



**THE TAMPA CHAPTER
FLORIDA SOCIETY
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

NEWSLETTER JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 1989

Since the present plans of your Editor are to be "on the road" for most of February taking an automobile trip up the east coast to New York and New England, he doesn't expect to be back in time enough between his arrival home and the February meeting to be able to get out a separate newsletter for February. And if some of the weather that they are having up that way as of this writing continues, who knows when he will be back if ever.

But to get down to business...note that both the January and February meetings are going to be the LAST Saturday of each of those two months!!!

The January meeting will be on the 28th because of the need for the Egypt Temple Shrine to have all of their facilities available for their activities the week earlier. So...for any possible newcomers, the Shrine is at 4050 Dana Shores Drive; we start gathering at 11:30AM or so to get organized to have lunch at noon (or thereabouts depending on the coordination with the Shrine's kitchen) with the business meeting and program following lunch. \$9.

For our January program Veep Duane Vandenberg has acquired another speaker from TECO's speakers bureau. She will be Eva Springer presenting the topic "Taken For Granted America". As usual the January business portion of the meeting will include the election of officers. At the December meeting, the Nominating Committee proposed the following for the 1989 Chapter Officers:

President	- Duane E. Vandenberg
Vice-President	- James E. Washburn
Secretary	- Herbert P. Mason, Jr.
Treasurer	- Cecil Samuel Beauregard
Genealogist- Registrar	- Theodore V. Dickerson, Jr.

The slate of officers proposed by the Nominating Committee may be supplemented by nominations from the floor. Note that because of the change made in the Chapter by-laws making its operating year a calendar one, the term of office of the officers so elected will be from their installation in March through December 1989. Following them, the next officers will served for the year 1990. They will have been elected at the November 1989 meeting, again in accordance with the change in the by-laws.

The February meeting will be the joint meeting with the Clearwater Chapter. Since it is Clearwater's turn to serve as host, we will join with them at the Ruth Eckerd Hall, 1111 McMullen-Booth Road, Clearwater on 25th. The featured speaker is to be Judge Howard Rives. For those Tampa Chapter Compatriots who wish to car-pool to this meeting, plan to meet at Egypt Temple Shrine before 11AM. Leaving then will give a comfortable amount of time to get to the Hall and share some fellowship with all the Compatriots there before the noontime luncheon. The charge for this luncheon will be \$11. No Tampa Chapter business will be conducted at this meeting.

As usual, if the Telephone Committee doesn't contact you by Wednesday before the meetings, call Sam Beauregard (948-1462) to let him know that you will be attending.

And speaking (OK, writing) of Treasurer Sam, if by chance you still have not paid your dues - National, State and Chapter - for 1989, he probably wouldn't at all put out if you sent him your \$29 check for that purpose by the time of the January meeting. Make it out to TAMPA CHAPTER FLSAR and send it to Sam at
17604 Hackamore Place
Lutz 33549

Better yet---bring it to the meeting!!!

Our Last Meeting

For whatever reason the December had the largest turnout in quite some time. Twenty (20) Compatriots, seven (7) ladies and our guest speaker made for a total of twenty eight.

One of the Compatriots attending, probably for the first time, was Scott Mason. As a matter of fact Scott had never been sworn in as a member of the Chapter so President Martin Miller took care of that in short order. But wouldn't you know...Scott is about to, or maybe already has by now, moved to Dallas.

While we were waiting for lunch to be served (it was on the really late side for the first time ever), West Central Regional Veep, Glenn Arter told us of the installation of a new Chapter at Leesburg and the growth of the SAR in the West Central Region. At the installation there were representatives from six different states and a number of Compatriots who had gold pins representing 50 years of membership. The new Chapter is 31st in the state; the Tampa Chapter is 28th.

Regarding the 200th Anniversary celebration of George Washington becoming the first President of the United States, Ed McCleary reported that there are some 260 public and non-public schools in Hillsborough County and that the DAR was to be responsible for getting the addresses of those schools. He hopes that he will be able to get a letter out by the January urging them to have programs recognizing the significance of this anniversary. The Chapter will provide the envelopes and stamps for the mailing. February 4th is the actual date for the observance but the programs will not necessarily be on that date which is a Saturday. It is hoped that both the DAR and the SAR will obtain favorable attention for stressing the significance of this anniversary.

As Chairman of the Douglass G. High Oratorical Committee, Compatriot Ed said that there were 42-43 high schools in Hillsborough County and that 5 schools have expressed the desire to compete in the contest. Although his announced deadline for the schools to indicate their participation had passed, he was still going to accept more for some time yet. Ed reminded the Chapter that he would be setting up the time and place for the contest to be held and at some neutral location and that he would need Compatriots to be judges of the contest. He hopes that there will be volunteers for this judging who are knowledgeable in the area of public speaking. He will ask for the volunteers at the January meeting. He will need three.

Our speaker for the meeting was John F. Howes, CPA of the firm of Smith, Howes and Company, Certified Public Accountants, Tampa. He spoke very interestingly about the Federal income tax and particularly those areas which had been recently changed. The number of questions which were put to him following (and in some instances during) his talk were an indication of the interest of the Chapter in his subject.

Odds and Ends

If you will recall, during the Revolutionary War days fighting pretty nearly came to a halt (with exceptions of course like Washington at Trenton) while everyone tried to keep as warm as they could. But here in Florida and particularly this year there is no excuse like that to keep you from coming to the Chapter meetings. Come on out!!! Help support your Chapter's vital programs!!!

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The nominating committee has selected the following for the 1989

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