconded the motion and it was passed without objection. 1<sup>st</sup> VP Etherton then called for a vote on the Position of Chapter President, and President Ward was then voted on unanimously as Brevard Chapter President for the 2021-2022 FY Term. Newly elected President Ward reentered the room, relieved 1st VP Etherton and resumed conducting the meeting by calling for a vote on the remaining Officer Positions on the Slate. Upon motion of Compatriot McWaters that the remaining Officers on the Slate be elected, and seconded by Compatriot Dickmann, the remaining Compatriots on the Slate were unanimously elected to fill their respective positions for the 2021-2022 FY Term. Officers will be sworn in during the June Meeting.

President Ward began the **Officer Reports:**

President

Ward

President Ward discussed the highlights of the Florida Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (FLSSAR) Board Of Management (BOM) Meeting held earlier this month in Kissimmee. Both he and Secretary Jensen attended. He urged others to attend and get a broader understanding of the FLSSAR and how it functions.

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President Ward also discussed the importance of the Stark Report and with the hours that he submitted, the State Board awarded him the Service to Veterans Medal with 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Bronze Oak Leafs. President Ward asked for assistance on entering the Chapter member's hours to better our presence on our service to Veterans and that we have other Chapter members that are more deserving of the Service to Veterans Medal, but we need to document their hours into the report so those Compatriots get the recognition that they deserve.

President Ward asked to have a Newsletter dedicated to an Annual Report for the Chapter.

President Ward announced that he was the State Chairman for the 2022 Last Naval Battle (LNB) Celebration and that he will appoint a Chapter 2022 LNB Committee headed by 1<sup>ST</sup> VP Etherton.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Etherton

Thanks to Tides Club and to caterer, and to Treasurer Herman Brevard Chapter 2022 Last Naval Battle of the Revolutionary War Committee Chair

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Scarpate

ROTC/JROTC recognition: 15 Medals to be awarded to local schools, 2 Medals to Brevard's Sea Cadets, one Medal to each Division.

2<sup>nd</sup> VP Scarpate is also assisting Compatriot Ratzel to restore our Scouting program.

### Secretary Jensen

BOM website workshop was given by Compatriot Dr. Scott Bushnell. Insight was given into areas of the site's databases and the capabilities of the site to Chapter Officers.

"Brevard Beacon" Newsletter March-April emailed issue has been emailed, three are sent by US Mail.

The chapter is currently standing at 113 members.

### Recording Secretary Humker (regret)

Compatriot Ashdown made a motion to waive the reading of minutes of the previous meeting, and it was seconded by Compatriot Pierce. It was passed without objection.

### Treasurer Herman

Deposited? \$500 FLSSAR reimbursement for LNB expenses  
Nametags \$10

### Registrar

Louis B Stocks application has been received by FLSSAR.

Brevard, along with other Chapters, is helping with Daytona-Ormond's recruiting efforts.

NSSAR Application Status Report:

Ormsby: Received 12MAR2021

Pomeroy Jr.: Received 01APR2021

Mark & Aaron Russell: Received 01APR2021

From BOM: National has not been sending prospective member inquiries/referrals to States

### **New Member Inductions:**

Robert Brock and his brother Kyle Hansen were inducted. Parents Compatriot Dan Hansen and his wife Jo Solley were present and accepted Kyle's Certificate on his behalf.

Webmaster

Webmaster Carlisle: No report

Member at Large Member at Large Sonny Jones: No report

Member at Large (MAL Bissett regret)

### Committee Chairmen Reports

Monument Committee Chairman: No report

Veterans Committee Chairman Desmarais: Stark report-Service to Veterans Medal (see Presidents report)

### Constitution, By-laws Committee:

In process: Redlines compiled and ready to approve. Compatriot Jones was thanked for his work.

### Host Committee:

Tides Club: 2021 June 19, and September 18: Chairman Etherton has planned with Tides for meetings in June then start back in September through December. Our September 18<sup>th</sup> meeting will not interfere with Florida DAR Fall Forum Which will be September 24<sup>th</sup> through 26<sup>th</sup> at the Renaissance Orlando at Sea World Hotel.

