



Minutes of the *Fernando de Leyba Chapter*

Sons of the American Revolution

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March 9, 2020

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

Vice President: Marvin Koechig

Secretary: Ray Snyder

Treasurer: Jim Borgman

Sgt At Arms: Steve White

Historian: Dennis Hahn

Genealogist: Andy Anderson

Registrar: Dennis Hahn

Chaplain: Paul Smith

THIS MONTH IN AMERICAN REVOLUTION HISTORY

Battle of Guilford Court House – The largest battle in the southern theater was fought on March 15, 1781 in Greensboro, North Carolina. Although Lt. General Cornwallis and his army of 2,100 soldiers declared a victory against Major General Nathanael Greene's 4,500 Americans, the British Army lost nearly 27% of their troops, while the American army was still intact. The battle at Guilford Courthouse transformed the American Army into pursuers, the British into fugitives.

George Bancroft (1874). *History of the United States*. Little, Brown, and Co.

REVOLUTIONARY WAR QUOTE

“... Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!”

Patrick Henry, March 23, 1775.

Anniversary Congratulations

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

Andy Anderson
David Cox

Dennis Hahn
Keith Morris

Alex Swanson
Scott Swanson

Minutes March 09, 2020 Chapter Meeting

Meeting opened at 7:00 PM

Color Guard presented Colors

Invocation: Compatriot Paul Smith

National Anthem: Compatriot Justin Watkins

Pledge of Allegiance: Compatriot Doug Neff

Pledge to SAR – Compatriot Mike Wood

Color Guard dismissed

Compatriot Mike Wood welcomed all attendees & recognized guests.

Members in Attendance (24):

Bob Ackley	Pat Jefferson	Ray Snyder
Andy Anderson	Kurtis Kaspar	Roy Snyder
Kip Babington	Marvin Koechig	William Snyder
Jim Borgman	Charles Lilly	John Swanson
David Christian	Douglas Neff	Matthew Swanson
Daniel Evans	Donald Rhoads	Scott Swanson
Bill Grote	Paul Smith	Justin Watkins
Dennis Hahn	Stephen Sneeringer	Mike Wood

Guests (12):

Milly Neff	Dean Penberthy	Ann Babington
Joan Koechig	Jordan Wilmes	Shelly Stone
Diane Borgman	Alicia Wilmes	David Stone
Tate Portell	Tim Clothier	Tom Payeur

Awards:

- Heroism Medal – Officer Jordan Wilmes. Police officer Jordan Wilmes and two firefighters safely pulled a man from a vehicle that had gone into a creek shortly before the vehicle was overtaken by the rising water.

Reports:

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to approve by Compatriot Kip Babington
2nd by Compatriot John 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 Bill Grote
(Compatriots may obtain a copy of the report by contacting Compatriot Ray Snyder)

Genealogist Report by Compatriot Andy Anderson:

- Current Roster Membership: 106
 - Full Members: 85
 - Dual Members: 6
 - Junior Members: 15
- Applications Approved at NSSAR Since Last Meeting: None
 - New Member Applications: None
 - Supplemental Applications: None
- New Member Applications in Review Pipeline: 4
 - At MOSSAR: David Stone
 - At NSSAR: (3) Keith Walleman (PENDED), Timothy Hill, David Roy.
- Supplemental Applications in Review Pipeline: 2
 - At MOSSAR: None
 - At NSSAR: (2) Michael Wood (2).
- Applications in Process at Chapter: 28
 - New Member: (19) Gary Gorline, Mike Francisco, Justin Hill, Darren Daly, Charles Long (*awaiting signature*), Austin Long (*awaiting signature*), Gary Williams, James McFerrin, Michael Pyatt, Thomas Baird, Don Marquess (*awaiting signature*), Curtis Ballenger, Robert Koffman, Michael Maninger, Thomas Penberthy (*awaiting signature*), Tate Portell (*awaiting signature*), Thomas Payeur, David Stone (*awaiting signature*), Charles Hiemenz.
 - Supplementals: (8) Mike Wood (1), David Christian (2), David Hoffman, James Hoskins, Roy Snyder, Ray Snyder, William Snyder.

Veterans Report by Compatriot Marvin Koechig:

- JROTC – Within the month, Compatriot Marvin Koechig will be delivering medals and certificates across the five secondary schools within the chapter's area.

