ALSSAR

SPRING BOM MEETING REPORT

May 16, 2026

AMERICAN VILLAGE

3727 Highway 119S, Montevallo, AL

MAY 16, 2026 ALSSAR SPRING BOM MEETING REPORT

ALSSAR SPRING BOM MEETING ATTENDEES AS OF 14 MAY 2026				
FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	CHAPTER	OFFICES	ADD'L / PRIOR OFFICES
Bob	Anderson	Tennessee Valley	Color Guard	* YPT CoChair, Brochure Comm Chr, Past ALSSAR President
James	Armstrong	General Galvez	Chapter Secretary	
Gary	Backus	Gen JA Elmore	Color Guard	Former Chpt President, Former Chpt Sergeant at Arms
Ronald	Bearden	Little River	Chapter Secretary	ALSSAR Registrar
E T	Brown	Birmingham	Media / Newsletter	
William	Carter	Cahaba Coosa	Chapter Chaplain	ALSSAR Vice President / Excom
Ray	Cassell	Tennessee Valley	Chapter Vice President	Former ALSSAR Register - International SAR
James	Corum	Gen Galvez	Chapter President	Former Chpt Vice President
Ronald	Dains	Gen JA Elmore	NSSAR Trustee	ALSSAR President / Excom / Former ALSSAR Sec & VP / Chpt Pres, VP
Jason	Dallas	Wiregrass	Chpt Secretary/Treasurer	Registrar
Alex	D'Aunoy	Shoals Area	Chapter President	Former Chptr VP & President
Dr. John	Fulwider	Capt. Wm Millhouse Mississippi	MSSAR President	NSSAR Vice President General Southern District
Earl	Gillian	Gen JA Elmore	Chapter Registrar	ALSSAR Genealogist
Benny	Hannah	Tennessee Valley	NSSAR Trustee	Past ALSSAR President
Jack	Hood	Birmingham	Chapter Secretary	
Jay	Howton	Birmingham	Chapter President	ALSSAR Public Relations
Rev. Buddy	Irving	Black Warrior River		ALSSAR Chaplain
David	Jones	Black Warrior River	Chapter Vice President	*CYP Chair, ROTC/JROTC Chair
Phillip	Kitchens	Wiregrass	Wiregrass President	ALSSAR Excom
Kevin	Lawrence	Gen JA Elmore	Chapter President	Former Chpt Vice President
Price	Legg	Tennessee Valley	ALSSAR Endowment Fund Board, ALSSAR Endwmt Board	
Scott	Maijala	Shoals Area	Chpt Secretary/Registrar	CYP CoChair
Jay	Maples, Esq.	Tennessee Valley		ALSSAR Chancellor / Excom
Jim	Maples	Tennessee Valley	Chpt Corresp. Secretary	Excom / Website Comm Chair /Medals & Awards Comm Ch / ALSSAR Past President
David	Martin	Cahaba Coosa	Chpt Sergeant-at-Arms	Website Comm Co Chair / Rumbaugh Comm Chr, ALSSAR Past President
Scott	Martin	Cahaba Coosa	Chapter Treasurer, Color Guard	
Edmon	McKinley, Esq.	General Galvez	Chapter Chancellor, ALSSAR Endwmt Fund Board,	Knight Essary Comm Chair / Medals & Awards CoChair /Past NSSAR Chancellor Gen / Past ALSSAR President
Brian	Newton	Shoals Area	Chapter Treasurer	
Scott	Owen	Tennessee Valley	Color Guard	
Jim	Phillips	Cahaba Coosa	Chapter President	Former Chpt Registrar & Genealogist
William	Sauser	Richard Henry Lee	Chapter Vice President	ALSSAR Secretary, Excom
Eric	Sloughfy	Cheaha		Former Chapter President
Jack	Tribble	At Large		ALSSAR Recording Secretary
Perry	Vickers	Wiregrass	ALSSAR Endwmt Fund Board	Past Chapter President
*Youth Protection Committee				
**Council of Youth Protection				

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MEETING AGENDA

Agenda Item	Description / Comments	Responsible Office / Compatriot
Welcome	Welcome to all Compatriots and Guests	Ron Dains, ALSSAR President
Call to Order	Meeting call to order	Ron Dains, ALSSAR President
Quorum Declaration	Article 3, Section 4 of the Alabama Society By-Laws: Twenty members of the Society in good standing shall constitute a quorum at the annual or any special meeting of the Society. Ten (10) of the Board of Managers shall constitute a quorum of a Board of Managers meeting. The proceedings of a meeting of the Society shall be governed by Roberts Rule of Order.	Jack Tribble, Recording Secretary
Invocation	Invocation	Rev. Buddy Irving, Chaplain
Presentation of Colors	Sincere thanks for our ALSSAR Color Guard for its state-wide support of ALSSAR and DAR events	Joe Barker, Color Guard Commander
Pledge of Allegiance		Bill Carter, Vice President
Posting of Colors		ALSSAR Color Guard
SAR Pledge		Bill Sauser, Secretary
SAR Mission		Earl Gillian, Genealogist
Introduction of Guests		Ron Dains, President
Assignment of Parliamentarian		Jay Maples, Esq., Chancellor
Minutes of the 2026 Annual Convention	Minutes emailed to ALSSAR members for review prior to BOM.	Jack Tribble, Recording Secretary
Southern District Vice President General Comments		Dr. John Fulwider, VP General Southern District
OLD BUSINESS		
2027 Congress Update		Eric Alford, 2027 Congress Committee
Officer Reports	Any updates or corrections to submitted reports	ALSSAR Officers
Chapter Reports	Any updates or corrections to submitted reports	Chapter Presidents
2026 Committee Structure		Ron Dains, President
Committee Reports	Any updates or corrections to submitted reports	Committee Chairs

July $76 application fee update		Ron Bearden, Registrar
BOM Report Printing	Discussion of costs, timeliness, accuracy, etc.	Ron Dains, President
Vote on ALSSAR Historian.	Skip Dotherow, Acting State Historian, to replace Bill Dean	Ron Dains, ALSSAR President
NEW BUSINESS		
Agenda Item	**Description / Comments**	**Responsible Office / Compatriot**
Blue Database Access	Discussion item from ALSSAR Officer & Chapter President's Zoom meeting on 16 April 2026.	Ron Dains, President
ALSSAR Death Notification Process	Reference draft policy letter for discussion	Ron Dains, President
SMART Report Process	Consideration of using SMART Report "snapshots" for BOM and Annual Convention Chapter Reports	Ron Dains, President
ALSSAR Communication	Email concerns – checking of spam and junk mail folders Importance of Chapter-level communications	Ron Dains, President
BOM Luncheon	Discussion of cost, planning, cleaning, menu, non-payment, and alternatives.	Ron Dains, President
Dues Renewal & Reinstatement Process	Dues renewal process *ad hoc* committee led by Benny Hannah with Bill Carter, Bill Sauser, and Scott Martin. Reinstatement process should begin at the Chapter level.	Ron Dains, President
Youth Protection Training	Discussion about requirements. Discussion about issues of insurance, member protection, risks, certificate storage, etc.	Ron Dains, President Jay Maples, Chancellor
Support for DAR Kate Duncan Smith School in Grant, AL	Formal request from Rev. Buddy Irving.	Ron Dains, President
2027 ALSSAR Annual Convention	Reference "talking paper" on ideas for Annual Convention structure and processes	Ron Dains, President
GOOD OF THE SOCIETY		
Fall BOM Challenges	10 October 2026 at American Village	Ron Dains, President
Recognition of the Ladies Auxiliary	Sincere thanks for our Ladies Auxiliary for consistent support of ALSSAR Compatriots.	Ron Dains, President
Data Admin Position	Potential creation of Data Admin Officer position for continuity and back-up Blue Database capability	Ron Dains, President
Open to Issues from the Floor		Ron Dains, President
SAR Recessional		Joe Barker, Sergeant at Arms
Benediction		Rev. Buddy Irving, Chaplain
Adjournment		Ron Dains, President

POSTING OF COLORS

Pledge of Allegiance of the Flag to the United States of America

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I pledge Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

SAR Pledge

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.

SAR Mission

The Sons of the American Revolution honors our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities, and educating and inspiring future generations about the founding principles of our Country.

SAR Recessional

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

Libertas et Patria

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Ron Dains, ALSSAR President

ASSIGNMENT OF PARLIAMENTARIAN: Jay Maples, Esq., Chancellor

MINUTES OF 2026 ANNUAL CONVENTION: Jack Tribble, Recording Sec.

