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The President's Message

September 2010

The U.S. Constitution Week is just around the corner. It is proclaimed to be on September 17th through the 23rd. When is the last time that you looked at the U.S. Constitution? No, I don't mean glancing at the cover. What I do mean is, do you really know what is inside the Constitution? If you read it thoroughly, you will find that it was very carefully written and organized. For example, Article IV, Section 4 states: "*The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government, and shall protect each of them against Invasion; and on Application of the Legislature, or of the Executive (when the Legislature cannot be convened) against domestic Violence.*" But if we look at Article I, Section 10 states, "*No State shall, without the Consent of Congress -----engage in War, unless actually invaded, or in such imminent Danger as will not admit of delay.*" Please note that this is in part what Arizona is attempting to do by trying to control illegal aliens from crossing our borders. For their efforts, they are being sued by the Federal Government, which is "*We the People.*" Something appears to be wrong. Another example is Amendment I which states, "*Congress shall make no law ----abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; ---.*" Now we find that the courts are interpreting "speech" as "freedom of expression." Therefore, when someone burns our American Flag, it is now OK because they are merely expressing themselves under the rights of our Constitution. Should a Judge understand that if we were standing in his/her court and gave them a specific gesture, would they consider that, "Freedom of expression"?

Thomas Jefferson said, "*On every question of construction, [let us] carry ourselves back to the time when the Constitution was adopted, recollect the spirit manifested in the debates, and instead of trying what meaning may be squeezed out of the text, or invented against it, conform to the probable one in which it was passed.*" As Patriots, I don't believe it is too difficult to imagine what might have happened to an individual that desecrated the American Flag. Take a look at another person that denounced the United States. His name was Phillip Nolan and he was immediately banished to a ship, never to step foot on dry land again. He was renamed, Man without a Country.

Once again, I urge all of you to read and try to understand the U.S. Constitution. It is your document to live by and for the government to live by, which is us, "*We the People.*"

Please return your membership renewal check to Victor McMurry-Treasurer made out to Saramana SAR and mail to 1204 Mallard Marsh Drive, Osprey, FL 34299-6812

Our most recent information indicates we are now the largest chapter in FL always competing with Jacksonville. This can change from month to month.

We can be very proud as Saramana continues to receive Chapter first place awards from NSSAR and FLSSAR for all the hard work of our members and Officers in our community Youth and Veteran programs. I thank all of you for this support and Patriotism

Fraternally and at Your Service

Harold B. Crapo, Jr.  *God Bless America*

The Secretary's Report

July 1 to August 31 2010

The next monthly meeting of the Board of Governors of Saramana Chapter, FLSSAR is scheduled for Wednesday, September 15, 2010 at the Church of the Redeemer, Sarasota.

Secretary's Report –Minutes of the May 19th meeting were reported in the June issue of the Quill and Bugle Please renew your membership early.

Nominating Committee - The Committee is to present their report of those members nominated and agreeing to accept the office if elected. The following members make up the Nominating Committee for 2011 officers: Chairman Harold B. Crapo, Charles W. Riegle, Phillip H. Tarpley, Victor G. McMurry and Peter M. Douglas. The BOG approved these choices at the May BOG meeting.

Reported for Charles W. Riegle,
Secretary by PHT

Note---

The Chapter will not have a regular scheduled luncheon meeting during September.

We are however the invited guest of the 5 Regional DAR Chapters for the annual Constitution Week Luncheon on Saturday September 25, 11:00 AM Bradenton Country Club.

See complete luncheon information in Member's Bulletin Board Section

Important please NOTE that all 2011 Membership Dues notice have been mailed.

Please return your membership renewal check made out to Saramana SAR and provide any personal information update changes to Victor McMurry 1204 Mallard Marsh Drive Osprey, FL 34299-6812

Sad notice of passing of a Compatriot to the tender care of our Father in Heaven

Please be advised of the passing of our Compatriot Lester K. Hunt on September 2, 2010.

Lester was a loyal and proud member of SAR and our Chapter. Lester served as a Governor and as a Trustee of the Operating Trust Fund. He proudly served as Chairman of the Saramana Eagle Scout Committee and was a member of the FLSSAR Eagle Scout Committee. Lester did super work in organizing and improving the communication with the area Scouting Troops and Eagle Scout Councils.

His wife Kathy said Lester will be buried in his hometown in NJ and at this time no memorial services in FL are planned. She has requested instead of sending flowers please donate money to the Chapters Eagle Scout Scholarship Fund in Lester's name.

