



NATIONAL SOJOURNERS, Inc.
MILWAUKEE CHAPTER No. 27
SERVING AMERICA THROUGH PATRIOTISM

THE GUIDE



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Next Chapter Wide
Scheduled Event:

Meeting
Saturday July 15th, 2017
 Social 5:30pm-Dinner6:30pm

Alioto's
 3041 N. Mayfair Rd.
 Wauwatosa. WI

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Brother COL Bob Roth elected National Second Vice President.

Brother Bob continued to advance in the progressive line towards National President of National Sojourners, Inc., at the close of elections at the Annual National Convention at Austin Texas during the third week of June of this year. There has never been a member of Milwaukee #27 who has served in a progressive line officer's position before. What that means is that all of us better get used to the idea that there may very well be a National Convention hosted by us in Milwaukee, most likely in 2021. He carries on the tradition of strong support to the National Headquarters by M27 that has been part of our DNA for

decades. Examples include Legion of Honor holders Brother Ens. Irving Dietscher and Brother LTC Chuck Wallens, National IT Committee Chair Brother LTC David Alderfer, and the fine work done for many years by our late Brother James Kirsten as Regional and Area Representative in the Great Lakes Area. The Grand Lodge of Wisconsin should be rightly proud of the work this appendant body is doing to advance the cause of American Patriotism, both inside the Grand Lodges and the community at large.

ExCom MEETING will be held on Tuesday, 25 July at **El Hajj Clubhouse, 7210 West Greenfield Ave., West Allis, WI.** Park in the lot behind (north) of the building then enter the building from the alley. The Clubhouse will be open at 17:00 (5:00 PM) with the meeting at 18:30 (6:30 PM). a lite dinner will be supplied.

365 CLUB: Members are urged to support the 365 Club. Lifetime membership is \$36.50, payable to the 365 SEM Fund. This is a tax deductible item. Earnings from this investment are used to support operations of the National Headquarters organization.

ROTC AWARD KITS: We are always on call to travel to various Colleges or Universities to present ROTC awards to future military leaders. To “sponsor” a kit or kits, please send your donations to our Chapter Secretary. If you are interested in being a presenter and have a specific school you wish to work with, also please contact our Chapter Secretary. Thanks to all that made a donation to the ROTC Kits.

CHAPLAIN COMMENTS: In addition to the usual duties of opening and closing Sojourner meetings with short prayers and assisting in the counseling of members on spiritual matters, the Chaplain would appreciate emails from the membership regarding serious concerns and illnesses, so that they can be included in weekly prayers. You are encouraged to contact our Chaplain at tpcurtis38@icloud.com or one of the officers listed above should you or a Sojourner you know need assistance.

“HEROES of '76” PAUL REVERE CAMP REPORT: By Commander Lowell Scott

Brethren: Put Saturday November 4, 2017 on your calendar. That is the day of the Veteran’s Day parade in downtown Milwaukee. Those members who have uniforms, revolutionary through current uniforms, please attend in uniform. Let’s show Milwaukee that Milwaukee Chapter 27 NSI not only talks the talk but also walks the walk. Not literally, we will ride on a float during the parade. Please contact me at pastmaster261@gmail.com or 414-961-1133 letting me know that you will attend. This has not been done so let’s be the first to make a public declaration that Milwaukee Chapter 27 is alive and well. Be PROUD to be a Sojourner and show it off.

NATIONAL OFFICE REPORT: By N2VP Bob Roth

Brother LTC David W. Alderfer wins the coveted Houghton Memorial Award, the second highest award that can be earned within the National Sojourner Order.

The Houghton Memorial Award, with Medal and Certificate, is awarded to one individual or NSI Chapter in any year for superior accomplishment of missions and tasks that fundamentally and substantially advance the purposes of National Sojourners. Nominations must be by a National Officer (in this case the Chairman of the Trustees of National Sojourners, National Past President Brother LTC Harry Sanders.) The award was announced at the National Convention in Austin, Texas in mid-June of this year, with PNP Sanders reading the citation and Brother Alderfer being surprised by it all. Bro. Dave has been the webmaster and Chair of the IT committee for NSI for several years now, and has done extraordinary work to get our website to the condition it is now in, and where all of us can use it. He has handled any number of difficult issues dealing with web content contractors, hosting sites and so on, and has always done the work with dogged determination. The award was most fitting and there was a rousing round of applause from the whole convention. Milwaukee Chapter 27 has much to be proud about for this Brother’s superior work.

