



## TAMPA CHAPTER

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## SAR Mission Statement:

The Sons of the American Revolution honors our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities and educating and inspiring future generations about the founding principles of our Country.

## Tampa SAR 2025 Officers

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**President:** Roger Roscoe  
**1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President:** Will Wagner-Hart  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President:** Joe Dato  
**Recording Secretary:** Bob Yarnell  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** Greg Holder  
**Chaplain:** Walter W Oswald  
**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Bill Swain  
**Member-at-Large:** Terry Doan  
**Past President:** Robbie Robinson  
**Chancellor:** Charles Klug  
**Historian:** Bob Yarnell  
**Registrar:** Dick Young  
**Webmaster:** Kevin Yarnell/Matt Cole  
**Color Guard Commander:** Dick Young  
**Newsletter Editor:** Will Wagner-Hart

## *From the office of the Tampa President...*



Hello Compatriots & Friends,  
**Happy 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on June 14<sup>th</sup> to the United States Army!**

I want to thank all of you for attending these last few months at our new location at the library. I also want to thank all of you for your feedback on the directions and future of our chapter.

The 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our country is now taking place. Please try to wear your SAR shirts out in public. Take pictures to share with all of us. Your 1<sup>st</sup> VP Will Wagner-Hart has a fantastic selection of Tampa Chapter shirts with 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logos, or iron-on patch versions celebrating the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Check out the samples listed on page 13 & 14.

We have some exciting future chapter social events we are trying to plan for all of you. Please look at page 17 in the newsletter to see some of the things planned, or in the planning stages. If you have any ideas on a future social event, please contact me or Rick Gray to share your ideas.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at our next Chapter meeting September 13<sup>th</sup>. Our speaker will be Neal Walters; she is a Desoto DAR member. She is a member of the George Washington Foundation and has been very involved in the remodeling of the George Washington family home.

Please continue to send healing prayers to Dick Young. We are all looking forward to seeing him and his wife Lisette very soon.

I hope all of you have a safe and healthy summer vacation. Please feel free to post your vacation picture out on your Facebook Chapter page.

Remember, our meetings are always open to your friends and family, please encourage them to attend. The next meeting will be on **Saturday, Sept 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am**. Doors open at **11am** to socialize while we set up. **Arthenia L. Joyner University Area Community Library 13619 N 22nd St., Tampa, Florida 33613-5872**

- Roger Roscoe, President

# May 2025 Chapter Meeting



We had a good turn out for the May meeting with a good mix of compatriots and friends / family / guests.. (left)



Compatriot Darren Acosta and son Leo expressing their enjoyment at attending the Galvez day celebration in Pensacola, FL this year. (above)

JROTC Chapter Chairman Terry Doan reading a letter from the JROTC commander at Middleton High School in reference to our Enhanced JROTC Chapter winner, Cadet Landon Baird's winning 2nd place at the state-level, but the Tampa Chapter SAR's continued involvement and support of the JROTC programs. (below)



President Roger Roscoe presenting our newest inductee Dr. Joel Silverfield with his certificate and rosette. (below-right)



Recording Secretary, Bob Yarnell gave an insightful briefing on John Dickenson and his often overlooked insights and inputs to the Revolution and Declarations that are often credited to Adams and Jefferson.. (above).



1st VP Will Wagner-Hart reviewing the new chapter by-laws and proposed amendments before motions and voting. All were passed / approved. (right)



*How lucky can you get?* Compatriot Walter Oswald won the day's 50/50 raffle! Presented by Treasurer Greg Holder. (left)

## Honorable Mentions...

PRS Volunteer, Compatriot Bill Leroy received his 2nd Gold Oakleaf cluster for over 850 hours of volunteer service to the SAR. Congrats Bill! (left)



## Chaplain's Notes:

- Please keep Dick Young in your prayers as he continues to rehab his way back to full-strength from this broken ankle.
- It was brought to our attention that our recently-removed-to-Texas compatriot, Matt Balencie's sister Jean Webb, has been having some serious heart issues while hospitalized in Alabama. Please keep her in your prayers as well.

# May 2025 Chapter Meeting Minutes

## Minutes Tampa Chapter SAR

Date: May 10 2025

Place: Arthenia L. Joyner Community Library

Presiding: Pres. Roger Roscoe

Recording Sec.: Bob Yarnell

### ♦ Opening exercises

- ⇒ Meeting called to order at 11:30am by President Roger Roscoe
- ⇒ Invocation by Chaplain W. Oswald
- ⇒ Pledge of Allegiance
- ⇒ SAR Pledge
- ⇒ Introduction of those present

### ♦ Old Business

- ⇒ Tabled motion from April meeting concerning distribution of proceeds from GW banquet reopened.
- ⇒ After more discussion and clarification of use of ETF money, the discussion was tabled again until Sept.

