

Minutes of the

*Fernando de Leyba Chapter*

**Sons of the American Revolution**

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**NOVEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> 2024 6:30 PM**

**NORMAL MEETINGS ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH (EXCEPT JULY AND AUGUST) AT ST CHARLES KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL, 20 WESTBURY DR, ST CHARLES, MO 63301**

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**Chapter Officers -- 2024**

President: Jim Jackson  
Vice President: Casey Brizendine  
Secretary / Treasurer: Dan Evans  
Registrar: Dennis Hahn  
Historian: Justin Watkins  
Genealogist: Michael Hubbard  
Chaplain: Jim Keithly

Sgt at Arms: Bill Hemenway  
Color Guard Commander: Charles Lilly  
Junior Color Guard Commander: Boaz Grimstead  
Webmaster: Dave Desmarais

**Emeritus Officers**

Doug Neff, Genealogist  
Bill Grote, Color Guard Commander  
Jim Borgman, Treasurer

**Committee Chairmen**

Charles Lilly, Youth Awards, Naval Cadets  
Marvin Koechig, Flag Certificates and Flag Retirement, First Responders, and JROTC Awards  
Dave Demarais, Webmaster / Technology

### *THIS MONTH IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR*

The siege of Savage's Old Fields (also known as the first siege of Ninety Six, November 19–21, 1775) was an encounter between Patriot and Loyalist forces in the back country town of Ninety Six, South Carolina, early in the American Revolutionary War. It was the first major conflict in South Carolina in the war, having been preceded by bloodless seizures of several military fortifications in the province.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Siege\\_of\\_Savage%27s\\_Old\\_Fields](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Siege_of_Savage%27s_Old_Fields)

### *NOTABLE QUOTE*

Marcus Aurelius B 26 April 121 -- D 17 March 180 (aged 58) Meditations --

"If anybody shall reprove me, and shall make it apparent unto me, that in any either opinion or action of mine I do err, I will most gladly retract. For it is the truth that I seek after, by which I am sure that never any man was hurt; and as sure, that he is hurt that continueth in any error, or ignorance whatsoever."

## **Anniversary Congratulations**

**November is the SAR Acceptance Anniversary Months for the following Compatriots.  
years of Service and Membership:**

David Paul Desmarais	11/27/2013 11	Kevin Allen Rogers	11/15/2019 5
Ted Clint House	11/30/2018 6	Ray William Snyder	11/3/2017 7
Jimmie Dale Kirtlink	11/29/2012 12	William Raymond Snyder	11/3/2017 7
Robert S Koffman	11/18/2022 2	William Roy Spratt	11/22/2016 8
Carl Cannon Pohle	11/22/2016 8	Steven Gary Stegen	11/26/2007 17
Donald C. Rhoads	11/18/1965 59		

### **Minutes**

**November 11th , 2024**

**St Charles Knights of Columbus Hall, 20 Westbury Dr, St Charles, MO 63301**

**Meeting opened at 6:30 PM by President Jim Jackson**

**Color Guard Presented the National Colors**

## **Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America**

## **The Singing of our National Anthem**

## **SAR Pledge – Color Guard Dismissed**

## **Invocation by Chaplain Jim Keithly**

**President Jackson welcomed all attendees, and recognized guests. He then described events occurring this month during the American Revolution and American History.**

### **Members in Attendance (28):**

Steve Baldwin  
Jim Borgman  
Jon Carlock  
Paul Carlock  
Ben Crouch  
Craig Dedloff  
Dave Desmarais  
Dan Evans  
Bill Grote  
Bill Hemenway  
Ted House  
Mike Hubbard

Jim Jackson  
James Keithly  
Bob Koffman  
Rob Koffman  
Charles Lilly  
Jim McFerrin  
Keith Morris  
Doug Neff  
Ron Niebrugge  
Steve Stegen  
David Stone  
John Swanson

Matt Swanson  
Patrick Turner  
Justin Watkins  
Tim Williams

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

### **Guests (5):**

Diane Borgman  
Tricia Crouch  
Laura Ross Dedloff

Milly Neff  
Ben Nulton

### **New Member Inductions:**

William Craig Dedloff

### **Awards:**

5 years of membership – Kevin Allen Rogers

**Program:** Fernando de Leyba Genealogist Michael Hubbard presented information on how he researches genealogy information in supporting prospective Compatriots.

### **Announcements:**

- It was announced that our Compatriots Gregg Sartorius and Erik Hagen have been suffering from illness, and Registrar Dennis Hahn continues to recover from his cancer surgery

- Congratulations to our Compatriot, Adam Schnelting, on his election to the Missouri Senate.
- Secretary/Treasurer Evans distributed membership cards for members who have paid their dues.
- President Jim Jackson announced that Tricia Crouch is collecting orders for the DAR soup order fund raiser
- Dan Evans, who is Secretary of the Missouri Society, reported on the October 26<sup>th</sup> Board of Directors meeting and the Wilbur Jean Kephart Trust operating procedures regarding the proceeds of the investments which are going to be held invested for income. The amount of the legacy will be untouched for Society uses, only the earned income.

In addition, new Chapters are being investigated for Sikeston and Weston, Missouri.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting on October 14<sup>th</sup> 2024, as printed in the *Cannoneer* newsletter:**

Accepted after revision of the addition of a motion regarding pizza purchased for each meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Secretary/Treasurer Dan Evans presented the October 2024 financial report. Report accepted as presented, pending audit.

