Sons of the American Revolution
Palm Beach Chapter Florida Society



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HAPPY NEW YEAR, Compatriots, DAR Daughters & Friends,

RSVP Now for the 2023 Officer Installation, New Member Induction & Awards Ceremony with a Special Guest Speaker <u>Tuesday January 17</u> @ 12 Noon @ Embassy Suites Hotel 1601 Belvedere Rd. WPB.

Start the New Year Right, enjoy good fellowship & a 2-Course Buffet Lunch, 2-Deserts & Beverages @ just \$35 cash/check/credit card @ the door. Bring your friends too! RSVP On Line or Don Lanman, 561-315-5073, dlanman258@aol.com.

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President's Message:

Fellow Compatriots, DAR Daughters & Friends...

As we welcome the *New Year*, it is with pride and humility that I thank you for the high honor of serving as your President for the past two years. Together we have weathered a pandemic that required us to meet virtually for all of 2021.

But despite these trying times, pandemic, national discord and challenges our Chapter prevailed, grew and made 2022 more successful than ever before.

Since joining the SAR in 2014, I've had the high honor of serving as your president for 4 terms (2016, 2017, 2021, 2022), and over the past 8 years, supported by a most amazing group of committed chapter leaders, we have produced some admirable accomplishments.

These accomplishments include; growing chapter membership to 185 compatriots, averaging an annual membership renewal rate of 85%, promoting over 80 JROTC, BSA awards and Youth Essay programs, recognizing over 70 Law Enforcement/First Responders with medals, awarding 10 scholarships to local University History majors and supporting over 60 Veterans programs.

In short, during the past 8 years we have, by any reasonable definition, set a standard for other SAR Chapters from conducting well attended, interesting meetings to a Chapter with 10 SAR Patriot Medal and 2 SAR Gold Citizenship Medal winners.

Now, as I transfer the gavel of authority to the incoming *President of the Palm Beach Chapter National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution,* I enjoin upon him the duty of wielding it with dignity, impartiality and courtesy, never forgetting that, although as Officers we are temporarily the chief among our Brethren, we have only emerged for a brief time from the ranks and to those ranks we all soon return.

As I return to the ranks, I encourage all *Chapter Compatriots* to remember that the *Palm Beach Chapter* is blessed with a large number of qualified and exceptional leaders, and I have every confidence that *President Bird* and the *2023* team of Officers will lead our Chapter to new levels of success.

"Service before Self", these outstanding 2023 Officers include; President David Bird, Vice President T K Krumenacker, Secretary, Bob Boggs, Treasurer, Peter Johnston, Historian, Donald Lanman, Registrar, John Workman, Chaplain, Benjamin Tidwell, Sgt. @ Arms, Greg Parkinson, Chapter Genealogist, Bob Boggs.

The 2023 Chapter Officers will be formally installed, by SAR National Inspector General and former Chapter & State President Ray Wess, at the January 17th meeting.

The *Chapter's 2023 Vision* remains to perpetuate the ideals of our nation's founders, as true and selfless servants of individual Freedom, and a country of laws encapsulated in the Constitution and Bill of Rights for a republic *Of, By and For the People*.

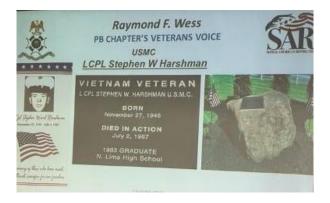
The Chapter will continue to perpetuate our core beliefs that our country and SAR were founded upon, especially, honoring those who serve our country in the military, the community and those teaching the next generation that our 247 years of freedom has come at a great price and is easily lost.

I call on all *Chapter Compatriots*, along with our revered *DAR Daughters* and the many other patriotic organizations to join us in achieving this vision.

The **November 15**th meeting was a dedication to Veterans Month and honored all Veterans from 1776 to today.

The meeting also included a moving presentation by retired *US Army Special Forces Sergeant, Raymond Wess*. Ray is a decorated combat Vietnam Veteran earning both the *Purple Heart* and *Bronze Star*.

Ray shared a moving tribute to his fellow *Vietnam Veteran* and friend *USMC LCPL Stephen W. Harshman* who was killed in action on July 2nd 1967, just one day before he completed his combat tour.



Chapter Compatriots joined DAR Daughters from the **Garcilaso de la Vega** Chapter to honor Veterans at the annual **Wreaths Across America** Veterans Wreath placement event December 17 at both the **South Florida National** and **Woodlawn Cemeteries**.







