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### ~ May 18 Meetings Highlights~

The Chapter held its 8<sup>th</sup> "Virtual" meeting **May 18**. **35 Compatriots, DAR Daughters** and **Guests** joined us for some great fellowship as we conducted special **Compatriot Service Recognitions**, and featured special guest speaker **Colonel Robert Allen, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office "Crime, Social Unrest & Policing in Palm Beach County"**.

Join Us at the next Chapter meeting **October 19 @ 12 Noon** featuring special guest speakers presenting unique and interesting **Patriot Bios**. Family & Guests are always Welcome!

## President's Message:

### **Fellow Compatriots, DAR Daughters & Friends...**

As we conclude the first half of the 2021 season and retire for the summer, I offer my heartfelt appreciation to our Chapter Officers, loyal Compatriots, and DAR Daughters who have braved the tiresome Pandemic, Virtual meetings, general social unrest, questionable domestic/international policies and the unceasing assaults against our Nation's core values.

As we move into the second half of the year, may I suggest that it's more important than ever for all patriotic/lineage societies to work together to embrace and promote the values on which the United States, SAR and DAR were founded.

Joining together, we must recognize, honor and support our Military, Law Enforcement, and First Responders who selflessly serve our country, and community.

It's especially critical that we assure that our educational systems deliver a complete and accurate history of the founding of our Nation to our youth. We must resist those elements in the society who wish to rewrite history to fit a political agenda or narrative, 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 Outreach, History Student Scholarships, JROTC/Scouting recognition, Law Enforcement and First Responder recognition initiatives.

Again, I thank all **Compatriots** and our revered **DAR Daughters** for your loyalty and support promoting patriotism in all areas of our community.

**Mark** your calendars and join us for the next in person Chapter meeting **October 19<sup>th</sup> @ 12 Noon** featuring special guest speakers presenting Patriot Bios on their Patriot Ancestors.

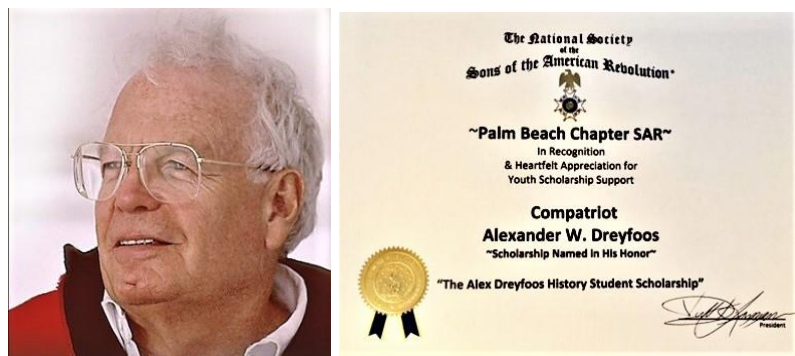
Our **May 18** virtual meeting included 35 Compatriots and **DAR Daughters** and featured a special presentation on **Colonel Robert Allen, Strategic Operations Commander Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office** for a revealing overview of "**Crime, Social Unrest & Policing in Palm Beach County**".



Following the interesting and insightful review of crime, social unrest and policing challenges in our community, along with interesting insights on how Colonel Allen began his 43 year career in Law Enforcement, the Chapter honored this professional with the prestigious SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal.



Chapter President Lanman recognized **Compatriot Alex Dreyfoos** for his ongoing support of the Chapter's *Youth & History Scholarship* programs named in his honor. **Thank You Alex.**



NSSAR Officer-FMR State/Chapter President, Compatriot Raymond F. Wess was honored at the State Board of Management meeting with the **FLSSAR Meritorious Service Medal** for his selfless service to the SAR.





NSSAR Deputy Inspector General-FMR State/Chapter President, Raymond F. Wess presented Chapter President Don Lanman with the prestigious **FLSSAR Patriot Medal** at the State SAR Board of Management meeting for his selfless service to the SAR. The **SAR Patriot Medal** is the highest service medal that the State may bestow.



FMR Chapter President/Chaplain and JROTC/Boy Scout Youth Chairman Ben Tidwell presented the Eagle Scout Medal to Blane Baxter. Congratulations Blane, well done!



Youth Chairman Tidwell also recognized the Chapter Knight Essay & Rumbaugh Oration contest winner Hudson Hale at the winter Board of Management meeting where Hudson took 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the State competition. Congratulations Hudson, well done!



Over the past year the Chapter has conducted *Memorial Services* to celebrate the lives of service of 8 honored Compatriots; *Robert Gearing, Michael S. Johnson, Jack Miller, Elwyn Moore, J.W. Porter, David Riker, William Stout & William Adams.*

***God Speed Good & Noble Patriots***



As FVF Ambassadors, the Chapter is supporting Florida Veterans Foundation *Gadsden Flag "Don't Tread on Me" Specialty Florida License Plate*, program. \$25 from all license plate sales will benefit Florida Veterans in need. License plate vouchers are available online at [www.HelpFLVets.org](http://www.HelpFLVets.org) or at your local tax collector offices.