### ♦ Officer Reports

- ⇒ Pres Roger reported on the

Day at the Races Event. All went well and all who attend enjoyed it.

- ⇒ 1<sup>st</sup> VP Will reported on the upcoming State BOM
- ⇒ 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Joe reminded everybody to sign in so we have a good record of attendance and so 250 pts can be properly recorded
- ⇒ Sec Bob reported one correction to the April minutes regarding the misidentification of the DAR Chapters
- ⇒ Treasurer Greg reported a balance of \$12,030. 47
- ⇒ Color Guard Announcements were made concerning upcoming Honor Flight event and various Memorial Day events. {See the schedule of events later in the newsletter}
- ⇒ Other Darren Acosta reported on the Galvez commemoration in Pensacola.
- ⇒ JROTC Terry Doan read a letter from Middleton HS thanking the chapter for their support of the school's JROTC unit. He also reported that our Enhanced Cadet winner placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at the State competition.

### ♦ Awards and/or Membership Inductions

Dr. Joel Silverfield was inducted into membership.

♦ **New**

⇒ New business consisted of 5 of the bylaws being amended to bring them up to date. A motion was made for each amendment. Each received a second. There was a brief discussion for each amendment. Each of amendments carried without opposition.

♦ **Program**

Compatriot Bob Yarnell gave a talk on a largely forgotten founder, John Dickinson. Bob's main argument was that even though Dickinson did not vote for Independence on July 2nd and did not sign the Declaration, his Letters from a Pennsylvania

Farmer went a long way to preparing the ground for Independence. Dickinson attended the Philadelphia Convention and wrote a series of newspaper essays to promote the ratification of the Constitution.

♦ **Misc announcements:**

⇒ Will made a 250 moment announcement to keep the membership up to date.

⇒ Next meeting Sept. 13, 2025

♦ **Closing exercises**

⇒ Recessional

⇒ Benediction

⇒ Adjournment



Account Balance\*: \$ 12,413

Past 30 Day Expenditures: \$ 18

Past 30 Day Credits: \$ 768

\*The minimum balance needed to be maintained for this business account is \$5,000.00.

The past 30 Day **Expenditures** included:

- Certificate Mailouts

The past 30 Day **Credits** were from:

- \$498 1st ETF Reimbursement Check
- App Fees

## Patriot Research System

### (PRS) Monthly Notes

## Application / Supplemental Formatting Notes ...

By W. Wagner-Hart

### Location formatting and information

In this month's article, I would like to touch on aspects of locations in reference to your applications and research.

As I've discovered, for one, locations back in colonial times may not be called the same, nor fall in the same county, let alone the same state as they do today. So in your research and documentation on your application, make sure you're using what's listed on your documentation: not what it may be called today; or where it may be currently located. For example, what is currently Chambersburg, Franklin County, PA (listed as "Chambersburg / Franklin / PA" on an application with spaces before and after the slashes), referenced back prior to 1750 would have been, "Chambersburg / Lancaster / PA". Between 1750 to 1784, it was part of Cumberland County, and would have been shown as "Chambersburg / Cumberland / PA". So, while you might be inclined to use modern / current locations, use the locations as they were back at the time of the event (birth / death / marriage).

Something else to keep in mind, is that if a location for an event doesn't have all three parts to the location—City / County / State, you just list what you know or can PROVE. You may only have a county name listed on a document and not even the state: still only list what YOU CAN PROVE. That listing would then look like " / Cumberland / " ... again, placing a space before and after each slash.

When it comes to international place names, it's very similar. You would still use a city / county or region / country, or any portion thereof. You may only know the region and country, so for example my Scot ancestors originated in " / Lanarkshire / Scotland". Don't just put " Scotland". If you only know the country, use " / / Scotland": you still put the slashes with spaces on the applications and supplementals.

You might have a death location moreso that

is actually where they are buried at if you don't know or have documentation where they died at (in case if it's different than from where they're buried). If you are using a burial location versus a death location, use the abbreviation "bur" prior to the wording of the location. A death location example of this would be "bur Chambersburg / Franklin / PA".

There are a few oddball type of locations that can stand alone. Those are and no slashes are used:

- at sea
- out west

Finally, I would highly recommend each and every person, especially those wanting to submit supplementals, to read and review the SAR Application Guide Handbook. It was just revised February 2025. Doing so may help you to understand what is acceptable to submit and what is not, thereby helping our genealogist & registrar with that aspect. Its available on the SAR.org website, and can be easily found and downloaded via the QR code below. The other QR code is the Application Proof Form with it's instructions. When you cannot easily make the direct link and need to do so indirectly, that is the form you would use to try and convince the genealogists at national to accept what you're trying to prove.

