

National Society Daughters
of the
American Revolution

Florida Keys Chapter



By B. JOAN BARNA

Our last meeting was held at the Plantation Yacht Harbor restaurant Saturday, November 12th. After a lovely luncheon we had a very informative and thought-provoking talk from Miami lawyer Stuart Grossman regarding the fragility of our Constitution. He has spoken on the pros and cons of such controversial subjects as our Amendment 10 and similar constitutional amendments in California, on many talk shows including Ted Koppels'. Mr. Grossman has a home on Lower Maticumbe and we were fortunate that he chose to make us part of his weekend.

We have four new members; Mrs. George Gomez of Key West, Miss Margaret Eggleston Phillips of Boca Raton, Mrs. William Robinson of Key Largo and Mrs. Michael F. Schwab of Columbia, Maryland. Ladies, your sisters welcome you!

Our next meeting will be our Christmas Party at the home of Mrs. Robert Stout in Marathon. You all must attend to see the fabulous array of food and decorations. Any visiting NSDAR member is most welcome to our meetings and you might consider becoming an associate member of our Florida Keys Chapter.

Our Regent, Mrs. Vernon Harwood, is recovering in Delaware from double knee surgery and is expected home by the end of the month. Our "K" Wilkinson looks great and we are so glad to have her walking around again after knee surgery.

Fall Forum will be next September 22 and 23rd at the Lakeland Motor Lodge with the 98th Continental Congress in Washington, D.C. April 17-21.

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A lovely Christmas luncheon was enjoyed by our members last meeting at the beautifully holiday decorated home of Mrs. Robert Stout in Marathon. As always, we were treated to hand-crafted gifts and delicious food. Mrs. Stout also presented a most knowledgeable and informative slide program on the early Keys.

The best present of all was having our dear Regent, Mrs. Vernon Harwood, back in the fold, but we missed our Past Regent, Mrs. Jerry Gioir, who is in Texas with her new grandchild.

Our next meeting will be January 14th at the gracious Key West home of Mrs. Thomas J. Dunn. The program will be on rubbings from grave stones of Colonial settlers and Revolutionary soldiers. All visiting Daughters are most welcome and for more information on planned events, please phone Mrs. Jean Barnes Butts at 852-8384; many of our ladies enjoy an associate membership in our beautiful Keys.

Plan ahead for our May meeting in Key West: We will have the good fortune to have as our speaker, the Florida State Regent, Mrs. John E. Drolshagen.



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DAR plans January meeting

The Florida Keys Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution held its Christmas Party meeting at the well-decorated home of Mrs. Irma Stout and her daughter, Mrs. Sally Stout Brahler, in Marathon. The hostesses, Mrs. Stout and Mrs. Brahler, prepared and served a steak luncheon at a decorated table on their porch overlooking a canal.

The meeting was led by Mrs. Marjorie Harwood, Regent, of Marathon Shores. The invocation was led by Mrs. Virginia MacMillan of Cudjoe Gardens. The main an-

Key West, Miss Margaret Phillips of Boca Raton, Mrs. William Robinson of Key Largo and Mrs. Michael F. Schwab of Columbia, Maryland. The chapter is five years old and has reached a milestone membership of 50 Daughters.

The program given by the hostess was a slide show with descriptive readings of very old photos and postcards referring to the Keys' happenings, with many Key West scenes of long ago.

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