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The monthly newsletter and source of information  
for the St. Lucie River Chapter,  
Florida Society Sons of the American Revolution  
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## President's Salvo



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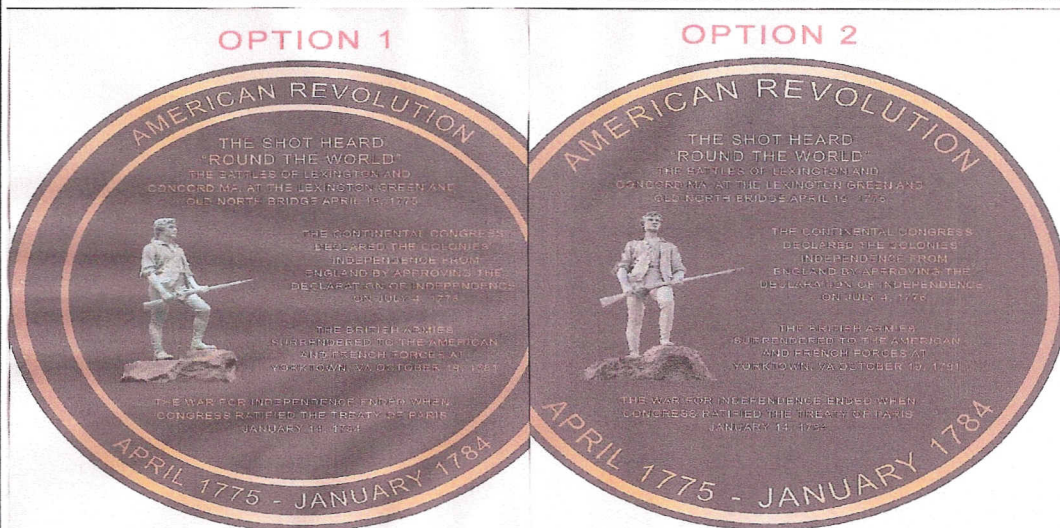
We have had the good fortune to have Shirley Massey donate Richard's gear and accoutrements for our Veterans Monument, all funds raised will go to the monument. We have for sale at 50% of catalog price. Prices can be seen in the James Townsend catalog.

1 onasburg hunting shirt	
SO-127	\$25
1 ruffled work shirt RF-124	\$25
1 blue pants PC-125	\$30
1 Sash SA-117	\$17
1 Belt LB-170	\$13
1 Haversack HS-713	\$6.
2 Powder Horns PH-49	\$10 ea.
1 Tomahawk TH-54	\$10
1 Tomahawk Sheath HS-167	\$8
1pr. Stockings SP-757	\$5
1 SAR Baseball cap	\$6
1 Flintlock rifle, stage prop just refinished	\$75
1 bayonet (Civil War)	\$25

The prices you see here are already discounted 50% so that is the price you pay. This is a real bargain for the new person looking for a uniform or accessory.

Hall Riediger, President

## New Monument for Veteran's Park



The Veteran's Monument Committee has been hard at work setting up a new monument with the City of Port St. Lucie. After the disappointment with the Stuart Memorial we have gotten off to a much better start. Jay Wise, Joe Leinbach, Bud Rockhill and Tom Gilmore have done a superb job on this and deserve at huge applause for their efforts

The monument as now planned is an 18 inch dia.

bronze plaque, as shown above and the Committee has chosen

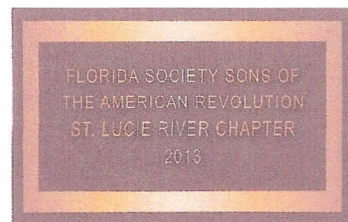
option one as the one to be built.

The plaque will be mounted on a 4 foot tall black granite pedestal, where the top is tilted for easier reading, the whole monument will be atop either a white concrete pad or a regular concrete pad with white marble chips, that is yet to be decided as the PSL Park department has not gotten back to us. the monument itself has with stood the test of the Chapter, the St.

Lucie County Veteran's Association and the PSL Parks Department, and as it now stands we are waiting for the

Parks Dept. to decide what it

will be mounted on, who will pay for it and where in the park the monument will be positioned. I have suggested directly in front of the Flag Pole, but I think that will be shot down. We have raised around \$900 and we have the money to complete the project, but if you wish to have a part please send us a check, any amount is fine.



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<http://www.stlucieriverflssarc.org/index.html>



## Oscar Kraehenbuehl Presents December Flag Certificate



Recently, our Flag Certificate Chairman, Oscar Kraehenbuehl presented to the Admiralty Condominium Association located in Palm City the SAR Certificate of Commendation for the handsome presentation of the American Flag in front of their facility. This display was just recently completed and the residents and visitors have admired it. If you know of someone who does a really good job of presenting the American Flag, please contact Oscar and you also can present a Flag Certificate, that even includes those of you, who don't live in the St. Lucie River Chapter area. Just send Oscar or myself a picture and a request and we will send you the certificate so you can present it.

If you are interested in following the progress on the new headquarters, NSSAR.com the National website has videos showing each step of the present construction.

