



The Florida Society of the Sons of the American Revolution



Fort Lauderdale Chapter Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Compatriots and Friends,

Thank you all for promptly responding to my request to get your SAR 2026 dues and donations into me by the end of October. On October 31st I sent our report and payment into FLSSAR for processing. We were the first Chapter to have completed the submission.

We started the year with 80 members and, as of November 21st, we are now at 91 with two more expected to be approved by December 31st. This is a 13.8% increase year-to-date with the potential of a 16.3% increase at year end. From the 80 members that we had at the beginning of 2025, we reported one death and four resignations. However, we more than tripled that number with sixteen new members currently approved in 2025 and two more likely to be approved.

As part of the collection process, I also had urged donations of fifty dollars or more to help fund next year's non-member community outreach programs. These include eight SAR youth education contests, JROTC medal awards, Honor Flight South Florida, and other veteran supported activities. The Executive Committee set a goal to raise \$3,800. As of November 21st, we booked \$4,205. Thank-you and double thank-you for your generosity and that show of support for what we are trying to do in the community.

On December 13, 2025, the Fort Lauderdale Color Guard will post colors for the opening ceremonies of the Wreaths Across America Program which we support at the Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery located at 200 W. Copans Road in Pompano Beach. The suggested arrival time is 9:00 a.m. Over the last two to three years we have had a sizeable turnout from other members and friends of the chapter. Please be included among the 2025 numbers.

For links to archival information on previously published newsletters, meeting minutes and other Chapter documents, visit us at www.fortlauderdale.sar.org.

I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Chuck Adams
President, Treasurer and Registrar/Genealogist
Fort Lauderdale Chapter SAR

UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

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| Dec 04, 2025 | Yuletide on Atlantic Parade,
Pompano Beach, FL |
| Dec 13, 2025 | Wreaths Across America,
Pompano Beach, FL |
| Jan 10, 2026 | S.E. Regional Meeting
Outback Steakhouse
Davie, FL |
| Jan 31, 2026 | Liberty Tree Dedication
Veterans Park, Tamarac, FL |
| Mar 14, 2026 | FAAM Monument Dedication
Pompano Beach, FL |
| Mar 19, 2026 | FAU 250 Anniversary
Fort Lauderdale Color Guard
Closing Ceremonies
Boca Raton, FL |
| Mar 28, 2026 | 42 nd Annual Scottish Festival
Bergeron Rodeo Grounds
Davie, FL |

NEXT MEETING – Dec 6, 2025

Davie Outback Steak House
2725 South University Dr. Davie, Florida 33328
Time: 11:30 AM social gathering; Lunch at noon.

FUTURE DATES:

Wreaths Across America: 12/13/2025
S.E. Regional Meeting: Jan 10, 2026

FOR RESERVATIONS CALL: 954-345-6276
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**PROPOSED SLATE OF
2026 CHAPTER ELECTED OFFICERS**

The Fort Lauderdale Chapter Executive Committee conducted a Zoom meeting on September 28, 2025. In accordance with our Bylaws, the ExCom members acting as the Nominations Committee approved the Proposed Slate of 2026 Chapter Elected Officers:

Proposed Slate of 2026 Chapter Elected Officers

- Chuck Adams President, Treasurer,
 Registrar/Genealogist
- Steve DePaul Vice-President
- Mark Snider Secretary
- Kevin Shurte Historian
- Tom Carpenter Jr. Chaplin
- Paul Moore Chancellor

The Proposed Slate of 2026 Chapter Elected Officers was advertised in the October 2025 Newsletter and announced at the October 11, 2025 Chapter meeting. Any other member interested in being considered should announce his interests when additional nominations from the floor are considered before voting on the 2026 Election of Chapter Officers scheduled for December 6, 2025 Chapter meeting.



2025 ExCom, Left: Mark Snider, Chuck Adams Kevin Shurte; Tom Carpenter Jr.; Herb Gardner; and Steve DePaul. Not shown: Paul Moore who attended by phone.



