



Minutes of the
In Person and Zoom Online Meeting
Fernando de Leyba Chapter
Sons of the American Revolution

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JUNE 14TH, 2021
7:00 p.m.

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

AT EMBASSY SUITES, 2 CONVENTION CENTER PLAZA, ST. CHARLES, MO 63303

Chapter Officers

President: Jim Jackson
Treasurer: Jim Borgman
Genealogist: Doug Neff

Vice President: Marvin Koechig
Sgt at Arms: Steve White
Registrar: Dennis Hahn

Secretary: Dan Evans
Historian: Dennis Hahn
Chaplain: Steve Baldwin

THIS MONTH IN AMERICAN REVOLUTION HISTORY

The Battle of Machias (June 11–12, 1775) was an early naval engagement of the American Revolutionary War, also known as the Battle of the Margareta, fought around the port of Machias, Maine.

Following the outbreak of the war, British authorities enlisted Loyalist merchant Ichabod Jones to supply the troops who were under the Siege of Boston. Two of his merchant ships arrived in Machias on June 2, 1775, accompanied by the British armed sloop HMS Margareta (sometimes also spelled Margueritta or Marguerite), commanded by Midshipman James Moore. The townspeople of Machias disapproved of Jones' intentions and arrested him. They also tried to arrest Moore, but he escaped through the harbor. The townspeople seized one of Jones' ships, armed it alongside a second local ship, and sailed out to meet Moore. After a short confrontation, Moore was fatally wounded, and his vessel and crew were captured.

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

REVOLUTIONARY WAR QUOTE

"Is there no virtue among us? If there be not, we are in a wretched situation. No theoretical checks—no form of government can render us secure. To suppose that any form of government will secure liberty or happiness without any virtue in the people, is a chimerical idea, if there be sufficient virtue and intelligence in the community, it will be exercised in the selection of these men. So that we do not depend on their virtue, or put confidence in our rulers, but in the people who are to choose them." - **James Madison --Speech to the Virginia Ratifying Convention, June 20, 1788**

Anniversary Congratulations

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

Alexander Luke Baldwin
Jan Alan Beardsley
Gerald "Gary" Bednar
Dr. Jerry Lee Cook
Charles A. Hiemenz
Keith James Jasin
Richard Michael Morton

Douglas Eugene Neff
Dean Penberthy
Adam Norman Schnelting
Roy Lee Snyder
Keith Douglas Walleman
Dale Lee Wiseman
Thomas Michael Wood

Minutes

June 14th, 2021

In Person at Embassy Suites and Zoom Online Chapter Meeting

Meeting opened at 7:00 PM by President Jim Jackson

Invocation by Chaplain Steve Baldwin

The Singing of our National Anthem

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America

SAR Pledge

President Jim Jackson welcomed all attendees & recognized guests.

President Jackson gave a short presentation of events occurring this month in the Revolutionary War.

Members in Attendance (21):

Steve Baldwin
Jim Borgman
Dan Evans
Dennis Hahn
Greg Hilton
David Hoffman
Ted House
Steve Hyatt
Jim Jackson
Keith Jasin

Pat Jefferson
Marvin Koechig
Rod Landers
Charles Lilly
Jerry Pipes
David Stone
John Swanson
Britt Van Antwerp
George Van Antwerp
Justin Watkins

Mike Wood

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

***denotes reinstatement
approval pending at National*

Guests (11):

Diane Borgman
Lauri Dick
Ed Dick
Bernadette Hall

Colleen Jackson
Jim Keithly
Joanie Koechig
Adam Presswood

Louis Volpi

Announcements: Historian / Registrar Dennis Hahn circulated the recently published Chapter Directory to the members in attendance for edits and corrections. Dennis also presented a binder which will collect our Patriot of the Month selections for posterity.

Awards and Recognitions:

- Anniversary Awards:
 - Steve Baldwin 25 year Membership Certificate
 - Jim Borgman 25 year Membership Certificate and Pin
 - John Swanson 5 year Membership Certificate and Pin
 - Justin Watkins 5 year Membership Certificate and Pin
- Joanie Koechig and Bernadette Hall representing the DAR recognized Compatriot Pat Jefferson as the Saint Charles DAR Chapter Patriot of the Month of June 2021
- Joanie gave a presentation of her Son-in-Law William Spratt's entry which was FDL's Patriot of the Month for May, 2021 – William Torrance
- Joanie Koechig was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation by the Chapter for her untiring efforts in assisting us with our mission.

