



Minutes of the

*Fernando de Leyba Chapter*

## **Sons of the American Revolution**

Visit Our Website: [www.sarfdl.org](http://www.sarfdl.org)

“Like Us” on [Facebook](#)

**FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**

6:30 p.m.

MEETS 2<sup>ND</sup> MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH (EXCEPT JULY AND AUGUST)  
at St Charles Knights of Columbus Hall, 20 Westbury Dr, St Charles, MO  
63301

\*\*\*\*\*

### **Chapter Officers -- 2024**

President: Jim Jackson  
Vice President: Casey Brizendine  
Secretary / Treasurer: Dan Evans  
Registrar: Dennis Hahn  
Historian: Justin Watkins  
Genealogist: Michael Hubbard  
Chaplain: Jim Keithly

Sgt at Arms: Bill Hemenway  
Color Guard Commander: Charles Lilly  
Junior Color Guard Commander: Boaz Grimstead  
Webmaster: Dave Desmarais

### **Emeritus Officers**

Doug Neff, Genealogist  
Bill Grote, Color Guard Commander  
Jim Borgman, Treasurer

### **Committee Chairmen**

Charles Lilly, Youth Awards, Naval Cadets  
Marvin Koechig, Flag Certificates and Flag Retirement, First Responders, and JROTC Awards  
Dave Demarais, Webmaster / Technology

*THIS MONTH IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR*

The Battle of Beaufort, also known as the Battle of Port Royal Island, was fought on February 3, 1779, near Beaufort, South Carolina, during the American Revolutionary War. The battle took place not long after British forces consolidated control around Savannah, Georgia, which they had captured in December 1778.

Brigadier General Augustine Prevost sent 200 British regulars to seize Port Royal Island at the mouth of the Broad River in South Carolina in late January 1779. Major General Benjamin Lincoln, the American commander in the south, sent South Carolina Brigadier General William Moultrie from Purrysburg, South Carolina with a mixed force composed mainly of militia, but with a few Continental Army men, to meet the British advance. The battle was inconclusive, but the British withdrew first and suffered heavier casualties than the Americans.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle\\_of\\_Beaufort](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle_of_Beaufort)

*REVOLUTIONARY WAR QUOTE*

"No man is entirely free from weakness and imperfection in this life. Men of the most exalted genius and active minds are generally most perfect slaves to the love of fame. They sometimes descend to as mean tricks and artifices in pursuit of honor or reputation as the miser descends to in pursuit of gold."

John Adams, Diary entry, February 19, 1756

**Anniversary Congratulations**

**February is the SAR Acceptance Anniversary Months for the following Compatriots.  
years of Service and Membership:**

Michael Foss Boyd	2/2/1996	28	James Michael Pflugradt	2/7/2020	4
Greg R. Hilton	2/26/2021	3			
Kevin Kenneth Klingerman	2/25/2022	2			

**Minutes**

**February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**St. Charles County Knights of Columbus, St. Charles, Missouri**

**Meeting opened at 6:30 PM by President Jim Jackson**

**Color Guard Presented the National Colors**

**Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America**

## The Singing of our National Anthem

## SAR Pledge – Color Guard Dismissed

## Invocation by Chaplain Jim Keithly

President Jackson welcomed all attendees, and recognized guests. He then described events occurring this month during the American Revolution and American History.

### Members in Attendance (25):

Bob Ackley	Kurtis Kaspar	David Stone
Steve Baldwin	James Keithly	Patrick Turner
Jim Borgman	Steve Kling	George Van Antwerp
Ben Crouch	Bob Koffman	Louie Volpi
Dave Desmarais	Rob Koffman	Justin Watkins
Dan Evans	Charles Lilly	
Dennis Hahn	Jim McFerrin	
Bill Hemenway	Rick Morton	<i>*denotes approved by</i>
Mike Hubbard	Doug Neff	<i>National yet to be</i>
Jim Jackson	Gregg Sartorius	<i>inducted into FD</i>

### Guests (8):

Diane Borgman	Nathan King (and Family)
Paul Carlock	Milly Neff
Tricia Crouch	Myron Niebrugge
Tom Dunn	Ben Nulton

### 2023 Eagle Scout Contest winner:

Compatriot Gregg Sartorius introduced Nathan King, the Eagle Scout winner for Fernando de Leyba Chapter, and Nathan was awarded the Certificate and Medal for his efforts.

### Announcements:

Gregg then called Rick Morton to the front and awarded him a challenge coin from the city of St Peters for his Color Guard work on Memorial Day last year. He gave him greetings from Mayor Pagano. Gregg serves as an Alderman in St. Peters. Rick was also presented with a Missouri Society award.

