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Saramana Chapter, FLSSAR

Stand Ready to Defend Your Constitution and Your Country

President's Message



This issue begins the New Year, and I am happy to have received so many nice comments on the **Q&B** editorial over the past year. It makes the work more

satisfying to know that our compatriots find the content interesting. As editor, I will be adding a new column, which will appear in every **Q&B** issue during this year. It is called "The American Revolution Month-by-Month." I hope you will enjoy it.

My plans, as your president, for 2012 are to try to accomplish all of the goals and tasks that the BOG has agreed on for the year. We have lots we can do together to make these things happen. Mostly, we need some worker bees to help, in small but very necessary ways. Please email me, or our VP, Harold Crapo, and ask what you can do to help the Chapter in this upcoming year.

The chapter will hold 10 monthly Chapter meetings and 10 Board Of Governors meetings, and some of us will try to attend the four State Board of Managers meetings in Kissimmee, the two Leadership Meetings in Louisville, and the National Congress in

Phoenix. Many of us sit on National Committees and hold State positions, serving all 147 members in this way.

At last count, we have 28 committees, each responsible for very important parts of our ongoing business. To the chairmen and committeemen who have been so helpful to us in the past, a very sincere Thank You.

Harold and I are keeping track of all the various reports, which are due to FLSSAR, and to stay informed of any and all work done by chapter members on behalf of our American History. If you have spoken to a business, school, or social group about the SAR or genealogy, please let me know the specifics. These encounters are recorded in our Chapter Challenge Report.

Do not forget your departed family, friends, and SAR associates. A donation to our Operating Trust Fund is a good way to remember them. You will receive a nice note and a deduction from your Income Tax. This money resides in the Trust Fund. It is not invaded for Capital Fund use.

As you can see, we are beginning another action-packed year. I am happy to steer this ship, but we really do need lots of collective wind in our sails. Please be one of those who keep us moving in the right direction.

– Patriotically yours, Charles W. Riegle



The American Revolution Month-by-Month: January 1775

by Compatriot Andrew "Andy" Stough, Gold Country Chapter No. 7 of the CSSAR

No battles were fought, and no nationally organized contests of the Monarch's will are to be seen in the month of January 1775. His policies were playing into the hands of those who were building the thirteen colonies in the direction of unification. This in turn would lead to antagonisms and slight encounters with his Majesty's troops. Such encounters would in turn bring the thirteen colonies into a closer alignment.

The division between King and Colonies began with the quartering of troops and the imposition of taxes by Parliament. Winning the French and Indian War placed Canada safely in the hands of the Empire. From Pennsylvania to the Canadian border only the Indians remained as a menace to the colonists. Stationing of British regulars in Boston by the sea hardly represented a defense against the Indian along the western borders. If the British army was not there to defend against the Indian, then who was he there for?

Philadelphia and New York were the largest cities in the nation. While the inhabitants of the two cities had their share of dissidents, the bulk of the citizens were predominantly loyal to King and Parliament.

Smaller Boston was a hotbed of resentment toward the imposition of policies arriving from London after 1763. The most resented was the stationing of troops in Boston, ostensibly for the protection of the people. The Yankee mind was not fooled. Troops in Boston could only be there for one reason, to intimidate and oppress the people of that city and its surrounding communities. For over a century the King had ignored the colonies, allowing them to prosper or die based on their ability to govern themselves and to regulate their own commerce. Why now was the Crown so concerned about their welfare? In Britain's past wars with France, the local militia had fought and died side by side with British regulars on the North American continent. How much more loyalty was required?

On its own, New England had developed a thriving trade with the rest of the world particularly the sugar islands of the West Indies. The plantation economy of the more southerly colonies did not impact as many individuals as did the small farm and sea-borne trading economy of New England. While still acknowledging its allegiance to the mother country and its monarch, the local populations were the strongest in their resentment against London's interference in daily affairs of government.

In the 12 years since 1763, the colonies had given the government in London ample warning that they did not intend to tolerate any interference in their overseas commerce or internal affairs. They asked but one thing; that London return to the relationship enjoyed prior to 1763. Inherent in this insistence was the admitted fact that by British law Parliament could not tax or otherwise interfere with the colonies' internal affairs. Whether true or not, the colonies insisted on Parliament's asking for their permission to tax or direct business and trade in the colonies.