**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
SUMMARY – OCTOBER 11, 2025**

At our October 11, 2025 meeting we had 10 members and 10 guests for a total attendance of 20. Members (10): Chuck Adams ^{ca}, President, Treasurer, Registrar & Genealogist; Steve DePaul, Vice President; Mark Snider ^{ca}, Secretary; Kevin Shurte ^{ca}, Historian; Tom Carpenter Jr ^{ca}, Chaplain; Jim Clark ^{ca}; Greg Elder; Herb Gardner; Dan McMurtrie; Jason Milgram ^{ca}; and Scott Moore. Prospective Members / Guests (10): Robert Calamia; Jeffrey Carswell; Robert Easton Jr; David Pinney; Jason Ramsey; Ronna Adams; Chelsea Adams; Linda McMurtrie; and Lynne Moore. The superscript ^{ca} records compatriots and guests attending in colonial attire

Color Guardsmen Mark Snider, Jason Milgram, Tom Carpenter Jr., Jim Clark , led by Kevin Shurte, posted the colors.



The Invocation was given by Tom Carpenter Jr.

Chuck Adams led the participants in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. He then led the participants in reciting the SAR Mission Statement and SAR Pledge.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (cont'd)



Jason Milgram gave this month's 250 Minute on The Day the Revolution Was Won: The Surrender at Yorktown on October 19, 1781.



Chuck Adams acknowledged the presence of our newest member David Pinney. He then welcomed our newest applicant Jeffrey Carswell. Also present for the first time is Robert Calamia who applied along with his son Nathan and father Joseph. He said that other applicants that are here today in order of anticipated approval are: Robert Easton Jr., and Jason Ramsey. Those not here are Bradley Mueller, Samuel Frankel Jr, Trent Prock, Kevin Terry, and Patrick Reeder.

Chuck Adams gave the Financial Status Report as of September 30, 2025. He also gave an update on the status of 2026 dues collection. He said that of the 87 members subject to renewal, 80 are marked as paid, four have resigned, and three have not yet replied. There also are eight applicants expected to be approved by the end of this year, which would give us an estimated year end membership of 88 or more.

Chuck Adams stated that the October 2025 Newsletter has been circulated. It includes the Member Profile of David E. Pinney. He said that the newsletter also lists all currently known remaining events of Chapter interest for 2025, and includes important first quarter 2026 events such as the Liberty Tree Dedication at Tamarac on January 31, 2026 and the FAAM Monument Dedication on March 14, 2026.



Steve DePaul provided an update on the FLSSAR First Amphibious Assault Memorial (FAAM) Project. For the benefit of the new members and applicants, he outlined the history and background leading to the first amphibious assault

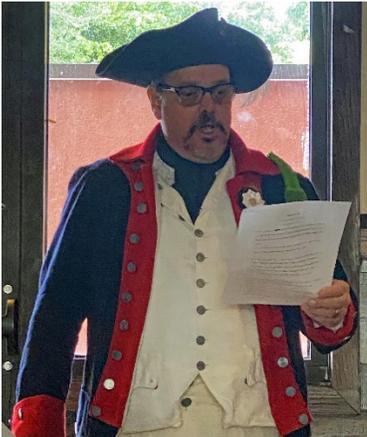
of the Continental Navy and Marines on New Providence Island in early March 1776. He then discussed the planned FAAM monument scheduled to be constructed and dedicated on March 14 2026 at Fisher Family Pier in Pompano Beach. He said that in-kind contributions and funds collected to date amount to approximately \$186,039, which is about 83% of the \$225,000 fundraising goal. Of just under \$148,000 of cash needed, collections are now recorded at \$103,802. Permitting is nearly complete with some remaining documentations being provided to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.



Mark Snider stated that the Executive Committee met via Zoom on September 28, 2025. The 2025 calendar was amended to change the November meeting date to November 22nd. The temporary transfer of 2026 membership fees and donations from checking to saving was approved, which will then be moved back to checking after the beginning of the new year. The Executive Committee acting as the Nominating Committee then unanimously approved the proposed slate of elected officers for 2026.

