



THE NAPLES CRIER

FLORIDA SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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As we approach the season of "Thanksgiving," let us remember all that we are thankful for...not the least is the freedom that our Patriot Ancestors fought and sacrificed to obtain. Many in our nation today do not appreciate or even know of the conflicts and wars that have been fought, much less the gravity of the personal loss or injury of a loved one, in the pursuit of democracy and individual freedom.

Let us also remember to display the symbol of our nation, the American Flag on Monday, November 11, 2013 in recognition of *Veterans Day*. On November 11, 1919, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed this day, Armistice Day (most hostilities of World War I formally ended on the 11th hour, of the 11th day, of the 11th month in 1918). During the Eisenhower administration, November 11th officially became known as *Veterans Day* to honor those men and women who have served in the armed services.

The Board of Directors of the Naples Chapter at their November 4, 2013 meeting unanimously approved to amend the Chapter's By-laws to change the Annual Meeting Officer Elections and Installation, from the May meeting to the March meeting. The motivating factor to change our Officer elections, Installation and Annual Meeting dates was to conduct these vital events at a time prior to the annual "seasonal" migration from the Naples area by a significant number

of chapter's members. Changing the dates of these events also avoids a potential conflict with our State Society's Annual Meeting and Elections and possible future conflicts with the National Society's Leadership meetings in Louisville, KY. If the proposed By-laws changes are approved by the membership, they will become effective upon passage, and the 2014-2015 Officer candidates will be announced at our February 7, 2014 meeting. The Officer Elections and Installation would be held on March 7, 2014. The current By-



President Larry Fehrenbaker

laws of the Naples Chapter may be viewed in their entirety at our website: Naplessar.org Look for the "By-laws," button on the left side of the Home page.

The proposed By-law changes are on page 2 of this newsletter, and only pertain to Articles IX and Articles XIII.

Note that the **current** wording to be changed is in parenthesis (), **bold faced and italicized**. The new wording is shown in red. The proposed By-law changes also permit voting by using one's email address and NSSAR certificate issue date (form mm/dd/year). If you do not know your issue date, contact our Secretary, Rich Wright at cairahotel2003@Reagan.com

Wishing you a "Happy Thanksgiving." Larry

Proposed changes to the Naples Chapter - SAR By-laws

ARTICLE IX – ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. Nominations of the officers specified in Article VI, Section 1 shall be presented to Chapter at the ~~(April)~~ **February** meeting each year. Election and installation shall take place at the ensuing ~~(May)~~ **March** meeting. Officers shall serve until their successors are installed.

Section 2. Officers in office at the time of the adoption, of these By-Laws shall continue in Office until their successors are installed.

Section 3. Nominating Committee. The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee at least forty-five (45) days before the ~~(April)~~ **February** meeting.

Section 4. Additional Nominations. Additional nominations for any office may be made by written endorsement of at least ten (10) members and a certification that each nominee is willing to serve. Such additional nominations shall be delivered to the Secretary not later than five (5) days following the ~~(April)~~ **February** meeting.

Section 5. Balloting. The Secretary shall have published in the Chapter Newsletter the report of the Nominating Committee no later than fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting at which the election is to be held. Members may vote in person at the ~~(May)~~ **March** meeting or by secret ballot delivered to the Secretary in a sealed envelope marked "BALLOT" with the member's name signed on the envelope, but not on the ballot. **Members may also vote by email sent to the Secretary. When balloting is done by email, the voting member will identify himself using his NSSAR certificate issue date (form: mm/dd/year) and name as it appears in the current Naples Chapter Directory. Emailed, (Mailed) mailed** or hand delivered ballots must be received not later than the time the President appoints tellers to collect the ballots of those voting in person and the absentee ballot envelopes, open them, and tally the votes. Candidates receiving a simple majority of the votes cast for each office shall be declared elected and will be installed and take office at the ~~(May)~~ **March** meeting.

ARTICLE XIII – AMENDMENT

Section 1. When required to conform to changes in the By-Laws of the State or National Societies, these By-Laws shall automatically conform, and the Secretary shall notify the members of the conforming change.

Section 2. Amendment Procedure. These By-Laws may be amended, altered, or repealed by a majority vote of a quorum of the membership. Amendments may be proposed by two-thirds majority vote of the Board of Directors, or by petition of at least ten (10) members. The Secretary shall provide the text of the proposed amendment(s) together with a ballot providing for approval or disapproval of each proposed change, to each member at least fifteen (15) days prior to the next Chapter meeting. Members may vote by secret written ballot in person, **by email ballot as defined in Article IX, Section 5**, or by absentee ballot, provided such absentee ballot is marked "BALLOT" on the envelope, with the member's name signed on the envelope, but not on the ballot, and **providing such absentee ballots and email ballots are** (is) received prior to the collection of ballots by the tellers at the meeting. These amendments approved by a majority of the quorum shall be declared adopted and shall become effective immediately.

Note: These By-law revisions will be voted upon at our December 7, 2013 meeting.