## Compatriots Participate With Habitat for Humanity



The picture on the left shows the McClains family, who have spent almost two years building and helping to construct the 4 bedroom two bath home you see in the background. This is the 100th home Habitat has constructed in Martin County, and is the culmination of the McClain hopes and dreams. If you haven't participated in a

Habitat for Humanity Project then you have missed a great opportunity to help your fellow citizen, this is a great way to help your community and your neighbors. The picture of the right shows Oscar Kraehenbuehl on the left and Carl Wade on the right, Jay Wise also participated in this presentation. Carl is a new member and has jumped right in helping his new community.





# Minutes

December 8, 2012

Meeting called to order 12 Noon

Invocation: Phil Carr

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Bob Eisenhardt

Pledge to the SAR: Bill Hammond

Minutes of the November Meeting were approved, Tom Gilmore made the motion and Joe Linebach seconded the motion. Minutes were accepted unanimous.

Members present: Bob Eisenhardt, Fred Rockhill, Bob Donnahoo, Hall Riediger, Jay Wise, Chris Wade, Carl Wade, Charles McKinley, John Auld, William Hammond, Oscar Kraehenbuehl, Dan Olin, Carl Dennis, Joe Leinbach, Tom Gilmore, Jim Simpson and Kent Cameron.

Guests present: Pat Eisenhardt, Grace Woodburn, Honora Gilmore, Janet Barnhard, Penny Donnahoo, Sheila Carr, Jere Olin, Alice Rockhill, Sandy Simpson and Tom Barnhard (New applier).

New Member inductions: Dan Olin was inducted into the SAR, we will have two members to induct Rush Lawson and Richard Bush.

Correspondence: We received a thank you note from the student at Indian River State College thanking us for her scholarship.

Unfinished Business: Update on Richard Bush, he has received his appointment from Marco Rubio and is now waiting to see if he will get into Annapolis. We will have a program on the new monument later by Jay Wise.

Membership report: Chuck Mckinley

Upcoming events: 12/21 Lakewood Park Elementary would like someone to come in uniform and visit with the children. Hall Riediger and Carl Wade visited and spoke about Valley Forge and its effect on the war.

1/11,12- Board of Management Meeting, Kissimmee.

1/12 - Regular Meeting at Manero's , Palm City 11:30 AM

1/17- Civics Students, Project Citizen Showcase, Samuel Gaines School 4:30 PM to 7PM, need judges

3/2- St. Lucie County History Fair at Oak Hammock K-8 8AM until noon , need judges.

3/2- Last Naval Battle Celebration at Port Canaveral, Conflict with History Fair.

3/6- History Fair Awards at Fort Pierce Central 6PM to 8PM

Committee Reports: Good citizenship Awards will go out next month.

All high schools With JROTC Units have been contacted to select a cadet for SAR Bronze JROTC Meedal and Certificate

Looking for Boy and Eagle Scout Liaison

Habitat for Humanity Joe Leinbach made report and set up presentation for December 20.

Pearl Harbor Day Report

ETF and OTF report

Florida Handbook and reorganization of the Committees and Committee Charters, report

Program: Jay Wise made a report on the results of his and the Monuments Committees efforts on getting the monument set up in Port St. Lucie. Approval from the veterans and a very positive response from the City of Port St. Lucie Parks Department have resulted in us waiting for the final three things to put the project in motion. the Parks Department must decide where in the park the monument will be placed, what kind of base will be needed and who will pay for the bases construction. The members approved the sending of the deposit to Franklin Bronze for the two plaques and the supplier of the black granite pedestal, this will guarantee the prices so our costs are now fixed. The Treasurer gave a report on the funds that have been donated to date \$730.00 and the members gave approval for the Chapter to fund the entire project The motion was made by Tom Gilmore and seconded by Bud Rockhill. We are very excited about the project and it would be nice if we could have it done for the Memorial Day Celebration.

50/50 Drawing Oscar Kraehenbuehl donated money to the monument project.

Guys Duck: \$27.00

Bene diction: Chaplain Phil Carr

Recessional: Hall Riediger

Yours,

Tom Gilmore, Secretary

# James Earl "Jimmy" Carter

The 39th President of the United States was born October 1, 1924 in the town of Plains, Georgia, the eldest of the four children of James Earl Carter and Bessie Lillian Gordy. The elder Carter was a prominent and successful business owner and his mother was a registered nurse Jimmy Carter would be the first President born in a Hospital.

Jimmy Carter was a gifted student doing well in school, he was a vociferous reader, a star basketball player in high school and very active in the Future Farmers of America ( FFA) and was involved with the National FFA as the Plains, Georgia, Chapter Secretary. After high school Carter attended Georgia Southwestern College in Americus, Georgia and then applied to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis and after some remedial math work at Georgia Tech was accepted in 1943. He graduated 59th of 820 members in his class with a Bachelors Degree, with an unspecified major.