On veteran's support, Mark stated that we currently have 12,022 points toward the US Stark Memorial Award. Mark then announced that October 13th is the 250th Anniversary of the Continental / U.S. Navy.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (cont'd)



Kevin Shurte gave the 250 Anniversary Recognition Report entitled, *Battle of Hampton, Virginia - October 26-27, 1775*, which is also published in the October 2025 Newsletter.

Kevin Shurte showed a slide of the eight youth education contests promoted by SAR. It showed the deadline dates for submission to FLSSAR and the cash awards offered by the Florida Society. He said that Chapter judging and selection needs to be scheduled two to four weeks in advance of the State submission date.

Kevin said that at last month's meeting he announced that he was working for participation, under the various contests, from Ramblewood & Sawgrass Middle Schools, and McFatter Technical & Taravella High Schools. He now has brought in Nativity Catholic School and Sagemont Preparatory School for participation in the poster contest.

Chuck Adams presented the Henry Knox Bronze Medal to Greg Elder for having represented the Chapter or delivered an awards package at three high schools for the 2025 JROTC /Sea Cadet Medal Awards Program. He said that Greg was the last of the awardees to receive his medal.



Chuck Adams said that the nationwide fundraising campaign for the First Amphibious Assault Memorial kicked off earlier this year. Those that contributed \$250 or more have or will receive a FAAM Challenge Coin. All 29 of our Chapter contributors will receive a Florida Society Certificate of Appreciation. To date, donations from Chapter membership total \$8,943 which is in addition to the Chapter's contribution of \$3,000. At the September meeting we presented 12 certificates. Steve DePaul then presented certificates to other contributing chapter members who were present: Jim Clark and Scott Moore.



Chuck Adams said that in 2023 we recognized eight of our most active members who were veterans and had military or war time service. We recently have been made aware of the FLSSAR and NSSAR recognition programs. At this time, five of our veterans have been approved as members of the FLSSAR Veterans Battalion.



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (cont'd)

Mark Snider then presented FLSSAR Certificates of Recognition to: Thomas Carpenter Jr., and Jim Clark. He also had a certificate for his son Zachery Snider which he accepted on his behalf. Also to be recognized at a future meeting are Jim Lohmeyer and John Sauerwald.

Chuck Adams led the participants in reciting the SAR Recessional. The Benediction was given by Tom Carpenter Jr.



To read the complete set of the minutes of the general members meeting held on October 11, 2025, open the document sent to you by e-mail, or review it at the archive's subpage for minutes and agendas which are maintained at the Chapter website: www.fortlauderdale.sar.org.

KEY UPCOMING EVENTS IN - UNITED STATES MILITARY HISTORY

Nov 10, 1775 – Marine Corps Founding - The United States Marine Corps was founded to serve aboard naval vessels and was responsible for the security of the ship and its crew by conducting offensive and defensive combat during boarding actions and defending the ship's officers from mutiny.

Dec 13, 1636 – National Guard Founding (The Militia) - The National Guard of the United States was founded as State Militias and is the oldest component of the Armed Forces. Today, it is a joint activity of the United States Department of Defense consisting of the Army and the Air National Guard

Dec 20, 2019 – Space Force Founding - The United States Space Force is the first new armed service since 1947 established 1 September 1982 with responsibility for space warfare operations.

ANNIVERSARIES

During 2025, the following Compatriots achieved milestone anniversaries as members of SAR, and will be recognized at the December 6, 2025, General Membership Meeting:

5 Years – John Thomas Brown,
Compatriot since 21 Feb 2020.

5 Years – David Crim Lohmeyer,
Compatriot since 07 Feb 2020.

5 Years – Jordan David Lohmeyer,
Compatriot since 07 Feb 2020.

5 Years – Jesse James Lohmeyer,
Compatriot since 07 Feb 2020.

5 Years – John Edward Lohmeyer Sr,
Compatriot since 07 Feb 2020.

5 Years – John Edward Lohmeyer Jr,
Compatriot since 07 Feb 2020.

5 Years – Thomas Andrew Lohmeyer,
Compatriot since 07 Feb 2020.

5 Years – Richard Glenn Lorber,
Compatriot since 04 Dec 2020.

5 Years – Mark Anthony Parker,
Compatriot since 29 May 2020.

5 Years – Dale Patrick Read,
Compatriot since 08 May 2020.

5 Years – Charles John Read,
Compatriot since 08 May 2020.

5 Years – John Paul Sauerwald,
Compatriot since 26 Jun 2020.

10 Years – David Morris Nash,
Compatriot since 09 Sep 2015.

15 Years – John Lewis Tomlinson III,
Compatriot since 16 Mar 2010.

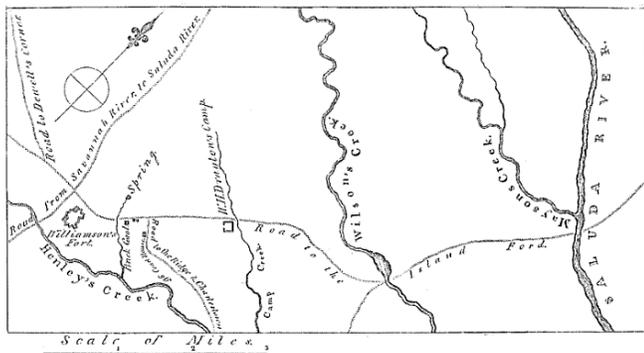
20 Years – Robert Harger Joynt,
Compatriot since 01 Mar 2005.

20 Years – Robert Emerson McMahon,
Compatriot since 22 Jun 2005.

30 Years – Wellington "Tod" F. Roemer II,
Compatriot since 15 Jun 1995.

AMERICA 250***The First Battle of Ninety Six,
South Carolina - November 19-21, 1775***

By Kevin Shurte



Area around Ninety Six, SC,
early in the American Revolutionary War.

The First Battle of Ninety Six took place near the village of Ninety Six, SC from November 19 to 21, 1775. It was the first major conflict in the colony during America's War of Independence.

In mid-June of 1775, South Carolina's Provincial Congress established a provisional government under the Articles of Association which the First Continental Congress had adopted to boycott British goods and demand the repeal of the Coercive Acts. The creation of this new government deepened divisions in South Carolina's backcountry. When local patriots formed three regiments of militia, Loyalists feeling threatened did the same.

Tensions escalated further when the Provisional Council of Safety took two controversial actions. First, it arrested the outspoken Loyalist militia captain Robert Cunningham and imprisoned him in Charleston on charges of "committing high crimes and misdemeanors against the liberties of South Carolina" (Carolina.com). What's more, the council arranged to provide ammunition to the nearby Cherokee village of Keowee. This act alarmed backcountry Loyalists, who feared that arming the Cherokees could threaten their safety in the frontier regions.

In response, a Loyalist force of 1800 men mustered under Captain Patrick Cunningham, Robert Cunningham's younger brother, intercepted the munitions shipment before it reached Keowee and

then began to march on Ninety Six. Ninety Six was an important village in South Carolina's western frontier that housed a courthouse, a jail, and a storehouse of munitions.

Upon learning that Loyalists had seized the ammunition and were advancing on Ninety Six, Colonel Andrew Williamson, commander of the Patriot forces, rallied nearby supporters and moved quickly to defend the settlement. Arriving on November 18, Williamson's men took up defensive positions about 200 yards west of the courthouse on the John Savage Plantation and began hastily constructing a crude fort using fence rails and lumber salvaged from local structures. However, before the Patriots' fortifications were complete, Cunningham's Loyalist militia reached the village, and both sides took up positions behind available cover including trees, fences, and buildings.

