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The President's Quill

by The Honorable Bernard W. Wolff, MPA



Several FLSSAR members, including President Wolff and Secretary/Treasurer Popham, Sr. attended the DAR Fall Forum in Kissimmee September 21-23, 2018. We manned a desk for recruiting prospective members and were present at several of their other functions. We even had a

chance to meet Benjamin Franklin (see photo).

Compatriots Popham, Sr. and Wolff also traveled to Louisville, KY to participate in the NSSAR Fall Leadership meeting September 27-30, 2018. Miami SAR Chapter President Wolff was appointed to several NSSAR committees: Strategic Planning; Internal Independent Audit: and, he already serves on the Eagle Scout and Publication/Newsletter committees at the national level. Compatriots Popham and Wolff also participated in the National Color Guard while at the Brown Hotel during the Leadership Meeting. The NSSAR always brings the meetings in Louisville to a pleasant conclusion with a delightful formal dinner, and this time was no exception.

Miami SAR Chapter President Wolff, along with Compatriot Popham, Sr., 1st VP William Wicks,

Compatriot William Replogle, and Ladies Auxiliary President Delores Wolff and Kerry Wicks attended the Fall BOM in Kissimmee, FL. The Strategic Planning Committee reported on their recent successes and is encouraging the Regional Vice Presidents to assist their chapters. This will become more important as the Winter BOM will be replaced by a Regional meeting, beginning in 2020. This will bring a more focused and personalized opportunity for training and assistance at the chapter level.

The FLSSAR Patriot Magazine will be distributed via email to cut down on the costs of publishing and mailing. However, a hard copy will still be available at \$12.00 per year.

The upcoming Miami SAR luncheon will feature the recognition of a local mayor and the police chief. Additionally, two new members will be inducted into the Chapter. Compatriot Christopher Kaye Barrett has accepted the appointment as our new Recording Secretary. Chapter President Wolff has also appointed Compatriot William Replogle to the position of ROTC/JROTC Chairman, replacing Compatriot Charles Leo who has moved from the Miami area. Compatriot Barrett will also be joining the Thomas Paine Camp of the Miami SAR Color Guard.

RECRUIT, RECRUIT, RECRUIT!

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The Joseph S. Rumbaugh Committee

Compatriot Bernard W. Wolff

President's Installation Committee

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

Compatriot Wm Lee Popham, Sr., Chair
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J.R.O.T.C. Awards and Medals Committee

Compatriot William Replogle, Chair

George Washington Endowment Trust Fund Committee

Compatriot Richard Friberg, Chair

Color Guard Committee

Compatriot David Mitchell, Esq., Chair/Commander

We have uniforms available to those who can wear them on a hand receipt basis.

Meritorious Service Committee

Compatriot Douglas Bridges, Chair

Ethics Committee

Compatriot Bernard W. Wolff, Chair

Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award

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

Compatriot Bernard W. Wolff, Chair

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



Minutes

Sons of the American Revolution

Miami Chapter BOM Meeting

September, 17 2018

The Miami SAR Chapter Board of Director's meeting was called to order by Compatriot Wolff, Chapter President at 7:00 PM with the invocation given by Compatriot Popham, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Compatriot Wicks and the Pledge to the SAR led by Compatriot Sileo.

Compatriot Members in attendance: Bernard Wolff William Wicks Robert Sileo Wm. Lee Popham

Agenda: The BOD Agenda was approved.

Minutes: Minutes of the previous meeting were read, amended, and approved.

Financial Report: Compatriot Sileo reported that the transfer of the Chapter's accounts from Morgan Stanley and Biscayne Bank to AssetMark Trust had been completed.

Reports: Compatriot Popham made the Board aware that an enhanced JROTC award was now available and proposed that Compatriot Replogle replace Compatriot Leo as head the JROTC/ROTC Awards and Medals Committee. All others at the meeting agreed with this nomination.

Compatriot Wolff expressed urgency that the Chapter's storage locker be removed from Compatriot Frieberg's home.

Compatriot Popham suggested that we seek the Mayors, Police & Fire Chiefs and Emergency Responders in our region be recognized at upcoming monthly chapter luncheons.

It was agreed that \$200 be donated to the Ladies Auxiliary.

Compatriot Sileo reported that the Chapter had gained six new members this year and 44 prospects.

New Business: Compatriot Wolff called awareness to the Society's Americanism training. It was discussed and approved that Compatriots Popham, Jelke, and Sileo are to form the 2018 Nomination Committee for 2019 officers.

Our President's Luncheon is scheduled for February 10, 2019 to be held again at Miami Springs Country Club. Our next Board of Directors (BOD) meeting will be held October 15, 2018, 7:00 PM at the home of Compatriot Wicks, 7540 SW 124th Street, Miami.

