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~ November & December Meetings Highlights~

The Chapter held its 2nd & 3rd Zoom "Virtual" meetings **November 17** and **December 5 Holiday Meeting**. Over two dozen **Compatriots, DAR Daughters** and **Guests** joined us for great fellowship as we elected the **2021 Chapter Officers**, **Honored Veterans Month**, **Honored Chapter SAR "Veterans Battalion"** members and enjoyed an informative "**Patriot Bio**" on the **Scotch-Irish in America** by Author/Historian & Chapter **Treasurer Peter Johnston**.

Mark your calendars and join us at the next virtual Chapter meeting **January 19 @ 12 Noon** featuring a **2021 Officer Induction**, plus a special guest speaker on the **Famous Battle of Oriskany** **Family, Friends & Guests are Welcome to attend!**

President's Message:

Fellow Compatriots, DAR Daughters & Friends...

As we close out 2020, we should all reflect on what a remarkable and challenging year it's been, and on behalf of **Chapter Officers** and **Board** members, we wish to express our sincere gratitude for the willingness and support of all Chapter **Compatriots** and **DAR Daughters** to keep our great societies vibrant, as their **Patriotic Duty**.

So 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.

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

Finally, we believe that despite the unprecedented challenges of 2020, they will ultimately serve to strengthen our **SAR** core beliefs that we are a nation of, by and for the people, and that freedom has come at a great price, is often tested and can be easily lost.

We also extend our sincere admiration and 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.

As a reminder, we were compelled to cancel the spring meetings that included our annual **Firefighters/EMS & Law Enforcement Awards Ceremonies**, these important ceremonies will be rescheduled for the fall 2021 meetings.

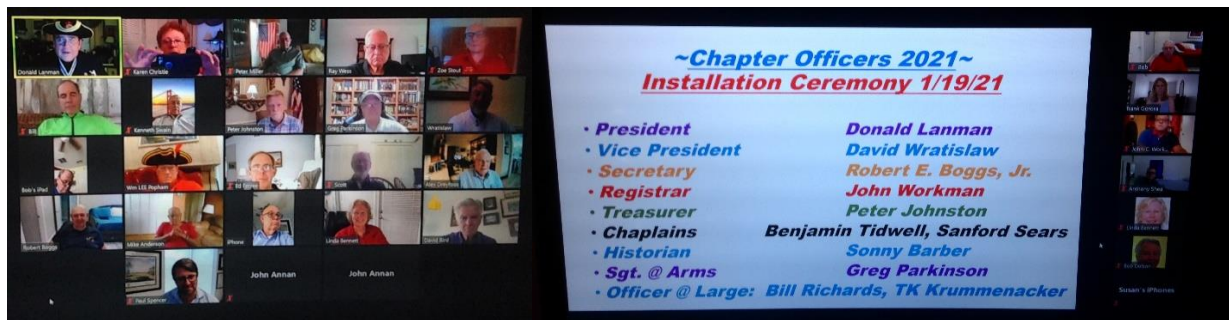
Once this **Pandemic** has passed and life returns to some level of normalcy, let's all go out, visit friends, patronize local businesses, visit the malls, sports events and help our country return to prosperity.

We continued conducting the "**Virtual**" online meetings for **November** and **December** using the Zoom online service. Both meetings were well attended with dozens of **Compatriots, DAR Daughters** and **Guests** joining us for interesting speakers and some soul enriching fellowship!

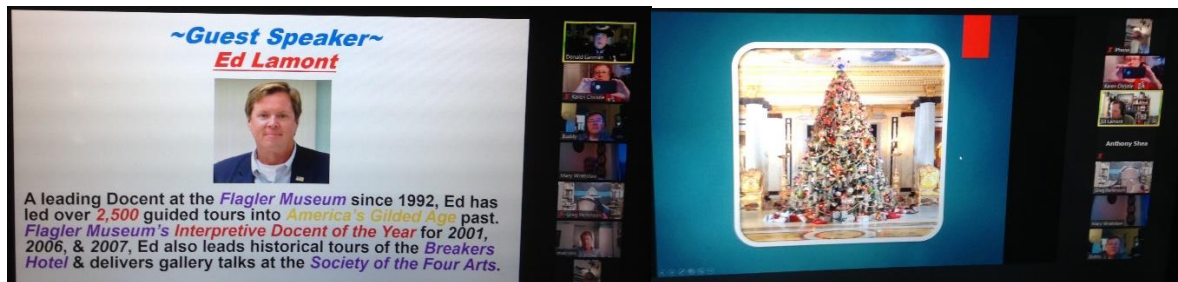
During the *November* meeting, the Chapter elected the **2021 Chapter Officers, Honored Veterans Month**, recognized Chapter "**Veterans**" with a display of their military service pictures and enjoyed an informative "**Patriot Bio**" on the **Scotch-Irish in America** by **Author/Historian & Chapter Treasurer Peter Johnston**.

