



Louisiana Society, Sons of the American Revolution
Board of Directors Meeting
January 30, 2021



Meeting of the Board
Louisiana Society
Sons of the American Revolution
30 January 2021
Covington, LA

Order of Business

Call to Order
Christopher W. Achee

Invocation
K. Mike Sawrie

Pledge of Allegiance
Mitch Pratt

Pledge to SAR
Randall Domingue

"We descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe."

Introduction of Guests
Christopher W. Achee

Roll Call
Robert G. Hess

Approval of Minutes

Report of State President
Christopher W. Achee

Report of State Secretary
Robert G. Hess

Report of State Treasurer
James T. Schneider

Report of Chapter Presidents

Attakapas
Arthur F. Schafer

Atchafalaya
Randall Domingue

Benjamin Tenille
William A. Guy

Enemund Meullion
J. Michael Lee

Galvez
Daniel L. Phoenix

General Philemon Thomas
Robert M. Pratt

George Washington
John B.E. Mouton

James Huey
Theodore H. Brode, III

Natchitoches
Tony L. Vets

Pierre Georges Rousseau
George R. Clemenceau

Southwest Louisiana
Jeff Nolen

Report of Committees

American History Teacher Award
Joel Whitehead

By-Laws
John McKay

CAR Liaison
Tom Jacks
Color Guard
Theodore H. Brode, III

DAR Liaison
J. Henry Grace

Eagle Scout Scholarship
Tom Jacks

Finance Committee
Jim Schneider

Flag Display and Etiquette
J. Henry Grace

George S. Knight Essay Contest
George Clemenceau

George Washington Endowment Fund
Leonard H. Rohrbough

Grave Marking & Registration
Stephen K. Ray

Medals & Awards
Cliff Normand

Membership
Jim Morock

Nominating
Ted Brode

Orations Contest
John McKay

Pelican Patriot
W. Fred Hamilton

Poster Contest
Tony L. "Bo" Vets, II

Records Retention
Clifford J. Normand

ROTC/JROTC Recognition
Sandy McNeely

Trustee Report
Bradley T. Hayes

Report of Committees Con't

Veterans
Tony L. Vets

Website
Tony L. Vets

Report of Other Officers

1st Vice President
Tony L "Bo" Vet II

2nd Vice President
John Francois

3rd Vice President
Fred Hamilton

Assistant Secretary
Jeff Nolen

Chancellor
John McKay

Chaplain
K. Mike Sawrie

Genealogist
Norm H. Umholtz

Historian
Steve Ray

Registrar
Gerald Schroeder

Surgeon
James Morock, Sr. M.D.



Old Business

- JROTC Recommendation –
Edwin Chapman

New Business

- Installation - Chapter Officers
Chris Achee
- Presentation of Awards
Chris Achee
- Youth Protection Training –
James Morock
- Appoint Nominating Committee
Chris Achee

Motion to Adjourn

Benediction

K. Mike Sawrie

SAR Recessional

Michael Deeter

“Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, The Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a nation of free men.”

Adjournment

“Americans have the right and advantage of being armed - unlike the citizens of other countries whose governments are afraid to trust the people with arms.”

*James Madison
The Federalist Papers #46*



Upcoming Events

ALSSAR Annual Meeting
February 19 - 20, 2021
Hoover, AL

NSSAR Spring Leadership Meeting
March 4 - 6, 2021
Louisville, KY.

NSSAR Special Congress
March 13, 2021
Washington, DC Area
TBA - 1 - Day Only

TNSSAR Annual Meeting
March 19 - 20, 2021
Memphis, TN

MSSAR Annual Meeting
March 26 - 27, 2021
Ridgeland, MS

LASSAR Annual Meeting
April 16 - 17, 2021
New Orleans, LA

131st Annual Congress
July 9-15, 2021
Renton, Washington

Necrology

Theodore F Kim
George Washington

Prescott N Dunbar
George Washington

Frederick R Godwin, Sr
South West Louisiana

Percy Clio Curtis
Galvez

Eugene J LeBlanc
Gen. Philemon Thomas

Arthur E Lamm, Jr
Gen. Philemon Thomas



	Name	Office	Present
1	Chris Achee	State President	
2	Tony L. "Bo" Vets, II	1 st Vice Pres./Past State President	
3	John Francois	2 nd Vice President	
4	Fred Hamilton	3 rd Vice President	
5	Robert G. Hess	Secretary/Past State President	
6	Jeff Nolen	Asst. Secretary/Chap. Pres. SWLA	
7	Jim Schneider	Treasurer	
8	John McKay	Chancellor	
9	Gary Schroeder	Registrar	
10	Steve Ray	Historian-Director-Past State Pres.	
11	K. Mike Sawrie	Chaplain	
12	Norm H. Umholtz	Genealogist	
13	James Morock, M.D.	Surgeon-National Trustee	
14	J. Michael Lee	Chapter President (Enemund Meullion)	
15	Mitch Pratt	Chapter President (G P T)	
16	George Clemenceau	Chapter President (P G R)	
17	Arthur Schafer	Chapter President (Attakapas)	
18	William Guy	Chapter President (Benjamin Tennille)	
19	Tony Vets, Sr.	Chap. Pres. (Natchitoches)- Past St Pres	
20	John Mouton	Chapter President (George Washington)	
21	Daniel Phoenix	Chapter President (Galvez)	
22	Randall Domingue	Chapter President (Atchafalaya)	
23	Theodore H. Brode	Chapter President (James Huey)	
24	Michael Deeter	Director	
25	Eric Irby	Director	
26	Gervais Compton	Director	
27	Edwin M. P. Chapman	Director	
28	Clifford Normand	Director	
29	Andre' Blanchard	Director	
30	Joel Whitehead	Director	
31	Bradley Hayes	Alternate Trustee/Past State President	
32	Henry Grace	Past State President	
33		Guest	
34		Guest	
35		Guest	
36		Guest	

	Name	Office	Present
37		Guest	
38		Guest	
39		Guest	
40		Guest	
41		Guest	
42		Guest	
43		Guest	
44		Guest	
45		Guest	
	Quorum for Board Meeting	Quorum for Special or Annual Meeting	Directors Required to Call Special Meeting
	9	17	5
	LASSAR Bylaws Article VI, Section 5	LASSAR Bylaws Article V, Section 4	LASSAR Bylaws Article VI, Section 4

LASSAR
Board Meeting
September 12, 2020
Morgan City, LA

Meeting Called to Order by President Achee at 9:30 a.m.

Invocation led by State Chaplain Sawrie

Pledge of Allegiance led by J. Michael Lee

Pledge to the SAR led by William Guy

Introduction of Guests by President Achee

Roll call by Robert G. Hess

Approval of Minutes: Motion to accept minutes. Motion carried.

Report of State President

President Achee introduced giving an up to date report of the State of the Louisiana SAR Society. There was then a small ceremony of the passing of the gavel from Past President Hayes to current President Achee. This would normally have been done at the State Convention but because of the current health situation with COVID-19 the State Convention was canceled this year. After the brief ceremony Past President Hayes gave out Awards that would have been given out at the State Convention to “Bo” Vets (The LA Distinguished Service Medal) accepted by Tony Vets Sr., The Silver Roger Sherman award was presented to the President of the Atchafalaya Chapter and the President of Southwest Louisiana Chapter of the SAR. Tony Vets Sr. received the Westmoreland award and a certificate as the Library General. President Achee gave us a quick synopsis on the Direction of the Louisiana SAR Society with an emphasis of for each Chapter to continue reaching out in their local communities to gain as much participation in our ongoing contest so that many in our communities can receive the benefits of participating in those events.

Report of the National Trustee

Dr. Morock spoke on Membership reporting, COVID-19 procedures, and the wearing of SAR merchandise when attending public events (We are A political).

Report of the State Secretary

Mr. Hess spoke on the current numbers of Louisiana SAR (Patriots) who gave their last full measure, FIVE (5) total since our last meeting, Forty Seven (47) new members, eighteen (18) reinstatements, two (2) reinstatement transfers, and one (1) transfer. The LASSAR has 654 current members. Secretary Hess made know to the chapters how important is for the chapter secretaries to send to national an electronic notice of the

change in officers to one's chapter when that occurs, as well a copy furnished to the State President and Secretary and keeping one (1) for the chapter files.

Report of the State Treasurer

Mr. Schneider a copy of the financial report a the Board Meeting with a balance sheet, income statement, 2021 Budget, LASSAR Investment committee comments, and a recommendation to not increase dues.

Break from 10:45-11:00

Report of Chapter Presidents

Atchafalaya

Report Given by Chapter President.

Attakapas

Mr. Francois gave the report.

Benjamin Tenille

Report Given by Chapter Representative.

Enemund Meullion

Report Given by Chapter Representative.

Galvez

Report in the booklet.

George Washington

Report in the booklet.

General Philemon Thomas

Report Given by Chapter Representative.

James Huey

Report Given by Chapter Representative.

Natchitoches

Report in the booklet.

Pierre Georges Rousseau

Mr. Clemenceau gave the report

Southwest Louisiana

Report Given by Chapter President.