There had been a desire by the Crown and Parliament to undo what had been done since 1763 but they found the colonies in denial of Parliament's right to govern the colonies under any circumstances. This caused a hardening of opinion in Parliament, who insisted that times had changed and it now represented the colonies as well as the inhabitants of the British Isles and were not only justified in their actions, but acted for the best interests of both the home islands and the colonies.

This bickering would continue for a few months before unplanned actions would lead to a war that would last from Lexington to Yorktown, almost seven years later.

References: Robert Leckie's *George Washington's War*; Edmund Morgan's *The Birth of the Republic*



Secretary's Report

Chapter Luncheon Holiday Inn Lido Beach Sarasota, FL Dec. 9, 2011

At approximately 12:00 noon the meeting was called to order by President Charles Riegle. After FLSSAR President David Ramseur and his lady Marjorie were escorted into the room by the Saramana Color Guard, Chaplain Bob Castle, gave the invocation, VP Harold Crapo led the SAR Pledge, and PG Carl Hoffman led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Captain of the CG called "post the colors," and the CG was dismissed.

Pres. Charles Riegle introduced the FLSSAR Pres., David Ramseur, for the induction of new officers later in the meeting. David and his wife were seated at the head table along with other members as follows: Sgt.-at-Arms Chuck Barrett, our Chaplain, Bob Castle, and VP Harold Crapo. Other attendees of note were: PG Carl Hoffman and his wife Patricia, past FLSSAR Presidents and currently FL BOM members: Phillip Tarpley with Mary, Harold Crapo with Elaine, and Hal Miller with PruAnn. In addition, past Saramana Presidents were as follows: John Williams with Linda Sue, and Richard Quigley. Of no less importance, Chuck Sweeney and his wife were present. Chuck is currently the adjutant for members of the FLSSAR who also served in WWII.

During lunch, announcements were made concerning upcoming events: Of note, the next Chapter Luncheon takes place on Jan. 20th, at the Holiday Inn Lido Beach. The BOM meeting will take place the weekend of Jan. 13-14 in Kissimmee FL. The Rumbaugh Oration Contest will be held during that weekend, with our winner Braden Causey representing the Saramana Chapter.

After lunch, the induction of a new member, David Cole, took place. Dick Mahaffey spoke of Mr. Coles' patriot and introduced him to the audience. Pres. Charles Riegle then swore in Mr. Cole with the SAR oath, and Dick Mahaffey presented him with the SAR Rosette. He was then welcomed into the Saramana Chapter. Chuck Sweeney and State Pres. David Ramseur then recognized member Burt Corbus for his service during WWII. Also mentioned for their service were Herb Flanders, Frank Hassell, and Basil Lancaster. Mr. Corbus was presented with a Certificate of Patriotism for Meritorious service in WWII. Next, the Pres. called Peter Douglas, Chairman of the Rumbaugh Scholarship Contest, to the podium where he was presented with a Distinguished Service Award in recognition of his outstanding work for the Saramana Chapter. In addition, he received three certificates for the winners of the Chapter Rumbaugh contest. Bob Castle received a Distinguished Service Award for his duties as the chapter representative to the Sarasota Veterans Council. Current Chaplain and the former Chaplain of many years, Eugene Bradley, received a Distinguished Service Award. Allen Hegener was recognized for his help with the C.A.R. and his efforts as chair of the Eagle Scout Committee, and finally, John Hegener was presented with a Distinguished Service Award for his work on the Americanism Committee.

For duties performed the past year, Pres. Charles Riegle gave an autographed copy of "A Land Remembered" penned by Patrick Smith and a Certificate of Appreciation to the following officers: Phil Tarpley (Captain of the CG), Chuck Barrett (Sergeant-at-Arms), Dick Mahaffey (Genealogist), Ted Hornback (Treasurer), John Fitzpatrick (Secretary), and Billie West Lowe (Publicity Chair). Harold Crapo was nominated, seconded, received a unanimous vote, and was subsequently sworn in as the new VP. In addition, he received The Liberty Tree Certificate of Appreciation for Meritorious Service. Next, State Pres. Ramseur installed the officers who had been duly elected by the Chapter for 2012 in accordance with Chapter By-laws (see agenda sec. 12). The newly elected officers took the oath of installation and a short prayer by the Chaplain followed. The newly elected officers are as follows: Charles W. Riegle (President), Harold B. Crapo (Vice President), John L. Fitzpatrick (Secretary), Vernon T. Hornback (Treasurer), Richard Mahaffey (Registrar/Genealogist), Charles W. Riegle (Historian), Thomas R Castle (Chaplain), Clarence A. Barrett (Sergeant-at-Arms), and Phillip H. Tarpley (Color Guard Captain). Photos were taken of all.

