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~ April 20 Meetings Highlights~

The Chapter held its 7th "Virtual" meeting April 20. 36 Compatriots, DAR Daughters and Guests joined us for some great fellowship as we conducted special *Compatriot Service Recognitions*, a Memorial Service and enjoyed a special presentation of "Conversations of Abigail Adams & Thomas Jefferson's" by Reenactor-Speakers- John Stewart & Marcea Oetting.

Join Us at the next virtual Chapter meeting May 18 @ 12 Noon featuring special guest speaker Colonel Robert Allen, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office "Crime, Social Unrest & Policing in Palm Beach". Family & Guests are always Welcome!

President's Message:

Fellow Compatriots, DAR Daughters & Friends...

Given the tiresome Pandemic, social unrest, questionable domestic/international policies and aggressive assaults against our Nation's core values as documented in the US Constitution and Bill of Rights, its more important than ever for patriotic/lineage societies to work together to embrace and promote the values on which the United States and SAR was founded.

Standing together, we must continue recognizing and supporting our Military, Law Enforcement, and First Responders who selflessly serve our country, and community, and most especially assuring our Youth are taught a complete and accurate history of the founding of our Nation, and to make clear that the freedom we all enjoy comes at a great price, and is easily lost.

I am calling on the Chapter membership for help expand our Service to Veterans programs, Youth Education/Scholarship, JROTC/Scouting, and First Responder recognition programs.

I thank you for the help and support of all *Compatriots* and our revered *DAR Daughters* in promoting patriotism in all areas of our community.

Mark your calendars and join us for the next virtual Chapter meeting May 18 @ 12

Noon featuring speaker Colonel Robert Allen, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office for a revealing overview of "Crime, Social Unrest & Policing in Palm Beach County".



The *April* meeting included 36 Compatriots and DAR *Daughters* and featured a special presentation on the 50 year friendship between two of the nation's founders in a lively review of the "Correspondence between Abigail Adams & Thomas Jefferson" by *Reenactor-Speakers- John Stewart & Marcea Oetting*.



John Stewart and DAR Daughter Marcea Oetting have been interested and intrigued with the relationship between **Abigail Adams** and of **Thomas Jefferson** for many years and frequently lecture on the lives of these two Patriots, and their influence on American History, to students, youth and civic groups.

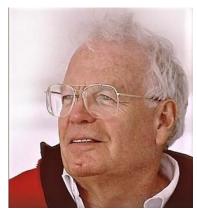
John and Marcea were portrayed in the dress, language, and speaking style of the 1700s, and entertained us with their convincing portrayal of these two Patriots, while

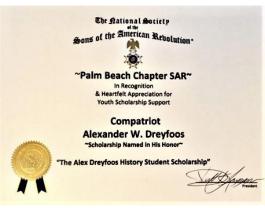
sharing their extensive topic specific knowledge.



Chapter President Lanman recognized *Compatriots Alex Dreyfoos* and *Ray Wess* for their historic service to the Chapter with their support of the Chapter's *Youth & History Scholarship* programs.

The Chapter's annual Scholarship program has been named the "Alex Dreyfoos History Scholarship" in Honor of Compatriot Dreyfoos with sincere appreciation and admiration for his selfless support of the Chapter's History Scholarship program. Compatriot Dreyfoos continues to support the scholarship program by matching additional donations to that program. Thank You Alex.





NSSAR Officer-FMR State/Chapter President, Compatriot Raymond F. Wess was presented with a *Distinguished Service Recognition* for his selfless support of the *Alex Dreyfoos History Student Scholarship* with a legacy donation of \$500 annually, thus increasing the amount of the scholarship to \$1,500 annually.



Chapter President & Veterans Battalion Chairman Lanman inducted Navy Captain Richard C. Michel into the Florida State Society Veteran's Battalion and is qualified to wear the SAR Military Service Medal. All Compatriots are encouraged to provide a copy of their DD-214 to qualify for membership in the FLSSAR Veteran's Battalion.