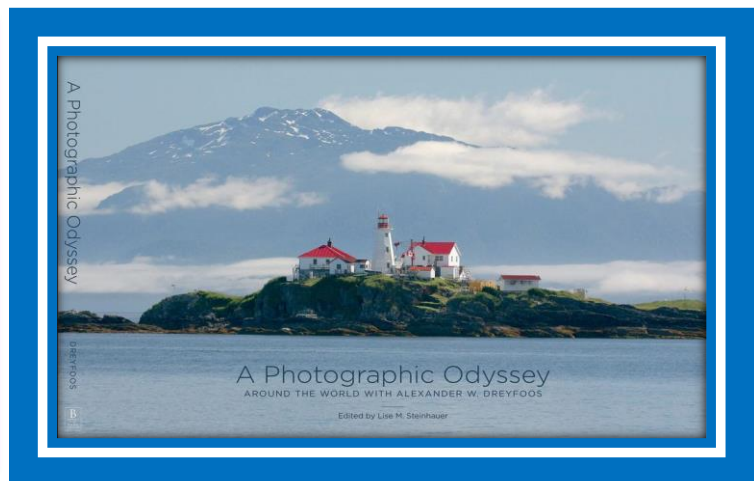
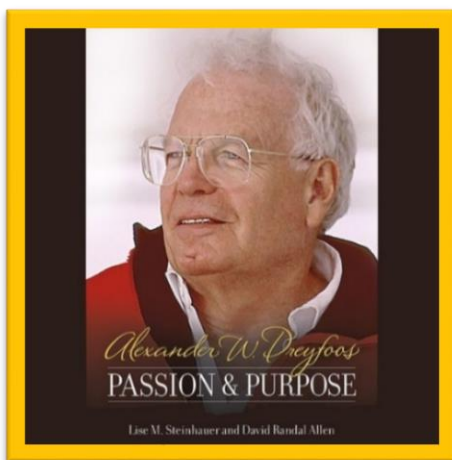


**Fellow Compatriots, volunteers** are needed to serve on the *Veterans Service Committee* as we continue supporting the VA, American Legion, FVF and VFW. Contact Chairman Bill Richards 917-692-1145 or Don Lanman 561-315-5073 to serve!

**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 @ **Just \$49** (retail \$90)...**All proceeds donated to support the Chapter's youth & scholarship programs!** **Thank You Compatriot Dreyfoos!!**



To date, 16 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!**

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





Fellow Patriots, as we reflect on the challenging times 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 our **Patriotic Duty**.

Our goal is to resume in person luncheon meetings for the **October 19** at the Embassy Suites Hotel.

**Please support the chapter and attend all our meetings.** Our virtual meetings to date have been well attended by dozens of **Compatriots, DAR Daughters** and **Guests** 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.**

**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.

As we close out the season, 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.

Finally to our beloved **DAR Patriot Daughters** we extend our deepest 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 **October 19** for a special presentations of interesting Patriot Ancestor Bios.

***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***



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

*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](mailto:dlanman258@aol.com).



Please submit your content to the **Palm Beach SAR Chapter Editor** in an **MS Word document format** to [dlanman258@aol.com](mailto:dlanman258@aol.com). 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](http://www.FLSSAR.org/Palm%20BeachSAR) web site @ [www.FLSSAR.org/Palm BeachSAR](http://www.FLSSAR.org/Palm%20BeachSAR) for general information, newsletters, pictures, and related links.

- **October 19, Special Guest Speakers-Patriot Bios**
- **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 Speaker**

## ~2021 Officers & Board Members:

- **President, President Donald Lanman**
- **Vice President, David Wratishaw**
- **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:

- ✓ **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**
- ✓ **Missing in America Veterans Internment Event, TBD**
- ✓ **131<sup>th</sup> SAR National Congress, Washington State July 4-14**

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

## ~Feature Article~

# **Respecting Our Flag... Honor Those Who Sacrificed at the Altar of Freedom! History of the American Flag!**

**Compiled, Edited & Written By Don Lanman, President Palm Beach Chapter SAR**

Fellow Citizens who, in the name of the free speech rights afforded by the first amendment, choose to disrespect the *American Flag* and our *National Anthem* out of a perceived wrong or injustice are to be pitied for their ignorance of American History.

Our Constitution and Bill of Rights affords everyone the right to speak their mind and protest grievances as they choose, but their choice of venues brings into sharp focus both their ignorance of the meaning of the American Flag and our National Anthem.

As Patriots, I believe that it is our responsibility to educate our fellow citizens on the virtues and values of our founding fathers as embodied in the Constitution and Bill of Rights, and reaffirmed over the past 240 years by the sacrifices of so many at the *Altar of Freedom*.

We should endeavor to lead these citizens down the path of education, awareness and self-enlightenment on both the history and values of our Republic.

Part of that education is the meaning and history of the flag of the United States of America and the National anthem that symbolizes and reaffirms that we are a democratic republic of, by and for the people with these freedoms guaranteed for all Americans.

The *American Flag* was born on June 14, 1777, in Philadelphia where the Continental Congress adopted the stars and stripes as the national flag. The thirteen stripes alternating red and white, with a union of thirteen white stars in a field of blue, represented a new constellation, a new nation dedicated to the personal and religious liberty of all mankind.

