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President's Message

Dear Compatriots,

May 16th was our first meeting at Colony West Country Club. I received good reports on the location and meeting. We had good music, we socialized, and just had a good time together.

This past year we've had some good speakers. Our CAR program is really moving thanks to its leadership. Joe Motes has done an excellent job with the ROTC medals program. I am proud of Ted Duay representing us in his patriot uniform.

In this coming year, let's continue these activities but add a Liberty Tree program, let's get more new applicants, add to our Veterans Nursing Home activities, and complete our military medals for members. I will also tell you about a new program, "Wreaths Across America." More on this at our next meeting.

Our next meeting Sept 19th. Please call Joe Motes for reservations. Officers, please call Jim if you unable to attend.

Thanks for your past and future support.

Jim Lohmeyer, President

This Month's Guest Speaker

Dr. Marshall DeRosa to be our Sept 19th guest speaker. Dr. DeRosa is a Professor of Political Science at Fla. Atlantic Univ. He received his M.A. and Ph. D. from the Univ. of Houston. He has taught at L.S.U. and Davis and Elkins College. His research interest focuses on the American founding principles. He has authored books, chapters, journal articles and book reviews. Check Dr. Marshall's radio and web T.V. show called "Straight Talk with Marshall DeRosa", from 4 P.M. to 5 P.M. every Friday.

STATE GENEALOGIST REPORT

Dear Compatriots:

At the Spring 2009 FLSSAR Board of Management Meeting, I presented my final Registrar Report which summarized the events that transpired during the March 2009 NSSAR Genealogy Committee Meeting in Louisville. As you are probably aware, I was unsuccessful in overturning the ruling by Genealogist General Joe Dooley in September 2008 that prohibited the use of DAR Record Copies with center check marks as proof of lineage and service for SAR applications.

One of the exhibits that I presented at the NSSAR Genealogy Committee Meeting was SAR Genealogical Policy GR040704-A that I downloaded from the NSSAR national website. As you will note, this policy reads "The NSSAR will accept record copies (dated 1986 or later) from the NSDAR...with respect to related sections of the SAR application that require proof of service and/or proof of the applicant's lineage." At the top of the page on which this policy is listed, it states "Policy Approved by the 2004 Annual Congress."

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NEXT MEETING - SEPTEMBER 19, 2009

**Colony West Country Club
6800 NW 88th Ave in Tamarac**

Future Dates:

OCTOBER 17, 2009

NOVEMBER 21, 2009

JANUARY 16, 2010 Installation

FEBRUARY 20, 2010

Time: 11:30AM social gathering; Lunch at noon
Buffet luncheon - \$15.00

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2009 ROTC and Good Citizenship Awards



Coral Springs Civil Air Patrol



Crystal Lakes Civil Air Patrol



Weston Civil Air Patrol



Blanche Ely High School



Boyd Anderson High School



Coconut Creek High School

2009 ROTC and Good Citizenship Awards



Coral Glades High School



Coral Springs High School



Cypress Bay High School



Deerfield Beach High School



Everglades High School



Charles Flanagan High School

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Fort Lauderdale High School



Hallandale High School



J.P. Taravella High School



McArthur High School



Miramar High School



Monarch High School

2009 ROTC and Good Citizenship Awards



Northeast High School



NOVA High School



Piper High School



Plantation High School



Pompano Beach High School



South Broward High School

2009 ROTC and Good Citizenship Awards



South Plantation High School



Stoneman Douglas High School



Stranahan High School



West Broward High School



Western High School



Fort Lauderdale Naval Sea Cadets

2009 ROTC and Good Citizenship Awards



Cmdr Alan Starr of the Fort Lauderdale Naval Sea Cadets is presented a check for \$200 from our Chapter.

As the 2008-2009 academic year came to an end, our Chapter has made this another successful year. In my conversation with many of the unit CO's, they have expressed how grateful they are for our involvement in their Awards Recognition program.

My personal thanks go out to James Lohmeyer and Ed Spencer who helped make all these presentations a great success. This year we had 30 JROTC recipients. Two Navy Sea Cadet and four Civil Air Patrol Cadets were the recipients of the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal. This year we continued presenting the Good Citizenship Certificates to some of the above units, over 200 were presented.

For the coming new school year we will be adding 2 new high school to our roster, Cooper City High School and Hollywood Hill High School, and 2 new Civil Air Patrol Squadron, Pembroke Pines and Cooper City.



The "Three Hits and a Miss". They sang some songs in the classic barbershop quartet style. Among them were "Under the Boardwalk" and the Beach Boys tune "In My Room".

