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### *President's Message*



Compatriots,

Our members are descendants of the patriots of the Revolutionary War. Those patriots served in the armed forces or provided some other support to the glorious cause. The Louisiana Society and our Eleven Chapters honor our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities, and educating and inspiring future generations about the founding principles of our Nation.

We provide recognition for public service. Our Society and Chapters present awards each year to law enforcement officers, public safety officers, and other citizens who exemplify the best civic traditions of our nation. This includes young men and women who are outstanding high school students of history, Eagle Scouts, JROTC and ROTC cadets, Midshipmen, and Sea Cadets.

We encourage civic achievement by Louisiana students at all levels through our Poster, Brochure, Essay, and Oration contests. Winners are selected at the Chapter and State level. State level winners may have the opportunity to participate as a National finalist in each of our contests.



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Many of our members are also veterans and all of us honor, support, and provide service to the men and women who served our country in uniform. Some of our members dress in Revolutionary War uniforms and serve in our color guards. These color guards pay tribute at annual events such as the Avenue of Flags in Lake Charles and the Battle of Baton Rouge Commemoration.

We seek to recognize individuals and businesses who engage in proper flag etiquette when displaying the U.S. flag. We achieve this recognition through the issuance of certificates to the awardees.

Lineal societies like ours were formed because of the renewed patriotic interest in the Revolution following our country's Centennial Anniversary in 1876. The approach of 2026 and the Semiquincentennial, 250th, Anniversary of our nation's founding make this the perfect time to commit ourselves to the principles of our patriot ancestors. We are working to find ways to honor our nation's history and work with organizations whose goals are aligned with ours.

I am honored to serve as the Louisiana Society's 95th President. I first joined the Sons of the American Revolution by helping my father to complete his application. He had worked on it for many years but could not locate a specific proof that he thought was required. Knowledgeable members volunteered their time to help me prove our lineage and my father, son, and I joined at that same time. We have volunteers willing to do the same for others who are interested in joining our Society.

Best Regards,

Russ Godwin

Checkout our new FACEBOOK PAGES  
—Go Like them—

LASSAR

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61560956042994>

America 250 Louisiana

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61560152181604>



# **LASSAR FALL MEETING & BATTLE OF BATON ROUGE COMMEMORATION**

**FRIDAY/SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 13-14**

**RSVP Requested**

## **PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

### **FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 13:**

Overnight Attendees: Check In Drury Inn and Suites 7939 Essen Park, Baton Rouge, LA 70809. A block of rooms has been arranged for Friday night at a LASSAR event rate of \$144.00. The rate includes 2 Queen Beds Deluxe, an evening Kickback food and beverage service (should satisfy most appetites, saving the cost of an outside meal), a full self-served hot breakfast Saturday morning, complimentary popcorn and soda, and free wi-fi and parking. Make reservations ASAP using this link:

<https://www.druryhotels.com/bookandstay/newreservation/?groupno=10113922> or call 800-325-0720 referencing group number 10113922.

**MEET AND GREET 5:30-7:00 DRURY INN AND SUITES.** The Hotel Kickback is complimentary for Register guests. Non-registered SAR guests may participate in the Kickback by paying a fee of \$12.99 at the hotel's front desk. Please note that this fee does not include the alcoholic beverages.

### **SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 14:**

Breakfast: 7:00-8:00 a.m. Complimentary self-served hot breakfast for Registered guests. Non-registered SAR guests may participate in the breakfast by paying a fee of \$10.99 at the hotel's front desk.



8:00 a.m. Color Guard Muster

Capitol Park Museum, Front Entrance. The Capitol Park Museum is located at 660 North Fourth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802.

- Capitol Park Museum is a 10 to 15 minute drive from the Drury Inn. Please allow time for parking.

9:00 a.m. Battle of Baton Rouge Commemoration: Capitol Park Museum, Front Entrance.

- Brief Welcome
- Procession / Wreath Laying

**The capitol grounds have been used as military facilities since the early 1700s. The area was first inhabited by the French, after being discovered by French explorer Pierre Lemoyne, Sieur d'Iberville around 1700. Baton Rouge was ceded to the British in 1763. The British first fortified the area in 1779, and called it Ft. Richmond. In September 1779, Bernardo de Galvez and his Spanish Louisiana Troops defeated the British and obtained the surrender of three forts on the Mississippi River: Bayou Manchac, Baton Rouge, and Natchez.**

10:30 a.m. LASSAR FALL MEETING COMMENCES AT THE DRURY INN AND SUITES Reserved meeting room:

- Working lunch: Catered box lunches from Newk's, including a whole Newk's Club sandwich (ham, turkey, bacon, Swiss and cheddar cheese, lettuce, and tomatoes), potato salad, fruit cup, and cookie. Two soft drinks will be arranged for each registered meeting attendee, plus complimentary water (from a dispenser – not bottled water) will be available.

2:30 p.m. Estimated meeting adjournment.

## MEETING REGISTRATION

Meeting registration fee \$35 / person (includes meeting room, two soft drinks and box lunch).

**Ladies Auxiliary may reserve a box lunch and a soft drink for \$20 / person.**

- Additional drinks and bottled water may be purchased from the hotel's market for \$3.00.
- The Ladies' Auxiliary may meet in the hotel dining area (it's rather large and won't likely be active during the meeting times). As an alternative to the catered box lunch, there are a couple of restaurants within walking distances, a Chinese restaurant and Jimmy John's.
- It may be of interest to know that the LSU Burden Center and Museum is located across the street from the Drury Hotel, but not within comfortable walking distance as one must cross the busy Essen Lane and the museum is set back well inside the property.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING REGISTRATION FORM TO REGISTER:

COMPATRIOT NAME: (for meeting and box lunch):

\_\_\_\_\_ \$35

- COMPATRIOT CHAPTER NAME:

\_\_\_\_\_

LADIES'S AUXILIARY NAME / BOX LUNCH (optional):

\_\_\_\_\_ \$20

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO GPT-SAR – MAIL YOUR CHECK AND REGISTRATION FORM TO NORMAN BACON ASAP, BUT NO LATER THAN AUGUST 5 (due to deadlines with hotel).

**Mail registration checks to: Norman Bacon, 5345 Halls Ferry Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70817.**

# Show your support

for the 2027 SAR Annual Congress, hosted by the Southern District with your purchase of either the Oliver Pollock pin (\$25) or the official 2027 Congress medal (\$45)



You may also purchase a Benefactor bar (\$955) to be added to your Southern District Congress Medal. \$1,000 for Medal with Bar.



**Please add \$5 for postage & handling**

Checks made to Southern District SAR and mailed to  
Tony L. Vets  
504 Oak St.  
Colfax, LA 71417

Here Past Registrar General Tony Vets, is pinning on the New 137th Congressional Southern District Benefactor Medal for the 2027 Congress to be held in New Orleans, LA.

The Southern District Congressional Committee want to thank our new VPG David Billings for his support of the 2027 Congress by purchasing the Benefactor Medal set.

The Southern District Congressional Committee thanks and emphasizes that the Leadership of the Ladies Auxiliary in LA, Mrs. Karen Vets is the one who brought forth this idea of adding Benefactor to the medal set.