Speaker Coordinator Miller has arranged for the Downtown Melbourne Revitalization Chairman to speak at our June 19 meeting.

### Membership Committee: FSSAR Mentor Program

Secretary Jensen noted that we will put seasoned members with new members who take on positions to ensure the new member has the resources to be successful.

Lunch was served.

Guest Speaker retired U S Army Colonel Patrick Keane (Irish Hibernian ) gave a remarkably interesting program of Captain John Barry and the Irish contributions to the Revolutionary War. The Colonel was well received and applauded by the membership.

Compatriots Ashdown and Jones had to leave the meeting early for previous obligations.

President Ward called the Meeting back to order after Lunch:

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#### Schedule

President Ward outlined upcoming events and noted the next meeting is schedules for June 19<sup>th</sup>:

Memorial Day Observance 2021 at the VMC Honoring Marines, Col. Danny McKnight Speaker Brevard's SAR DAR and CAR will be in attendance, Also a parade will be in Cocoa Village at 4:00 (assemble at 3:30)

Next Membership Meeting June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Flag Day Observance June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Independence Day Observance 2021 Suggest BCSO-VMC Parade invite DAR and CAR \$25 entry fee. Entry package was filled out and Compatriot Lord will issue a check to BCSO.

Congress 2021 Friday July 09-16, 2021 in Seattle WA.

August 07, 2021 Annual Military Order of the Purple Heart Ceremony at the VMC Honoring 10 Recipients of the Purple Heart 10:00-12:00

Veterans Day Observance Planning Meeting at VMC

Fall BOM October 01-03, 2021: host is FLSSAR East Central Region

LNB March 12, 2022

Congress 2022 in Savannah, GA

Congress 2023: Orlando Florida is the site

#### Old Business

There was no further Old Business to discuss.

#### New Business

No New Business was brought to attention of the membership.

#### 50/50 Drawing

Compatriots Ashdown and Etherton conducted the 50/50 drawing which was won by Compatriot Robert Brock \$42.00/\$42.00 and others.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:15 PM .

The membership then recited the SAR Recessional.

A short Memorial Day Observance followed after the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

BREVARD FL CHAPTER OF THE  
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Sam Ashdown for Bob Humker, Recording Secretary,  
with considerable assistance from Secretary Jensen.

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Robert Brock after receiving his Certificate, also pictured is Wife Marianna, Parents Dan and Jo Solley Hansen Also inducted was Kyle Hansen Compatriot Dan Hansen and his wife Jo Solley were present and accepted Kyle's Certificate on his behalf.



Purple Heart Recipient Colonel Patrick Keane pictured with President James G Ward. Colonel Keane has extensive knowledge of Colonial era Maritime history. The discussion was on John Barry and his tactics used during the Revolutionary War.



# CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

## MINUTES OF THE CHAPTER'S SAR / DAR JOINT FLAG DAY MEETING

**Saturday, June 19, 2021**

A regular meeting of the Brevard Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution took place at The Tides Collocated Club, 1001 North Highway A1A, South Atlantic Avenue, Patrick Space Force Base, FL 32925.

The meeting was attended by 17 SAR compatriots, 9 DAR compatriots, 5 spouses and 1 guest including Compatriots Ashdown, Lena & Tom Barberi, Larry & Brad Bridgeham, Carol & Rich Burgess, Doug and Lona Burnett, Cole, Barry & Sharon Eller, Etherton, Humker, Susan Hunt, Jensen, Judy & Mark Johnson, McWaters, Carl and Susan Miller, Mihora, Ailene Picheco, Pierce, Ratzel, Susan Siemer, Trousdale, Ward, Lisa Lyle & Ed Waters, Donn Weaver and Ms. Kim Agee, our guest speaker. Compatriots Jensen and Mihora attended in period attire.

The meeting was called to order by Chapter President James Ward at approximately 11:35 AM.

President Ward thanked everyone for the accomplishments of the Chapter during the difficult times of the pandemic.

President Ward asked for a count of the SAR members present and noted that there was not a quorum present.

Attendees were asked to stand and were led in the recitation of both the Pledge of Allegiance and the SAR Pledge by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Etherton and Secretary Jensen, respectively.