Finally, the day's speakers were introduced. State Pres. David Ramseur and his wife Marjorie who discussed, at length, the painting by Emanuel Leutz, "General Washington Crossing the Delaware". It was a very engaging and informative talk, touching on the great symbolism of the painting, among other things. At the conclusion of their talk, the Ramseurs were presented with a Certificate of appreciation and a book. With that, our luncheon came to a close. Pres. Riegle read the SAR Recessional and the meeting adjourned at approximately 2:30 pm. — *Respectfully Submitted by John L Fitzpatrick, Secretary, Saramana Chapter FLSSAR*

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**BOG Meeting
Sarasota, FL Dec. 14, 2011**

President Charles Riegler called the meeting to order at 2:05 PM. Ten members were present, including Fitzpatrick, Riegler, Hornback, Lowe, Castle, Barrett, Williams, Mahaffey, Crapo, and Douglas. Chaplain Bob Castle gave the Invocation and Sergeant-at-Arms Chuck Barrett led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pres. Riegler made the following general announcements: The Dec. 9th luncheon attendance was quite good with fifty attending. The next luncheon takes place on Jan. 20th at the Holiday Inn Lido Beach. During that luncheon, Flag Awards and Eagle Scout Awards will be presented. The next BOG meeting will be held at the Church of The Redeemer on Jan. 18th, and the winter BOM meeting is to be held on Jan. 13-14th in Kissimmee. The Rumbaugh Oration Contest will be held that weekend on Friday the 13th, with our contestant, Braden Causey competing. For members that specifically want to view the Rumbaugh Competition, they are encouraged to arrive by 1:00 pm on the 13th.

Pres. Riegler touched on budgetary concerns, stating that the Audit Committee is not scheduled for an Audit report until March of 2012. He further stated that a budget committee meeting must be held soon to discuss next year's budget, and Ted Hornback will chair said committee. Also, if any one committee desires an increase in funding for the coming year that committee chairman must inform Mr. Hornback. Ted Hornback submitted the Treasurer's report and briefed us on rebates from the state OTF indicating that our Chapter received \$1,711.00 in funds, where \$1,750.00 is the refund ceiling. Ted further stated that he was made aware of possible reductions in the amounts we could receive from the State OTF, due to lower interest rates and possible increased demand from other chapters. Only 13 of 33 chapters turned in requests for reimbursement in the past year, and the state is trying to get other chapters interested in this program going forward. Ted went on to say that according to information he obtained from Phillip Tarpley, Senior VP at FLSSAR, that new regulations governing the state OTF will not allow our Chapter to be reimbursed for the Wounded Warrior Project next year. All these things may mean less overall funds in our budget for the coming year. In addition, Mr. Hornback completed and submitted the Annual report on Dec. 2nd 2011 indicating that our Chapter, among other things, currently has 147 members. It should be noted, also, that five members have been dropped. Secretary, John Fitzpatrick submitted his monthly activities report.

Next on the agenda were Officer's reports beginning with VP Harold Crapo, who has enlisted the help of Compatriot Keith Millard as Assistant to the VP. Following that, Genealogist/Registrar Dick Mahaffey presented his report. Charles Riegler, Historian, had nothing to report. Bob Castle, acting Chaplain, submitted his report and briefly discussed prayers said at SAR meetings. He elaborated that the SAR is in general a "Godly" organization, yet has no particular religious affiliation. Moreover, he said, that the words of his prayers, "which are sometimes the cause of discussion," come directly from the official SAR prayer book. Sergeant-at-Arms, Chuck Barrett, had nothing to report.

