



Minutes of the

Fernando de Leyba Chapter

Sons of the American Revolution

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FEBRUARY 10TH 2025 6:30 PM

NORMAL MEETINGS ON THE 2ND MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH (EXCEPT JULY AND AUGUST) AT ST CHARLES KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL, 20 WESTBURY DR, ST CHARLES, MO 63301

Chapter Officers -- 2025

President: Jim Jackson
Vice President: Ben Crouch
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 Siege of Fort Sackville, also known as the Siege of Fort Vincennes or the Battle of Vincennes, was an American Revolutionary War frontier battle fought in present-day Vincennes, Indiana. In February 1779, an American militia led by Lieutenant Colonel George Rogers Clark defeated the British garrison of Fort Sackville commanded by Lieutenant Governor Henry Hamilton. Clark surprised the fort after a grueling march from Kaskaskia, and following the execution of four Odawa captives, forced Hamilton's surrender.

[https:// https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Siege_of_Fort_Vincennes](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Siege_of_Fort_Vincennes)

NOTABLE QUOTE

"Great things have been effected by a few men well conducted."

"I have given the United States half the territory they possess, and for them to suffer me to remain in poverty, in consequence of it, will not redound much to their honor hereafter."

George Rogers Clark

Anniversary Congratulations

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

Michael Foss Boyd	2/2/1996	29	Kevin Kenneth Klingerman	2/25/2022	3
Greg R. Hilton	2/26/2021	4			

Minutes

February 10th 2025

St Charles Knights of Columbus Hall, 20 Westbury Dr, St Charles, MO 63301

Meeting opened at 6:30 PM by President Jim Jackson who wished all a Merry Christmas and a great New Year.

Invocation by Chaplain Jim Keithly

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

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 (21):

Steve Baldwin

Jim Borgman

Jon Carlock

Paul Carlock

Ben Crouch

Craig Dedloff

Dave Desmarais

Donald Dotson

Dan Evans

Dennis Hahn

Bill Hemenway

Mike Hubbard

Jim Jackson

Steve Kling

Marvin Koechig

Rob Koffman

Doug Neff

Dusty Rhoads

John Swanson

Patrick Turner

Justin Watkins

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

Guests (16):

Gary Batteiger

Samantha Bellerson

Janet Bellerson

Ian Bellerson

Diane Borgman

Walter Burkemper

James Burkemper

Josephene Burkemper

Stephanne Burkemper

Tricia Crouch

James Hutton

Joan Koechig

Jules Miller

Eric Miller

Ben Nulton

Jeff Willey

New Member Inductions:

Donald William Dotson

William Francis Dotson

Program: Youth Awards

The 2024 Winners of the Americanism Brochure Contest

First place -- Grace E. Miller received a certificate of participation and check of \$100 and her Brochure will be sent to the Missouri Society for the statewide contest.

Second place -- Samantha A. Bellerson , a certificate of participation and a check of \$75.

Third place -- Josephene M. Burkemper, a certificate of participation and a check of \$50.



Eagle Scout – King Eagle Scout Award

Our 2024 Eagle Scout Award went to Chase Hatch, who received his patch, medal and certificate from President Jim Jackson. It was announced that Scout Hatch has also won the Missouri Society award for 2024.



Announcements:

A long overdue Martha Washington Award was given to Diane Borgman, who, besides her service on the current Steering Committee of the Chapter.

Beyond the current service Diane has provided, previously her contributions include:

- She has been a very active member of the Missouri Society Auxiliary by volunteering to help with numerous projects.
- She has been on the FDL Genealogy Committee. Diane has directly brought several new members to the chapter.
- She has volunteered to embroider shirts and other fabric with the SAR logo for members and for convention use, and for later sale.
- She has auctioned her homemade cookies at Christmas as a Chapter fund raiser and provided them gratis throughout the year at chapter meetings.
- She is a joint DAR liaison for the St. Charles Chapter.



Minutes of Previous Meeting on January 13th , as printed in the *Cannoneer* newsletter:
accepted

Treasurer's Report: Secretary/Treasurer Dan Evans presented the December 2024 and January 2025 financial reports and all the 2024 records are currently being audited by the Audit/Budget Committee.

Genealogist's Report: Genealogist Mike Hubbard's report was published prior to the meeting via email and accepted, as follows:

FERNANDO DE LEYBA CHAPTER
GENEALOGIST'S REPORT
February 10, 2025

1. Current Roster Membership: 102
 - a. Full Members: 84
 - b. Dual Members: 7
 - c. Junior Members: 12
2. Applications Approved at NSSAR Since Last Meeting: 2
 - a. New Member Applications: (2) Don Dotson and William Dotson.
 - b. Supplemental Applications: (0).
3. New Member Applications in Review Pipeline: 2
 - a. At MOSSAR: (0).
 - b. At NSSAR: (2) Bart Tallent and Tyler Tallent [NM].
4. Supplemental Applications in Review Pipeline: 5
 - a. At MOSSAR: (0) .
 - b. At NSSAR: (5) Bill Hemenway, Michael Hubbard [2], Steve Kling, Rick Morton and Keith Walleman.
5. Applications in Process at Chapter: 14
 - a. New Member: (5) Tim Brower, Mason Farrell, Mike Maninger and Torrey Marbury.

IN COMMITTEE: (4) Derek Myers, Ben Nulton, Cary Warner and Fuller Young.
 - b. Supplementals: (4) Michael Hubbard, Kurtis Kasper, Steve Stegan and Justin Watkins.

IN COMMITTEE: (1) Jim Hoskins

Color Guard Report:

President's Day George Washington's Birthday – Events will be held in Lafayette Park as well as Florissant, Missouri on February 17th

Ed and Barbara Morris fund – Offers \$200 to offset uniform costs for any Compatriot.

Committee Reports:

Website Committee --

Old Business:

2025 Missouri Society Convention – Registration forms have been emailed to all.
Keep in mind the deadline for hotel registration is April 1st and for meal selection is April 7th.

Missouri Society Convention Auxiliary silent auction – A form was available at the registration table regarding the auction, and the need for donations.

Joint Trivia Night with the DAR October 11th 2025 – Planning continues.

New Business:

Secretary/Treasurer Dan Evans reported on the January 25th Board meeting of the Missouri Society

Benediction by Chaplain Jim Keithly

SAR Recessional was led by President Jim Jackson.

In Remembrance
Compatriots lost to us in February

Stuart L. Ballou
Richard "Rich" Allen Denning
James Lyle McPherson
Francis "Fran" M. Northrop
Michael Lawrence Zimmer

Next Meeting: Monday, March 10th 2025 at 6:30 PM ST CHARLES KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL, 20 WESTBURY DR, ST CHARLES, MO 63301

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NSSAR Mission: "The Sons of the American Revolution honors our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities and educating and inspiring future generations about the founding principles of our Country."

Chapter Presidents

Organizing President:

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

Chapter Presidents:

Kenneth (Norm) Norman Hagen	Part of 1997 & 1998 (1 year, 8 months)
Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin	1999, 2000, 2001, & 2002 (4 years)* ^{1 2}
Norval C. Hood, Jr.	2003 (1 year)
Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin	2004, 2005, 2006, & 2007 (4 years)* ^{1 2}
Charles E. Lilly	2008, 2009, 2010, & 2011 (4 years) ¹
Dennis J. Hahn	2012, 2013, 2014, & 2015 (4 years) ¹
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 (deceased)



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1997 & 1998
(deceased)



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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

¹ Served as Missouri Society SAR President ² 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.