President Lanman joined DAR Regent Karen Christie of the Garcilaso de la Vega DAR Chapter to deliver canned and package goods to the WPB VA volunteer services to feed homeless Veterans over the holidays. The Chapter's Junior Compatriot Beau Kimler collected food items included in this food delivery. The Chapter continues its to seek support from Compatriots to provide resources to feed our homeless veterans.



Compatriot Joel H. Mayne passed in late October. He will be honored with a Chapter Memorial remembrance. **Compatriot Mayne** is remembered as a devoted Husband, Father, Grandfather and esteemed SAR Patriot.

Chapter Compatriots with **DAR Daughters** continued their dedication to patriotic and civic service by attending two Patriotic events including the **Missing in America Project** where we inurned, with full military honors, the unclaimed remains of 18 Veterans of WW 1, 2, Korea.



The November meeting included a special auction of an inspiring framed picture of *George Washington* donated by Vice President elect *T K Krumenacker*. The aucton raised \$213.00 to help the Chapter cover monthly meeting expenses.



Chapter President Lanman joined NSSAR President General Bruce Pickette, Secretary General John Dodd, Chancellor General Michael Elston, FMR President General Lindsey Brock, FLSSAR President Matt Mathews and other Florida SAR leaders at the home of Compatriot Bill Koch to present the SAR Gold Good Citizenship Medal to US Senator & FMR Florida Governor Rick Scott. Senator Scott also submitted his application for membership in the SAR.



Chapter President Lanman was formally inducted into the Florida Veterans "Hall of Fame" Class of 2022 by Governor Ron DeSantis in Tallahassee November 15 along with 9 other inductees.



Ongoing Chapter *Veterans Service* programs include providing Volunteers supporting the *West Palm Beach VA Hospital*, *Fisher House*, VA Veterans homeless food projects and serving as an *Ambassador* and supporter of the *Florida Veterans Foundation* providing direct services to Florida's 1.6 Million Veterans.

As an *FVF Ambassador*, the Chapter is supporting *Florida Veterans Foundation Gadsden Flag "Don't Tread on Me" Specialty Florida License Plate*, fundraising program. **\$25** from each license plate sold will benefit Florida Veterans in need. License plates are available online at www.HelpFLVets.org or at local Florida vehicle offices.



Compatriots, volunteers are needed to serve on the *Veterans Service Committee* as we continue supporting the *VA, American Legion*, *FVF* and *VFW*. Contact Don Lanman 561-315-5073 and serve!

All Compatriots are encouraged to attend the 133rd National SAR Conference in Orlando. As a fundraiser FLSSAR is holding a drawing for a limited-edition bronze sculpture titled the "Sons of Liberty" (#10/50) crafted by world famous sculptor James N. Muir. Valued in excess of \$6,000, the drawing tickets are just \$25 each or 5 for \$100. Mail a check to FLSSAR Statue c/o Palm Beach Chapter, PO Box 16735 West Palm Beach FL 33416.

Sons of Liberty Statue

Help your Chapter by attending all meetings. While our meetings continue to be well attended by dozens of Compatriots, DAR Daughters and Guests to hear interesting speakers and share soul refreshing fellowship, we need more guests to meet the minimum required by the Hotel or the Chapter Loses Money. So please, personally attend all meetings, invite family members and friends to join you at our meetings.

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

Recruit New Members! The ongoing success of our Chapter relies on increasing membership and mentoring new members. Help your Chapter reach **200** members this year to become the Largest SAR Chapter in Florida. **DAR Daughters,** thank you for Recruiting **Husbands**, **Sons, Grandsons, Friends** and civic-minded men interested in honoring their **Patriot Ancestors** and enjoying good fellowship. **Remember SAR membership is open to all males from <u>Age 0 to 100+</u>. Call it a Holiday** or **Birthday gift,** no wrapping, and no returns.

All Chapter Compatriots are encouraged to actively support all DAR Chapters by attending their meetings, fundraising activities and related patriotic events. Fellow Compatriots, DAR Daughters, we look forward to seeing you and your guests on January 17.

Patriots, 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, Chapter President





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 a <u>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*.

