

The Orange Blossom

Florida Children of the American Revolution



Children of the American Revolution Mission Statement

The National Society of the Children of the American Revolution trains good citizens, develops leaders and promotes love of the United States of America and its heritage among young people.

N.S.C.A.R National Project - "Foundations of Freedom"

2019–2020

National President: Mackie Storage

Senior National President: Norma L. Griffin

Foundations of Freedom

This project strives to connect history and leadership. By learning about the early life of George Washington and the code of conduct he strived to live by, members across the country can learn the foundations of citizenship he developed at Ferry Farm. This project can be embraced by all members, regardless of their geographic location. Ultimately, it is an opportunity for members to learn about George Washington's upbringing, influences he had at a young age and experiences he received given the circumstances of his boyhood.



C.A.R. has two goals to support these activities.

Members will **raise funds for the reproduction Washington Family Desk at George Washington's boyhood home.** The replica desk would have been the desk that was in the parlor and used by all members of the Washington household to write letters or do school lessons. We will also support the development of Ferry Farm's web-based educational initiatives for students all over the world.

C.A.R. also has a second goal to **highlight the leadership development opportunities that the National Society Children of the American Revolution offers our members.** As our creed says, "as the boys and girls of 1776 took an active part in the War for Independence, so the boys and girls of today have a definite work to do for their Country." What better way to become good citizens than develop leadership skills that will last a lifetime?

F.S.C.A.R Florida State Theme - "Understanding Service Opportunities"

2019-2020

State President Dominique Matthews

Senior State President Virginia Poffenberger

Understanding Service Opportunities

The theme for the 2019-2020 administration is "Understanding Service Opportunities." This project supports active duty military personnel by providing donations to the USO lounge at the Orlando International Airport. The USO was founded in 1941 as a support system for the military and their families.

Today it continues to connect military families and support the needs of active duty military. The donations from this project will allow the USO to purchase all necessary items that keep the lounge operating during business hours. Around 300,000 military personnel travel through Orlando International Airport each year. For food alone, the USO spends \$2,000 a month, meaning in one year \$24,000 is spent solely on food; all of which is donated.

To support this project, pins and bags will be on sale. There are forms to purchase these on the C.A.R website and send your money to Mr. Chuck Decker. Any involvement whether it be time or money, will be greatly appreciated. Let's make this upcoming year a fantastic one!



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Membership Message

By Kacie Peterson, Florida State 2nd Vice President

Hey Florida C.A.R! Can you help the membership of C.A.R? Let's raise the number of members by telling your friends and people in your community about our organization! Ask them if they know their grandparents or their ancestors and where they are from. If they don't, ask them if they would like to find out and tell them a little about C.A.R. Try inviting them to a meeting or bringing them to one of the fun activities you do with your society and encourage them to join!

2019-2020 National Convention

Information about the upcoming national convention will be released on the N.S.C.A.R websites as soon as the information is known, so check the Facebook page and website!

Get Ready For the Florida State Seminar!

The Florida State Seminar will be held February 21-23, 2020 in Orlando, Florida. The conference registrations deadline is to be announced and so is the location of the conference. Check back on the Florida State C.A.R and on the N.S.C.A.R Facebook page website for details. Hope to see everyone there!

National Magazine

Taken from the N.S.C.A.R. Website; Support C.A.R. Section

Members, state officers, senior state officers, state chairman, and senior state chairman! If you haven't already, you should sign up to receive the N.S.C.A.R. magazine, "The Patriot's Legacy". The Children of The American Revolution Magazine is a 40-page, full color magazine published quarterly by the National Society C.A.R. It contains news of the national society as well as its state and local societies across the nation, along with informative, educational and

feature articles that pertain to historical events, places and activities of interest to its members and the general public. If you are interested in subscribing or need more information, please visit the N.S.C.A.R. Website's Support C.A.R. Section online...

https://www.nscar.org/CAR/Support_CAR/CARMagazine/NSCAR/Sales/Magazine.aspx?hkey=cbedba9b-9850-4492-b9c0-b89ae31d6d8e

State Newsletter

Please make sure to receive the State Newsletter - The "Orange Blossom". If you have not received the first issue sent back in June, please email me about getting a copy. The "Orange Blossom" is a great way of receiving information and keeping up with C.A.R. on the state level. So, don't miss out and the next issue will be coming soon!