Carter would serve in the Navy in both the Atlantic and Pacific Fleets, and on surface ships and diesel subs. He qualified for command in submarines but when the opportunity to transfer to the new nuclear submarine presented itself he transfer under the command of Capt. Hyman Rickover. He planned to make the Navy his career, developing training procedures for nuclear propulsion systems. Then in 1952 an accident at the Chalk River Nuclear Plant caused a partial meltdown Carter was placed in

command of the American Team, assisting in the shutdown of the plant, each member of the team was lowered into the reactor for only a few seconds to lessen the effects of the radiation, this would affect Carter's views on Nuclear power for the rest of his life. In July 1953 James Carter Sr. died Jimmy was desperately needed to run the family business so he resigned his commission and began learning to be a farmer. It took a few years but he managed to get the farm going and he became a prosperous and well known local businessman.

Jimmy Carter began a career in politics by becoming a member of local political entities serving on the boards of hospitals, schools and libraries and then in 1961 he was elected to his first term as a Georgia State Senator, he would be reelected in 1963 and then in 1966 he made a run for Governor of the State of Georgia, he lost but with careful planning over the next four years he won in 1970. In 1975 Carter began a quest for the Presidency he began with a less than 2% name recognition, he was given little chance to win, but somehow he won the Iowa Caucus and then the New Hampshire Primary and then go on to defeat Gerald Ford in the General Election of 1976.

Carter was a single term President losing his bid for a second term to Ronald Reagan. Carter would also be remembered for a number of events some good and some bad, The Camp David Accords, the return of the Panama



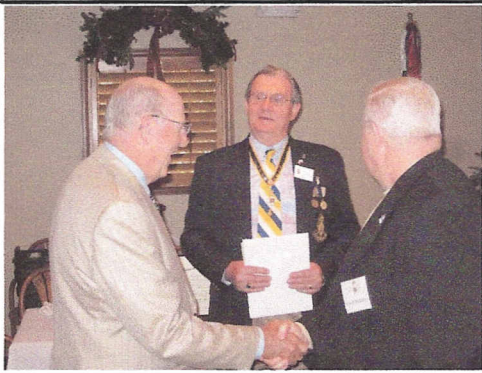
Canal, Salt II Treaty, The Energy Crisis, Love Canal Superfund, The boycott of the Moscow Olympics and the Iranian Hostage Crisis. His term would be shrouded in a period of super inflation and stagnant growth, and this helped defeat him by a landslide in the 1980 election.

After his defeat Carter has become much better known for the establishment of the Carter Center to Advance Human Rights and alleviate Human Suffering. The Center has done major work to eliminate disease, has monitored 81 elections in 33 countries and stopped conflicts in many countries. In 2002 Carter was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, the only President to be awarded this when out of office.

Carter has been an author writing 23 books and numerous articles, He has been a major supporter of Habitat for Humanity within the International Community. He and Rosalynn are still active and vigorous after 65 years together.



## Dan Olin Inducted into the St. Lucie River Chapter



The Chapter was again delighted to induct another new member. We had the good fortune to finally get Dan Olin through the process of application approval. Dan originally had applied for membership under his ancestor Jonathan Olin, Sr. but had a problem with the proofs. He has spent almost two years redoing his papers and he has finally joined

us. This proves the point that no matter how hard it is to get where you wish to go, you will need perseverance. It is not always easy but hopefully worth while. We are truly thankful that Dan did not give up but continued until he obtained his goal. Welcome Dan thank you for joining the SAR.



## Scholarship

The Chapter received notice that Indian River State College had awarded the Chapters scholarship to Christina Maggio. This is the first of many awards, as the chapter members voted to donate the bequest we had received to do this at I.R.S.C. We will be able to give a scholarship to a deserving student for ever with this donation. It is a wonderful thing for the Chapter and I.R.S.C. so we should thank Mr.; and Mrs. Kelley for their generous gift.

## Events Calendar

December 21 Lakewood Park Elementary members meet with 5th grade students about the Revolutionary War.

December 25 Merry Christmas to all.

January 1 Happy New Year to all

January 11/12 Board of Management meeting Kissimmee, Florida. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

January 12 Regular Meeting at Manero's in Palm City, 11:30 AM everyone welcome. Program will be Jim reardon and Bruce Hudson to speak about how to put on a parade.

January 17 Civics students Project Citizen Showcase, Samuel Gaines School Fort Pierce, 4:30 to 7:00. Need volunteers to be judges of student projects.

February 9 Regular meeting at Manero.s , Palm City at 11:30 AM. everyone welcome. Program will be honoring the Okeechobee Fire and Emergency Service Department.

February 28 to March 3 Spring Leadership Meeting, Louisville, Kentucky

March 2 St. Lucie County History Fair 8AM to noon at Oak Hammock K-8. Volunteers needed to be judges of student projects.

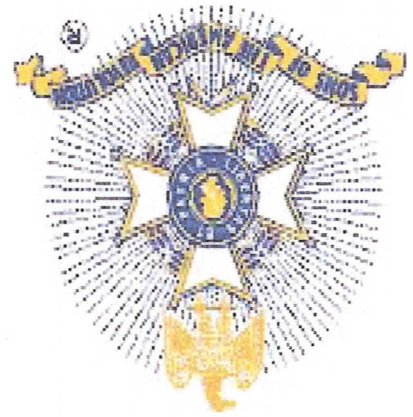
March 9 Last Naval Battle Celebration, Port Canaveral, FL

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