



Minutes of the
In Person and Zoom Online Meeting
Fernando de Leyba Chapter

Sons of the American Revolution

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APRIL 12, 2021

7:00 p.m.

MEETS 2ND MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH
(EXCEPT JULY AND AUGUST)

AT EMBASSY SUITES, 2 CONVENTION CENTER PLAZA, ST. CHARLES, MO 63303

Chapter Officers

President: Jim Jackson
Treasurer: Jim Borgman
Genealogist: Doug Neff

Vice President: Marvin Koechig
Sgt at Arms: Steve White
Registrar: Dennis Hahn

Secretary: Dan Evans
Historian: Dennis Hahn
Chaplain: Steve Baldwin

THIS MONTH IN AMERICAN REVOLUTION HISTORY

The siege of Boston (April 19, 1775 – March 17, 1776) was the opening phase of the American Revolutionary War.[5] New England militiamen prevented the movement by land of the British Army, which was garrisoned in what was then the peninsular city of Boston, Massachusetts Bay. Both sides had to deal with resource, supply, and personnel issues over the course of the siege. British resupply and reinforcement was limited to sea access, which was impeded by American vessels. The British abandoned Boston after eleven months and transferred their troops and equipment to Nova Scotia.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Siege_of_Boston

REVOLUTIONARY WAR QUOTE

"A thing moderately good is not so good as it ought to be. Moderation in temper is always a virtue; but moderation in principle is always a vice." Thomas Paine - The Rights of Man, Part 2, 1792

Anniversary Congratulations

March is the SAR Acceptance Anniversary Month for the following Compatriots:

Thomas Michael Busken
David Michael Hill
John Linden Post II

Robert W. Rogers
David Roy

Minutes

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In Person at Embassy Suites and Zoom Online Chapter Meeting

Meeting opened at 7:00 PM by Vice President Marvin Koechig

Invocation by Compatriot Steve Baldwin with a moment of silence for the loss of President Jim Jackson's mother.

Janet Sue Jackson
APRIL 21, 1944 -- APRIL 10, 2021

The Singing of our National Anthem

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America

SAR Pledge

Vice President Marvin Koechig welcomed all attendees & recognized guests.

Members in Attendance (27):

Bob Ackley
Steve Baldwin
Jim Borgman
Ben Crouch
Dan Evans
Boaz Grimstead
Ezekiel Grimstead
Ezra Grimstead
Bill Grote
Dennis Hahn
Ted House
Keith Jasin

Pat Jefferson
Marvin Koechig
Gregory Landrum
Charles Lilly
Doug Neff
Bob Raines
Dusty Rhoads
Ray Snyder
Roy Snyder
William Snyder
Dave Stone
George Van Antwerp

Keith Walleman
Kevin Walleman
Justin Watkins

**denotes approved by National
but yet to be inducted into FDL*

***denotes reinstatement
approval pending at National*

Guests (5):

Diane Borgman
Casey Brizendine

Dr. Mark Engelhardt
Milly Neff

Joan Koechig
Vera Raines

Program: Compatriot Joe Hardesty, SAR Library Director, gave us a presentation via Zoom on the resources available at the SAR Library in Louisville, Kentucky. Joe showed us several very interesting ways to search the library via the web, and gave us a 360 degree tour of the library which was very instructive.

Announcements: None

Awards and Recognitions:

- Compatriot Dusty Rhoads was awarded his anniversary award for 55 years as a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. Dusty gave a short talk regarding his Patriot, and history.
- Registrar/Historian Dennis Hahn presented an Award of Appreciation from the Missouri Society to compatriot Bob Raines for his volunteer work at the 2019 National Genealogy Society meeting in St. Charles.
- Compatriot Ray Snyder and Junior Member William Snyder received supplemental membership certificates.

Induction of New Members: None

Reports:

Minutes of Previous Meeting on March 8th, 2021: Approved without objection

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Jim Borgman presented the Treasurer's Report which was accepted subject to audit. Jim also announced that he had filed our 2020 taxes and we have no tax liability.

Genealogist Report: Genealogist Doug Neff gave his report

- Current Roster Membership: 114
 - Full Members: 94
 - Dual Members: 6
 - Junior Members: 14
- Applications Approved at NSSAR Since Last Meeting: 1
 - New Member Applications: (1) Griffin Jasin.
 - Supplemental Applications: None.

