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President's Message

Dear Compatriots:

Happy New Year!

On December 20, 2008, I had the pleasure of joining the Lighthouse Point Chapter DAR in a holiday event at the Alexander Nininger, Jr. State Veterans' Nursing Home in Pembroke Pines, Florida. This is the second year that our Chapter has participated with the DAR in this event.

We had a holiday party for the veterans where various types of cookies and candies were provided. In addition, the Lighthouse Point Chapter DAR brought numerous items for the veterans, such as socks, shirts, and hand made lap blankets that were given out during our visit. Since a number of veterans were not able to leave their rooms, I personally visited all the veterans in their rooms, wishing them happy holidays and handing out socks and shirts to them. The veterans appreciated the attention as well as the colonial uniform that I was wearing in their honor.

On January 6, 2009, Jim Lohmeyer and I attended the memorial service for long time Chapter member, Harry Calevas who passed away on December 31, 2008. The service was well attended and Harry will be missed.

On January 24, 2009, we will be having our next Chapter meeting where FLSSAR Regional Vice President Gerry Meeks will install our new officers for 2009. Our speaker for the meeting will be Lighthouse Point Chapter DAR Regent, Debbie Duay, whose presentation is entitled "Kings, Queens, Pilgrims, and Tavern Keepers:

Who's in Your Family Tree?" This informative talk discusses other major hereditary societies and the requirements to join. It will include examples of their certificates and insignia. You might discover an additional organization that you might want to join.

I appreciate the honor of being your president in 2008 and would like to personally give my thanks to all the officers and members who assisted me.

I look forward to seeing everyone there.

In patriotism,

Ted Duay
President



NEXT MEETING - JANUARY 24, 2009

***** FUTURE MEETING DATES *****

FEBRUARY 28, 2009

MARCH 28, 2009

APRIL 25, 2009

MAY 23, 2009

"Flaming Pit"

1150 N. Federal Hwy., Pompano Beach
(11 blocks north of Atlantic Blvd.)

Time: 11:30AM social gathering; Lunch at noon

Buffet luncheon - \$16.00

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Dr. Harry Powell Calevas, died at his residence in Pompano Beach on New Year's Eve. He was ninety-four. A native of Tidewater, VA, he eschewed the family tradition of attending William and Mary choosing instead the Case Institute of Technology, graduating with a B.S. degree. He then went on to obtain a Masters and Doctorate in Business Administration from Cal State University. During WW II, he commanded oil tankers and freight ships, receiving the Croix de Guerre honor from the grateful French and Canadian governments for bravery under heavy dive bomber attacks when he enabled the troops of the 17th, 42nd, 112th Battalions and others of the 3rd Division to come safely aboard. For a while Dr. Calevas practiced International Patent Law in Chicago. Following this, he managed the Greymar Hotel moving to Minneapolis as manager of the original Radisson, then back to Chicago to join the famous John D. MacArthur as his Vice President in charge of his investments worldwide. Dr. Calevas has written nine books on various phases of hotel and condominium management and many articles in trade magazines, but his only work of fiction is entitled *The Wandering Moon*. For the past twenty years Dr. Calevas has been President of the Florida Board of Trade and has been an active real estate exchanger. Moreover, he has had a seat on the London Exchange and Florida Real Estate Exchanges. He was a member of the Sons Of The American Revolution and is listed in the *Who's Who in American Finance and Business* as well as internationally. He is survived by his wife Ethel "Jennie" Steele Calevas, a stepson Clair M. Edmondson, as well as his sister Dr. Emma Jean Westcot of Hobe Sound, FL. Additionally he is survived by two granddaughters, Heather White and Tracey Dougherty both of Murrayville, GA as well as several great-grandchildren.

Report on Revolutionary War sites

The National Park Service has completed and submitted to Congress its report on Revolutionary War sites including which ones are endangered and which should/could be preserved. You can find the complete report on the web at <http://www.nps.gov/history/hps/abpp/Rev1812Study.htm>. Once page opens in your browser click on the link at the left to load the report. The sites are listed on pages 53-61. The information may be of interest to your membership and may provide opportunities for a chapter meeting topic.

February 13-15, 2009, "Revolutionary Days" Celebrating the 230th Anniversary of Battle of Kettle Creek, Washington, Wilkes County, Georgia

At the end of these notes is pasted the information and registration form sent by the Georgia SAR Historical Sites Committee.

February 28, 2009, The Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution Commemoration

The Brevard Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution along with the Florida Society of the SAR will be celebrating the 226th Anniversary of the Last Naval Battle of the American Revolution at the Canaveral Port Authority building, 445 Challenger Rd, Cape Canaveral, Florida. As usual, the Color Guard will be stepping off at 10AM promptly and the ceremonies will end by 11:30AM. There will be special seating set aside for Color Guard members and for the public. Cold drinks will be given away FREE!