President Ward asked the attendees to take their seats and Chaplain Susan Siemer, Rufus Fairbanks Chapter, DAR offered the Invocation.

President Ward spoke of fellow Compatriots who are currently dealing with health issues and for who we keep in our prayers who include Roger Bonnett, William Boykin, and Ray Norman.

President Ward acknowledged that many of our DAR sister chapters were in attendance and each introduced themselves at his invitation.

There were no current or past National or State Officers present. President Ward acknowledged Past Chapter Presidents Eller and Humker were in attendance.

Past President Humker formally inducted the previously elected Chapter Officers present (1<sup>st</sup> VP Etherton, Recording Secretary Humker, Secretary Jensen and President Ward, and all other elected officers (in absentia).

President Ward began the Officer Reports by asking Secretary Jensen to recap the Memorial Day events, both at the Veterans Memorial Center and City of Cocoa's Memorial Day Parade,

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which he did. President Ward went on to briefly discuss issues associated with getting documents adjusted to the satisfaction of the bank that carries the Chapter's business account and the creation of new signature cards for the account.

1st Vice President Etherton had nothing to report but President Ward took the occasion to thank him and The Tides for their efforts in providing a venue for us to meet during the difficult times of the current pandemic.

President Ward discussed the reporting on and praised those who participated in many of the Chapter's sponsored activities that took place over the past year despite the global pandemic in support of programs to engage and teach area youth about the meaning of patriotism and the values of our republic and, to that end, invited a motion to provisionally create a youth committee to organize and provide oversight of all such similar activities for the Chapter, the creation of such being formalized by the vote of a quorum of the membership or by the direction of the Executive Committee. Compatriot Weaver made the motion, which was seconded by Compatriot McWaters, and approved by a vote of the membership present in a show of hands unanimously.

President Ward invited a motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and Compatriot Miller made the motion which was seconded by Compatriot Pierce and approved by the membership present by a show of hands unanimously.

President Ward invited a motion to approve the signers of the bank card in October of 2020 and the motion was made by Compatriot Humker, seconded by Compatriot Miller and approved by a vote of the membership present without objection.

The meeting was suspended at approximately 12:10 PM for serving of the luncheon.

The meeting resumed at approximately 12:40 PM wherein Compatriot Miller introduced the guest speaker Kim Agee from Melbourne Main Street. Ms. Agee gave a very enlightening and entertaining slide show and discussion about the purposes, activities, successes and plans of the program which includes the revitalization, preservation and success of the downtown business and residential community of downtown Melbourne. The presentation was followed by a question and answer period.

Compatriot Weaver gave a brief summary of the Veteran's Memorial Center's calendar of events including a fundraising event to help retired Master Sergeant Mike Sonnenschein's with

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medical treatment. MSG Sonnenschein is a former Airborne Ranger who served in the invasion of Panama, Desert Storm and Afghanistan. Ranger Mike was on a church mission performing humanitarian services when he was shot and paralyzed below the waist.

Compatriot Jensen noted that the Brevard SAR will also be supporting the July 3rd Merritt Island Independence Day Parade 09:00-11:00 on SR520 in front of the Merritt Island Mall. Arrive early, help decorate the float and enjoy the parade as the spectators drive by.

Compatriot Carl Miller noted that there is an Order of the Purple Heart event scheduled at the Veteran's Memorial Center at 2 PM on August 8th.

The 50/50 drawing was conducted.

There being no further old business or new business to discuss a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Compatriot Humker, seconded by Compatriot Miller and approved by the membership present without dissent. Closing ceremonies were observed and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

BREVARD CHAPTER OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION  
Bob Humker, Recording Secretary



Compatriot Carl Miller is pictured with Kim Agee representing Melbourne Main Street Redevelopment and President James G Ward



# Welcome New Members

## Member

## Patriot

Robert Christopher Brock

Reuben Weaver

Kyle Hans Hansen

Reuben Weaver



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

Junior	8
Life	4
E-1	1
Regular	105
Active Duty/Military	2
Dual	1
Total	121

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

For the upcoming Fall BOM in May the voting delegates are:

President James G Ward

**Immediate** Past President Roger Bonnett

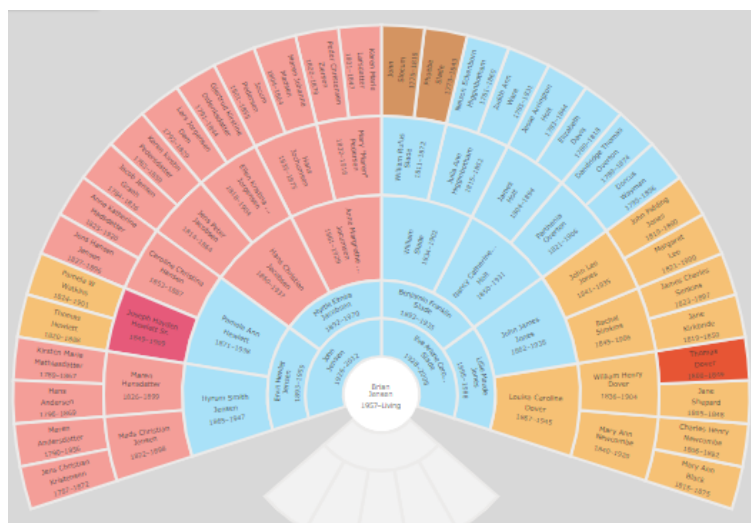
(40 - 80 members) - Brian Jensen

(81-120 members) - Open

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## Upcoming National Memorial Events

Jun 20th	Battle of Ramsour's Mill	Lincolnton, NC
Sept 8th	Battle of Eutaw Springs	Eutawville, SC
Oct 7th	Battle of Kings Mountain	Blacksburg, SC



## BREVARD LIBRARY IS TENTATIVELY ALLOWING ACCESS TO ANCESTRY.COM ONLINE

Due to Covid-19 Brevard Public Libraries are allowing access to Ancestry.com Library Edition.

To obtain access go to <http://www.brevardfl.gov/Learningandresearch> then page down to "Online Resources" and click on "Ancestry Library Edition"

Normally this is only accessible on the Library's intranet. Online access is scheduled to expire December 31, 2021



It's Coming!

# THE 2023 NSSAR CONGRESS

Rosen Plaza Hotel, Orlando, Florida

As host state for the 2023 Congress, Florida needs to begin raising funds to cover the costs of hosting this prestigious event. Instead of raising member dues, the Board of Management and the 2023 Congress Planning Committee have devised a number of fundraising activities. The first of which is a drawing for a beautiful musket.

This Pennsylvania Long Rifle is faithful to the original in functionality and form. By Davide Pedersoli, this extra long rifle, is finished with a rust brown color barrel and the walnut completes the one piece oil finished stock. This model is provided with adjustable double set trigger. Front and rear sights are made of steel and rear sight is vertically adjustable.

## YOU CAN WIN A REPRODUCTION PENNSYLVANIA LONG RIFLE



Stock Photo

**Only 300 tickets are available!!!** Suggested donation is \$20 per ticket or 6 tickets for \$100.

Make checks payable to: FLSSAR

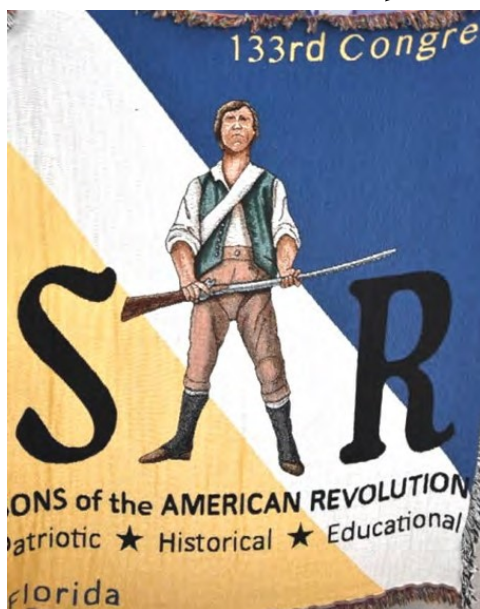
Send to: FLSSAR  
c/o Steve Fields, Recording Secretary  
5515 Alta Vista Street  
Sarasota, FL 34232