As the 2nd oldest and one of the largest Chapters in the State we're proud of our Chapter whose members includes two *National Officers, SAR President General, National/International Inspector General, 1 SAR Minuteman Medal, 2 SAR Gold Citizenship Medals* and *10 Patriot Medal winners.*

My fellow Compatriots, as community leaders, we must commit to attending all Chapter, State and National Conferences to make our voices heard. So, schedule the time to get involved to protect our heritage.

~2023 Chapter Meeting Dates/Topics:

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

- > 2023 January 17 Officer Installations, Awards, Guest Speaker
- > Feb. 21, Special Guest Speaker George Washington & Martha
- > March 21, Special Guest Speaker
- > April 18, Law Enforcement Recognition, Guest Speaker
- May 16, Firefighters/EMT Recognition, Guest Speaker
- > October 17, Special Guest Speaker
- November 21, Special Veterans Program
- > 2024 January 16 Officer Installations, Awards, Guest Speaker

~2023 Officers & Board Members:

- > President, President David Bird
- Vice President, TK Krumenacker
- > Secretary, FMR President Bob Boggs
- > Treasurer, Peter Johnston
- > Registrar, John Workman
- > Chaplain, FMR President Benjamin Tidwell
- > Historian, FMR President Donald Lanman
- > Sgt. @ Arms, FMR President Greg Parkinson
- Chapter Genealogist, FMR President Bob Boggs
- Patriot Newsletter Editor, FMR President Donald Lanman
- > Note: Officers & FMR Presidents are Voting Board Members

~SAR National, State, & Chapter Events 2023:

- ✓ Last Naval Battle Ceremony, Merritt Island, FL 3/18
- ✓ Thomas Creek Battle Ceremony, Jacksonville, FL 5/18
- ✓ Battle of Pensacola, Ceremony Pensacola, FL 5/18
- ✓ SAR National Congress, Orlando, FL July 2023

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

~Feature Articles~ ~Meeting & Event Pictures~ SAR - Service Before Self! 134 Years of Patriotism & Service!

Compiled-Edited by Don Lanman, Palm Beach Chapter President 2016-17-21-22

On April 30, 1889, *William Osborn McDowell* organized the *National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution* at the historic and iconic *Fraunces Tavern* in New York City, the site of the 1789 Centennial of the inauguration of *His Excellency George Washington* as the first *President of the United States*.

William McDowell went on to play a major role in the founding of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution in 1890 along with First Lady of the United States, Caroline Harrison, who also served as the first President General of the DAR.



The *National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution* is the largest lineage and national patriotic society for men in America, and proud of its 130+ years of patriotism and civic service to our communities, cities, states and the Nation.

As the last of the *Revolutionary War* patriot soldiers had passed on to Glory, and the nation began to celebrate the Centennial of its Independence in 1876, many groups from different states formed to honor the service of the veterans of the *Continental Army* and *Colonial Militia*.

Following several initiatives to form a national society, several state groups met on April 30, 1889, in New York City, on the centennial of *George Washington's* first Inauguration as President, to develop the framework for a national patriotic and lineage society.

When the multi-day conference concluded, it had approved both a constitution and the bylaws to form a national patriotic lineage society that selected for its name, *The National Society, Sons of the American Revolution (NSSAR)*.

Following its inauguration, the *NSSAR* society began forming state and local chapters across the United States. Then on June 9, 1906, *NSSAR* was formally recognized and *Chartered* by an Act of the *United States Congress*, and signed into law by *SAR*Compatriot and *President of the United States*, *Theodore Roosevelt*.

Since its inception, over 195,000 men have been accepted into NSSAR. Nationally, membership has included 16 presidents of the United States, as well as Senators, members of Congress, Supreme Court Justices, generals, admirals, ambassadors, veterans, serving members of the armed forces, medal of honor recipients, small-businessmen, doctors, lawyers, ministers, professors, school teachers, farmers, accountants, other elected officials, and members of every profession and calling including a Prime Minister of England and King of Spain.

What we all have in common is a deep affection for America, patriotism, the Vision of our Founders, our heritage, the *Constitution, Bill of Rights and a country Of, By and For the People*.

The **NSSAR** promotes, at national, state and local levels, patriotic, historical and educational activities to perpetuate the memory of the patriots of the **American Revolutionary War** who by their sacrifice of treasure and life achieved the independence of the **United States of America**.

The **NSSAR** also supports our nations serving Military, Veterans, First Responders, Boy Scouts, Junior JROTC, American History teachers, and dozens of related youth programs.