Good of the Order: Following a roundtable call, no further business being presented, the meeting was closed at 8:20 PM. Compatriot Popham offered the benediction and the recessional was led by Compatriot Sileo.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Sileo Second Vice President

November 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9 Fishdam Ford 1779	10
11 Cherry Valley Massacre '78	12 Miami BOD	13	14 Kemp's Landing 1775	15	16 Miami Luncheon	17
18	19	20 Fort Lee 1776	21	22	23 Fort St. George 1780	24
25 Gloucester 1777	26	27	28	29	30	

Vignettes of History

Two troublesome militia commanders in South Carolina were Thomas Sumter and Francis Marion. Marion caused trouble for Cornwallis in the northeastern part of the state, east of the Santee River. His activities were successful enough that Cornwallis sent Lieutenant Colonel Banastre Tarleton in November, 1780 to hunt the wily Marion down. Sumter made similar troubles in the backcountry, where Cornwallis sent Major James Wemyss with the 63rd Regiment and some Loyalist dragoons to find him.

Wemyss learned on November 8, 1780 from local Loyalists that Sumter was encamped near Fishdam Ford. His intelligence about Sumter's camp was sufficiently detailed that some men were specifically designated to attack Sumter's tent. Moving quickly, Wemyss arrived near Sumter's camp early on November 9. Fearing they would be discovered by Sum-

ter's patrols, Wemyss opted to attack immedibeen wary to the possibility of surprise athad ordered their men to lie on their arms, to about how to form up in case of attack. When tries, he was hit twice by musket fire and went camp, where the campfires illuminated them,



ately rather than waiting for dawn. Sumter's men had tacks, which were a popular British tactic. His officers keep their fires burning, and had specific instructions Wemyss led the British attack against Sumter's sendown. His dragoons continued the charge into the providing easy targets for Sumter's men, who had

lined up in the woods just outside the camp. Their first volley took the British lead company by surprise, killing and wounding several men. They retreated, and Wemyss' infantry then advanced into the camp, where they also came under fire from the woods. The British attempted a bayonet charge, but it was confounded by a fence between the two lines in the darkness. After twenty minutes of battle, the British retreated, leaving their wounded, including Major Wemyss.

Miami Chapter Hospitality October 2018



Birthdays

Lady Auxiliary President Delores Wolff, DAR
October 13th

If you would care to have your birthdays, anniversaries, or other important events in your life captured on this page, please call the number below.

We are approaching the time of year when we begin to plan our gift-giving. Why not send a financial donation to the Miami Chapter SAR this year?

2018 DAR Fall Forum





Miami SAR Chapter President Wolff poses with Benjamin Franklin at the DAR Fall Forum. They hold a block of stamps printed in 1975 that depicts the only two Founding Fathers on a postal issue: George Washington and Ben Franklin.

2018 Fall BOM





Compatriot Popham, Sr. poses with his winnings during the FLS-SAR BOM in Kissimmee, FL.



Miami SAR 1st VP William Wicks enjoys the FLSSAR BOM with wife, Kerry.



Compatriot William Replogle manages to draw the right number to win this basket at the FLSSAR BOM.



FLSSAR Past President Lawrence Fehrenbaker at left during the reception



The Miami SAR submission to the array of gift baskets donated to the Fall BOM.



Caloosa SAR Chapter President Robert McGuire dressed in his finest.

2018 Fall BOM



Miami SAR President Wolff and Ladies Auxiliary President and Ladies Auxiliary State Historian Delores Wolff, DAR.







Miscellaneous shots taken at the 2018 Fall BOM convened in Kissimmee, FL.

Above, ,left, 1st VP Bill Wicks of the Miami SAR Chapter and beneath, a patriotic rig outfitted with Colors.

receives a decoration from FLSSAR Presi-

Mid right, the FLSSAR Color Guard stands at attention during Presentation of the Colors.

Left, Compatriot Wolff received the Silver Color Guard Medal from Commander Hall Riediger.

2018 Fall Leadership Meeting





Compatriots Popham, Sr. and Wolff discuss a point during the Fall Leadership Meeting for 2018.



FLSSAR President Pat Niemann shares a smile with the photographer during the Fall Leadership Meeting in Louisville, KY..



Compatriot Wolff and his bride Delores talk a moment during the hectic schedule of the Fall Leadership Meeting..

NOTICE

Monthly Luncheon

12:00 P. M.

Friday, October 19, 2018

El Novillo

6830 Bird Rd, Miami, FL 33155-3708

Honoring Cutler Bay Mayor Peggy R. Bell

and

Cutler Bay Police Chief Major Leonard Ricelli

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.