

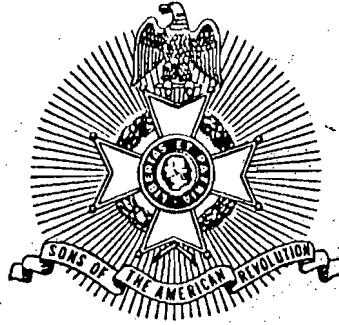
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OUR December meeting will be Saturday December 17, 1994 at Colony Inn Resort & Conference Center, 820 Bush Blvd., Tampa, Florida at 12:00 Noon. Each person will be responsible for paying for their own meal. Your check will include the gratuity.

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**PROGRAM FOR DECEMBER MEETING**

The program for December will be given by Linda Flowers of Tampa Catholic on early 1800 literature. Not only does she have great knowledge of this subject she has many 1st editions some of which she will bring for our inspection. This should be a very interesting and informative program. Bring your wife or freind and enjoy.

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**BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING**

Board of Governors meeting will be Wednesday December 7th at the NORTH TAMPA BRANCH OF THE PUGLIC LIBRARY, 8919 N. BOULEVARD - just south of Busch Boulevard (West of Florida Ave.) at 7:00 PM. Remind you that all members are invited to attend these meetings and contribute to the business of the Tampa Chapter of the SAR.

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**1995 CHAPTER DUES**

Remind you again, that it is time to pay you chapter, state & national dues. They must be paid no later that December 31st in order for our secretary the report and dues in to the state. PLEASE PAY AS FOLLOWS TO OUR

**TREASURER:**

TAMPA CHAPTER SAR	National Dues	\$ 17.00
James Washburn	State Dues	\$ 9.00
5211 Neptune Way	Chapter Dues	\$ 10.00
Tampa, Florida 33609-3638	Total	\$ 36.00

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**TAMPA CHAPTER SAR  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 19, 1994 AT THE COLONY HOTEL & CONFERENCE  
CENTER, EAST BUSH BOULEVARD, TAMPA, FLORIDA**

In the absence of President George Brooks, Vice President Kevin Yarnell called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM.

Chaplain Larry Huntley (Secretary Jim Washburn) gave the invocation.

The Pledge of allegiance to the Flag and SAR pledge were led by VP Yarnell.

He also introduced the guests present: Mrs. Margaret McGee, Mrs. Fimi Richie, ROTC Cadet Neal Huneycutt from Hillsborough High School unit, Dr. Vance Jennings, Mr. Calvin Martin and Lt. Col. Thomas McInnes who would present the program for this meeting. Mrs. Arline Rising came in a few minutes later with Compatriot Russ.

To accommodate Col. McInnes busy schedule of the day, the Chapter changed its usual sequence of events to have him present his program before any of the Chapter business agenda.

So not only did he present the program, but he did so in full regalia of what he later identified as of the Clan Douglas. It didn't seem to concern the Compatriots that it was in loyalist colors. In questioning following his program he maintained the tradition of not identifying what a Scotsman wears under his kilt. Col McInnes is in charge of the ROTC program at Hillsborough High School, which is known as the oldest ROTC program in Florida.

His program, complete with chart for illustration, was regarding the battle at Moore's Creek Bridge, N.C., February 1776. It was the first significant early victory for the Patriots in the Revolution. In the battle, the Patriots were trying to block a force of Loyalists trying to reach English forces at Wilmington, N.C.. The Patriots lured the Loyalists (Mostly Scotsmen in kilts) to charge the bridge over Moore's Creek from which the Patriots had removed the planking and had greased what was left. This was a complete disaster for the Loyalists and it dampened Loyalist activity in the south for years to come. In addition, the Patriots captured many supplies including a bonanza of 1,500 pounds of sterling.

This was an excellent program and called for a good number of questions and remarks by the listeners.

Upon being presented with a certificate of appreciation by the Chapter for the program, Col. McInnes expressed his appreciation of the support given the ROTC program over the years by the SARs.

Following lunch the Chapter proceeded to its agenda.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed in the November newsletter.

