

Minutes of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter

Sons of the American Revolution

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January **13, 2020** 7:00 p.m.

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

Chapter Officers

President: Mike Wood Vice President: Marvin Koechig Secretary: Ray Snyder Treasurer: Jim Borgman Sgt At Arms: Steve White Historian: Dennis Hahn Genealogist: Andy Anderson Registrar: Dennis Hahn Chaplain: Paul Smith

THIS MONTH IN AMERICAN REVOLUTION HISTORY

Noble Train of Artillery – On January 4, 1775 Colonel Henry Knox delivered heavy weaponry that had been captured at Fort Ticonderoga to the Continental Army camps outside Boston. Knox had 60 tons of cannons moved over the course of three winter months by boat, horse, oxdrawn sledges, and manpower along poor-quality roads, across two semi-frozen rivers, and through the forests and swamps of the lightly inhabited Berkshires to the Boston area, covering approximately 300 miles. This is known as one of the most stupendous feats of logistics of the entire American Revolutionary War. Knox later served as the first United States Secretary of War under President Washington.

Brooks, Noah (1900). Henry Knox, a Soldier of the Revolution

REVOLUTIONARY WAR QUOTE

"With regard to military discipline, I may safely say that no such thing existed in the Continental Army."

Baron von Steuben, 1778

Anniversary Congratulations

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

Richard Allen Denning Glennon Henke Jr. **Clyde Robert Raines**

Austin James Steven

Minutes January 13, 2020 Chapter Meeting

Meeting opened at 7:00 PM

Color Guard presented Colors

Invocation: Compatriot Dennis Hahn

National Anthem: Compatriot David Christian Pledge of Allegiance: Compatriot Roy Snyder Pledge to SAR – Compatriot Dusty Rhoads

Color Guard dismissed

Compatriot Marvin Koechig welcomed all attendees & recognized guests.

Members in Attendance (29):

Bob Ackley Theodore Hall Roy Snyder Ronald Hauser Andy Anderson William Snyder **Kip Babbington** Charles Jefferson Steven Stegan Stephen Baldwin Marvin Koechig Alex Swanson Dr. Rev. Kurt Calkins Charles Lilly Matthew Swanson David Christian **Richard Morton** Scott Swanson Daniel Evans, Jr. Doug Neff Justin Watkins Lawrence Frothingham **Dusty Rhoads** Steven White William Grote Mike Wood **Kevin Rogers** Dennis Hahn Ray Snyder

Guests (50):

Elizabeth Wrigley **Robb Clodfelter** Ann Babbington Milly Neff Virginia Wifreman Abagail Wilp Diane Wood Lexie Wilp John Wily **Bob Koffman** Jay Wilp Simona Rogers Michele Swanson Gail Wilp Tim Wersching Jackie Swanson Lillie Wilp Brian Ezell Mackenzie Swanson Maiya Cote Alan Freymuth Kyle Wilp Amanda Cote Cale Summers Kellie Gleson Jeff Cote Bryce Mehrhoff Jose Wilp Susan Cote Adam Solomon **Chuck Wrigley** Daniel Cote John Woods

Chip Ashford Glen Christeson Samuel Clodfelter Matt Geery Mary Clodfelter Dianne Christeson Randy McKinley **George Sheets** Bernadette Hall **Gesof Guave** Tim Saunders Jerry Mercusio **Brad Sanders** Kimberly Wenig Paullette Mercusio Tyler Christeson **Alexander Wenig**

Awards:

- Distinguished Service Medal Compatriot Doug Neff
- SAR Appreciation Medal Milly Neff
- 5-year Membership Award Compatriot Ron Hauser
- SAR Lifesaving Medal Police Office Tyler Christenson
- SAR Lifesaving Medal Police Office Bradley Sanders
- The SAR Firefighting and Life Savings Certificate Battalion Chief Tim Wersching, 9406
- The SAR Firefighting and Life Savings Certificate Capt. Chip Ashford, 9410
- The SAR Firefighting and Life Savings Certificate Capt. Brian Ezell, 94Boat4A
- The SAR Firefighting and Life Savings Certificate Engineer John Woods, 9410
- The SAR Firefighting and Life Savings Certificate –Engineer Cale Summers, 94BoatA
- The SAR Firefighting and Life Savings Certificate FF Matt Hofer, 9410
- The SAR Firefighting and Life Savings Certificate FF Matt Geery, 9410
- The SAR Firefighting and Life Savings Certificate FF Sinjun Koopi, 9417
- The SAR Firefighting and Life Savings Certificate FF Zach Delsame, 9417
- The SAR Firefighting and Life Savings Certificate FF Alan Freymuth, 94Boat4A
- The SAR Firefighting and Life Savings Certificate FF Bryce Mehrhoff, 94Boat4A
- Arthur M. & Berdena King Eagle Scout SAR Chapter Sam Clodfelter
- Arthur M. & Berdena King Eagle Scout SAR Chapter Alex Wenig
- Elementary Teacher Award Elizabeth Wrigley
- Poster going to state Mackenzie Swanson (\$50)
- Brochure Contest Winner Maya Cote (\$50)
- Brochure Contest Winner Lilly Wilp (\$30)
- Brochure Contest Winner Aubry Pittman

