



Minutes of the

Fernando de Leyba Chapter

Sons of the American Revolution

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SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2022 MEETING

6:30 p.m.

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

AT COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY, 427 SPENCER ROAD, STE. 255, ST.

PETERS, MO 63376

Chapter Officers 2022

President: Jim Jackson

Treasurer: Jim Borgman

Vice President: Marvin Koechig

Secretary: Dan Evans

Historian: Dennis Hahn

Registrar: Dennis Hahn

Genealogist: Justin Watkins

Chaplain: Steve Baldwin

Sgt at Arms: Casey Brizendine

Genealogist Emeritus :

Doug Neff

Color Guard Commander

Emeritus: Bill Grote

THIS MONTH IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

The Powder Alarm was a major popular reaction to the removal of gunpowder from a magazine near Boston by British soldiers under orders from General Thomas Gage, royal governor of the Province of Massachusetts Bay, on September 1, 1774. In response to this action, amid rumors that blood had been shed, alarm spread through the countryside to Connecticut and beyond, and American Patriots sprang into action, fearing that war was at hand. Thousands of militiamen began streaming toward Boston and Cambridge, and mob action forced Loyalists and some government officials to flee to the protection of the British Army.

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

REVOLUTIONARY WAR QUOTE

"While we are contending for our own liberty, we should be very cautious not to violate the rights of conscience in others, ever considering that God alone is the judge of the hearts of men, and to him only in this case they are answerable."

George Washington - Letter to Benedict Arnold, September 14, 1775

Anniversary Congratulations

July, August and September are the SAR Acceptance Anniversary Month for the following Compatriots - years of Service and Membership:

July Anniversaries

William Elliot David	7/2/2015	7	James Barley Borgman	8/26/1996	26
Kurtis Lynn Kaspar	7/6/2018	4	Jonathan David Hunt	8/27/2010	12
James Ted Chumley	7/6/2018	4	Daniel Robert Evans Jr.	8/30/2019	3
Caleb Boone Baldwin	7/9/2009	13	Stephen Geddes Sneeringer	8/30/2019	3
Clark Abraham Baldwin	7/9/2009	13	Edward S. Gray	8/31/1977	45
Stephen Matthew Baldwin	7/10/1996	26			
John Arthur Swanson	7/22/2016	6			
Matthew Lee Swanson	7/22/2016	6			
Justin Farley McKinney Watkins	7/22/2016	6			
Louis J. Volpi	7/23/2021	1			
Walter William Pruitt	7/24/2009	13			
Theodore Jay Hall	7/26/2019	3			

August Anniversaries

Morris Neal Botkin	8/2/2019	3
Shawn David Nickell	8/5/2010	12
TSgt Stephen Wayne Hyatt	8/8/2012	10
Raymond Curtis Ballenger	8/14/2020	2
Bernard William Steele Jr.	8/14/2020	2
James Scott Wimberley	8/20/2021	1
Britt Aaron Van Antwerp	8/21/2020	2
George Bernard Van Antwerp Jr.	8/21/2020	2

September Anniversaries

William Arthur Grimshaw Grote	9/9/2009	13
Douglas David Miller	9/14/1976	46
Dr. Paul Bonnette Simon	9/15/2017	5
Peter Emil Simon	9/15/2017	5
William George Simon	9/15/2017	5
David Spencer Christian	9/16/2008	14
Lars Erik Hagen	9/17/2015	7
Nicholas Marvin Koechig	9/18/2003	19
Kevin Gary Walleman	9/18/2020	2
Charles Leon Land	9/24/2007	15
William James Jackson	9/24/2007	15
Marvin Robert Koechig Jr.	9/25/2012	10
Charles Martin Babington III	9/27/2019	3
Rev. John Arthur Wilson	9/30/2010	12

Minutes

September 12th, 2022

Community Council of St. Charles County, St. Peters, Missouri

Meeting opened at 6:30 PM by President Jim Jackson

Invocation by Chaplain Steve Baldwin

Color Guard Presents 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.

