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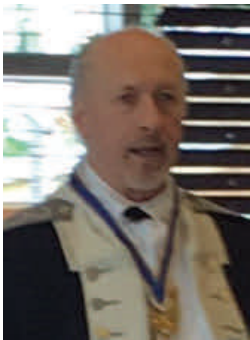
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President's Remarks

by Bernard W. Wolff, MPA

Compatriot Richard Friberg at hosted the August 2017 Board of Directors meeting as his residence Thursday August 10, 2017.



Chapter President Compatriot Wolff and Compatriot Secretary/Treasurer William "Lee" Popham, Sr. attended the 127th National Congress in Knoxville,

Tennessee July 7—July 12, 2017. Our experience with Knoxville was very favorable, including the friendly, helpful, and pleasant people of the area. Compatriot Popham and I, wholeheartedly encourage those of you who can, to participate in this wonderful SAR opportunity. We form but a microcosm of the SAR in Miami. The Congress is a place where we can see how we fit into the larger scope of the organization. We are a part of a group with a common purpose that promotes what we believe in dearly—patriotism, duty, fidelity, and a higher power all grounded in the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and our Declaration of Independence.

After registration, we officially opened the Congress by way of a march through the streets of Knoxville to the church where we held our opening prayers to begin our later deliberations, in concert with the delegates, in order to conduct the business of the Society. The Color Guard was in full array posting colors at the banquet Tuesday night and retiring

them after the Installation Banquet on Wednesday evening. Several new general officers were installed, including the incoming President General Lawrence T. Guzy.

By now, most of you may have seen the new Miami Chapter website. It expanded into a larger project than I had anticipated, but I believe that we will be happy with the result. Please forward any ideas, or interests that you may have, concerning the Site to the Webmaster (Compatriot Wolff).

We had a very good turnout for the July luncheon. It was a time to pay our respects to two of Coral Gables' finest servants of the people: Officer Luis Lopez for capturing a dangerous, armed suspect and Lieutenant Jose Pereda who saved the life of a bicyclist by his quick action. The men were accompanied by their uniformed supervisors and Pereda's spouse. Dan Susik a member of the 1776 Group also attended.

The noted and published historian Roger Smith is the featured speaker for our September Luncheon. He will address, among other things, the 14th and 15th colonies during our fledgling development and the integral part they played during the American Revolution. We anticipate a large assemblage of Miami members, and guests. Let us know early to reserve seating.

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Committee Reports

The Joseph S. Rumbaugh Committee

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Compatriot Wm Lee Popham, Chair

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Compatriot Charles Leo, Chair

George Washington Endowment Trust Fund Committee

Compatriot Richard Friberg, Chair

Color Guard Committee

Compatriot David Mitchell, Esq., Chair

Color Guard Commander is organizing our participation at the up-coming Junior Orange Bowl Parade. Have your uniforms ready for this exciting event. More later.

Meritorious Service Committee

Compatriot Douglas Bridges, Chair

Honored Officer Luis Lopez and Lieutenant Jose Pereda of Coral Gables, FL

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., Chair

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.



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| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 Battles of Bennington and Camden | 17 | 18 Miami Luncheon | 19 |
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| 27 Battle of Brooklyn | 28 | 29 Battle of Rhode Island | 30 | 31 | | |

Vinettes of History

Battle of Oriskany, (August 6, 1777), in the American Revolution a battle between British troops and American defenders of the Mohawk Valley, which contributed to the failure of the British campaign in the North. British St. Leger were marching eastward across central New York to join with British forces at Albany. En route, they arrived at Fort Stanwix (also called Fort Schuyler; now Rome, New York) and demanded its surrender. Attempting to come to the fort's rescue, 800 colonial militiamen under General Nicholas Herkimer were ambushed two miles west of Oriskany Creek by a force of about 1,200 British and their Iroquois allies. The battle that followed resulted in heavy casualties for both sides.



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Miami Chapter President Wolff , receives a Certificate of Appreciation during the 127th National Congress on behalf of the Miami Chapter's long-term support for the Rumbaugh Oration Contest.

Compatriot Douglas Bridges and his wife Doris at the First United Methodist Church pre-4th of July celebration. (Above).



Miami Chapter President Bernard Wolff presents a certificate and decoration to Officer Luis Lopez at the July monthly luncheon.



Miami Chapter Secretary/
Treasurer Wm. Lee Pop-
ham, participates in the
National Color Guard at eh
127th National Congress in
Knoxville, Tennessee (in
blue and buff Continental
Naval uniform. (see right)

Compatriot Wolff and
his wife, Delores, at the
127th National Congress.
(see left)



Lieutenant Jose Pereda re-
ceives a decoration and
certificate for meritorious
service from the SAR.

See more photos of the
127th National Congress
on the website: [http://
www.miamisar.org](http://www.miamisar.org).



Miami Chapter President
Bernard Wolff and former
Chapter President Dr. Robert
Liebler attend the Patriotic
Prayer Service at the Church
of the Little Flower in Coral
Gables.

NOTICE

August Monthly Luncheon Meeting

12:00 Noon

Friday, August 18, 2017

94th Aero Squadron

1395 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.

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