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Minutes of the

Zoom Online Meeting

Fernando de Leyba Chapter

Sons of the American Revolution

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January 11, 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: Mike Wood
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: Jim Jackson

THIS MONTH IN AMERICAN REVOLUTION HISTORY

The New York and New Jersey campaign was a series of battles in 1776 and the winter months of 1777 for control of the Port of New York and the state of New Jersey during the American Revolutionary War between British forces under General Sir William Howe and the Continental Army under General George Washington. Howe was successful in driving Washington out of New York, but overextended his reach into New Jersey, and ended the active campaign season in January 1777 with only a few outposts near the city. The British held New York harbor for the rest of the war, using it as a base for expeditions against other targets.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_York_and_New_Jersey_campaign?wprov=sfla1

REVOLUTIONARY WAR QUOTE

**"To be prepared for war is one of the most effectual means of preserving peace." -
George Washington First Annual Address to Congress, January 8, 1790**

Anniversary Congratulations

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

Robert "Bob" A. Ackley
Richard Allen Denning
Glennon Lawrence Henke Jr.
Christopher A. Knox

Griffin A. Knox
Sawyer J. Knox
Clyde Robert Raines
Austin James Stevens

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Meeting opened at 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America

SAR Pledge

President Mike Wood welcomed all attendees & recognized guests.

Members in Attendance (19): xxxxxxxx

Steve Baldwin
Gary Bednar
Bill David
Dan Evans
Bill Grote
Dennis Hahn
Steve Hyatt
Jim Jackson

Keith Jasin *
Marvin Koechig
Greg Landrum
Charles Lilly
Keith Morris
Doug Neff
Dean Penberthy
Dave Stone

George Van Antwerp
Justin Watkins
Mike Wood

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

Guests (3):

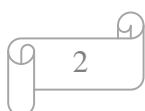
Dr. Mark Engelhardt

Milly Neff

Bruce Schondelmeyer

Announcements:

- Compatriot Marvin Koechig related that he has been in contact with Steve Biggs of Spirit of St. Louis Chapter regarding coordination and possible joint Public Service Awards.
- Marvin also announced that he had contacted the authorities in Chesterfield, the City of St. Charles, and Crime Stoppers relating to Public Service Awards and Citizen Heroism Awards.
- President Mike Wood reported on the potential candidacy of Dan Evans as MOSSAR Secretary. The nominating committee has decided on another candidate, however it has been proposed by the incoming State President that Dan will be offered a committee chairmanship to give him experience at State.



Awards and Recognitions—Compatriot Mike Wood:

- None

Induction of New Members: Fernando de Leyba Chapter did not initiate new Compatriots into our membership:

Reports:

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Approved without objection

Treasurer’s Report sent to all prior to the meeting via email:

Approved subject to audit

Genealogist Report by Compatriot Doug Neff:

- Current Roster Membership: 110
 - Full Members: 90
 - Dual Members: 6
 - Junior Members: 14
- Applications Approved at NSSAR Since Last Meeting: None.
 - New Member Applications: None.
 - Supplemental Applications: None.
- New Member Applications in Review Pipeline: 4
 - At MOSSAR: (1) Griffin Jasin.
 - At NSSAR: (3) Christopher Kelle, Ben Crouch, Gregory Hilton.
- Supplemental Applications in Review Pipeline: 9
 - At MOSSAR: None.
 - At NSSAR: (9) Ray Snyder, William Snyder, Justin Watkins,
 - Charles Lilly, Doug Neff (2), Keith Walleman, Curtis Ballenger,
 - Jim Borgman.
- Applications in Process at Chapter: 5
 - New Member: (5) Chester Johnson, Gerald Prouhet (awaiting signature), Shaun Sims, Harold Burton, Jerry Pipes.
 - Supplementals: None.

Doug also provided us with his Annual Report, as follows:

<u>APPLICATIONS IN PROCESS:</u>	<u>At FDL</u>	<u>At MOSSAR</u>	<u>At NSSAR</u>
Beginning of year:	21	-0-	8
End of year:	19	-0-	12

<u>SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR:</u>	<u>New Member</u>	<u>Supplemental</u>	<u>Junior</u>
<u>Applications Received:</u>	17	11	1
<u>Applications Approved:</u>	16	4	6

Doug also advised that we currently have lost 12 members due to the nonpayment of dues, which number may change by reinstatement. The processing of Supplemental Applications at National has been taking approximately 6 months, due to volume and Covid restrictions, and advised patience regarding their processing.

National, in the event of missing or additional information being required, will pend applications for up to 3 years. In 2019 we had no pended applications, and in 2020 we had five which later were cured.

Veterans and ROTC Report:

- Compatriot Marvin Koechig announced that he had made and is making contacts with the following High Schools regarding their Junior ROTC programs: Soldan, Sumner, Lafayette, Gateway Stem, and Jennings.
- Compatriots Koechig and Charles Lilly met with the Naval Sea Cadets at their December 19th Annual Awards Luncheon and awarded a \$200 check to an outstanding cadet.

Color Guard Report by Compatriot Bill Grote:

- Compatriot Bill Grote gave his report via Zoom.

Flag Recognition Report by Compatriot Marvin Koechig:

- No Flag Commendation Certificates were reported, and Compatriot Koechig asked the membership to be scouting for appropriate candidates. If possible submit photos of the properly displayed flag both at day and night.

Fund Raising Report:

- As reported at the December meeting The SAR / DAR Trivia Night is scheduled for Saturday, October 9th. Compatriot Koechig reported that the venue has adjusted the cost marginally.

Old Business:

- Compatriot Keith Morris discussed the 19 December 2020 Wreaths Across America event at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. Five Color Guard members from each St. Louis chapter attended.
- Compatriot Dan Evans expressed his appreciation for those who assisted him in his pursuit of nomination as MOSSAR Secretary, and his willingness to serve in another position at any time.

New Business:

President Mike Wood expressed his sentiments upon his retirement as President, stating he was honored to serve and thanking his fellow compatriots and officers.

Installation of Officers – Oath of office by President Mike Wood

President -- Jim Jackson
Vice President -- Marvin Koechig
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Social Media Outreach consisting of Matt Swanson and Marvin Koechig.

Program – Incoming President Jim Jackson stated that no program will be presented during the Zoom meeting.

Benediction by Compatriot Mike Wood

SAR Recessional by President Jim Jackson

In Remembrance

Robert "Bob" Burton Baldwin
Roger C. Fuqua

NEXT MEETING: FEBRUARY 8, 2021 TBA ZOOM OR IN PERSON



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