Below are all our recipients for the past year:

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| Blanche Ely High | Freddy Hurkes |
| Boyd Anderson High | Raphael Martinez |
| Charles Flanagan High | Anas Bahabri |
| Charles Flanagan High | Michael Montgomery |
| Coconut Creek High | Theodore Thomas |
| Coral Glades High | Alexander Diaz |
| Coral Springs High | Akeem Creary |
| Cypress Bay High | Alicia Betancourt |
| Deerfield Beach High | Manuel Guerra |
| Dillard High | Tashi McNeil |
| Everglades High | Daniel Espinoza |
| Everglades High | Natalie Reyes |
| Fort Lauderdale High | Gary Kousek |
| Hallandale High | Jovan Williams |
| McArthur High | Kempton Brereton |
| Miramar High | Jayson Hyde |
| Monarch High | Matheus C. Pamato |
| Northeast High | Brizeyda Parada |
| NOVA High | Jennifer Dodd |
| Piper High | Michael Peterson |
| Plantation High | Clinton Bent |
| Pompano Beach High | Daniel Saavedra |
| South Broward High | Arley Betancur |
| South Plantation High | Neil Aquino |
| Stoneman Douglas High | Wilbert Ramos |
| Stranahan High | Nelson Chery |
| J. P. Taravella High | Juan Alvarez |
| West Broward High | Michael Ramirez |
| West Broward High | Gladys Ibarra |
| Western High | Tyler Conti |

Receiving the Bronze Good Citizenship Medals were:

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| Fort Lauderdale Navy Sea Cadets | Pablo Tabora |
| Fort Lauderdale Navy Sea Cadets | Joshua Fitzgibbon |
| Boca Raton CAP Civil Air Patrol | Connor Cash |
| Weston Civil Air Patrol | Michael Lavin |
| Crystal Lakes Civil Air Patrol | Nicholas Gloria |
| Coral Springs Civil Air Patrol | Zachary Vorcheimer |
| Pembroke Pines Civil Air Patrol | Malik Gumbs |



Pembroke Pines Civil Air Patrol

What a trip. Anita and I attended my 57th reunion of the 15th Special Basic Class United States Marine Corps in Arlington, VA. At the Thursday night get together we were entertained by the Presidents band and Honor Guard. Friday we went to Mt. Vernon and attended The Sunset Parade hosted by General James F. Amos, Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps. Saturday we went to Marine Corps National Museum and a Saturday evening Banquet with the Commandant, General James Conway as the Guest of Honor. Sunday was a memorial breakfast.

We drove to Pinehurst, N.C. and played two rounds of golf at Foxfire and Talamore country clubs.

We went to Carthage, N.C., which is the grave site of my patriot, Isaac Sowell. (See picture below.)

If you have an hour I will fill in all the details, if you ask? No takers!!!!??

Jim Lohmeyer



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When I presented this exhibit at the March 2009 NSSAR Genealogy Committee Meeting, it was disregarded by most of the compatriots in the room, including Genealogist General Joe Dooley and Secretary General now President General Ed Butler. Paul Hays, National Trustee of the DC Society and a member of the NSSAR Genealogy Committee, stood up and stated that any SAR Genealogical Policy approved by an Annual Congress could not be undone by any committee and could only be rescinded by a future Annual Congress. His statements and concerns were disregarded by most of the compatriots in the room, including Messrs. Dooley and Butler.

In June 2009, President-elect Rick Hollis of the Tennessee Society, who attended the March 2009 NSSAR Genealogy Committee Meeting, posed the question on SAR-Talk regarding SAR Genealogical Policy GR040704-A, and questioned the authority by which the Genealogist General or any committee could rescind an SAR Genealogical Policy seemingly approved by an Annual Congress. His question generated numerous responses.

Even though I did not attend the Annual Congress in Atlanta, several compatriots provided details to me of what occurred. When Compatriot Jim Faulkinbury of California and others attempted to bring up the subject of DAR Center Check Marks and SAR Genealogical Policy GR040704-A during the business meeting on Wednesday, President General Appleby refused to permit any discussion of the subject because he had created a Blue Ribbon Panel to research the issue. He appointed the members of the Panel and they were tasked with presenting a report at the September 2009 NSSAR Leadership Meeting.

I mention all of this to you, because as you can see, it is of concern to people in all sections of our country, and still remains the most significant outstanding genealogical policy issue affecting the SAR and the preparation, processing, and approval of applications. I believe it is my duty as FLSSAR Genealogist to keep you informed of these types of matters.