The fifty stars that adorn our flag, one for each of the fifty sovereign states, signifies the greatest constitutional republic the world has ever known. Its colors symbolize the patriotic ideals and spiritual qualities of the citizens of America.

Its red stripes proclaim the fearless courage and integrity of American men and boys and the self-sacrifice and devotion of American mothers and daughters in defense of our virtues and values. The white stripes stand for liberty and equality for all and the blue reminds us of heaven, loyalty, and faith and represent these eternal principles: liberty, justice, and humanity.

The American flag embodies the promise of uniquely American freedom: freedom of speech, religion, assembly, the press, and the sanctity of the home.

Our flag typifies the indomitable spirit of determination brought to our land by all our forefathers - the Pilgrims, Puritans, settlers at Jamestown and Plymouth, and the many great leaders who have shaped our unique republic.

## **Follow the evolution of the honored flag of the United States of America.....**

### **Old Glory.....**

- ❖ *I am as old as my nation.*
- ❖ *I am a living symbol of my nation's law: the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.*
- ❖ *I voice Lincoln's philosophy: "A government of the people, by the people, for the people."*
- ❖ *I support the nation's schools, the seedbed of good citizenship and patriotism.*
- ❖ *I am displayed in every schoolroom and schoolyard throughout my nation.*
- ❖ *Daily thousands of our children pledge their allegiance to me and my country.*
- ❖ *My own Public Law 829, "The Flag Code", defines my correct use and display.*
- ❖ *I have my own special day, Flag Day June 14, to honor my birth.*
- ❖ *I am the sacred emblem of our country symbolizing the birthright and heritage of liberty for all Americans purchased with blood and treasure of our forefathers.*
- ❖ *I am the deed of freedom for Americans to enjoy and hold in trust for posterity.*
- ❖ *I pray Americans to keep this sacred trust inviolate for if nullified we risk becoming slaves to despots.*
- ❖ *Maintaining vigilance for all enemies domestic and foreign is the price of freedom so guard me well, lest our freedoms perish.*
- ❖ *Commit to the virtues: "One nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."*
- ❖ *As you see me silhouetted against the peaceful skies, remember that I am the flag of your country, standing for the "land of the free and the home of the brave"!*
- ❖ *I shall ever be known as "Old Glory," the flag of the United States of America!*
- ❖ *God grant that we spend eternity in the shadow of Old Glory!*

## **Evolution of the United States Flag**

No one knows with absolute certainty who designed the first stars and stripes or who made it. Congressman [Francis Hopkinson](#) seems most likely to have designed it, and a few historians believe that [Betsy Ross](#), a Philadelphia seamstress, made the first one.

Until the Executive Order of June 24, 1912, neither the order of the stars nor the proportions of the flag was prescribed.

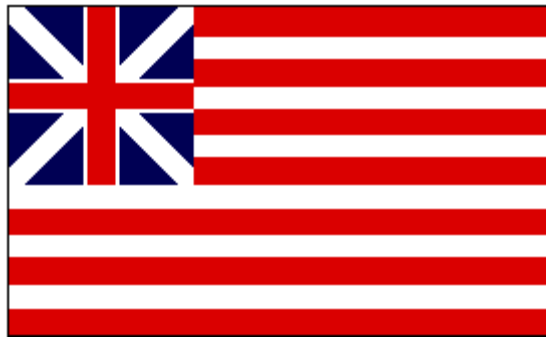
Consequently, flags dating before this period sometimes show unusual arrangements of the stars and odd proportions, these features being left to the discretion of the flag maker.

In general, however, straight rows of stars and proportions similar to those later adopted officially were used. The principal acts affecting the flag of the United States are the following:

- **On June 14, 1777**, in order to establish an official flag for the new nation, the Continental Congress passed the first Flag Act resolving that the flag of the United States be made of thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new Constellation."

- **Act of January 13, 1794** - provided for 15 stripes and 15 stars after May 1795.
- Act of April 4, 1818 - provided for 13 stripes and one star for each state, to be added to the flag on the 4th of July following the admission of each new state.
- **Executive Order of President Taft** dated June 24, 1912 - established proportions of the flag and provided for arrangement of the stars in six horizontal rows of eight each, a single point of each star to be upward.
- **Executive Order of President Eisenhower** dated January 3, 1959 - provided for the arrangement of the stars in seven rows of seven stars each, staggered horizontally and vertically.
- **Executive Order of President Eisenhower** dated August 21, 1959 - provided for the arrangement of the stars in nine rows of stars staggered horizontally and eleven rows of stars staggered vertically.