New Member Induction:

• Compatriot Kevin Rogers

Reports:

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to approve by Compatriot Mike Wood 2nd by Compatriot Steven Baldwin Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report by Compatriot Charles Lilly:

Motion to accept Treasurer's Report for Review by Compatriot Steve White 2nd by Compatriot Marvin Koechig (Compatriots may obtain a copy of the report by contacting Compatriot Ray Snyder)

Genealogist Report by Compatriot Doug Neff:



- Current Roster Membership: 102
 - Full Members: 82Dual Members: 6Junior Members: 14
- Applications Approved at NSSAR Since Last Meeting: 6
 - New Member Applications: (3) Boaz, Ezekiel, and Ezra Grimstead.
 - O Supplemental Applications: : (3) Roy, Ray, and William Snyder.
- New Member Applications in Review Pipeline: 6
 - o At MOSSAR: None
 - At NSSAR: (6) Christopher Knox, Sawyer Knox, Griffin Knox, Keith Walleman,
 James Pflugradt, Timothy Hill.
- Supplemental Applications in Review Pipeline: 2
 - o At MOSSAR: None
 - o At NSSAR: (2) Michael Wood.
- Applications in Process at Chapter: 21
 - New Member: (16) Mike Francisco, Justin Hill, Darren Daly, Charles Long (awaiting signature), Austin Long (awaiting signature), Gary Williams, James McFerrin, Michael Pyatt, Thomas Baird, Don Marquess (awaiting signature), Curtis Ballenger, David Roy (awaiting signature), Bernard Steele (awaiting signature), Thomas Penberthy, Tate Portell, Thomas Payeur.
 - Supplementals (5): Mike Wood, David Christian (2), David Hoffman, James Hoskins.

Veterans Report by Compatriot Marvin Koechig:

 Compatriot Marvin Koechig will be contacting the JROTC organizations in February and March.

Color Guard Report by Compatriot William Grote:

- On Feb 17th the Color Guard will be at the DAR annual President's Day Ceremony at Lafayette Park in St. Louis.
- The January 2020 edition of The SAR Colorguardsman has been posed on the NSSAR Website

Flag Commendation Certificate Committee Report by Compatriot Marvin Koechig:

 Certificates have been presented to Walmart – St. Charles and Bud's Automotive in St. Charles.

Fund Raising Report/Family Arena by Compatriot Marvin Koechig:

- Recap of the Family Arena volunteer work from November 22, 2013 through December 22, 2019:
 - o 60 events total
 - o 267 people helped SAR at the events
 - o Over \$17,000 was earned
- Compatriot Marvin Koechig will be working on a Walmart grant application.
- The next Trivia Night will be held on September 26, 2020 at the at the St. Peter Church Parish Center, 3rd and First Capitol Drive, St. Charles.

Old Business:

David Chaphill has completed the NSSAR membership directory

New Business:

- MOSSAR State Board Meeting and Conference hosted by the Christopher Casey (Jefferson City) Chapter will be held April 24-25 in Columbia, MO
- July 4, 2020 St. Louis Cardinal pre-game event at Busch Stadium vs. Brewers.
 - Pre-game FDL Color Guard event with invitations to given to all MOSSAR Chapters, the Illinois Chapters that are near and DAR Chapters to participate should they choose. The long-term plan is to make this an annual FDL event.
 - 400 tickets to be sold at \$26 each in right field sections 130 and 131

Swearing in of Chapter Officers:

• President: Mike Wood

• Vice President: Marvin Koechig

• Secretary: Ray Snyder / Roy Snyder as advisor

• Treasurer: Jim Borgman

Genealogist: Andy Anderson / Doug Neff as advisor

• Registrar/Historian: Dennis Hahn

Sgt. At Arms: Steve WhiteChaplain: Paul Smith

Motion to Adjourn by Compatriot Roy Snyder Benediction by Compatriot Rev. Kurt Calkins SAR Recessional by Compatriot Dave Christian Color Guard retrieves Colors

NEXT MEETING: FEBRUARY 10, 2019 AT EMBASSY SUITES, 2 CONVENTION CENTER PLAZA, ST. CHARLES, MO 63303



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