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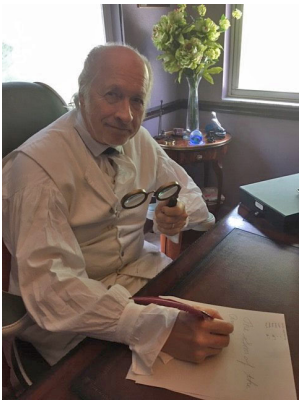
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QUILL and PARCHMENT

by The Honorable Bernard W. Wolff, MPA, Editor



No sooner have I returned than I must leave, again. Delores and I were in New Orleans for the week and, once again, visited the statue of Bernardo de Galvez down by the river. Now, we are off to Eastern Europe for most of June. While we were out

of state, The Chapter presented itself at Nancy's Bar for a site visit for a planned social near the end of June. Several members including the Chapter President William Wicks and the Chapter Ladies' Auxiliary President Kerry Wicks along with 2nd Vice President/Registrar/Genealogist Rob Sileo with his father represented the Chapter.

Our significant holiday in May was Memorial Day and color guard commander David Mitchell organized our appearance at a gathering at Woodlawn Park Cemetery. The Miami-based SOUTHCOM Commander was in attendance, giving major gravitas to the observance.

The May luncheon kept with the theme for the month as the speaker, Mr. Pete Kingman, addressed his family's military involvement. Personal stories apprised us of the many sacrifices

that families experienced in keeping our way of life safe from hostile intentions. The speaker's renditions elicited past memories for the veterans in the room. Blessings to all!

Immediate Past President Bernard Wolff and current Miami Chapter SAR Editor and Treasurer was appointed as the FLSSAR 2023 Congress Planning Committee Chairman. We are in the middle of selecting a venue for the event and much planning, coordination, and communication awaits.

William Lee Popham, Sr. Miami Chapter SAR Past President and current FLSSAR President accompanied Past PG Warren Alter and wife Nancy to Edinburgh, Scotland. Compatriot Bernard and Delores Wolff will visit Edinburgh next year to purchase the whole "nine yards" to celebrate Bernard's 18th great grandfather, Robert II of Scotland. Do not be surprised if you see him wearing his Prince Charlie with the Royal Stewart tartan. His paperwork is before the Court of Lord Lyon. Most Scots did not agree with the American Revolution but among those who did we find John Paul Jones, Arthur St. Clair from Caithness, Hugh Mercer from Aberdeenshire, Alexander Macdougall from Islay, Lachlan Macintosh from Badenoch, and William Alexander, all of whom served as generals.

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

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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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Minutes

Sons of the American Revolution

Minutes of the June BOD that will convene on June 10, 2019.

The Editor will be out of the country at the time of the BOD for the Miami Chapter.

Look for a special one-page edition later in the month that will highlight the June Board of Directors' minutes.



OYEZ, OYEZ!

Compatriots who have an interest in the business of the FLSSAR can click on the link below (or cut/paste) for a copy of the Spring BOM/ Annual Meeting PROCEEDINGS.

<https://flssar.org/FLSSAR/Docs/Proceedings/BOM0519.pdf>

July 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 <i>Wyoming Massacre 1778</i>	4	5 <i>Fort Ticonderoga 1777 1781</i>	6 <i>Green Spring</i>
7 <i>Hubbarton 1777</i>	8 <i>Fort Ann</i>	9	10	11	12 <i>Huck's Defeat 1780</i>	13
14	15 <i>Miami BOD</i>	16 <i>Stony Point 1779</i>	17	18	19 <i>Miami Luncheon</i>	20
21 <i>Colson's Mill 1780</i>	22 <i>Minisink 1779</i>	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	<i>British Victory Patriot Victory</i>		

Vignettes of History - Huck's Defeat

Around the first of June 1780, the British army established a fortified outpost at Rocky Mount on the upper Catawba River, near the North Carolina border, and placed a garrison there under LTC George Turnbull, a career British officer who commanded a British Provincial regiment called the New York Volunteers. In early July, Turnbull ordered Christian Huck, a captain in Tarleton's British Legion, to find the rebel leaders and persuade other area residents to swear allegiance to the king.

