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## Past Meeting Minutes

The 2 April 2009 luncheon meeting of the Naples SAR Chapter was called to order at noon, with President John L. McCullough presiding. It was held at the Elks Lodge, 3950 Radio Road. The Pledge of Allegiance and the SAR Pledge were given. Then Compatriot Charlie Cortright delivered the invocation. John McCullough welcomed chapter members and guests. Foremost in this regard was the guest of honor, Mr. Paul Penttila, Director of Field Service, Southwest Florida Council, Boy Scouts of America, and special guest Eagle Scout James Callow of Lely High School.

President McCullough outlined the agenda for today's meeting, which had three significant parts. First, there would be the judging of the 2008-2009 Poster

Contest, which had as its theme "Paul Revere's Ride." Next, a Boy Scout of America Program would be given by our guest of honor and special guest. Third, the Nominating Committee Slate of Chapter Officers for the 2009-2010 term would be given by Compatriot Don Cahill.

Then President McCullough gave a summary of this year's Charter Day Celebration,

which honored the founding of our chapter 36 years ago. The celebration was held at Veterans Community Park, off Immokalee Road on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. All in attendance thoroughly enjoyed the program and food. The event was a very well planned BBQ picnic. As noted on page 4 of the April "Crier," the Barron Collier High School JROTC Drill

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*President John McCullough showing off our Chapter winner, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Winner at the FLSSAR Poster Contest*

**“When, in countries that are called civilized, we see age going to the workhouse and youth to the gallows, something must be wrong in the system of government.”**

- Thomas Paine, 1792 The Rights of Man

**NEXT MEETING IS THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2009!**

## Chapter Calendar of Events

Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009:

The last **Chapter Meeting** (of the 2009 pre-summer season) for the Naples Chapter SAR will meet at the Elks Lodge, 3950 Radio Road, Naples. **Note: this will be our last meeting at the Elks as they are closing thereafter.** Stay tuned to the Crier for developments on our future location. This month we will focus on **2009-2010 Chapter Officer Election**. Social starts at 11:30 a.m./meeting starts at noon. \$16 per person for lunch. All guests are welcome!

## Other Related Events

Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009

The Big Cypress Chapter of **Daughters of the American Revolution** will meet at the Country Club of Naples, 185 Burning Tree Drive. Special guests will be the JROTC instructors from all seven of Collier County's public high schools. Cost is \$20 per person. RSVP by May 8<sup>th</sup> with Ginny White, 245 Monterey Drive, Naples, FL 34119.

Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009

**The Genealogical Society of Collier County** will meet at 7:30 p.m. at Moorings Presbyterian Church, 791 Harbour Drive, Naples. The program: How About a Date? Learn how to find clues to help date those old photographs in your closet with guest speaker our own Compatriot Jim Applegate.

Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Uniformed SAR Compatriots participate in the Naples Independence Day Parade. Contact Color Guard Commander Paul Young for details at [pyflorida@aol.com](mailto:pyflorida@aol.com) or 775-0021.

Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>, 2009:

The summer meeting of the FLSSAR **Board of Management** will meet at the Ramada Plaza Hotel, 7470 Highway 192 West, Kissimmee, FL 34747 (Exist 64B off I-4). Special hotel pricing is available for SAR. For more details and pre-registration go to <http://flssar.org/Meet.html>.

Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009:

The first **Chapter Meeting** of the new season for the Naples Chapter SAR will meet at our new undetermined location!

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Team put on an excellent silent drill presentation.

Past meeting minutes were approved.

The Treasurer's Report reflected as of 1 April 2009, our Balance Sheet Total was \$4,830.30. Our Profit and Loss Statement for the period of October 2008 through March 2009 reflected a Net Income of \$2,960.20.

Following this, President McCullough gave the following announcements: (1) Book Award presenters are needed. Of the nine book awards given to an outstanding social studies student in our local high schools, three are covered. (2) Five elementary schools with a total of ten classrooms participated in this year's SAR Americanism Poster Contest. The winner will be announced at the end of today's meeting. (3) Three schools consisting of a total of nine classrooms participated in this year's Good Citizenship Contest. Certificates were presented to the winning students. (4) Three Committee Chairmen are need for the 2009-2010 term in the areas of Rumbaugh Oration Contest; Poster and Good Citizenship Contest; and Book Awards. (5) The Genealogical Society

of Collier County will meet at the Moorings Presbyterian Church, Moss Hall, 791 Harbor Drive, Naples, at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, April 14. (6) The Big Cypress Chapter, DAR, will meet at the Country Club of Naples, at 11:00 AM on Friday, April 17.