(Tickets will also be available at FLSSAR Board of Management Meetings)

## *Ladies Auxiliary Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution*

### *133rd Congress Throw Blanket Fundraiser*

*This is our Florida Ladies Auxiliary's major fund raising project for the 2023 Congress. This project will fund our Auxiliary responsibilities for the Hospitality Room, all banquet decorations, and other activities*



*Send orders to: Laura Zavalia, Treasurer  
LAFLS-SAR, 1648 Jupiter Cove Drive, #411,  
Jupiter, FL 33469. Make checks out to  
LAFLSSAR for \$70.00 to re-serve one. Add  
\$15.00 if you want it sent to you at an ad-  
dress in Florida or \$20.00 for addresses out-  
side of Florida for each Throw ordered  
(order two sent to the same address for the  
same shipping cost). Please make the Nota-  
tion: 2023 Congress on your check.*



## 2021 Spring BOM Report

### Brevard Chapter submitted by James Gearey Ward, President

#### January

- Brevard Chapter has 109 annual members in good standing
- An in-person membership meeting was held 1/16/21 at the Tides Club, Patrick Space Force Base. This was the first return of Brevard Chapter to its pre-pandemic venue.
- Assistant Registrar Ashdown is advancing four applications
- A motion passed for Brevard Chapter to donate \$100 to the Florida Society Children of the American Revolution (FSCAR)
- Compatriot Donn Weaver described the Missing in America Project (MIAP): remains of approximately 200,000 veterans in America not claimed by family. The goal is appropriate burial.
- Attendees were polled as to whether to conduct an in-person February meeting, to conduct an in-person George Washington Birthday observance, and whether to invite the Daughters of the Revolution, which would require a larger venue to better meet covid-19 mitigation protocols
- President Ward thanked 2016 President and Recording Secretary Bob Humker
- Webmaster Robbie Carlisle invited compatriots to review Brevard Chapter website information
- 2018-2020 President and Registrar Bonnett, and Assistant Registrars Brian Jensen and Sam Ashdown, with other chapters, assists the Daytona-Ormond Beach Chapter in recruiting activities
- Revision of governing documents continued
- The Stark Report was submitted to FLSAR and NSSAR
- January service and contributions to veterans will be reported by 2/1/22

#### February

- FLSAR President Bussone and Acting East Central Regional Vice President Riediger were consulted prior to an Executive Committee in-person meeting 2/12/21 for a final Last Naval Battle of the Revolutionary War decision
- An in-person membership meeting was held 2/20/21 in the Tides Club ballroom, Patrick Space Force Base.
- 23 Compatriots attended, plus 4 WOSAR, plus 8 Daughters of the American Revolution
- Terry Terhune was inducted as a new member. He gave a short historical sketch and displayed an 1899 photograph of Anna Cavada Humphrey of the Daughters of the American Revolution
- Prayers were asked for Compatriots Bonnett, Herman, and Jones as they face health issues.

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- Compatriot Robert Brinckerhoff transferred to Brevard Chapter
- President Ward announced the Executive Committee decision to host an in-person Last Naval Battle of the Revolutionary War observance in lieu of a March membership meeting
- President Ward thanked Compatriots Doug Bisset and Veterans Committee Chairman Norm Desmaris for compiling the Stark Report
- President Ward thanked 1st Vice President and Host Committee Chairman Joel Etherton for meeting arrangements
- President Ward thanked Compatriot Carl Miller, Speaker Coordinator

Compatriot Nic Mihora announced the Veterans Memorial Traveling Wall would be in Melbourne in 4/15-18/21

- Articles for the “Brevard Beacon” newsletter were solicited
- Secretary Jensen is representing Brevard Chapter at the Children of the American Revolution convention in Saint Augustine
- George Washington’s Birthday was observed. Compatriot Doug Bisset was the speaker, showing a video created for Brevard

