



QUILL & BUGLE

Saramana Chapter, FLSSAR

Stand Ready to Defend Your Constitution and Your Country

President's Message

Lest we forget just who we are and what we are supposed to be doing:

SARAMANA Handbook Constitution Article IIa – OBJECTS

The **OBJECTS** of this Chapter are declared to be **patriotic, historical, and educational**, and shall include those intended or designed **to perpetuate the memory of those patriots** who, by their sacrifices during the war of the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American people; **to unite and promote fellowship** among their descendants, **to inspire them and the community at large** with a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers; **to encourage historical research** in relation to the American Revolution; **to acquire and preserve the records** of the individual services of the patriots of the war, as well as documents, relics and landmarks; to mark the scenes of the Revolution by appropriate memorials; to celebrate the anniversaries of the prominent events of the war and of the Revolutionary period; **to foster true patriotism; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom;** and **to carry out the purposes** expressed in the preamble of the Constitution of our country and the injunctions of Washington in his farewell address to the American people.

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The American Revolution Month-by-Month: November 1775

by Compatriot Andrew "Andy" Stough

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Let us continue with the current month's installment:

It was planned that General Montgomery was to join forces with Colonel Benedict Arnold, who had been sent by General Washington to proceed across Maine and join forces at Quebec. Montgomery's march to Montreal was both difficult and trying, but the march across the Maine wilderness then on to Quebec took a dreadful toll on Arnold's command. That the small force survived at all was due to Arnold's driving force and his ability to inspire and lead men.

Arnold arrived at the St. Lawrence across from Quebec on November 9th. He had planned an immediate attack, which, if it had been made at that time would probably have been successful. A raging storm and high waves on the St. Lawrence prevented Arnold from crossing and the moment was lost. The delay of a few short hours allowed Canadian Governor Sir Guy Carleton to add to his force, denying Arnold his golden opportunity. Arnold, with a minimum of ammunition (five rounds per man) and short of food and everything else necessary for a winter military expedition went into a siege position close enough to challenge the city but far enough away to protect the force from the Canadians' cannon fire.

On the 13th of November, Montreal was captured and Montgomery left a holding force in the city; the army was now on the march to Quebec.

Reference: Christopher Ward's "War of the Revolution"

Secretary's Report

**SARAMANA BOG Meeting Minutes
October 17, 2012**

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm. Twelve members (quorum) were present, as follows: Fitzpatrick, Alderman, Barrett, Hodalski, Castle, Grim, Hornback, Crapo, Sweeney, Mahaffey, Corbus, and Douglas. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Castle and Chuck Barrett led the Pledge of Allegiance. Sam Grim and Jim Alderman were introduced as new members. The November luncheon meeting will take place on the 9th of November and will include the Rumbaugh Oration Contest. We need judges. The next BOG meeting is on November 14th.

Reports – Secretary Fitzpatrick read the minutes from the September BOG meeting and Dick Mahaffey moved to accept, second by Bob Castle; passed unanimously. Treasurer Hornback

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gave the Treasurer's and Medals Inventory Report. Compatriot Hodalski was reimbursed \$63 for Flag Kits. Forty-eight members have not paid their annual dues. Bob Castle moved to accept the Treasurer's reports, second by Dick Mahaffey; passed unanimously. President Riegle has been appointed Chairman of the C.A.R. Liaison, the American History Teacher, and the Americanism Poster Contest Committees for the FLSSAR. V.P. Crapo stated Jim Alderman volunteered as a member of the **Liberty Tree Committee**. Genealogist Mahaffey reported on the status of new applications. He is looking for assistance. Compatriot Hodalski stated the **Manatee History Fair** will start in May and Judges are needed. He also stated he has made four **Flag Kit presentations** in Manatee and Sarasota Counties.

Compatriot Sweeney noted he was appointed Chairman of the **Veterans Recognition Committee** at both the National and State level. It was formerly known as the WWII Veterans Corps. They are currently adding a Korean Service Veterans Corps, among other Corps. Current census reveals there are 685 veterans at the National level, 214 veterans of all campaigns at the state level (98 of whom are WWII veterans), and 16 WWII veterans in the Saramana Chapter of 23 veterans total. **Color Guard Commander** Chuck Barrett noted his recent purchases of new flagpoles and other items. The next Color Guard appearance will be at the Veterans Day Parade, Sunday November 11th, in Sarasota. Secretary Fitzpatrick recommended Burgundy Condominiums in Bradenton for the **Flag Award** in January. Compatriot McMurry needs an assistant for the **Medals and Awards** committee. Compatriot Douglas moved to set the prize amount for the **Rumbaugh Contest** from winner take all to three prizes amounting to \$300, \$200, and \$100 for first, second, and third place winners. The motion was seconded by Dick Mahaffey and approved unanimously. Committee Chair Frank Hodalski, submitted a detailed report on the **Sarasota Veterans Council** meeting.

