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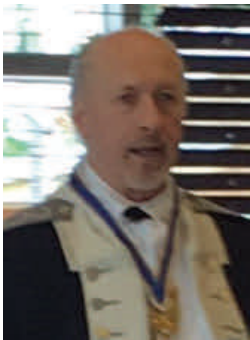
Newsletter of the Miami Chapter, FLSSAR

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President's Remarks

by Bernard W. Wolff, MPA

The Board of Directors covered a lot of ground during our meeting this month. We plan to do some house-keeping at the monthly luncheon meeting by adding several national committees to our standing committee pantheon. The addition to the By-Laws is somewhat cosmetic as we currently support these programs. This move makes it official and offers me the opportunity to appoint several committee chairmen.



Along with the resurrection of the newsletter The American, we plan to reactivate the Chapter website. It will provide a chance to illustrate our more permanent works, provide a public avenue into our doings, and perhaps motivate prospective members to join our illustrious organization. We are investigating both internal and external resources to create a Webpage that will satisfy our needs. The decision will be made by the next newsletter.

The Registrar, Compatriot Robert Sileo reported that 10 membership applications are in various stages of processing. He is investing much effort in order to bring the applications into the proper format and protocol.

Compatriot Richard Friberg brought to the attention of the BOD an incident that occurred near Homestead earlier in the year. The individual in question received recognition from a municipality and, in this case, may also warrant recognition from the SAR with the award of the Heroism Medal. We are investigating.

I will be attending the BOM in Orlando on May 19th—May 20th. The installation of new FLSSAR officers will occur Saturday evening and I look forward to greeting them. The Strategic Planning Committee will also meet that weekend. I believe that a final product will be introduced that will codify our way forward in the state. I feel honored to be a part of this work.

Shortly, we will have a local, electronic database of the membership. The BOD will be able to use this as a tool to contact members to insure that they all receive the latest news, including this newsletter. It will assist in providing a means to quickly inform the membership of important activities, alerts, and track earned decorations while insuring the proper recognition of member's participation in the goals, aims, and mission of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Committee Reports

The Joseph S. Rumbaugh Committee

TBA

President's Installation Committee

TBA

D.A.R. - C.A.R. Liaison Committee

Compatriot Wm Lee Popham, Chair

Past Presidents

Attendance Committee

J.R.O.T.C. Awards and Medals Committee

Compatriot Charles Leo, Chair

Compatriot Leo submitted his report that will be presented at the next Friday luncheon meeting.

George Washington Endowment Trust Fund Committee

Compatriot Richard Friberg appointed as chairman.

Color Guard Committee

Compatriot David Mitchell, Esq. appointed as Chairman.

Meritorious Service Committee

Compatriot Douglas Bridges appointed as Chairman.



Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award

Chairman: TBA

The American Poster Contest

Chairman: TBA

The SGT Moses Adams Memorial Middle School Brochure Contest

Chairman: TBA

The Arthur M. and Berdena King Eagle Scout Program

Compatriot Wm Lee Popham, Sr. appointed Chairman

The George S. and Stella Knight Essay Contest

Chairman: TBA

Those compatriots that share an interest in any of the foregoing projects, please contact the Chapter President at the number below.



MAY 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 <i>Battle of Thomas Creek celebrated</i>
14 <i>Mother's Day</i>	15	16	17	18	19 FLSSAR BOM	20 FLSSAR BOM
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 <i>Memorial Day</i>	30	31			

**American Revolutionary War
Battle of Thomas Creek
May 17, 1777**

In May 1777, 400 soldiers from the Continental Army and 165 members of the Georgia militia organized in Sunbury, Georgia, just north of the Florida border for an expedition into British East Florida in retaliation for raids conducted by British Loyalists. Traveling by water, the Continentals encountered British troops at Amelia Island, which delayed their rendezvous with the Georgia militia who traveled by land. On May 17, a small force of 109 Georgia militia men was ambushed by a mixed force of British Army, Loyalist militia, and Native Americans near the mouth of Thomas Creek in Northeast Florida. Lieutenant Colonel John Baker of the Georgia forces and 41 of the Georgia militia men survived the battle. The encounter was the first major engagement and the second of three failed attempts by American forces to invade British East Florida. It is considered the southernmost battle of the American Revolutionary War.

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NOTICE

April Monthly Luncheon Meeting

12:00 Noon

Friday, April 21, 2017

94th Aero Squadron

395 NW 57th Ave, Miami, FL 33126

BE THERE, BY GEORGE!



Associate with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation; for it is better to be alone than in bad company— George Washington.