More to come next month...!

SAR Application  
Guide Handbook



<https://www.sar.org/wp-content/uploads/APG.pdf>

SAR Application  
Proof Form



[https://www.sar.org/app/uploads/Analysis\\_Fillable\\_Form-updated\\_Oct\\_2024.pdf](https://www.sar.org/app/uploads/Analysis_Fillable_Form-updated_Oct_2024.pdf)

# Spring B.O.M. Info / Updates

The FLSSAR Spring BOM was held this year, May 16th—17th in Kissimmee, FL. It was attended by our chapter's state members, FLSSAR Chancellor, Charles Klug, Jr; and Webmaster chairman, Robbie Robinson. Other attending delegates ( and proxy delegates) included, our chapter president, Roger Roscoe; Will Wagner-Hart for Eagle Scout Chairman, Dave Bryant; John Black and



Our BOM Delegates listening intently (above), and the Color Guard waits as the banquet is about to begin (below).

Dwight Hamborsky for our patriot medal awardees, Dick Young and Kevin Yarnell. We actually had 4 more open slots that we could have more sent members.

Anyone interested in wanting to attend, please check with one of the officers to try and do so for the FALL BOM (Oct 17/18). We would certainly like to have other members

see and experience what happens at the state



FLSSAR Chancellor, Charles Klug speaking.

level.

Among some of the happenings were the officers election; by-laws were amended; there was an increase to the ETF scholarship awardees; 250th Chapter toolkit was discussed and the difference between the SAR Insignia vs. the SAR Logo; Stark Report submissions had significantly increased; and Scott Breckenridge turned over command of the FLSSAR Color Guard to Jeff Brunelle.

**Congratulations to Charles Klug for being voted back in as FLSSAR Chancellor; and Dick Young for picking up the West Central Regional Vice-Presidency.**



The 2025-26 FLSSAR Officers being sworn in (Left). Pres Roger Roscoe rubbing elbows with George Washington / Bill Elders (below left) and also NSSAR Pres General Darryl Addington (below right).



Our former first lady, Kathy Robinson strutting her stuff at the Sat night banquet (left). FLSSAR President Chris Washler with NSSAR President General Darryl Addington. (right)







## The Tampa SAR Color Guard

- \* A Tampa SAR Color Guard , jointly with the Clearwater SAR chapter color guard (Samuel Adams Camp) presented the colors at the 100th Anniversary of the DAR luncheon that was held at the Columbia Restaurant (10 May 2025).
- \* The Tampa SAR Color Guard presented the colors at the American Legion Post #5 for it's Memorial Day Ceremony (26 May 2025).



We can never have enough Color Guardsmen. If you have any interest in joining the Color Guard, please contact Dick Young, Chapter Commander or any of the members of the Tampa Chapter Color Guard. If you do not want to start with the full Continental Line uniform, you can get started with a militia "uniform" for much less cost.

## Summer Historical Notes... by Bob Yarnell

What actually happened the first week of July, 1776?

Even though it had been over a year since Lexington and Concord, many members of the Continental Congress still hoped for reconciliation with England. In fact, while several motions for independence had been placed on the floor, none had been seconded, so the matter had not even been officially debated.

That changed on June 7, 1776 when Virginia moved that "these colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent states." Massachusetts seconded the motion and the matter was now on the floor. Congress then made three important decisions; first, it appointed a five-man committee to write a report outlining the reasons for the separation; Second, it declared a 3 week recess so members could get instructions from their home states; and Third it decided that any vote on Independence had to be unanimous.

Unlike today, members appointed or elected to Congress from the various states were required to vote according to instructions they received from their state legislatures. While some were "free agents", most were not and several states did not have instructions on independence. For Example, Connecticut's representatives had instructions to vote no if the measure was introduced by a New England state, but to vote yes if the measure was introduced by a state outside of New England. Thus, since Virginia made the motion, Connecticut was now a yes.

During the next three weeks, the committee went to work. While Thomas Jefferson was the primary draftsman, John Adams and Ben Franklin offered advice and did some preliminary editing of the draft.

July 1, 1776, was the date set for debate on the issue. John Dickinson of Pennsylvania spoke for several hours in the morning arguing against independence. When he finished, John Adams rose to give the argument in favor. Following both speeches there was more debate and more

questions from members. Finally, in the early evening, it was time to vote. Two votes would need to be taken. For the purposes of debate, the Congress had resolved itself into a committee of the whole house. So, first, the measure had to be voted out of committee and then a final, binding vote would be taken.