See Appendix 1. (Pg 33) & previously sent via email to all ALSSAR members for Review & Comment.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT COMMENTS: Dr. John Fulwider, VP Genera Southern District

OLD BUSINESS

2027 CONGRESS UPDATE: Eric Alford, 2027 Congress Committee

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

May 7, 2026

ALSSAR Compatriots,

It has been a busy eight weeks since we met at the Annual Convention, and I thank you all for helping our Society focus on the three goals discussed at that event:

1) Strengthen internal and external communication & public visibility

2) Build a mentorship-driven culture across ALSSAR

3) Expand public awareness of historical preservation

Continuous work toward those goals – they are not time bound – is possible through the following approaches:

1) Reinforcement of the Mission and Values of SAR

2) Fostering unity, appreciation, and support for one another

3) Leading through selfless service and with long-term vison

By visiting and/or participating in five ALSSAR Chapter events and attending the Tennessee Society and Mississippi Society Annual Conventions over the past couple months, I am impressed with and humbled by the level of effort put forth to honor our Patriot Ancestors and continue advancing knowledge about the Revolutionary War and resultant growth of our great nation.

Regarding internal and external communication, we are aware of mass emails not reaching all Compatriots. We suspect that, in most cases, emails are going to spam or junk folders dependent upon the member's media service provider. We ask that all Chapter Presidents, VPs, and/or Secretaries reach out to their members and encourage them to check their spam or junk folders and change the settings, if possible, to allow receipt of ALSSAR / NSSAR emails.

We worked with NSSAR to ensure appropriate ALSSAR and Chapter Officer access to the Blue Database. We ask that Chapter Secretaries look at each member's Blue Database profiles for correct information such as home and email addresses, phone numbers, offices held and correct dates, and awards received and date. Please compile a list of needed updates – identify the Service Bar for anyone with a War Service Medal – and send to the ALSSAR Secretary, with a courtesy copy to me, the VP, and Recording Secretary; only ALSSAR Officers can update awards information.

I address these two issues here because of their importance to the upcoming Dues Renewal and Reconciliation process. I fear that some membership drops are caused by communication issues identified above. While your ALSSAR officers will do everything possible to facilitate transparent and timely information flow, Chapter level and personal relationships facilitate the most effective communication.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Continued)

I trust that the enclosed Spring BOM agenda indicates the level of importance your ALSSAR Officers place on the SAR Mission along with a reflection of accomplishments over the past two months. Again, I thank you for all you do for SAR, especially in preparation to celebrate the 250th Anniversary of our United States of America!

Respectfully,

Ronald N. Dains, Ph.D.

ALSSAR President

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

ALSSAR Compatriots,

As we are transitioning into 2026, one of our ALSSAR objectives is to increase our focus and efforts on not only increasing our membership but retaining our current membership. As you know, membership is vital as to how we can successfully function as a society.

In talking to some of our chapters, so that we may gain knowledge of what these chapters are doing to be successful at retaining a growing membership, the following are some issues that were discussed:

- Active Mentoring Program for newly inducted members.
- Newsletter that is published on a regular basis so you can communicate will all members.
- Calling inactive members that you don't see at your meetings, just to check in and inquire how they are doing.
- The quality of speakers at our Chapter Meetings can create further interest in members attending more meetings.
- Timing of distributing dues letters and proactively following up to remind members about paying their dues on time. Often, without follow-up paying dues are forgotten.
- Getting new members actively involved on committees, so they can learn about what SAR does and gain more confidence in doing so.
- Getting active chapters involved with less active chapters to assist in aiding growth and development.
- Efforts are also underway for more ALSSAR involvement in coaching and providing support for those chapters that have certain needs.
- Provide support and encourage chapter members in taking courses in the National SAR University database so they may learn how to be in certain leadership positions.

While these are only some of the basic suggestions, I would welcome other ideas that any of you may have. Our goal here is to become more effective and efficient in maintaining and growing our membership. To do this, we must maintain members' interest and participation in our organization.

Respectfully,

William A Carter (Bill)

ALSSAR Vice President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

April 30, 2029

Hello ALSSAR Officers and Chapter Secretaries!

I finally got my third—(a long, sad story)—computer scanner properly installed and running by my IT specialist last night. That means that I spent all day today scanning SAR documents to eliminate my backlog. Here comes the good news!

1. Since my installation as your state secretary on March 14—with guidance from Benny, Ron D., Bill C., Ron B., and Scott—I have received and processed 20 certificates for new members! Thanks to all of you who have been doing such a good job recruiting. Transmittals from the national office, with chapter names and state numbers attached, are in the PDF forms sent along with this message. All of the March certificates were mailed earlier this month; the April certificates will be in the mail tomorrow, so chapter secretaries should receive them soon. If you believe any have been lost in the mail, please notify me so we can get that corrected immediately.

2. We have also received a certificate for a supplemental patriot for Kevin Lawrence of the General JA Elmore chapter and notification of approval of six reinstatements from throughout the state. We are anxiously awaiting notification of approval for a number of other reinstatements. Secretaries, if you have sent a request through Bill Carter or me for a reinstatement and have not heard anything, please let me know. We want to be at full force as quickly as we can.

3. In addition, I have submitted on our State Society's behalf 16 new member applications, 11 applications for supplemental patriots, 14 applications for reinstatement, and 1 application for a junior member. This is a team effort! Remember that our chapter registrars, our distinguished state registrar, our state treasurer, and several others are heavily involved in moving all this paperwork along—and that is even before these papers reach our national office!

4. Speaking of teamwork, thanks to all the chapter secretaries who hustled along to me names of voting delegates planning to attend the national convention in Greensboro, NC. If you think you might be going and have not yet told me, please do so! We have room for some more delegates to complete our allotment of 22 plus Benny and Ron D.

5. We hope to make the Blue Database more accurate, at least as far as Alabama goes.

6. President Ron is trying very hard to open up access to the Blue Database so more of us can have a hand at correcting it. If you do not have access but need something revised in the Blue Database, please let me know so I can give it a try. Several of you have already sent me some projects to tackle.

Respectfully,

William Sauser (Bill)

ALSSAR Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT (Continued)

May 16, 2026

ALSSAR Compatriots,

Report Contents for the period March 1, 2026 through April 30, 2026:

- Financial condition of ALSSAR is excellent. The reconciled cash balance as of April 30, 2026 is $ 70,203.88.

- The required non-profit filing with the IRS for the 2025 calendar year is due by May 15, 2026. Reminders have been sent to all ALSSAR Chapters to confirm that their chapter's 2025 IRS E-Postcard filing has been completed. The 2025 Form 990 E Postcard for the ALSSAR was completed and submitted to the IRS on March 17, 2026.

- There is a correction to the Annual Report presented at the 2026 ALSSAR Annual Convention. The State Farm annual policy is $225.00 and the annual rental storage fee is $790.00. The amounts were transposed on the annual report and there is no change to the total annual expenses reported.

In patriotic service,

Scott A. Martin

ALSSAR Treasurer

See Attachments on following Pages.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Continued)

Notes to Treasurer's Report
ALSSAR Spring BOM 2024
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Item A: Cash

$ 68,872.88	Bank Balance – Main Operating Account
$ 500.00	Bank Balance – Dues Account
$ 500.00	Bank Balance – Annual Convention Account
$ 331.00	Paypal Balance – Cash Available
$ 0.00	Zeffy Balance – Cash Available
$ 70,203.88	**Total Reconciled Cash at 4/30/2026**

Item B: Certificates of Deposit

$ 1,168.08	CD (3.44% Maturity Date 12/29/2026)
$ 11,180.00	CD (3.44% Maturity Date 10/13/2026)
$ 12,348.08	**Total**

$ 82,551.96 Total Assets

For those of you that are not aware, we maintain our accounting on a cash basis. We do not accrue expenses. Typically, all expenses are paid immediately, or within a very short timeframe.