SAR Genealogical Research Library

Early in the history of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, the need to establish a library was recognized. The Society's Constitution established provisions for the acquisition and preservation of Revolutionary-Period records, documents and memorabilia. Since its inception the library has acquired over 70,000 items. The collection has extensive documents pertaining to the genealogical, historical and biographical material relative to the Revolutionary period, in addition to town, county and state documents and histories. Additionally the library has a collection of microfilm, microfiche and access to a vast collection of databases through its computer systems. The collection moved into the new SAR Genealogical Research Library facility located on West Main Street in Louisville, Kentucky in 2010. Access to the library and its extensive resources is FREE to all Compatriots. Use your smartphone and QR Reader application to scan the code on the right, for a view of the library and tour its resources.

The **Friends of the Library (FOL)** was organized to assist the NSSAR Library in implementing its Collection Development Plan to add to the current collection and online services. Membership is open to all NSSAR members, State Societies, Chapters and to the general public. Contributions to the FOL support the Library's growth in its new home...The Center for Advancing America's Heritage (CAAH). More detailed information on the FOL can be obtained by visiting SAR.org or by scanning the code on the right.



GOT SMARTPHONE?

Use your QR Reader and visit
the **SAR Genealogical
Research Library**

"ONLINE and ON THE STREET"
809 West Main Street, Louisville, KY

FRIENDS OF THE SAR LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

MAIL APPLICATION AND PAYMENT TO: NSSAR, 1000 S. 4th St., Louisville, KY 40203

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

(Optional) Phone # (_____) _____ Email _____

If you are an SAR Member, please provide the following information: National Number _____

State Society _____ Chapter _____

If you are a DAR Member, please provide the following information: National Number _____

State Society _____ Chapter _____

Member of Other Lineage Organizations? _____

Meeting Dates for the Naples Chapter – SAR 2013-2014 season.

All meetings will be held at “The Club at Longshore Lake.” 11399 Phoenix Way, Naples FL. 34119, *unless otherwise stated.*

Directions: The Club at Longshore Lake is approximately 1 mile East of I-75. If travelling East on Immokalee Road, turn left at the third traffic light after the I-75 overpass onto Valewood Drive. If exiting I-75 traveling **North**, turn right on to Immokalee heading East and turn left at the second traffic light onto Valewood Drive. Continue on Valewood Drive for approximately 1 mile and turn right into the entrance of Longshore Lake using the “*Visitor Lane*” and state that you are attending the SAR meeting at the Club. After entering through the “Visitor’s,” gate, turn right onto Longshore Way. At the first stop sign, turn left and cross the bridge. The Club is on the right.

Note: Social Hour @ 11:30 – 12:00 noon; Meeting begins at 12:00 noon.

Saturday, December 7, 2013. Rumbaugh Oration Contest. Chairman: John McCullough

Friday, January 3, 2014. Law Enforcement Program. Chairman: Edward Ferguson, PhD.

Friday, February 7, 2014. Program: JROTC Recognition and Essay Competition. Chairman: The Honorable James M. McGarity, III

Friday, March 7, 2014. Naples Chapter 41st Charter Day: Lunch Meeting. Program: TBA.
Note: Change from evening function to luncheon meeting. If the By-laws revisions are passed, the 2014-2015 Officer Elections and Installation will be held on this date.

Friday, April 4, 2014. Program: Americanism and the Elementary School Poster Contest. Chairman: John McCullough. Speaker: Compatriot Ron Cormier.

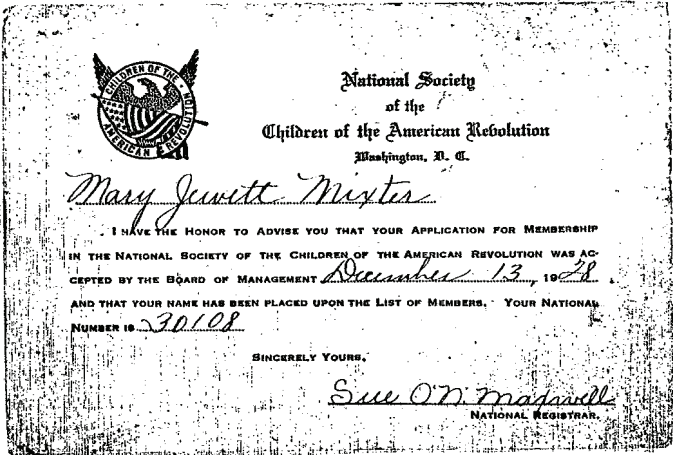
Friday, May 9, 2014 Annual Meeting/Elections and Installation of Officers for 2014-2015. Dr. Philip and Mim Ballou American History Awards.