The Chapter earned its official induction into the *Florida Governors "Forward March" Ambassador* Program designed to help support any Florida Veteran in need.

The *Florida Veterans Foundation Ambassador* partnership allows the Chapter to directly support and represent Florida Veterans. The *Palm Beach SAR Chapter's* name and hyperlink is included on the FVF website @ *helpflvets.org*, and is displayed on the *FVF Wall of Honor* at the State Capitol in Tallahassee.



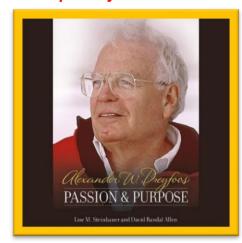
Fellow Compatriots, volunteers are needed to serve on the *Veterans Service* **Committee** as we continue supporting the VA, American Legion, FVF and VFW.

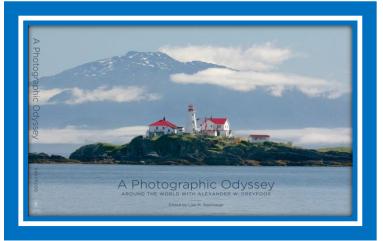
Contact Chairman Bill Richards 917-692-1145 or Don Lanman 561-315-5073 to serve!

Compatriot/Author/Philanthropist Alex Dreyfoss, honored Chapter member, SAR Gold Citizenship Medal recipient, noted American Entrepreneur and Academy Award winner published two remarkable books that should be on every bookshelf.

- Passion & Purpose chronicles a remarkable lifetime of passion with photography, his business, inventions and philanthropic ventures, as well as his adventures above and below the water.
- A Photographic Odyssey is a remarkable collection of hundreds of stunning pictures from 100,000 photos taken by Alex around the world and bound in an elegant 15" by 10" glossy photographic book. You will travel with Alex around the world, above and below the water, to forests, jungles, glaciers, and deserts in the exotic locales of Papua New Guinea, Bhutan, Nepal, China, Japan, and Tibet. The subjects are very divergent contrasting palaces and temples with the vulnerability of people, animals, and exotic scenery.

Compatriot Dreyfoos is providing both books to Chapter Members, DAR Daughters and Friends @ <u>Just \$49</u> (retail \$90)...All proceeds donated to support the Chapter's youth & scholarship programs! Thank You Compatriot Dreyfoos!!





To date, 14 books have been sold representing over \$900 for the Scholarship program. Contact Don Lanman (561-315-5073-dlanman258@aol.com) to order your books. *Thank you Alex for your generous donation!*

Chapter President Lanman and FMR President/Chaplin Ben Tidwell conducted a special Memorial Service for three of the Chapter's most revered Compatriots Jack Miller, David Riker and Dr. Larry Fehrenbaker. While these Patriots have been called home, and we mourn their loss, we salute their service to the SAR, their community and our country.



National Headquarters SAR introduced the new logo for the **SAR** representing the 21st Century. It's modern, stylish, and may be used in all **SAR** communications.



Fellow Patriots, as we reflect on the challenging times we continue to experience, the **Chapter Officers** and **Board** members wish to express our sincere gratitude for the willingness and support of all **Chapter Compatriots** and **DAR Daughters** to keep our great historic and lineage societies vibrant, as a **Patriotic Duty**.

We will continue "Virtual" online meetings through May 2021 with a goal of resuming in person meetings for the **October 19** at the Embassy Suites.

<u>Please support the chapter and attend our online meetings.</u> Our virtual meetings to date have been well attended by dozens of <u>Compatriots</u>, <u>DAR Daughters</u> and <u>Guests</u> joining to hear interesting speakers and share soul enriching fellowship!