Old Business – V.P. Crapo presented the Nomination Report. We are currently looking for a new President and Vice President as well as Committee Chairs and assistants.

New Business – V.P. Crapo presented two **proposed By-laws amendments** to the BOG for the operating procedures in Part III governing the Law Enforcement and Fire and Safety Committees. Parliamentarian Hodalski proposed we prepare a **Resolution** for the issues involved, which would allow a trial period for testing a new process. A copy of the proposed Resolutions will be sent to the BOG Members ten days prior to the next BOG Meeting for subsequent approval/disapproval.

The BOG voted on the acceptance of the **OTF Nominations** which are: Sam Grim for 2013, Fred Smith and Frank Hassel through 2014, and Vic McMurry through 2015. Dick Mahaffey moved the nominees be accepted, second by Bob Castle; passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 3:47 pm.

– *Respectfully Submitted by John L Fitzpatrick, Secretary, Saramana Chapter FLSSAR*



October Chapter Meeting

all photos courtesy of Elaine Crapo



(left) Pres. Riegle calls the meeting to order;
(right) Col. Chuck Sweeney (Commander of the FLSSAR Veterans' Battalion) presents the Military Service Medal to Compatriot Victor McMurry, as Pres. Riegle details McMurry's many activities on behalf of the Saramana Chapter.



Genealogist Dick Mahaffey presents V.T. Hornback with the Supplemental Certificate for his Patriot ancestor, Elbsworth Bayne.



(left to right) Samuel Orem Grim, Orville Edward McDonald, and James Gordon Alderman are inducted into Saramana chapter as new members.



VP Harold B. Crapo, Jr., Nominating Committee Chair, reads the Committee Report to the membership. *(see Page 5)*



Saramana Compatriot John Clarence Manson, Esq., tells about his genealogical search through Europe, as our speaker for the day.

**Nominating Committee Report** *truncated***SARAMANA CHAPTER OFFICERS for 2013:****Office**

President – Harold B. Crapo, Jr.
 Vice President – Charles W. Riegle
 Secretary – John L. Fitzpatrick
 Treasurer – V. T. “Ted” Hornback
 Registrar – Richard K. Mahaffey
 Genealogist – Richard K. Mahaffey
 Historian – Charles W. Riegle
 Chaplain – T. R. “Bob” Castle
 Sergeant-at-Arms – C. A. “Chuck” Barrett

BOARD OF GOVERNORS 2012–2015*term expires*

December 2013 – Burton R. Corbus, Jr.
 December 2013 – Charles T. Sweeney
 December 2014 – Clarence A. Barrett
 December 2014 – James G. Alderman
 December 2015 – Samuel O. Grim
 December 2015 – T. Robert Castle

Wreaths Across America – a reminder

If you haven't already made a donation to this very worthwhile project, it's not too late to remember anyone who served in the military and is now departed. The wreath-laying service, which is both moving and correct in all aspects, will be held at the Sarasota National Cemetery at 11:00 am on December 10th, hosted by the cemetery management. The students at Sarasota Military Academy will lead the fundraising effort. The cost per wreath is \$15.00, and you can designate a specific gravesite at the cemetery (if you are related to that individual) or just purchase wreaths in memory of a loved one. Please write your check to: **Wreaths Across America**. Add **Saramana** on the “pay to” line, then send it to: Ted Hornback, 1538 Belfry Drive, Venice FL 34292-4334. Ted will coordinate our donations. **Deadline is November 20th**. – *Thank you.*





Dates for your calendar

NOVEMBER

- **November 4th** – Daylight Savings Time ENDS
- **November 6th** – Please VOTE for the National and Local Officials of your choice
- **November 9th** – Luncheon Meeting (Rumbaugh Contest and Chapter Elections) *November’s meeting will feature the annual Rumbaugh Oration Contest. Why not invite, as your guest, some young person who may wish to participate in this contest in the future?* Special guest speaker: Jennifer Turner Gans, Senior President Chi Chi Okobe Society FLC.A.R.
- **November 10th** – U.S. Marine Corps 237th Birthday – **HUZZAH**
- **November 11th** – Veterans Day Parade *Join your fellow members either marching or riding on our trolley down Main Street. A great day is in store.*
- **November 11th** – Veterans Day Mass will be held at the Sarasota National Cemetery in the afternoon.
- **November 14th** – BOG Meeting, 2:00 pm Church of the Redeemer *(all members invited to attend)*
- **November 22nd** – Thanksgiving Day
- **November 30–December 2nd** – Great Bridge national event, Norfolk VA. Stay at Hyatt Place Chesapeake/Greenbriar (757 312-0037) for \$77/night (SAR rate). Website: www.hyattplacechesapeake.com. A Colonial Church Service will be held on Sunday, December 2nd. For more information, email Mike Tomme (mtomme@bellsouth.net). This is an important Color Guard event.