The result of the first vote was 9-2 with one abstention and one state divided. The two no votes were Pennsylvania and South Carolina. The abstention was from New York which had yet to receive instructions on how to vote. Delaware's delegates were free agents. There were three of them—2 in favor and 1 against; one of the "for" votes being Caesar Rodney who had gone home ill. The Pennsylvania delegates were also "free agents" and their vote had been 4-3 against. Since Congress had decided that the vote had to be unanimous, two of those votes would need to be changed before the final vote, as well as South Carolina's. And, what to do about Delaware? Without instructions would New York vote no since it had no authority to vote yes? So, it was decided to postpone the official vote until the following day, July 2, to allow Caesar Rodney to return and to give the members time to digest the events of the day.

No one wrote anything down and we have no records of the conversations that undoubtedly went on in the taverns in Philadelphia on the evening of July 1<sup>st</sup>. If any promises or deals were made, we will never know that either. What we do know is that when the official vote on Independence was taken on July 2, the vote was 12-0 in favor. Caesar Rodney rode through a rainstorm to be there for the vote. New York decided that even though they could not vote yes, that did not mean they had to vote no. Only 5 of the Pennsylvania delegates showed up on the second and therefore Pennsylvania's vote was 3-2 in favor. The other two members sent word they were indisposed. And, in the interest of unanimity and not wanting to be the state that stood in the way, South Carolina changed its vote. So, on July 2, 1776, by unanimous vote the Continental Congress declared the English

## Summer Historical Notes... (Cont'd)

colonies in America free and independent states.

That evening, John Adams wrote to Abigail "The second day of July...will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. ... It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports; belles, bonfires and illuminations from one end of the continent to the other from this time forward forever more." Yes, July 2<sup>nd</sup> is Independence Day.

Once the measure was adopted, the members began to look at the committee report and spent the rest of July 2, all of July 3 and part of July 4 making changes and editing the report. In some cases, entire paragraphs were removed, most notably the paragraph on slavery. In other places, it was a matter of adding a word here or taking out a word there. In the early afternoon of July 4, with everyone now satisfied with the wording of the document, Congress adjourned.

It was not until Congress reconvened in early August that members put their names to the committee report, by then known as the Declaration of Independence. And since members arrived at different times during that week, they simply added

their signatures as they showed up.

Most people are familiar with the painting showing the Declaration being presented and with others showing the great signing event. When the large picture, that now hangs in the rotunda of the capitol in Washington, DC, was sent on a nationwide tour in the 1820's, it stopped in Boston. John Adams was still alive and the artist wanted his opinion. Adams said "I do not know if it is good art, I do know it is bad history. The event you have pictured never happened."

There you have it. July 2<sup>nd</sup> is Independence Day and July 4<sup>th</sup> is the day the committee's report was approved. Whether you celebrate on July 2<sup>nd</sup>, July 4<sup>th</sup> or both, remember, in August 1776, when they signed, they were indeed pledging their "lives, fortunes and sacred honor."

(ed. note.—space does not permit an explanation of how, why and when July 4<sup>th</sup> became the holiday, not July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Suffice it to say that Jefferson won the PR battle over Adams. Thus his "committee" report became more important than the actual vote, which was due primarily to the efforts of John Adams.)

WHERE DOES YOUR AMERICAN STORY  
BEGIN?



# May 2025 JROTC Awardees



Compatriot Dwight Hamborsky presents the SAR Sea Cadet award to SC V. Durgampudi (left). Compatriot Oscar Westerfield presented the SAR JROTC Award to Nguyen of Leto High School (below).



Compatriot Greg Holder presented the SAR JROTC award to Cadet J Calloway of Robinson High School (left).



## NEW!! 250th Anniversary Shirts

Several logos to choose from already. Get a round iron-on patch version, or the logo in a "flat" layout on a short or long-sleeve shirt or polo. Several colors to choose from as well. Shirt sizes are fairly true to size. Note: some logo colors may be adjusted due to shirt color. Make a donation to the chapter and receive a shirt or patch of your choice, based on the chart below. Credit card Donations will need to be processed with a 3.5% service fee. Also available via the QR code below.

Available Colors  
Polo or Dress



### Donation Amounts:

Patches ..... \$ 18.00  
Polo ..... \$ 40.00  
Dress Shirt (ss/lS) .. \$ 50.00  
{Shipping not included}