To view the By-Laws of the Louisiana Society  
Sons of the American Revolution  
Check out the following link:

[https://www.lassar.org/uploads/3/4/3/4/34343076/lassar\\_bylaws\\_april\\_2024.pdf](https://www.lassar.org/uploads/3/4/3/4/34343076/lassar_bylaws_april_2024.pdf)



*Annual State Meeting Highlights  
Lafayette, LA  
April 12-13, 2024*



State President  
Randall Domingue  
presents Compatriot  
Jeff Nolen with the  
Liberty Medal



Compatriot Dr.  
Derrick Spell  
presents  
Compatriot  
Jerry Madden  
& Compatriot  
Mike Deeter  
with the Gold  
250th  
Anniversary of  
the American  
Revolution  
Medal





# Annual State Meeting Highlights

## Lafayette, LA

### April 12-13, 2024

## State Outreach Education Winners

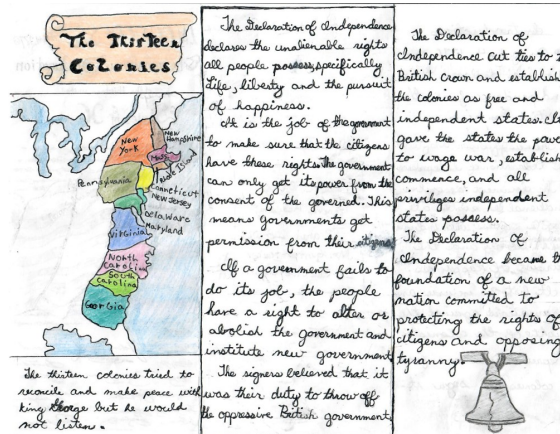
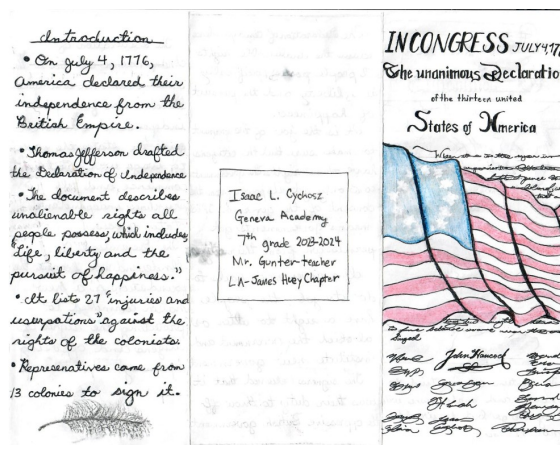


A third grade student from the Dr. Enemund Meullion Chapter, Audrey Birinyi, won the State's Elementary School Poster Contest

Other State Outreach Education Winners are:

William Terrence Davis — State Winner of the George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Contest

Grace Pellegrin — State Winner of the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest



A 7th grade student from the James Huey Chapter, Isaac Cychosz, won the State's Sgt. Moses Adams Memorial Middle School Brochure Contest.

# Annual State Meeting Highlights Grave Markings Lafayette, LA April 12-13, 2024

**PATRIOTS HONORED:**  
 Romain De la Fosse (P-145640)  
 Laurent Dupre (P-15587)  
 Joseph LaMirande (P-23957)  
 Andre Mondou (P-25085)  
 Pierre Primeaux (P-273862)  
 Pierre Savole (P-284909)

A Special Thanks to those who made this event possible:  
 Russ Godwin (Event Co-Director)  
 Dr. Derrick Spell (Master of Ceremonies)  
 Gary Stansbury, Jr. (SAR Pledge & The American's Creed)  
 Mitch Pratt (America 250 Speaker)  
 Cameron and Jackson Lejeune (Research & Patriot Biographies)  
 All Color Guard Participants

Event Director: Bill Lejeune  
 Event Sponsor: General Philomen Thomas Chapter

**PATRIOT GRAVES MARKING**  
 1:00 PM  
 13 April 2024  
 Church Landing / Yellow Fever Cemetery  
 1700 West Hill Street  
 Washington, LA 70570  
 Marker GPS Location: 30.616273 -92.062047

**PROGRAM EVENTS**

- Call to Order at 2:00 PM
- Presentation of Colors
- Invocation
- Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag
- SAR Pledge
- The American's Creed
- Welcome and Introduction of Dignitaries
- Introduction of the Patriot's descendants present
- America 250 Briefing
- Reading of the Patriot Names and Biographies
- Presentation of Wreaths
- SAR Recessional
- Benediction
- Retirement of Colors

**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."

**THE AMERICAN'S CREED**  
 "I believe in the United States of America, as a government of the people, for the people, whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect union, one and inseparable established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes. I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it, to support its Constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies."

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

**PATRIOTS HONORED:**  
 Michel Prudhomme (P-274129)  
 Fabien Richard (P-278266)  
 Pierre Richard (P-278271)  
 Victor Richard (P-278273)  
 Michel Ritter (P-279577)

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 All Color Guard Participants

Event Director: Bill Lejeune  
 Event Sponsor: Oliver Pollock Chapter

**PATRIOT GRAVES MARKING**  
 2:00 PM  
 13 April 2024  
 St. Landry Catholic Church Cemetery  
 1020 N. Main St.  
 Opelousas, LA 70570  
 Marker GPS Location: 30.542626 -92.079208

**PATRIOTS HONORED:**  
 Phillip Fontenot (P-160017)  
 Pierre Antoine Fruge (P-162637)  
 Joseph Guillory (P-171646)  
 Jean Baptiste Janeau (P-224101)  
 Francois Pitre (P-335773)

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 Event Sponsor: LASSAR

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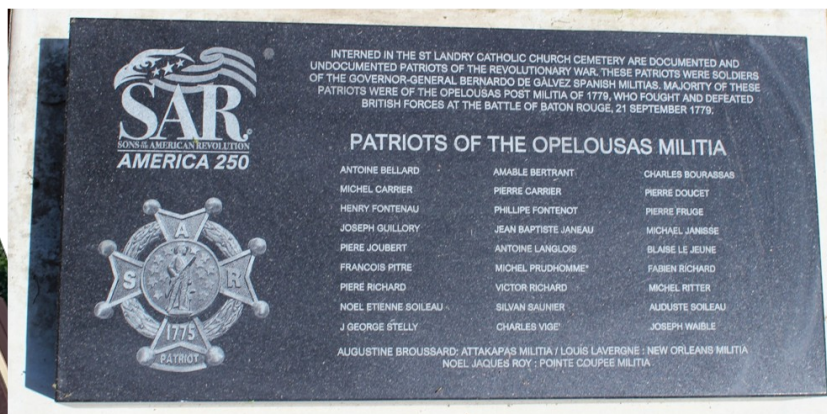
Color Guard:  
 Steve Kubicek,  
 Paul Bergeron,  
 Ted Brode, &  
 Steve Ray



# Annual State Meeting Highlights

## Grave Markings

Lafayette, LA  
April 12-13,



St. Landry Church Cemetery  
Opelousas, LA



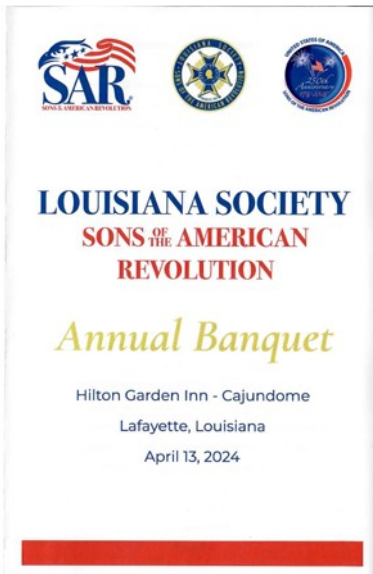
Church Landing/Yellow River Cemetery  
Washington, LA



# Annual State Meeting Highlights

## Lafayette, LA

### April 12-13, 2024



Southern District VP General Steve Gaines brings greetings.

Welcome and Greetings
Invocation
Moment of Silence for our Departed Compatriots
Posting of the Colors
Pledge of Allegiance
The American's Creed
Pledge to the SAR
Blessing of the Meal
Enjoy Dinner
Introduction of Special Guests
Southern District VPG Gaines Greetings
Alabama Society President Greetings
Mississippi Society President Greetings
Tennessee Society President Greetings
LSDAR Regent Gott Greetings
Keynote Speaker Mr. Trent Angers
Awards and Recognitions
Parting Comments by President Domingue
Installation of New Officers of the LA SAR
Presentation of the Donation from the Ladies Auxiliary
Announcement of Silent Auction Winners
Comments by Incoming President
Retirement of the Colors
Benediction
SAR Recessional
Adjourn



Mississippi Society State President John McBride brings greetings



David Billings, Alabama Society President brings greetings.