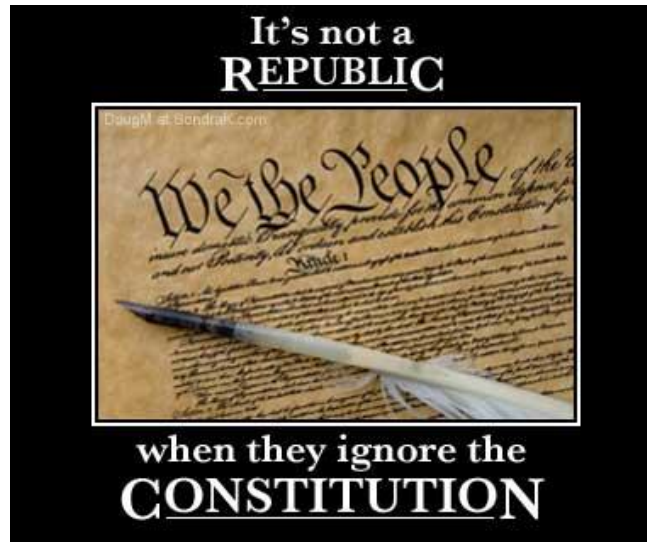
Vic McMurry our Treasurer will accept checks for Lester Hunt Eagle Scout fund. Make checks out to Saramana SAR & mail to Victor at 1204 Mallard Marsh Dr. Osprey, FL 34229-6812. Please note for Lester Hunt on check.

You will find his address in your yearbook to send cards to Kathy.

Lester was my close dear friend as he was to all of us in Saramana SAR and will be missed but fondly remembered. Please remember Lester and his family in your thoughts and prayers-----

Phillip H. Tarpley-Editor

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The Constitution of the United States

Preamble

We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessing of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

Monthly History Lessons

Purple Heart of the American Revolution

On August 7, 1782, General George Washington issued the following general order:
"The General, ever desirous to cherish a virtuous ambition in his soldiers, as well as to foster and encourage every species of Military merit, directs that whenever any singularly meritorious action is performed, the author of it shall be permitted to wear on his facings, over his left breast, the figure of a heart in purple cloth, edged with a narrow lace or binding. Not only instances of unusual gallantry, but also of extraordinary fidelity and essential service in any way shall



meet with

due reward...

"Before this favor can be conferred on any man, the particular fact, or facts, on which it is grounded must be set forth to the Commander-in-chief accompanied with certificates from the commanding officers of the regiment and brigade to which the candidate for reward belonged, or other incontestable proof, and upon granting it, the name of the regiment of the person with the action so certified are to be enrolled in the book of merit which will be kept at the orderly office.

"Men who have merited this last distinction to be suffered to pass all guards and sentinels which officers are permitted to do. The road to glory in a patriot army and a free country is thus opened to all -- this order is also to have retrospect to the earliest stages of the war."

On February 22, 1932, the 100th anniversary of George Washington's birth, President Herbert Clark Hoover revived the Purple Heart medal by issuing the following General Order:

"By order of the President of the United States, The Purple Heart established by General George Washington at Newburgh, August 7, 1782, during the war of the Revolution, is hereby revived out of respect to his memory and military achievements.

The decoration is authorized to be awarded to persons who, while serving in the army of the United States, perform any singularly meritorious act of extraordinary fidelity or essential service. A wound received in action may be construed as resulting from such an act."

The Saramana Board of Governors during the May meeting voted on the motion of Past President Phillip H. Tarpley to award a medal and Certificate in honor of this first Purple Heart

The medal and Certificate pictured below will be presented during the November 12 luncheon meeting to those Veterans awarded the Purple Heart who have shed their blood to protect America's Freedom while serving on active duty in the United States Military Services

The following members and friends of SAR have donated funds to purchase these special medals; Charles W. Riegle, Frank A. Hassell, Patricia McLain, Harold Crapo, Phillip Tarpley

25 medals have been ordered for SAR members followed by DAR members or a spouse. Balance of medals remaining will be awarded to local area Veterans recommended by the Military Order of Purple Heart. In all cases proof of receiving the Purple Heart must be documented. Contacts to call or email your request to be considered to receive this award are;

Phillip Tarpley only by e-mail mp18pht@verizon.net

Victor McMurry 941-966-0493 e-mail vicmc4@verizon.net

Harold B. Crapo 941-756-7272 e-mail- hbcejc@tampabay.rr.com

You will be sent an award registration application by email or regular postage after contacting one of the above. Fill in the form and attach Purple Heart Documentation as required

You must attend the November 12 Luncheon to receive the award in person. Luncheon cost per person is our normal \$20.00 for a sit down dinner with prior reservations made.