Report of Committees

American History Teach Award

Report in the booklet.

By-Laws

No report

CAR Liaison

No report

Color Guard

No report

DAR Liaison

No report

Eagle Scout Scholarship

No report

Finance Committee

Part of treasurer's report

Flag Display and Etiquette

No report

George Washington Endowment

Report in book

Essay Contest

Asked that all applicants be entered in as soon as possible in .

Grave Marking

No report

Membership

Dr. Morock gave the report

Nominating

No report

Medals and Awards

No report. Requested a list of awards needed for the annual meeting in April 2020

Orations Contest

A report was given in conjunction with the playing of the Video of the contestant who placed second in the National Orations Contest from Louisiana.

Poster Contest

Report given by the committee representative with comments on which grade levels were eligible.

Records Retention

No report

ROTC Report

Report in the booklet. (With the idea of looking at supporting ROTC Scholarships as opposed to having essay contest for ROTC Cadets.) It was also reported that there are over one hundred (100) ROTC Units in the State of Louisiana. A motion was made to table it at this time for further discussion. Motion was second.

Veterans

Report in booklet

Website

Report in booklet

Reports of other officers

1st VP

Report in booklet

2nd VP

Report in booklet.

3rd VP

No report

Assistant Secretary

No report

Chancellor

No report

Registrar

Report in booklet

Genealogist

No report

Historian

No Report

Surgeon

Dr. Morock gave the report over zoom (with special emphasis on high potency flu shot).

Chaplain

Chaplain Sawrie gave the report over zoom.

New Business

1. A motion was made earlier in the meeting to table the ROTC issue for further discussion until the next meeting.
2. A motion was made that the Louisiana Society of the SAR do a letter of endorsement for Mr. Tony Vets Sr. for the National Registrar General Position. Secretary Hess will do the letter of endorsement for the LASAR.

Benediction

Chaplain K. Mike Sawire

SAR Recessional

David H. Solar

Motion to adjourn by Secretary Hess. Meeting adjourned at 12:23 p.m.



Organized April 30, 1889

The Louisiana Society Sons of the American Revolution Report of the Secretary

January 30, 2021



Organized May 15, 1890

Compatriots:

At our meeting of 12 September 2020 we had a membership of 655.

Since September, during the 4th quarter of the year, we have had 4 deaths, 9 new members, 1 reinstatement, 2 reinstatement transfers, 2 transfer in's. And 1 Transfer-Out. Bringing our net total to 662

Our reconciliation report shows that over the entire year we had 14 deaths, 1 Transfer-Out, and 92 Drops for a total of 107 losses. For gains we had 54 New Members, 9 New Junior Members, 3 Transfer-In's, 32 Reinstatements and 2 Reinstatement-Transfer In's

We have a current membership of 569, which represents a net reduction of 7 members since January 1 of last year.

Thank you,
Respectfully,

Robert G. Hess
LASSAR Secretary



State Society	Status Date	National Number		
REIN	12/22/2020	178790	James William	Kight Jr.
REIN	12/31/2020	127317	John Bettes	Dunlap III
REIN	12/31/2020	148240	James Henry	Grace Jr
			Total for REIN	3
TRI				
TRI	10/20/2020	196649	Jack Darrel	Hightower
TRI	12/18/2020	179602	Mr. Walter Neil	Hohmann
			Total for TRI	2
TRO				
TRO	12/22/2020	192137	Willard Joseph	Gueinger
			Total for TRO	1
			Total for State	19

Treasurer State Board Meeting Report for the Period Ending 12/31/2020

Financial Condition of the State Society

The Society is in strong financial condition overall.

Balance Sheet

Cash account balance at 12/31/2020 is right at \$47.4k, up from the 12/31/2019 balance which was right around \$42.4k. The only liabilities of LASSAR include the life memberships still being carried and amortized at an annual rate, a \$500 check mailed for ROTC Cadet award that has not yet cleared, and the 2021 dues deposited before year end. The 2021 dues will be moved from a liability to revenue when we report 2021 financials. Both liabilities only represent right at \$6.5k in total leaving us almost \$41k cash net of liabilities.

Income Statement

The revenue lines are self-explanatory. Little revenue was received since the August financial report as most revenue comes from annual dues which is recognized the first quarter of the year. For the year, revenue came in slightly below our budgeted amount for regular revenue and youth program designated revenue was not received at all from the Ladies Auxiliary.

The only significant expenses in Q4 were the annual insurance payment, youth awards totaling a thousand, and a \$300 national library memorial donation approved at our September meeting.

After deducting expenses from revenue, the state society showed net income totaling almost \$2k for the year, which is impressive given that we provided some youth awards but had no donations from the Ladies Auxiliary to offset them.

2020 Budget

The treasurer presented the proposed 2020 budget in the September board packet and hopes it is approved in January at the state meeting.

LASSAR Investment Committee

The creation of an investment committee was approved at the September 2018 board meeting and was appointed this last year. There have not yet been any meetings of the committee but hopefully that changes shortly.

Dues

The Treasurer recommends no increase in State Society dues.

Respectfully submitted,

James Timothy Schneider, LASSAR Treasurer

LOUISIANA SOCIETY- SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
Balance Sheet For the Period Ending
December 31, 2020

ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
	JPMORGAN CHASE CHECKING	\$47,469.54
	DEPOSIT- HIGGINS HOTEL- MEETING	\$500.00
	TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	<u>\$47,969.54</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u><u>\$47,969.54</u></u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
	OUTSTANDING ROTC CADET CHECK MAILED 12/31	\$500.00
	"YOUTH PROGRAMS" GIFT THOMAS LAWRENCE FROM TEXAS	
	DUES RECEIVED- 2021	\$4,126.00
	TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	<u>\$4,626.00</u>
LONG TERM LIABILITIES		
	LIFE MEMBERSHIPS (REDUCED \$12.00 ANNUALLY)	
	KEITH PORTER	\$156.00
	TOM JACKS	\$210.00
	ALVIN BETHARD	\$150.00
	CLARK C. PARROT	\$288.00
	JOHN K. PARROT	\$138.00
	FREDERICK W. GRANT	\$12.00
	HENRY GRACE	\$108.00
	SCOTT BRODERICK	\$156.00
	ROBERT D. PARROT	\$102.00
	TONY VETS II	\$360.00
	TONY VETS	\$222.00
	TOTAL LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	<u>\$1,902.00</u>
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$6,528.00</u>
EQUITY		
	EQUITY	\$39,612.11
	RESULTS OF TWELVE MONTHS ENDING 12/31/2020	\$1,829.43
	TOTAL EQUITY	<u>\$41,441.54</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL		<u><u>\$47,969.54</u></u>

**LOUISIANA SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
INCOME STATEMENT
(STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES)
TWELVE MONTHS ENDING 12/31/2020**

	<u>YTD 2020</u>	<u>Budget</u>	
		<u>2020</u>	<u>Variance</u>
UNDESIGNATED RECEIPTS			
DUES	5,769.00		
TEN LIFE MEMBERS' @ \$ 12.00/EACH	120.00		
CONTRIBUTION	100.00		
MERCHANDISE SALES	-		
STATE BOARD MEETING REVENUE IN EXCESS OF EXPENSES	-		
FEES	893.00		
SUPPLEMENTALS	105.00		
TOTAL UNDESIGNATED RECEIPTS	<u>6,987.00</u>	<u>7,200.00</u>	<u>(213.00)</u>
UNDESIGNATED EXPENDITURES			
SPECIAL OCCASIONS (MEDALS & OTHER APPROVED NON-BUDGETED ITEMS)	(340.50)	(300.00)	(40.50)
ADMINISTRATION (SECRETARY, TREASURER, REGISTRAR)	(45.00)	(45.00)	(45.00)
ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	(604.01)	(1,400.00)	795.99
ROTC	-	-	-
REIMBURSEMENT 1/2 CHAPTER ROTC MEDALS	(237.00)	(500.00)	263.00
STATE MEDALS PRESENTED TO LADIES	-	(1,000.00)	1,000.00
STATE BOARD MEETING EXPENSE- PRINTING	(171.80)	(500.00)	328.20
CONTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-
PRESIDENT'S EXPENSES	(397.95)	(300.00)	(97.95)
YOUTH PROGRAMS IN EXCESS OF DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	(1,500.00)	-	(1,500.00)
WEBSITE	(321.32)	(400.00)	78.68
HISTORIC MARKERS	-	(500.00)	500.00
INSURANCE EXPENSE	(1,539.99)	(1,500.00)	(39.99)
	-	-	-
TOTAL UNDESIGNATED EXPENDITURES	<u>(5,157.57)</u>	<u>(6,400.00)</u>	<u>1,242.43</u>
UNDESIGNATED RECEIPTS OVER EXPENDITURES	1,829.43	800.00	1,029.43
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS			
YOUTH PROGRAMS- LADIES AUXILLARY	-	3,000.00	(3,000.00)
YOUTH PROGRAMS -GALVEZ MEDALS	-	-	-
DESIGNATED EXPENDITURES			
NATIONAL ORATION CONTEST TRAVEL EXPENSES	-	(2,000.00)	2,000.00
C.A.R. DONATION	-	-	-
EAGLE SCOUT AWARD EXPENSE	-	(600.00)	600.00
ROTC MEDALS COVERED BY DESIGNATED FUNDS	-	-	-
CADET, ESSAY, POSTER, & ORATION AWARDS	-	(1,700.00)	1,700.00
TOTAL DESIGNATED RECEIPTS OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,300.00)</u>	<u>1,300.00</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>1,829.43</u>	<u>(500.00)</u>	<u>2,329.43</u>



**Enemund Meullion Chapter
Louisiana Society
Sons of the American Revolution**



30 January 2021

Beginning with January, the Enemund Meullion Chapter meets on the third Saturday of every other month, plus October (for Annual Wreath-Laying Ceremony at Enemund Meullion's gravesite in Historic Rapides Cemetery), at 11:30 AM at Forts Randolph and Buhlow State Historic Site on Riverfront St. in Pineville, Louisiana. The chapter currently has 55 Members – 46 Regular, 2 Life, and 7 Junior. 7 Regular members were dropped due to non-payment of dues, but 5 are now in reinstatement. They are not included in the above current total.