Induction of New Members: Compatriots Jerry Pipes and Greg Hilton were inducted into Fernando de Leyba and welcomed by the assembled membership. The new Compatriots gave a description of their Patriot's service to the American Revolution.

Supplemental Applications:

- Compatriot Charles Lilly was presented with his 18th approved supplemental application.
- Compatriot Roy Snyder has had seven supplemental applications approved by National, and is in ill health. We will deliver the certificates to Roy in person.

Reports:

Minutes of Previous Meeting on May 10th, 2021 as printed in the Cannoneer newsletter:
Approved without objection.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Jim Borgman presented the Treasurer's Report which was accepted subject to audit. Jim also advised we had received a thank you card from the Nathan Futrell Chapter of the Children of the American Revolution for our donation to them.

Genealogist Report: was given by Compatriot Justin Watkins in the absence of Genealogist Doug Neff and approved as presented:

- Current Roster Membership: 116
 - Full Members: 96
 - Dual Members: 6
 - Junior Members: 14
- Applications Approved at NSSAR Since Last Meeting: 4
 - New Member Applications: None.
 - Supplemental Applications: (4) Roy Snyder (4).
- New Member Applications in Review Pipeline: 5
 - At MOSSAR: (1) Chris Dolbeare.
 - At NSSAR: (4) James Wimberley, Casey Brizendine, David Von Behren, Louis Volpi.
- Supplemental Applications in Review Pipeline: 19
 - At MOSSAR: (1) Justin Watkins.
 - At NSSAR: (18) Curtis Ballenger, Jim Borgman, Ray Snyder (7),
 - William Snyder (7), Stephen Hyatt, Charles Lilly.
- Applications in Process at Chapter: 9
 - New Member: (9) Gary Gorline, Chester Johnson, Gerald Prouhet (awaiting signature), Harold Burton.
 - IN COMMITTEE: (5) Shaun Sims, Mike Maninger, Robert Koffman, Justin Hill, Curtis Barker.
 - Supplementals: None.

Veterans and ROTC Report: None

Color Guard Report: was given by Vice President Marvin Koechig in the absence of Chairman Bill Grote. Marvin reported on the Memorial Day Services at Cold Water Cemetery, where we participated along with the Spirit of Saint Louis Chapter and the DAR.

Flag Recognition Report by Compatriot Marvin Koechig: We are in possession of two extremely nice rescue flags. Historian / Registrar Dennis Hahn reported that he visited a Freddy's restaurant which had a very good flag display. Compatriots are encouraged to note and report proper and prominent flag displays to Vice President Koechig so that appropriate individuals and businesses can be awarded flag certificates in appreciation.

Fund Raising Report:

- The combined SAR / DAR / CAR Trivia Night is going to be held on October 9th, 2021. Secretary Dan Evans emailed forms available for businesses and others to sponsor a round of trivia questions, and receive recognition for this, for the fee of \$100. We are in grave immediate need for sponsors and gift cards to be used at the Trivia Night. Compatriots and other interested persons should contact Vice President Marvin Koechig.

Awards Report:

Old Business:

- Patriot of the Month – A drawing was held for the months of June, July, and August Patriots of the month with Compatriots Justin Watkins, Hogan Spratt, and Ted House being chosen respectively.

New Business:

- Joanie Koechig informed the Chapter about the American Revolution In the West Exhibit which will open May 2022 in St. Charles. This event was originally scheduled for Ste. Genevieve, Missouri in 2021 but was canceled under the Covid-19 restrictions. The St Charles Historical Society, of which Joanie is chairman, is sponsoring the event. This event has generated interest as far as the country of Spain. Spanish dignitaries are planning to attend, potentially members of the Royal family. Fernando de Leyba has been honored in Spain by increased publicity and recognition.
- We appointed a Committee to plan the Chapter's 25 Anniversary Celebration which is scheduled May 2022. The Chapter was formed on May 4th 1997. The members volunteering for the committee are compatriots Steve Baldwin, Jim Jackson, Marvin Koechig, Dan Evans, and Dennis Hahn.
- We have scheduled a joint DAR-SAR meeting on Saturday, October 16th, 2021 for our October meeting.

Program: Ed Dick US Army Rangers – Grenada – Ed gave a most interesting presentation about the invasion of the Island of Grenada during the Reagan administration, and a description of his service in the Army Rangers.

Benediction by Chaplain Steve Baldwin

SAR Recessional by President Jim Jackson

In Remembrance

David Louis Bell
David Philip DePew
James "Jim" B. Elliott

**NEXT MEETING: SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2021 ZOOM AND IN PERSON AT THE EMBASSY SUITES, ST.
CHARLES, MISSOURI**



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