Members in Attendance (17):

Bob Ackley	Steve Hyatt	
Steve Baldwin	Jim Jackson	<i>*denotes approved by</i>
Jim Borgman	Charles Lilly	<i>National but yet to be</i>
Casey Brizendine	Jim McFerrin	<i>inducted into FDL</i>
Dan Evans	Dusty Rhoads	
Gary Gorline	Steve Stegen	<i>**denotes reinstatement</i>
Dennis Hahn	David Stone	<i>approval pending at</i>
J. J. Hoskins	Justin Watkins	<i>National</i>
Ted House		

Guests (6):

Diane Borgman	Chester Johnson
Paul Carlock	Jim Keithly
Jeremy Gorline	Jan Radcliff

Supplemental Applications:

Were presented to:

J. J. Hoskins

Dan Evans with two Certificates

Both Compatriots described their ancestor's service in the Revolution.

Announcements:

- Jan Radcliff of the St. Charles Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution announced that the joint Trivia Night would be held on March 11, 2023, at St. Peter Catholic Church Hall, 221 First Capitol Drive, St. Charles. Compatriot Ted House has volunteered to again serve as the Master of Ceremonies.
- Compatriot Steve Hyatt advised the Chapter that he is moving to Illinois and that this will be his last meeting with the Chapter.

Awards and Recognitions:

Anniversary Awards

The Following Compatriots received their Anniversary Awards from the Chapter

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| ○ TSgt Stephen Wayne Hyatt | 8/8/2012 | 10 |
| ○ William James Jackson | 9/24/2007 | 15 |

Induction of New Members: Gary Gene Gorline was inducted into Fernando de Leyba Chapter

Reports:

Minutes of Previous Meeting on June 13th, 2022, as printed in the Cannoneer newsletter:
Accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Jim Borgman presented the Treasurer's Report for June through August 2022 which was approved subject to audit.

Genealogist's Report: As prepared by was given by Genealogist Justin Watkins as follows,

FERNANDO DE LEYBA CHAPTER

GENEALOGIST'S REPORT

12 September 2022

1. Current Roster Membership: 115
 - a. Full Members: 95
 - b. Dual Members: 7
 - c. Junior Members: 13
2. Applications Approved at NSSAR Since Last Meeting: 6
 - a. New Member Applications: (0).
 - b. Supplemental Applications: (6) Dan Evans (2), James Hoskins, Doug Neff (2), Kevin Walleman.
3. New Member Applications in Review Pipeline: 6
 - a. At MOSSAR: (0).
 - b. At NSSAR: (6) Michael Hubbard, James Keithly, Robert Koffman, Jackson Turner (Junior), Micah Turner (Junior), Patrick Turner.
4. Supplemental Applications in Review Pipeline: 4
 - a. At MOSSAR: (0).
 - b. At NSSAR: (4) Kevin Walleman, Keith Walleman, Richard Morton (2).
5. Applications in Process at Chapter: 7
 - a. New Member: (5) Chester Johnson, Gerald Prouhet (*awaiting signature*), Harold Burton, Scott Johnson, Brian Stegen (updated version awaiting signature).
 - IN COMMITTEE: (2) Shaun Sims, Mike Maninger.
 - b. Supplementals: (0).

Veterans and ROTC Report: none

Color Guard Report:

- The summer has been quite quiet.
- We will participate in an October musket training which will be in St. James, Missouri on October 29th.

Flag Recognition Report: Secretary Dan Evans presented a flag recognition certificate on September 11th.

Fund Raising Report: None, other than the report on the upcoming Trivia Night

Other Reports: Chaplain Steve Baldwin reported on this year's SAR Congress in Savannah, Georgia and mentioned how valuable it was. He also related a discussion he had with our President General about working toward getting applications and Supplementals through the system faster. He encouraged everyone to attend a National Congress at least once and the reasons why it would be beneficial.