## The Grand Union Flag

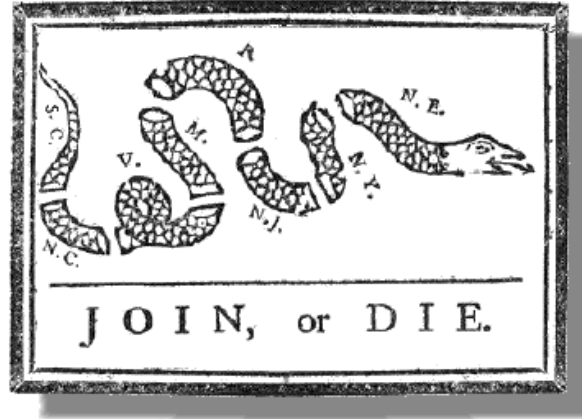


**The Grand Union 1775:** Also known as the Continental flag, it is the first true U.S. Flag. It combined the *British King's Colours* and the thirteen stripes signifying Colonial unity. George Washington liked this design so well that he chose it to be flown to celebrate the formation of the Continental Army on New Year's Day, 1776. On that day the Grand Union Flag was proudly raised on Prospect Hill in Somerville, near his headquarters at Cambridge, Massachusetts

## The Gadsden Flag







The rattlesnake was the favorite animal emblem of the Americans even before the Revolution. In 1751 Benjamin Franklin's *Pennsylvania Gazette* carried a bitter article protesting the British practice of sending convicts to America.

The author suggested that the colonists return the favor by shipping "a cargo of rattlesnakes, which could be distributed in St. James Park, Spring Garden, and other places of pleasure, and particularly in the noblemen's gardens." Three years later the same paper printed the picture of a snake as a commentary on the Albany Congress. To remind the delegates of the danger of disunity, the serpent was shown cut to pieces. Each segment is marked with the name of a colony, and the motto "Join or Die" below. Other newspapers took up the snake theme.

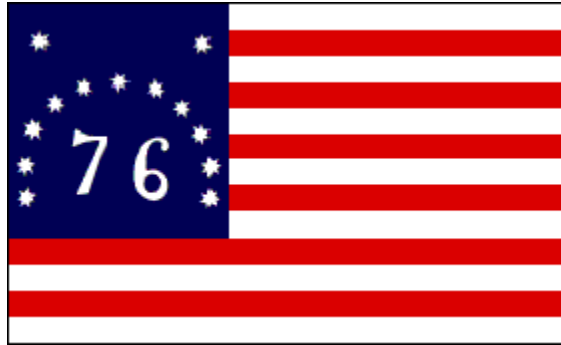
By 1774 the segments of the snake had grown together, and the motto had been changed to read: *"United Now Alive and Free Firm on this Basis Liberty Shall Stand and Thus Supported Ever Bless Our Land Till Time Becomes Eternity"* Other authors felt the rattlesnake was a good example of America's virtues. They argued that it is unique to America; individually its rattles produce no sound, but united they can be heard by all; and while it does not attack unless provoked, it is deadly to step upon one.

***The Gadsden Flag:*** The American Revolutionary period was a time of intense but controlled individualism - when self-directing responsible individuals again and again decided for themselves what they should do, and did it- without needing anyone else to give them an assignment or supervise them in carrying it out.

Such a person was the patriot Colonel Christopher Gadsden of South Carolina. He had seen and liked a bright yellow banner with a hissing, coiled rattlesnake rising up in the center, and beneath the serpent the same words that appeared on the Striped Rattlesnake Flag - ***Don't Tread On Me.*** Colonel Gadsden made a copy of this flag and submitted the design to the Provincial Congress in South Carolina. Commodore Esek Hopkins, commander of the new Continental fleet, carried a similar flag in February, 1776, when his ships put to sea for the first time.

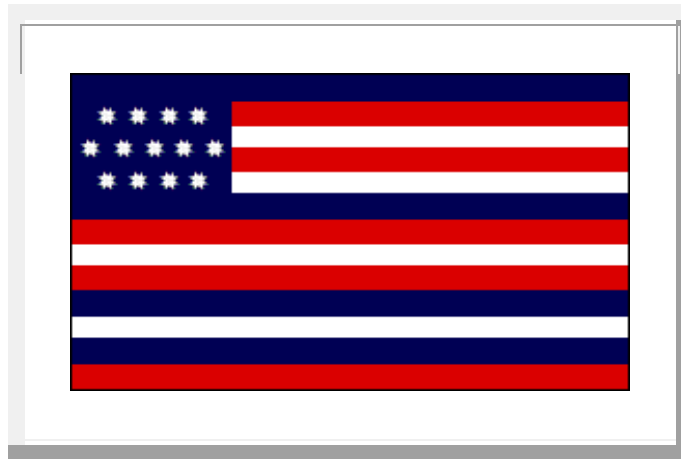
Hopkins captured large stores of British cannon and military supplies in the Bahamas. His cruise marked the salt-water baptism of the American Navy, and it saw the first landing of the Corps of Marines, on whose drums the Gadsden symbol was painted

## The Bennington Flag



**The Bennington Flag:** Used in the Battle of Bennington, August 16, 1777, by Vermont militia. This flag is the first to lead American armed forces on land. The original is preserved in the museum at Bennington, Vermont.