Volunteers are needed for Chapter Committees today for our youth and civic programs including *Historical Oration, Knight Essay, Poster* and *Brochure* contests, *American History Teacher of the Year, Boy Scouts, Police-Firefighter* recognition, *Flag & Liberty Tree*, and *Veterans* services. *Don't wait to be asked, please step up.*

We extend our sincere appreciation to the thousands of *Healthcare Workers, Law Enforcement Professionals, First Responders, Emergency Service Providers, Retail Employees, Supply Chain Teams* and our *Military* who place themselves in danger daily to protect, and sustain us all through this very trying time.

Recruit New Members! The ongoing success of our Chapter relies on increasing membership and mentoring new members. Recruit **Sons, Grandsons, Friends** and civic-minded individuals interested in honoring their **Patriot Ancestors** and enjoying good fellowship. **Call it a Holiday** or Birthday gift, no wrapping, and no returns.

Finally to our beloved *DAR Patriot Daughters* we extend our heartfelt appreciation as they continue to support our Chapter by attending meetings, events, along with their tireless efforts to help grow the *Chapter* by referring new *SAR* prospects. *Chapter Compatriots* are encouraged to actively support all *DAR Chapters* by attending their meetings, fundraising activities and related patriotic events.

Fellow Compatriots, DAR Daughters, I look forward to seeing you and your guests on May 18 for a special presentation by Colonel Robert Allen Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office for a revealing overview of "Crime, Social Unrest & Policing in Palm Beach County".

Please, join me in remembering our Patriot Ancestors, Dear Departed Compatriots & especially our nation's Military & Veterans.

God Bless You & God Bless the United States of America.

Yours in Patriotism – Donald Lanman, President 2021



Don Lanman-Editor, State Officer & Chapter President
~LIBERTAS ET PATRIA~
~LIBERTY & COUNTRY~

My Fellow Compatriots, DAR Daughters and Friends, I know that you all have time on your hands...So, will you please assist me with Newsletter Content! This is a special request for readers to submit newsletter articles in the form of Patriotic, Revolutionary War, Family Patriot Bios, Family Lore, Ancestors, Genealogy, Veteran Stories, Special Activities, Events etc.

Join the Fun...Share your Family history, Ancestor & Patriot Bios! We all enjoy sharing stories about family histories, don't we, especially about our Patriot Ancestors who sacrificed so much for our Nation.

To tell your story of how you became a member of the **SAR** or **DAR**, simply provide your history in a word document to publish and or pick a meeting date and I'll help you develop your 5-10 minute Bio presentation, contact me @ dlanman258@aol.com.



Please submit your content to the *Palm Beach SAR Chapter Editor* in an <u>MS Word document format</u> to <u>dlanman258@aol.com</u>. Note, publication of submitted content is not guaranteed, may be edited, and becomes the property of the *PB Chapter SAR*.

Finally, while the pandemic, political and social unrest may continue to test our resolve, it has also brought us together and helped us to appreciate our blessings. Chapter *Compatriots* are answering the call to fellowship through "*Operation Outreach*", by calling on fellow *Compatriots*, delivering food to homebound seniors and supporting veterans in need.

I encourage everyone to continue to "Make the Time" and personally contact as many fellow *Compatriots, DAR Daughters* and *Friends* as possible to offer moral support, exchange stories, provide physical assistance and positive fellowship.

~2021-2022 Chapter Meeting Dates/Topics:

Visit the *SAR Palm Beach Chapter* web site @ www.FLSSAR.org/FLSSAR/Palm BeachChapterSAR for general information, newsletters, pictures, and related links.

