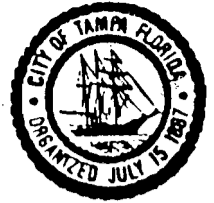




FLORIDA SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
TAMPA CHAPTER
(Site of the 96th Annual Congress)



Newsletter March 1986

Tampa Chapter President's Letter to the Compatriots

At the time you receive this newsletter only a few days will be left of my term. This past year has brought many new things to me both personally and as a member of the SAR. I wish to thank each of you for allowing me to be a part of this great beginning. I know that this is only the beginning for our chapter. I expect that within 3 years the chapter will not only be the best (as it is now) in the state but also the biggest. The members who have joined us this past year symbolize the youth and excitement that we all share. It is my hope that all members will make the March banquet and see the new officers installed. The Chapter is only as good as the members who are in it. I wish I had the room to acknowledge all the compatriots who have gone above and beyond what was asked of them and made this year so successful. In closing let me say that in my entire short life I have never been more pleased than to share what I have shared this past year with you. A higher caliber of men I have never known before. I'm mighty proud to be an SAR, especially from the Tampa Chapter. Hope to see all of you on March 15th.

Incidentally, please RSVP to me on the banquet by March 10th. 10355 Chadbourne Drive
Tampa 33624
963-0438

Treasurer's Report

After obtaining the records from our last treasurer and depositing the outstanding checks and paying the state society the chapter members dues, the current balance stands at \$376.14. Dues have been collected from all members with the exception of Allen Back who has moved out of the area. The cost/expenses of the chapter will be fully disclosed at the next regular meeting of the chapter in April. A brief overview will be in next month's newsletter.

Secretary's Report

At last report to the State Secretary the Tampa Chapter stood at 41 members. This includes 1 associate member and 1 dual member. The youngest member is 19 and the oldest 91. The Tampa Chapter has obtained 12 new members this past year and has transferred in 7 members, reinstated 2. We lost only 2; one because of a drop, the other transferred to another chapter but became our first associate member. The net gain for Tampa in its first year was 19. There are only 2 applications pending but they should be approved before 31 March.

VA Report

The President is taking the liberty to submit this report to the Chapter. As the report to the State VA Chairman has been submitted, it looks like Tampa will be in line for the VA award at the Annual meeting in May. The Chapter has about 1,135 points toward the award. The Chapter should realize that it was because of the activity of Compatriot Spec Winfree that so many points were accumulated. Spec has done an outstanding job for the Chapter and needs our support to maintain this important function of the Chapter.

GOOD WORK SPEC!!!!!!

Board of Management Meeting Report

The BOM met at Cypress Gardens on January 31st through February 1, 1986. Your President attended and represented the Chapter. Business discussed involved various officers' reports.

The Board of Governors of the Tampa Chapter authorized a \$20 contribution to the Endowment Trust Fund in Memorial of Tampa Compatriot Sumter Lowry and Past President General Richard Thompson of the St. Petersburg Chapter.

Tampa was recognized as a leader in new members.

President Baylies offered a motion to the BOM regarding the distasteful use of George Washington's image in advertisement in February. The BOM after some discussion passed the motion and directed the State Secretary to send a letter to various editors of newspapers in Florida for publication.

President Baylies also nominated Compatriot Glenn Arter as Vice President of West Central Florida. Election of state officers will occur at the Annual Meeting in Orlando in May.

All members should try to attend a BOM meeting at least once. With the growth of our Chapter, we should look toward getting another vote. With each 40 members a chapter gets another vote.