DECEMBER

- **December 7th** – Pearl Harbor Day remembrance
- **December 14th** – Luncheon Meeting *(Installation of Officers by FLSSAR President Phillip H. Tarpley, who will also be our speaker)* – **see Page 7 for reservations**
- **December 19th** – BOG Meeting, 2:00 pm Church of the Redeemer *(all members invited to attend)* – first meeting of new officers for 2013
- **December 25th** – Christmas Day
- **December 31st** – New Year’s Eve

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Compatriot Sam Powell has made a 1.5 million dollar matching challenge grant to **The Center for Advancing America’s Heritage (CAAH)**. He will match our donations, dollar for dollar, up to a total of \$1.5 million. With everyone’s help, the CAAH can raise the \$3 million necessary to complete Phase II of the project. (There will be a much smaller future finishing phase.) Your voluntary donation of \$10, \$20, or more will be credited to you individually and to your Chapter and in all the various recognition programs associated with this campaign. Florida Compatriots need to donate, on average, another \$120 to meet the national goal of \$250 per member. If you wish to contribute, send your check to *SAR Foundation, 1000 South Fourth Street, Louisville, KY 40302*. Individuals may also donate directly to the Foundation. Contact Roland Downing at 904-853-6128 for details. **Donations are tax deductible.**





November Chapter Luncheon

Program includes Election of Officers for 2013, The Rumbaugh Oration Contest, and the Speaker of the day – Jennifer Turner Gans (DAR/C.A.R.)

Friday November 9th, 2012

Holiday Inn Lido Beach

SAR Officers – Class B uniform (gray slacks, white shirt, red tie, and blue blazer)

Arrive by 11:15-11:30 am. Cocktails available from cash bar.

Meal choices (all begin with soup du jour served with crackers):

1. Sliced Roast Turkey with giblet gravy, mashed potatoes, stuffing, and fresh vegetables, with cranberry sauce
2. Sanibel Salmon Salad (seared salmon filet on bed of greens and baby spinach with Vidalia onion marmalade, gorgonzola cheese, candied walnuts, and raspberry vinaigrette)
3. Large Garden Salad with choice of dressings

Warm rolls with butter served with all entrees • Chef's selection of Dessert (fresh fruit available) • Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaf & Assorted Herbal Hot Tea

All reservations are \$20.00 per person. Mail reservations, check, and menu selection by **Wednesday November 7, 2012**, to: Treasurer Ted Hornback, 1538 Belfry Drive Venice FL 34292-4334 or email: Ted1538@aol.com and pay at the door by check or cash.

Directions to the Luncheon Meetings

Holiday Inn Sarasota-Lido Beach, 233 Ben Franklin Drive, 7th floor dining Room. The ramp into the back of the building goes directly to the express elevator to the Seventh floor. Our welcome and check-in table is there by the dining room.

Better directions to avoid St. Armand's Circle heavy traffic:

1. Turn onto John Ringling Blvd from US 41 and go 2.1 miles (about 4 minutes)
2. Turn left at S. Washington Drive and go 0.4 miles (about 2 minutes)
3. Take the 3rd left onto South Boulevard of the Presidents and go 0.1 miles
4. Take the 1st right onto South Polk Drive and go 0.3 miles (about 1 minute).
5. The Holiday Inn Lido Beach parking lot is in rear of hotel

Happy 237th Birthday to the United States Marine Corps

November 19, 1775: On this date the Continental Congress authorized raising two regiments of "naval marines" to support and defend the nascent U.S. Navy. The Marines have honored themselves and America ever since.

We Thank them for their Service to America.





Necrology Report

- Past FLSSAR President (2007/2008) **Grant Wallin** passed on October 1st.
- Past FLSSAR President (2009/2010) **William Stevenson** passed on September 28th.
- **Edna Bailey**, wife of Past Saramana President Donald Bailey (2002–2005), passed away October 23rd. A memorial service will be held at the Emeritus retirement community, 4730 Bee Ridge Rd., Sarasota, on Saturday, November 10th at 10:00 am. *Please try to attend.*

“May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, and may light perpetual shine upon them.”

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Happy November Birthdays to:

Brian J. Farrington, Jr.
 Ian C. Miller
 Hilton H. Morgan
 Maurice E. Myers
 Oliver C. Riegle
 David A. Thompson
 Samuel R. Wooten



*If your birthday is not listed,
 please contact the Editor.*

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IMPORTANT WEBSITES

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FLSSAR – www.flssar.org
NSSAR – www.sar.org
DAR – www.dar.org
C.A.R. – www.nscar.org

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