- > May 18, Special Guest Speaker Col. Robert Allen, PBCSO
- > October 19, Special Guest Speaker
- > November 16, Special Guest Speaker
- December 4., Special Holiday Event & Guest Speaker
- > 2022 January 18, Officer Installations, Guest Speaker
- > Feb. 15, Special Guest Speaker, John Stewart as Thomas Jefferson
- > March 15, Special Guest Speaker
- > April 19, Special Guest Speaker
- > May 17, Special Guest Speak

~2021 Officers & Board Members:

- > President, President Donald Lanman
- Vice President, David Wratislaw
- Secretary, FMR President Bob Boggs
- > Treasurer, Peter Johnston
- > Registrar, John Workman
- Chaplain, FMR President Benjamin Tidwell III
- > Sgt. @ Arms, FMR President Greg Parkinson
- > Historian, Sonny Barber
- > Officers @ Large, Bill Richards & TK Krummenaker
- Patriot Newsletter Editor, President Donald Lanman
- > Note: FMR Presidents are Voting Board Members

~SAR National, State, & Chapter Events 2021:

- ✓ FLSSAR Board of Management Meeting, Orlando April 30
- ✓ Battle of Pensacola SAR Event, Pensacola, May 8
- ✓ Armed Forces Day WPB, May 14
- ✓ Flag 4 Fallen Veterans, S. FL National Cemetery, WPB May 30
- √ Forgotten Soldiers Memorial Day Event, WPB May 31
- ✓ DAR Flag Retirement Ceremony, WPB June 13
- ✓ <u>Missing in America Veterans Internment Event, TBD</u>
- ✓ 131th SAR National Congress, Washington State July 4-14

~Join Chapter Compatriots at all SAR & DAR events! Visit NSSAR/FLSSAR/Chapter websites.

~Feature Article~

Frist in War, First in Peace, First in the Hearts of His Countrymen... His Excellency's Bio

Compiled & Edited & Written by NSSAR Officer- FMR State-Chapter President Raymond Wess



As recorded in a thick, Washington family bible, His Excellency was born on the 11th of February 1732, at approximately 10:00AM. The birth took place on the Washington farm at Pope's Creek in Westmoreland, VA.

It was recorded that Washington was the child of Augustine Washington and his second wife Martha Ball. It was further noted that the baby was large at birth.

Washington's birth was recorded on February 11 while the old Julian calendar was in use. The calendar was changed in the mid 1800's to the new Gregorian calendar thus changing Washington's birth to the 22nd of February 1732. Washington, and most of his family and friends never celebrated his birthday on the 22nd, he celebrated his birth on the 11th until his death.

Washington's father, Augustine, died in 1743 when Washington was 11 years old. Ironically, Washington and his father died in the same manner. They both had been out ridding in a storm, became severely sick afterwards and eventually died a few days later.

After his father's death, Washington's half-brother Lawrence, 14 years his elder became his proxy father. Lawrence married his neighbor, Col. Wm. Fairfax's daughter, Ann Fairfax. Col. Fairfax took a liking to Washington and became his benefactor.

Washington became good friends with Col. Fairfax's son, William. Washington learned the trade of surveying and with William, the two surveyed several properties for the Colonel.



Washington's friend William married Sarah Cary, known as Sally Fairfax, in 1748. Washington was instantly smitten and developed a lifelong crush on Sally.

Lawrence had served as an officer in the Virginia Company of Foot and served under the command of British Admiral, Edward Vernon.

Lawrence so admired his commanding officer that he eventually renamed his home on the Potomac, Mt. Vernon. Eventually Washington would inherit the estate named after a British Admiral.

Eventually Lawrence came down with Tuberculosis and he and George traveled to Barbados to seek a cure and treatment for the illness. While there George came down with Smallpox. He survived the illness; however, he was severely scarred for life.

Washington was pretty much a self-taught man with no significant formal education. He taught himself to write with great painful effort. Because his lack of education, he struggled his entire life to write complete comprehensive sentences. His lack of formal education made him the subject of condescending comments by fellow contemporaries, especially John Adams

Washington learned to create his own persona. He loved swimming, riding, fencing, dancing, and billiards. He was labeled by his peers as the best horseman in Virginia.

As the young George Washington survived a tough life after the death of his father, eliminating the chance for a formal education, he endured, he survived serious illness including a treatment for an undisclosed illness that eventually caused the loss of all his teeth.

