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The President's Quill

by The Honorable Bernard W. Wolff, MPA



The calendar year, once again, has seemed to pass much too quickly. But, I am pleased with what the Chapter has accomplished through the participations of the members, including their abundant support. Early last year the Chapter experi-

enced the publication of a website (ongoing development) and a Chapter newsletter. These two efforts are important to bring together the membership through timely communication, keeping all abreast of the latest developments, opportunities, and accomplishments.

We have convened monthly Board of Directors meeting to assist in planning and administration in order to produce a more meaningful and efficient local organization. Additionally, we have successfully transitioned our monthly luncheons to the 94th Aero Squadron where we select from a much wider menu and enjoy a more pleasant ambience, including the iguanas!

Our members have been very active by attending all the NSSAR Leadership Conferences and the 127th National Congress. We have also had repre-

sentation at all the Board of Managers (BOM) meetings where a few of our members hold positions on several FLSSAR committees. In addition some compatriots also have become involved with NSSAR committees, including the Eagle Scout Committee and the American History Teacher of the Year Committee. Two of our members can also be found on the Germany Society roster which is an adjunct of the main organization.

The Thomas Payne Camp (our Miami Chapter Color Guard) became more active in 2017. Elements of the Guard supported many National holidays and local events, including the Fourth of July, Memorial Day, Veterans Day, Junior Orange Bowl Parade, Blue Star Memorial Highway Marker, Harvest Fest, and others (see previous newsletters). We have supported much of the Color Guard activity at the BOMs, Leadership Conferences, and National Congress.

We have recognized many in Miami with decorations, awards, and certificates. Recipients have included local heroes, compatriots, Eagle Scouts, ROTC/JROTC, among others.

We have begun the task of instituting a Miami Chapter Ladies Auxiliary under the guidance of Dolores Wolff, DAR.

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Standing Committees

The Joseph S. Rumbaugh Committee

Compatriot Bernard W. Wolff

President's Installation Committee

TBA

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

Compatriot Wm Lee Popham, Sr., Chair

Past Presidents

Attendance Committee

Compatriot Richard Friberg

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

Compatriot Charles Leo, Chair

George Washington Endowment Trust Fund Committee

Compatriot Richard Friberg, Chair

Color Guard Committee

Compatriot David Mitchell, Esq., Chair

We have uniforms available to those who can wear them on a hand receipt basis. Flag poles are being replaced.

Meritorious Service Committee

Compatriot Douglas Bridges, Chair

Ethics Committee

Compatriot Bernard W. Wolff, Chair

Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award

Chairman: Compatriot Bernard W. Wolff, Chair

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

Our winner is: Jose Afonso

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



February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Battle of Cowan's Ford 1781	2	3 FLSSAR BOM Battle of Beaufort 1779
4	5	6	7	8 Miami BOD	9	10
11	12	13	14 Battle of Kettle Creek 1779	15	16	17
18 President's Luncheon	19	20	21	22	23	24 Battle of Wambaw 1782
25 Battle of Haw River 1781	26	27 Moore's Creek Bridge 1776	28			

VIGNETTES OF HISTORY

THE BATTLE OF KETTLE CREEK

The **Battle of Kettle Creek** (February 14, 1779) was a major encounter in the back country of Georgia during the American Revolutionary War. It was fought in Wilkes County about eight miles (13 km) from present-day Washington, Georgia . A militia force of Patriots decisively defeated and scattered a Loyalist militia force that was on its way to British-controlled Augusta. The victory demonstrated the inability of British forces to hold the interior of the state, or to protect even sizable numbers of Loyalist recruits outside their immediate protection.



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Miami Chapter Hospitality January 2018





Newly installed Chapter President Wolff addresses the assembled compatriots and guests at the 2017 President's Luncheon.

2017 President's Luncheon



Retiring 2016—2017 President Wm. Lee Popham presents Compatriot Douglas Bridges, Sr. with a well-earned decoration.



At left, Compatriot Richard Friberg (r.) is recognized for his many years of service to the SAR and the Miami Chapter.



At right, Retiring President decorates Compatriot Brian Swanson for his time and attention to the success of the Miami Chapter.

**2017
RECAP**



Memorial Day



July 4th



R.O.T.C. Decoration Presentation



Veterans Day

2017 RECAP



Junior Orange Bowl Parade



Harvest Fest



Dedication of the Blue Star Highway Marker



Spring BOM

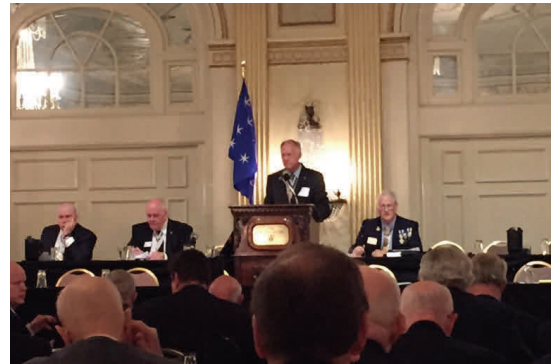
2017
RECAP



Monthly Luncheon



127th NSSAR Congress



Fall Leadership Conference



Awards & Decorations



Winter BOM

NOTICE

January Monthly Luncheon Meeting

12:00 Noon

Friday, January 19, 2018

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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