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the general membership has not met since January, when 2020-2021 Officers were installed by NSSAR Librarian General Tony Vets. There have been two Committee meetings, one in May and one in December, to discuss when we will hold the next general meeting and what awards will be presented. The 2021-2022 Officers will remain the same.

A Flag Certificate was awarded to the Food Bank of Central Louisiana after the December Committee meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Michael "Mike" Lee

Chapter President

**GALVEZ CHAPTER
REPORT FOR
LASSAR BOD MEETING JANUARY 30, 2021**

The Galvez Chapter stood down from meetings in March and resumed meeting each month at the Shreveport Club in downtown Shreveport in July. Co-morbidity concerns continue to severely restrict attendance. Our normal attendance averages 20 per meeting. We have averaged 12 per meeting since July. December's meeting was cancelled at the last minute because the Shreveport Club was quarantined a few minutes prior to the chapter meeting. A January 2021 meeting is scheduled.

Because of a lack of attendance due to COVID and the cancellation of the December meeting Chapter Officers for 2021 have not been identified or nominated. A decision regarding 2021 Chapter Officers is scheduled at the January 2021 Meeting.

Annual dues were collected and submitted to the LASSAR Secretary 24 Nov 2020. Two members were lost, one death and one dropped for dues.

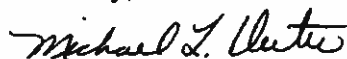
We've been fortunate to receive two packages for the Arthur M. and Berdena King Eagle Scout Contest. The Galvez Chapter selection board has made a selection and the results have been forwarded to LASSAR.

We continue to publish a monthly meeting report/newsletter which is used to keep members apprised of SAR developments and to record various chapter activities. The report also contains the minutes of the monthly meeting.

The annual Reconciliation Report to the LASSAR Secretary of 51 members was adjusted by the LASSAR Secretary to correctly show 54 members. Since the report we have added one transfer-in member and two new members approved post Sep. 1, 2020 for a total of 57 members (see below).

Category		31-Dec-20
1)	Total current membership	57
1a)	Dual members	1
2)	New regular members	2
3)	New junior members	0
4)	Deaths	1
5a)	Reinstatements	0
5b)	Resignations	0
6)	Transfers IN	1
7)	Transfers OUT	0
8)	Members dropped for non-payment of dues	1
9)	Applications currently at National in progress	0
10)	Applications currently pended at National	0

Sincerely,



Michael Deeter
Secretary/Registrar
Galvez Chapter

2020 Annual Report
General Philemon Thomas Chapter

As with other chapters, the pandemic greatly impacted activities for the chapter in 2020. Having been displaced from its former lunch meeting venue, the first chapter meeting in the year was held in February at a newly contracted location. A George Washington birthday celebration was held at the LSSAR statue in Veteran's Memorial Park in Baton Rouge in February as well. Our chapter meeting in March was the last face to face meeting held in 2020.

Chapter and Board meetings were suspended as the lockdown continued. The Board attempted one in person meeting in June in a socially distanced setting but failed to meet a quorum. Beginning in August, Board meetings moved online using Zoom. Although business items have been addressed, it has been hard to reach a quorum every month in this format. Our annual Constitution Week banquet and other gatherings were all canceled for 2020.

Chapter meetings also moved to Zoom but only recently (January) reached a suitable attendance level. A phone campaign was initiated to bolster support for using Zoom, however not every member has the needed equipment. The Chapter expects to continue using Zoom through mid-year.

A highlight for the year was our ability to send the necessary video submission for the oration contest and our student took 2nd place in the National competition.

We will be holding our annual George Washington Birthday Celebration on February 21st this year at 2:00 pm at the George Washington bust in Veteran's Memorial Park (located on the State capitol grounds near the old arsenal). We hope that since the venue is outdoors and social distancing can be practiced that attendance will be OK.

We believe that there is merit in fostering the Zoom format for chapter meetings since it offers the capability to access speakers from outside the immediate area. Even after face-to-face gatherings resume, the ability to have remote speakers would be beneficial. We think some form of cooperation among Louisiana or National chapters would be helpful.

This chapter currently uses GroupSpaces to manage its roster, web hosting and invoicing. GroupSpaces is discontinuing its service and we are looking for alternatives. Assuming other chapters nationally may have been using GroupSpaces, it would be useful to share evaluation of the alternatives.

Our venue for luncheon meetings has closed its doors, possibly forever, but at least into 2022. There are limited choices for large lunch gatherings, so as we move out of the pandemic the chapter will be seeking alternatives.

Respectively submitted,
Mitch Pratt
President, General Philemon Thomas Chapter

LA 3 – James Huey Chapter Report - January 30th 2021

Since our Annual meeting the James Huey Chapter has met every 4th Tuesday of each month (Since Covid19 in March).

- September 22nd** **Our program was; “Happy Birthday” to our 223 year old Constitution.**
- October 27th** **Ted Brode presented: "The Battle of Tearcoat Swamp – 25 Oct 1780.**
- October 28th** **Fred Hamilton and Steve Ray presented certificate and award to Kenna Williams of Cedar Creek Elementary School of Ruston as the 2020 Louisiana State Society Poster Contest winner.**
- November 24th** **Our Chapter members brought 575 items collected that were given to our local Veterans Home. Our Chapter also presented our newest member Benjamin Simmons who is a descendant of our Chapter’s namesake James Huey into our Chapter. Ted Brode presented "Soldiers’ Thanksgiving meal”**
- January 26th** **Ted Brode presented; “Firing mechanism of the flint lock musket”. Our Chapter is to present the Officer Commendation Medal to Marshall Lee Waters, Jr. who on 17 Oct 2020 was wounded in the line of duty in the town of Mangham during a traffic stop and who later died from his wound on 5 Nov 2020.**
- January 28 & 29** **Ted Brode presented in uniform; “The Revolutionary in Louisiana” & “Firing mechanism of the flint lock musket” to the students of the Geneva Academy in West Monroe**

All of our 23 members have paid their dues for 2021.

Currently we have been meeting monthly, every 4th Tuesday, except for December at 7pm at the home of Ted Brode. We hope to resume our meetings at BBQ West Restaurant located at 4900 Cypress Street in West Monroe later this year.

Theodore Hamilton Brode III

Theodore Hamilton Brode III - President
James Huey Chapter LASSAR
318-323-3961
tbrode@comcast.com



Organized April 30, 1889

The Natchitoches Chapter

The Louisiana Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

Organized March 20, 2010



Organized May 15, 1890

January 2021

Compatriots,

I would like to start my report by thanking LTC Charles "Sandy" McNeely for his service as Chapter President. Nine years as Chapter President...words cannot express the gratitude I personally feel, and am sure the Louisiana SAR feels, for his devotion to the SAR



Natchitoches Chapter installs new officers (February 18, 2012)

Sandy McNeely was sworn in as President of the Natchitoches Chapter at the quarterly meeting held on February 18, 2012. Other officers installed were Don Rigler, Vice President; Truman Maynard, Secretary; Alan McMurtry, Treasurer; and Tony L. Vets, Registrar.

At the same meeting, John Wynn, a paramedic with Natchitoches Regional Medical Center was presented the SAR Emergency Medical Services Award.

The Natchitoches Chapter currently started 2020 with 27 members. Unfortunately, we lost 1 member, LTC Truman Maynard, due to death and as of December 31st, we lost another 5 regular members and 1 junior member for non-payment of dues. To be fair, 3 of these members have NEVER came to a meeting, and I consider us fortunate to have held them for this long.

One the bright side, we had 1 reinstatement in 2020, and 1 new Junior Member, Weston Lee Vets.

So, with a gain of 2 members and a loss of 7, the Natchitoches Chapter stands at 22 members (1 Life Member, 1 Junior Member, and 20 Regular Members).