One benefit of cash basis is knowing that except for dues that are sometimes on-hand for future payment upcoming payment to NSSAR, our bank balances show actual cash that will be partly used for youth programs, and otherwise on-hand as our cash balance going forward. An exception that is worth mentioning is when the bank balance is larger for dues that are sometimes on-hand for future upcoming payment to NSSAR.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott A. Martin
Treasurer, ALSSAR

TREASURER'S REPORT (Continued)

Alabama Society SAR
Profit & Loss
March 1 - April 30, 2026

Ordinary Income & Expense		
Income		
2026 ALSSAR Convention Income	5,250.00	
		5,250.00
Direct Public Support		
Color Guard	175.00	
Community Foundation of S AL	2,500.00	
Ladies Auxiliary ALSSAR	2,000.00	
Purchase of Binder	300.00	
Total Direct Public Support		4,975.00
Purchase of Supplies	108.75	
ALSSAR Flag	80.00	
		188.75
Membership Income		
Member Reinstatement Dues	615.00	
New Member Regular Application	1,555.00	
Supplemental Application Fee	680.00	
Total Membership Income		2,850.00
Total Income		13,263.75
Expense		
2026 ALSSAR Convention		
Booklet Printing	417.65	
Frames for Awards	51.30	
Name Tags/Projector	721.84	
Rumbaugh Orations	80.97	
Embassy Suites	10,141.72	
Total 2026 Convention		11,413.48
Black Powder - Color Guard	140.00	
		140.00
Donations		
AL Society CAR	500.00	
Community Foundation of S AL	510.00	
Total Donations		1,010.00
ALSSAR 2026 Chapter Dues	8,090.00	
		8,090.00

TREASURER'S REPORT (Continued)

NSSAR	7,300.00	
		7,300.00
Officer's Expenses		
Awards Chairman Expenses	111.30	
Registrar's Expenses	13.00	
Total Officer's Expenses		124.30
Purchase of Binding Machine	314.28	
		314.28
Youth Programs		
Brochure Contest Awards	600.00	
Eagle Scout Awards	800.00	
Essay Contest Awards	1,550.00	
JROTC & ROTC Awards	1,300.00	
Oration Contest Awards	2,600.00	
Poster Contest Awards	600.00	
Total Youth Programs		7,450.00
Total Expense		35,842.06
Net Income		(22,578.31)

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

ALSSAR State Registrar's Report 1/1/26 – 05/10/26

Applicant	Patriot	Type	Date Approved	Chapter
Hall, Josh Wesley	William Bowles	N	1/16/2026	Galvez
Griffin, William Glenn	Charles Moseley	N	1/16/2026	Black Warrior River
Meeks, Richard Grant	Amos Johnston	N	1/23/2026	John Archer Elmore
Putnam, James Douglas, Jr.	Richard Hamlin	N	1/23/2026	Richard Henry Lee
Smith, Wesley Dewitt	Gabriel Smith	N	1/23/2026	Tennessee Valley
Zak, Jeffrey Michael	Thomas Arnold	N	1/23/2026	Shoals Area
Zak, Christian Gunner	Thomas Arnold	N	1/23/2026	Shoals Area
Killingsworth, George Brock	James Fielder	N	1/23/2026	Galvez
Tucker, Harry Clifton	Thomas Jones, Sr.	N	1/23/2026	Cheaha
Cayse, Tucker Riley	Thomas Jones, Sr.	N	1/23/2026	Cheaha
Tucker, Jerry Flynn	Thomas Jones, Sr.	N	1/23/2026	Cheaha
Brewer, Darryl Talmadge	Samuel Sewell, Sr.	N	1/23/2026	Etowah
Butler, Mack Newman	Peter Fite	N	1/23/2026	Etowah
Wells, Charles Wayne	Lewis Wells	N	2/13/2026	Cheaha
Mobley, Wesley Scott	Thomas Mobley	N	2/13/2026	Little River
Brown, Gary Lamar	Gabriel Smith	N	2/13/2026	Birmingham
Sparkman, William Fraser	John Moore	N	2/13/2026	Birmingham
Little, Richard Miles	Abraham Childers	N	2/17/2026	Montgomery
Little, Patrick Miles	Abraham Childers	N	2/17/2026	Montgomery
Keller, Seth Matthew	James C. Verdier	N	3/20/2026	Richard Henry Lee
Keller, Kyle Christopher	James C. Verdier	N	3/20/2026	Richard Henry Lee
Poehlein, David Michael	Thomas Bolin	N	3/20/2026	Tennessee Valley
Knoch, James Wilbur	David Edenfield	N	3/20/2026	Tennessee Valley
Hayden, Logan Joe	William Hayden	N	3/20/2026	Tennessee Valley
East, Benjamin Matthew	David Clarkson	N	3/20/2026	Tennessee Valley
Cromer, Joseph Newton	Nimrod Mitchell	N	3/20/2026	Galvez
Pittman, Lee Davidson Marbury	John Parker	N	3/20/2026	Galvez
Pittman, Lee Davidson Marbury, IV	John Parker	N	3/20/2026	Galvez
Mullins, Thomas Andrew	Thomas Hendry	N	3/27/2026	Tennessee Valley
Hipelius, Jeffery John	Thomas Craig, Jr.	N	4/3/2026	Tennessee Valley
Jowers, Brent Alan	John Carroll Adams	N	4/3/2026	Tennessee Valley
Frazer, Henry Alexander	William Bell	N	4/10/2026	Montgomery
Frazer, John Alexander	William Bell	N	4/10/2026	Montgomery
May, Sammie LaVerne	Thomas May	N	4/13/2026	At-Large
Lewis, Michael Carlton	Micah Mixon	N	4/17/2026	Montgomery
Lewis, David Carlton	Micah Mixon	N	4/17/2026	Montgomery
Gauntt, James Carl	Israel Gaunt	N	4/24/2026	Cahaba-Coosa
Semeniuk, Michael Bernard	Samson Powers	N	4/24/2026	Wiregrass
Glasscock, Charles Floyd	James McDaniel	N	4/24/2026	Richard Henry Lee
Bentley, Matthew Jacob	John Styron	N	4/24/2026	Tennessee Valley
Johnston, Robert Lee	Ephraim Headley	N	4/24/2026	Tennessee Valley
Johnston, Ryan Lee	Ephraim Headley	N	4/24/2026	Tennessee Valley
Johnston, Shane Matthew	Ephraim Headley	N	4/24/2026	Tennessee Valley
Bryant, Tony Franklin	Jeremiah Green	N	4/24/2026	Little River
Foster, John Howard, Jr.	Paul Foster	N	4/24/2026	Galvez
Jinright, Charles Wayne	Elias Jenerette/Jeanret	N	4/24/2026	Montgomery
Massey, Ricky Neal, Sr.	Charles Bellows	N	5/8/2026	Etowah
Massey, Rickey Neal, Jr.	Charles Bellows	N	5/8/2026	Etowah
Grinder, Van Mason	Thomas Jones, Sr.	J	1/23/2026	Cheaha
Rhodes, Asa Flynn	Thomas Jones, Sr.	J	1/23/2026	Cheaha

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Applicant	Patriot	Type	Date Approved	Chapter
Albyn, Keith Cosby	Vincent Tapp	S	1/16/2026	Tennessee Valley
Albyn, Keith Cosby	James Alban	S	1/16/2026	Tennessee Valley
Jones, Charlie Thompson, III	Henry Poole	S	2/27/2026	Tennessee Valley
Icenogle, Mark Douglas	Philip Basters	S	2/27/2026	Tennessee Valley
Lawrence, Kevin Scott	John Schooley	S	4/17/2026	John Archer Elmore

Chapter	New Applications	Junior Applications	Memorial Applications	Supplemental
At-Large	1	0	0	0
Birmingham	2	0	0	0
Black Warrior River	1	0	0	0
Cahaba-Coosa	1	0	0	0
Cheaha	4	2	0	0
Etowah	4	1	0	0
Galvez	6	1	0	0
John Archer Elmore	1	0	0	1
Little River	2	1	0	0
Montgomery	7	0	0	0
Richard Henry Lee	4	1	0	0
Shoals Area	2	0	0	0
Tennessee Valley	12	1	0	4
Wiregrass	1	0	0	0
	48	7	0	5

N = New
N-CT = New converted from CAR
N-YT = New converted from Youth Registrant
J = Junior
J-CT = Junior converted from CAR
J-YT = Junior converted from Youth Registrant
M = Memorial
S = Supplemental