Washington developed a successful career eventually becoming a Virginia Militia Officer, the hero of the Battle of the Monongahela during the French and Indian War.



He went on to become a distinguished member of the Virginia Assembly, the Commander & Chief of the Continental Army, and the first President of the United States. He also became a Master Mason and the President General for life of the Society of the Cincinnati.



"He is first in War, First in Peace, & First in the hearts of his Countrymen", (Henry Lee), and the most admired of all the Founding Fathers.

~ Meeting & Event Pictures~

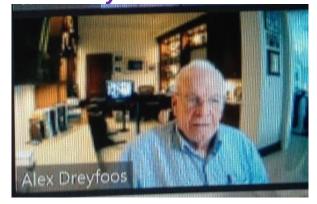
John Stewart & Marcea Oetting, delivers a captivating "Conversations of Thomas Jefferson & Abigail Adams"



~Compatriots & DAR Daughters Enjoy Online Fellowship~



President Lanman Virtually presents Alex Dreyfoos
The Honor of Naming the
"Alex Dreyfoos History Student Scholarship" Program.



Support Youth Programs...Donate to the President's Brigade

The *Palm Beach Chapter* provides the Alex Dreyfoos History Scholarships to colleges and universities including *Palm Beach Atlantic University* and *Palm Beach State College*. These colleges educate our youth on the values of *Patriotism*, *God* and *Country*, train them for productive careers in our community and help develop their character as the leaders of tomorrow.

The *Palm Beach Chapter* honors and expresses its sincere appreciation to Alex Dreyfoos, and the many *Compatriots* who contribute financially to the *President's Brigade*.

The dedicated members of the *President's Brigade* donate "*Extra Dollars*" in support of the Chapter's many *youth programs*, *scholarships*, *award* certificates, police/firefighter/EMT medals, veterans' projects, and related community civic programs.

Help increase the scholarships this year by donating a few dollars to the **Presidents Brigade** in support of these **"Students of Character"**.

~ JOIN THE 2020 CHAPTER PRESIDENTS BRIGADE ~ Honored Presidents Brigade Members~

❖ Bronze Level: \$25-\$99:

M. Anderson, R. Bright, J. Blackburn, A. Cass, R. Culpepper, D. Coldwell, S. Curry, J. Dorsey, W. Davis, K. Davis, F. Devitt, J. Harper, J. Kane, R. Linn, L. Lanpher, R. Moore, P. Miller, S. Miller, H. Oyer, G. Odell, G. Scott, A. Shea, J. Wearn, M. Wess

❖ Silver Level: \$100-\$199:

S. Barber, J. Curry, T. Friend, B. Gunter, G. Green, A. Griswold, W. Meakin, W. Told, R. Warwick

Gold Level: \$200-\$499:

J. Curry, S. Hitt, J. Wynns, W. Richards

❖ Platinum Level: \$500+

B. Boggs, A. Dreyfoos, J. Damron-Fritz, D. Lanman,

G. Parkinson, B. Tidwell, R. Wess

~Thank You for Supporting Chapter Youth & Civic Programs

Chapter Committees, Chairs & Members:

Fellow Compatriots.....The Chapter expresses its sincere appreciation to those members who volunteer to serve on our committees. As you can see a few Compatriots are serving on multiple committees and could use some extra support! Just choose your committee of interest.

It doesn't take much time and is a major help with our many civic and youth initiatives. Support your Chapter, call Chapter President Don Lanman @ 561-315-5073 to lend a hand on any of the following committees...