Let us hope and pray for a better 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony L. Vets
President, Natchitoches Chapter
504 Oak St.
Colfax, LA 71417
Email: tonyvets@bellsouth.net
Phone: (318) 627-2235



Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter Louisiana Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

LASSAR Board of Directors January 2021

- Despite the 2020 pandemic we were able to remain active and gain 10 new members. With generous contributions from members, we are as financially sound as we've been in at least the last 3 years.
- On September 10th we held a public commemoration of the "Battle of Lake Pontchartrain" at the Old Mandeville lakefront that was attended by more than 20 people.
- On October 21st the Chapter held its annual "Victory at Yorktown" dinner at Keith Young's Steak House in Madisonville. Thirty members and guests attended and we inducted 6 new members that night.
- On November 13th the Chapter held its first monthly breakfast at the Abita Roasting House in Madisonville.
- On November 21st The Chapter held a Patriot grave marking ceremony in Kentwood, LA for Pvt John Bankston.
- On December 19th, Chapter VP Leonard Rohrbough represented the Chapter at the DAR's "Wreaths Across America" event at the Mandeville Cemetery.
- The Chapter winner of our Eagle Scout contest is Jack Cantrell and his application has been submitted to the state contest.
- Our Chapter has now established a PGR Color Guard under the leadership of Paul Guidry and Leonard Rohrbough.

The 2020 Officers for Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter are:

President	George R Clemenceau
Vice President	Leonard Rohrbough
Secretary	Paul Guidry
Registrar	RADM Joel R. Whitehead



PRG Color Guard at the Grave Marking Ceremony of Pvt J. Bankston

Membership stands at 35 including Dual and Jr members

Respectfully Submitted,

George R. Clemenceau
President, PGR Chapter LASSAR



Sons of the American Revolution

Southwest Louisiana Chapter

Chapter Report 1-22-2021

This report is an update of the events that the Southwest Louisiana Sons of the American Revolution Chapter have had during this year of 2020.

1. We had a Chapter on 11-18-20 at Jason's Deli in Lake Charles, LA. Our main event that has taken place for the SWLA Chapter is the induction of two (2) new members (Compatriots; Eric Collins and Billy Lejeune). In addition we had three (3) reinstatements (Steve Carnahan, Aaron Carnahan and Walter Nolen). We as a Chapter were able to donate \$250 to the Avenue of Flags Recovery from Hurricane Laura and Hurricane Delta.
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3. I attendance at the meeting where President Jeff Nolen, Vice President Ted Harless, Treasure Russ Godwin Jr., Compatriots, Joseph Collins, and New Compatriots Eric Collins and Billy Lejeune.
4. As a Chapter we discussed future events such as continued support of the Avenue of Flags and advertising in our local area all of the contest that the SAR offer and can be beneficial to the education of our local youth.

Jeffery W. Nolen
President
Southwest Louisiana
Sons of the American Revolution Chapter



LOUISIANA SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

21 January 2021

American History Teacher Award Committee Report

In September of last year, I announced the details of the Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award and asked Chapters to recognize educators who have distinguished themselves in teaching the history of the American Revolution.

The Pierre Georges Rousseau was the sole chapter to apply for the award. The PGR Chapter's nomination is Mr. Henry B. Motty, who is a 7th grade teacher of American History at Mandeville Junior High School. As the sole nominee, Mr. Motty is the winner of the State competition and will represent the Louisiana Society in the national competition.

He prepared an excellent essay on the importance of teaching students about the American Revolution and a copy of his essay accompanies this report. Henry is a veteran and an innovative teacher who is passionate about American History, and especially the history of the American Revolution. In recent years, he has pioneered inventive techniques to bring the Revolution to life in his classroom. For example, he recently has used a Boston Massacre Crime Scene Scenario where students visit the "crime scene", examine the evidence they have found, and read first-hand accounts of witnesses on that fateful day. Besides being selected as the Teacher of the Year in 2019, Mr. Motty works with students, faculty, and the community to plan the school's annual Veteran's Day program.

Mr. Motty will be awarded \$500.00 from our State Society, and I am confident he will compete extremely well with other state nominees in the national competition for the Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award.

Respectfully submitted,

Joel R. Whitehead,

Louisiana Society Chairman of the American History Teacher Award

**SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
DR. TOM & BETTY LAWRENCE AMERICAN HISTORY
TEACHER AWARD ESSAY**

BY:

HENRY B. MOTTY

THE IMPORTANCE OF TEACHING THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION ERA

Although in his eighties at the time of the interview, Dominic Young, a Maryland native and Catholic priest, recounted a boyhood story of how he had once seen General George Washington while attending a parade. The elderly clergyman admitted that at the time he and his fellow companions had no interest in attending the social function- except for the fact that they were enticed by “the promise of a supply of town gingerbread.” But upon arriving at the scene with alternative motives, Dominic Young and his friends saw the great man, General George Washington, as “we boys were tremendously impressed by his big cocked hat. That was all the greatness we saw about him. He was a tall man, with massive shoulders and a face that looked kind,” Young recalled. “I thought he was the greatest man I ever saw, but I didn’t know why. All I knew was that he whipped the British, and everybody pointed him out as the chap that whipped the British. I could recognize him this moment, though, he made such an impression on me.”¹

To modern-day Americans, perhaps the opportunity to see someone famous such as George Washington would be a real treat. Unfortunately, much like the young boys mentioned above, many Americans might comprehend that Washington was a great man but not know the reasons why. Much of the Revolutionary War and Early National Era of our nation’s history are shrouded in myths. Though the mythical stories about the period are often entertaining, the more complicated, factual, and realistic version of our nation’s founding is no less fascinating. The period’s cast of founding characters faced numerous conflicts, challenges, setbacks, and triumphs. Their story offers relevant lessons that help modern day students better understand- and appreciate- how our nation began. Historian

¹ Article titled “Oldest Priest in North America,” *New York Herald* (Saturday, November 30, 1878).

David Hackett Fischer notes that we have much insight and knowledge to gain from studying our nation's founders. As we are faced with numerous challenges of our own, we must remember that "we have much to learn from these half-remembered men- a set of truths that our generation has lost or forgotten . . . The history of a free people is a history of hard choices."²

Teaching the Revolutionary War and Early National Era offers an excellent opportunity to emphasize to young students how the nation's founding was not simply a tax revolt that led to a fight for independence against Great Britain. The period entangles the challenges of numerous political, military, and social struggles the British colonies faced not only with their mother country, but also between themselves. Much of what is studied and remembered from this period has significant meaning to us today. Indeed, the internal bickering of the thirteen colonies during the Revolutionary War and the political strife that followed over how best to govern the new country proved a troublesome task. Faced with serious questions about how to best protect the basic rights and civil liberties of its citizens, the young republic was also plagued with many contradictories, especially proclaiming to be a land of the free while allowing slavery to exist. As historian Carol Berkin notes, the founding generation's "world is not ours . . . If they knew they were making history, they did not know what that history would be."³ Though our struggle for creating a "more perfect union" continues, studying our nation's past provides the historical context for our modern events.

Seeking personal connections with early American history is what I strive to do as a junior high social studies teacher. Although I am a teacher, I still consider myself a

² David Hackett Fischer, *Paul Revere's Ride* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1994), xviii.

³ Carol Berkin, *The Bill of Rights: The Fight to Secure America's Liberties* (New York: Simon & Schuster, 2015), 2.

student of history. I continuously expand my personal knowledge through reading, researching, and traveling to historical sites. I am also continuing my education and pursuing a PhD in American History at Louisiana State University. The knowledge gained from these endeavors allows me to better understand and better present the information about the past to my students. However, obtaining their attention sometimes requires creativity.

Numerous activities and ideas can be found through various educational resources and websites, which can be modified to my students' needs. For example, one resource I have adopted for my classroom when teaching the causes of the American Revolution is the Boston Massacre Crime Scene Scenario. Upon entering the classroom students find themselves in the midst of a mock crime scene depicting the aftermath of the Boston Massacre. The students explore and examine the "evidence" such as paper snowballs filled with rocks and paper clubs (real clubs were common among Bostonian men since they were used as a rope making tool). After viewing the crime scene, the students read first hand accounts from people who actually witnessed the event. Based on the primary source evidence, the students determine whether they believe the Boston Massacre was an act of self-defense or if it was murder on the part of the British soldiers. This activity allows students to immerse themselves in the past through a scenario and forces them to critically think and back their conclusion with factual evidence.

Activities such as this help to supplement the traditional modes of lectures and note taking, which makes learning more hands-on and relevant to their lives. Our school also invites a member from our local Sons of the American Revolution chapter to come into our classroom as a guest speaker to discuss the American Revolution. In years past,

our local SAR representative came dressed in a Continental Army uniform and brought the Revolution alive through an interactive presentation, which not only entertained, but inspired many of our students to want to learn more about our nation's founding.

If given the opportunity to further my education through the Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award, I would love to attend the Colonial Williamsburg Teacher Institute summer workshop. Their program offers a hands-on approach based on using primary sources to teach early U.S. history. The institute gives teachers access to opportunities to see the past come alive through living history interpretations, along with providing valuable classroom resources and opportunities to collaborate and share ideas with other teachers. The value of this experience would greatly enhance my seventh grade classroom, as I would pass along useful historical knowledge, skills, and resources to my students. I also think that being able to share my experiences at Colonial Williamsburg through personal stories and pictures would enrich my students' learning experience, especially since many students are visual learners and would be able to see the past come alive.