Chapter members elected the 2021 Officers including; **Donald Lanman, President, David Wratlslaw, VP, Bob Boggs, Secretary, John Workman, Registrar, Peter Johnston, Treasurer, Ben Tidwell, Chaplain, Sonny Barber, Historian, Greg Parkinson, Sgt. @ Arms, Bill Richards & TK Krummenacker Officers @ Large.**

It is important to note that **4** of the 2021 Officers are all former Chapter Presidents including *Lanman, Boggs, Tidwell* and *Parkinson*, who continue to serve. Thank you gentlemen for your commitment, dedication and service to our great patriotic society.



The Chapters annual **December Holiday** meeting was highlighted by special guest speaker **Author/Historian Ed Lamont** who delivered an interesting perspective on the origins and history of Santa titled “**Saint Nicholas to Santa, History of a Man, a Legend, a Marketing Icon**”. The meeting also included a video of the **Kings Academy Choir** bringing us some holiday spirit.



Chapter Compatriots joined **DAR Daughters** and dozens of other supporters for a special “**Honor Flight-Parade of Vehicles**”, honoring and thanking Veterans from **WW 2, Korea, Vietnam**, and the **Middle East** conflicts.



Compatriots **Lanman, Parkinson** and **Wratisaw** joined **DAR Daughters** at a special **Veterans Monument Dedication** in Riviera Beach on Veterans Day. The unique Veterans dedication included individual **Honor Monuments** for **Veterans, Gold Star Families** and **First Responders**.



Veterans Compatriots are recognized with either the **SAR Military Service** or **War Service Medal** in recognition of their service, and join the 18% of **Chapter Veterans** who've served honorably in **WW II, Korea, Vietnam, Global War on Terrorism, Iraq, & Afghanistan**. Chapter Veterans are encouraged to join the **State Veterans Battalion**.



FMR Chapter President Elwyn L. More passed away in November 23 at age 90. The Chapter will conduct a **Special Memorial Service** for our dear departed Compatriot at the **January 19** meeting. Our Chapter sincerely mourns the loss of this beloved Patriot.

Chapter Compatriots Lanman, Tidwell, Boggs, Parkinson, Richards and **Wratislaw** will join **DAR Daughters** at the **Wreaths Across America** project to place wreaths at the graves of honored Veterans at the So. FL. National Cemetery December 19.



Don't wait to be asked, 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.

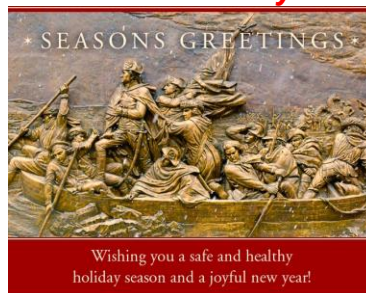
Recruit New Members! The ongoing success of our Chapter relies on increasing membership and the mentoring new members. Help by recruiting **Sons, Grandsons, Friends** and civic-minded individuals interested in honoring their **Patriot Ancestors** and enjoying good fellowship. Call it a Holiday or Birthday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

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

Fellow Compatriots, I look forward to seeing you and your guests at our **December 19** meeting to witness the special induction of our 2021 Officers by **FMR State & Chapter President, & National SAR Deputy Inspector General Raymond Wess**. We'll also have a special **"Patriot Bio"** on the famous **Battle of Oriskany** by **Garcilaso dl la Vega Vice Regent, Karen Christie**.



We wish you a safe, healthy and festive Holiday Season & a Merry Christmas.



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

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

Yours in Patriotism – J. Reeve Bright, Esq., President 2020



Hear Ye-Hear Ye.....Chapter Editorial

Don Lanman-Editor, State Officer & FMR Chapter President

~LIBERTAS ET PATRIA~

~LIBERTY & COUNTRY~

Given the Pandemic, You have time on your hands... So please provide me with some 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.

Share your Patriot Bios! We all enjoy sharing stories about family histories 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, just pick a meeting date and I'll help you develop your 10 minute presentation, contact me @ dlanman258@aol.com.