LSDR State Regent Cheryl Gott brings greetings and presents State President Randall Domingue with the Hannah White Arnett Medal for his assistance to Louisiana Society DAR

*Annual State Meeting Highlights  
Lafayette, LA  
Banquet Saturday, April 13, 2024*



Compatriot Dr. Derrick Spell receives the Good Citizenship award from State President Randall Domingue

Arleen Domingue receives the Lydia Darragh Medal in recognition for her support to SAR by State President Randall Domingue



Compatriots Ed Chapman and John Francois, Coordinators of the State Meeting were presented with Certificates of Appreciation by State President Randall Domingue

*Annual State Meeting Highlights  
Lafayette, LA  
Banquet Saturday, April 13, 2023*



KEYNOTE SPEAKER  
**TRENT  
ANGERS**

JOURNALIST - BOOK AUTHOR - BOOK EDITOR - PUBLIC SPEAKER

Mr. Trent Angers is a veteran journalist who has authored countless news and feature stories, as well as seven books, in a writing and editing career that has spanned five decades.

Three of these books are biographies of American heroes from South Louisiana about whom he will speak this evening.

Mr. Angers is the editor and publisher of Acadian House publishing, a book publishing company based in Lafayette that has been operating for 45 years.

For 35 years, he was the editor and publisher of *Acadiana Profile Magazine*.

Mr. Angers was twice nominated for the Nobel Prize in Literature (2000 and 2001) for his work on the biography of Vietnam War hero Hugh Thompson.

He is also a Third Order Franciscan and a member of the Secular Franciscan Order.

Trent Angers, veteran journalist and author was guest Speaker for the Banquet. His topic was American heroes from South Louisiana.



Compatriot Russ Godwin receives the Distinguished Service Medal from State President Randall Domingue



Rhonda Godwin presents Compatriot Ed Chapman with the "Quilt of Valor" Award for his service to our country.



Southern District VP Steve Gaines presents State President Randall Domingue with the Henry Knox Achievement Medal in recognition of outstanding contribution, achievement, accomplishment, deed, performance, or effort that advances the mission, governance, programs, or activities of the National Society.

*Annual State Meeting Highlights  
Lafayette, LA  
Banquet April 13, 2024*



Newly elected State President Russ Godwin presents the Past Presidents medal to Randall Domingue



Compatriot Russ Godwin is sworn in as the 2024-2025 NSSAR State President. Below State Officers are sworn in.



Cheryl Morock & Ladies Auxiliary President Karen Vets present the society with a check for \$3,000.00 to aid in funding the State Society's Youth Awards.



Dr. Jim & Cheryl Morock present the society with a \$900.00 check to fund the Society's Youth Awards

# *What is the meaning of the Pledge of Allegiance?*

<b>I Pledge Allegiance</b>	I promise to be faithful and true (promise my Loyalty)
<b>to the Flag</b>	to the emblem that stands for and represents
<b>of the United States</b>	all 50 states and territories, each of them individual, and individually states represented on the flag
<b>of America</b>	yet formed into a union of one nation
<b>and to the Republic</b>	and I also pledge my loyalty to the government that is itself a Republic, a form of government where the people are sovereign.
<b>for which it stands,</b>	this government also being represented by the Flag to which I promise loyalty
<b>one Nation under God,</b>	The 50 individual states are united as a single Republic under the Divine providence of God.
<b>Indivisible,</b>	and cannot be separated
<b>with Liberty</b>	The people of this Nation being afforded the freedom to pursue “life, liberty and the happiness”
<b>and Justice</b>	And each person entitled to be treated justly, fairly and according to proper law and principle
<b>for All.</b>	The principles afforded to every loyal American regardless of race, religion, creed, or any other criteria.

Courtesy of Ottawa County, Ohio—<https://www.co.ottawa.oh.us/DocumentCenter/View/681/The-Pledge-of-Allegiance-PDF>



*One Nation under God—there is no comma or pause*

*"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."*

The Pledge of Allegiance dates back to 1892. The words "under God" weren't added until 1954. We usually say the pledge like this:

*"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation (pause) under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."*

However, notice there is no comma between "one Nation" and "under God." We say the pledge many times without giving much thought to what it stands for or its **punctuation**.

The pledge is to be said standing (if able) facing the American Flag. If you are in uniform (male or female) render a hand salute. If in civilian attire place your right hand over your heart. A male wearing a hat should remove it and hold it by your right hand and place over your left shoulder causing your right hand to be over your heart. Females wearing hats are not required to remove them.





*Atchafalaya Chapter, LASSAR  
Thibodaux, LA*

*In Memory of T. J. Blanchard*

*March 20, 2024*

*National Number 213904*



On March 20, 2024, The Atchafalaya chapter lost a true patriot with the passing of T.J. Blanchard. T.J. was one of the chapter’s leaders and served as the chapter’s registrar, genealogist, and historian. T.J. was always willing to lead the various patriotic projects that the chapter initiated. In particular, he was responsible for the project at the Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary to recognize the patriots from the Valenzuela territory who served under General Galvez during the Revolutionary War era.

Among his many awards was the chapter’s Meritorious Service Medal and Distinguished Service Medal. He was a true gentleman and never met a stranger. The chapter will miss his presence and the officers will miss his advice and counsel. May he rest in peace.





*Atchafalaya Chapter, LASSAR  
Thibodaux, LA*



The Chapter's Independence Day celebration also included awarding the Roger Sherman Medal to compatriot Barry Aucoin in appreciation for and recognition of outstanding service to the SAR. The chapter was treated to a presentation by Gloria Toth about using DNA to trace ancestry. Ms. Toth was adopted and later learned that both of her biological parents were also adopted. Ms. Toth learned about all of the intricacies in using DNA and discovered her biological family and lineage. We were fortunate to have her share her experiences and knowledge about the DNA related tools used to trace ancestry.

*Attakapas Chapter, LASSAR  
Lafayette, LA*



**Lafayette student Grace Pellegrin competed with three other Lafayette, LA area students during the Attakapas Chapter's annual Joseph S. Rumbaugh Patriotic Orations competition. She won first place at the Chapter and at the LASSAR State level and her entry has been forwarded to NSSAR for national judging. Ms. Pelligrin is a student at the Lafayette Episcopal High School and is pictured with Attakapas Chapter Orations Chairman Ambassador Joseph Grover Rees**



*Attakapas Chapter, LASSAR  
Lafayette, LA*



***On May 11, 2024, Attakapas Chapter Compatriot John Francois, presented the SAR JROTC Bronze medal and Certificate to Outstanding Army JROTC Cadet Kaiden Alexander during the JROTC annual awards ceremony at the Breaux Bridge Career and Readiness Center in Breaux Bridge, Louisiana.***

*Attakapas Chapter, LASSAR  
Lafayette, LA*



On May 29, 2024, the LASSAR Attakapas Chapter conducted its monthly meeting at the Lafayette Petroleum Club. During that meeting, the **Acadiana Veterans Honor Guard (AVHG)** was awarded the Chapter's Good Citizenship Certificate for the funeral services it provides for deceased veterans and other ceremonial events. The AVHG has also partnered with Hospice of Acadiana. Founded in 2014, AVHG performs almost 200 funerals and other services annually. Pictured with Attakapas Chapter Vice President Bill McCain is Compatriot Harold Borel (AVHG Commander) at center and his Deputy Commander, Jim Weber on left. AVHG is an independent veterans service organization with a IRS charitable organization designation.



On May 24, 2024, Attakapas Chapter President Ed Chapman presented to Miss Grace Pellegrin the state-level medal, certificate and a \$500 award for having won first place in the Louisiana State Society's Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest. Miss Pellegrin is a junior at Episcopal School of Acadiana in Lafayette, Louisiana and the subject of her oration was, "The Fight for Freedom: Hannah Till". The presentation was made during a high school full student assembly on the school campus

*Attakapas Chapter, LASSAR  
Lafayette, LA*



***On Memorial Day 2024, LASSAR Compatriots Angers, Chapman, Francois, Hohlmann, Ranney and applicant Dan Hare joined the Galvez DAR Chapter during a Patriot Grave Marking at Lafayette's Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist Cemetery. The three Patriots recognized were Jean Baptiste Broussard (1727-1825), Pierre Dugas (1736-1826) and Jean Mouton - founding father of Lafayette, LA (1754-1834). Each Patriot was a member of the Louisiana Attakapas Post Militia under the military leadership of Louisiana Governor-General Bernardo Vincente de Galvez y Madrid.***

*Benjamin Tennille Chapter, LASSAR  
Monroe, LA*



James Huey Chapter President Ted Brode speaks to the Chapter on the Revolutionary War in Louisiana. The Chapter meets the first Friday of the month at the Piccadilly Cafeteria in Monroe.