Committee reports followed. Of those present and reporting, Pres. Charles Riegler reported on speakers and programs, indicating he has asked 2nd Lieutenant USMC (Ret) Stanley Tsigounis to speak, possibly, at the May JROTC luncheon. Concerning the Eagle Scout Scholarship committee, Compatriot Allan Hegener will be responsible for the Jan. 13th meeting. Billie W. Lowe submitted the Publicity report, and the Pres. noted that Billie has amassed some sixty (60) articles concerning our Chapter, from local newspapers. His work is much appreciated by all members. VP Harold Crapo informed the board that he has spoken to our new Compatriot David A. Cole about chairing the Law Enforcement, Fire and Safety, and EMTs committee in the future. VP Harold Crapo then presented the JROTC awards report. Peter Douglas, in reference to the upcoming FLSSAR Rumbaugh Oration Contest, verified that the contest will occur on Jan. 13th at 1:00 pm. Next, the VP presented the Veteran's Affairs report, noting that Compatriot Carl Hoffman is responsible for attending meetings in Manatee County with Harold Crapo as alternate, and that Compatriot Frank Hodalski will cover Sarasota County veteran's meetings with Charles Riegler as the alternate. Concerning the History Teacher of the Year Award, the Pres. stated that Dan Kennedy has submitted Ms. Sue Regan, a teacher at The Pineview School in Sarasota and a proponent of the Values Through History Program, for the award.

For Old Business, the Pres. mentioned the necessity of appointing Governors to the BOG. As for New Business, the Pres. mentioned the issue of Phil Tarpley sitting on the OTF board and attending changes to its composition, and furthermore, the need for the OTF to send notice of such changes to the BOG. Finally, the BOG voted to approve the required schedule change for the Jan. 2012 Chapter meeting from the 13th to the 20th of the month. New Chaplain Bob Castle gave the Benediction, Sergeant-at-Arms Chuck Barrett led us in the Recessional, and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:30 pm. — *Respectfully Submitted by John L Fitzpatrick, Secretary, Saramana Chapter FLSSAR*



Photos from our December chapter activities



President Riegler delivers Certificates of Appreciation to Phil Tarpley, Dick Mahaffey, Ted Hornback, and John Fitzpatrick



David Cole receives his papers of membership from Genealogist Mahaffey and President Riegler



Sgt at Arms Barrett, Chaplain Castle, and VP Crapo enjoy the ceremonies



Chuck Sweeney and FLSSAR president David Ramseur present WWII certificates to Burton Corbus



New Officers for 2012: Tarpley, Fitzpatrick, Barrett, Castle, Crapo, Riegler, Hornback, and Mahaffey, inducted by FLSSAR President David Ramseur



Harold Crapo receives the first Liberty Tree Award certificate



December speakers Marjorie and David Ramseur with President Riegler



Dates for your calendar

- **January 13-14th** – FLSSAR BOM meeting, Kissimmee FL (all members invited to attend)
- **January 14th** – Genealogy Workshop hosted by DAR in Bradenton; call Genealogist Dick Mahaffey for details
- **January 18th** – Board of Governors meeting, Church of the Redeemer (all members invited to attend)
- **January 20th** – Chapter Luncheon honoring Eagle Scout and Flag Awards “ (see registration note elsewhere in this issue)
- **January 28th** – Saramana Chapter members have been invited to participate in a special event sponsored by the Florida Veterans for Common Sense, honoring Thomas Payne’s 275th birthday. It will be held at 7:00 pm at Mulligans Grille at Bobby Jones Golf Course in Sarasota. Price is \$30 including admission and dinner. Reservations required. Call (941) 349-5131 or email FLVeterans@aol.com
- **February 4th** – Scottish Festival at Robards Arena, Sarasota; CG to parade in opening ceremony, and Dick Mahaffey will have genealogy table and literature available
- **February 15th** – BOG meeting (all members invited to attend)
- **February 25th** – George Washington’s Birthday luncheon; joint programs with local DAR chapter and special Wounded Warrior program

Compatriots: This is a repeat message. The need is still there. We are gaining ground, but there is much still to do. – your Editor

Notice Sent: Monday, December 20, 2010

Thanks to CAAH donors, we have completed the first phase of construction of the Center for Advancing America's Heritage and dedicated the SAR Genealogical Research Library on September 25th. As President General Sympton said in his remarks (at that time), this dedication marks not the end but a new beginning. The next phase of Center construction will include the headquarters of our National Society and our education outreach programs as well as a new state-of-the-art Museum.

