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Compatriots, DAR Daughters & Friends,

Join us in Honoring Veterans Month with moving presentations by Decorated Chapter Veterans, <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>November 21</u> 12 Noon @ Embassy Suites Hotel 1601 Belvedere Rd. WPB.

Hear from Chapter Veterans as part of our annual "Soldiers Voices" program. This special event fills up fast so register now to enjoy Good Fellowship & a wonderful 2-Course Buffet Lunch, 2-Deserts & Beverages @ just \$35 cash/check/credit card @ the door. Invite family & friends too! RSVP using the Online invitation or contact Don Lanman dlanman258@aol.com.

#### ~NEWSLETTER CONTENT~

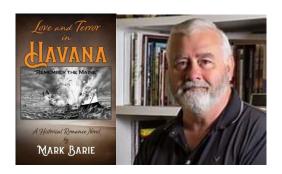
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#### President's Message:

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

The first our Fall meetings, October 17, featured an encore presentation by the remarkable, award winning author and *SAR Compatriot, Mark Barie*. Mark delivered an interesting presentation on his newest book "*Havana-Love & Terror!*"

His presentation included special "book signing" of his many award-winning books including; *Havana-Love & Terror, Sister Marguerite & The Captain, When War Calls, Love Cries, The Commodore & the Powder Monkey.*"



Remember, *November* is *Veterans Month* where we honor all *Veterans* from the original *American Veterans* of **1776** to the present day.



Register today for the November 21 *Veterans Month* meeting honoring the 23% of our membership who are *Veterans*, and hear *Chapter Veterans* as they share interesting stories of their *Military Service* from *Korea* to the deserts of the *Middle East*, as part of our annual "*Soldiers Voice*" program.

Very important, please remit your annual SAR dues for 2024. SAR membership dues notices has been mailed and should be returned as soon as possible as we have to send the dues to SAR State/National in December.

Your annual membership fees include *SAR National, State* and *Chapter* dues along with your generous donations help fund a number of the Chapter Youth programs including; *JROTC, Boy Scout, Youth Essays, Scholarships, Law Enforcement, Fire Rescue* and *First Responder* recognition awards.

As we head into 2024, we remain the largest chapter in Florida at 185 members and growing thanks to your support in membership development and the support of our DAR Chapters. As we begin the season, we need your help as Officers and as committee volunteers. Let me or one of our Officers know of your particular interest and we will identify an opportunity for you.

Chapter membership will vote on the nominated 2024 Officers during the November meeting including; President, Peter Johnston, Vice President, TK Krumenacker, Secretary, Bob Boggs, Treasurer, Peter Johnston, Registrar, Bob Boggs, Chaplain, Ben Tidwell, Historian, Don Lanman, Sgt. @ Arms, Greg Parkinson, Chapter Genealogist, Bob Boggs.

The 2024 Chapter Officers will be formally installed during the **January 16** meeting by **NSSAR Inspector General, FMR Chapter & State President, Raymond Wess.** 

FMR Chapter/State President & SAR National Inspector General Raymond Wess inducted Robert Barnett and Harry Thomes into the Palm Beach Chapter SAR.



Sadly, we acknowledge the passing of beloved *Compatriot William H. Told Jr.*, age 93. *Retired businessman, philanthropist, Korea War Era USAF Veteran* and a loyal devoted 33-year member of the *Palm Beach Chapter*. The Chapter will conduct a special memorial service at the November 21 meeting.



Compatriots and Friends are invited to honor and celebrate the life of our beloved Compatriot and USAF Korea War Era Veteran Alexander W. Dreyfoos, November 13, 1:30 p.m. at the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts, "Dreyfoos Hall" in West Palm Beach.



Chapter *Compatriot Greg Parkinson* along with members of the SAR and DAR organizations were represented at the October 19 *Missing in America Project* to lay to rest the unclaimed remains of 21 Veterans and Spouses from *WW 1, 2, Korea and Vietnam*. The event included *Honor Guards, Patriot Riders, Bagpipes,* and *Taps*.



23% of the Chapter Compatriots are now registered in FLSSAR Veterans. Interested members can provide a copy of their DD-214 to be inducted into the Veterans Battalion. A list of Veterans Battalion members is on the FLSSAR web site at <a href="https://www.flssar.org">www.flssar.org</a>.

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 <a href="https://www.HelpFLVets.org">www.HelpFLVets.org</a> 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*, *DAV, FVF* and *VFW*. Contact Don Lanman 561-315-5073 and serve!

There are a number of committee volunteer opportunities within our *Palm Beach Chapter* including *Youth Programs, First Responder Recognition, Veterans*Services, Flag Certificate program and many more. Please contact David Bird or Don Lanman to help on a committee of particular interest to you.

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 *Chapter Committees* 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. <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 Age 0 to 100+. 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, activities and related patriotic events. The Chapter will also be updating the Chapter By-Laws and nominating Officers for 2024.

Remember, the *Chapter's 2023 Vision* is 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*.

Fellow Compatriots, DAR Daughters, we look forward to seeing you and your guests on November 21.

Fellow 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 – David Bird, Chapter President 2023

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

Don Lanman-Editor & FMR Chapter President 2016,17,21,22

~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-minute Bio presentation, contact me @ <u>dlanman258@aol.com</u>.