2026 Applications currently (05/10/2026) on file and Application Status

Applicant	Patriot	Type	Status	Chapter
Kirkland, David Lee	Joseph Watford	N	Pending	Wiregrass
Stevens, Bruce Harold, Jr.	Robert Smith	N	Pending	Richard Henry Lee
Davis, Cecil Grant, Jr.	Peter Glasscock, Sr.	N	Pending	Richard Henry Lee
Taber, Trent Barse	Israel Meadows	N	Pending	Galvez
Hammons, Perry Victor	Obadiah Hammond	N	Pending	Shoals Area
Craig, Brian Keith	Jacob Carwile	N	Pending	Tennessee Valley
Patterson, Patrick Emory	James Bell	N	Pending	Tennessee Valley
Mann, Stephen Earl	Peter Rhine	N	Pending	Tennessee Valley
Locke, James Melton	Thomas Stribling	N	Pending	Montgomery
Miltersen, Daniel Paul	Jonathan Fisk	N	Pending	Montgomery
Miltersen, David Peder	Jonathan Fisk	N	Pending	Montgomery
Miltersen, Robert Alan	Jonathan Fisk	N	Pending	Montgomery
Miltersen, Timothy Richard	Jonathan Fisk	N	Pending	Montgomery
Strickland, Christopher Brent	Frederick Rainey	N	Pending	Cahaba-Coosa
Comer, Joseph Henry, III	Rodham Kenner	N	Pending	Galvez
Ford, Billy	Martin Key, Jr.	N	Pending	Little River
Ford, Jason Scott	Martin Key, Jr.	N	Pending	Little River
Busenbark, Jonathan Daniel	David Doolittle	N	Pending	At-Large
Watson, James Robert	William Davidson	N	Pending	Tennessee Valley
Maijala, James Isaac	Terence Connor	N	Pending	Shoals Area
Busenbark, Hudson James	David Doolittle	J	Pending	At-Large

ALSSAR State Registrar's Report 1/1/26 – 05/10/26

Applicant	Patriot	Type	Status	Chapter
Cassell, Ray Vaughn, II	Alexander McDonald	S	Pending	Tennessee Valley
Cassell, Ray Vaughn, II	Bartholomew Weems	S	Pending	Tennessee Valley
Dallas, Jason Raymond	Andries Van Wie	S	Pending	Wiregrass
Dallas, Jason Raymond	Elias Naudain	S	Pending	Wiregrass
Cassell, Ray Vaughn, II	Josiah Reeder	S	Pending	Tennessee Valley
Royer, George Washington, Jr.	Henry Bagby	S	Pending	Tennessee Valley
Johnson, Cory Evan	William A. Halbert	S	Pending	Cahaba-Coosa
Cassell, Ray Vaughn, II	Daniel Waggoner	S	Pending	Tennessee Valley
Heartsill, James Abner, III	Peter Cheatham	S	Pending	Birmingham
Carroll, Timothy Dale, III	Peter Cheatham	S	Pending	Birmingham
Carroll, Alexander James	Peter Cheatham	S	Pending	Birmingham
Carroll, Samuel George	Peter Cheatham	S	Pending	Birmingham
Cassell, Ray Vaughn, II	Charles Rakes	S	Pending	Tennessee Valley
Mims, Benjamin Lovick, IV	Richard Richardson, Sr.	S	Pending	Birmingham
Simmons, John Franklin, Jr.	Hudson Blankenship	S	Pending	Wiregrass
Ferguson, Donald Rhett	Morgan Morgan	S	Pending	John Archer Elmore
Snyder, Robert Frederick, Jr.	Charles Frisbie	S	Pending	John Archer Elmore
Gillian, Earl, Jr.	Richard Marr	S	Pending	John Archer Elmore
Cassell, Ray Vaughn, II	Michael Clardy	S	Pending	Tennessee Valley

Chapter Statistics

Chapter	New Applications	Junior Applications	Memorial Applications	Supplemental
At-Large	1	1	0	0
Birmingham	0	0	0	5
Black Warrior River	0	0	0	0
Cahaba-Coosa	1	0	0	1
Cheaha	0	0	0	0
Etowah	0	0	0	0
Galvez	2	0	0	0
John Archer Elmore	0	0	0	3
Little River	2	0	0	0
Montgomery	5	0	0	0
Richard Henry Lee	2	0	0	0
Shoals Area	2	0	0	0
Tennessee Valley	4	0	0	7
Wiregrass	1	0	0	3
	20	1	0	19

N = New
N-CT = New converted from CAR
N-YT = New converted from Youth Registrant
J = Junior
J-CT = Junior converted from CAR
J-YT = Junior converted from Youth Registrant
M = Memorial
S = Supplemental

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Any DAR RC dated 1/1/1985 or later can be used as proof for an SAR Application, regardless of whether it is individually check marked or center checked, and regardless of whether it cites primary docs or cites previously approved DAR papers, AS LONG AS the service or lineage on that paper is not RED FLAGGED or IN QUESTION.

We have established that DAR 688702 was the first new member application approved after 1/1/1985, so any new member DAR paper 688702 or later can be used AS LONG AS the service or lineage on that paper is not RED FLAGGED or IN QUESTION.

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We have also established that any DAR Supplemental RC with an Ad Volume number of 622 or higher may also be used with the same disclaimer as the new member papers.

Some older DAR Papers may meet the current Genealogical Proof Standard, even though they may have been approved prior to 1/1/1985. For information on specific older DAR papers, contact the ALSSAR State Registrar.

SAR accepts facts on record copies of SAR Applications approved after 1 January 2012 AS LONG AS the service or lineage on that paper is not RED FLAGGED or IN QUESTION. These applications shall be accepted as evidence of corresponding service, lineage, and related facts on SAR Applications. The first application approved after 1 January 2012 is 181935. However, this is not the case should the post 1 January 2012 record copy contain information previously determined to be incorrect by the SAR.

The use of pre-2012 SAR record copies should be avoided unless it can be verified that the information and documentation on that record copy is acceptable and correct.

There is no straightforward way to determine whether an SAR Supplemental Application was approved after 1 January 2012. One would need to look for a post 1 January 2012 registration date to determine acceptability.

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STATE HISTORIAN'S REPORT

ALSSAR Compatriots,

Below is a summary of my current and pending Activities:

Activity:

President Dains asked me to take the position in the wake of past state historian Bill Dean's health issues. He advised me that he could not locate a job description so I was free to create one based on my interests and observations. I clearly see the need to promote the "Friends of the Library" program.

I have been in contact with my counterparts in Washington State, South Carolina and the VP Historian General regarding a "job description". It seems none exist as each state society can craft their own.

I spoke with Past President Bill Daniel regarding the state archives and the outcome of that conversation has yet to come to pass. The ALSSAR archives are currently being housed in the library at Samford University Library in boxes. While this arrangement has been and remains satisfactory, this may not always be the case.

I spoke with Compatriot Neil Vernon, Washington State Historian about his activity in the area of digitization of his state's archives. After several conversations and emails, he has entrusted me with the soon to be adopted SAR manual on records/archive record digitization. I will report back to the BOM at the next meeting on the status of this study.

Pending Activity: Establishing a Committee

Respectfully submitted,

James E. "Skip" Dotherow, PhD

ALSSAR Historian (Acting)

GENEALOGIST	Report Update, if Any
CHANCELLOR	Report Update, if Any
CHAPLAIN	Report Update, if Any
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS	Report Update, if Any
RECORDING SECRETARY	Report Update, if Any

CHAPTER REPORTS

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MAY 16, 2026 ALSSAR SPRING BOM MEETING REPORT

BIRMINGHAM	
Month and Date of Officer Elections	JANUARY VOTE/FEBRUARY INDUCTION
MEMBERSHIP	
Current Total Membership:	105
Prospective Members:	5
Applications Pending:	
Inducted Members from 3/14/2026 State Meeting to 5/16/2026 State Spring BOM	2
Number of New Members & Names:	
Deceased Member Names & DOD:	
SUPPLEMENTALS	
Supplementals Pending:	
Supplementals Awarded:	6
CERTIFICATES, AWARDS, & MEDALS	
PARTICIPATION	
Competition:	
Veterans:	
Other:	
REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING INFORMATION	
Location, Dates and Time:	Country Club of Birmingham, 3rd Tuesday of each month except July, 2026
Average member attendees:	32
Average guest attendees:	2
Average prospective attendees:	2

MAY 16, 2026 ALSSAR SPRING BOM MEETING REPORT

BLACK WARRIOR RIVER	
Month and Date of Officer Elections	JANUARY
MEMBERSHIP	
Current Total Membership:	45
Prospective Members:	1
Applications Pending:	
Inducted Members from 3/14/2026 State Meeting to 5/16/2026 State Spring BOM	
Number of New Member & Names:	
Deceased Member Names & DOD:	
SUPPLEMENTALS	
Supplementals Pending:	
Supplementals Awarded:	
CERTIFICATES, AWARDS, & MEDALS	
PARTICIPATION	
Competition:	
Veterans:	
Other:	Cade McCool, Buddy Irving, & David Jones (Color Guard)
REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING INFORMATION	
Location, Dates and Time:	Bryant Bank/University Blvd/ Tuscaloosa
	7:00 PM Meeting Time
Average member attendees:	10
Average guest attendees:	1