**4th of July Celebration & Parade at Triangle Park, Monroe, LA**

Members of Benjamin Tennille Chapter LASSAR of Monroe, along with James Huey Chapter LASSAR of West Monroe, Chief Tusquahoma Chapter LSDAR of West Monroe and Fort Miro Chapter LSDAR of Monroe handed out candy and more than 350 American flags to the children and parents attending the celebration & parade.



*Dr. Enemund Meullion Chapter, LASSAR  
Alexandria, LA*



President Compton presented the 2023 Dr. Enemund Meullion Chapter Americanism Poster Contest Winner Aubrey Birinyi with a certificate and a \$50 check. Birinyi's topic was Lexington & Concord – the shot heard round the world – and she discussed how “the shot” continues.



Dr. Enemund Meullion Chapter President A. Gervais Compton presented their guest speaker LSUA professor Jim Rogers, Ph.D., with a certificate of appreciation and a LASSAR mug for his presentation on the ancestry and the life of President James K. Polk.

*Dr. Enemund Meullion Chapter, LASSAR  
Alexandria, LA*

*Grave Marking for Turner Bynum  
Old Rapides Cemetery Pineville, LA  
May 4, 2024*

Turner Bynum served as a Captain in the Greensville County, Virginia, Militia during the Revolutionary War. In that capacity, he was in a volunteer corps that formed the advance in the siege of Little York, which resulted in the surrender of British General Charles Cornwallis and his forces. He served many years in the Virginia legislature before moving to Northampton County, North Carolina. He made his way to Rapides Parish, Louisiana, where he died on September 12th, 1820.



*Dr. Enemund Meullion Chapter, LASSAR  
Alexandria, LA*



Dr. Enemund Meullion chapter presented an SAR Flag Certificate to Nick and Linda Carrozza, Critics Choice Restaurant, in Alexandria on May 8, 2024.

Pictured, L-R, are Nick, Linda, Jim Morock (Flag Chairman), and Brent Morock (Secretary-Treasurer-Registrar).

*Dr. Enemund Meullion Chapter, LASSAR  
Alexandria, LA*



Guest speaker Michael Wynne spoke about General George Custer's time in Alexandria. Chapter President A. Gervais Compton, Jr., presented Wynne with a Certificate of Appreciation and a LASSAR mug.

Aubrey Birinyi received a Certificate and a check from the LASSAR for winning the Americanism Poster Contest at the LASSAR Board of Directors Meeting on 13 April 2024. Her poster was sent to NSSAR to be judged at the Annual Congress.



Diane Lawton received the SAR Fire Safety Award on behalf of her husband Michael J. Lawton, who passed away in 2006. Michael was a founding member of the Holiday Village Fire Department, serving as president for 18 years, and remained an active member of the department throughout his life.

J. Eric Irby presented the SAR Law Enforcement Award to APD Chief Chad Gremillion. Gremillion began his law enforcement career at Alexandria Police Department in 1995. From 1999-2023, he served as a Louisiana State Trooper in Troop E. On 5 April 2023, Alexandria Jacques Roy appointed Gremillion as Interim Chief.



*Galvez Chapter, LASSAR  
Shreveport, LA*



*The Webb Family is presented Compatriot Scott Webb's SAR Membership Certificate by President Jerry Madden.*

Compatriot Webb was unable to be present to receive his SAR membership certificate so his family was invited to receive his certificate. Six members of the Webb family attended.

Compatriot Webb's Patriot is Antonio Gil Y'Barbo who made impressive contributions to the establishment of the United States.



Chairman Richard Corbett & Chapter President Jerry Madden present the America 250 Gold Award & Certificate to Cindy Madden & Fred Ott.



Left: Compatriot Bill Nichols receives the America 250 Bronze Medal Award from America 250 Chairman Richard Corbett



Right: Compatriot John Atkins receives the America 250 Bronze Medal Award from America 250 Chairman Richard Corbett

*Galvez Chapter, LASSAR  
Shreveport, LA*



Compatriot Gayle McFarland receives the America 250 Bronze Medal Award from America 250 Chairman Richard Corbett



The Chapter presents Life-Saving Medal Award to Sgt. Tewell of the Minden Police Department. Sgt. Tewell proved life-saving support to Webster Parish Sheriff's Officer Sgt. Aaron Barnes on January 3, 2024. Sgt. Tewell's actions were in keeping with the high standards for first responders. Chapter President Jerry Madden & Compatriot Dr. Richard Campbell present the award



The Galvez Chapter & the Dorcheat-Bistineau LSDAR Chapter conducted the annual Wreath Laying for Patriot Jethro Butler on April 16. Held in the Hebron Cemetery in Claiborne Parish, those attending were Regent Cindy Madden, Compatriots Joe Averett, Clyde Hightower, Mike Deeter, and Chapter President Jerry Madden



Teaming with the local DAR Chapter, the Chapter provided "Goody Bags" to 3 Veterans Homes. Pictured L-R: Jerry Madden, Donna Sutton, Spencer Creech & Cindy Madden

## *Galvez Chapter, LASSAR Shreveport, LA*

Compatriot Keith Porter is shown receiving the Wounded Warrior Coin from President Jerry Madden. Specialist 4, Keith A. Porter was wounded on 6 November 1970 at Fire Support Base Mateel, West of Loc Ninh, South Vietnam. Compatriot Porter's description of what happened is as follows.

“On the 6th of November 1970, I was a crewman on an M110 8-inch self-propelled howitzer with Charlie Battery of the 6th Battalion, 27th Field Artillery Regiment. The battery had moved from its previous location at FSB Wade, a short distance outside the village of Loc Ninh, to an ARVN infantry compound eleven miles west of Loc Ninh and two miles east of Cambodia designated as FSB Mateel. On the 8th of November two mortar rounds hit the compound injuring one soldier and critically injuring another. I picked up a M79 grenade launcher and a bandolier of 40 mm grenades and along with Specialist John Maul started off to take up a defensive position on the other side of the compound to return fire if needed. We had run a short distance when a heavy barrage of mortar rounds began to land all around the compound. Two mortar rounds hit approximately twenty yards in front of us wounding me in the abdomen and leg. Our medic Specialist Michael Buller treated me and allowed me to remain in the field.”



At the May meeting, Liz Swaine gave an excellent presentation. The key points of her presentation were: Local Issues; Personal history with KTBS from intern to News Anchor; her involvement with the re-development of downtown Shreveport; and her involvement with the local digital newspaper – Shreveport Bossier Advocate.



*Galvez Chapter, LASSAR  
Shreveport, LA*



13 Star Colonial Flag Proudly Displayed by Compatriot Fred Ott



Meadowview Nursing Home Provided with New Flag. Old Flag Destroyed Properly. Navy Veteran Nineva Evans McDaniel Shown with Cindy and Jerry Madden.



Airbnb Hostess, Elizabeth Gayle Richardson Custer, Displays Her SAR Flag Day Certificate

**SAR/DAR FLAG DAY ACTIVITIES** — Compatriot Fred Ott proudly displays his colonial flag on Memorial Day. The Meadowview Nursing Home and Airbnb hostess Elizabeth Gayle Richardson Custer were presented with Flag Commendation Certificates. Navy veteran Nineva Evans McDaniel was presented with the Certificate of Appreciation for her support of SAR.



SAR Compatriots Col. Thompson, Richard Campbell, Jerry Madden and DAR Regent Cindy Madden presented Cadet Major Michael Aquilar with SAR/DAR JROTC medals at the Minden Civic Center. Cadet Aquilar's family attended the presentation.