GLACE and Central Area Joint Meeting Set for 8-9 September 2017

Last year in September with Past President & PGM Bro. Joe Harker at the helm, M27 hosted and pulled off a fun and effective Conference and Encampment. After discussions between N2VP Bob Roth and National President Elect Bro. COL Ed Nolte, from Omaha, in Central Area, it was agreed that the location, venue and scheduling should be repeated, and so it will. Plan to set aside the afternoon of Friday 8 SEP if you come down early, for a relaxing afternoon of camaraderie and a catered meal at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, on South 13th Street by Mitchell Field. The meals last year were excellent and the wait- and kitchen staff are the same. Room rates will be 99 bucks for single or double room, and it doesn't get much better than that. Those of you who attended last year remember we were able to set up the hospitality operations right in our meeting room and it went down very smoothly. Saturday morning 9 SEP will be given over to the conference business, which will focus on growth of the Order and operations with the Grand Jurisdictions that bring relevance and sustained respect and support for NSI throughout the upper Midwest. In the afternoon there will be a fine encampment of the Heroes of 76, with a candidate who will not soon forget what it means to mull over the difficult questions of the day. More hospitality will follow, with a break in the later afternoon, and then a banquet that evening. This is really a good time, and worthy of being a part. Please set the time aside and let's unwind and enjoy being Brothers in our Military Masonic order of veterans and non-veterans committed to the protection, education and support of American Patriotism. A good conference and encampment are what sharing brotherly love and Masonic good moments is all about. It should not be missed. Let's turn out in force!! Lots of details will be forthcoming.

Presidents Corner: By Pres. Conrad Zvara

- **Executive Officers** will meet Friday 25 July 2017 at **El Hajj Clubhouse, 7210 West Greenfield Ave., West Allis, WI.** Park in the lot behind (north) of the building enter from the alley. Clubhouse will be open at 17:00 (5:00 PM) meeting at 18:00 (6:00 PM).to review and discuss Chapter financial position, Veteran Pins, Membership, and the general wellbeing of our chapter & camp. Reports will be received and reviewed.
- **A special lesson about indirect leadership from Brothers Chuck Wallens and Irv Dietscher.** Last December first the three surviving, active members of the Wisconsin Chapter of the Military Order of World Wars, COL Philip Freund, Ens. Irving Dietscher and LTC Charles Wallens met at Bro. Phil's home in the Milwaukee area. They decided it was time to close down the MOWW chapter in Wisconsin and they proceeded to determine how to transfer monies held on account by the unit to various charities. All were Masons and Sojourners. Bro's Irv and Chuck were recipients of the highest award ever given by NSI, the Legion of Honor. It turned out that much of the funds were in old railroad stocks and things of that sort, so N3VP Bob Roth was called in to help out. Bro. Phil passed in December, but his son Mark Freund worked with Bro. Roth and after some interesting legal gymnastics a check for slightly over twenty-seven thousand dollars, representing NSI's share of the distributions, was presented to Bro. BG Tom Kuhn, Chairman of our Spirit of American Education Foundation board of directors, to be used for funding of youth programs that NSI supports, such as Freedom's Foundation at Valley Forge and other such excellent operations. The SAEF fund is fairly new, and represents a major effort on the part of NSI to encourage Patriotism and Americanism in our youth. The check was presented by Bro's Irv and Bob during the general session of the National Convention at Austin Texas on 16 JUN 2017 to a standing ovation. Both Bro's Irv and Chuck are in their ninth decade on this planet and still have what it takes to seize the initiative and accomplish missions such as this charity gifting opportunity. Their efforts should serve as an example of leadership and commitment to our Order for all of us. (submitted by Bro. Roth)
- We are looking forward to **the next dinner meeting at Alioto's on 15 July.** Details are included elsewhere herein. Hope to see you there!!

Dates to Remember

Saturday 15 July	Dinner Meeting	Alioto's	Wauwatosa
Tuesday 25 July	ExComm	ElHajj	West Allis
Tuesday 8 August	Annual Picnic	Three Pillars	Dousman
Fri/Sat 8/9 Sept	GLACE/Central Meeting	TBD	Crown Plaza

MEAL RESERVATION

Alioto's, Saturday 15 July 2017

Reservations **MUST** be received by **Friday 7 July 2017**

<input type="checkbox"/> 12 oz. New York Strip Steak; mushrooms, au jus, potatoes	\$27.50
<input type="checkbox"/> Baked Cod; potatoes, vegetables	\$27.50
<input type="checkbox"/> 2-Broiled pork chops; potatoes	\$27.50
<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Parmesan; breaded chicken breast topped/ mozzarella cheese/tomato sauce, pasta	\$27,50

All meals include: Salad,/choice of dressing, bread, coffee, tea, milk and dessert

Special Dietary Need _____

Name _____

Total \$ _____

PICNIC Tuesday 8 August at Three Pillars 3:00-8:00pm

I/we will _____ will not _____ attend the picnic.

Cost per person is \$15.00 Number attending _____

You may pay at the picnic. **RESERVATIONS BY MONDAY 31 JULY 2017**

Reservations to:
(With Payment)

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