Our meeting location is the Lido Beach Holiday Inn 7th floor Banquet room beginning at 11:30 am.

The 3 Meal selections will be provided later as meeting arrangements are confirmed

The medal showing both sides and sample of the accompanying certificate



Members Bulletin Board and Special Events

*We congratulate Saramana Member David Sympson on his election as
President General of NSSAR*

Registrar/Genealogist Report

Phillip H. Tarpley

I have helped, provided for most applicants research to document the lineage to their Patriot Ancestor and processed the below new members this past year:

Walter J. Test	Thomas R. Castle	Robert L. Grant, Jr.	Stephen C. Howlett
Howard B. Sole	Robert E. Benson	Stephen H. Clark	Bradley H. Clark
Dana A. Crapo	Colin G. Crapo	Wayne A. Horton	John P Mange, Jr.
Percival S. Hill, IV	Percival S. Hill, V	Bruce E. Baxter	Jeffery J. Hazelton
Albert W. Paul	Richard R. Gans	Allen J. Hegener	Robert H. Chaney
Richard C. Hunt	Ryan C. Hunt	Stephen E. Hunt	Coleman W. Riegle
Evan C. Riegle	Oliver C. Riegle	Paul J. Longstreet	Graham J. Douglas
Edmund S. Martin	Richard K. Kichline	Maurice E. Myers	William Van Duzer
Robert D. Stewart	Robert D. Stewart, Jr.	*Larry A. Peck, Sr.	*Robert Collins
Brian J. Farrington Jr.	James D. Allen	Lawrence G. Fehrenbaker	

*transfers

New applicants in or still in research and required documentation process: John Fitzpatrick, Gordon Charlton, Jim Stainbrook, William Brady, Charles Hostetler, Reginald Palmore III, James Fleming, Alan Switzer, Russell A. DesErmia-(only awaiting his signature and application fees before application is sent for approval by NSSAR)

Constitution Week DAR Luncheon

Manatee Chapter is hosting this luncheon

Saturday September 25, 2010 11:30 am

Bradenton Yacht Club

4307 Snead Island Road

Palmetto, FL 34221

Menu Selection

Pecan Crusted Chicken w/Vanilla-Maple Glaze

BYC Crab Cakes w/ Pineapple Salsa

Petite Filet with Béarnaise Sauce

Includes vegetables, salad, rolls, tea & coffee

Carrot cake for dessert

Reservations required by September 22

Including meal selection

To Manatee Chapter DAR, Margaret Smelser - Treasurer

9818 Cape Haze Circle, Parrish, FL 34219-9456

Information provided by Manatee Chapter DAR

SARAMANA CHAPTER'S NATHANIEL GREENE COLOR GUARD CAMP
Color Guard Captain Eugene Bradley
of the
SONS OF LIBERTY - FLORIDA SOCIETY BRIGADE
Colonel Phillip H. Tarpley Commander



The CG marched in the Memorial Day Parade May 31st in Sarasota beginning at 9:45. The Color Guard was under command of Col. Phillip Tarpley, Commander FLSSAR Sons of Liberty Brigade. The following Guardsmen marched, Harold Crapo, Charles Riegle, Frank Hodalski and new CG members Richard Mahaffey, Jeffrey Hazelton, Walter Test, Larry Hurley, President of the Charlotte Chapter. Barbra Bartz 2nd from left below in Betsy Ross colonial dress carrying the Betsy Ross Flag marched in the rear of our Color Guard. Our Color Guard also presented the Colors at the DAR Flag Day luncheon.

The next scheduled events include DAR Constitution Week luncheon and annual Veterans Day Parade.

Photos by Arden Bartz



Left photo above is new CG member Richard Mahaffey left Jeffrey Hazelton and Walter Test on the right. Charles Riegle and Frank Hodalski center. Right photo as members now armed & ready to join the parade are Harold Crapo, Richard Mahaffey, Barbra Bartz, Phil Tarpley, Charles Riegle, Frank Hodalski, Larry Hurley, Jeffrey Hazelton and Walter Test on right..

We thank Alvin Abbott for his **donation** to our chapter of two full Colonial uniforms. William Millman **donated** his full uniform. The other member who **donated** a full uniform was Donald Robbins now deceased. These uniforms are put to good use and returned for others to use after members replace them by purchasing their own.



YOUR SAR KEEPS MARCHING FORWARD!

The new NSSAR Library is scheduled to open on September 24, 2010,
and be open to the public on the 25th.
Major Events are in our future at the Library.
Be a part of this effort, donate what you can.