Color Guard Report by Compatriot Bill Grote:

- **Friday, April 17th, 2020** Present Colors at the annual NSDAR Banquet. The SAR Color Guard should muster at 4:00 pm to drill/rehearse for the room conditions. This will be at the Holiday Inn Executive Center-Columbia Mall, 2200 Interstate 70 Dr. SW, Columbia, MO 65203. (more info to follow)
- **Friday, April 24th, 2020** MOSSAR State Conference, Color Guard will present colors at the Friday evening banquet and retire colors following the Saturday evening banquet. This will be held at the Courtyard Columbia by Marriott, 3301 Lemone Industrial Blvd, Columbia, MO (Hotel and Conference Registration is now open) (more info to follow).

- **Friday, May 1st, 2020** Order form due for SAR Day, July 4th at Busch Stadium. All Color Guard participants must purchase tickets (\$26.00 ea.) Return form with check payable to Fernando de Leyba Chapter by no later than May 1st to Mr. Douglas Neff, 2352 Seven Pines Dr., St. Louis, MO 63146. Ask for form if you did not get one at your chapter meeting. (more info later)
- **Monday, May 25th, 2020** DAR Cold Water Cemetery Memorial Day Service at 10:00am. Arrive by 9:30am. The Cemetery is located behind (North) of Pallottine Renewal Center 15270 Old Halls Ferry Rd. Florissant, MO. While parking on the loop inside the Cemetery is feasible, probably best to park at the Pallottine Center and either walk or take the provided shuttle a short distance to the Cemetery. FDL normally covers Cold Water Cemetery.
- **Monday, May 25th, 2020** Memorial Day, Participate in service at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. Scheduled to begin at 10:00am. "Spirit" normally covers JB and decides when and where to muster. (Parking can be difficult arrive early)
- **Saturday, May 30th, 2020** Participate in the opening of the "American Revolutionary War in the West" event held at the French Colonial America Museum in St. Genevieve, MO. (probably will muster at 9:00am, more info later).
- **Saturday, July 4th, 2020** SAR Day at Busch Stadium, Color Guard is participating in the on-field pre-game ceremony. Compatriot Grote believes we will have several SAR Color Guard to carry the American Flag and State Flag with musket escorts. The Lewis and Clark Fife and Drum Corps will be marching in with us. The Corps would like to practice and we should get together beforehand. Note: Security requires that the muskets be disabled (hammer removed?), and inspected before entry into the stadium. Those members friends and family that are attending the Cardinal game only and are not participating in the on the field ceremony will go directly to their reserved seats in the stadium. (more info later)
- **Sunday, November 1st, 2020** DAR Veterans Day Service 2:00pm at Bellefontaine Cemetery St. Louis, Mo (more info later)
- **Saturday, November 7th, 2020** Massing of the Colors Ceremony and parade, form up at 9:30 am South entrance, Soldiers Memorial between 13th and 14th Street.

Fund Raising Report by Compatriot Marvin Koechig:

- The next Trivia Night will be held on September 26, 2020 at the at the St. Peter Church Parish Center, 3rd and First Capitol Drive, St. Charles.
- Many bottles of wine need to be donated for the 'Wine Pull', an event when a contestant pays to grab a bottle of wine from a bag without knowing the quality or color. It's likely to be a very good bottle of wine, but could also be a cheap one.
- Round Sponsors and Table Sponsors are still needed. A flyer will be distributed soon with more information.
- Silent auction items are always needed for donation. Gift cards and sporting event tickets were very popular at the last trivia night. Contact Compatriot Marvin Koechig for more auction suggestions.

Old Business:

- Swearing in of Officers by MOSSAR Honorary Vice President Dennis Hahn:
 - Compatriot Paul Smith – Chapter Chaplin
 - Compatriot Jim Borgman – Chapter Treasurer