MAY 16, 2026 ALSSAR SPRING BOM MEETING REPORT

CAHABA COOSA	
Month and Date of Officer Elections	December
MEMBERSHIP	
Current Total Membership:	94
Prospective Members:	6
Applications Pending:	2
Inducted Members from 3/14/2026 State Meeting to 5/16/2026 State Spring BOM	0
Number of New Members & Names:	1
	James Gauntt
Deceased Member Names & DOD:	None since 3/14/26
SUPPLEMENTALS	
Supplementals Pending:	2
Supplementals Awarded:	1
CERTIFICATES, AWARDS, & MEDALS	
Jr ROTC	1 - Cadet Bischoff - Homewood High
	30-Apr-26
PARTICIPATION	
Competition:	Rumbaugh Oration – Andrew Wales – 1st Place - State of Alabama
Veterans:	Mar 18, 2026, Unaccompanied Veteran Interment Mar 28, 2026, Viet Nam Veterans Day, Montevallo Nat'l Cemetery Apr 15, 2026, Unaccompanied Veteran Interment Apr 28, 2026, Veterans Crafts, Pelham, AL May 3, 2026, Decoration Day, Patton's Chapel Cem., Hoover, AL
Other:	Cemetery Cleanup, Shiloh Cemetery, Coosa County, AL (5 days) Report to Coosa County Historical Society – Owners of Shiloh Cem. Cemetery Cleanup, Ferguson Cem., Lawrence County, AL (3 Days) Member – USA250 Committee – Pelham, AL
REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING INFORMATION	
Location, Dates and Time:	North Shelby County Library/ 3rd Sunday of Mo./Time: 2:30 PM/2 mtgs since last report
Average member attendees:	17
Average guest attendees:	4
Average prospective attendees:	2
Special guests:	Sally Daniel - DAR
	Jay Howton - Bham Chap
SPEAKERS	
	David Jones - BWC
	Robert Melton - CCC

MAY 16, 2026 ALSSAR SPRING BOM MEETING REPORT

CHEAHA	
REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING INFORMATION	
Month and Date of Officer Elections	November
MEMBERSHIP	
Current Total Membership:	50
Prospective Members:	2
Applications Pending:	0
Inducted Members from 3/14/2026 State Meeting to 5/16/2026 State Spring BOM	0
Number of New Members & Names:	0
Deceased Member Names & DOD:	0
SUPPLEMENTALS	
Supplementals Pending:	None
Supplementals Awarded:	None
CERTIFICATES, AWARDS, & MEDALS	
Past Presidents Certificates:	
William Rozier	Robert Folsom
Jeff Coker	Eric Sloughfy
NSSAR Southern District awarded:	Eric Sloughfy
PARTICIPATION	
Competition:	
Veterans:	
Other:	
REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING INFORMATION	
Location, Dates and Time:	Anniston/Calhoun Co. Public Library; 2nd Wed (except for JUN, JUL, AUG, & DEC); 12:30
Average member attendees:	12
Average guest attendees:	2
Average prospective attendees:	0
Special guests:	0

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GENERAL J. A. ELMORE	
Month and Date of Officer Elections	December
CHAPTER MEETINGS INFO	Habaneros Mexican Cantina - Millbrook, AL / 2nd Tuesday of the Month / Dinner 5:00 PM Meeting 6:30 PM
Average member attendees:	18
Average guest attendees:	8
Average prospective attendees:	0
Special guests:	0
MEMBERSHIP	
Current Membership:	50
Prospective Members:	0
Applications Pending:	0
Inducted Members from 9/27/25 Fall BOM to 3/14/2026 State Meeting:	1
New Member Names:	Richard Meeks
Deceased Member Names & DOD:	0
SUPPLEMENTALS	
Supplementals Pending:	4
Supplementals Awarded:	0
CHAPTER MEETING ATTENDEES	
Avg. Member Attendees:	18
Avg. Guest Attendees:	8
Avg Prospective Member Attendees:	0
Special Guests:	0
CERTIFICATES, AWARDS, & MEDALS	
	ROTC Bronze Prattville HS /State Poster Winner, Daniel Pratt Elem. Award
	ROTC Bronze Stanhope Elmore HS
	First Responder, Prattville PD
	First Responder, Prattville FD
	Veterans Service Medal
PARTICIPATION	
Competition:	
Veterans:	Delivered Meals to 3 Veterans
Other:	

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GENERAL GALVEZ	
Month and Date of Officer Elections	
Current Total Membership:	86
Prospective Members:	5
Applications Pending:	unkwn
Inducted Members from 3/14/2026 State Meeting to 5/16/2026 State Spring BOM	0
Number of New Members & Names:	
Deceased Member Names & DOD:	0
SUPPLEMENTALS	
Supplementals Pending:	2
Supplementals Awarded:	
CERTIFICATES, AWARDS, & MEDALS	
Zachary Cupp	
7 JROTC Medals	
PARTICIPATION	
Competition:	
Veterans:	
Other:	
REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING INFORMATION	
Location, Dates and Time:	**David's Catfish House in Spanish Fort / 2nd Thursday of the month / No Meeting in December**
Average member attendees:	**16**
Average guest attendees:	**6**
Average prospective attendees:	**0**
Special guests:	**0**
SPEAKERS	One each month

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RICHARD HENRY LEE	
Month and Date of Officer Elections	13-Nov-26
REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING INFORMATION	
Location, Dates and Time:	Ole Time Country Buffett - Auburn Mall/2nd Friday of each Month / Meeting at 11:30 AM
Average member attendees:	17
Average guest attendees:	2
Average prospective attendees:	1
MEMBERSHIP	
Current Total Membership:	53
Prospective Members:	3
Applications Pending:	3
Inducted Members from 3/14/2026 State Meeting to 5/16/2026 State Spring BOM	3
Number of New Members & Names:	3 Seth M Keller, Kyle C Keller & Connor M R Keller
Deceased Member Names & DOD:	Ronnie W Tucker - 3-23-26
SUPPLEMENTALS	
Supplementals Pending:	1
Supplementals Awarded:	0
CERTIFICATES, AWARDS, & MEDALS	
JROTC	Auburn High School: CDT/MAJ Joshua Cornelius
JROTC	Southern Prep Academy: CDT/MAJ Aden Jones
District Silver Henry Knox Achievement Medal	Walker Jackson - Chapter Secretary
PARTICIPATION	
Competition:	
Veterans:	
Other:	

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GENERAL RICHARD MONTGOMERY	
CHAPTER MEETINGS INFO	Montgomery Country Club / 3rd Wednesday of the Month / Meeting time: 12:00 PM
Month and Date of Officer Elections	December
CHAPTER MEETING ATTENDEES	
Avg. Member Attendees:	20
Avg. Guest Attendees:	4
Avg Prospective Member Attendees:	5
MEMBERSHIP	
Current Membership:	64
Prospective Members:	7
Applications Pending:	6
Inducted Members from 9/27/25 Fall BOM to 3/14/2026 State Meeting:	1
New Member Names:	Patrick Little
Deceased Member Names & DOD:	0
SUPPLEMENTALS	
Supplementals Pending:	0
Supplementals Awarded:	0
CERTIFICATES, AWARDS, & MEDALS	
	0
	0
PARTICIPATION	
Competition:	0
Veterans:	0
Other:	0

MAY 16, 2026 ALSSAR SPRING BOM MEETING REPORT

LITTLE RIVER	
Month and Date of Officer Elections	**March**
Current Total Membership:	83
Prospective Members:	4
Applications Pending:	3
Inducted Members from 3/14/2026 State Meeting to 5/16/2026 State Spring BOM	0
Number of New Member & Names:	0
Deceased Member Names & DOD:	0
SUPPLEMENTALS	
Supplementals Pending:	0
Supplementals Awarded:	0
CERTIFICATES, AWARDS, & MEDALS	
Willard A. Israel Good Citizenship Awards	17
Outstanding History Teacher Award	1
PARTICIPATION	
Competition:	
Veterans:	
Other:	
REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING INFORMATION	
Location, Dates and Time:	Cracker Barrel - Fort Payne / 2nd Wednesday of Month unless changed / Meeting time: 6:00 PM
Average member attendees:	15
Average guest attendees:	5
Average prospective attendees:	
Special guests:	3
SPEAKERS	Mary Beth Tate- Teacher of the Year