Links

N.S.C.A.R. Website: <https://www.nscar.org/>

F.S.C.A.R. Website: www.floridasocietycar.net

Nominations and Committee Contact

Important! Members, if you are interested in being on the next C.A.R. State Board year, please contact Klairissa Putt or Ginny Poffenberger, the State Nominating Committee Chairmans for information and forms. When filling out the form, feel free to go beyond the lines provided by writing on the back of the page or attaching a separate sheet of paper. The nominating Committee will work diligently to read all prospective board member submissions and meet to nominate the best possible candidate. Please send the completed form to the Senior or Member chairman ASAP. If you have any questions, feel free to email or call any of the nomination committee members below for more information!

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Florida Colonial Night Watch

Where: St. Augustine

When: December 7, 2019

What is the Colonial Night Watch?

This year's premiere living history event, the Colonial Night Watch, will be held Friday December 6 and Saturday December 7, 2019. Friday evening, in conjunction with the National Park Service, the Saint Augustine Garrison will be participating in the "Enemy at the Gates" program at the Castillo de San Marcos. This special presentation with a very limited amount of tickets to be sold, takes visitors in small groups through various vignettes portraying historical events during the siege of 1740 in St. Augustine. As you walk around a lantern and torch lit Castillo, you may see Oglethorpe and his commanders discussing the siege, soldiers in the ravelin (fortified entrance area) discussing rumors for the impending attack, reports from the Indian allies of the Spanish on the conditions at Fort Mose, discussions on the dwindling supply situation at Castillo, reports from the Engineering Officer, a medical station, and troops preparing for a surprise attack on Fort Mose. National Park Service admission applies for this event.

Saturday December 7. This day long event, starting at 10:00am, will feature Spanish, British, and Native American historians portraying events from the years 1739 through 1784. Join hundreds of costumed re-enactors from St. Augustine's Colonial past at the Colonial Quarter on Saint George Street and the lawn of the Castillo de San Marcos. Soldiers will perform military drills and cannon and musket firing on the grounds of the Castillo and the Colonial Quarter. See a working blacksmith, a leather worker and pottery maker at the Colonial Quarter. The kids will enjoy making corn husk dolls, just as our Native Americans would have done hundreds of years ago. See our interpreters dance the Virginia Reel and join in if you would like. Chat with the

re-enactors, ask questions about Saint Augustine's storied past and take some photographs that will be treasured for years to come. The day's activities will end with a torch light parade through the streets of Saint Augustine. The parade will start at 7:00pm from the grounds of the Castillo and proceed through the City Gates. The public is encouraged to follow the march (if you have a lantern bring it along) to the Plaza de Constitution and the Governor's House. From the balcony the ceremonial Spanish Governor will greet and address the crowd. A brief ceremony will be followed by a massive musket volley. Following this "Volley of Joy" all those assembled are invited to ring in the Holiday Season with the singing of Christmas Carols. This is always a highlight of the evening and again a perfect spot for photographs.

**ST. AUGUSTINE COLONIAL
NIGHT WATCH**
Saturday, December 7, 2019

A Commemoration of St. Augustine's Colonial
History under Spanish and British Authority
1739-1784

All Day Saturday:
Black Powder and Military Arts Demonstrations
at the Colonial Quarter Museum and the
Castillo de San Marcos National Monument

The St. Augustine Colonial Night Watch
PARADE
*From the Castillo de San Marcos to the
Governor's Palace on the Plaza, Saturday at*
7:00 P.M.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
ST. AUGUSTINE | PONTE VEDRA
Florida's Historic Coast
- Hosted by the Colonial Quarter Living History Museum -
- Presented by the St. Augustine 1740 Spanish Garrison and Affiliated Participants -

Saturday's events at the Colonial Quarter, and on the Castillo lawns are free of charge and open to the public. Start your Holiday Season with an event that will create lasting memories for the entire family.

-Historic Florida Militia, Inc.

Florida Society News!

Fort Brooke Society

Fort Brooke Society participated in a Memorial Day wreath laying at The American Legion U.S.S. Tampa Post 5. Lulu Nicholson presented the wreath!