Lunch was served; and key parts of today's meeting resumed. Past Chapter President James M. McGarity III introduced our guests. Eagle Scout James Callow gave us insight into what is required to earn the highest advancement rank in scouting. And Mr. Paul Penttila gave us a power point slide presentation. It highlighted the focus that Southwest Florida was doing in four districts, with the help of 4,000 adults to meet the expectations of over thirty-nine thousand boys to build their character, learn the responsibilities of citizenship, and to develop personal fitness.

Following the Boy Scouts program, Compatriot Don Cahill presented the 2009-2010 slate of officers. The slate is as follows: President, Samuel O. Cahill; 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Roy G. Richardson; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Harris I. Tucker; Secretary, Charles T. Sweeney; Treasurer, W. Richard Hazen; Chancellor,

James M. McGarity III; Chaplin, Charles E. Cortright; Registrar, W. Richard Hazen; Assistant Registrar, Chase J. Brooke; Historian, Donald B. Cahill; Sergeant-at-Arms, Dale J. Dalton; Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, John L. McCullough, and Editor Samuel O. Cahill.

Naples Chapter SAR elections for the 2009-2010 term will be held at the May Chapter meeting. Per our By Laws, "additional nominations for any office may be made by written endorsement of a least ten members." These nominations "shall be delivered to the Secretary no later than 5 days following the April meeting."

Following the presentation of the state, 5<sup>th</sup> Grader Madelyn Mitchell of Everglades City was announced as the winner of the Naples Chapter 2008-2009 Poster Contest "Paul Revere's Ride."

The meeting was closed with the SAR Recessional at 1:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted  
Charles T. Sweeney,  
Chapter  
Secretary



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*President John McCullough and Compatriot Don Cahill at the BOM*

## **FLSSAR Spring Board of Management**

The Board of Management meeting was on April 24 and 25, 2009 held at the Ramada Plaza Hotel in Kissimmee across the street from Minnie and Mickey. Your President John McCullough, myself and Lana Cahill attended. The Spring BOM is always also the FLSSAR Annual Meeting - this being our 113<sup>th</sup>.

Friday morning the 24<sup>th</sup> the Regional VP meeting started at 10:00 AM lead by Senior VP of FLSSAR William "Steve" Stevenson. We discussed the various youth programs and how to enhance them or perhaps even drop them. Also membership is very important to us all. Our

Florida Society goal is to increase membership in three years by 30%. Compatriot Stevenson would like every current member to bring in a new member! The support of the "Center" is also on top of our priorities with the goal of a majority of members to be a contributor even if only five dollars. This shows at least our members are vigorous supporters of our new headquarters in Louisville, KY.

The afternoon featured a two hour genealogy workshop by DAR Debbie Duay with many tips on doing everything on the internet right in front of your computer. Also the Americanism Poster Contest was held in which our Chapter had an entry and won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the State! Many more entries this year over last.

John McCullough and I participated in the Florida Sons of Liberty Brigade Color Guard led by Commander Ed Young. We brought in the colors to both evening events.

My favorite event is the Youth Luncheon on Saturday which highlights the JROTC, Eagle Scout, Children of the American Revolution, as well as the Oration and Essay contestants. Both evening banquets are great with good food, camaraderie, speakers and culminating with the installation of this coming year's officers.

I have been the Southwest Regional VP for three years so I thought it was time to let someone else have a go at it. Our new SWRVP is the able Phil Tarpley of Saramana Chapter (in Sarasota). Phil will do a fine job having been Chapter President a year ago and currently our FLSSAR Sgt-at-Arms. Perhaps now I will feel a bit more relaxed and enjoy our own Chapter even more. Thank you.

Regards,  
Don Cahill



*Lana & Don Cahill at the BOM*