- New Member Applications in Review Pipeline: 4
 - At MOSSAR: (1) Louis Volpi.
 - At NSSAR: (3) Casey Brizendine, Jerry Pipes, David Von Behren.
- Supplemental Applications in Review Pipeline: 6
 - At MOSSAR: None.
 - At NSSAR: (6) Charles Lilly (*pending*), Doug Neff (2), Keith Wallemann, Curtis Ballenger, Jim Borgman.
- Applications in Process at Chapter: 30
 - New Member: (8) Gary Gorline, Chester Johnson, Gerald Prouhet (*awaiting signature*), Harold Burton.

IN COMMITTEE: Shaun Sims, Mike Maninger, Robert Koffman, Justin Hill.

- Supplementals: (22) Justin Watkins (*awaiting signature*), Roy Snyder (7) (*awaiting signature*), Ray Snyder (7) (*awaiting signature*), William Snyder (7) (*awaiting signature*).

Veterans and ROTC Report:

- Vice President Koechig gave a report on the Junior ROTC situation in the schools that we service in the City of St Louis. The situation due to Covid-19 and falling enrollments at Sumner High School has the question of Junior ROTC unanswered at this point.

Color Guard Report by Compatriot Bill Grote:

- Compatriot Bill Grote gave the Color Guard report, and the Color Guard will be performing an Honor Guard on Wednesday April 14th at the funeral visitation of President Jackson's mother Janet. Previously in the meeting Compatriot Charles Lilly had asked for volunteers and several members volunteered.

Flag Recognition Report by Compatriot Marvin Koechig:

- Vice President Koechig mentioned that rescued flags are available for anyone who would like to have one. Members and perspective members can contact Marvin if interested.

Fund Raising Report:

- The combined SAR / DAR / CAR trivia night is still going to be held on October 9th 2021. Joan Koechig mentioned that there will soon be forms available for businesses to sponsor a round of trivia questions, and receive recognition for this, for the fee of \$100.

Awards Report:

- None

Old Business:

- Patriot of the Month, Compatriot Steve Stegen was recognized for his Patriot's biography which Secretary Dan Evans had circulated via email prior to the meeting. Vice President Koechig expressed his appreciation to those who had submitted biographies, and which will be eligible for the Patriot of the Month in the months to come.

New Business:

- The Chapter will celebrate its 25th anniversary on May 4th. 2022. Compatriot Dennis Hahn reminded all that we had celebrated our 5th, 10th, and 20th anniversary at Pio's Restaurant in St Charles. Diane Borgman volunteered to construct a 25th anniversary directory of all members of Fernando De Leyba chapter, and she will handle the publishing. A motion was made and accepted that the cost is to be absorbed by the Chapter.
- Genealogist Doug Neff gave a presentation recognizing that the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier has an anniversary which will be November 11th 2021. Doug detailed his efforts in investigating a Never Forget Garden at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. Doug has contacted the Missouri Society regarding the other two National cemeteries in Missouri and will pursue this matter and report in the future.
- The Chapter contributed \$300 to the SAR VFW joint project to establish a memorial to veterans in the St Charles City owned oak Grove Cemetery. The dedication will be November 6th 2021 and we have been contacted by DAR to present the colors. Vice President Koechig has volunteered as well as Compatriot Charles Lilly.
- Compatriot Charles Lilly discussed a potential for a drawing for a uniform to be paid out of the Ed and Barbara Morris Memorial Trust Fund, such uniform to be given to a volunteer to be in the Color Guard. The Morris Fund has a specific goal of supporting Color Guard activities.
- Compatriot Doug Neff then displayed a full uniform which has been donated to the chapter by Past Chapter Secretary Roy Snyder, who received thanks for his generous donation.
- Chaplain Steve Baldwin announced that August 10th 2021 is the Bicentennial of the State of Missouri

Benediction by Chaplain Steve Baldwin

SAR Recessional by Vice President Marvin Koechig

In Remembrance

Richard "Dick" H. Hofer
William "Bill" Lee Jackson
Martin "Marty" Edward White

NEXT MEETING: MAY 10, 2021 TBA ZOOM OR IN PERSON



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