Awards and scholarships are given for a variety of youth-focused historical contests and competitions, such as its poster contest for children in grades four and five, a brochure contest for middle school students, along with its historical essay and oration contests for high school students.

Local SAR chapters honor members of Law Enforcement, Fire Rescue, First Responders, Eagle Scouts, teachers, high school students, and civic leaders, as well as citizens who properly display the American flag.

Local chapters also seek to mark and commemorate the graves of *Revolutionary Patriots* as well as historic sites related to the Revolution.

Membership in the **NSSAR** is open to all males who can demonstrate that their male or female ancestor(s) provided active service or support in the cause of **American Independence**.

Active service may be either military or related support, including service in civil government, taking an Oath of Allegiance to the United States, or providing supplies, material support or financial support of the American cause for Liberty.

Visit any of these web sites for more information on NSSAR, FLSSAR.org, SAR.org.

Happy 134th Anniversary SAR

God Bless the SAR & God Bless our United States of America.

FMR President & Chaplin Tidwell welcomes Veterans Day Guest Speaker, Veteran & NSSAR Inspector General, Ray Wess



Vice President Elect TK Krumenacker Auctions Antique Framed George Washington Picture



Compatriots Lanman, Parkinson, Bird, Kimler, Johnston Join DAR Daughters @ Wreath Across America Ceremony



Compatriots & DAR Daughters Enjoy Fellowship



Join to the President's Brigade, Support Youth Programs...

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, community and 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 2023 CHAPTER PRESIDENTS BRIGADE ~

- ~ Honored Presidents Brigade Members~
- **❖** Bronze Level: \$25-\$99:

M. Anderson, R. Bright, J. Blackburn, D. Bird, A. Cass, R. Culpepper, S. Curry, D. Coldwell, J. Dorsey, W. Davis, K. Davis, F. Devitt, J. Harper, J. Kane, P. Johnston, R. Linn, P. Miller, McCampbell, R. Miller, G. Odell, G. Scott, A. Shea, P. Spencer, Watkins, J. Wearn, M. Wess

❖ Silver Level: \$100-\$199:

S. Barber, S. Curry, T. Friend, B. Gunter, G. Green, A. Griswold, E. Jonas, P. Miller, W. Meakin, W. Richards, T. Smith, W. Told, D. Wratislaw

Gold Level: \$200-\$499:

J. Curry, W. Johnson, TK Krumenacker, J. Wynns, W. Warwich

❖ Platinum Level: \$500+

J. Annan, W. Adams, B. Boggs, A. Dreyfoos, J. Damron-Fritz, D. Lanman, G. Mitchell, G. Parkinson, B. Tidwell, R. Wess, C. Wetherill

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...

- > 2024 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, Lanman
- -Parkinson, Wess
- -Lanman, Tidwell, Kimler
- -Lanman, Bird
- -Tidwell, Boggs
- -Boggs, Bird
- -Tidwell, Lanman, Boggs
- -Lanman, Parkinson, Tidwell
- -Lanman, Bird, Boggs
- -Johnston, Bird
- -Langenstein, Parkinson
- -Bright, Bird, Krumenacker
- -Parkinson, Krumenacker
- -Boggs, Johnston, Lanman
- -Anderson, Lanman

~Palm Beach Chapter SAR Store~

Palm Beach Chapter Commemorative Coin \$15!





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

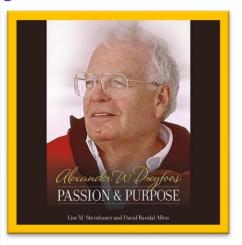
~<u>JAMESTOWN SOCIETY</u> ~International Lineage Society

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

~TWO GREAT BOOKS-ONE GREAT MAN~

-Alexander W. Dreyfoos-





-A PHOTOGRAPHIC ODYSSEY- -PASSION & PURPOSE-

Compatriot Alexander W Dreyfoos, an honored member of the Palm Beach Chapter Sons of the American Revolution, noted American entrepreneur, and philanthropist published two remarkable books that should be on every bookshelf. All Book sale proceeds donated to the Palm Beach Chapter SAR Youth Programs!

- 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 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.

Get both books, for just \$49.00 (retail \$90)...all proceeds donated to the Chapter. Order today, contact Don Lanman @ dlanman258@aol.com.

~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~

~Karen E. Christie, Regent~

~NSDAR Volunteer Genealogist, Area 12~

~Teresa Bevan, 1st Vice Regent~

~ Dianna Stoffer, Registrar ~

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