



Minutes of the *Fernando de Leyba Chapter*

Sons of the American Revolution

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April 9, 2018

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

AT SCHNUCKS, 1950 ZUMBEHL RD. IN ST. CHARLES, MO

Chapter Officers

President: Marvin Koechig
Treasurer: Jim Borgman
Genealogist: Doug Neff

Vice President: Michael Shea
Sgt At Arms: Bill Grote
Registrar: Dennis Hahn

Secretary: Roy Snyder
Historian: Dennis Hahn
Chaplain: Paul Smith

THIS MONTH IN AMERICAN REVOLUTION HISTORY

Shots are fired at the Battle of Lexington. The Battle of Concord where a weapons depot was destroyed. "Minute Men" force British troops back to Boston. George Washington takes command of the Continental Army and the Revolutionary War begins on April 19, 1775

REVOLUTIONARY WAR QUOTE

“No people can be bound to acknowledge and adore the Invisible Hand which conducts the affairs of men more than those of the United States.”
George Washington, “First Inaugural Address,” April 30, 1789

Minutes
April 9th, 2018
Chapter Meeting

Meeting opened at 7:00 PM

Color Guard presented Colors

Invocation: Compatriot Chaplain Paul Smith

National Anthem: Emma Guenther

Pledge of Allegiance: C.A.R. guest members

Pledge to SAR – Compatriot David Christian

Color Guard dismissed

Secretary Compatriot Roy Snyder welcomed all attendees & recognized guests.

Members in Attendance: Stephen Baldwin, Jan Beardsley, James Borgman, Tim Carsten, David Christian, William Grote, Dennis Hahn, David Hill, Marvin Koechig, Gregory Landrum, Charles Lully, Michael Shea, Paul Smith, Steven Stegen, Jeffrey Sullivan, A. J. Swanson, John Swanson, John Swanson II, Matthew Swanson, Scott Swanson, Scott Williams.

Guests: Joan Koechig, Patti Dickherber, Mike Francisco, Kurtis Kasper, Jack Guenther, Sheila Guenther, Emma Guenther, John Guenther, Claire Guenther, Adrienne Swanson, Jim and Kathy Nihls, Mike and Diane Wood, Marina and Kim Williams, Kolger Carsten, Vanessa Carsten, Michele Swanson, Ron Burtle, Cheryl Burtle, Addison Burtle, Ryan Burtle, Chuck and Austin Long, Beth Carsten.

Announcements:

- Compatriot Michael Shea needs three more programs for the FDL meetings to finish out the year.
- Diane Borgman announced that there will be a Battle of San Carlos Commemoration on Sunday, May 20th, at the Missouri Historical Museum.

Awards:

Patti Dickherber, Registrar of the St. Charles Chapter of the DAR, was awarded the SAR Martha Washington Medal for referring three members to the FDL Chapter.

New Member Inductions

1. John A. B. Swanson (son of Compatriot John A. Swanson)
2. Alex J. Swanson – Junior Member (son of John A. B. Swanson and Grandson of Compatriot John A. Swanson)
3. Scott Swanson – Junior Member (son of Compatriot Matt Swanson and grandson of Compatriot John A. Swanson)

Program: Nathan Futrell Chapter of the Children of the American Revolution (C.A.R.)

1. Jack Guenther, the local Chapter President, and the 10 or so young people, took turns describing what the chapter did over the year and what they felt was important and memorable.

2. They also played a WWII Trivia game with the FDL Members. Winners were given home-made chocolate chip cookies.
3. FDL Chapter President Koechig presented the group with a check for \$100 to help with their meeting costs and programs.

Reports:

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to approve by Compatriot Michael Shea

2nd-Compatriot John A. Swanson

Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report by Compatriot Jim Borgman

Motion to accept Treasurer's Report for Review by Compatriot Charles Lilly

2nd by Compatriot Dave Hill

(Compatriots may obtain a copy of the report by contacting Roy Snyder)

Genealogist Report:

Genealogist Doug Neff was ill; the report was delivered by Chapter President Compatriot Marvin Koechig:

- The Chapter has a total of 80 members.
- Kurtis Kasper brought additional documents for his application.
- Michael Woods Signed his completed application.

Veterans Report by Compatriot Michael Shea:

Compatriots Shea and Koechig will be presenting awards to Junior ROTC members at several St. Louis City or St. Louis County schools.

Color Guard Report by Compatriot Bill Grote:

1. Musket Training was scheduled for Saturday, April 14.
2. MOSSAR President Compatriot Dennis Hahn announced that Compatriot Grote has stepped down as the State Color Guard Commander.
 - a. Compatriot Hahn expressed his thanks and compliments for Compatriot Grote's exemplary work as Commander.
 - b. Compatriot Hahn announced that he has appointed Compatriot Doug Neff as the new State Color Guard Commander.

Flag Commendation Certificate Committee Report by Compatriot Michael Shea:

- 1) The chapter has set a goal of 33 Certificate presentation for this year.
- 2) Our FDL Chapter presented 3 more Certificates last year then the Ozark Mountain Chapter.

Fund Raising Report/Family Arena by Compatriot Marvin Koechig:

To date, the fundraising group has received \$1,070 by working the concession stand at the Family Arena.

Old Business:

Planning continues for the MOSSAR State Convention in St. Charles April 2018.

1. MOSSAR President Compatriot Dennis Hahn expressed his desire for more people to register for the convention.

2. Diane Borgman showed the Napkins she has created for Banquet Favors.
3. Compatriot Greg Landrum will donate his time to be the official Photographer. He will have a special printer to make copies of the pictures of attendees.

New Business: None

Motion to Adjourn by Michael Shea
Benediction by Compatriot Paul Smith
SAR Recessional by Compatriot Stephen Baldwin
Color Guard retrieves Colors

Anniversary Congratulations

April is the SAR Acceptance Anniversary Month for the following Compatriots:
Robert Bast 4/1/17; James Bunch 4/11/2013; Thomas Busken 4/24/14;
Dave Hill 4/14/17; Jeff Stevens 4/1/17

Next Meeting: April 14th, 2018 at Schnucks on Zumbahl in St Charles

Program: St. Charles County Ambulance District – CPR/AED

Thanks to Joanie Keochig & the local DAR

Joanie Koechig made Chocolate Candy in the shape of the state of Missouri to be given out at the upcoming MOSSAR convention. 99 bags were made with red, white, and blue ribbons. Pictured are **Gail Rea, Wilma Jo Schnare, and Carol Hertensteiner**, Members of the St. Charles Chapter of the DAR who packaged the candies.



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