- > 2022 Officer Nominations
- > JROTC & Boy Scouts
- > Law Enforcement-Fire Safety
- > Veterans Affairs
- > Newsletter/Publicity
- Knight Essay/Rumbaugh Oration
- > American History Teacher
- Medals/Awards
- > DAR-CAR Liaison
- > Speakers Bureau
- Financial Audit
- > Flag Certificates
- Membership Development/Mentor
- Liberty Tree
- > Patriot Bios
- Web Site-Facebook/Social Media

- -Chapter Membership
- -Tidwell, Barber
- -Parkinson, Wratislaw
- -Richards, Lanman
- -Lanman, Wratislaw
- -Boggs, Tidwell
- -Boggs, Krumenacker
- -Lanman, Tidwell
- -Lanman, Parkinson, Tidwell
- -Lanman, Wratislaw, Boggs
- -Johnston, Wratislaw
- -Langenstein, Parkinson
- -Wratislaw, Lanman, Boggs
- -Parkinson, Krumenacker
- -Boggs, Wratislaw, Lanman
- -Anderson, Lanman

~Palm Beach Chapter SAR Store~

Palm Beach Chapter Commemorative Coin \$10!





1 3/4"

The Chapter's unique *Commemorative Collectors Coin* celebrates the founding of the *Palm Beach Chapter* in *1938* and honors our 80+ years of historic, patriotic, and civic service in Palm Beach County, State of Florida and our Nation.

~ Compatriot Sponsored Promotions ~

Compatriot sponsored newsletter Ads are important to the Chapter as they represent additional funds in support of Chapter projects including; Scholarships, Boy Scout & JROTC medals, Rumbaugh & Knight Essay Youth contests, Police-Firefighter-EMT medals, Americanism & community civic programs!

Support your Chapter...sponsor an Ad for 8 issues at a modest cost: Business Card \$50, Half-Page \$100, Full-Page \$250. Your promotional Ad donation will also qualify you for membership in the Chapter's Presidents Brigade. Contact Don Lanman 561-315-5073 for AD information today!

CHAPTER SUPPORTER PROMOTIONS...

~<u>COMPATRIOT ALEXANDER DREYFOOS</u> ~AUTHOR/PHOTOGRPHER/VETERAN/PATRIOT

~GARCILASO DE LA VEGA, DAR CHAPTER

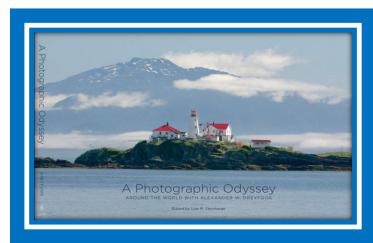
~DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

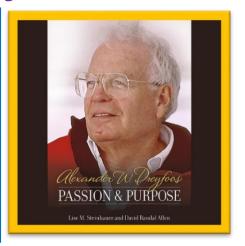
~<u>JAMESTOWN SOCIETY</u> ~International Lineage Society

~SEE ALL PATRIOT ADS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES....

~TWO GREAT BOOKS-ONE GREAT MAN~

-Alexander W. Dreyfoos-





-A PHOTOGRAPHIC ODYSSEY- -PASSION & PURPOSE-

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~Author/Photographer/Philanthropist, Alexander W. Dreyfoos~

Graduating from MIT and Harvard Business School, Alex founded Photo Electronics Corporation (PCS), specializing in photography and video production. Over the decades, Alex earned 10 US patents and invented the Video Color Negative Analyzer for motion pictures earning him an Academy Award for technical achievement. Many inventions, developed by PCS, are on permanent display at the Smithsonian Institution. Locally Alex also owned television station WPEC TV-12, the CBS affiliate in West Palm Beach. Alex's many philanthropic achievements include founding the Palm Beach County Cultural Council, the Raymond F. Kravis Center for the Performing Arts and gifting a million dollars to the Dreyfoos School of the Arts. Alex also donated a million dollars each to the Palm Beach County biomedical research campus of the Scripps Research Institute and the local Max Planck Florida Foundation for Neuroscience in Jupiter, Florida.



~Garcilaso De La Vega Chapter, NSDAR~ ~Lake Worth, Florida~

~Sheila Zile-Pecoraro, Regent~

~Karen E. Christie, Vice Regent~

~NSDAR Volunteer Genealogist, Area 9~

~ Dianna Stoffer, Registrar ~

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