Please encourage your members to give generously to our year-end appeal and allow us to continue our progress. CAAH contributors of \$100 or more will receive the second in a series of collectible pins - commemorating the dedication of the SAR Genealogical Research Library. This will be most coveted pin in SAR for 2011.

On behalf of all of us who are working tirelessly to complete the Center for Advancing America's Heritage, thank you for your generosity and steadfast support.

– Bill Allerton SARF President & Chief Operating Officer



Chapter Luncheon – Friday, January 20th
Registration begins at 11:30 am
Uniform of the day: Class B (blue blazer with white shirt and tie)

Meet and greet and Cash Bar available from 11:30 am. Please leave home early in order to arrive by 11:30-11:45.

Please call or email Ted Hornback with your reservation information and meal choice at (941) 485-4481 or Ted1538@aol.com. If not available, leave a message with your menu selection(s) and the names of any guests. If you leave your phone number, Ted will confirm your order.

Meal choices (all of which include Soup du Jour, warm rolls, butter, beverage, and chef's choice of dessert), are:

1. Yankee Pot Roast
2. Tilapia with Scampi Butter
3. Entrée-sized Garden Salad with choice of dressings

Cost is \$20.00 per person. Pay at the door **by cash, or by check** made out to "Saramana Chapter, FLSSAR".

Note: Reservations are due no later than the Wednesday afternoon before the luncheon. Showing up with no reservation causes problems for us – and for the hotel kitchen.

Any cancellations must be done by calling the Treasurer no later than 9.30 am the Thursday prior to the Luncheon, or you are responsible and will be billed for your meal(s).

Directions to the Luncheon Meeting

Holiday Inn Sarasota-Lido Beach on the 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.



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- Chapter –** <http://www.saramanasar.org>
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- NSSAR –** <http://www.sar.org>
- DAR –** <http://www.dar.org>
- C.A.R. –** <http://www.nscar.org>

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Happy January Birthdays to:

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Here are the 6 days this year on which we should all wear our uniforms:

- Feb 25 – George Washington’s Birthday luncheon
- May 28 – Memorial Day Parade
- Jun 16 – Joint luncheon with DAR to celebrate Flag Day
- Sep 15 – Joint luncheon with DAR to celebrate Constitution Day
- Nov 11 – Veteran’s Day Parade
- Dec 14 – Officer installation luncheon





Your Editor was requested by the OTF Trustees to print the following order of business for your consideration and vote at the next scheduled Chapter Luncheon meeting, January 20th:

Saramana SAR Operating Budget Trust Fund Amendment

By affirmation of majority of trustees of the aforementioned trust we hereby amend the existing Saramana SAR Operating Budget Trust Fund as follows.

1. The trust is amended to allow trust capital/corpus increase derived from capital gains to be classified as income and expended for trust purposes and the deletion of the prior restriction prohibiting capital gains from expenditure for Chapter purposes in the original document. This reclassification to be done by order of the trustees as permitted under applicable regulations and statutes to the extent permissible under such prevailing statutes.
2. The trustees authorize and empower the Saramana SAR Operating Budget Trust Fund to establish

and hold separate trust investment account(s), e.g., Saramana SAR Operating Budget Trust Fund II, for the benefit of the Saramana SAR Operating Budget Trust and chapter purposes.

3. The Saramana SAR Operating Budget Trust Account II will be for the investment and reinvestment in the securities markets with the goal of capital appreciation and will be free to utilize aggressive, speculative strategies and will not be subject to dividend yield or income generation demands as an investment objective. The Prudent Man Rule or Prudent Investor Rule standards are hereby waived for purposes of additional account(s).
4. The account will be funded by the current Operating Trust and limited in size at inception to thirty per cent of the sum total of the originating Saramana SAR Operating Budget Trust Fund valued at the date of such funding. Transfers of funds from the additional

Trust II to the operating trust account may take place at the trustees' discretion.

5. No transaction will be carried out on a "margin" basis or with borrowed funds as restricted under 501 (C) (3) UBIT and applicable IRS regulations.
6. Should any additional account achieve a value equal to the original account at any time, the investment advisor at his discretion shall instruct a transfer of 30% of the second accounts value, within 12 months of attaining this level, to the originating original trust account in securities or by securities liquidation and cash transfer.
7. The trustees shall operate under the strictures of UMIFA and UPMIA as applicable and in force.

Affirmed and Resolved:

Day, month, year