As history continues to be studied and debated, its understanding helps shape our perceptions of the present time. Remembering our nation's past struggles and the individuals who experienced and lived through these conflicts and challenges provides not only a model of how to deal with modern issues, but also offers inspiration to today's Americans. Despite the flaws of our founding generation's lifestyles and personal choices, their actions, devotion, and perseverance in times of seemingly constant struggles offers hope and inspiration to future generations of Americans. Historian Joanne Freeman says it another way: "If these fallible, flawed people could accomplish

great things, perhaps future generations can do so as well. It is the logic that inspired their greatest hopes for the future, the ultimate message they hoped to impart.”⁴

⁴ Joanne B. Freeman, *Affairs of Honor: National Politics in the New Republic* (New Haven and London: Yale University Press, 2002), 288.



Louisiana Society Sons of the American Revolution

Report of the C.A.R. Liaison

**LASSAR Board of Directors Meeting
Covington, Louisiana
January 30, 2021**

Like all other organizations, the Children of the American Revolution have faced a challenging time over the past 10 months. Virtual meetings have replaced in-person events and activities have generally been curtailed. However, the Louisiana Society Children of the American Revolution continues to grow.

Although the 2020 NSSAR Congress was cancelled, LASSAR was awarded the C.A.R. Streamer for our outstanding level of support for the C.A.R. Our application for the 2021 streamer has been submitted.

Additionally, the Louisiana Society C.A.R. won the 2020 SAR Traveling Banner, which honors the C.A.R. Society which produced the greatest number of new SAR members during the year. This was an outstanding accomplishment for a relatively small society and speaks well of the relationship between the Louisiana C.A.R. and LASSAR.

Members are encouraged to pursue C.A.R. memberships for the young men and women in their families, to reach out to C.A.R. members to participate in SAR events, and to contribute financially to the C.A.R. The 2021 L.S.C.A.R. State Conference is scheduled for Saturday, January 23, 2021, at Fort Jesup in Many, LA. For further information on the Louisiana C.A.R., contact the L.S.C.A.R. Senior State President Lauren Durr at laurenpdurr@gmail.com.

Thomas E. Jacks, Chairman



Louisiana Society Sons of the American Revolution

Report of the Eagle Scout Committee

**LASSAR Board of Directors Meeting
Covington, Louisiana
January 30, 2021**

The past year have been a challenging time for Scouting. COVID-19 related restrictions have caused cancellation of many Scout meetings, campouts, summer camps, and other activities. Despite these obstacles, young men (and now young women) continue to participate in Scouting and working toward the goal of achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

This year, the Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter in Covington and the Galvez Chapter in Shreveport submitted Eagle Scouts for the LASSAR Eagle Scout Contest. A judging panel consisting of Pat Hugg, Bill Allerton, and Jim Morock reviewed the submittals and awarded First Place to Jackson Cantrell of Mandeville and Second Place to Robert Ajluni of Shreveport. Both Eagle Scouts submitted outstanding applications. Both Eagle Scouts have impeccable academic credentials, are active in their church and communities, and display the best qualities that define an Eagle Scout.

Mr. Cantrell's application has been forwarded to the NSSAR Arthur M. and Berdena King Eagle Scout Contest Committee as our entry into the National Contest.

At the LASSAR meeting in April, Mr. Cantrell will be awarded the coveted SAR Eagle Scout Trophy and a check for \$500.

The expense for the Eagle Scout trophy and associated plaque, and certificate for both entries were donated to the state society. The only expense to LASSAR will be the award money.

Thomas E. Jacks, Chairman

Grave Marking & Registration Committee Report – 1/30/2020

This is the link (page seen below) to the SAR Patriot Index <https://saratriots.sar.org/>

Clicking this link will allow you to access the report for marking patriot graves and writing biographies. Save work to your computer.



Welcome to the
Patriot Research System (PRS)



Use of PRS Data on NSSAR Applications:

The Data contained within the Patriot Research System website represents a compilation of numerous sources and is **NOT TO BE USED** as direct proof on SAR applications. However, this data may point you to the actual sources which may be usable as proof on an SAR application. Refer to the NSSAR Application Preparation Manual and NSSAR Genealogical Committee Policies Manual for the specifics of acceptable proof on a SAR application

Submissions / Updates / Corrections:

This database is a "works in progress" and as such, we continue to make additions when new data becomes available and add new records for Patriots as they are approved by NSSAR.

Your reports, comments, corrections, and additions are critical to the growth of this database. We would ask that you use the **Patriot Grave and Biographies Report** available here

- Submit your inputs via email [Clicking](#)

Documentation Requests:

Official Record Copies (a verified official copy of an approved SAR membership application or supplemental application) and supporting documentation for a given applicant are available on the website. Details for how to make requests (including online request options) can be found [here](#)

Please be aware that Patriot Research System is NOT a comprehensive list of all the individuals who served in the American Revolutionary War nor is a Patriot Record an indication that an SAR membership application (Record Copy) exists for every Patriot listed herein

Email saved work to this link.

Click this link and you can request official record copies for Patriot that SAR has on file.

President George Clemenceau of the Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter reports they have placed a marker and are planning to hold a ceremony for Patriot John Bankston in Kentwood.

SAR has an online grave marking manual that can be found at:

<https://www.sar.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Grave-Marking-Manual-V7.pdf>

Here is an example of a SAR Patriot Bio:

By James Willard Wilbur

Oliver was born 14 March 1755 in Scituate/Providence/RI to Abner Wilbur and Elizabeth Benjamin Wilbur. Abner and Oliver are both listed in The Rhode Island Military Census of 1777. Oliver enlisted for a term of one year on 30 May 1775 in the 1st Rhode Island Regiment and served during the siege of Boston. He was discharged in December 1775 and reenlisted for one year beginning 1 January 1776. He was promoted the rank of Corporal at that time. His regiment fought at White Plains, New York, 28 October 1776, where it is believed that he was wounded. His regiment was then posted to Peekskill, New York and then ordered to march south to join General Washington for the Christmas Eve attack on the British army at Trenton, New Jersey. It is stated in the letters supporting Oliver's claim to a soldier's pension that "being left alone in Peekskill due to his illness" he discharged himself and went home on 1 January 1777. Oliver married Elizabeth Benjamin on 23 October 1777 and resided in Delhi/Delaware/New York working as a farmer until his death 27 October 1837. Oliver received an invalid Pension on 2 June 1820. Invalid Pensions were awarded to servicemen for physical disabilities incurred in the line of duty. Records relating to Oliver's and his father Abner Wilbur's service are found at Fold3.com. Oliver's last will and testament is filed in the courthouse at Delhi/Delaware/New York.

Sincerely,

Stephen K Ray

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Report of the LA SAR Membership
LA SAR Board of Directors Meeting
Mandeville, LA
January 30, 2021

I am pleased to deliver this report to the Board of Directors and members, reflecting the year-end 2020 membership of the state society, as reported to me by our chapter officers and by Jon Toon, national Registrar. Please refer to the separate graphic sheet for details and specific numbers reported to me **directly from our chapters**. I am very pleased to report that ALL chapters submitted their numbers, and I greatly appreciate that effort.

According to the NSSAR Registrar, Jon Toon, the **current** 2020 year-to-date (**as of 12Jan**) total membership counts are **37,808** (national) and **661** (Louisiana). He reported that we have **1 (one) At-Large member** (vs 12 on the last report of 20 Sep 2020).

There may still be discrepancies between the numbers reported by national and the numbers reported by our chapters to me. Our state secretary might also have slightly different counts, as membership is not static and updates do occur. These numbers will also change, as the national reconciliation report is tabulated and later reported. We will see how the counts change between now and 31 March membership reports.

There is little doubt that the **Covid 19 pandemic** has changed and limited our lives and activities, as well as has taken a toll on our membership and recruiting efforts. The chapters report 35 regular and 8 junior new members, along with 61 drops for non-payment of dues. We must redouble our efforts to retrieve and reinstate these dropped members.

Please continue to search for new members to join SAR. Emphasize this importance at your chapter meetings. Look for family members, DAR male relatives, persons in other organizations, friends and coworkers, etc. There are so many men (and youth) out there who are eligible for SAR membership.

And after they join, mentor the new member and get him involved in the workings of your chapter. These efforts will result in better retention of members, leading them to be less likely to resign or drop. **Develop in your chapters a Mentorship Program**, so that each new member will have an assigned **mentor** responsible for introducing him, orienting him, and involving him with the chapter activities and leadership eventually.

Please continue to submit your **chapter membership counts** updates to me for **each** BOD meeting. The submissions should reflect your **year-to-date counts** in each category

for periods ending on 31 Mar, 31 Aug, and 31 Dec, so that they may be reported at our BOD meetings in Apr, Sep, and Jan each year. The categories of members are listed in my triannual emails to the chapter officers.