*General Philemon Thomas Chapter, LASSAR  
Baton Rouge, LA*



William Terrence Davis won General Philemon Thomas Chapter's George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Contest. Shown with his mother is Chapter President Steve Kubicek presenting his award.

[General Philemon Thomas Chapter of Baton Rouge, La Society SAR](#) Board Member Ken Higginbotham presented the Capital City Composite Squadron, Louisiana Wing of the Civil Air Patrol with a Flag Certificate for proper display of the American flag. Accepting the award was Squadron Commander Barry Huggins.



Compatriot Scott Jones was awarded the SAR Law Enforcement Medal on Friday. He was a career officer with the Denham Springs Police Department and served as Chief of Police for many years. Presenting him was [General Philemon Thomas Chapter of Baton Rouge, La Society SAR](#) Patriotism Chairman [Derrick Spell](#).

*General Philemon Thomas Chapter, LASSAR  
Baton Rouge, LA*



John Gabel was the [General Philemon Thomas Chapter of Baton Rouge, La Society SAR](#) guest speaker. He spoke about patriotism, love of country and the life of his son Michael Gabel. Michael was a Sky Soldier that was killed in Afghanistan in 2007.



Photos from the placement of American flags in honor of Memorial Day.



*General Philemon Thomas Chapter, LASSAR  
Baton Rouge, LA*



**SAVE THE DATES**

*~ 1779 ~*

*Battle of Baton Rouge*

*Commemoration*



**Saturday, September 14, 2024**

**Color Guard Muster - 8:00 a.m.**

**Procession, Wreath Laying - 9:00 a.m.**

**Capitol Park Museum, Front Entrance**

**Tuesday, September 17, 2024**

**Color Guard Muster - 8:00 a.m.**

**Memorial Service, Symposium - 9:00 a.m.**

**Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center**

**The Riverview Room, 1st floor**



In September 1779, Bernardo de Gálvez and his Spanish Louisiana Troops defeated the British and obtained the surrender of three forts on the Mississippi River: Bayou Manchac, Baton Rouge, & Natchez.

*George Washington Chapter, LASSAR  
New Orleans, LA*



The George Washington Chapter LASSAR held its annual "Lexington & Concord" banquet with a lecture by professor Steve Hayes and inducted 3 new members. Due to a scheduling conflict with our usual meeting place, the Southern Yacht Club in New Orleans, the banquet was moved from April to May. Professor Hayes presented our annual George Washington lecture in February and was gifted a pre civil war \$1 dollar gold coin at that meeting and was gifted an uncirculated \$1 silver coin, an uncirculated 50 cent coin and an "Ike" dollar from 1976 for his "fee" in May.

Our President, Kirk Francis Bellard MD, showed the members in attendance his medal set and certificate from the NSDAR, Hannah White Arnett Bronze Medal of Distinction, for Extraordinary Cooperation and Outstanding Service to NSDAR.

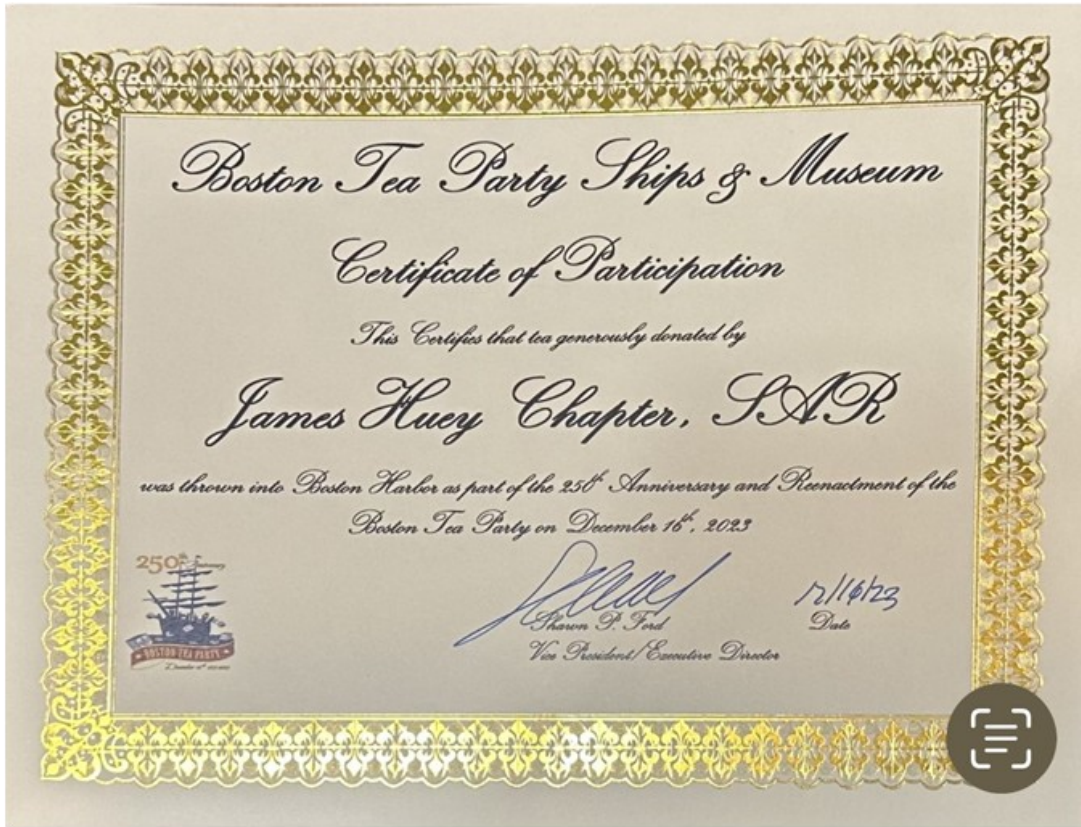
Our chapter is taking a summer break and will reconvene in September when another venue can be arranged.

Respectfully submitted ,

Kirk F. Bellard MD  
Chapter President



*James Huey Chapter, LASSAR  
West Monroe, LA*



The Chapter received a Certificate from the Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum for donating tea toward the 250th Anniversary and Reenactment of the Boston Tea Party. The event was held on December 16, 2023.



*James Huey Chapter, LASSAR  
West Monroe, LA*



Sophie Nash, a 5th grade student at Geneva Academy in West Monroe, presented a rendition of Patrick Henry's "Give me liberty or give me death" speech at the Chapter's March meeting. Following her, Chapter President, Ted Brode, presented the story of Molly Pitcher.



The Chapter held the drawing for a 1777 \$2.00 bill. The winning ticket was drawn by Sophie Nash who then presented the bill to the winner, Wynn Lawrence. Proceeds from the drawing will help fund the 2027 NSSAR Congress to be held in New Orleans. L-R: Steve Ray, Sophie Nash, Wynn Lawrence, and Ted Brode.

## *James Huey Chapter, LASSAR West Monroe, LA*

Ted Brode spoke to chapter members on the history of **Molly Pitcher**, a nickname given to a woman who fought in the [American Revolutionary War](#). She is most often identified as [Mary Ludwig Hays](#), who fought in the [Battle of Monmouth](#) in June 1778. However, another possibility is [Margaret Corbin](#), who helped defend [Fort Washington](#) in New York in November 1776.

The deeds in the story of Molly Pitcher are generally attributed to Mary Ludwig Hays, who was married to William Hays, an artilleryman in the [Continental Army](#). She joined him at the Army's winter camp at [Valley Forge](#) in 1777, and was present at the [Battle of Monmouth](#), where she served as a water-carrier. Her husband fell and she took his place swabbing and loading the cannon, and was later commended by [George Washington](#). The incident was recorded by [Joseph Plumb Martin](#) in his memoir published in 1830.<sup>[1]</sup>

The story of Margaret Corbin bears similarities to the story of Mary Hays. Margaret Corbin was the wife of John Corbin of [Philadelphia](#), Pennsylvania, also an artilleryman in the Continental Army.