**Genealogist's Report:** Genealogist Mike Hubbard's report was published prior to the meeting via email and accepted, as follows:

FERNANDO DE LEYBA CHAPTER  
GENEALOGIST'S REPORT  
November 11, 2024

1. Current Roster Membership: 108
  - a. Full Members: 88
  - b. Dual Members: 7
  - c. Junior Members: 13
2. Applications Approved at NSSAR Since Last Meeting: 4
  - a. New Member Applications: (4) Evan Anderson, Bill Dedloff, John Hilton and Ken Lynch.
  - b. Supplemental Applications: (0).
3. New Member Applications in Review Pipeline: 7
  - a. At MOSSAR: (0)
  - b. At NSSAR: (7) Harold Croy [NM], Don Dotson, William Dotson, David Rawlings, Sr., James Peter Rawlings, Bart Tallent and Tyler Tallent [NM].
4. Supplemental Applications in Review Pipeline: 3

- a. At MOSSAR: (0).
  - b. At NSSAR: (3) Michael Hubbard [2], Rick Morton and Keith Walleman.
5. Applications in Process at Chapter: 14
- a. New Member: (9) Austin Dove, Mason Farrell, Randy Hulse, Joe Hunter, Preston Padgett, Greg Paris, Ed Pusczek, ??????? Wydrzynski and Joshua Wolff.
- IN COMMITTEE: (4) James Hoskins, Derek Myers, Cary Warner and Justin Watkins.
- b. Supplementals: (1) Kurtis Kasper.

**Color Guard Report:** Compatriot Ben Crouch reported on Color Guard activities as follows:

**Captain William Alexander Grave Marking** – Color Guardsmen Ben Crouch, Dan Evans and Webmaster Dave Desmarais attended this event in Farmington, Missouri on October 19<sup>th</sup>.



**Veterans Day DAR Commemoration** – was attended by Colorguardsmen Rick Morton, Steve Baldwin, Jim Jackson and Dan Evans. Dave Desmarias ran video and photography was done by Doug Neff. We were joined by Spirit of St. Louis Colorguardsmen as well for the ceremony.



**Prairie View Elementary School Veterans Day Commemoration** – on November 11<sup>th</sup> Steve Baldwin, Ben Crouch and Dan Evans attended the school assembly honoring veterans. We performed a flag folding ceremony and presented the folded flag to a deserving veteran in the audience.



**Ed and Barbara Morris Memorial Fund** – Dan Evans reminded attendees that \$200 in Color Guard uniform expenses will be eligible for reimbursement from the fund.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Steering Committee** -- The Steering Committee is continuing to plan the various aspects of the 2025 Missouri Society Conference. We are also constructing a New Compatriot manual.

## Old Business:

**SAR 2025 Dues** – are due according to the following schedule.

Members \$81.00

Junior Members \$15.00

National and State Life members only owe Chapter dues of \$15.00.

National Life Members owe State and Chapter dues which would total \$31.00

Dual Members -- In State \$15.00, Out of State \$31.00

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## **New Business:**

**Wreaths Across America 2024** – Compatriot Keith Morris announced that the event at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery will be held on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Naval Sea Cadets Banquet 2024** – Compatriot Keith Morris announced the annual event will be held on Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. Both he and Dan Evans attended last year and spoke of the impressive Cadet Corp and the entertainment quality of this event. More information will be coming.

**Benediction by Chaplain Jim Keithly**

**SAR Recessional was led by President Jim Jackson.**

**In Remembrance  
Compatriots lost to us in November.**

**James Leroy R. Boyd Jr.  
Robert W. Rogers**

**Next Meeting: Monday December 9th at 6:30 PM ST CHARLES KNIGHTS OF  
COLUMBUS HALL, 20 WESTBURY DR, ST CHARLES, MO 63301**

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**NSSAR Mission: "The Sons of the American Revolution honors our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities and educating and inspiring future generations about the founding principles of our Country."**

## Chapter Presidents

### **Organizing President:**

James L. R. Boyd, Jr. 1995-1996 and early part of 1997 <sup>1</sup>

### **Chapter Presidents:**

Kenneth (Norm) Norman Hagen	Part of 1997 & 1998 (1 year, 8 months)
Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin	1999, 2000, 2001, & 2002 (4 years)* <sup>1 2</sup>
Norval C. Hood, Jr.	2003 (1 year)
Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin	2004, 2005, 2006, & 2007 (4 years)* <sup>1 2</sup>
Charles E. Lilly	2008, 2009, 2010, & 2011 (4 years) <sup>1</sup>
Dennis J. Hahn	2012, 2013, 2014, & 2015 (4 years) <sup>1</sup>
Marvin R. Koechig, Jr.	2016, 2017, 2018, & 2019 (4 years)
Thomas M. (Mike) Wood	2020 (1 Year)
William J. (Jim) Jackson	2021 to Present

\*Stephen M. Baldwin served a total of 8 years as Chapter President.



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1996-1997  
Organizing President (deceased)



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(deceased)



Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin  
1999, 2000, 2001, & 2002  
2004, 2005, 2006, & 2007



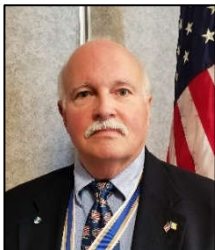
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(deceased)



Charles E. Lilly  
2008, 2009, 2010, & 2011



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2012, 2013, 2014, & 2015



Marvin R. Koechig, Jr.  
2016, 2017, 2018, & 2019



Thomas M. (Mike) Wood  
2020



William J. (Jim) Jackson  
2021-Present

<sup>1</sup> Served as Missouri Society SAR President <sup>2</sup> Served as South Central District Vice President General

### *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.**