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

~2021 Chapter Meeting Dates/Topics:

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

- **Jan. 19 2021, Officer Installations, Guest Speaker Karen Christie**
- **Feb. 16, Special Guest Speaker, John Stewart as Thomas Jefferson**
- **March 16, Special Guest Speaker**
- **April 20, Special Guest Speaker**
- **May 18, Special Guest Speaker**
- **October 19, Special Guest Speaker**
- **November 16, Special Guest Speaker**
- **December 4. , Special Holiday Choir & Guest Speaker**

~2021 Officers & Board Members:

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

~SAR National, State, & Chapter Events:

- ✓ **FLSSAR Board of Management Meeting, Orlando May 1-3-2021**
- ✓ **Battle of Pensacola Event, Pensacola, FL May TBD**
- ✓ **Flag Placement Day S. FL National Cemetery, WPB May TBD**
- ✓ **Forgotten Soldiers Memorial Day Event, WPB May TBD**
- ✓ **Missing in America Veterans Event, TBD**
- ✓ **131th SAR National Congress- TBD**

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

~Feature Article~

Election of 1800....Contentious as 2020!

~Researched, Compiled/Edited by FMR Palm Beach SAR Chapter Presidents Don Lanman



The more things change, the more they seem to stay the same... especially when we compare and contrast past presidential elections with the seemingly unprecedented drama in 2020 election.

On February 17, 1801, [Thomas Jefferson](#) is elected the third president of the United States.

While the election constituted the first peaceful transfer of power from one political party to another in the United States, it was filled with deep divisions between parties, crude and unseemly conduct by presidential candidates, in fighting between political parties, acrimony, divisions in the populace, and even duels to the death between candidates.

By 1800, when Jefferson decided to run for president, he possessed impressive political credentials and was well-suited to the presidency.

In addition to drafting the [Declaration of Independence](#), Jefferson had served in two *Continental Congresses*, as minister to France, as Secretary of State under [George Washington](#) and as Vice President under [John Adams](#).

However, vicious partisan warfare characterized the campaign of 1800 between *Democratic-Republicans Jefferson* and *Aaron Burr* and *Federalists John Adams, Charles C. Pinckney* and [John Jay](#).

The election highlighted the ongoing battle between the *Democratic-Republican* supporters of the *French*, who were embroiled in their own bloody revolution, and the *Pro-British Federalists* who wanted to implement *English*-style policies in American government.

The *Federalists* abhorred the French revolutionaries' overzealous use of the guillotine and as a result were less forgiving in their foreign policy toward the French. *Federalists* advocated a strong centralized government, a standing military and financial support of emerging industries.

In contrast, Jefferson's *Republicans* preferred limited government, unadulterated states' rights and a primarily agrarian economy. They feared that *Federalists* would abandon revolutionary ideals on which the United States was founded and revert to the *English Monarchical* style political process.

As Washington's Secretary of State, Jefferson opposed *Secretary of the Treasury Alexander Hamilton's* proposal to increase military expenditures and plan to launch a *National Bank*. He resigned when Washington supported the leading *Federalist's* plan for a national bank.

After a bloodless but ugly political campaign in which candidates and influential supporters on both sides used the press, often anonymously, as a forum to fire slanderous volleys at each other, the then-laborious and confusing process of voting began in April 1800.

Individual states scheduled elections at different times and although Jefferson and Burr ran on the same ticket, as president and vice president respectively, the [Constitution](#) still demanded votes for each individual to be counted separately.

As a result, by the end of January 1801, Jefferson and Burr emerged tied at 73 electoral votes apiece. Adams came in third at 65 votes.

This unintended result sent the final vote to the [House of Representatives](#). Sticklers in the Federalist-controlled House of Representatives insisted on following the Constitution's flawed rules and refused to elect Jefferson and Burr together on the same ticket.

The highly influential *Federalist* [Alexander Hamilton](#), who mistrusted Jefferson but truly hated Burr more, persuaded the House to vote against Burr, whom he called "*The most unfit man for the office of president*". This accusation and many others led Burr to challenge Hamilton to a duel in 1804 that resulted in Hamilton's death.

Two weeks before the scheduled inauguration, Jefferson emerged victorious however, and Burr was confirmed as his vice president. A contingent of sword-bearing soldiers escorted the new president to his inauguration on March 4, 1801, illustrating the contentious nature of the election and the victors' fear of reprisals.