On November 16, 1776, John Corbin was one of 2,800 American soldiers who defended [Fort Washington](#) in northern [Manhattan](#) from 9,000 attacking [Hessian troops](#) under British command. Corbin was killed and Margaret took his place at the cannon. She continued to fire it until she was seriously wounded in the arm. In 1779, Margaret Corbin was awarded an annual pension of \$50 by the state of Pennsylvania for her heroism in battle. She was the first woman in the United States to receive a military pension. Her nickname was "Captain Molly".<sup>[2]</sup>







*James Huey Chapter, LASSAR  
West Monroe, LA*



L-R: Chapter President Ted Brode, Fred Hamilton, and Steve Ray represented the James Huey Chapter at grave markings at the State Meeting April 12-13 in Lafayette. Grave markings were held in Opelousas & Washington. Shown here is the Yellow River Cemetery, Washington, LA

*James Huey Chapter, LASSAR  
West Monroe, LA*



The Battle of St. Louis was the program for the April meeting, presented by Chapter President Ted Brode



Chapter Guidon displayed at the April Meeting



Chapter President Ted Brode, presents James Huey Chapter's newest member, Wynn Lawrence with his Certificate of Membership.

*James Huey Chapter, LASSAR  
West Monroe, LA*



A great crew placed flags at Mulhearn Cemetery in Monroe. Members of the Fort Miro LSDAR and VFW Rodney J. Hobbs Post 1809 members & Commander who pulled double duty for the Post & the James Huey Chapter, LSSAR.



Present Ted Brode presents John Lee with his Certificate of Membership at the Chapter's May meeting.



The program for the May meeting was the Battle of Bunker Hill presented by Ted Brode. The June meeting program was on the history of "Tar & Feathering"



# James Huey Chapter, LASSAR West Monroe, LA



## 4th of July Celebration & Parade at Triangle Park, Monroe, LA

Members of James Huey Chapter LASSAR of West Monroe, along with Benjamin Tennille Chapter LASSAR of Monroe, Chief Tusquahoma Chapter LSDAR of West Monroe and Fort Miro Chapter LSDAR of Monroe handed out candy and more than 350 American flags to the children and parents attending the celebration & parade.

*Natchitoches Chapter, LASSAR*  
*Natchitoches, LA*



The Natchitoches Chapter continues to meet at Ft. St. Jean Baptiste on the second Saturday every other month. Attendance is usually low so in lieu of a guest speaker we usually present a short video covering a person, place or event of the American Revolution. At our June meeting, two video presentations were made, “George Washington, We Fight to be Free” which covered his time in the French and Indian War to his meeting of Martha Washington and finally his time during the American Revolution. The second video, “Bernardo de Galvez, the Spanish Hero of the American Revolution” was a brief life story of the life of Galvez. Our next meeting will be August 10th at 10:30am.

*Oliver Pollock Chapter, LASSAR  
Lake Charles, LA  
Avenue of Flags May 27, 2024*



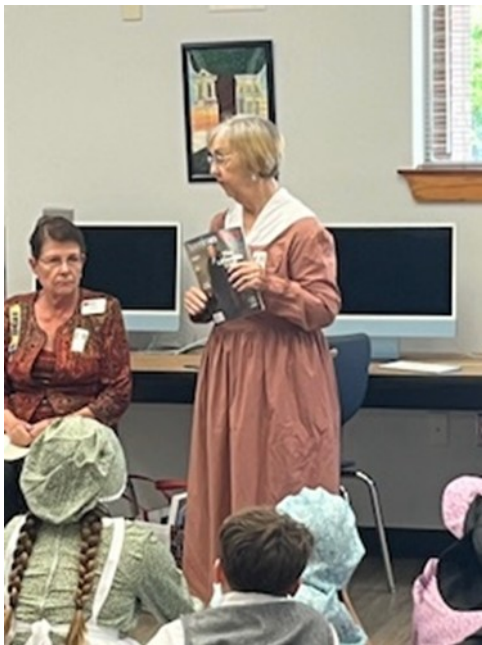
Members of the Color Guard of the Louisiana Society Sons of the American Revolution  
Front Row LR: Paul Bergeron, Stephen Estopinal, Ted Brode. Back Row L-R: Gerald Graves, Steve Ray, and Jerry Madden

*Oliver Pollock Chapter, LASSAR  
Lake Charles, LA*



At the June meeting, State President Russ Godwin presents Bill LeJeune with the Sons of the American Revolution Service to Veterans medal.

*Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter LASSAR  
Covington –Mandeville, LA*



On May 21, Compatriots Leonard Rohrbough and Paul Guidry along with members of the Pierre de Mandeville Chapter NSDAR attended the 5th grade class of Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church in Mandeville’s “Colonial Days” celebration. The DAR ladies presented stories of the heroines of the American Revolution and the 200th anniversary of Marquise de La Fayette’s grand return tour to the United States. Paul Guidry and Leonard Rohrbough spoke about their uniforms and the histories of the ancestors that wore them and various aspects of colonial life. It was great fun!



*Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter LASSAR  
Covington –Mandeville, LA*



At the Memorial Day Ceremony at the Southeast Louisiana Veterans Cemetery, May 27, the Pierre Georges Rousseau Chapter LASSAR was invited to place a wreath, along with several other patriotic organizations at the memorial pavilion during a very somber remembrance of the sacrifices made by those who protect our freedom every day. Three former service members interred over the last 12 months were chosen to have their illustrious careers and their continued lifelong public service read by the administrative staff. Representing the Chapter were Compatriots Rodney McKelroy and Leonard Rohrbough.



## Louisiana Society

*In Memoriam*



*Robert G. "Bob" Hess, Sr.*

*LASSAR State President 2014-2015*

*Member of Attakapas Chapter*

*Member of Color Guard*

*NSSAR National Trustee*

On March 8, 2024, Robert "Bob" G. Hess, Sr. met Death, shook his head wryly and laughed. After a very short and drastic decline in his health, he died seven days short of his 71'st birthday. Bob was born in Nassau, NY. As a husband, father, and grandfather, he leaves his loving spouse, Katherine Adele Lyman Hess, one son, Robert, Jr., and one grandchild. A man of many interests and proud of his American Revolutionary ancestors, Bob joined the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) in 2012 to honor them. He leaves a deep void in LASSAR and the Attakapas Chapter. He is greatly missed.



# SECNAV Names Future Guided Missile Frigate USS Galvez (FFG 67)

21 June 2024

Secretary of the Navy Carlos Del Toro announced that a future Constellation-class Guided Missile Frigate, FFG 67, will be named USS Galvez, June 21.



MADRID – Secretary of the Navy Carlos Del Toro announced that a future Constellation-class Guided Missile Frigate, FFG 67, will be named USS Galvez, June 21. Secretary Del Toro made the announcement while joining U.S. Ambassador to Spain Julissa Reynoso Pantaleón and Chief of Staff of the Spanish Navy, Admiral Antonio Pineiro, in Madrid, Spain, for the U.S. Embassy’s Fourth of July Celebration.

The future USS Galvez honors Conde Bernardo de Gálvez y Madrid and his service during the American Revolutionary War. This will be the first U.S. Navy

vessel named for Gálvez.

"Gálvez wasn't just a supporter from afar—his actions directly influenced the course of the war and helped secure American Independence," said Secretary Del Toro. "That is why, in his homeland, I am incredibly pleased to announce that our next Constellation-class frigate, FFG 67, will be named the USS Gálvez."

During the American Revolution, Gálvez provided supplies, intelligence, and military support to the American colonists and led military victories for Spain against Great Britain. As governor of Spain's territory in Louisiana, he covertly worked with American agent Oliver Pollock in 1777 to transfer money, gunpowder, and vital supplies to colonial forces.

In his direct service to Spain, Gálvez recruited an army of 7,500 men made up of Spanish, French, African American, Mexican, Cuban, and Anglo-American forces. In 1779–1780, his forces defeated the British at Battles in Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Natchez, Mississippi; and Mobile, Alabama. In 1781, he successfully seized Pensacola, Florida, and was wounded during the fighting. His contributions were recognized by George Washington as a decisive factor in the outcome of the Revolutionary War.