Out Last Meeting

This was in conjunction with the Clearwater Chapter at the GEORGE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON it sponsored. Approximately 100 people - SARs, DARs and guests - attended, including 10 from the Tampa Chapter. The Clearwater Chapter presented a Bunker Hill flag to the Junior ROTC of the Countryside High School through its Colonel Twait. A very interesting talk was given by Rear Admiral William Schwob, USCG (Ret) on the early years of the United States Coast Guard. Most people don't realize that Washington was very personally involved in commissioning the first 10 Captains of the Revenue Cutters which were the first ships of what is now called the Coast Guard. Alexander Hamilton, our first Secretary of Treasury, suggested the Revenue Cutters to collect duties from shippers, as part of the way to raise funds to finance the new government. To American shippers, who had been smuggling for years, this was about as popular as a skunk at a lawn party. Very determined and resourceful Captains had to be selected to command the Cutters to enforce the duty regulations. When, in 1790, this was done, Washington personally knew most of those first ten Captains, if not all.

Bob Baylies spoke briefly regarding the progress the Tampa Chapter was making and invited all to our installation/awards banquet on March 15th. Vice President Al Snapp of the West Central Region will preside at the banquet.

The Endowment Trust Fund

Little, if anything, has been said at the Tampa Chapter meetings thusfar regarding this Fund. Starting on page 23 of the last THE FLORIDA PATRIOT there is much detail about it. For those who may not yet have heard of the Fund, the Trustees "have the duty to receive and invest money or other property donated to the EDT for patriotic, historical, educational and charitable purposes". This is the fund to which the Chapter contributed \$20 as mentioned above. Keep in mind when you want to make a contribution in memory of someone or for any other reason including tax and estate planning. The Trust Fund is a tax-exempt Trust Fund under appropriate sections of the 1954 Internal Revenue Code.

The 96th Annual Congress

June 7th will be here on June 7th!!! Chairman Twiggs still could use a lot of on-the-scene help. Let Bob Baylies know immediately that you can lend a hand or whatever. See above where and how you can contact him.

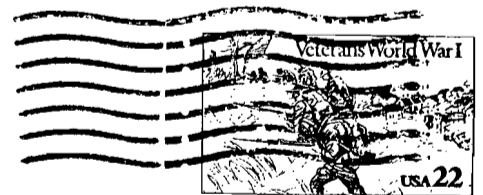
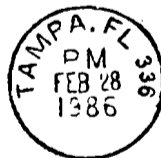
The CAR

Don't forget that the Chapter wants to win the award for the most State Promoters of the CAR at the May (not April as last month's newsletter said) Annual Meeting of the FLSAR. Send your check for at least \$4 to President Bob, or have it ready when you see him at the banquet.

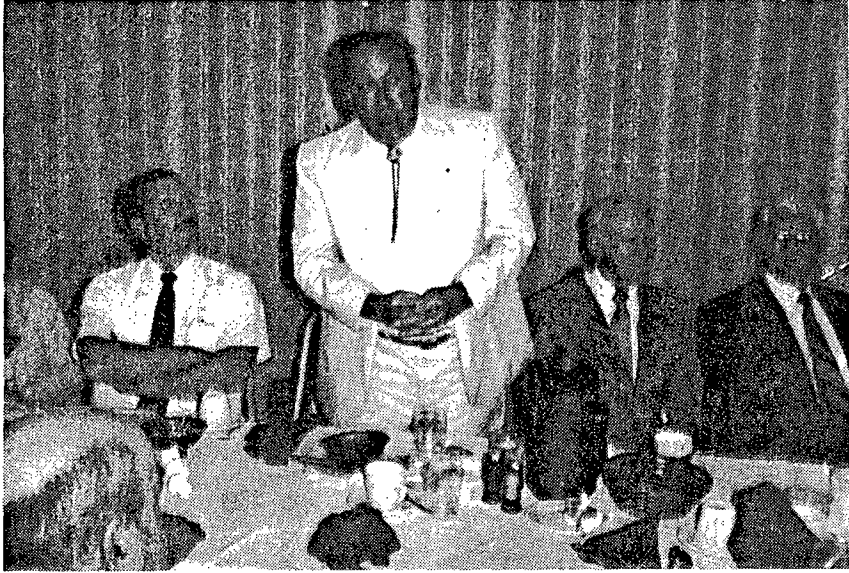
New Members and Transferees

A warm welcome to Cecil Samuel Beauregard, Jr., Charles Carroll Bearss, Herbert Preston, Mason, Jr., Austin Elwood Showers, and Paul Weaver.

