

F.S.C.A.R. Orange Blossom

Letter from the Editor

Hello, I am the editor, James Hamilton. I have been the 2nd state vice president for the state of Florida this past year.

I've enjoyed reading your news, and I have enjoyed serving as the Newsletter Editor.

I am looking forward to an amazing State Conference and I hope to see you all there!

-James Hamilton, the editor



February 2022



Hello Members,

This is your State President. I want to say Thank You for all your hard work throughout the year helping our Homeless Heroes. We have delivered 3 different loads of supplies to the National Veteran Homeless Service in Cocoa Beach, FL. They were so grateful to receive our generous donations, that were donated by the C.A.R. and DAR. We are still collecting supplies and will be filling backpacks as our service unit project on Friday night of the conference. We still have state pins and challenge coins if anyone would like to purchase them to help support my state President's Project. I look forward to seeing you all at State Conference in just a few weeks. There will be a lot of activities and lots of fun. Please make sure you check out the dress code and all emails coming out before conference.

Sincerely,

Sydney Rigaud

F.S.C.A.R. State President 2021-2022

State Officer Focus

State Registrar:

Ezekiel Martin's term as the State Registrar for the Florida Society Children of the American Revolution has commenced from year 2021 to 2022. Throughout the year, he has shared strategies that F.S.C.A.R. local societies can implement to expand membership rosters for each respective society. Based on the list of new members, Zeke is proud of the progress made throughout the state and extends congratulations to all for continued growth amid challenging times. Ezekiel lives in Tallahassee, Florida with his mom, dad, cat Lily Bell, and dog Pedro. When not attending 5th grade classes at Buck Lake Elementary, he participates in Cub Scout activities, practices karate, and plays the violin. Alongside all F.S.C.A.R. members, he celebrated our shared U.S. history and appreciates learning leadership skills.



State Officer Focus

State Corresponding Secretary:

My name is Kyle Peterson and I am serving as your Florida State Society Corresponding Secretary. I enjoy golf, airplanes and fishing. I compete in US Kids Golf Tournaments. I am a member of Civil Air Patrol and have my sharpshooter badge. I just had my first glider plane flying lesson. I like to fly flight simulators. I play Microsoft Flight Simulator 2020 and my username is Vespercone79666. I have held several Florida State C.A.R. Board Positions and have been on the Florida State Board since before I could read. I look forward to Helping Homeless Veterans this year.

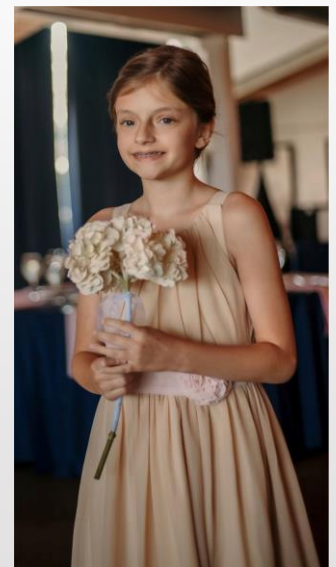
Kyle Peterson



State Officer Focus

State Curator:

Sydney Wagnstrom is the current Treasurer for Vaughan-Latham Society. She is currently the curator for F.S.C.A.R. and hopes to be the State Librarian for the upcoming year. She is a dancer that has been preparing for her first competition season this year. She also plays piano and violin, and is a member of the Amelia Island Chess Club. She is a very active member in her community helping when she can. She currently alter serves at her church, dances at community events like parades, festivals, and at a local retirement home, as well as assists in any opportunities that arise like VBS, and beach or greenway cleanups.



Colonial Night Watch/Winter Meeting Recap

This year we gathered in St. Augustine, FL on 12/5/21 for Colonial Night Watch and for the Winter Meeting. We met at the Memorial Presbyterian Church and had a service project making Christmas cards for military serving overseas. After the meeting, we got ready to march in the Colonial Night Watch. The F.S.C.A.R. joined with DAR and SAR members for this fun, annual event. We hope that if you get the opportunity to attend next year that you will come and join us!

