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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Compatriots,
First, I would like to thank all of you for electing me as your president for 2004 and I take great pride in representing you in a professional manner.

We had a great convention in Tuscaloosa and the Black Warrior River chapter did a great job in hosting this meeting. There is a lot of work that goes into preparing and hosting a state convention.

The General Galvez chapter has already set the time and location for the 2005 state convention. It will be Feb. 18-19, 2005 at the Adams Mark Hotel in Mobile.

I want to personally thank Kerry Barksdale and the other state officers for a job well done in 2003. As we move forward, we need your help in keeping everyone informed about state activities. Please pass on information about your chapter and local events. We will keep you informed about national and state activities.

The spring Board of Managers meeting has been set for May 15 at the Montgomery Country Club at 10 a.m. Please plan on attending. We will be selecting delegates to the National Congress held in Pittsburgh, Pa., in July.

We would like to keep all state

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Legg named ALSSAR president, bylaws amended at convention

Mobile's Price Legg was installed as president of the ALSSAR and changes were made to the state organization's bylaws at this year's state convention on Feb. 21-22 in Tuscaloosa.

The annual business meeting was conducted on Saturday morning and concluded with the state Rumbaugh Oration Contest.

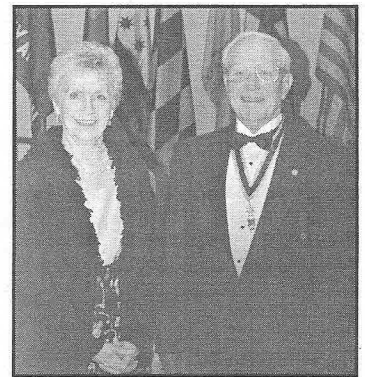
In addition to the normal officer and committee's reports, the revised ALSSAR Constitution and Bylaws were discussed

and approved by the membership.

Funding was voted for the Friends of the Library, the annual contribution to the CAR and the funding normally given to the library to purchase Alabama-related materials be given instead to the new library building.

President Kerry Barksdale withdrew his name from being a national trustee.

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—Photo courtesy of Kerry Barksdale

New ALSSAR president Price Legg and wife Jeanne

Spring BOM meeting is May 15 in Montgomery

The spring Board of Managers meeting will be held May 15 at the Montgomery Country Club, beginning at 10 a.m.

While the ALSSAR will conduct its usual business, the spring meeting is always important because delegates will be selected to the annual Congress, meeting this July in Pittsburgh.

This year's Congress is different because two national offices will be contested and the ALSSAR needs all of its 14 voting delegates on hand. The ALSSAR never has its full allotment, so anyone interested in voting at Congress should attend the spring BOM meeting.

In addition, BOM officials will discuss the annual youth awards, especially the amount of travel expenses allotted to the state winner of the orations contest for the 2005 Congress in Louisville, Ky.

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—Photo courtesy of Kerry Barksdale

Patriot Doors celebration

NSSAR Treasurer General Roland Downing and wife Norma take a tour of the American Village chapel with Lee Swart, center. See story, page 5.

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