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SHOALS AREA	
Month and Date of Officer Elections	December
REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING INFORMATION	
Location, Dates and Time:	Helen Keller Library
	Second Sunday of each month at 2pm
Average member attendees:	10
Average guest attendees:	1
Average prospective attendees:	
MEMBERSHIP	
Current Total Membership:	48
Prospective Members:	1
Applications Pending:	4
Inducted Members from 3/14/2026 State Meeting to	0
Number of New Member & Names:	
Deceased Member Names & DOD:	
SUPPLEMENTALS	
Supplementals Pending:	None
Supplementals Awarded:	None
CERTIFICATES, AWARDS, & MEDALS	
SAR Life Saving Certificate	Wesley Sharpton
SAR Life Saving Certificate	Nick Wallace
SAR Life Saving Certificate	Taylor Wallace
PARTICIPATION	
Competition:	
Veterans:	
Other:	

MAY 16, 2026 ALSSAR SPRING BOM MEETING REPORT

TENNESSEE VALLEY	
Month and Date of Officer Elections	**10 Feb 26/Installed 20 Mar 26**
REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING INFORMATION	
Location, Dates and Time:	Huntsville Public Library / 2nd Tuesday of the Month / Meeting: 11:00 AM
Average member attendees:	28
Average guest attendees:	15
Average prospective attendees:	3
Special guests:	SAR Southern District VPG, Dr. John Fulwider
	Past SAR International District VPG, Mr. Jim Griffith
	Past ALSSAR President, Mr. Benny Hannah
	ALSSAR President, Dr. Ron Dains
CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP	
Current Total Membership:	261
Prospective Members:	18
Applications Pending:	0
Inducted Members from 3/14/2026 State Meeting to 5/16/2026 State Spring BOM	2+ May 11 meeting
Number of New Member & Names:	12
	James Wilbur Knoch
	David Michael Poehlein
	Benjamin Matthew East
	Logan Joe Hayden
	Thomas Andrew Mullins
	Brent Alan Jowers
	Jeffery John Hipelius
	Sean Thomas Hipelius
	Robert Lee Johnston
	Ryan Lee Johnston
	Shane Johnston
	Matthew Jacob Bentley
Deceased Member Names & DOD:	0
SUPPLEMENTALS	
Supplementals Pending:	6
Supplementals Awarded:	4
	Mr. Mark Icenogle (1)
	Mr. Charlie Thompson Jones III (1)
	Mr. Keith Albyn (2)

TENNESSEE VALLEY (Continued)	
CERTIFICATES, AWARDS, & MEDALS	
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Jaudon Janowitz (Arab HS) (5 Mar 26)
Martha Washingto Medal	Mrs. Martha Brouse (20 Mar 26)
Lydia Darragh Medal	Mrs. Sarah Curtis (20 Mar 26)
Bronze Henry Knox Medal	Mr. Steven M. Brouse (20 Mar 26)
Bronze Henry Knox Medal	Mr. Scott F. Owen (20 Mar 26)
Bronze Henry Knox Medal	Mr. Robert M. Cheney, Jr. (20 Mar 26)
Bronze Roger Sherman Medal (OLC)	Rev. James Henderson (20 Mar 26)
Chapter Meritorious Service Medal	Mr. Robert Anderson (20 Mar 26)
Chapter Meritorious Service Medal	Mr. Dudley Burwell (20 Mar 26)
Chapter Meritorious Service Medal	Mr. Randal S. Jennings (20 Mar 26)
Chapter Medal of Distinguished Service	Mr. Lawrence Hillis (20 Mar 26)
Bronze Color Guard Medal	Mr. Lawrence Hillis (20 Mar 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Jaudon Janowitz (Arab HS) (5 Mar 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Anderson Ramos (Decatur HS) (5 Apr 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Andrew Lovell (Sparkman HS) (8 Apr 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Thomas Zeigler (Buckhorn HS) (25 Apr 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Madison Geron (Jemison HS) (15 Apr 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Jackson Douglas (Austin HS) (15 Apr 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Blake Simmons (Columbia HS) (17 Apr 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Izaiah Acuff (Cullman Tech) (17 Apr 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Lincoln Doss (Huntsville HS) (20 Apr 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Lucius Grant (Lee HS) (22 Apr 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet William Scarborough (Clemens HS) (22 Apr 26)
SAR Silver ROTC Medal	Cadet Dontrae Brown (Alabama A&M) (23 Apr 26)
SAR Silver ROTC Medal	Cadet D'Angelo Stewart (Alabama A&M) (23 Apr 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Emilio Ortiz (Athens HS) (23 Apr 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Connor Horton (Marshall Tech) (22 Apr 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Payton Moudy (Bob Jones HS) (28 Apr 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Nicholas Johnson (Grisson HS) (29 Apr 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Dustin Walker (Madison Co. HS) (1 May 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet James Boudreaux (Hazel Green HS) (6 May 26)
SAR Bronze JROTC Medal	Cadet Kinzie Pretzsch (AP Brewer HS) (8 May 26)
Other:	
SPEAKERS	
TVCSAR Annual Installation Banquet (20 Mar 26)	ALSSAR President, Dr. Ron Dains "New Officer Installation"
April Monthly Meeting (13 Apr 26)	TVCSAR Member, Mr. Robert Anderson "The Battle of Blackstock Plantation"
May Monthly Meeting (11 May 26)	TVCSAR Vice President, Mr. Ray Cassell "America's Friends: Whigs in the Parliament of Great Britian"

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WIREGRASS	
Month and Date of Officer Elections	
CHAPTER MEETINGS INFO	**Enterprise Country Club / 3rd Thursday of the Month / Time: 11:30 AM (No July Meeting)**
MEMBERSHIP	
Current Membership:	**30**
Prospective Members:	**4**
Applications Pending:	**1**
Inducted Members from 9/27/25 Fall BOM to 3/14/2026 State Meeting:	**1**
New Member Names:	**Michael Semeniuk #238038**
Deceased Member Names & DOD:	**0**
SUPPLEMENTALS	
Supplementals Pending:	**3**
Supplementals Awarded:	**0**
CERTIFICATES, AWARDS, & MEDALS	
District Henry Knox	**Phillip Kitchens**
35 Year Membership	**John Cheney**
5 Year Membership	**Paul Olson**
Chapter MSM	**Malon Murphy**
5 Year Membership	**Bob Cooper**
PARTICIPATION	
Competition:	**n/a**
Veterans:	**Color Guard at Enterprise AL Honor Flight. 24 April.**
Other:	**City of Enterprise, AL 250th Proclamation. 8 April.**
	Patriot William Brackin Grave Marking 18 April.

OLD BUSINESS (Continued)

2026 COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

Ron Dains, ALSSAR President

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OLD BUSINESS (Continued)

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OLD BUSINESS (Continued)

COMMITTEE REPORTS — Committee Chairs

Share any updates or corrections to submitted reports.

Re: ROTC/JROTC COMMITTEE

David Jones sent out a reminder that when Chapter's order the bronze JRTOC medal for their schools and/or the bronze Enhanced medallion for the contest, please be sure to send a copy of the invoice to Scott Martin for a 50% reimbursement. This is for JROTC awards only.