In his inaugural address, Jefferson sought to heal political differences by graciously declaring, "*We are all Republicans, we are all Federalists*". As president, Jefferson made some concessions to his opponents, including taking Hamilton's advice to strengthen the American Navy.

In 1801, Jefferson sent naval squadrons and Marines to suppress Barbary piracy against American shipping. He reduced the national debt by one-third, acquired the *Louisiana Territory*, and his sponsorship of the [Lewis and Clark](#) expedition opened the west to exploration and settlement.

Jefferson's first term ended in relative stability and prosperity, and in 1804 he was overwhelmingly elected to a second term. The flawed voting system that was so problematic in the election of 1800, it was later improved by the *12th Amendment*, which was ratified in 1804.

~Meeting & Event Pictures~

FMR Chapter President Don Lanman and DAR Vice Regent Karen Christie supported the "Honor Flight Program" in a Vehicle Parade in Boynton Beach.



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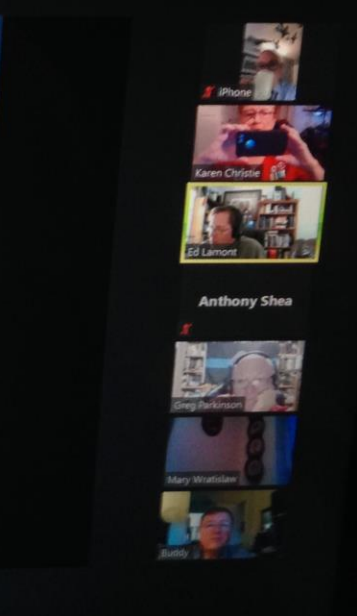
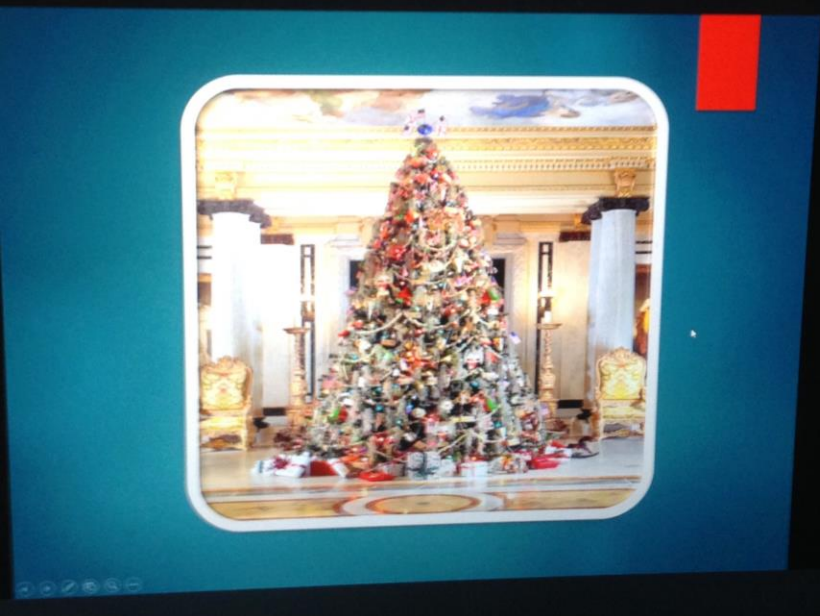
**~Chapter Officers 2021~
Installation Ceremony 1/19/21**

- **President** Donald Lanman
- **Vice President** David Wratlslaw
- **Secretary** Robert E. Boggs, Jr.
- **Registrar** John Workman
- **Treasurer** Peter Johnston
- **Chaplains** Benjamin Tidwell, Sanford Sears
- **Historian** Sonny Barber
- **Sgt. @ Arms** Greg Parkinson
- **Officer @ Large:** Bill Richards, TK Krummenacker

~Compatriots & DAR Daughters Enjoy Fellowship~

**~Guest Speaker~
Ed Lamont**

A leading Docent at the *Flagler Museum* since 1992, Ed has led over 2,500 guided tours into *America's Golden Age* past. *Flagler Museum's Interpretive Docent of the Year* for 2001, 2006, & 2007, Ed also leads historical tours of the *Breakers Hotel* & delivers gallery talks at the *Society of the Four Arts*.



~Join the President's Brigade - Support Youth Programs!

The **Palm Beach Chapter** provides 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 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**.