For the next two days, fighting continued without either side establishing a clear advantage. In a failed effort to drive the Patriots from their position, Loyalists tried setting nearby fields and fences ablaze, but the soggy ground thwarted their undertaking, and the Patriots held fast. In a second assault, Loyalists deployed a wagon as a mantelet to cover their advance, but this tactic failed as well due to the barrage of defensive fire from Patriot swivel guns.

Having depleted most of his ammunition, on the third day Williamson met with his officers and planned a nighttime attack on the Loyalist position. However, before the attack could be carried out, the Loyalists raised a flag of truce and requested a parlay. On the morning of November 22, the two commanders met and agreed to a 20-day truce, the release of all prisoners, and the disbanding of both forces.

Although *The First Battle of Ninety Six* was an indecisive engagement that resulted in few casualties, it marked the beginning of a protracted civil war that would embroil South Carolina's backcountry until the final British occupation force – and more than 4,000 Loyalists – departed Charleston harbor on December 14, 1782.

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FIRST AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT MEMORIAL

As of November 25, 2025, \$ 207,242.76 has been raised toward the goal of \$225,000. With \$17,757 still needed by December 2025, if you haven't contributed or if you wish to contribute more, visit <https://1776landing.org>. Dedication of the monument will be a SAR National Event scheduled for March 14, 2026.



2025 NEW MEMBERS – WELCOME!!!

During 2025, we had 16 new members approved:

Alfred C. Evans
Registered: 07 Mar 2025

Bruce D. Angier
Registered: 28 Mar 2025

Gregory R. Elder
Registered: 02 May 2025

Jeffrey Z. Little
Registered: 06 Jun 2025

Daniel E. McMurtrie
Registered: 27 Jun 2025

Robert L. Reeder
Registered: 18 Jul 2025

Gerald S. Reeder
Registered: 18 Jul 2025

Robert T. Reeder
Registered: 18 Jul 2025

David E. Pinney
Registered: 10 Oct 2025

Bradley M. Mueller
Registered: 17 Oct 2025

Samuel S. Frankel Jr
Registered: 24 Oct 2025

Trent D. Prock
Registered: 24 Oct 2025

Robert M. Easton Jr
Registered: 07 Nov 2025

Joseph R. Calamia
Registered: 21 Nov 2025

Robert A. Calamia
Registered: 21 Nov 2025

Nathan A. Calamia
Registered: 21 Nov 2025

We also expect two additional applicants to be approved by December 31, 2025:

Kevin A. Terry
James G. Ramsey

IN THE NEWS

OCTOBER 12, 2025 – CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (C.A.R.)

The first 2025-2026 meeting of the Swamp Fox Society C.A.R. was held at the Hagen Library in Delray Beach, FL. Fort Lauderdale Chapter Color Guardsmen (Kevin Shurte, Chuck Adams & Braeden Shurte) opened the meeting with the posting of colors. Chaplain, Tom Carpenter, was present to give the invocation. Chapter junior member, Mason Primiano, is this year's Swamp Fox President, and Chapter junior member, Braeden Shurte serves as First Vice-President. Palm Beach Chapter SAR member and Immediate Past President, Kyle Peterson also attended.

Serving as Senior President is Amanda Barnes and Senior Treasurer is Ronna Adams.



At the meeting, Braeden Shurte was presented with his SAR 250 Anniversary Gold Medal.



Chuck Adams presented the Swamp Fox Society with the Chapter's donation of \$250 to assist in funding 2025-2026 Swamp Fox projects.



Swamp Fox Society C.A.R. from left: Kacie Peterson; Kyle Peterson; Mason Primiano; Braeden Shurte & Sarah Barnes; and Chloe Dobbs.



IN THE NEWS (cont'd)

This was a great gathering for families (Shurte-Barnes; Carpenter-Primiano; & Peterson) with a large representation from both the SAR and DAR.



Palm Beach Chapter SAR: Kyle Peterson (just turned 18) with Chapter President Peter Johnston



SAR Members: Chuck Adams; Kevin Shurte; Tom Carpenter; Braeden Shurte; Mason Primiano; Kyle Peterson; and Peter Johnston.