JULY $76 APPLICATION FEE UPDATE — Ron Bearden, ALSSAR Registrar

BOM REPORT PRINTING — Ron Dains, ALSSAR President

VOTE ON ALSSAR HISTORIAN — Ron Dains, ALSSAR President

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NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item	Description / Comments	Responsible Office / Compatriot
Blue Database Access	Discussion item from ALSSAR Officer & Chapter President's Zoom meeting on 16 April 2026.	Ron Dains, President
ALSSAR Death Notification Process	Reference draft policy letter for discussion	Ron Dains, President
SMART Report Process	Consideration of using SMART Report "snapshots" for BOM and Annual Convention Chapter Reports	Ron Dains, President
ALSSAR Communication	Email concerns – checking of spam and junk mail folders Importance of Chapter-level communications	Ron Dains, President
BOM Luncheon	Discussion of cost, planning, cleaning, menu, non-payment, and alternatives.	Ron Dains, President
Dues Renewal & Reinstatement Process	Dues renewal process *ad hoc* committee led by Benny Hannah with Bill Carter, Bill Sauser, and Scott Martin. Reinstatement process should begin at the Chapter level.	Ron Dains, President
Youth Protection Training	Discussion about requirements. Discussion about issues of insurance, member protection, risks, certificate storage, etc.	Ron Dains, President Jay Maples, Chancellor
Support for DAR Kate Duncan Smith School in Grant, AL	Formal request from Rev. Buddy Irving.	Ron Dains, President
2027 ALSSAR Annual Convention	Reference "talking paper" on ideas for Annual Convention structure and processes	Ron Dains, President

GOOD OF THE SOCIETY		
Fall BOM Challenges	10 October 2026 at American Village 40 Days into Dues/Renewal Process	Ron Dains, ALSSAR President
Recognition of the Ladies Auxiliary	Sincere thanks for our Ladies Auxiliary for consistent support of ALSSAR Compatriots.	Ron Dains, ALSSAR President
Data Admin Position	Potential creation of Data Admin Officer position for continuity and back-up Blue Database capability	Ron Dains, ALSSAR President
JROTC Medals	Proposal for ALSSAR to fully (100%) fund JROTC Medals. Tabled pending determination of additional information from Jim Maples.	Jim Maples ALSSAR Executive Committee

GOOD OF THE SOCIETY (Continued)		
Upcoming Events	**136th Congress** @ Greenville, NC (10-16 Jul 2026) **Fall Leadership** @ Louisville, KY (2-3 Oct 2026) **ALSSAR Fall BOM** @ American Village (10 Oct 2026) **ALSSAR Annual Convention** @ Hoover, AL (19-20 Feb 2027 **NSSAR Spring Leadership** @ Louisville, KY (5-6 Mar 2027) **ALSSAR Spring BOM** @ American Village (24 April 2027) **137th Congress** @ New Orleans, LA (9-15 Jul 2027) **ALSSAR Fall BOM** @ American Village (28 Aug 2027)	Ron Dains, ALSSAR President Bill Carter, ALSSAR Vice President
Open to Issues from the Floor		Ron Dains, ALSSAR President
SAR Recessional	SEE PAGE 5	Joe Barker, ALSSAR Sergeant at Arms
Benediction		Rev. Buddy Irving, ALSSAR Chaplain
Adjournment		Ron Dains, ALSSAR President

APPENDIX . 13 MARCH 2026 STATE MEETING & CONVENTION MINUTES

Minutes
ALSSAR STATE MEETING & CONVENTION
March 14, 2026

The 2026 Annual Southern District Meeting and State Meeting was called to order by Benny Hannah at 9:00 AM.

Quorum Declaration by ALSSAR Recording Secretary, JackTribble.

Invocation given by Buddy Irving, ALSSAR Chaplain.

Colors presented and posted by State Color Guard led by Joe Barker.

The following Compatriots were in attendance: Eric Alford, Bob Anderson, Stephen Asbury, Ron Bearden, David Billings, Stephen Brouse, E.T. Brown, Arnie Burris, William Carter, Ray Cassell, Dr. Ron Dains, Jason Dallas, Alex D'Aunoy, Skip Dotherow, Rhett Ferguson, Dr. John Fulwider, Earl Gillian, Dr. Keith Goodfellow, William Greenly, Glenn Griffin, Jim Griffith, Benny Hannah, Jack Hood, Stephen Hooks, P.Z. Horton, Jay Howton, Mark Hubbs, Buddy Irving, Randal Jennings, David Jones, John Killian, William Kirkland, Phillip Kitchens, Kevin Lawrence, Michael Martin, Price Legg, Lary Leonard, Scott Maijala, Jim Maples, Jay Maples, Scott Martin, Edmon McKinley, Ken Michel, Paul Mullins, Jim Phillips, Bruce Pickette, Howard Poarch, William Sanderson, William Sauser, Michael Schenk, Eric Sloughy, Rob Stone, Jack Tribble, Tony Vets, Dr. Keith Weissinger, Don Wolfe

10:00 AM ALSSAR STATE MEETING / Benny Harris Hannah, President, ALSSAR

President Hannah welcomed everyone and introduced our Special Guests:
Allen Greenly, NSSAR Secretary General; Dr. Keith Weissinger, National Registrar General; Bruce Pickette, Past NSSAR President General; Edmon McKinley, Past NSSAR Chancellor General; Jim Maples, Past ALSSAR President; Jim Griffith, Past ALSSAR President; John Fulwider, Vice President General Southern District, NSSAR; David Billings, Past Vice President General, NSSAR; Michael Schenk, Past MSSSAR; Dr. Keith Goodfellow, MSSSAR Secretary General; P. Z. Horton, President, TNSSAR.

Call for Acceptance of the 2025 Fall BOM Minutes: Motion to Accept/Carried.

President Hannah asked Eric Alford to share information on the 2027 NSSAR Congress

The 2027 NSSAR Congress will be hosted in New Orleans, Louisiana, and will take place from July 9 to July 15, 2027. The event will be held at the New Orleans Marriott located on Canal Street. The Southern District includes the states of Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee, and this Congress will be a major gathering for SAR members from these states. Eric Alford urged our 4 Southern District Societies to have their Chapters donate to the Congress Event and encourage their Compatriots to participate as Congress Volunteers.

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Officer Reports

President's Report: Previously presented.

Vice President's Report: Ron Dains referenced a correction in his report.

Secretary's Report: Bill Carter presented the following:
Total Membership in his report was corrected to 1,100 Members in our AL Society. This represented a 12% drop from the previous year. His message was we must increase Membership.

President Hannah also stressed the need to manage the collection of Dues to assure meeting the due date and correctly reconciling the dues. He also asked all Chapters to "Keep it Exciting" as a way to maintain membership.

Ron Dains suggested writing a personal letter to inactive members to encourage them to return to active status. A personal letter will likely be more effective than an email.

Treasurer's Report: Scott Martin had no changes from what was included in the Report.

Registrar's Report:
Ron Bearden also commented on the status of our Membership including New Members, Supplementals, Applications, and stated there were not changes from what was included in his Report in the book.
Michael Martin, Past ALSSAR President, recognized Ron Bearden for his years of service and dedication to our Society as the Registrar.

Recording Secretary's Report: Jack Tribble stated a corrected digital version of the 2026 State Report would be distributed to all attendees and promised an accurate Table of Contents.

Chaplain's Report: Buddy Irving commented on this contacting families of deceased Members and urged all to make him aware of Compatriots that have passed away.

Trustees' Report: Michael Martin had no changes to from what was included in the Report.

Sergeant-at-Arms: Joe Barker said information in report was accurate and share information regarding the event activities of the Color Guard.

Chapter Reports

Birmingham Report:	No changes to Report
Black Warrior River Report:	No changes to Report.
Cahaba Coosa Report:	No changes to Report.
Cheaha Report:	No changes to Report.
Etowah Report:	No changes to Report and Stephen Hooks comment on the membership improvement they Chapter has experienced. Ron Dains praised the Etowah Chapter and particularly the hard work Chapter President Stephen Hooks had done to resurrect the Chapter. He spoke about the last Chapter Meeting which was the largest in its Chapter history.

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General Galvez Report:	No changes to Report
General J. A. Elmore Report:	No changes to Report
R. H. Lee Report:	No changes to Report
General Richard Montgomery:	No changes to Report
Little River Report:	No changes to Report
Shoals Area Report:	No changes to Report
Tennessee Valley Report:	No changes to Report
Wiregrass Report:	No Changes to Report

Committee Reports:

Trustees Report:	No Changes to Report
Endowment Report:	David Jones expressed the need to increase donations to the Endowment Fund.
ROTC/JROTC Report:	David Jones said we need more Contestant participation. Need Donations! Scholarship Enhanced Program that all need to be aware of.
Flags Report:	David Jones reminded all that ALSSAR Flags are available for $40.
Poster Contest:	Arnie Burris comment on the Winners and to see their submissions.
Veterans & Vet. Recognition:	Travis Parker spoke about the DAR Honor Flights and the need for SAR to step it up to outdo the DAR. Fewer WWII Veterans are alive but Vietnam Veterans need to be recognized. Bob Anderson spoke about being a Guardian on Honor Flights and how it is life changing. Urged participation.
American Village Liaison:	Bill Daniel was at another presentation event and wasn't at the State Meeting.
America250:	Benny Hannah spoke about the availability for Chapters to request $1,000 Grants for America250 projects. Stated there are 100 Grants available. Ron Bearden stated Little River Chapter has already applied. Joe Barker mentioned that there are also $2,500 Grants for Specific Events Grants but they have a time limit. Bob Anderson also commented that these $2,500 Grants are also available to cities.
Nominations Committee:	Edmon McKinley named the submitted nominees for this year's ALSSAR Officers and asked if there were any nominations from the floor. None submitted.