- SAR DAY AT BUSCH
 - Mike Wood reported that he and Marvin had lunch with the Cardinals and reviewed with them the status of procedures that will be followed by the Color Guard. The group, led by the 'Louis and Clark Fife and Drum Corps', will march on to the field from right field towards Centerfield. Then FDL's 4-man Color Guard, who will be carrying the USA Flag and MO State flag, will present the Colors on the grass in right field. Standing behind the FDL Color Guard will be the Fife and Drum Corps in a straight line. DAR ladies in period dress will accompany the Color Guards. They will remain on the field through the singing of God Bless America and the National Anthem. Then the Fife and Drum Corps will lead the group off the field. There will be a Cardinal rep there to guide the process.
 - Mike Wood was invited by the Cardinals to throw out the First Pitch and that he can take some others on the field. So, a contest will be set for members who sell the most tickets to the game will accompany Mike Wood onto the field at Homeplate for the first pitch ceremony and pictures. He reminded everyone that both buying and selling tickets was very important to FDL to make this a big win for FDL. There are currently 550 seats being held.
 - Tickets and t-shirts must be ordered no later than May 1st. The order form can be found on the [FDL Facebook website](#).
- Broadside #3, Remembering the Boston Massacre, was made available for members to pick up to read and distribute. The remaining copies are being taken to the USO at Lambert International Airport.
- Missouri Society, SAR 2020 Annual Meeting:
 - Will be held on Friday and Saturday, April 24-25, 2020. The Host Chapter is the [Christopher Casey Chapter](#). The Annual Meeting will be held at the [Courtyard Columbia by Marriott](#), 3301 Lemone Industrial Blvd., Columbia, MO 65201.
 - Registration form is on the Missouri Society, SAR Website: <http://mossar.org/>. Make room reservation by calling the Courtyard Marriott 573-443-8000. (Group Code: SNS G3674). Hotel Reservation Deadline: 3 Apr 2020. Room Charge \$99.00 plus tax (April 23, 24 and/or 25). the Registration Form can be accessed on the MOSSAR Website: <http://mossar.org/>.
- The FDL Chapter is striving to have at least one photo on file of all current and former Chapter Members. We do not have a photo of the Chapter Members listed below. If you are listed below, or can obtain a photo of those listed below, your submittal of a photo would be appreciated. Photos should be emailed to Compatriot Dennis Hahn at djh42@sbcglobal.net or mailed to 416 Hunters Ridge, St. Charles, MO 63301-0480. If you are not listed below but would like to submit a photo of yourself, please do so.

Members missing photos:

Baldwin, Clark A.	Elliott, James (Jim) B.	Jamieson, David Ray
Henke, Glennon L., Jr.	Hunt, Theodore S., Jr.	Jones, Dana Eugene
Horn, Richard A.	Trowbridge, George Crane,	Mendenhall, Ross Arthur
Land, Charles L.	Jr.	Rainwater, Samuel
Miller, Douglas D.	Wilkins, Oliver W.	Jackson, Jr.
Pruitt, Walter W.	Boyd, William L.	Zeig, Gary Mason
Warner, Randall D.	Flagg, Christopher George	Greene, Kyle R.
DePew, David Philip	Hayes, William Grumley	Greene, Richard R.

New Business:

- CAR will have the floor for the program in April.
- Better food for only \$1 more! All meals cost \$19 with **NO TIPPING**. The following four different types of meals will rotate.
 - **Italian:** penne pasta with chicken alfredo or red sauce, salad, garlic bread sticks, Italian roasted veggies.
 - **Mexican:** chips, salsa, shredded beef, vegetable, tortilla and tostada shells, Mexican rice, refried beans, tomatoes, green onions.
 - **BBQ:** creamy Cole slaw, corn on the cob, mashed potatoes, pulled chicken, corn bread.
 - **American:** salad, potato salad, hamburgers, brats, buns.
 - I will try to get the menu sent to you with the meeting reminder the week prior to a meeting.
- Anyone interested in presenting a program at a monthly meeting or has a suggestion for an outside party to present a program, should contact Chapter Vice-President Marvin Koechig. There will be a program sign-up sheet available at each meeting. All presentation should be no longer that 15 minutes.

Program: Compatriot David Christian covered some history of the U.S. Federal Census.

Motion to Adjourn by Compatriot Jim Borgman

Benediction by Compatriot Paul Smith

SAR Recessional by Compatriot Bill Grote

Color Guard retrieves Colors

In Remembrance

The following Chapter Members passed in the months of January and February (none in March):

Bob Baldwin (1/9/2012)

Roger Fuqua (1/3/2005)

Fran Northrop (2/8/2010)

Stu Ballou (2/8/2008)

James McPherson (2/18/2014)

Michael Zimmer (2/6/2019)

NEXT MEETING: APRIL 13, 2020 AT EMBASSY SUITES, 2 CONVENTION CENTER PLAZA, ST. CHARLES, MO 63303



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