DAR Members: Betsy Dobbs; Amanda Barnes; Angela Primiano; Katie Peterson; and Kacie Peterson



Left: Sarah Barnes: Youngest C.A.R. Member Present, in Colonial and Working on her SAR Bronze Medal.

OCTOBER 17-18, 2025 – FLSSAR FALL BOARD OF MANAGEMENT (BOM)

The Florida Society's Fall BOM was held in Kissimmee, FL on October 17 and 18, 2025. Representing the Chapter: Chuck (and Ronna) Adams; Steve DePaul; Kevin (and Kathy) Shurte; and Mark (and Carmen) Snider.



Left: Steve DePaul; Mark & Carmen Snider; Ronna & Chuck Adams; and Kathy & Kevin Shurte.



Florida Society Sons of Liberty Brigade

IN THE NEWS (cont'd)

**OCTOBER 25, 2025 – HONOR FLIGHT
SOUTH FLORIDA #37**

On Saturday, October 25, 2025, the Fort Lauderdale Color Guard (Chuck Adams, Jim Clark, Braeden Shurte & Kevin Shurte) along with other Chapter Compatriots and friends attended the “Welcome Home” of 65 returning veterans from their day trip to Washington D.C. Also in attendance for the Chapter: Ronna Adams; Amanda Barnes, Sarah Barnes, Herb & Shelley Gardner, Dan & Linda McMurtrie, and Kathy Shurte.



Left: Jim Clark; Ronna & Chuck Adams; Amanda Barnes; Braeden Shurte & Sarah Barnes; and Kathy & Kevin Shurte.



Left: Dan & Linda McMurtrie; Jim Clark; Chuck & Ronna Adams; Amanda & Sarah Barnes; Braeden Shurte; Shelley & Herb Gardner; and Kathy & Kevin Shurte.

**FORT LAUDERDALE COLOR GUARD
ON DEMAND AT VETERAN'S DAY
CELEBRATIONS IN BROWARD COUNTY**

**NOVEMBER 8, 2025 – SALUTE TO
VETERANS, POMPANO BEACH**

On Saturday, November 8th, the Fort Lauderdale Color Guard presented colors during the opening ceremonies of a Salute to Veterans sponsored by the Sample-McDougald House. At the event, representatives from the Fontenada Chapter DAR presented recognition pins to the 10-12 attending veterans, among whom were Guardsmen Jim Clark and Jason Milgram.



Representing the Chapter, Guardsmen: Chuck Adams; Jim Clark; Jason Milgram; Kevin Shurte; and Mark Snider. Also attending: Ronna Adams and Donna Clark.



Sample-McDougald House Salute to Veterans
DAR, SAR & Veteran Attendees

IN THE NEWS (cont'd)

NOVEMBER 11, 2025 – NININGER HOME PARADE, PEMBROKE PINES

On Wednesday, November 11th, the Fort Lauderdale Color Guard marched with colors at the Veteran's Parade held at the Nininger Home. Representing the Chapter, Guardsmen: Chuck Adams; Kevin Shurte; and Mark Snider. Kathy Shurte joined the squad and carried the Betsy Ross. Carmen Snider also attended.



Center: Robert David Emerson



Mark Snider introduced this year's recipients of the SAR Wounded Warrior Coin. First, Doris Evert, a U.S. Army Veteran who suffered serious health conditions while on deployment; Second, Robert David Emerson, a Vietnam War Veteran who lost a leg while on deployment.



Center: Doris Evert

NOVEMBER 12, 2025 – HONORING VETERANS, HOLLYWOOD



On Wednesday, November 12th, the Fort Lauderdale Color Guard presented colors during the opening ceremonies of a gala honoring

Veterans hosted at the Hollywood Rotary Club by the Hollywood Hills Civic Association. There were over 110 residents, which included approximately 40 veterans, as well as local and State elected officials in attendance. Representing the Chapter, Guardsmen: Kevin Shurte; Mark Snider; Chuck Adams; Jason Milgram.