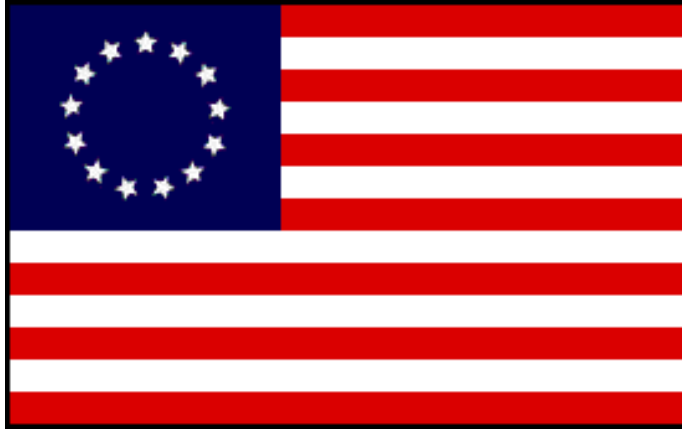
## The Serapis Flag



**The Serapis Flag:** Designed with 13 stripes alternating red, white and blue. This flag was raised by Captain John Paul Jones on the British frigate *Serapis* during the most famous Revolutionary naval battle. Jones was born John Paul in Scotland in 1747 and went to sea when he was only twelve years old. By the time he arrived in Philadelphia in 1775 as an experienced sea captain, he had changed his name to John Paul Jones.

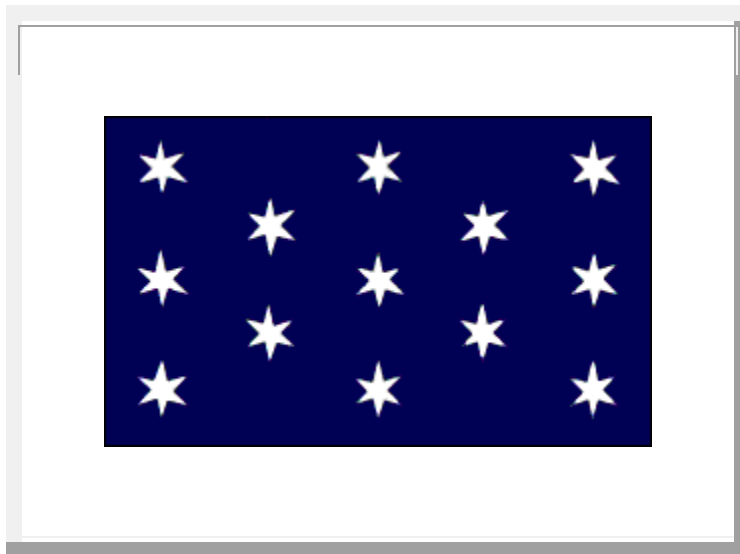
After conducting sea raids on the coast of Britain, he took command in 1779 of a rebuilt French merchant ship, renamed the U.S.S. *Bonhomme Richard* to honor Benjamin Franklin. On September 23, 1779, Jones engaged the British frigate *Serapis* in the North Sea, daringly sailing in close, lashing his vessel to the British ship, and fighting the battle at point-blank range. During the fight two of his cannon burst, and the British captain asked Jones if he was ready to surrender. Replied Jones: "*Sir, I have not yet begun to fight.*" The American crew finally boarded the *Serapis* after the British had struck her colors, and from the deck of the *Serapis* they watched the U.S.S. *Bonhomme Richard* sink into the North Sea.

## The Betsy Ross Flag



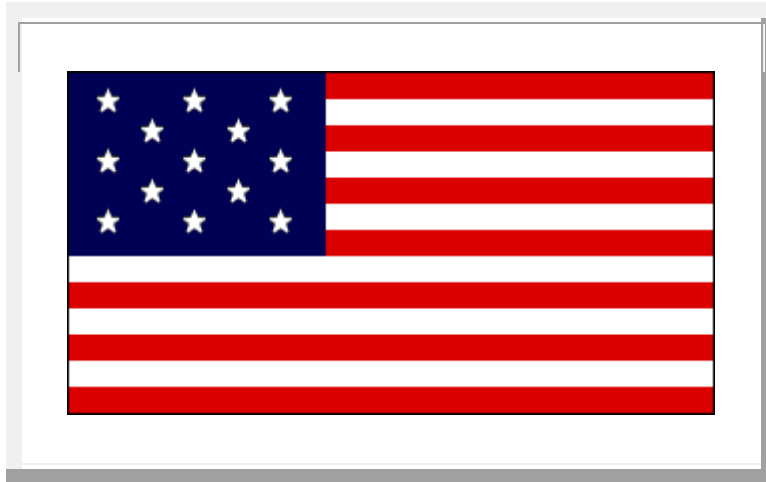
Since there was no official flag during the first year of the United States, there were a great number of homespun flag designs. This flag is without question the most well-known of those. There are many reasons why this flag is confused with the first official U.S. flag.

## Washington's Flag 1775



**Washington's Flag 1775:** This was the personal flag of the Commander-In-Chief during the Revolutionary War. A reproduction of this flag flies today at Washington's Headquarters, Valley Forge.

## The First Official United States Flag; 13-Stars



**The First Official United States Flag:** This 13-Star Flag became the Official United States Flag on June 14, 1777 and is the result of the congressional action that took place on that date. Much evidence exists pointing to Congressman [Francis Hopkinson](#) as the person responsible for its design.