In conclusion, I thought I should mention that when the 2009-2010 NSSAR Committee Assignments were posted on the NSSAR website, my name was removed from the NSSAR Genealogy Committee and all others national committees to which I had previously belonged. My removal from these committees was done without my knowledge or request. Indeed, I received confirmation from an FLSSAR member that my removal was done by PG Ed Butler himself. I thought you would find it curious that your current State Genealogist and former State Registrar no longer had membership on the NSSAR Genealogy Committee. Most peculiar, isn't it?

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Duay
Genealogist, FLSSAR

The meeting of the Ft. Lauderdale Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution was held Saturday May 16, 2009 at the Colony West Country Club, 6800 NW 88th Ave. Tamarac, Florida 33321.

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Lohmeyer.

Chapter Chaplin Rob Joynt offered a prayer.

The attendees then joined in with the Pledge of Allegiance and the SAR Pledge.

All present were asked to introduce themselves. There were 16 members and guests.

The first item of discussion was the new location for the meetings. The Flaming Pit restaurant had closed but even before that, there was an effort to find a suitable replacement. Ted Duay talked about the difficulty in finding affordable locations in the area. Everyone seemed pleased with the new location.

Unfortunately, the guest speaker for this meeting, Helen, was ill and unable to attend. Jim talked a bit about her career in the military and how sorry he was that she couldn't make it. Get well wished were conveyed.

There was a motion to donate \$200 to the Swamp Fox Society of the Children of the American Revolution.

Another motion was to provide money to the Sea Cadets, Treasurer Joe Motes explained where the money came from, mostly the monthly 50/50 drawing.

A motion was made to pay for two replacement tents (at \$45 each) for the ROTC as their tents have become worn and unusable and are critical to their unit.

A motion to reimburse Joe for gas as he travels extensively to present awards on behalf of our SAR chapter. Last year he was allowed \$300 but with gas being considerably less expensive this year, the amount of \$250 was agreed upon.

All motions passed.

Jim talked about the Pembroke Pines Historical Museum and how he enjoyed his visit there recently. Also discussed was assisting the VA hospital.

Lunch was served at 12:20.

After lunch, Vice President Ed Spenser extended an invitation to the Memorial Day Parade in Pompano Beach where the Swamp Fox Society of the CAR would be marching.

John offered an update on the work being done regarding war medals. John and Ed are on the war medals committee. A discussion ensued.

Joe presented the Treasurer Report and also mentioned how there will be 2 more ROTC units to present medals to next year.

Discussion about the newsletter followed. Some are mailed; others are forwarded electronically, the latter being a considerable cost savings.

Ted Duay, who is the SAR Florida State Genealogist talked about various chapter applications in the works and activities on the national level.

Entertainment followed. A singing group called Three Hits and a Miss. They sang some songs in the classic barbershop quartet style. Among them were "Under the Boardwalk" and the Beach Boys tune "In My Room".

Rob offered a final pray and the attendees joined in the SAR recessional.

The 50/50 drawing took place and the meeting was adjourned at 1:40 PM.



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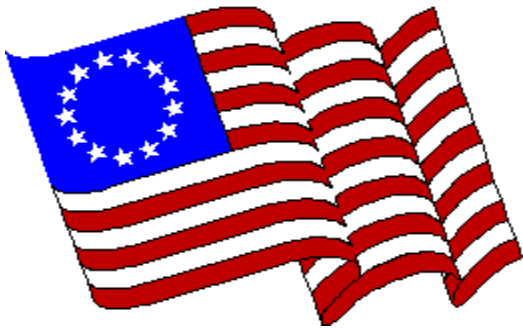
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2010 Dues Notice

Greetings Compatriot!

Your SAR dues notice and membership card for 2010 are enclosed. Please send your check for it to be received no later than December 5th. This timing is required to meet the new deadlines established by the state and national organizations. If circumstances may delay your payment, call or e-mail the Treasurer (954-441-8735 or joemotes@aol.com).

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NOTE: Anyone who has not been heard from by 12/10/09 must be reported as dropped from membership. Reinstatement can be made at a later date but this will require processing a special application and the payment of \$5 in addition to the regular dues. These delays also may cause some issues of the newsletter and magazine to be missed. – Of course, it is hoped that everyone will renew but it also is very important that your response be timely.

CHAPTER TRUST FUND

The Fort Lauderdale Chapter SAR Trust Fund was established in 1991 and has grown to its current balance of approx \$14,000. The stated purpose of this fund is to assist in the operation of the Chapter, including its projects and expenses. Only the earnings of the Trust may be utilized, never the principal. Including extra dollars in your check for the trust fund will be very helpful and appreciated.

Thankyou and have a happy holiday season.....