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 2<sup>nd</sup> oldest and one of the largest Chapters in the State we're proud of our Chapter whose members includes 2 *National Officers*, 1 *SAR President General*, 1 *SAR 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.



#### ~2024 Chapter Meeting Dates/Topics:

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

- > 2024 January 16 Officer Installations, Awards, Guest Speaker
- > Feb. 20, Special Guest Speakers, George Washington & Martha
- > March 19, Special Guest Speaker
- > April 16, Law Enforcement Recognition, Guest Speaker
- May 21, Firefighters/EMT Recognition, Guest Speaker
- > October 15, Guest Speaker
- November 19, Special Veterans Day Program

#### ~2023 Officers & Board Members:

- President, President David Bird
- Vice President, TK Krumenacker
- > Secretary, FMR President Bob Boggs
- > Treasurer. Peter Johnston
- > Registrar, Bob Boggs
- > 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 2023-24:

- ✓ 2024 SAR Membership Dues currently Due
- ✓ Estahakee Veterans Day Event 11/11/23 @ 4PM
- ✓ Last Naval Battle, Merrit Island, FL 3/1/24
- ✓ Battle of Thomas Creek, Jacksonville, FL 3/23/24
- ✓ SAR National Congress, July 2024

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

# ~Feature Article~

### No Vet Left Behind...

By Don Lanman, US Army Veteran & Former President Palm Beach Chapter SAR

"I can't promise you that I will bring you all home alive. But this I swear, before you and before Almighty God, that when we go into battle, I will be the first to set foot on the field, and I will be the last to step off, and I will leave no one behind. Dead or Alive, we will all come Home together. So, help me, God."

~General Hal Moore before the Bloody Battle of the La-Drang Valley Vietnam 1965...

"The Battle that changed the War in Vietnam"

**No Vet left Behind...** has been an eternal promise and profound commitment to all **American Veterans** from **Bunker Hill** to the blood-soaked killing fields of the **Civil War** and **Vietnam**, to the desolate deserts of **Iraq** and **Afghanistan...** "**Dead or Alive, We all come Home!**"



# PALM BEACH CHAPTER SAR VETERAN'S VOICE

COMPILED & EDITED BY DON LANMAN

A Compendium of Patriot Voices



- 1. "Every day we should pay homage to all those veterans who served, and those who didn't come home as solemn contemplation over the cost of our freedom."
- 2. "Regard our soldiers as your children, and they will follow you into the deepest valleys; look upon them as your own beloved Sons, and Daughters, and they will stand by you even unto death."
- 3. "Veterans are the legacy of our Revolutionary War Heroes the memory of a great sacrifice, and the inheritance of a great example. May we never forget our fallen comrades who show us in their Valor that Freedom isn't free."
- 4. "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few...And if words cannot repay the debt we owe these heroes, surely with our actions we must strive to keep faith with them and with the vision that led them to battle and to the final sacrifice at the Altar of Freedom."

- 5. "All veterans of our military services put their lives on the line to protect the freedoms that Americans enjoy. They have dedicated their lives to their country and deserve to be honored for their commitment."
- 6. Duty, honor, country. Those three hallowed words reverently dictate what we ought to be, what we can be, what must be."
- 7. "Our debt to the heroic men and valiant women in the service of our country can never be repaid. They have earned our undying gratitude. America must never forget their sacrifices."
- 8. "America without her Soldiers would be like God without His angels. And they who for their country die shall fill an honored grave, for glory lights the soldier's tomb, and beauty weeps for the brave."
- 9. "It is foolish and wrong to mourn the men and women who died protecting our Freedom. Rather we should thank God such Patriots lived. This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave."
- 10. "Our flag does not fly because the wind moves it. It flies with the last breath of every soldier who died protecting it."

Veterans of the Palm Beach Chapter SAR.....







# SAR MEETING & EVENT PICTURES

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Chapter Compatriots attend major Patriotic events including *Flags 4 Fallen Vets* placing American Flags at Veteran Tombstones, *Forgotten Soldiers Outreach Memorial Day* and the *DAR Regents American Flag Retirement Ceremony*.



# Compatriots, DAR Daughters & Friends 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, D. Bird, A. Cass, R. Culpepper, S. Curry, J. Dorsey, W. Davis, K. Davis, F. Devitt, J. Harper, J. Kane, P. Johnston, R. Linn, P. Miller, R. Miller, G. Scott, P. Spencer, W. Richards, M. Wess

#### **Silver Level: \$100-\$199:**

S. Barber, S. Curry, T. Friend, B. Gunter, G. Green, A. Griswold, S. Langenstein, P. Miller, M. McCampbell, H. Warwick

#### \* Gold Level: \$200-\$499:

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

#### ❖ Platinum Level: \$500+

J. Annan, W. Adams, B. Boggs, A. Dreyfoos, J. Damron-Fritz, E. Jonas, 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
- -Bird, Tidwell, Lanman
- -Langenstein, Parkinson
- -Bird, Krumenacker, Bright
- -Parkinson, Krumenacker
- -Bird, 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...

~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....



## ~Garcilaso De La Vega Chapter, NSDAR~

~Lake Worth, Florida~

## ~Teresa Bevan, Regent~

~Laura Bolyard, 1st Vice Regent~

## ~Dianna Stoffer, Registrar~

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