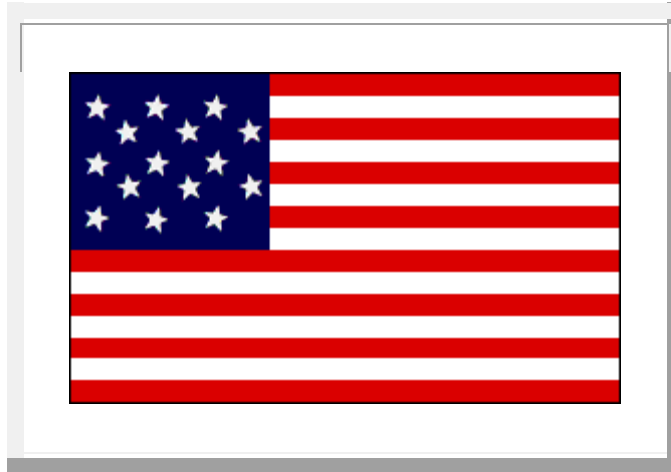
The first President to serve under this flag was [George Washington \(1789-1797\)](#). This Flag design was to last for a period of 18 years.

Each star *and* stripe represented a Colony of which there were thirteen, united nearly one year earlier by the Declaration of Independence. The thirteen Colonies are listed below with the date that each ratified the Constitution and became a State.

- (1st) [Delaware](#) December 7th, 1787
- (2nd) [Pennsylvania](#) December 12th, 1787
- (3rd) [New Jersey](#) December 18th, 1787
- (4th) [Georgia](#) January 2nd, 1788
- (5th) [Connecticut](#) January 9th, 1788
- (6th) [Massachusetts](#) February 6th, 1788
- (7th) [Maryland](#) April 28th, 1788
- (8th) [South Carolina](#) May 23rd, 1788
- (9th) [New Hampshire](#) June 21st, 1788
- (10th) [Virginia](#) June 25th, 1788
- (11th) [New York](#) July 25th, 1788
- (12th) [North Carolina](#) November 21st, 1789
- (13th) [Rhode Island](#) May 29th, 1790



## The Star Spangled Banner 15-Star Flag



**The Star Spangled Banner:** This Flag became the Official United States Flag on May 1st, 1795. Two stars were added for the admission of [Vermont](#) (the 14th State on March 4th, 1791) and [Kentucky](#) (the 15th State on June 1st, 1792, and was to last for 23 years.

The five Presidents who served under this flag were; [George Washington \(1789-1797\)](#), [John Adams \(1797-1801\)](#), [Thomas Jefferson \(1801-1809\)](#), [James Madison \(1809-1817\)](#), and [James Monroe \(1817-1825\)](#).

**The 15-star, 15-stripe** flag was authorized by the Flag Act of January 13, 1794, adding 2 stripes and 2 Stars. The regulation went into effect on May 1, 1795. This flag was the only U.S. Flag to have more than 13 stripes.

The flag was immortalized by [Francis Scott Key](#) during the bombardment of *Fort McHenry*, Sept 13, 1814. The image above is representative of the actual flag that flew over Fort McHenry on that day and which is now preserved in the Smithsonian Museum. You can notice the "tilt" in some of the stars just as in the [original Star Spangled Banner](#).

### **The remarkable journey of the original Star Spangled Banner Flag...**

#### **-1814**

The battle occurred, and the flag won its glory. Armistead was promoted to Lt. Colonel by Madison. Armistead died in service on April 25, 1818. He acquired the flag sometime before that date, but at this point it is unknown how.

#### **-1818**

Armistead died and "legend" says that the flag was used in his funeral. However, in all of the newspaper accounts of Armistead's funeral, there is no mention of the flag being displayed at it. At his death the flag passed to his widow, Louisa Armistead.

#### **-1824**

The flag was used in a reception for General Lafayette.

**-1861**

Louisa Armistead died on October 3, 1861, and in her will left the flag to her daughter, Georgiana Armistead Appleton. The flag was sent to England for safe keeping during the Civil War, according to one of the Armistead family members, who made this statement in a newspaper interview in the 1880's. But Georgiana said, in a letter to Admiral George Preble, that the flag was in her possession during the rebellion.

**-1873**

The flag was displayed in the Charleston Naval Yards. Canvas backing was sewn on the flag and one of the first photographs was taken of it.

**-1876**

The flag was loaned to the Navy Department for the Centennial Celebration.

**-1879**

Georgiana Armistead Appleton died in 1879 and left the flag to her son Eben Appleton.

**-1907**

Eben Appleton loaned the flag to the Smithsonian.

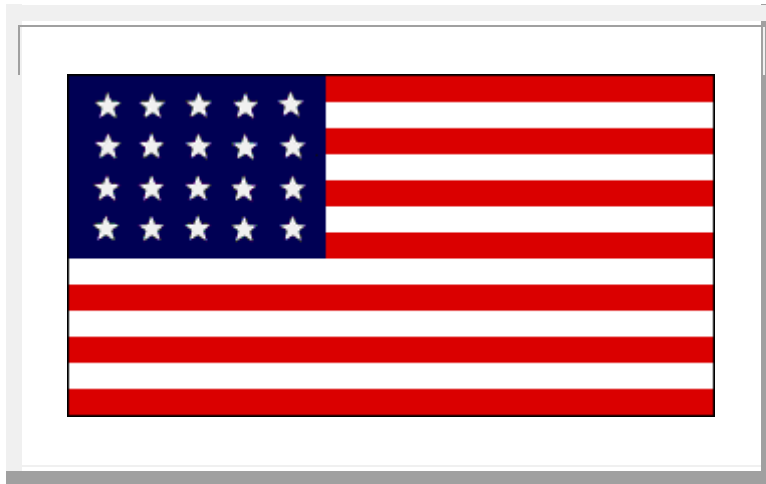
**-1912**

Eben Appleton converts the loan of the flag to a gift to the Smithsonian.