Secretary/Treasurer Jim Washburn reported:

1. That he has received the annual reporting forms from the State Secretary. The deadline of reporting to the State Secretary is February 15th so members are urged to send their 1995 dues to him before January 1st.
2. Nothing has been received from the WWII Memorial Committee as to the information it wants for the Chapter to be able to proceed with this program.
3. The NSSAR is updating its 1989 index of Compatriots.
4. The Citizens Flag Alliance is sponsoring an amendment to the US Constitution to protect the flag from desecration.
5. As reported at the November 7th BOG meeting for the year to that date:

YTD income	\$ 563.00
YTD expense	766.00
Net expense	<u>203.00</u>
YTD Balance	\$ 1369.00
11/7/94	<u><u>\$ 1166.00</u></u>
6. The FLSSAR is not requiring a years dues to be paid with a new application for membership.
7. The Endowment Trust Fund may reimburse Chapters at the rate of 50% of their request.
8. NSSAR is looking for ways to increase its income and suggestions are welcome. It is also to develop a Capital Additions Foundation.
9. Up to the time of this meeting 7 Chapter members have paid their '95 dues.

VP Yarnell reported that Compatriot Barry Rich had contacted the County regarding the planting seedlings from trees of historical significance and marking them with appropriate plaque identifying them as a gift from the Chapter. The County was enthusiastic about the idea.

There being no old business so proceeding to new business and the only matter to be brought up at that point was the election of the 1995 Chapter Officers. VP Yarnell reported on the nominating committee's recommendations and then asked for nominations from the floor. On hearing none and hearing a motion that the nominations be closed which was passed unanimously. No one

requested that the election be by written ballot. A motions was made for the election of officers as recommended by the nominating committee which was passed unanimously.

The officers for 1995 as elected will be:

President	George Brooks
Vice President	Kevin Yarnell
Secretary/Treasurer	James Washburn
Registrar/Genealogist	Roger Crane

The next BOG meeting was announced for Wednesday, December 7th and the next Chapter meeting for Saturday, December 17th.

Compatriot Ted Dickerson won the 50-50 drawing. \$6.00 was added to the Chapter treasury.

VP Yarnell led the Chapter in the SAR recessional, Chaplain Huntley said the benediction and the meeting adjourned at approximately 1:20 PM.

The meeting was attended by 12 Compatriots, ROTC Members including the program speaker, 3 wives and 2 male guests (prospective members) for a total of 19.

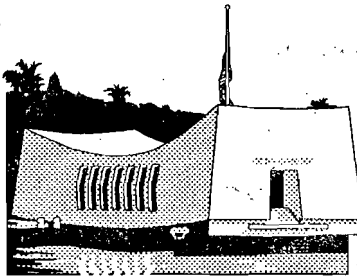
Respectfully submitted.

/s/ *James E. Washburn*  
James E. Washburn  
Secretary

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For those of you who did not attend our last meeting you surely missed another good program. While Lt. Col. McInnes did not reveal what the Scotts wore beneath their Kilts but he told how many feet of material was needed and that they normally did not wear anything when they went into battle. The reason for no clothes was that bullets would penetrate the material and leave so much of the material in the wound that it was difficult to remove. His comment was can you imagine what it would like with a army of naked men charging. He also said that normally when asked what they wore beneath the kilt he would ask if their hands were cold! This was one of our better programs of the year.

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REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR  
DECEMBER 7

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#### HELP WANTED

Again remind you to please save labels from any of the Campbell Soup products and give to me to donate to our sister group for their schools. The DAR sends these labels to the schools they sponsor and Campbell allows them credit toward some of their school equipment. This is a very worth while project and like most schools need new equipment all the time. Remind your wives or friends to save them for you to give to the DAR.

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#### NEWSLETTER ITEMS

Your Editor would appreciate any news that you would like to include in the Newsletter to be forwarded to me no later than the 1st of each month to be included in that months newsletter. There are, I am sure, a lot of news items that each of you have that would be of interest to the Chapter members.

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