Editor's Corner

From Compatriot Ron Benson -

When I was growing up, I always was interested in my family's history. As a boy, I had been taken to some of the Jewett Family Reunions in Mason, Michigan and a few years ago a distant cousin sent me an email with a group photo from one of those reunions where I am sitting with my parents, siblings, grandmother, great aunt, etc. We were always told about the Patriarch of the Jewett Family in Michigan, Eleazer Jewett, whose father, Ichabod Jewett, had fought in the American Revolution, and how Joseph Jewett had come to America in 1638 and helped found the town of Rowley, Massachusetts. A mimeographed family history included an image of my grandmother's CAR membership card and we were all told to keep this as it would get us in SAR or DAR when the time came when we would want to join. Well, when the time came a few years ago and I thought about joining SAR, by then I as the oldest son of the oldest son had the original of my grandmother's CAR membership card and similar documents. So, I looked up the address for CAR and sent them a letter asking about how I might get a copy of the information needed to prove my lineage. Well, after waiting many months and not hearing anything from CAR, I decided that I would take matters into my own hands and did research on dar.org website and ordered Record Copies for my great-grandmother's four approved Patriot ancestors and I went to sar.org and ordered the Record Copy for my great-grandfather's one approved Patriot ancestor. They had joined DAR and SAR prior to 1930. The next step was to contact the Florida Society SAR New Member Helper through the website and begin the process of "automatically" getting into SAR. Well, there was bad news. Since it was my great-grandfather who had been the member of SAR there was no automatic entry into SAR and when one of my female cousins tried to join the DAR using our great-grandmother's papers they told her the same thing. At that point, since I would have to "start from scratch" I simply figured why not look into my continuous paternal line for a Benson Patriot instead. So, I put my information together for the SAR New Member Helper for (continued on next page)



If anyone else from NSSAR has an interesting story about how they became involved with SAR or CAR or has a story about one of their ancestors, we would like to hear from you. I can be reached by email at rmquail@comcast.net or regular mail at the return address on "The Crier."

Bob

Peter Benson who had served in the Massachusetts militia for six month enlistments in four consecutive years. The New Member Helper told me that yes, Peter Benson would work for my Patriot and the lineage was correct, but suggested that instead I use Peter's father, Corporal Moses Benson, for my Patriot instead especially since he had marched on the Lexington Alarm. I asked him, why is that so special, before thinking about what I had learned in school about Lexington and Concord. At about the same time, my female cousin got help from my father in proving her lineage to our great-grandmother's Patriot Ichabod Jewett and was accepted into the DAR. Since then, I have done supplemental applications to prove the lineage which had been used by my great-grandparents over eighty years ago when the genealogical standards were much less stringent. If you ever look at a DAR or SAR Record Copy from prior to 1930 you will note that the lineage was essentially listing names for each generation and signing a notarized statement that it was true to your best knowledge. While that coveted CAR membership card which seemed so important to earlier generations in my family didn't "pan out" for my generation, it was the lit candle, hidden under a basket, which for forty years had told me that someday I might be able to join SAR.

Ron Benson, Ph.D.

LUNCHEON MEETING

RESERVATIONS FOR SATURDAY

December 7, 2013

The Club at Longshore Lake is very accommodating and will provide special diet meals, if advised a week in advance. To enable the Club at Longshore Lake to better accommodate us for both room size and meal quantities, we are asked to provide them with the number of reservations a few days before each meeting. Accordingly, compatriots and others planning to attend the luncheons are asked to let us know by telephone, email or by completing the reservation form below and **mail your check payable to Naples Chapter SAR**:

c/o Don B. Cahill, Assistant Treasurer, 700 110th Avenue North, Naples, Florida 34108-1820
Tel: (239) 597-8896; email: dcahill37@hotmail.com

_____ Luncheon(s) @ \$22.00 = _____

Your name (Print) _____

Guest names (Print) _____

Additional names may be printed on reverse side.

Please send your reservation and payment to be received by FRIDAY, November 29, 2013



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* Board of Directors for (2013-2014)

¹ At-Large Member Board of Directors for (2013-2014)

**Active Past Presidents of the
Naples Chapter NSSAR**

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| 1991-1992 | W. John Chesney, Jr. |
| 1998-1999 | Dr. Philip Edwin Ballou |
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| 2009-2011 | Roy G. Richardson |
| 2011-2012 | Col. Charles T. Sweeney |

2013-2014 Committees Chairman

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| Nominating Committee - TBA |
| Patriotic Education - John McCullough |
| JROTC Awards - James McGarity |
| Charter Day Recognition - L. G. Fehrenbaker / Jay Jewett |
| Joseph S. Rumbaugh Oration Contest - J. McCullough |
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| Flag Display Recognition - J. McCullough |
| Law Enforcement Recognition - Ed Ferguson |
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| Annual Membership Directory - E. Richard Wright/ Robert M. White |
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The Naples Chapter sent out the 2014 dues renewal notices in September by email. Those compatriots, who do not use email, received their renewals by mail. **Reminder notices have been sent to Compatriots who have not paid. Failure to renew one's membership by December 31, will result in the member being dropped from the membership roles. Reinstatement documents may be submitted after March 1, 2014.**



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