After the Revolutionary War, Gálvez led an effort to chart the Gulf of Mexico, including Galveston Bay, and served as the viceroy of New Spain. In 2014, the United States Congress passed Public Law No. 113-229, granting him honorary citizenship of the United States—making him one of only eight honorary citizens in U.S. history.

The future USS Galvez, the sixth of the new Constellation-class frigates, was appropriated in 2024. The other ships in the class are USS Constellation (FFG 62), USS Congress (FFG 63), USS Chesapeake (FFG 64), USS Lafayette (FFG 65), and USS Hamilton (FFG 66). Secretary Del Toro named the future USS Lafayette (FFG 65) in 2023 and the future USS Hamilton (FFG 66) in May 2024.

Along with the ship's name, Secretary Del Toro announced the sponsors for the USS Galvez will be Ambassador Reynoso Pantaleón and Spanish Ambassador to the U.S. Ángeles Moreno Bau. They, in their role as sponsors, will represent a lifelong relationship with the ship and crew.

“Honoring Bernardo de Gálvez in this way at our Independence celebration marks not only the close, enduring, and historic partnership between the United States and Spain, it also recognizes his and Spain's critical role in the war for America's Independence almost 250 years ago,” said Ambassador Reynoso.

The Constellation-class guided-missile frigate represents the Navy's next generation small surface combatant. This ship class will be an agile, multi-mission warship, capable of operations in both blue-water and littoral environments, providing increased combat-credible forward presence that provides a military advantage at sea.

The Constellation-class will have multi-mission capability to conduct air warfare, anti-submarine warfare, surface warfare, electronic warfare, and information operations.

United States Navy Press Release—Secretary of the Navy Carlos Del Toro  
<https://www.navy.mil/Press-Office/Press-Releases/display-pressreleases/Article/3813156/secnav-names-future-guided-missile-frigate-uss-galvez-ffg-67/>



Revolutionary War Rarities



Here is the link to this website:

<https://revolutionarywarrarities.podbean.com/>

## *Upcoming Happenings 2023-2024*

7/10/2024	134th NSSAR Congress, Lancaster, PA
9/14/2024	LASSAR Fall Board Meeting, Baton Rouge, LA Color Guard Muster 8 a.m. & Wreath Laying 9 a.m. Capitol Pak Museum
9/17/ 2024	8 a.m. Color Guard Muster & 9 a.m. Memorial Service, Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center
10/2-5/2024	NSSAR Fall Leadership, Louisville, KY
4/11-13/2025	Louisiana SAR State Meeting, Hotel Bentley, Alexandria, LA

## *Did you know!*

The current NSSAR approved future Congress locations are:

2025	135th Annual NSSAR Congress, New London, CT
2026	136th Annual NSSAR Congress, Greensboro, NC
2027	137th Annual NSSAR Congress, New Orleans, LA

## *And Did You Know?*

Louisiana Society Sons of the American Revolution is in the NSSAR Southern District. Other states in this District are: Alabama, Mississippi, and Tennessee. Check out the Southern District Webpage at <http://www.tnssar.org/sd-sar-htm>

## *Wanted Back issues of the Pelican Patriot prior to July 2012*

We are looking for back issues of the Pelican Patriot prior to July 2012.

Compatriot Donald T. Riger began the Pelican Patriot many years ago. He was a member of the Oliver Pollock Chapter in Lake Charles and later in the Natchitoches Chapter in Natchitoches.

Anyone having any of these back issues please let me know.



Thank you.

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# *Fees for Applications*

## Louisiana SAR Dues and Fees - 01 September 2023

Application Type	NSSAR Fees	NSSAR Dues	NSSAR Total	LASSAR Fees	LASSAR Dues	LASSAR Total	Grand Total
New Member Regular Application - Age 18 and Older	\$100.00	\$50.00	<b>\$150.00</b>	\$7.00	\$12.00	<b>\$19.00</b>	<b>\$169.00</b>
New Member Regular Application - Age 18 to under 25 - Established Lineage	\$40.00	\$50.00	<b>\$90.00</b>	\$7.00	\$12.00	<b>\$12.00</b>	<b>\$109.00</b>
New Member Regular Application - Family Plan - additional Family Member Applicant who is the son, grandson, brother, nephew, or grand-nephew of the initial applicant filed with initial application using the same ancestor	\$40.00	\$50.00	<b>\$90.00</b>	\$7.00	\$12.00	<b>\$19.00</b>	<b>\$109.00</b>
Junior Member Application - Age Newborn to under 18 - Established Lineage	\$40.00	\$5.00	<b>\$45.00</b>	waived	waived	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$45.00</b>
Junior Member Application - Age Newborn to under 18 - New Lineage	\$100.00	\$5.00	<b>\$105.00</b>	waived	waived	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$105.00</b>
Youth Registrant converting to Junior Member - Age Newborn to under 18	\$0.00	\$5.00	<b>\$5.00</b>	waived	waived	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>
Youth Registrant converting to Regular Member - Age 18 to under 29	\$0.00	\$50.00	<b>\$50.00</b>	waived	waived	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>
C.A.R. converting to Junior Member - Age Newborn to under 18	\$0.00	\$5.00	<b>\$5.00</b>	waived	waived	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>
C.A.R. to SAR Transfer - Age 18 to under 22	\$0.00	\$50.00	<b>\$50.00</b>	waived	waived	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>
Supplemental Application - All ages	\$100.00	\$0.00	<b>\$100.00</b>	\$7.00	\$0.00	<b>\$7.00</b>	<b>\$107.00</b>
Supplemental Application - Family Plan - All ages	\$40.00	\$0.00	<b>\$40.00</b>	\$7.00	\$0.00	<b>\$7.00</b>	<b>\$47.00</b>
Memorial Application (One-Time Dues Collected)	\$100.00	\$50.00	<b>\$150.00</b>	\$7.00	\$0.00	<b>\$7.00</b>	<b>\$157.00</b>
Reinstatement (Regular Member)	\$50.00	\$0.00	<b>\$50.00</b>	\$0.00	\$12.00	<b>\$12.00</b>	<b>\$62.00</b>
Reinstatement (Junior Member)	\$5.00	\$0.00	<b>\$5.00</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>
NSSAR Life Membership Dues - Consult NSSAR Life Membership Application locate on NSSAR website							


 Congress approved an increase in application fees on July 13, 2024. The vote was 127-124.
 

Fees that have been \$100 will be \$150 and fees that were \$40 will be \$75.

The increase is effective 9/1/24. That should give us enough time to get those already in our pipeline submitted under the current fee structure.

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## LASSAR COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN



### Standing Committees Required by Bylaws

**Membership Committee - Chairman, Dr. James Morock, MD.**

**Nominating Committee-Chairman, Jeffrey Nolen(Immediate Past President)**

**Finance Committee-Chairman, Billy LeJeune(Current Treasurer)**

### **Communications Committee-Chairman, Fred Hamilton**

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America 250 (Dr. Derrick Spell-Program Manager)

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Color Guard (Ted Brode,Commander)

Color Guard (Paul Bergeron, Deputy Commander)

By-laws (Russ Godwin)

Medals and Awards (Tony Vets)

### **ROTC/JROTC Committee-Chairman and Program Manger, Edwin Chapman**

Revised 20 March 2024



The Louisiana Society Sons of the American Revolution proudly presents the Galvez Medal, honoring our cherished Patriot and esteemed leader, General Bernardo de Galvez, and his vital contributions, as well as those of Spain, to our War for Independence. The reverse side of the medal memorializes one of General Galvez's victories at the Battle of Baton Rouge. Among his other victories are Manchac, Natchez, Mobile and Pensacola. The medal may be purchased and worn by members of SAR, DAR, CAR, and Granaderos y Damas de Galvez, and others, who seek to honor him and the Spanish contributions for our precious Independence. The medal is not restricted to members of LA SAR, nor to descendants of Galvez Patriots. The cost of the medal set (large and mini) is \$45.00 plus \$6.00 postage per set. Payments are by check or money order. All sales proceeds are donated to support the LA SAR Youth Awards Programs.