Charles Lilly announced that our Compatriot David Scott Cox, who is now Commodore of Submarine squadrons 7 in Hawaii, will be transferring to the Pacific Submarine Fleet Command as Chief of Staff on March 8<sup>th</sup>. David is his son-in-law.

Genealogist Mike Hubbard was called to the front and received his National life membership pin from Secretary/Treasurer Evans, who announced that Mike had also given an application and a check for Missouri life membership.

**Supplemental Applications:** Louis Volpi received his first Supplemental recognizing John Jacob Keely his 5<sup>th</sup> Great Grandfather, who served in Chester County, Pennsylvania.

**Officer and Committee Reports:**

**Minutes of Previous Meeting on January 8th, as printed in the *Cannoneer* newsletter:**  
Accepted as presented.

**Treasurer's Report:** Secretary / Treasurer Dan Evans reported on January 2024. Report was accepted subject to audit.

**Genealogist's Report:** Newly elected Genealogist Mike Hubbard gave a verbal report.

**Color Guard Report:** On Monday, February 19th there will be the annual DAR President's Day commemoration at Lafayette Park at 9:15 AM.

**Flag Recognition Report:**

**JROTC Report:**

**Website Report:** Webmaster Dave Desmarais reported on progress.

**Old Business:**

None

## **New Business:**

Joint Meeting with the DAR -- President Jackson announced that a proposed meeting would be held on September, April 20<sup>th</sup>. The membership approved. More details will follow.

American Revolutionary War in the West – 2024 Conference -- Compatriot Steve Kling described the work being done to create the Conference to be held September 27<sup>th</sup> through 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Secretary/Treasurer Dan Evans reminded all that we made a contribution to the effort last year and recommended we do so again this year. After discussion of the St Charles DAR Chapter contribution, it was motioned and passed to contribute \$1,001 to this Conference.

Chapter Meeting Program for March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Marvin and Joanie Koechig will have a travelog from their frequent trips.

**Program:** Webmaster Dave Desmarais gave a presentation on the Revolution in South Carolina and the events in South Carolina after the Battle of Cowpens. The Battle disrupted the plans of the British to enlist Loyalists in the South Carolina area.

**Benediction by Chaplin Jim Keithly**

**SAR Recessional was led by President Jim Jackson.**

**In Remembrance  
Compatriots lost to us in February.**

**James Lyle McPherson  
Francis "Fran" M. Northrop  
Michael Lawrence Zimmer**

**Next Meeting: Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 2024 AT 6:30 PM** at the St Charles Knights of Columbus Hall, 20 Westbury Dr, St Charles, MO 63301

**Editor: Daniel R. Evans, Jr., Secretary / Treasurer, [d\\_revansjr-FDLSAR@Yahoo.com](mailto:d_revansjr-FDLSAR@Yahoo.com)**

## Chapter Presidents

**Organizing President:**

James L. R. Boyd, Jr. 1995-1996 and early part of 1997 <sup>1</sup>

**Chapter Presidents:**

Kenneth (Norm) Norman Hagen	Part of 1997 & 1998 (1 year, 8 months)
Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin	1999, 2000, 2001, & 2002 (4 years)* <sup>1 2</sup>
Norval C. Hood, Jr.	2003 (1 year)
Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin	2004, 2005, 2006, & 2007 (4 years)* <sup>1 2</sup>
Charles E. Lilly	2008, 2009, 2010, & 2011 (4 years) <sup>1</sup>
Dennis J. Hahn	2012, 2013, 2014, & 2015 (4 years) <sup>1</sup>
Marvin R. Koechig, Jr.	2016, 2017, 2018, & 2019 (4 years)
Thomas M. (Mike) Wood	2020 (1 Year)
William J. (Jim) Jackson	2021 to Present

\*Stephen M. Baldwin served a total of 8 years as Chapter President.



James (Jim) L. R. Boyd, Jr.  
1996-1997  
Organizing President



Kenneth (Norm) N. Hagan  
1997 & 1998  
(deceased)



Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin  
1999, 2000, 2001, & 2002  
2004, 2005, 2006, & 2007



Norval C. Hood, Jr.  
2003  
(Deceased)



Charles E. Lilly  
2008, 2009, 2010, & 2011



Dennis J. Hahn  
2012, 2013, 2014, & 2015



Marvin R. Koechig, Jr.  
2016, 2017, 2018, & 2019



Thomas M. (Mike) Wood  
2020



William J. (Jim) Jackson  
2021-Present

<sup>1</sup> Served as Missouri Society SAR President <sup>2</sup> Served as South Central District Vice President General

***The Preamble to the Constitution***

**We the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.**