Please 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 Reeve Bright @ 561-573-8186** to lend a hand on any of the following committees...

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|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ➤ 2021 Officer Nominations | -Chapter Membership |
| ➤ JROTC & Boy Scouts | -Tidwell, Barber |
| ➤ Law Enforcement-Fire Safety | -Parkinson, Lanman |
| ➤ Veterans Affairs | -Lanman, Richards |
| ➤ Newsletter/Publicity | -Lanman, Bright |
| ➤ Knight Essay/Rumbaugh Oration | -Boggs, Tidwell |
| ➤ American History Teacher | -Boggs |
| ➤ Medals/Awards | -Lanman, Tidwell |
| ➤ DAR-CAR Liaison | -Lanman, Parkinson, Tidwell |
| ➤ Speakers Bureau | -Lanman, Bright, Boggs |
| ➤ Financial Audit | -Coldwell, Johnston |
| ➤ Flag Certificates | -Miller, Parkinson |
| ➤ Membership Development/Mentor | -Bright, Miller, Lanman, Boggs |
| ➤ Liberty Tree | -Miller, Parkinson |
| ➤ Patriot Bios | -Boggs, Barber, Lanman |
| ➤ Web Site-Facebook/Social Media | -Anderson, Lanman |

~Palm Beach Chapter SAR Store~

Palm Beach Chapter Commemorative Coin \$10!



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...

~GARCILASO DE LA VEGA, DAR CHAPTER

~DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

~COMPATRIOT ALEXANDER DREYFOOS

~AUTHOR/PHOTOGRAPHER/VETERAN/PATRIOT

~JAMESTOWN SOCIETY

~International Lineage Society

~COMPATRIOT SONNY BARBER

~HISTORIAN/AUTHOR/VETERAN/PATRIOT

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



~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~

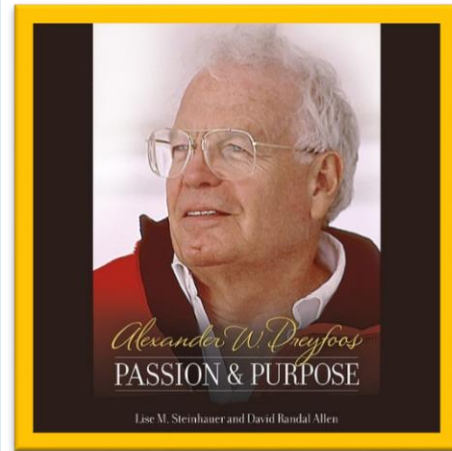
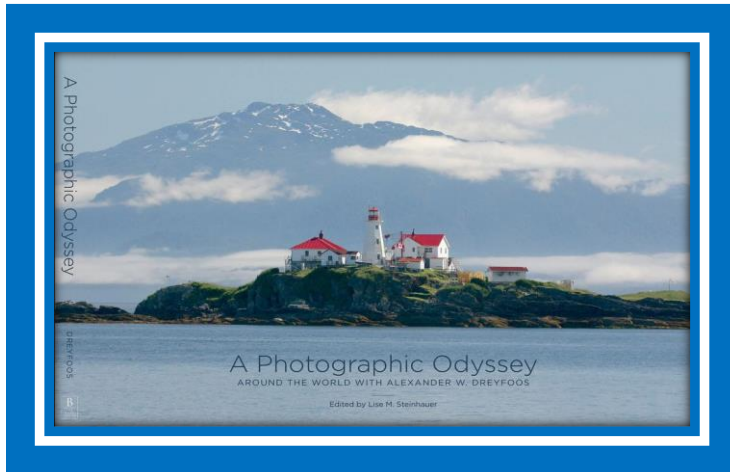
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~TWO GREAT BOOKS-ONE GREAT MAN~

-Alexander W. Dreyfoos-



-A PHOTOGRAPHIC ODYSSEY- -PASSION & PURPOSE-

Compatriot Alexander W Dreyfoos, Jr. an honored member of the *Palm Beach Chapter Sons of the American Revolution*, noted American entrepreneur, and philanthropist has published two remarkable books that should be on every bookshelf. **Book sales proceeds donated to local West Palm Beach charities!**

- **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. **\$29.95.**
- **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 locals 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. **\$60.00.**
- **Support** your Chapter & local charities! **Get both books, Passion & Purpose & A Photographic Odyssey**, just **\$71.96** @ kravis.org/books or Call 561-651-4329.

~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.