Public Schools. A fundraiser was conducted for the Daughters of the Revolution

- February service and contributions to veterans will be reported by 2/1/22

## March

- An in-person final Last Naval Battle of the Revolutionary War planning meeting was held
- 109 persons representing 38 organizations attended the 2021 Last Naval Battle of the Revolutionary War observance, well supported by Vice President General-Central District William Edward Sharp, 2014-2015 President General Lindsey Cook Brock, FLSSAR President David Bussone, Senior Vice President Bernard Wolff, Treasurer and Color Guard Commander Richard Young, Executive Administrator and Regional Vice President-East Central Hall Riediger, Regional Vice President-Southwest Robert McGuire, and Recording Secretary and Color Guard Vice Commander Steve Fields. the Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade, Lighthorse Harry Lee Camp#15, Jacksonville SAR, Flagler Chapter, Georgia Marshes of Glynn, Chapter, St. Lucie Chapter, and the Daughters of the American Revolution Regents Councils Presidents Lona Burnett and Deb Plaag, Sons of the American Revolution Ladies Auxiliary National Society Billie Brock and Florida Society Anne McGuire, Lawrence Kearney Chapter, Hickory Bluff Chapter, Abigail Wright Chamberlin Chapter, Jacksonville Chapter, Tampa Chapter, Withlacoochee Chapter, Cape Canaveral Chapter, Philip Perry Chapter, and Rufus Fairbanks Chapter, and Children of the American Revolution Luke Winbun of Iowa, and Marine Corps League Detachment 513, Courageous Division of the Sea Cadets, and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Compatriot Donn Weaver and the Veterans Memorial Center, Merritt Island provided the venue. Compatriot Doug Bissett served as cannoner, opening, and closing the ceremony with a bang. Compatriot Sam Ashdown registered participants and distributed streamers. Compatriots Brian Jensen and Nic Mihora augmented the Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade. Past Treasurer Carroll Lord continues to assist regarding accounts receivable and accounts payable. LNB initial complimentary feedback was appreciated, and further feedback is invited to make the 2022 observance even better.
- Quarterly Veterans Administration Voluntary Service, Lake Nona virtual meeting
- March service and contributions to veterans will be reported by 2/1/22

## April

- Brevard Chapter has 112 members in good standing
- 2ndVP Jerry Scarpate obtained ROTC/JROTC certificates, obtained President Ward's signatures, and delivered them with medals to fifteen colleges and high schools
- An in-person meeting was held April 17, 2021 at the Tides Club, Patrick Space Force Base
- 22 members, 3 WOSAR, and 4 guests attended
- Christopher Alan Ratzel was inducted
- Carl Council Clemmons was reinstated
- Prayers were asked for Compatriots Bonnett, Buchanan, and Conklin as they face health issues
- The Last Naval Battle of the Revolutionary War Observance was reported; a program was distributed
- The upcoming FLSSAR Board of Managers meeting was announced. 2018-2020 President Bonnett and President Ward are delegates, and two more are authorized based on 112 Brevard Chapter members. Brian Jensen was elected as a delegate
- Elections will be conducted at the May meeting
- A motion to have a June meeting passed, given the Daughters of the American Revolution cancelled their flag day observance. DAR members are welcome to attend.
- 2nd Vice President and ROTC/JROTC Committee Chairman Jerry Scarpate reported the status of that program
- Colonel, USA (retired), and State Department (Retired) Dan Layton surveyed an inspiring set of careers including several global hot spots of the time
- A Patriot Day observance was held
- Compatriot Nic Mihora represented Brevard Chapter at the Liberty Tree dedication, Highland County
- Compatriots Tim Hicks, Brian Jensen, Nic Mihora and Donn Weaver represented the Brevard Chapter at the 31st Annual Veterans Reunion opening ceremony in Melbourne. 112 wreaths were laid. 54,000 people attended during the week's activities.
- BOM reports were submitted
- April service and contributions to veterans will be reported by 2/1/22

**JROTC Status Brevard Chapter** Approximately 15 schools are having Awards Ceremonies within the county that have accepted ROTC medals and Awards. Currently the ceremonies will be private (Covid-19), we are in communication with the schools that we can personally present the Medals and Awards if the ceremonies become public.



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