*Medal Set  
Obverse*



*Note: Ribbon drape is the red Cross of Burgundy on white background. The medal is bronze-colored with 3-D figures and inscriptions.*

*Medal Set  
Reverse*



*Note: Medals may be worn by pin mount or by bar mount.*

*(Detach bottom portion and mail with payment. Please print clearly.)*

### LASSAR Galvez Medal Order Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

NSSAR Member No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Medal Sets ordered: \_\_\_\_\_ *\$45.00 plus \$6.00 postage per set.*

Total payment enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

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3915 Maywood St.  
Alexandria, LA 71302-2526

For more info call:

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or email: jamkma@aol.com



To accompany the Galvez Medal, LA SAR offers for purchase the medal certificate and a certificate presentation cover (pictured below). The certificate cost is \$6.00 and the cover cost is \$4.00 plus \$5.00 for postage. These two items may be ordered individually. All sales proceeds are donated to support the LA SAR Youth Awards Programs.

**CERTIFICATE**



**PRESENTATION COVER**



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Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Work ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your desired item for purchase and the quantity of each:

Certificate (\$6.00 each + \$5.00 postage) \_\_\_\_\_

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## SOUTHERN DISTRICT SAR MEMBERSHIP MEDAL



The Southern District SAR Membership Medal was approved, as submitted, by the 2015 SAR Medals and Awards committee at the Spring Leadership meeting in Louisville. The VPG will have medals for sale.

The Medal is available, without restriction, to any member of the Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and/or Tennessee societies. As planned, 100 medals were presold and ordered for production. Distribution will begin at the Southern District SAR Meeting at Congress. A new District Logo is a residual benefit.

Proceeds from the sale of the medal will support the Walter Buchanan “Buck” Meek Award Fund that recognizes the state society with the largest numerical increase of George Washington Endowment Fund members. Special thanks are extended to the District Logo/Emblem Committee who made this possible – Michael P. Schenk (MS), Chair, Thomas E. Jacks (LA), James K. Stone (TN), James (Jim) J. Thweatt (TN), Thomas Robert (Bob) Thomas (AL), and Michael (Mike) C. Wells (AL). Also, I am especially appreciative that the Valentine Sevier SAR Chapter and its Treasurer Cleo G. Hogan agreed to serve the Treasury role during initial medals sales.





Children of the American Revolution

## *LSCAR News*

### STATE OFFICERS & SENIORS

Our new state officers and seniors took office on May 1<sup>st</sup>. As a State and Senior State Officer, you should make every effort to attend all state functions during your term including the Summer Workshop to be held in July or August and the Louisiana State Meeting in 2025. State and Senior State Officers should also make every effort to attend the South Central Regional Meeting in July 2024 in Oxford, Mississippi. One of your duties includes promoting the state and national projects among the local societies by participating in society meetings, writing articles for the state newsletter and sharing state and national contest ideas. Senior State Officers shall assist their respective State Officer as needed or requested.



**Allie T.**  
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**Spencer C.**  
Historian  
Donna Sutton  
Senior



**Audrey F.**  
Librarian/Curator  
Susan Fayard  
Senior





At our May meeting, officers were elected, held a garage sale fundraiser, celebrated our N.S.C.A.R. 2<sup>nd</sup> place certificate for our veterans program, and planned when to use the Community Coffee donations we received for our new veterans project.



Hannah F., Nicholas T. and Allie T., along with C.A.R. seniors and Sabine DAR Chapter members Tori Flynn, Mary Beth Tarver and Katie Lombardino, placed flags on veteran graves at Fort Jesup Cemetery and St. John the Baptist Catholic Cemetery for Memorial Day. Spencer C. placed flags on 65 veterans' graves at Campground and Bear Creek cemeteries in Bienville Parish.





## SUPPORT C.A.R.

With your support, C.A.R. continues to develop good citizens and train leaders at all levels of the Society. Your donation supports the development of programs and events aimed at teaching the future leaders of our organization and leaders of our country. Sign up with monthly donations to become a [C.A.R. STAR SUPPORTER!](#)



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The *Children of the American Revolution Magazine* is a, full color magazine published quarterly by the National Society of the Children of the American Revolution. It contains news of the national society, as well as 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.

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Flag Day Answers: B, C, B, A, C, D, C, B, A, B, D, A

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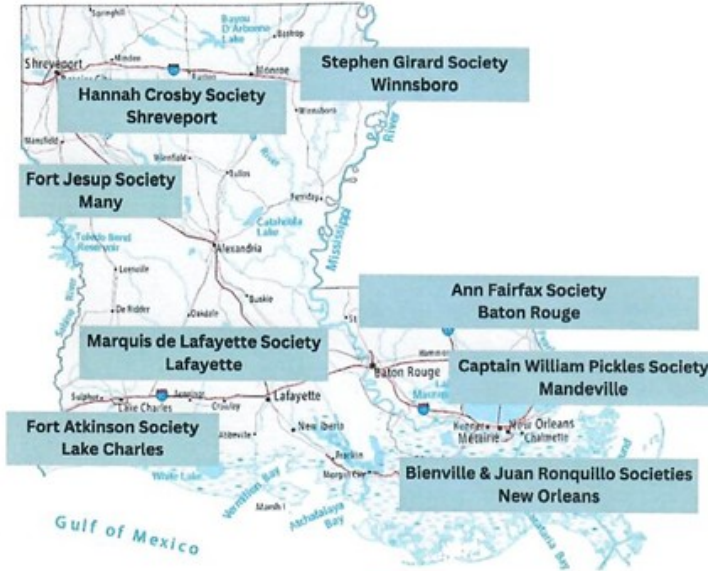
### C.A.R. Magazine Deadlines

Spring Issue (Covers Nov/Dec/Jan) – Feb 1st  
Summer Issue (Covers Feb/Mar/Apr) – May 1st  
Fall Issue (Covers May/Jun/Jul) – Aug 1st  
Winter Issue (Covers Aug/Sept/Oct) – Nov 1st

Email articles, photos (jpg), kudos, puzzles to [magazine@nscar.org](mailto:magazine@nscar.org)



## MEMBERSHIP



Here's our [State Membership video](#) share this with potential members and parents if they are not sure if C.A.R. is right for them.

# YOU'RE INVITED

to the

## SUMMER WORKSHOP

on

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 10TH**

at the



- 10:00AM - CHECK IN
- 10:30-12:00 - STATE & NATIONAL ACTIVITIES
- 12:00-1:30 - LUNCH & SCAVENGER HUNT
- 1:30-3:00 - C.A.R. ACTIVITY
- 1:30-3:00 - SENIOR MEETING
- 3:00-4:00 - ON YOUR OWN TOUR

Feel free to wear your society C.A.R. T-SHIRT, another C.A.R. SHIRT, or a PATRIOTIC SHIRT WITH NICE SHORTS AND SHOES (NO CUT OFFS, NO CROCS)



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*The Ladies Auxiliary of the  
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Members of the Ladies Auxiliary at the LASSAR State Meeting, April 12-13, 2024 L-R: Nancy Billings, Marlene Sawrie, Teresa Compton, Keisha Avery, Karen Vets, Cheryl Morock, Rhonda Godwin, Ann Bergeron, Martha Whitehead, Linda Bledsoe, and Arleen Domingue





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The Ladies Auxiliary was pleased to donate \$3,000 to LASSAR to assist with the Youth Awards programs. The ONLY purpose of the Ladies Auxiliary is to assist the Louisiana SAR and all funds raised during our auction held at the Annual Banquet goes toward this worthy cause. Membership is open to all ladies who wish to support the Louisiana SAR. Annual dues are \$10 but Life Membership is available for \$100. Our next meeting will be at the Drury Inn & Suites Baton Rouge on September 14th.





**Ladies Auxiliary**  
of the  
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**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

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**Street Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State, Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Husbands Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SAR Member:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NSSAR Membership #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chapter:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsored by (Auxiliary Member)** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Amount Paid** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check #** \_\_\_\_\_ **/Cash** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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