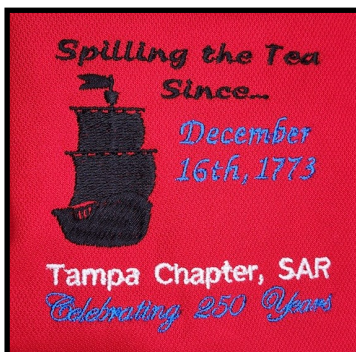
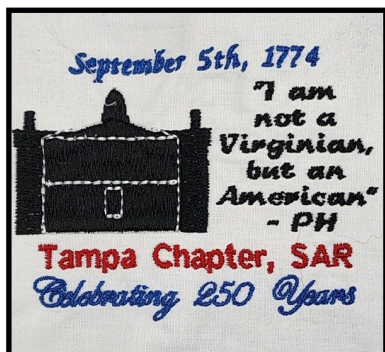
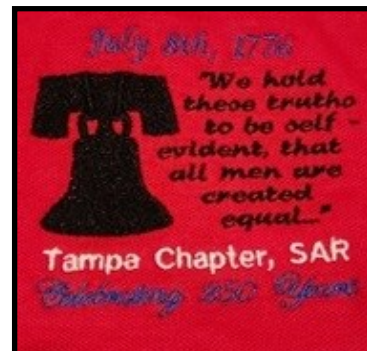
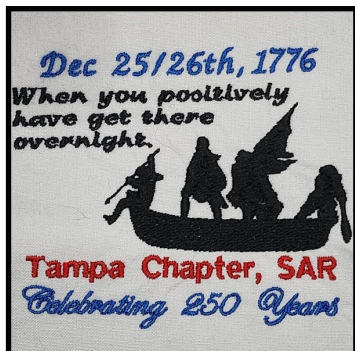
Short Sleeve  
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Short Sleeve  
Dress Twill  
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Long Sleeve  
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## NEW!! 250th Anniversary Patches



Boston Tea Party



2nd Continental Congress



Bunker Hill



1st Continental Congress



Reading Declar of Independence



Shot Heard 'Round the World



Tampa Chapter Challenge Coins are in-stock and available. \$ 10.00 each



Midnight Riders

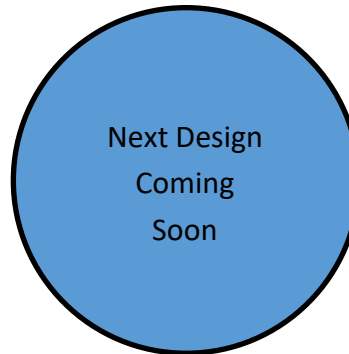


Washington Crossing Delaware



250th Anniversary Pins are in-stock and available.

\$ 5.00 each



Ticonderoga to Boston

### Payment can be made by:

Cash



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Check



Square



<https://tampa-sar.square.site>  
(service fees will apply)

### Donation Amounts:

Patches ..... \$ 18.00  
Polo ..... \$ 40.00  
Dress Shirt (ss/l) .. \$ 50.00  
{Shipping not included}

<https://tampa-sar.square.site/merchandise>



# First Marine Amphibious Assault Landing Information

## First Marine Amphibious Assault Landing



The Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution

Provided by:  
The First Marine Amphibious Assault Landing Committee

Written by: Gerald K "Robbie" Robinson  
Steven DePaul

## FLSSAR INVOLVEMENT

The Florida Society of the Sons of the American Revolution became aware of this amphibious assault sometime ago, further, it was learned that the only known monument to the event is a small plaque in the Bahamas. Subsequently, it was decided it was appropriate to erect a memorial to commemorate this historic event.

Pompano Beach was chosen among other reasons as the closest logical location on the US mainland to the actual landing site in the Bahamas. The location currently receives approximately 280,000 visitors annually.

A committee was formed to plan, coordinate, raise funds, and erect a fitting monument. The committee has been engaged in these tasks for several months.



## 250 for the 250<sup>th</sup>

This program was established to help raise funds at the grassroots level.

For anyone who donates \$250 for the monument construction:

- Receive a limited-run commemorative coin, the first of a series of three. Side one has an image of the monument flanked by the American flag & the Marine Corps flag. The reverse displays our Florida society logo; the first time ever be displayed on a coin. Additionally, there are 6 five-pointed stars each representing a branch of our military.
- Name placed on the FLSSAR 250th Muster Roll that will be published each quarter in the Patriot Magazine for the next year.

Note: you do not need to be a member of the SAR to donate or get your name on the Muster Roll.



## Minutemen

If you would like to donate any funds at all to the First Amphibious Assault Landing Monument project, we will add your name to our Minuteman Roster.

Anyone can become a Minuteman. You do not need to be a member of the SAR.

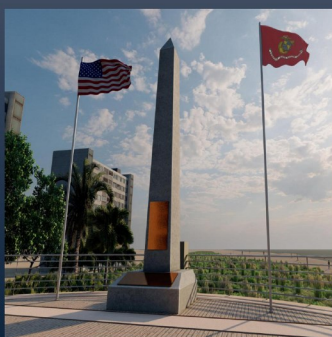
## CHAPTER CHALLENGE

FLSSAR chapters are invited to join the Chapter Challenge.

Donations from each SAR Chapter will be recognized in the Patriot Magazine each quarter for the next year.