James Hamilton, Editor

Winter Meeting and Service Project



Colonial Night Watch:



PRESENTING THE 2022-2023 SLATE OF CANDIDATES FOR STATE OFFICE:

President- No Candidate**

1st Vice President— *James Hamilton*

2nd Vice President— *Arran Corbett*

Chaplain— *Caleb Golden*

Recording Secretary— *Madeline Baugus*

Organizing Secretary— *Ezekiel Martin*

Corresponding Secretary—*Audrey Baugus*

Treasurer— *Kyle Peterson*

Registrar— *Jaelyn Tillman*

Historian— *Levi Golden*

Librarian— *Sydney Wagnstrom*

Curator— *Robert McAuliffe*

**Current Bylaws state that candidates for State President be 15 years old or older. An amendment to the bylaw is being proposed at State Conference to resolve this problem to allow a complete slate.

A special thank you goes out to the Nominating Committee!

Nominating Committee:

Emma Glazener, Chairman

Emma Robbins

James Hamilton

Kyle Peterson

William Ramirez

Rhonda Rigaud, Senior Advisor

Thank you to all the 2021-2022 State Officers!



State President: Sydney Rigaud, Treasure Coast Society

State 1st Vice President: Madison Ramirez, Tequesta Society

State 2nd Vice President: James Hamilton, Treasure Coast Society

State Chaplain: Arran Corbett, Ponce de Leon Society

State Recording Secretary: Caroline Pierce, Vaughan-Latham Society

State Corresponding Secretary: Kyle Peterson, Swamp Fox Society

State Organizing Secretary: William Ramirez, Tequesta Society

State Treasurer: Robert McAuliffe, Ponce de Leon Society

State Registrar: Ezekiel Martin, Ponce de Leon Society

State Historian: Caleb Golden, Billy Bowlegs Society

State Librarian: James Popham, Tequesta Society

State Curator: Sydney Wagnstrom, Vaughan-Latham Society

Thank you to all of the State Chairmen and Senior State Chairmen who served this year and worked so hard to judge the contests that you submitted. Good luck to all of the societies that submitted entries!

Committee	Member Chairman	Senior Chairman
American Heritage	Olivia Schopf	Beth Briand
American History	Catherine Klocinski/Colin Matthews	Nancy Briles
American Indian	Taylor Phares	Laura Lee Corbett
C.A.R. Magazine/Newsletter	James Hamilton	Rae Burch
Conservation	Courtenay Green	Amy Kassis
Government Studies	Madeline Baugus	Jenny Robbins
Kids Helping Kids	Paisley Engram	Fran Whiteman
Leadership Development	John Popham	Katy Peterson
Membership	Jaelynn Tillman/Levi Golden	Betty Stecker
Mountain Schools	Louisa Nicholson	Rachel Michel
Merit Awards, State	Emma Robbins	Liz Doeblor
Patriotic Education Program	Landon Alexander	Bobbie Schofield
Public Relations	Aislin Alexander	Kimberly Hollis Jordan
Supporting Our Troops	Lauren Glazener	Ginny Poffenberger
Veterans	Trinity Putt	Cathy Jaskiewicz
C.A.R./DAR Relations	Emma Glazener	Dawn Lemongello
C.A.R./SAR/S.R. Relations	River Phillips	Don Molloy
Awards	Audrey Baugus	Mimi Leroy-Marler
Bylaws	James Popham	Cathy Paunov

SOCIETY NEWS:

Fort Gatlin Society:

The Fort Gatlin Society has been busy the last few months. In November we participated in the Orlando Veterans Parade with the Central Florida Chapter SAR. In December we were a part of Wreaths Across America with the William P. Duval Chapter DAR. We also held a Silent Auction with the Orlando Chapter DAR to raise funds for the FL State Presidents Project and the National Project. We completed our "Helping Homeless Heroes" Project by assembling 100 drawstring bags filled with clothing and personal hygiene items for both men and women, donating 100 blankets, a smart TV, a vacuum cleaner, a microwave oven, 2 toasters, numerous games and art supplies, to the Lake Baldwin VA Homeless Veterans Center.



Fort Gatlin Society members in the Orlando Veterans Parade.