**-1914**

Amelia Fowler was commissioned to remove the canvas backing sewn on the flag when it was photographed in 1873 and replace it with the present linen backing.

## The 1818 20-Star Flag



**The 1818 Flag:** Realizing that the addition of a new star and new stripe for each new State was impractical, Congress passed the Flag Act of 1818 which returned the flag design to 13 stripes and specified 20 stars for the 20 states. This Flag became the Official United States Flag on April 13th, 1818. Five stars were added for the admission of [Tennessee](#) (the 16th State on June 1st, 1796), [Ohio](#) (the 17th State on March 1st, 1803), [Louisiana](#) (the 18th State on April 30th, 1812), [Indiana](#) (the 19th State on December 11th, 1816), and [Mississippi](#) (the 20th State on December 10, 1817), and was to last for just one year. The only President to serve under this flag was [James Monroe \(1817-1825\)](#).

## ORIGINAL "OLD GLORY"



This famous name was coined by Captain William Driver, a shipmaster of Salem, Massachusetts, in 1831. As he was leaving on one of his many voyages aboard the brig CHARLES DOGGETT - and this one would climax with the rescue of the mutineers of the BOUNTY - some friends presented him with a beautiful flag of twenty four stars. As the banner opened to the ocean breeze for the first time, he exclaimed "Old Glory!"

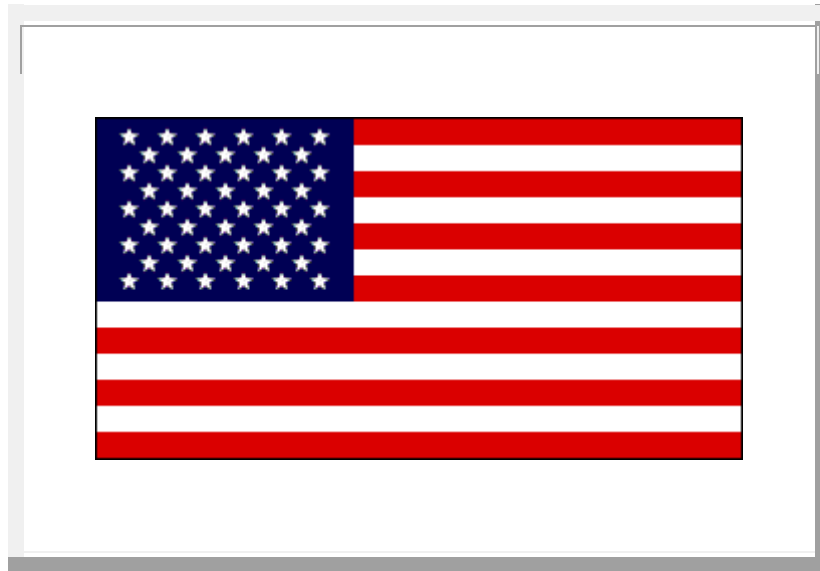
He retired to Nashville in 1837, taking his treasured flag from his sea days with him. By the time the Civil War erupted, most everyone in and around Nashville recognized Captain Driver's "Old Glory." When Tennessee seceded from the Union, Rebels were determined to destroy his flag, but repeated searches revealed no trace of the hated banner.

Then on February 25th, 1862, Union forces captured Nashville and raised the American flag over the capital. It was a rather small ensign and immediately folks began asking Captain Driver if "Old Glory" still existed. Happy to have soldiers with him this time, Captain Driver went home and began ripping at the seams of his bedcover. As the stitches holding the quilt-top to the batting unraveled, the onlookers peered inside and saw the 24-starred original "Old Glory"!

Captain Driver gently gathered up the flag and returned with the soldiers to the capitol. Though he was sixty years old, the Captain climbed up to the tower to replace the smaller banner with his beloved flag. The Sixth Ohio Regiment cheered and saluted - and later adopted the nickname "Old Glory" as their own, telling and re-telling the story of Captain Driver's devotion to the flag we honor yet today.

Captain Driver's grave is located in the old Nashville City Cemetery, and is one of three (3) places authorized by act of Congress where the Flag of the United States may be flown 24 hours a day. A caption above a faded black and white picture in the book, *The Stars and the Stripes*, states that "'Old Glory' may no longer be opened to be photographed, and no color photograph is available." Visible in the photo in the lower right corner of the canton is an appliqued anchor, Captain Driver's very personal note. "Old Glory" is the most illustrious of a number of flags - both Northern and Confederate - reputed to have been similarly hidden, then later revealed as times changed. The flag was given to his granddaughter or niece and she later donated it to the Smithsonian.

## The 50-Star Flag



**50-Star Flag:** Executive Order of President Eisenhower dated August 21, 1959 - provided for the arrangement of the stars in nine rows of stars staggered horizontally and eleven rows of stars staggered vertically.