For your information, I have compiled a survey of the chapter dues amount for each chapter. These amounts are for the chapter-level dues only:

Enemund Meullion \$10
General Philemon Thomas \$24
Pierre Georges Rousseau \$15
Attakapas \$18
Southwest LA \$10
Benjamin Tennille \$23
Natchitoches \$20
George Washington \$18
Galvez \$18
Atchafalaya \$25
James Huey \$15

Ladies Auxiliary \$10 (\$100, lifetime)

Thank you, Compatriots, for all you do for SAR. Stay well. Stay safe.

Respectfully submitted,



James A. Morock, Sr., MD
Chair, Membership Committee
Trustee and Surgeon, LA SAR

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4)	1	6	0	0	1	0	1	2	1	0	0		0
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5b)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0		5
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9)	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0		0
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1) Total as of 30 Jan

INCOMPLETE

- 1a) Dual members
- 2) New Regular members accepted (via application) in 2020
- 3) New Junior members accepted (via application) in 2020
- 4) Deaths in 2020
- 5a) Reinstatements in 2020
- 5b) Resignations in 2020
- 6) Transfers In in 2020
- 7) Transfers Out in 2020
- 8) Members dropped for non-payment of dues in 2020
- 9) Applications at National in progress
- 10) Applications at National pending

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L.A SAR Membership
 Reported by the Chapters
 for 30 Jan 2021



Report of the 1st Vice President
Spring Board of Directors Meeting
January 30, 2021

Gentlemen,

It continues to be a pleasure and an honor to serve as the 1st Vice President for the Louisiana SAR. Unfortunately, I do not have any business to report on in my capacity as 1st Vice President, but if I can ever be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Also, in the interest of saving both time and space, I will include my report of the Americanism Poster Contest Committee in this section. The poster contest is open to 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students, and this year the theme is “Revolutionary War Persons”. Each chapter is encouraged to solicit participation in local schools or homeschool programs and choose a winning poster. The winning poster from each chapter will then be judged at the state meeting in April. Each chapter is free to assign an appropriate prize for the winning poster at the chapter level, however, the winning poster at the state level will receive a check for \$100 and a certificate, and may have the poster judged at our National Congress in the summer. The entry form and guidelines for the poster can be found at <https://www.sar.org/americanism-elementary-school-poster-contest-2/>.

In Patriotic Service,

Tony L. “Bo” Vets II
1st Vice President
Louisiana Society, SAR

Louisiana Society
Sons of the American Revolution

Committee Report for Meeting on January 30, 2021
JROTC/ROTC RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Contact with all state chapters has been established, but not all chapters have designated JROTC/ROTC Recognition Program Committee Chairmen. Appointment of these chairmen is important to help promote the SAR Education and Outreach Program.

Chapters are asked to provide current names and full contact information for their JROTC/ROTC Chairmen or another designated spokesman. Please send current information to LASSAR Chairman Ed Chapman (Edwin.Chapman@LUSfiber.net).

There are 104 high schools with JROTC programs and there are 10 college level ROTC programs.

Most chapters have not reported the specific JROTC/ROTC programs with which they are in contact. The LASSAR JROTC/ROTC Chairman needs this information to help assure maximum possible JROTC/ROTC unit coverage and also to work toward trying to achieve more equitable distribution of the work. For example, the Galvez Chapter is responsible for 22 JROTC units.

There have been 2 applicants for the *JROTC Enhanced Award*, but additional applicants are expected and LASSAR will try to assure that all qualified cadets are afforded every opportunity to assure that their applications are properly vetted at the state and national levels. Chapters may only submit 1 application per school year and should decide which application is their best. Criteria is very specific and requires participation by the cadet, the senior instructor and the school principal, as well as a 500 to 700 word essay. Deadline for applications is 03/14/2021.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

1. A three-member impartial panel of judges to help select the best JROTC Enhanced Award applicant
2. Three or four members to serve on a proposed committee to review the JROTC Enhanced Award criteria and to possibly refer suggestions to NSSAR. The purpose of the proposed committee is to achieve improved cadet interest and participation. Nationally, less than 30 cadets participate each year.

Respectfully submitted,
Ed Chapman, LASSAR JROTC/ROTC Program Chairman
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337-534-8572



Report of the Trustee
LA SAR Board of Directors Meeting
Mandeville, LA
January 30, 2021

I am pleased to deliver this report to the Board of Directors and members, as your national Trustee.

The last in person meeting of the Trustees occurred on February 29, 2020, in Louisville at the Spring Leadership meeting. I was in attendance and previously reported to this BOD during the virtual Annual meeting of the LA SAR on April 18, 2020.

Due to the interim development of the **Covid 19 pandemic**, several changes with regard to Trustee meetings have occurred, resulting in meeting by ZOOM teleconferences. Since my last report on September 12, 2020, the Trustees have had two additional ZOOM teleconference meetings, on **September 26 and December 5, 2020**. I was present for both meetings on line.

On the **September 26** meeting, the following highlights are outlined:

- 1) The ExCom reported that the Gold Good Citizenship Medal had been awarded to U.S. Senator Lamar Alexander by the TN SAR.
- 2) Approvals for Veterans Committee modifications to the USS Stark Award and for Color Guard Committee modifications to the points system by the ExCom were made.
- 3) Several Motions were made and approved. Briefly, summarized below:
 - a) Motions that all elected General Officers, all members serving on the National Education Committee and on the C.A.R.-S.A.R. Liaison Committee, and all chairs and vice-chairs of the national committees must complete the on-line NSSAR Youth Protection Training Program within three months of their election or appointment, or if currently serving, within three months of the adoption of the resolution. This program is available to ALL members of SAR. The program is designed to protect the youth and our members as we interact in the youth programs. The **Youth Protection Course** can be found on the SAR website, under the **eLearning Portal**. Those Officers and/or members who have not complied with completion of the program will be listed and names submitted to the ExCom and/or PG. The certification of completion is valid for three years, and cannot be substituted by the BSA YPT training program. It is the hope that all SAR members involved with youth programs, education, and

education outreach will set the example for the state societies by completing the YPT.

- b) The Conflict of Interest Policy is extended to include the members of the ByLaw 19 Standing Committee, with update of the COI Statement and requirement that all current committee members complete the COI statement.
- c) Adoption of the 2021 Budget Package
- d) Approval of the SAR Founders' Circle Policy, purposed to build the Alexander Hamilton Endowment Fund, which fund provides unrestricted financial support to NSSAR, and which is invested by the SAR Foundation for the benefit of NSSAR.
- e) Approval of the Patriot Sons and Daughters program, recommended by the 250th Anniversary Committee. This is intended to recognize sons and daughters of Patriots, especially those west of the Mississippi River, limited to two generations past the Patriot.
- f) Proposed ByLaws Amendments discussion and authorization for a Special Congress deferred to the next meeting on December 5, 2020.

The committee chairs presented their reports. Some of the highlights are below:

- a) National Congress still planning for Renton, WA, **July 10-15, 2021**. See "events" on sar.org for details.
- b) Rumbaugh orations will be contested by video presentations, with deadline for state submissions of May 15, 2021.
- c) The new SAR logo was approved by voting, three rounds.

On the **December 5** meeting, the following highlights are outlined:

- 1) Three motions were presented from ExCom:
 - a) The Trustees refer proposed amendments to the SAR Constitution, Articles V and VIII, as proposed by the By-Laws Committee, to the delegates of any Special Congress called for the purpose of approving such amendments or the next Annual Congress.
 - b) The Trustees approved a **Special Congress** to be held in the Washington, DC, area, on **March 13, 2021**. A quorum was set at 25 delegate members in good standing, holding credentials issued by their respective state secretary. The fee was set at \$100. The agenda was outlined, and the only new business to be considered is consideration of the proposed amendments to Articles V and VIII of the SAR Constitution.
 - c) The charter of the UK Society was suspended and the three dues paying members were incorporated into the International Society, pending reorganization of the UK Society.

- 2) Officers reports were delivered. Report given that the Headquarters building is intact and undamaged, and that the renovations are progressing, now on the library side.
- 3) Spring Leadership will not be in person, but on ZOOM teleconference, due to Covid-19 pandemic. The meeting will be on **March 6, 2021, 12 noon.**
- 4) The Annual Congress is still in planning for **July 10-15, 2021.**

Bradley Hayes is the designated LA SAR Trustee for 2021-2022. He will be **elected and installed** at the next Congress, **July, 2021.**

Respectfully submitted,



James A. Morock, Sr., MD
Trustee and Surgeon, LA SAR



Organized April 30, 1889

The Louisiana Society Sons of the American Revolution Veterans Committee Report



Organized May 15, 1890

January 2021

Compatriots,

Another year has passed, and in fairness, most chapters and many state societies were limited in what they could do. I expect to see a big decrease in the points earned in 2020 from every group that sends in the report.

I received little input from our own chapters, so our report was minimal.

For the new contest year (2021) Memorial Day will be the next major event that you and your chapter can receive points. Place a flag on a Veterans grave, 1 point each. Attend a Memorial Day service, 5 points per member. A chapter SPONSORING a Memorial Day event (not a regular meeting) gets 50 points plus 5 points per chapter member attending.

