

Highlands Chapter



Florida Society
National Society, of the Sons of the American Revolution

The Highlands Newsletter

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Chapter Officers

President
Oliver Wendell "Woody" Woodard

Vice President John Raymond Frey	Treasure Michael Edward Flood	Sergeant-at-Arms To be appointed
Secretary/Historian George Joiner Frey	Chaplain William H VanDuzer	

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President's Message

Woody Woodard

March 1, 2011

President Woody Woodard takes charge as the First President of the Highlands Chapter SAR



Photo by Billie West Lowe

I am pleased to report we are officially the Highlands Chapter of the Florida Society, of the National Society, of the Sons of the American Revolution.

The Charter Ceremony held on February 26, 2011 was the culmination of about two years of research, knowledge and effort by New Chapter Development committee Steven Williams and committee chairman Jeff Sizemore. Steve completed our membership applications for State and National approvals; inducted us into membership and held the organization meeting on November 20, 2010.

Steven will always be an honorary member of the Highlands Chapter. Lately he has not been well; therefore, your prayers for him will be greatly appreciated

We welcome the SAR experience of our Chaplain, William H Van Duzer, as well as Dr Donald Gradeless, Donald K. Ware, Jr. and Walter Sheppard.

Now we will carry on with conducting the Patriotic business of our society. We will find opportunities to advance the principles our ancestors cherished and fought for.

Secretary's Report

George J. Frey

March 1, 2011

The chapter received our Charter from the Florida Society at our first luncheon meeting. The event was held on February 26, at the Inn on the Gulf in Sebring. The meeting was called to order by incoming SW/RVP FLSSAR Victor McMurry at 12:00 noon. He asked all to stand for the presentation of the Colors by the FLSSAR Sons of Liberty, Florida Brigade. Rev. Randy Moody the FLSSAR Chaplain gave the invocation. The Colors were posted and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Woody Woodard. The SAR Pledge was led by Mike Flood.

FLSSAR South West Region Vice President Phillip H. Tarpley, Master of Ceremonies asked the members to be seated. He introduces the head table and conducted the meeting making necessary announcements before the lunch is served.

Lunch was served and about 1:15 PM the meeting was gavelled to order again. RVP Tarpley assisted by FLSSAR Sgt. at Arms Clarence Barrett and Rev. Moody inducted two of the four new members recently approved for membership. The two members inducted are Wayne A. Horton and James R. R. Smith. James B. Funk and James J. Mortell not attending, will be inducted at our next meeting.

RVP Tarpley next presented the Highlands Chapter SAR Charter Document to incoming President Woody Woodard assisted by the Sgt. at Arms. Rev. Moody offered the Prayer for the new Chapter.

RVP Tarpley next installed the new Officers as the chapter is officially chartered. The new Officers are; President, Oliver Wendell "Woody" Woodard, Vice President, John Raymond Frey, Secretary/Historian, George Joiner Frey, Treasurer, Michael Edward Flood and Chaplain, William Henry VanDuzer. President Woodard received the President's

Gavel and Neck Ribbon the symbol of his office from RVP Tarpley. Rev. Moody gave the Prayer for our new Chapter Officers.

The next presentation was the American, FL State and SAR Society Flags provided to the chapter by the Florida Society. RVP and new Chapter Development Committee Member Jeff Sizemore assisted by the Sgt. at Arms. RVP Tarpley and the new Officer return to the Head Table and turned the podium over to the new President. President Woodard spoke for a few minutes and thanked the FLSSAR Officers for their support. He announced the next meeting will be on March 19, 2011. President Woodard asked Rev. Moody to give the Benediction and led the members in the SAR Recessional and adjourned the meeting.



Chapter Meeting Notice

Next meeting is noon March 19, 2011 at the Heartland National Bank, 600 US Hwy 27 North, Lake Placid, Florida

Happy Birthday to Compatriot's born in March
John Raymond Frey, Jr.

NEW MEMBERS REPORT

New members inducted into the Highlands Chapter were: Wayne A. Horton, James R. Smith. We look forward to inducting James Bryan Funk at our March 19th meeting.

James Dean has an application pending.

Events during the First Chapter Luncheon Meeting

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New Members given the SAR Pledge by FLSSAR RVP Tarpley on the left. Next is FLSSAR Sgt at Arms Barrett, Wayne A. Horton, James R. Smith, Chaplain Rev. Randy Moody and RVP Jeff Sizemore New Chapter Committee member

10 of the Founding chapter members



James R. Smith and his grandson



Installation of Chapter Officers Ceremony

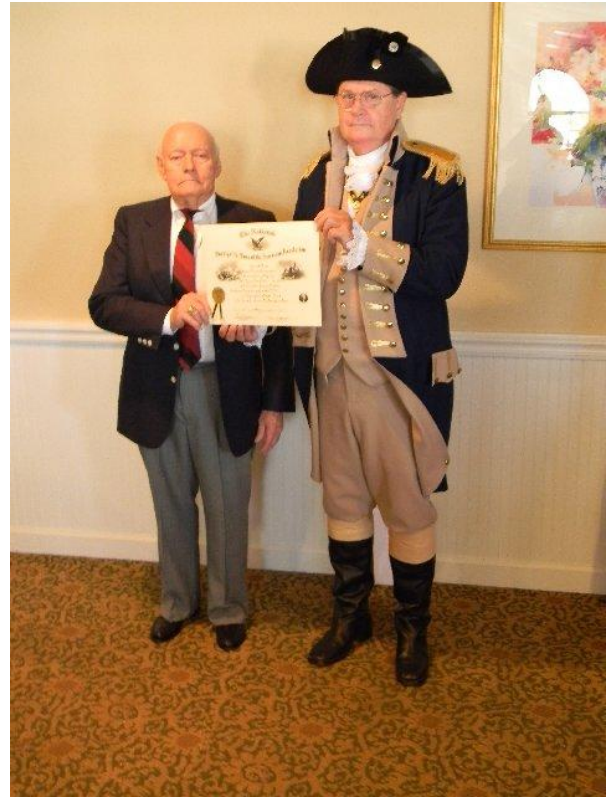
Rev. Randy Moody and RVP Phillip H. Tarpley on left perform the installation ceremony for new Chapter Officers. From the far right are Woody Woodard - President, John R. Frey – Vice President, George J. Frey – Secretary/Historian, Mike Flood - Treasurer and William H. VanDuzer the Chaplain.



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RVP Tarpley reminded the chapter members of their responsibility to support and help their new Officers. He also asked members to recruit new members and talk about SAR and spread the message of who we are. We are the Descendants of America's 1st Patriots and 1st Veterans.

The Charter is presented to President Woodard



From Left to Right: Rev. Randy Moody, RVP Phillip H. Tarpley, President Woodard and John R. Frey