Huck's style in the Catawba River Valley was to rough-up backcountry women, confiscate food and horses, and generally threaten prison and death to any who dared resist the British. This simply encouraged more men to join the rebels, who were organizing a militia brigade under BG Thomas Sumter. On July 11, 1780, Huck raided the home of the partisan leader Captain John McClure on Fishing Creek in present-day Chester County, caught his brother and brother-in-law with newly made bullets, and sentenced them to hang as traitors at sunrise the next day. Huck then proceeded a quarter of a mile southeast of Bratton's plantation to the neighboring house of an elderly Whig named James Williamson, where he and his approximately 115 men made camp for the night. The five prisoners were secured in a corncrib to await execution

With intelligence provided by John McClure's younger sister, Mary, and a Bratton family slave named Watt, the loosely organized Patriot forces swarmed after Huck. About 150 arrived in the vicinity of Williamson's plantation that night, commanded by experienced militia officers. After a brief reconnaissance, they agreed to attack Huck from three directions simultaneously. Huck's security was extremely lax. Shortly after sunrise, at least two of the Patriot groups managed to attack at the same time. The British and Loyalist troops were caught completely by surprise; many were still asleep. The from which "they took unerring and deadly aim" at their opponents as they emerged. Huck mounted a horse to rally his troops and was shot in the head by John Carroll, who had loaded two balls in his rifle. Some of the Loyalists surrendered while others fled, hotly pursued by Whigs seeking vengeance. Tory losses were very high. Tarleton later reported that only twenty-four men escaped. Patriot losses were one killed and one wounded; the five prisoners were also released from the corncrib unharmed.



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Miami Chapter Hospitality April 2019



Birthdays

Anniversaries

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.

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Memorial Day Woodlawn Park Cemetery, Coral Gables, FL



The Thomas Paine Camp presents the Colors at the dedication obelisk at the cemetery.



Compatriot Bob Liebler, MD and Ladies Auxiliary President Kerry Wicks.



Commander David Mitchell leads the Color Guard at the Memorial Day ceremony.



Admiral Craig Faller, Commander, SOUTHCOM (r. naval uniform) with the Miami SAR Color Guard, attends the 2019 Memorial Day observance at Woodlawn Park Cemetery, Coral Gables, FL.

At right, 2nd Miami SAR Chapter VP William Replogle and Miami SAR Chapter President William Wicks stand ready.



2019 May Luncheon



Newly appointed FLSSAR 2023 Congress Planning Committee Chairman Bernard Wolff chats with his wife Delores as 1st Vice President Rob Sileo poses for the photographer Doug Bridges, Past President of the Miami Chapter SAR. Delores is the current Treasurer for the Coral Gables DAR chapter. She is also the Historian for the FLSSAR Ladies Auxiliary.

Miami Chapter SAR President William Wicks and the Ladies Auxiliary President Kerry Wicks entertain the table at the May luncheon meeting.



Compatriot George Wysong has an earnest conversation with Compatriot Ken Groff at the May luncheon (r.).



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Miami Chapter SAR Liaison to the DAR, Compatriot Bernard Wolff, snaps a photo of FLSSAR Ladies Auxiliary Historian Delores Wolff being sworn in as the Coral Gables DAR Chapter Treasurer (3rd from left).



Ladies from the Coral Gables Chapter of the DAR after their installation ceremony.

Miami Chapter SAR Past President of the Ladies Auxiliary becomes the DAR Coral Gables Chapter Treasurer (3rd from left).

NOTICE

June Monthly Luncheon

12:00 Noon– 1:30 P. M.

Saturday, June 15, 2019

Featured Speaker

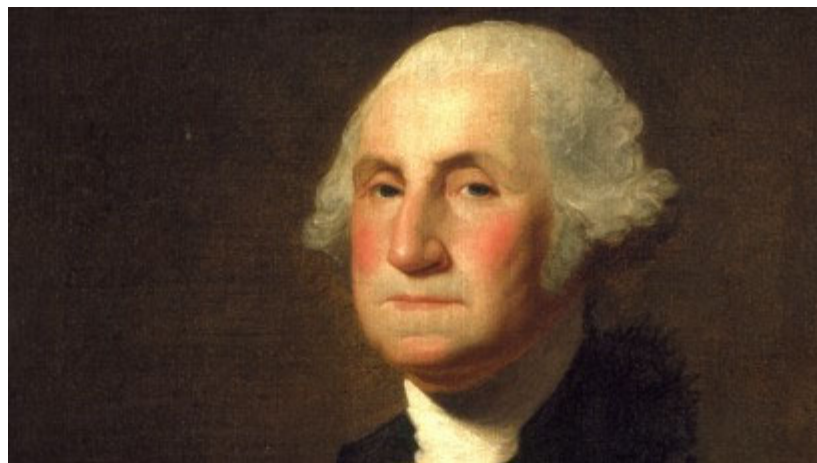
Chapter President William Wicks, III, Esq.

“Liberty Tree Project”

El Novillo Restaurant

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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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