Don't forget about visiting a Veteran in the VA, nursing home, or if homebound, their own home. That is 5 points per visit (max of 3 visits per hour). Veteran's funerals or wake service, 5 points plus up to 50 points in mileage. If you think you have points, let me, your chapter president, or your Chapter Veterans Committee Coordinator know. We will sort it out.

Finally, if there is ANYONE interested in taking over as Chairman of the Veterans Committee, I will be happy to assist in the transition. Please let Nominations Chairman Bradley Hayes know of your desire to take over this position.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony L. Vets
Louisiana-SAR Veterans Committee Chairman
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Colfax, LA 71417
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Organized April 30, 1889

The Louisiana Society Sons of the American Revolution Website Committee Report



Organized May 15, 1890

January 2021

Compatriots,

The LASSAR website is still up and running and I still need your help to make it better.

The question we must ask is this...IS IT WORTH IT IF WE DON'T USE IT?

Every February we spend about \$300 for this website. I know we have had little activity in 2020, but even before that, getting chapters to submit items was nearly impossible.

You can send me a synopsis (100-120 word count) of your chapter activities, along with a suggested headline..."Mayor Speaks at May Meeting (13 Oct 2018)". Of course, if your activity cannot be whittled down to 120 words, write as much as you please.

Photos bring attention to the page and article. Each photo should have the names of those shown (l-r: Bob Smith...). Each photo should have the 100 word description. If your article is longer and you had several activities, send several photos.

I again respectfully ask that you go to our site at www.lassar.org and see our state website. I then ask that you go the Our Chapter link and find your chapter. Open it up and see if this is the way you want YOUR chapter portrayed.

Remember, if you had a meeting or activity, you have a submission.

Finally, if there is ANYONE interested in taking over the website, I will be happy to assist in the transition. Please let Nominations Chairman Bradley Hayes know of your desire to take over this position.

Respectfully submitted,

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LASSAR REGISTRAR'S REPORT

September 6, 2020 to January 26, 2021

Gerald Schroeder, Louisiana Society Registrar

Summary:

It has been a quiet 5 months since the last report. Several months we had no new applications. We have gained 10 new members this period. (The previous period we gained 43 new members!). We have 2 new member applications under review at National and we have 6 new member applications in the mail to the State Secretary.

In praise of our Chapter Registrars, our success rate on applications continues to be 100%. We have had no questions asked by National on our applications and none were pended.

Supplemental applications are taking around 6 months. Priority goes to new members. 3 Supplementals of our members were approved this period. We have 5 Supplements currently at National under review.

We have had 15 potential applicants forwarded to us as leads from National. Of these, 33% (5) have either been approved or have an application in work during this period. This is a big jump in the productivity of these leads. ***Chapter Registrars are to be commended for their follow up on these leads from National.*** In general, experience has shown that most of these National forwarded applicants do not follow through.

New Members Approved from September 5, 2020 to January 21, 2021:

1. Joseph Penn Childress. Patriot: Abram Penn. Registrar Received: 8/12/2020. New Member George Washington Chapter. Received at National: 8/26/2020. Registered 12/4/2020. **Complete**
2. Benjamin Wayne Simmons. Patriot: James Huey (Hughey). Registrar Received: 8/13/2020. New Member James Huey Chapter. Received at National 8/26/2020. **Complete**
3. Reno Jean Daret III. Patriot: James Robertson. Registrar Received: 8/29/2020. New Member George Washington Chapter. Approved by Registrar: 9/2/2020. Received at National 9/18/2020. Registered 11/13/2020. **Complete**
4. James Francis Dalton. Patriot: Andrew Campbell. Registrar Received: 8/28/20. New Member Pierre Rousseau Chapter, Approved by Registrar: 9/2/2020. Received at National 9/18/2020. Registered 11/6/2020. **Complete**
5. Colin James Dalton. Patriot: Andrew Campbell. Registrar Received: 8/28/20. New *Junior Member* Pierre Rousseau Chapter, Approved by Registrar: 9/2/2020. Received at National 9/18/2020. Registered 11/6/2020. **Complete**

6. Lance Cody Stockman. Patriot: Billington Taylor. Registrar Received: 7/27/2020. New Member Southwest La. Chapter. Received at National 8/26/2020. Registered 10/2/2020. **Complete**
7. Hayes Joseph Bailly. Patriot: Juan de Torres. Atchafalaya Chapter. LASSAR registrar approved 11/10/2020. Received at National 11/18/2020. National Approved: 1/21/2021. Awaiting Registration by National. **Complete**
8. Johnny Clark Byrd. Patriot: John Fee. Registrar Received: 9/24/2020 Gálvez Chapter. Registrar approved 9/26/2020. Received at National 10/7/2020. Registered 12/4/2020. **Complete**
9. Joshua David Copeland. Patriot: William Copeland. Gálvez Chapter. Registrar approved 9/21/2020. Received at National 9/22/20. Registered 11/13/2020. **Complete**
10. Randall James Domingue. Patriot: Antonio Dominguez. Atchafalaya Chapter. Registrar approved 9/7/2020. Received at National 9/17/2020. Registered 11/6/2020. **Complete.**

New Supplementals Approved from September 5, 2020 to January 21, 2021:

1. Donald Wilson Little. Patriot: Richard Cole. Registrar Received: 5/1/2020. Registrar approved 5/19/2020. **Supplemental.** Galvez Chapter. Received at National 5/29/2020. Registered 10/2/2020. **Complete**
2. Joel Raphun Whitehead. Patriot: Isaac Whitehead. Registrar Received: 6/26/2020. Registrar Approved: 6/30/2020. **Supplemental.** Pierre Rousseau Chapter. Received at National 7/9/2020. Registered 12/31/2020. **Complete**
3. Joel Raphun Whitehead. Patriot: Phillip Condit. Registrar Received: 6/26/2020. Registrar Approved: 6/30/2020. **Supplemental.** Pierre Rousseau Chapter. Received at National 7/9/2020. Registered 12/31/2020. **Complete**

September 2020 Applications Received

1. None

October 2020 Applications Received

1. None

November 2020 Applications Received

1. Tyler Denman. Patriot: George Stocker. Registrar Received: 11/14/2020. Pierre Rousseau Chapter. Registrar approved 11/15/2020. Received by National 11/30/2020.
2. Raymond Dale Nolan. Patriot: George Stocker. Registrar Received: 11/14/2020. Philemon Thomas Chapter LASSAR registrar approved 11/15/2020. Received by National 11/30/2020.

December 2020 Applications Received

1. None

January 2021 Applications Received

1. Julius Albert Thomas Jahnke. Patriot: John Hood. Registrar received 1/21/2021. Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter. Registrar approved 1/24/2020. Mailed to State Secretary 1/25/2021
2. Jeffrey James Dickey. Patriot Samuel Palmer. Registrar received 1/21/2021. Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter. Registrar approved 1/24/2020. Mailed to State Secretary 1/25/2021
3. James Rundall Dickey. Patriot Samuel Palmer. Registrar received 1/21/2021. Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter. Registrar approved 1/24/2020. Mailed to State Secretary 1/25/2021
4. David Paul Dickey. Patriot Samuel Palmer. Registrar received 1/21/2021. Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter. Registrar approved 1/24/2020. Mailed to State Secretary 1/25/2021
5. Corwin Alexander Dickey. Patriot Samuel Palmer. Registrar received 1/21/2021. Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter. Registrar approved 1/24/2020. Mailed to State Secretary 1/25/2021
6. Devin Merlin Dickey. Patriot Samuel Palmer. Registrar received 1/21/2021. Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter. Registrar approved 1/24/2020. Mailed to State Secretary 1/25/2021

Supplemental carry overs from the September 5, 2020 Report:

1. Eugene Joseph Le Blanc, Patriot: Paul Babin. Registrar received: 7/23/2020. Registrar Approved: 7/25/2020. **Supplemental.** Philemon Thomas Chapter.
2. Jon David Liles. Patriot: Edward Young Terrell. Registrar Received: 7/27/2020. **Supplemental.** Galvez Chapter. Received by National 8/17/2020

Supplementals from the September 6, 2020 to January 23, 2021:

1. John Baxter Atkins. Patriot: Giles Connell. Registrar Received: 12/14/2020. Registrar Approved: 12/16/2020 **Supplemental.** Galvez Chapter. Received at National 12/28/2020.
2. Terry Lynn Dupuy: Patriot William Weekley, Registrar Received: 10/14/2020. Registrar Approved: 10/14/20. **Supplemental.** Philemon Thomas Chapter. Received at National 10/21/2020.
3. Robert Greenleaf Hess. Patriot: Israel Greenleaf, Registrar Received: 11/3/2020. Registrar Approved: 10/30/2020x. **Supplemental.** Attakapas Chapter. Received at National 11/16/2020.

Contacts from National from 9/6/2020 to 1/23/2021:

1. George Washington Chapter. Jonathan Andry. Email: jon@drjohnsremedies.com. 504-952-0780. New Orleans, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 9/1/2020. **Application being worked by Chapter Registrar**
2. Galvez Chapter. Johnny Clark Byrd. Email: jcbyrdpm@gmail.com. 318-470-4546, Haughton, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 9/7/2020. **Application Approved.**
3. Gen. Philemon Thomas Chapter. Byron Witty. Email: JBWITTY@GMAIL.COM. 225-485-0878. Denham Springs. LA. Contacted by Registrar: 9/7/2020. No application filed yet.

