

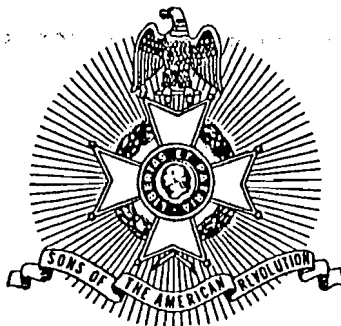
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OCTOBER MEETING

Our October meeting will be Saturday October 21, 1995 at Best Western Tampa Resort Center, 820 Busch Blvd., Tampa, Florida at 12:00 Noon. Each person will be responsible for paying for their own meal. Your check will include the gratuity.

PROGRAM FOR OCTOBER WILL BE PRESENTED BY COMPATRIOT LARRY HUNTLEY

THE STANDING STONES OF CALLANISH

On the Isle of Lewis, the northernmost of Scotland's outer Hebridean Islands, can be found the unique complex of tall stones of Callanish. This complex of tall stones ---49 in the central area, and many more at the 20 hilltop sites which surround the main complex a few miles away ---- is not only the largest complex of Standing Stones, it is also the best preserved.

Frequently, we study the achievements and activities of our ancestors at war. In the standing Stones, we may study the scientific and engineering skills of some of our ancestors in their times of peace, and perhaps of worship, some four to five thousand years ago.

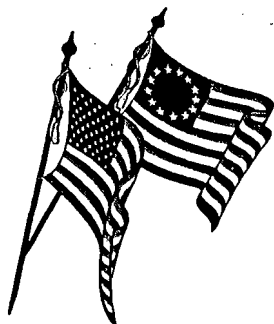
BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

The Board of Governors meeting will meet at 11:00 AM October 21st just before the regular meeting.

This meeting will be one you don't want to miss. The outstanding program should be heard by all so invite a friend and discover the mystery of the stones.

ADOPT A BRICK TO HONOR VETERANS

The Veterans Freedom Memorial "Adopt a Brick" project is in full swing, but it still has a long way to go to raise the necessary funds to construct the Veterans Park located at 3602 U.S. 301 and the Tampa By-pass Canal.



The engraved bricks will be used to pave new and existing walkways within the park and is a major effort to raise the \$110,000 needed to construct the Freedom Memorial. The design of the memorial is such that future generations can see and read and learn the price those who wore the uniforms of our nation paid, dating back to 1776. Each brick for the walkways can be engraved with two lines of 14 characters per line including blank spaces and can be purchased for \$35.00 each. What better way to say

thank you to our veterans than to place an engraved brick in the park. Anyone can purchase these bricks engraved with a name, as a way of honoring those who fought and died for the cause of freedom. Application forms are available at the Customer Service Counter at all Wal-Mart stores within the county, at the Veterans Park or at the Greater Brandon Chamber of Commerce.

FLORIDA SAR PRESIDENT

We were honored at our last meeting by a visit from the Florida State SAR President Ralph Cramer and his wife Betty. In addition to our excellent program by Bob Yarnell, President Cramer also addressed us with some important messages. Invite your attention to the minutes of the meeting for further details on his talk. It is always a pleasure to have a visit from officers of the SAR.



HAPPY

HALLOWEEN

TAMPA CHAPTER SAR

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 16, 1995 AT THE BEST WESTERN HOTEL EAST BUSCH BOULEVARD, TAMPA, FLORIDA

The meeting was called to order by President Brooks at 12:15 P.M.

Chaplain Larry gave the invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Martin Miller and the SAR pledge was led by President Brooks.

President Brooks then introduced the guest which included FLSSAR President Ralph Cramer and his wife Betty, Mrs Fimis Richie, prospective member Doyle Music and President Brooks' wife Leeann and their children, Woody, Lauren and Cody. They came a bit later,

The minutes of the May 1995 meeting were accepted as printed in the September newsletter.