This is the current flag of the United States. [Hawaii](#) was admitted as the 50th state on August 21st, 1959.

The 27th flag of the United States became the official flag on July 4th, 1960. Twelve American presidents have served under this flag!

### ***The Time Honored American Creed***




- ❖ ***We Believe*** in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect Union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of Freedom, Equality, Justice, and Humanity for which American Patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.
  
- ❖ ***We Believe*** it is our duty to our country to love it; to support its Constitution; to obey its laws, to respect its flag and to defend it against all enemies!




# ~Meeting & Event Pictures~

Colonel Robert Allen, PBSO, delivers a captivating overview from his 43 years of Law Enforcement Service.

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## ~Compatriots & DAR Daughters Enjoy Online Fellowship~



**~PALM BEACH CHAPTER SAR~**  
**-May 18, 2021 Virtual Meeting-**  
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**SPECIAL RECOGNITION**  
*Ben Tidwell, BSA Chairman-FMR President*

**Congratulations; Eagle Scout Blane M. Baxter on earning the prestigious Chapter Eagle Scout Medal**  
**~Eagle Scout Blane Baxter~**





**SPECIAL RECOGNITION**  
*Ben Tidwell, Youth Contest Chairman-FMR President*

**Congratulations to Honor Student & Eagle Scout George A. "Hudson" Hale on Winning 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Chapter's Rumbaugh Oration & Knight Essay Contest & 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in the FLSSAR State Contest**  
**~Hudson Hale~**





## **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 2021 CHAPTER PRESIDENTS BRIGADE ~** **~ Honored Presidents Brigade Members~**

#### **❖ Bronze Level: \$25-\$99:**

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**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       | -Chapter Membership         |
| ➤ JROTC & Boy Scouts             | -Tidwell, Barber            |
| ➤ Law Enforcement-Fire Safety    | -Parkinson, Wratishlaw      |
| ➤ Veterans Affairs               | -Richards, Lanman           |
| ➤ Newsletter/Publicity           | -Lanman, Wratishlaw         |
| ➤ Knight Essay/Rumbaugh Oration  | -Tidwell, Boggs             |
| ➤ American History Teacher       | -Boggs, Krumenacker         |
| ➤ Medals/Awards                  | -Lanman, Tidwell            |
| ➤ DAR-CAR Liaison                | -Lanman, Parkinson, Tidwell |
| ➤ Speakers Bureau                | -Lanman, Wratishlaw, Boggs  |
| ➤ Financial Audit                | -Johnston, Wratishlaw       |
| ➤ Flag Certificates              | -Langenstein, Parkinson     |
| ➤ Membership Development/Mentor  | -Wratishlaw, Lanman, Boggs  |
| ➤ Liberty Tree                   | -Parkinson, Krumenacker     |
| ➤ Patriot Bios                   | -Boggs, Wratishlaw, 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...***

### **~COMPATRIOT ALEXANDER DREYFOOS**

***~AUTHOR/PHOTOGRAPHER/VETERAN/PATRIOT***

### **~GARCILASO DE LA VEGA, DAR CHAPTER**

***~DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION***

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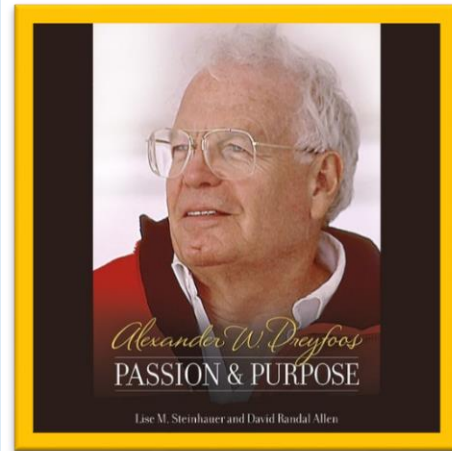
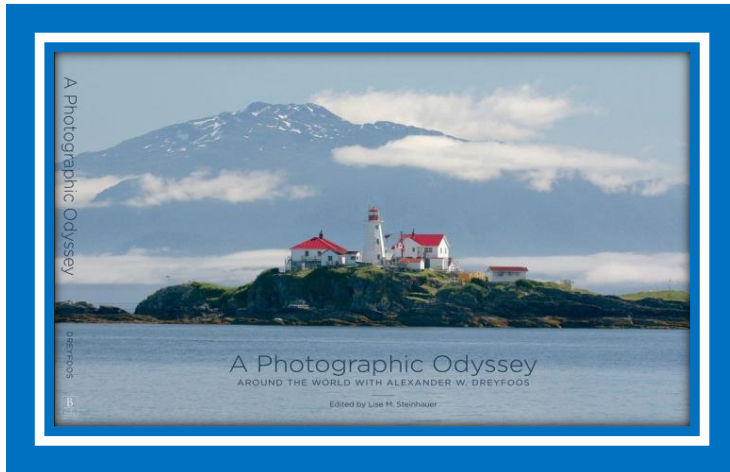
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- **Passion & Purpose** chronicles a remarkable lifetime of passion with photography, his business, inventions and philanthropic ventures, as well as his adventures above and below the water.
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### **~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.**





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