We invite you and/or your Color Guard to participate in this national SAR event. Flag steamers will be giving away to every Color Guard Unit. There will also be a Wreath Laying Ceremony. On Friday night there will be a complimentary social hour from 5-6PM on the first floor of Country Inns and Suites, 9009 Astronaut Blvd., (A1A) Cape Canaveral. Afterwards a Southern Style BAR-B-Q Dinner Buffet will be served at 6:30PM. It will contain Pork, Chicken & Beef and all the fixings. Price is \$22.00 per person - also at the Country Inns.

Please contact Compatriot Ben DuBose @ 321-952-2928 or email him at BrevardSAR@cfl.rr.com to confirm your attendance or for any further information. Details can also be found at <http://www.flssar.org/LNBAR.com>. The turnout in the last few years has been wonderful. We hope additional chapters will be represented this year.

May 8-9, 2009, The 225th Anniversary of the Battle of Pensacola Commemoration and Reenactment. We hope you'll make plans to attend the commemoration of the 1781 engagement at Pensacola that resulted in the British surrender of Florida. The two day event, May 8-9, 2009, includes:

May 8th 9:00-12:00 – Children's Day at Ft. George
6:00-8:30 – "Torches in the Night", historic tour at 8 downtown locations

May 9th 9:00-11:15 -Battle reenactment at Ft. George
12:30-1:30 – Celebration Luncheon

“Revolutionary Days” February 13, 14 & 15, 2009

Celebrating the 230th Anniversary of Battle of Kettle Creek Washington, Wilkes County, Georgia

The Georgia Society, Samuel Elbert & Athens Chapters, Sons of the American Revolution and Kettle Creek Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution invite all CAR, DAR, SAR, SR & SOC Societies and Chapters, Patriotic and Historical Organizations to participate in the following activities:

Friday, Feb 13th

- **3:00pm - “Heroes Of Kettle Creek 1779-1782”** Presentation by author, Christine Swager and display of Kettle Creek Poster Contest entries at Mary Willis Library, Washington.
- **5:00pm – Hospitality Hour at Wisteria Hall**, 225 E. Robert Toombs Avenue, Washington.
- **6:30pm - Dinner at Pope Community Center**, 48 Lexington Avenue, Washington; \$25 per person; Make check payable to Georgia Society SAR and mail to George Thurmond; 120 Cannonade Drive; Alpharetta, GA. 30004, prior to January 21.

Saturday, Feb 14th

- **8:30am – Battle of Kettle Creek Video** – Followed by discussion by Army historians, Walt Andre & Steven Rauch at Mary Willis Library, Washington.
- **10:00am - 12:30pm – Parade & Living History** - Assemble at Mary Willis Library and proceed to Wilkes County Court House. George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, Nancy Hart and many other Colonial re-enactors will perform in Washington Town Square.
- **12:00 -1:30pm - BBQ Lunch** – Location and cost to be determined
- **10:30am- 12:30pm – Battleground Walking Tours** - Trace the steps of Patriots and Loyalists as they fought on February 14, 1779. Led by Army historians at Kettle Creek Battleground
- **2:00pm - Battleground Memorial Ceremony** - Pageantry at Kettle Creek Monument on War Hill, including presentation of wreaths and musket salutes. Battle of Kettle Creek re-enactment.

Sunday, Feb 15th

- **9:00am - Colonial Church Service** - Smyrna United Methodist Church, 100 S. Smyrna Church Rd, Washington; 5 miles east of Washington off U.S. Hwy. 378.toward Lincolnton.
- **11:30am - Elijah Clarke Grave Ceremony and Living History Presentations** - To recognize Elijah Clarke’s part in the Battle of Kettle Creek. Elijah Clark State Park, 2959 McCormick Highway, Lincolnton; 7 miles northeast of Lincolnton on U.S. Hwy. 378.

Submit request to participate in Wreath Presentation ASAP, but no later than January 21, 2009, to ensure listing in the Ceremony program.

Organization _____

Name & Title of Presenter _____

Street or P.O. Box _____

City/State/Zip _____

Email address: _____ Telephone _____

Mail: Robert Hale; P.O. Box 6121, Athens, GA 30604; or Email: sonsofdixie@bellsouth.net

Kettle Creek Battleground is located 10 miles from Washington off SR 44. In the event of rain, Saturday activities will be held in the Pope Community Center, Washington. Call Washington-Wilkes Chamber of Commerce at 706-678-2013 for directions and additional information.

Lodging – Washington: Fitzpatrick Hotel 706-678-5900; Jameson Inn 706-678-7925; Wisteria Hall 706-678-7779; Southern Elegance B&B 877-678-4775; **Thomson:** Holiday Inn Express 706-595-6500; Best Western White Columns 706-595-8000

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