So far, we have received donations from the following chapters:

Ft Lauderdale - \$3000 (\$10,650 total)  
Miami - \$2500  
Palm Beach - \$1050



## LARGE CORPORATE SPONSORS, ORGANIZATIONS & LARGE PRIVATE DONORS

For larger organizations, we have established the following levels:

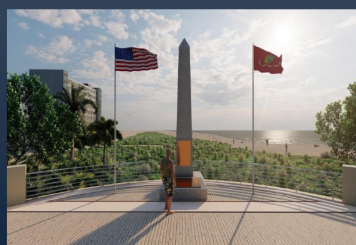
**Platinum Level** – for donations of \$20K or more

**Gold Level** – for donations of \$10K or more

**Silver Level** – for donations of \$5K or more

**Bronze Level** – for donations of \$2500 or more

Appropriate recognition will be given to members of all four levels.



## Projected Cost

Projected Costs to date	\$202,000
In-Kind Donations to date	\$ 84,800
Net Projected Cost	\$117,200
FLSSAR Donation	\$10,000
Chapter Challenge	\$6,550
Compatriots & Outside Donors	\$9,700
Total Cash Donations to Date	\$26,450
To Go:	<b>\$91,000</b>



## Questions or Suggestions

Please get in touch with any of the members of the committee if you have any questions or suggestions on how we can reach our ultimate objective: erecting a suitable monument to celebrate the 250th anniversary of our nation by March 7th, 2026.

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# 2025 Tampa (& FLSSAR) Calendar of Events

- **Jan 11th, Installation Luncheon**  
Chris Meredith Briefing on St. Augustine during American Revolutionary War (Bahama Breeze, Rocky Point, Tampa)
- **Feb 8th, Chapter Meeting**  
Charles Klug speaking on Alexander Hamilton (Joyner Library, 13619 N 22nd St, Tampa)
- **Feb 21st, Genesis Prep School Washington Day Celebration**  
**\*\* Color Guard Event \*\***  
(8100 Mitchell Ranch Rd, NPR, FL)
- **Feb 22nd, Washington Birthday Gala**  
(St. Petersburg Yacht Club, 11 Central Ave, St. Petersburg, FL)
- **Mar 8th, Chapter Meeting**  
Joe Dato speaking on Fraunces Tavern (Joyner Library, 13619 N 22nd St, Tampa)
- **Mar 15th, N/FLSSAR Event**  
**Commemoration of the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution**  
(Merritt Island / Cape Canaveral, Florida)
- **Mar 22nd, N/FLSSAR Event**  
**248th Anniversary of the Battle of Thomas Creek**  
(Jacksonville, Florida)
- **Mar 29th, Vietnam War Veteran's Day**  
**\*\* Color Guard Event \*\***  
(Mission BBQ, 13610 Bruce B Downs, Tampa)
- **Apr 12th, Chapter Meeting**  
(Joyner Library, 13619 N 22nd St, Tampa)
- **Apr 15th, Honor Flight #52**  
**\*\* Color Guard Event \*\***  
(St. Pete / Clearwater Airport)
- **May 9th, N/FLSSAR Event**  
**Galvez Day Celebration**  
(Pensacola, Florida)
- **May 10th, Chapter Meeting**  
Bob Yarnell speaking on John Dickinson (Joyner Library, 13619 N 22nd St, Tampa)
- **May 10th, DAR Meeting**  
**\*\* Color Guard Event \*\***  
(Columbia Restaurant, Tampa, FL)
- **May 16th / 17th, FLSSAR BOM**  
(Kissimmee, FL)