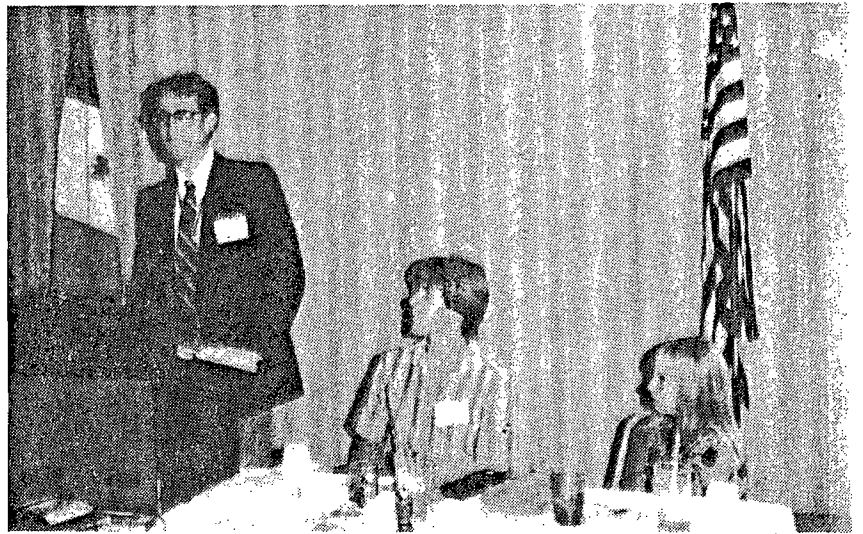
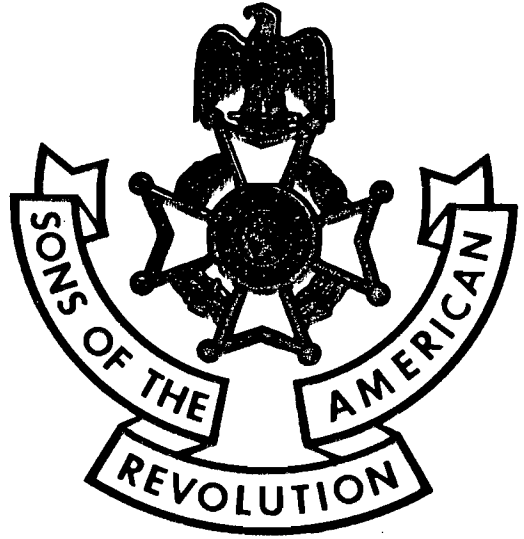
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#1 - Gen. Albert J. Twiggs, Chairman of the 96th Annual Congress addresses the Compatriots on one of his two visits to the Tampa Chapter.



#2 - Matt Pringle, resident of the Florida CAR addresses the Compatriots under the watchful eyes of CAR members Scott and Kristin Hair at the October meeting of the Tampa Chapter.



#3 - Also at the October meeting President Bob Baylies installed Herbert Haager as a new Compatriot.



#4 - Veterans Administration representative Michael Linder described governmental services performed its veterans from BC to present with emphasis, of course, on our own VA at the November meeting. VP, Jim Smith and Prexy, Bob Baylies are listeners.



FLORIDA SOCIETY
Sons of the American Revolution
Tampa Chapter

The members of the Tampa Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution request the honour of your presence at the banquet celebrating their chartering and installation of officers.

Saturday, 15 March 1986

6:30 p.m.

Egypt Temple Shrine

4050 Dana Shores Drive

Tampa, Florida

Compatriots' Ladies welcome \$15.00 per person

Black tie optional R.S.V.P. by 5 March 1986

Compatriot Baylies

10355 Chadbourne Drive Tampa, Florida 33624

(813) 963-0438 after 6:00 p.m.

#5 - The November meeting saw new Compatriot Martin Miller installed to SAR membership by Pres. Bob Baylies as VA representative, Linder, listens to the oath taking.