Old Business:

- We discussed our options for food at the meetings. It was agreed to run a survey of all members' desires as well as bringing food into the Community Council venue, and potentially having catered meals. Members will be responsible for payment prior to the meeting if it is decided to have meals provided

New Business:

- President Jackson announced that Missouri Society President Michael Robertson will attend our October 10th meeting.
- Historian/Registrar Dennis Hahn discussed the following:
 - House Bill 1738 was signed into law and section 227.774 designates the portion of State Highway 94 from State Highway TT to State Highway F in St. Charles County shall be designated as the "George Washington Highway". This memorial designation became effective August 28, 2022. Compatriot/Sate Representative Adam Schnelting sponsored the Bill. The Department of Transportation (MODOT) shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating the section of Highway 94 as the "George Washington Highway". However, the costs need to be paid by private donations. The Department of Transportation is requesting a payment of \$3,200 for a total of two (2) signs. This will be on the MOSSAR Board Meeting Agenda for October 29, 2022.
 - There is planned to be a replication in 2025 of the "Marquis de Lafayette Tour of the United States in 1824-1825". There will be a possible tie to the 2025

MOSSAR Annual Meeting, which will be hosted by the Fernando de Leyba Chapter. The tour is being planned to start in February 2025 that will cover Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, and ending in Missouri in April 2025.

- The All Saints Catholic Church Heritage Committee is planning a year-long celebration in 2023 of the 200th Anniversary (Bicentennial) of the Church. They want an SAR grave marking for Patriot Etienne Bernard with a plaque similar to the kind that the DAR places on Patriot graves. Patriot Bernard is buried in the All Saints Church Cemetery. Patriot Bernard participated in the Battle of Fort San Carlos. I confirmed to the Committee that the SAR will obtain a plaque for the grave of Patriot Etienne Bernard. The Committee will arrange for the plaque to be installed in concrete at the grave site. Compatriot Hahn will finalize the design of the plaque and order the plaque. The cost of the plaque will be paid by two members of the Church: Trish Walther and Diane Valentine. The Chapter may need to also participate with the cost.
- Compatriot Hahn informed the Chapter of the future Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library, which will house a museum and facility for records of Roosevelt, the 26th President of the United States. It is to be constructed at a site west of Medora, North Dakota, near Theodore Roosevelt National Park. Construction is planned to begin in 2023. They plan to have a Grand Opening on July 4, 2026. With President Theodore Roosevelt being an SAR Member and having signed the United States Congress Act Chartering the NSSAR on June 9, 1906, Compatriot Hahn has suggested to the current President General that he thought it would be appropriate if the NSSAR participated in the Grand Opening of the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library. It certainly ties to the NSSAR 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution Recognition Program.
- Homepage - Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library
(<https://www.trlibrary.com/>)
- Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library - Wikipedia
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Theodore_Roosevelt_Presidential_Library
- President Jackson asked for volunteers to be Chair of the Budget Committee and Secretary Evans was made Chair. The Committee will consist of Treasurer Jim Borgman, VP Marvin Koechig, Historian/Registrar Dennis Hahn, Charles Lilly, and President Jim Jackson.

Program: Genealogist Justin Watkins gave a well-received presentation regarding the Blanchette families history in St. Charles County.

Benediction by Chaplain Steve Baldwin

SAR Recessional by President Jim Jackson

In Remembrance

The Following Compatriots left us in the Months of July, August and September.

John Francis Attaway
Theodore Seth Hunt Jr.
Ray "Ed" Edward Morris
Melvin "Mel" Watkins James B. Elliott

NEXT MEETING JOINTLY WITH THE ST CHARLES CHAPTER OF THE DAR: MONDAY, OCTOBER 10TH, 2022, 6:30 PM AT COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY, 427 SPENCER ROAD, STE. 255, ST. PETERS, MO 63376. THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL OFFICES ARE IN THE NORTHERN END OF THE SPENCER ROAD LIBRARY, IN THE UPPER PARKING LOT.



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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.

"IN GOD WE TRUST"



THE AMERICAN CREED

by William Tyler Page

Accepted by House of Representatives, April 3rd, 1918

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect Union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its Constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its Flag, and to defend it against all enemies.