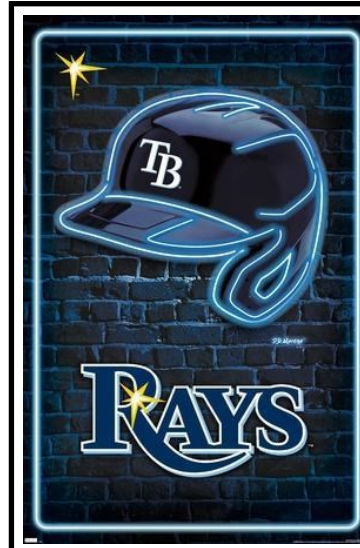
- **May 26th, Memorial Day**  
**\*\* Color Guard Event \*\***  
(American Legion Post #5, Tampa)
- **Jun 10th, Honor Flight #53**  
**\*\* Color Guard Event \*\***  
(St. Pete / Clearwater Airport)
- **Jun 13th, DAR Flag Day Event**  
**\*\* Color Guard Event \*\***  
(location TBD)
- **Jun 14th, US Army 250th Banquet**  
**\*\* Color Guard Event \*\***  
(location TBD)
- **Jun 28th, FLSSAR Event**  
**Commemoration of the Battle of Alligator Creek Bridge**  
(Callahan, Florida)
- **Jul 4th, "4th of July Parade"**  
**\*\* Color Guard Event \*\***  
(Safety Harbour)
- **Sep 13th, Chapter Meeting**  
(Joyner Library, 13619 N 22nd St, Tampa)
- **Sep 16th, Honor Flight #54**  
**\*\* Color Guard Event \*\***  
(St. Pete / Clearwater Airport)
- **Oct 11th, Chapter Meeting**  
(Joyner Library, 13619 N 22nd St, Tampa)
- **Oct 17th/18th, FLSSAR BOM**  
(Kissimmee, FL)
- **Nov 8th, Veteran's Day Parade**  
**\*\* Color Guard Event \*\***  
(James A Haley VA Hospital, Tampa)
- **Nov 8th, Chapter Meeting**  
(Joyner Library, 13619 N 22nd St, Tampa)
- **Nov 11th, Veteran's Day Event (?)**  
**\*\* Color Guard Event \*\***  
(Mission BBQ, Tampa Locations)
- **Dec 12th, DeSoto DAR Christmas Meeting**  
**\*\* Color Guard Event \*\***
- **Dec 13th, Wreaths Across America**  
**\*\* Color Guard Event \*\* / Chapter Mtg (?)**  
(American Legion Post #5)



# 2025 Tampa Summer Social Events



Tampa Chapter Group attending  
Wed, June 11th, 2025  
7 p.m. AMC Veteran's 24  
9302 Anderson Rd, Tampa

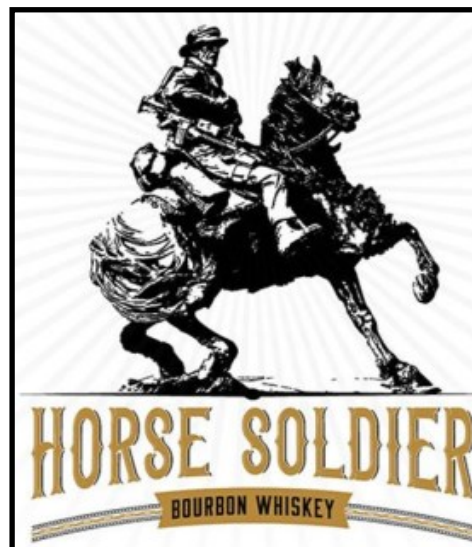


## TAMPA BAY DOWNS

♠ RACING ♥ POKER ♣ GOLF ♦

Tampa Bay Rays Game in a Skybox or another Day at the Races...

Keep an eye out for email updates if the event can get organized!



Horse Soldier Tasting at the St. Pete Distillery  
2232 5th Ave South,  
St. Petersburg

**Hopefully**  
**Aug / Sept**  
**2025**

AUSA 250th Army Birthday Ball  
June 14th, 5pm, Hilton Hotel, Tampa



## MERRY Christmas

Hoping to coordinate a holiday social in December for those that don't have plans otherwise! If you're still in town, come on 'round! Keep an eye out for details and emails!

# 2025 National (non-FL) SAR /Color Guard Events

- Jan 28th, NJSSAR  
Ten Crucial Days –  
Princeton
- Jan 17th, SCSSAR  
Battle of Cowpens
- Jan 25th, NCSSAR  
Cowans Ford
- Feb 8th, GASSAR  
Kettle Creek
- February 15th, VASSAR  
Crossing the Dan
- February 22nd, NSSAR  
Annual Commemoration  
of the Battle of Moore's  
Creek
- March 15th, NCSSAR  
Guilford Courthouse
- April 12th, GASSAR  
Frederica Naval Action
- April 12th, NJSSAR  
Battle of Bound Brook
- April 18th-21st, MASSAR  
250th Celebration of the  
Battle at Lexington &  
Concord
- April 19th, NSSAR  
Patriots Day
- May 18th, NSSAR  
Armed Forces Day
- May 24th, SCSSAR  
Waxhaw's Burford's  
Massacre
- May 24th, INSSAR  
George Rogers Clark
- May 24th, MOSSAR  
Fort San Carlos

- May 26th, NSSAR  
National Memorial Day  
Parade  
(Washington, DC)
- Jun 14th, NJSSAR  
Monmouth
- Jun 14th, NSSAR  
Flag Day
- Jun 21st, NJSSAR  
Springfield
- Jul 4th, NSSAR  
Independence Day
- August 16th, KYSSAR  
243rd Anniversary of  
the Battle of Blue Licks
- Aug 23rd, NYSSAR  
Brooklyn
- Aug 30th, SCSSAR  
Eutaw Springs
- Sep 6th, DESSAR  
Couch's Bridge
- Sep 6th, VASSAR  
Battle of the Capes
- Sep 13th, VASSAR  
Washington's Tomb  
Vigil
- Sep 20th, TNSSAR  
Gathering at Sycamore  
Shoals
- Oct 4th, NJSSAR  
Chestnut Neck
- Oct 7th, N/SCSSAR  
Kings Mountain
- Oct 19th, VASSAR  
Yorktown
- Oct 26th, NJSSAR  
Red Bank