Fort Gatlin member, Ruthie, praying for a veteran at Wreaths Across America.



Part of the items delivered to the Lake Baldwin VA Homeless Vets Center and Fort Gatlin Society members assembling drawstring bags for Vets.

San Bernardo Society:

These are photos from our colonial money program in October and our participation at the Women Veterans Memorial on Veterans Day. Also included is one from our stocking Free Little Libraries for a literacy project as well as a few from the packet party in Tampa this summer that we attended.





Snowden-Horne Society:

The Snowden-Horne Society, in partnership with the Choctawhatchee Bay Chapter DAR, wrote and/or drew personal messages of love, greetings, and appreciation on approximately 500 specially designed Christmas cards.

Ari Place, Snowden-Horne C.A.R. and her mom, Ashley Place, CBCDAR, delivered cards and accompanying candy canes to the Bob Hope Retirement Village, an independent living community for retired veterans located in Shalimar, Florida.



Swamp Fox Society:

Swamp Fox Meeting November 28, 2021. Joe Motes, Fort Lauderdale Chapter of S.A.R. presented Swamp Fox with a check from his chapter. Thank you Joe and the gentleman of the Fort Lauderdale Society. With your gifts, we are able to give to others. We appreciate your generosity. Several D.A.R. members also attended this meeting. The Palm Beach Society of S.A.R. and the Garcillaso de la Vega Chapter of D.A.R. have also recently contributed to our chapter. The kids created thank you notes. We also created thank you notes for Veterans. Mr. Motes is going to take these thank you notes to the veteran's hospital.



Treasure Coast Society:

Society President Sydney Rigaud and James Hamilton attended the Winter Meeting in St Augustine and marched in the Colonial Night Watch. They also helped with the service project of making Christmas cards for military serving overseas. On 12/18/21, they participated in the Wreaths Across America with the Pelican Island Chapter DAR. James Hamilton also worked with some of the members of the NJHS at his middle school to make cards for veterans as well as Christmas cards for a local retirement home. He took the cards and Christmas cookies to the retirement home and presented them to the manager there who distributed them to the residents. They were very grateful!





Vaughan-Latham Society

Vaughan-Latham Society had a busy year. Members traveled to special events, (such as Caitlin Shoup playing flute at the Pearl Harbor 80th Anniversary, Ashley Schmelling at the Liberty Bell tapping) and learned a lot about the challenges of veterans from River Phillip's uncle Major Blalock. Ashley bought a lobster and Olivia made a donation to support F.O.A.R. veterans rowing across the ocean to bring awareness about Veteran suicide.

Members had a question and answer session with the Mayor of Fernandina Beach, about local concerns, and Senior Officers met to discuss programing.

Everyone had fun at Flamingo Lake and the Escape Room.

Members Eli Maddox and Landon Alexander got new Continental Marine Uniforms(both have parents that are Marines).

Sydney Wagnstrom attended the East Coast Packet Meeting and helped President Rigaud and 1st Vice President Hamilton pack supplies for homeless vets.

On Independence Day, River, Olivia, Sydney, and Eli walked the streets of Fernandina Beach with SAR and DAR wishing everyone a Happy Independence Day and greeted parishioners at Church with "God and Country!".

The newly established C.A.R./D.A.R. Book Club allowed members to access patriotic books, that met school reading level requirements, and offered members the opportunity to gain volunteer hours for school by cataloging, researching and shelving at the Ernie Tyson Library. Special occasions were when Olivia Schopf received the Congressional Silver Medal, and when perspective Elizabeth Springer got her pilot's license!!

Submitted by JoAnn Burns Welker, Senior President



Pearl Harbor



Eli Maddox starts Book Club

with
DAR



Ashley Schmelling



FOAR Team



C.A.R. Meeting Major Blalock Escape Rooms





**Meet with the Mayor
Present the Mayor
A C.A.R. Coin**



Sydney Wagnstrom



Do you have society news? Please send your news to floridasociety@yahoo.com so that we can include it in the next newsletter!

Shortcuts:

National website: www.nscar.org

State website: www.floridasocietycar.net

State Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/groups/floridasocietycar

National Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/groups/nscar1895