Everglades Society

The Everglades Society of CAR met at the 100-plus year old Smallwood Store in Chokoloskee, Florida and are photographed with their new society t-shirts! The society also met to learn about invasive species and abandoned exotic animals and are photographed at Kowiachobee Animal Preserve in Naples, Florida.



Ponce de Leon Society



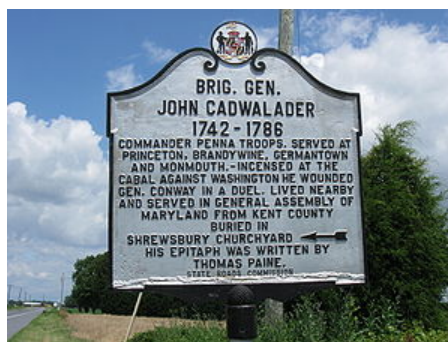
The Ponce de Leon Society met on September 15, 2019 at Goodwood Museum and Gardens in Tallahassee, Florida. The Florida Society President, Dominique Matthews, presented the program on her state project, *Understanding Service*

Opportunities, the state packet and the Colonial Night Watch in St. Augustine. There was a strong showing from the Blue Springs Society in Marianna!

Vaughan-Latham Society

The Vaughan-Latham Society proudly welcomes 2 new members, Amelia Mae Gordon (8) and Camille Marie Gordon (5).

The photo of the girls was taken at the John Cadwalader House in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The 1772 painting of John and Elizabeth Cadwalader, and daughter Anne, hangs in the Philadelphia Museum of Art. The roadside marker describes only a small part of the remarkable service of this Patriot.



Blue Springs Society

Since October 10, 2018 the Blue Springs Society has been recovering from category 5 Hurricane Michael. They are determined that the storm will not destroy them! After their August 17 meeting, they celebrated their 16th birthday at Limestone Hill, home of

Mary Robbins, with a watermelon ice cream party which of course included a big cake! Twenty of them listened "spell-bound" as Edd Sorenson, an internationally known cave diver, gave their program. He finished by giving them a short boat tour of

Merritt's Mill Pond, the lake fed by Jackson Blue Springs. In September they helped

with the D.A.R./C.A.R./S.A.R Constitution Week luncheon. President Kim Dalton called the meeting to order and gave the 9/11 Remembrance and Chaplain Gabrielle Melvin led the D.A.R. Creed!

Pictures:

Two Melvin ladies at the luncheon.

Merritt's Mill Pond is still beautiful.

Little Kenny Dalton likes the check from William Dunaway Chapter, SAR.



Swamp Fox Society

For the Swamp Fox September meeting the visited the Florida Citrus Model Train Society. SAR/DAR/CAR event. Thank you Joe Motes for inviting them and teaching them about the Trans-Continental Railroad and the history of train travel. Looks like they all had a great time! They enjoyed driving the trains and learning about switching tracks and track gauges. Kacie Peterson, society president, also introduced the State and National Projects. They also had a prospective member and her family join us as well as many CAR friends.

The Swamp Fox Society took part in packing Thanksgiving Brigade boxes for families, collecting toiletries for homeless veterans and overseas soldiers, writing letters to soldiers, learning about WWII, Celebrating the 125th birthday of C.A.R., Commemorating the 80th Anniversary of WWII at their November meeting!



Coloring Page and Word Search!



American Revolution

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Boston Tea Party	Martial Law	Treaty of Paris	Loyalists
George Washington	Inflation	Minutemen	Second Continental
Battle Of Trenton	Yorktown	Samuel Adams	French
John Adams	Benjamin Franklin	Flag	Colonies
Cannons	Bunker Hill	British	Boycott
Boston Massacare	Valley Forge	Charles Cornwallis	

Editors Message



I am proud to submit the very first newsletter of the 2019-2020 year! Thank you to all who have submitted pictures and information of what you and your societies have done so far this year! It has been so fun learning what everyone has already done this year! Thank you to my Senior 2nd Vice President, Mrs. JoAnn Welker, for her support with the newsletter! If anyone would like to be featured in the next newsletter please feel free to email me at:

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sure you are in! See you soon!

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