- Nov 11th, NSSAR  
Veterans Day
- Nov 22nd, GASSAR  
Fort Morris

# Reminders / Requests / Comments

## Committee Chairmen

250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: Will Wagner-Hart

Washington Gala: Robbie Robinson

Grave-marking: Will Wagner-Hart

Veterans: Chris Meredith

Webmaster: Kevin Yarnell / Matt Cole

Youth Awards:

- J/ROTC: Terry Doan
- Eagle Scout: Lawrence Capuder
- Knight Essay: Bob Yarnell
- Rumbaugh Oration: \_\_\_\_\_
- American Poster: Will Wagner-Hart
- Brochure Contest: \_\_\_\_\_
- Youth Video Contest: \_\_\_\_\_
- American History Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

The SAR is ....

... a historical, educational, & patriotic non-profit, United States 501 (c) 3 corporation that seeks to maintain and extend (1) the institution of American freedom, (2) an appreciation for true patriotism, (3) a respect for our national symbols, (4) the value of American citizenship, and (5) the unifying force of e pluribus unum that has created, from the people of many nations, one nation, and one people.

We do this by perpetuating the stories of patriotism, courage, sacrifice, tragedy, and triumph of the men who achieved the independence of the American people in the belief that these stories are universal ones of man's eternal struggle against tyranny, relevant to all time, and will inspire and strengthen each succeeding generation as it too is called upon to defend our freedoms on the battlefield and in our public institutions.

## Miscellaneous Reminders:

The Facebook group page for the Tampa Chapter Sons of the American Revolution is "SAR Tampa Chapter". It is a public page, feel free to follow & catch updates to the chapter events. Feel free to post pictures or comments. Invite all your friends to look.

Websites—remember you can find information about the chapter and programs on the chapter website: <http://www.tampasar.org>, and that you can find information related to the Florida SAR at <http://www.FLSSAR.org>.

## Secretary Request:

Any officer or committee chairman giving a report that includes numbers or names, I would appreciate it if you could give me that information either via email prior to or after the meeting or hard copy at the meeting. During the meeting I may easily miss those details and that information will enable us to have more accurate and complete minutes.

## Chaplain Comments:

One of the duties of the Chapter Chaplain is to send cards to our members that are sick. Another is to send a sympathy card to the family of a member who has passed away. If you know of anyone that should be the recipient of these cards, please mention it to the Chaplain or one of the other officers at our next meeting.

# Tampa Chapter Book Library

Title	Author
1776	David McCullough
Alamo of the Revolution: Benedict Arnold & Ft Griswold	Jerald P Hurwitz
Alexander Hamilton	Ron Chernow
American Sphinx: Character of Thomas Jefferson	Joseph J Ellis
Benjamin Franklin: An American Life	Walter Isaacson
Founding Brothers: The Revolutionary Generation	Joseph J Ellis
George Washington: The Political Rise of America's Founding Father	David O Stewart
His Excellency: George Washington	Joseph J Ellis
James Madison and the Making of America	Kevin R.C. Gutzman
James Madison: A Life Reconsidered	Lynne Cheney
John Adams	David McCullough
John Barry: An American Hero in the Age of Sail	Tim McGrath
John Jay	Walter Stahr
Realistic Visionary: A Portrait of George Washington	Peter R. Henriques
Robert Morris: Financier of the American Revolution	Charles Rappleye
Sons of the Father: George Washington and His Proteges	Robert M.S. McDonald
Speaking of Florida: My Time Remembered	T. Terrell Sessums
Tampa Bay's Waterfront: Its History & Development	A.R. Savage & R. Kite-Powell
The Hemingses of Monticello: An American Family	Annette Gordon-Reed
Washington: A Life	Ron Chernow
Washington's Crossing	David Hackett Fischer
Washington's Spies: The Story of America's First Spy Ring	Alexander Rose

If anyone would like to read any of the above listed books, please call or email Will Wagner-Hart (or any of the current officers) and we will get that book to the next meeting for you to pick up. The library book case is very cumbersome to bring to each meeting, so please while we encourage all to take advantage of them, please just make requests of any book you'd like to read, and it will be made available to you at the next meeting.

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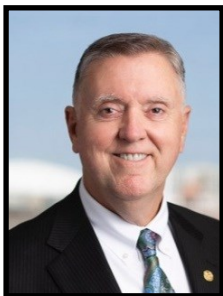
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