IN THE NEWS (cont'd)

NOVEMBER 15, 2025 – JOHN ALDEN COLONY, GSMD HOLIDAY LUNCH



The annual Thanksgiving Lunch for the John Alden Colony (JAC) of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants (GSMD) was held on Saturday, November 15th at Coopers Hawk in Coconut

Creek. GSMD members attending and representing the Chapter: Chuck (Ronna) Adams, Jim (Joyce) Blakeslee, and Barry Moss. At this meeting, new JAC Colony members that were announced included newly approved Chapter member Samuel S. Frankel Jr. Other active Chapter members that also belong to the John Alden Colony but that were not in attendance are: Ted Duay, Thomas Carpenter Jr, and Lincoln Pero. Our newest SAR applicant, David Drescher, is also a JAC Colony member.

NOVEMBER 16, 2025 – CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (C.A.R.)



Left: Chuck & Ronna Adams; Mason & Angela Primiano; Harvey & trainer; Kevin Shurte; Sarah & Amanda Barnes; and Braeden Shurte.

The Swamp Fox Society C.A.R. held their meeting of November 16th at the Vinceremans

Therapeutic Horsemanship Center in Loxahatchee. Center staff were quite informative in their explanation on how their up to 18 horses are used to help people of all ages with physical, cognitive, and emotional disabilities, including support for veterans. All in attendance were put to work in brushing down a few of the horses. The C.A.R. donated \$250 to help support the program.

NOVEMBER 19-21, 2025 – FLORIDA COUNCIL OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS (FCIS) CONFERENCE

The annual conference of the Florida Council of Independent Schools was held on November 19 - 21 at Jacksonville Florida. Attending for the Florida Society SAR Education Outreach Committee were FLSSAR Chairman, Kevin Shurte, and Committee Member, Phil Markoe. They set up the SAR booth to advertise and promote the eight SAR Youth Education Contests. Phil Markoe is a Compatriot with the Central Florida Chapter who is also the FLSSAR Chairman for the Tom and Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award Committee.



**SAR MEMBER PROFILE –
TRENT DUSTIN PROCK**

Interviewed by Chuck Adams



Q. Ok Trent, tell us a little bit about yourself.

A. I was born in 1984 in Marysville, Tennessee and grew up in the Monroe County area. I now live in South Florida. I have spent my career in service-oriented roles—from the Army to law enforcement to

higher education operations.

Q. Did you serve in the U.S. Armed Forces?

A. Yes, I joined the U.S. Army right after high school and served four years as a 19D Cavalry Scout. I completed basic training at Fort Knox and was honorably discharged.

Q. What is/was your occupation?

A. I am a business operations analyst for Strategic Education Inc. Prior to that, I worked nearly a decade in law enforcement—serving as a patrol officer, investigator, SWAT member, dive team operator, and jail administrator.

Q. Tell us about some of your recreational interests and/or hobbies.

A. I enjoy deep-sea sport fishing, and trout fishing rivers when back in Tennessee. I also enjoy hiking, SCUBA diving, and traveling out west.

Q. How about your family?

A. I am the proud husband to my wife Christina Hawk, who was raised in Boca Raton and practices law in Fort Lauderdale. I have three daughters currently in college back in Tennessee, and a golden retriever who keeps us grounded and active. Family, faith, and tradition guide everything we do.

Q. Who is your Patriot ancestor?

A. My Patriot ancestor is Samuel Reed (abt. 1775-1851). He was a private in the North Carolina Troops. From his Revolutionary War Pension File S.7372, he is credited as having fought in the battles

of Briar Creek (1778), Cowan's Ford (1779), and Haw River, Guilford Court House & Eutaw Springs all in 1781.

Q. Tell us about why you want to join SAR and whether you have plans on how you may want to get more involved with carrying out the mission and programs of the SAR.

A. I joined SAR to honor my Patriot ancestor and contribute to preserving our nation's founding ideals. I look forward to engaging in historical education, youth outreach, and community involvement.

Thanks, Trent, for sharing.



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