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the courageous men and women who braved all to start this great nation.
Let's add your Ancestor to the list!**

South Florida Company Member's Ancestors

POCAHONTAS	STEPHEN HOPKINS	EDWARD GRENDON
JOHN ROLFE	ROBERT ELLYSON	COL. WILLIAM CLAIBORNE
WILLIAM HAMPTON	THOMAS PETTUS	ROBERT BEHEATHLAND
JOHN CLAY	JOHN WOODSON	COL. WILLIAM BALL
PETER MONTAGUE	THOMAS EDMUNDSON	WALTER ASTON
JOHN CHEW	FRANCIS EPPES I	CHRISTOPHER BRANCH
RICHARD PACE	JOHN WILKINS	TEMPERANCE BAILEY
NICHOLAS MERIWETHER I	THOMAS HUNT	THOMAS JORDAN
RICHARD LEE	THOMAS GASCOIGNE	COL. THOMAS LIGON
ABRAHAM PIERCY	CHRISTOPHER ROBINSON	CAPT. THOMAS HARRIS
ADRIA GURGANAY	WILLIAM SPENCER	JOHN VESSELL
HENRY BATTE	JOHN WEST	ADAM THOROWGOOD
ROBERT "KING" CARTER	EDMUND SCARBURGH II	

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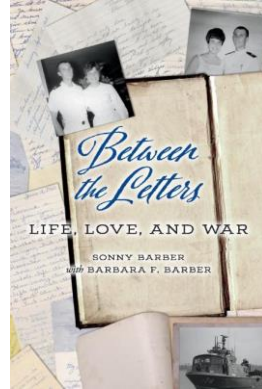
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“BETWEEN THE LETTERS”

Life, Love, And War

By Palm Beach SAR Compatriot/Veteran/Author, Sonny Barber and Barbara Barber



*Palm Beach Chapter SAR Compatriot/Veteran/Author Sonny Barber and his wife Barbara just released their latest book titled “**Between the Letters-Life, Love, And War**”. This moving testimonial to the ravages on the Vietnam War and the inspirational power of love is captured in this latest book from the Barbers, and a must read. *Compatriot Barber* is also the author of three remarkable American Historical Mystery series for young adults/children titled “**Crossed & Found**”, “**Stonewalled**”, and “**Gold Hush**”.*

~ Overview “Between the Letters-Life, Love, And War”~

Separated by war and thousands of miles, a young navy ensign and his nurse fiancée share their everyday experiences from Vietnam and from back home through hundreds of letters, keeping alive their love, hopes and dreams. Between these letters, the fledgling officer-in-charge of a U.S. Navy Swift Boat shares his first-person stories of life and death in a combat zone.

~Plot Description~

"I miss you!" "Why haven't you written?" "Thank God, you're safe!" These are the beginning lines of some of the hundreds of letters between a freshly-commissioned U.S. Navy ensign and his fiancée, a new nurse graduate, from the start of their relationship until eighteen months later when he returns from Vietnam.

Between these letters are first person accounts of the fledgling naval officer's life in charge of a five-man crew aboard a fifty-foot Swift Boat, patrolling the coastal waters and rivers in "I Corps," the northernmost military operational area of South Vietnam.

The letters and stories show the challenges of life—and death—in a combat zone and provide a glimpse into the stress-filled lives of these two young people, separated by the war and thousands of miles across an ocean and a continent.

~About the Authors~

Sonny and Barbara Barber created this heartfelt memoir as a tribute to their life experience, the impact of separation, and a moving testimonial to the ravages on the Vietnam War and the inspirational power of love.

Soon after graduating college, *Rufus R. "Sonny" Barber, Jr.* joined the *U.S. Navy* and volunteered for duty in *Vietnam* as an officer-in-charge of a "*Swift Boat*," a fifty-foot navy patrol craft.

After his four years of active military service, he worked in public relations and corporate communications, concurrently serving as a public affairs officer in military reserve components and retiring as a Captain from the *U.S. Navy Reserve*.

In his second career as an author, he's also written several fiction books for preteens and up, which use events in early American history as the basis for modern-day mysteries.

Sonny and wife, *Barbara*, residents of Boca Raton, Florida, have two wonderful daughters, devoted sons-in-law, and four inspiring and amazing grandchildren.

~BOOK DETAILS~

- **Genre: Biography & Autobiography**
 - **Sub-Genre: Personal Memoirs**
 - **Language: English, Pages: 306**
- **Format: Paperback, ISBN:9781543961898**
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