NSSAR FACT SHEET

National Web site = www.sar.org

Florida Society Web site = www.flssar.org

Brevard Chapter Web site = www.brevardsar.org

The SAR is a historical, educational, and patriotic non-profit, United States 501(c)3, corporation that seeks to maintain and extend

- * the institutions of American freedom
- * an appreciation for true patriotism
- * a respect for our national symbols
- * the value of American citizenship
- * the unifying force of *e pluribus unum* that has created, from the people of many nations, one nation and one people.

We do this by perpetuating the stories of patriotism, courage, sacrifice, tragedy, and triumph of the men who achieved the independence of the American people in the belief that these stories are universal ones of man's eternal struggle against tyranny, relevant to all time, and will inspire and strengthen each succeeding generation as it too is called upon to defend our freedoms on the battlefield and in our public institutions.

Sons of the American Revolution, was organized on April 30, 1889 -- the 100th anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington as our nation's first President.

The National Society was chartered by an Act of the United States Congress on June 9, 1906. The charter was signed by President Theodore Roosevelt, who was a member of the SAR.

Today the SAR consists of 27,000 members in over 500 chapters in the United States, Canada, France, Germany, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom.

Almost 176, 000 descendants of the men and women Patriots of the American Revolution have been admitted since our founding.

Historical Activities

Historical Sites and Celebrations

Students or teachers who need information on Revolutionary topics should visit:

The Real Story of the American Revolution on our home page.

Educational / Youth Programs

Eagle Scout (active scouts before 19th birthday)

Knight Essay for high school students

JROTC - recipients are selected by the Commanding Officer of the ROTC or JROTC unit

Rumbaugh Orations for sophomore, junior or senior year high school students

Americanism Poster for 4th or 5th graders

American History Teacher Award - winner will receive a trip to Freedoms Foundation Summer Teacher Graduate Workshop at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.

American Heritage CD curriculum includes K-12 material - FREE

Patriotic Programs and Activities

The US Flag

Color Guard – NSSAR Color Guard to march in American Legion National Parade in Louisville, KY August 2009

Re-enactments

Grave Marking

Membership:

The SAR is a "lineage" society. This means that each member has traced their family tree back to a point of having an ancestor who supported the cause of American Independence during the years 1774-1783.

A local contact will be assigned to you to help with the application process.