4. George Washington Chapter. Michael Wallace. Email: michaelmwallace@mac.com. 757-636-3890. New Orleans, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 9/16/2020. **Application being worked by Chapter Registrar. Mr. Wallace is bringing 3 new members.**
5. Atchafalaya Chapter. James Edward Barr. Email: drijimbarr@gmail.com. 985-381-3797. Thibodaux, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 9/29/2020. No application filed yet.
6. Southwest Louisiana Chapter. James M Mangan. Email: mangan55@gmail.com. 508-868-8256. Sulphur, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 9/29/2020. No application filed yet.
7. Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter. John Davis. Email: westcityman@yahoo.com. 504-264-4321. Slidell, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 10/12/2020. No application filed yet.
8. Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter. Jackson Elliott Cantrell. Email: jecantrell167@gmail.com. 504-400-9554. Mandeville, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 10/12/2020. No application filed yet.
9. Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter. David Michael Jones. Email: woblaze@charter.net. 985-290-0649. Slidell, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 10/12/2020. No application filed yet.
10. Gen. Philemon Thomas Chapter. Nathan Hartgraves. E-mail: nathanhartgraves@gmail.com. 513-432-3938. Contacted by Registrar: 10/26/2020. No application filed yet.
11. Attakapas Chapter or Statewide. Derek Dewosky. Email: derekdewosky@aol.com. 706-664-1153, Charlotte, NC. Contacted by State Registrar: 11/22/2020. Chapter Registrar not copied, Awaiting response from applicant if he wants to join Statewide only or join a Chapter. No application filed yet.
12. Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter. John Ryals. Email: jsryals@gmail.com. 985-974-3864. HAMMOND, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 12/2/2020. No application filed yet.
13. Gen. Philemon Thomas Chapter. Don Stewart. E-mail: birdieputts@aol.com. Baton Rouge, LA 225-445-5699. Contacted by Registrar: 1/2/2021. No application filed yet.
14. Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter. Julius A. Jahnke. Email: jajahnke48@gmail.com. 813-689-9317. Covington, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 1/2/2021. **Application filed.**
15. James Huey Chapter. William E. Daniels. E-mail: 5456william@gmail.com. West Monroe, LA, West Monroe, LA. 318-355-0982. Contacted by Registrar: 1/2/2021. **Application being worked by Chapter Registrar.**

Contacts from National before 9/5/2020:

1. Atchafalaya Chapter: Kentley R Fairchild, fairchildkentley@gmail.com, 985-876-7757, Houma, LA. LA. Contacted by Registrar: 5/25/2020. No application filed yet.
2. Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter: Justin Redman. Contacted by Registrar: 5/25/2020. justin@redmanmediaproductions.com. 985-377-5025. Mandeville, LA. No application filed yet.
3. Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter: Ryan Singletary, ryans1082@gmail.com, 985-788-4755. Slidell, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 6/6/2020. No application filed yet.
4. Attakapas Chapter: Mrs. Joyce Stucker on behalf of her sons. stuckerjh@gmail.com, 337-322-3923. Lafayette, LA. Contacted by State Registrar: 6/9/2020. In the hands of Chapter Genealogist. No application filed yet.
5. Southwest LA Chapter: Jacob C. Firmature, jfirm1982@gmail.com, 337-540-4801. Lake Charles, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 6/11/2020. No application filed yet.
6. Galvez Chapter: Mrs. Jett Sandifer for her sons, jjones4566@aol.com, 318-990-9982. Shreveport, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 6/12/2020. No application filed yet.
7. George Washington: Benjamin Dunville, tdunville@gmail.com, 574-904-3186. New Orleans, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 6/15/2020. No application filed yet.

8. George Washington: Troy Buckley, nolascratch@gmail.com, 504-258-9054, Terrytown, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 7/8/2020. No application filed yet.
9. Attakapas Chapter: Ray F. Lucas III, louisianalucas@lusfiber.net, 337-278-2772, Lafayette, LA. Contacted by State Registrar: 7/12/2020. In the hands of the Chapter Genealogist. No application filed yet.
10. Galvez Chapter: Jordon Lee Winfree, jlw083@gmail.com, 318-918-3548. Gloster, LA. Contacted by Registrar 7/12/20. No application filed yet.
11. Attakapas Chapter: Matthew Thomasee, matt.thomasee@gmail.com, 337-451-7117. Youngsville, LA. Contacted by State Registrar: 7/18/2020. Chapter Registrar is currently working with him. He is gathering necessary documents. Looks to be viable. No application filed yet.
12. Gen. Philemon Thomas Chapter: Arthur D Landry, adlandry@gmail.com, 225-278-0352, Baton Rouge, LA. Contacted by Registrar: 7/16/2020. No application filed yet.
13. Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter: Douglas Clark, Clarkdougw@yahoo.com, 504-330-3942. Mandeville, LA, Contacted by Registrar: 9/1/2020. No application filed yet.

**LOUISIANA SOCIETY
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
JROTC OUTSTANDING CADET ENHANCED AWARD**

PROPOSAL: LSSAR should establish a committee to review NSSAR guidance concerning criteria for the JROTC Enhanced Award. This committee should consider the merits of the current criteria and determine if there is justification to recommend criteria changes for eventual consideration and elevation to the national level. This committee, its determinations and all referrals to the next higher organizational levels should be accomplished in a timely manner.

AWARD REQUIREMENTS: JROTC cadet participation is limited to high school junior level and usually third-year cadets and depends on an academically qualified cadet's willingness to participate, JROTC Senior Instructor (SI) assistance and strong recommendation letters from the cadet's SI and high school principal. The cadet must also be involved in his/her community.

A detailed application must be completed by the cadet with the assistance of the SI and the cadet must write a 500 to 700-word essay titled: "How JROTC Has Prepared Me To Be A Better Citizen of the United States of America". Each State may only submit one application package per year for consideration at the national level.

CONSIDERATIONS:

- The award should provide incentive to JROTC cadets to excel in academics, leadership and community involvement and serve as an outstanding SAR student outreach effort
- Louisiana has 104 JROTC units but few of those units participate
- This year, LASSAR has only two (possibly 3) JROTC cadets applying for the award
- During recent years, LASSAR has had less than 10 total JROTC cadets who applied
- Last year, NSSAR received 27 completed essays and applications out of a possible 50
- The year prior, NSSAR received 29 completed applications and essays.
- Monetary awards made by NSSAR are \$5,000, \$2000, \$1000, \$250 and \$250
- States and local chapters also make monetary awards to their individual winners
- Determining winners at each SAR organizational level is challenging and time-consuming

ISSUES (based on discussions with JROTC unit SI's, LASSAR Chapter Committeemen and NSSAR representatives:

- Many JROTC cadets are not motivated by the requirement to write an essay
- JROTC SI's are not motivated to do the work needed to promote the award
- It's also possible that JROTC SI's do not have adequate time to promote the award
- Some state-level SAR organizations may not adequately promote the award
- Some state-level SAR JROTC committeemen may not adequately promote the award
- Cash awards, medals and ribbons do not seem to be adequate cadet inducements
- Many JROTC cadets are too busy with academics and other activities to apply
- Many JROTC cadets are in the program mainly to just avoid gym classes
- Many JROTC cadets are not equipped academically to compete for the award
- In Louisiana, the award is promoted annually from September through January

DISCUSSION: The NSSAR JROTC Enhanced Award Program and JROTC cadet outreach is not achieving its stated goals. Cadet interest and participation is extremely low. Dollar-wise, scarce funds are being distributed to promote the program at every level in the organization, but with dismal results.

The most often repeated complaint (reason) for lagging participation is the required essay, which really is a valid measure of excellence, but may or may not be the biggest problem.

More robust JROTC cadet participation will probably mean more work for SAR members at every level within state organizations, but it will also make the program more meaningful and may consistently attract the best of the best cadets.

SUGGESTIONS:

- Better measures of cadet excellence might be determined by successful appointments to the U.S. Military Academies or awards of ROTC scholarships at colleges and universities, which would also promote the ROTC program beyond the high school level. (Many well qualified cadets know that their appointments and scholarships have been approved by the end of their high school junior years)
- It's questionable how many cadets even know that they have higher education opportunities after high school.
- The essay requirement might be modified to be less restrictive (subject wise) and demanding (word-length wise)
- Essays are necessary and should reflect good citizenship, public service and community involvement ideals
- No changes in academic and community involvement requirements should be considered.
- No changes in recommendation requirements should be considered
- An applicant must be a JROTC cadet in good standing.
- Because it seems that the award competition is not being promoted adequately at the individual JROTC unit level, this issue should be addressed at every level of our organization.
- Durable posters developed at the national level and distribution by every SAR chapter to every JROTC unit might be useful in improved wide spread promotion of the award and publicizing SAR goals in every respect.