Nominations for State

President - Ronald N. Dains (*General John Archer Elm*ore)
Vice-President - William A. Carter (*Cahaba-Coosa)*
Secretary - William I. Sauser, Jr. (Richard Henry Lee)
Recording Secretary - Jack D. Tribble *(At-Large)*
Treasurer – Scott A. Martin *(Cahaba-Coosa)*
Registrar - Ronald A. Bearden *(Little River)*
Genealogist - Earl Gillian, Jr. *(General John Archer Elmore)*
Chancellor - Jay G. Maples, Esq *(Tennessee Valley)*
Historian - William T. Dean III *(General John Archer Elmore)*
Chaplain - Preston E. (Buddy) Irving *(Black Warrior River)*
Sergeant-at-Arms - Joseph D. Barker *(General John Archer Elmore)*

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Trustee and Alternate Trustee (Installed at 2026 Congress)
Trustee - Benny H. Hannah (*Tennessee Valley)*
Alternate Trustee - Ronald N. Dains (*General John Archer Elm*ore)

Endowment Fund Board
Nominee for 3-year term ending 2029 - Edmond H. McKinley, Esq (General Galvez)
Currently serving 3-year term ending 2028 - Price L. Legg *(General Galvez)*
Currently serving 3-year term ending 2027 - Walter Perry Vickers *(Wiregrass)*

Nominating Committee
Edmond H. McKinley, Esq - ALSSAR President 2019-2020
Jim Maples - ALSSAR President 2005-2006
David M. Jones - ALSSAR President 2020-2021
In the absence of Nominations from the floor, a Motion was made to Accept the Nominations/Motion Carried.

Website Committee: No Changes to Report

Youth Protection Committee: David Jones stressed the importance of completing the Youth Protection Training Module available on the NSSAR Learning University Website. This is extremely important for ALSSAR & Chapter Officers as well as any Compatriots participating in Youth-related events. If your name isn't shown in the list in the Report, you are not in compliance.

ACPA and BSSSI Reports: Don Roberson, ALSSAR Liaison to the Alabama Cemetery Preservation Alliance and the Blue Star Salute Foundation, Inc. stated the information in the Report was accurate. Jack Tribble, Recording Secretary apologized that they were not included in the digital Report that was sent out; however, they will be in the updated version.

Benny Hannah invited Keith Weissinger, NSSAR Registrar General to share his comments:

- Dr. Weissinger commented that the SAR New Members is the highest since 2017
- Total Members are 34,869 and increase of 677 or 2%.
- Retention of Members is at 89%
- The *April Reduced Applications Fees* program led to 830 New Member applications
- This year, the *Reduced Applications Fees* program will be in *July.*
- Dues Renewals were at 79%

Ron Bearden inquired whether there had been any notification distribution related to the change in the program from April to July. Per Dr. Weissinger, not yet, but it is forthcoming. Ron Bearden and Ron Dains pointed out that the required lead-up time to process the applications would necessitate having new applications by 7/15/2026 since they must be postmarked by 7/31/2026. Ron Dains also pointed out that applications approved after 9/1/2026 would be apply to the 3rd quarter of 2026 and 2027 Dues.

Allen Greenly, Secretary General, NSSAR commented on the ALSSAR State Meeting as successful & nice meeting.

Medals & Awards Presented by Jim Maples:

ALSSAR OFFICER CERTIFICATES

Distinguished Service Certificate:

Ronald N. Dain, Vice-President	(General John Archer Elmore Chapter)
William A. Carter, Secretary	(Cahaba-Coosa Chapter)
Jack David Tribble, Recording Secretary	(At-Large)
Scott A. Martin, Treasurer	(Cahaba-Coosa Chapter)
Ronald A. Bearden, Registrar	(Little River Chapter)
Earl Gillian, Jr, Genealogist	(General John Archer Elmore Chapter)
Jay G. Maples, Chancellor	(Tennessee Valley Chapter)
William T. Dean III, Historian	(General John Archer Elmore Chapter)
Preston E. (Buddy) Irving, Chaplain	(Black Warrior River Chapter)
Joseph D. Barker, Jr., Sergeant-at-Arms	(General John Archer Elmore Chapter)
David Michael Martin, Jr, ALSSAR National Trustee	(Cahaba-Coosa Chapter)

Membership Recruiting Awards:

1. The ALSSAR member with the largest number of first line sponsorships of new members approved in 2025:
   - 1st place: Ronald Allen Bearden (16) (Little River)
   - 2nd place: Ray Vaughn Cassell (12) (TN Val)
   - 3rd place (TIE): James N. Phillips (7) (Cahaba Coosa)
   - 3rd place (TIE): Jack David Tribble (7) (At-Large)

2. The ALSSAR member with the largest number of new supplemental applications approved in 2025.
   - 1st place: George Washington Royer, Jr. (5) (TN Val)
   - 2nd place (TIE): Paul Gaston Petznick (4) (Birmingham)

3. The ALSSAR Chapter with the largest number of new members approved in 2025.
   - 1st place: Tennessee Valley Chapter (29)
   - 2nd place: Birmingham Chapter (13)
   - 3rd place: General Galvez Chapter (12)

4. The ALSSAR Chapter with the largest percentage of retained membership in 2025.
   - 1st Place: Black Warrior River Chapter (97.8%)
   - 2nd Place: Little River Chapter (96.3%)
   - 3rd Place: No clear winner

5. The ALSSAR Chapter with the largest percentage of new members approved in 2025.
   - 1st Place: Birmingham Chapter (15.9%)
   - 2nd Place: General Galvez Chapter (13.8%)
   - 3rd Place: Tennessee Valley Chapter (11.9%)

6. The ALSSAR Chapter with the largest number of supplemental applications approved in 2025.
   - 1st place: Tennessee Valley Chapter (12)
   - 2nd place: Birmingham Chapter (9)
   - 3rd place: Wiregrass Chapter (6)

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Aide-to-Camp Pin:	Jack Tribble to Allen Greenly, Secretary General, NSSAR
SAR Medal of Appreciation (DAR member):	Mary Griffith
SAR Daughters of Liberty Medal:	Janice Jennings
Lydia Darragh Medal:	Iris Hannah.
Outstanding Citizenship Award:	Lydia Lanford (presented at Youth Awards Luncheon)
Bronze Color Guard Medal:	Lawrence E. Hillis
Silver Color Guard Medal:	William E. Daniel, Jr. & Donis R. Wolfe, Sr.
The Von Steuben Medal for Sustained Achievement in the NSSAR Color Guard:	Randal Scot Jennings
State Color Guard Commander's Medal:	Joseph D. Barker, Jr. – plus 2 Oak Leaf Clusters
	George Thomas Smith III
Silver Henry Knox Medal:	Robert L. Anderson, Jr.
	James Daniel Armstrong III
	Carl Arnold (Arnie) Burris
	James E. (Skip) Dotherow
	David M. Jones (Oak Leaf)
	William A. Kirkland II
	Edmon H. McKinley
	Charles Roberts (Rob) Stone
Silver Roger Sherman Medal	Ronald N. Dains & Jack D. Tribble
Meritorious Service Medal:	Scott A. Martin & Jay G. Maples
SAR State Medal of Distinguished Service:	David M. Jones
SAR Patriot Medal:	Immediate Past State President David Michael Martin, Jr.

Old Business

NSSAR Insurance: Only two State Societies declined participation in the NSSAR Insurance Program The two states were Virginia and Alabama declined. The ALSSAR insurance program renews in April and it will be reviewed again to determine which program is better. Ron Dains, the incoming ALSSAR will be coordinating that effort.

New Business

President Hannah thanked everyone for participating and attending the Meeting & Convention. The Ladies' Auxiliary was recognized and there was a round of applause for all the work that they do.

President Hannah reminded all of the Reception and Banquet that evening.

Rev. Buddy Irving, ALSSAR Chaplain offered the Benediction.

President Hannah adjourned the Meeting.

The SAR Recessional was led by Sergeant-at-Arms Joe Barker

Respectfully submitted,
Jack D. Tribble
ALSSAR Recording Secretary