Secretary Jim Washburn called attention to some address changes of Chapter members and some of the matters included in the Summer and Fall editions of the Florida Patriot; particularly the Patriot Index project which needs volunteers for entering information into computers; the next Board of Management meeting to be held in New Port Richey on October 27-28; the National meeting to be held next spring in San Antonio, Texas; the change of name of what used to be the Calvin Coolidge Contest to the George S. And Stella Knight Essay Contest; the increase in prize money for it and the Rumbaugh Oratorical Contest; the attempt to set up a genealogical training course at MacDill Field did not meet with sufficient response to be implemented; the criticism that the FLSSAR has of the recently developed National Standards of Education and finally; that the SAR Magazine no longer listed the various supplies that are needed to conduct the business of the Chapters so that if any are needed the supply catalog that he has needs to be consulted for the latest information on items and prices.

Larry Huntley asked information on how often the magazines were distributed. There followed considerable conversation on mail deliver and the like. Secretary Washburn said that FLSSAR Secretary Bradley (who is responsible for having the correct addresses of all FLSSAR members) would be notified of Larry's current, correct address, then the problem is something else.

Treasurer Washburn then summarized the financial report which had been furnished the BOM in detail as follows for the year to date:

Income	\$ 313.14
Expense	\$ 236.49
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Net Income	\$ 76.65
Chapter Funds 1/1	\$ 1307.83
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Chapter Funds 9/16	\$ 1384.48
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During the summer months of inactivity there was no significant income or expense.

President Brooks reported that the awarding of a medal(s) to DAR ladies who sponsors applications for SAR membership to the Tampa Chapter had been approved by the BOG. The applications do not have to result in membership to be awarded.

George also announced the Chapter was looking into the possibility of having an evening program, either in addition to or instead of, its regular mid-day Saturday meeting time. The purpose is to have a meeting at a time when those Chapter members who cannot attend the regular Saturday meeting time might find it convenient to attend an evening meeting.

Also being considered is an evening program at the Northwest Regional (Carrollwood) Library. The feature of this program would be a video presentation from the series "The American Revolution" as has been produced by A&E Television Networks. If feasible, three programs a year would be held until the six series completed. Snacks would be served and genealogical worksheets would be made available to anyone interested. These programs would be open to the public.

George also reported on the progress of developing a road sign the intent of which is to display a number by which anyone who might be interested in the possibility of becoming an SAR could contact for information. The sign is "half-way" done.

In order to stimulate FLSSAR President Cramer addressed the Chapter covering the following topics:

He Appreciates the activity of the Tampa Chapter.

The Florida Society will become 100 years old in 1996. It is only about six years younger than the National Society The DAR grew out of the SAR.

However his main discussion was to review the circumstances which led up to the National Standard of Education. The Purpose of the committee appointed by President Clinton was to develop text books which would stress "a broadening understanding of all cultures" in the United States. Without his going into specifics of the Standards developed, the United States Senate rejected them 99 to 1. President Cramer emphasized that the members of the Tampa Chapter should do all possible to see that no texts used locally are based on the Standards.

He also stressed that members of the Tampa Chapter should attend the BOM meeting in New Port Richey in October and the annual meeting next April at the fine resort at Naples.

1996 being the Centennial Year for the FLSSAR a Centennial Issue of the Florida Patriot is being developed and all Compatriots are urged to contribute to it. See the FALL EDITION of the Florida Patriot for more information.

Following lunch Compatriot Bob Yarnell gave one of his excellent presentations on the Revolution. This time being the contest in the South in which the American forces usually lost the battles but in so doing so, drained the British forces which, with lack of Tory support they had expected, forced them to withdraw to Yorktown and the end. Bob recommends visiting the battle field sites but to remember that they have very likely changed in appearance over the years.

A Nominating Committee to propose officers for the Chapter for 1996 was chosen consisting of Kevin Yarnell Chairman, Cy Gamber and Martin Miller.

The 50-50 drawing was won by Jim Chambers. \$13 was added to the treasury.

President Brooks led in the SAR recessional, Chaplain Huntley said the benediction and the meeting adjourned at 1:35 P.M.

Eleven Chapter members, three wives and five guests including President Cramer attended for a total of nineteen.

Respectfully submitted,

James E. Washburn
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Secretary