

Minutes of the

# In Person and Online Meeting Fernando de Leyba Chapter

## Sons of the American Revolution

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#### November 9,2020

7:00 p.m.

## MEETS 2<sup>ND</sup> MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH (EXCEPT JULY AND AUGUST)

#### **Chapter Officers**

President: Mike Wood Vice President: Marvin Koechig Secretary: Dan Evans
Treasurer: Jim Borgman Sgt At Arms: Steve White Historian: Dennis Hahn
Genealogist: Doug Neff Registrar: Dennis Hahn Chaplain: Jim Jackson

#### THIS MONTH IN AMERICAN REVOLUTION HISTORY

The Battle of Gloucester was a skirmish fought in New Jersey between November 25, 1777 and the early morning of November 26, 1777, during the Philadelphia campaign of the American Revolutionary War. It was the first battlefield command for the Marquis de Lafayette.

Lafayette led 350 men toward the British position. He carefully scouted the British camp, at times personally coming within firing range of British sentries. He then led his men in a surprise attack on a forward picket of jägers. The 400 Hessians were caught completely unprepared, and began a disorganized fighting retreat toward the main British camp, with Lafayette and his men giving chase. Cornwallis sent some grenadiers to provide covering fire as the Germans retreated, and Lafayette withdrew under cover of darkness, returning to Greene

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle\_of\_Gloucester\_(1777)

#### REVOLUTIONARY WAR QUOTE

"Every government degenerates when trusted to the rulers of the people alone. The people themselves, therefore, are its only safe depositories." - Thomas Jefferson -- Notes on the State of Virginia, Query 14, 1781

### **Anniversary Congratulations**

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

Cole David Barry Lawrence Everett Frothingham Ronald Dean Hauser **Ted Clint House** Jimmie Dale Kirtlink Carl Cannon Pohle Donald C. Rhoads

**Kevin Allen Rogers** Benjamin Robert Shea Michael Anthony Shea Ray William Snyder William Raymond Snyder William Roy Spratt Steven Gary Stegen

#### **Minutes**

## November 9, 2020 **Embassy Suites and Zoom Online Chapter Meeting**

Meeting opened at 7:00 PM

Presentation of the Colors, Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America, National **Anthem** 

Compatriot Mike Wood welcomed all attendees & recognized guests.

#### Members in Attendance (25):

**Bob Ackley** Pat Jefferson **Britt Van Antwerp Kip Babington** Marvin Koechig George Van Antwerp Steve Baldwin **Rod Landers** Keith Walleman **Gary Bednar Greg Landrum** Kevin Walleman Charles Lilly Mike Wood Jim Borgman

Dan Evans **Keith Morris** 

\*denotes approved by National Bill Grote **Doug Neff** but yet to be inducted into FDL Dennis Hahn **Steve Sneeringer** 

Jeff Sullivan Stephen Hyatt Jim Jackson **Matt Swanson** 

#### Guests (8):

**Ann Babbington** Nancy Walleman Diane Wood Chris Dolbeare

Chris Kelle Joan Koechig Milly Neff

Angela Walleman

Announcements: Compatriot Jim Jackson was installed as Chapter Chaplain

#### **Awards and Recognitions -- Compatriot Marvin Koechig:**

- Anniversary Awards
  - Keith Morris
- Compatriot Dennis Hahn presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Justin Watkins for his assistance to the Chapter

#### **Induction of New Members:**

Fernando de Leyba Chapter is happy to bring the following new Compatriots into our membership:

Kevin Gary Walleman Roderick Rees Landers II Keith Douglas Walleman

#### **Reports:**

#### **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Approved without objection

#### Treasurer's Report by Compatriot Charles Lilly in the absence of Treasurer Jim Borgman:

Approved subject to audit

(Compatriots may obtain a copy of the report by contacting Compatriot Jim Borgman)

Compatriot Keith Morris and his wife have established a generous trust for the benefit of Fernando de Leyba Chapter in honor of Keith's parent's love of the Chapter and the Sons of the American Revolution.

#### **Genealogist Report by Compatriot Doug Neff:**

• Current Roster Membership: 122

o Full Members: 100

Dual Members:Junior Members:16

- Applications Approved at NSSAR Since Last Meeting: None.
  - New Member Applications: None.
  - o Supplemental Applications: None.
- New Member Applications in Review Pipeline: 2
  - o At MOSSAR: Ben Crouch.
  - o At NSSAR: Christopher Kelle.
- Supplemental Applications in Review Pipeline: 9
  - o At MOSSAR: (1) Jim Borgman.
  - At NSSAR: (8) Ray Snyder, William Snyder, Justin Watkins, Charles Lilly, Doug Neff
     (2), Keith Walleman, Curtis Ballenger.



- Applications in Process at Chapter: 14
  - New Member: (10) Mike Francisco, Charles Long (<u>awaiting signature</u>), Austin Long (<u>awaiting signature</u>), Don Marquess (<u>awaiting signature</u>), Thomas Payeur, Robert Koffman, Brian Stegen, Chester Johnson, Gerald Prouhet (<u>awaiting</u> <u>signature</u>), Shaun Sims.
  - O Supplementals: (4) Mike Wood, David Christian (2), David Hoffman.

#### **Veterans Report:**

No report.

#### **Color Guard Report by Compatriot Bill Grote:**

Compatriot Bill Grote gave his report via Zoom.

#### Flag Recognition Report by Compatriot Marvin Koechig:

• Flag Commendation Certificate presented on October 22, 2020 by Compatriot Michael Boyd to SFC Mark Floretta.

#### **Fund Raising Report:**

The trivia night is still held in abeyance due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

#### **Old Business:**

Compatriot Keith Morris led a discussion of the 19 December 2020 Wreaths Across
America event at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetary. The Chapter has a budgeted
amount for donation, and further plans will be formulated.

#### **New Business:**

- MOSSAR has developed a medal set to commemorate the 2021 Bicentennial of the State of Missouri.
- Compatriot Steve Baldwin reminded the members of the past minutes, photos, and information for Fernando de Leyba Chapter which are stored at the St. Charles Historical Society and commended Historian Dennis Hahn on his efforts.

**Program** --Compatriot Dan Evans gave a presentation of information about the Patriot Research System of the NSSAR.

#### **Benediction**

#### **SAR Recessional**

#### In Remembrance

No Chapter Members passed in the month of November

NEXT MEETING: DECEMBER 14, 2020 AT EMBASSY SUITES, 2 CONVENTION CENTER PLAZA, ST. CHARLES, MO 63303





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