



Minutes of the

Fernando de Leyba Chapter

Sons of the American Revolution

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MARCH 14TH, 2022

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

Vice President: Marvin Koechig

Secretary: Dan Evans

Treasurer: Jim Borgman

Sgt at Arms: Casey Brizendine

Historian: Dennis Hahn

Genealogist: Justin Watkins

Registrar: Dennis Hahn

Chaplain: Steve Baldwin

THIS MONTH IN AMERICAN REVOLUTION HISTORY

The Raid of Nassau (March 3–4, 1776) was a naval operation and amphibious assault by American forces against the British port of Nassau, Bahamas, during the American Revolutionary War. The raid, designed to resolve the issue of gunpowder shortages, resulted in the seizure of two forts and large quantities of military supplies before the raiders drew back to New England, where they fought an unsuccessful engagement with a British frigate.

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

REVOLUTIONARY WAR QUOTE

"Here is my Creed. I believe in one God, the Creator of the Universe. That He governs it by His Providence. That He ought to be worshipped. That the most acceptable service we render to Him is in doing good to His other Children. That the soul of Man is immortal, and will be treated with Justice in another Life respecting its conduct in this. These I take to be the fundamental points in all sound Religion, and I regard them as you do in whatever Sect I meet with them. As to Jesus of Nazareth, my Opinion of whom you particularly desire, I think the System of Morals and his Religion, as he left them to us, is the best the World ever saw, or is likely to see."

Benjamin Franklin Letter to Ezra Stiles, President of Yale University, March 9, 1790

Anniversary Congratulations

March is the SAR Acceptance Anniversary Month for the following Compatriots - years of Service and Membership:

Gayle Gene Anderson 3/15 -- 3 yrs
Captain David Scott Cox USN 3/10 -- 10 yrs
Dennis Jerome Hahn 3/12 -- 25 yrs
Keith Edward Morris 3/4 -- 18 yrs

Alex John Swanson 3/7 -- 4 yrs
Scott Thomas Swanson 3/7 -- 4 yrs

Minutes

March 14th, 2022

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

Meeting opened at 6:30 PM by President Jim Jackson

Invocation

The Singing of our National Anthem

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America

SAR Pledge

President Jim Jackson welcomed all attendees, and recognized guests.

President Jackson gave a history of events occurring this month in the Revolutionary War and throughout American History.

Members in Attendance (21):

Bob Ackley
Steve Baldwin
Jim Borgman
Casey Brizendine
Rich Denning
Dan Evans
Boaz Grimstead
Ezekiel Grimstead
Ezra Grimstead
Bill Grote

Dennis Hahn
Steve Hyatt
Jim Jackson
Marvin Koechig
Charles Lilly
Jim McFerrin
Dusty Rhoads
Steve Stegen
John Swanson
Britt Van Antwerp

Justin Watkins

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

***denotes reinstatement approval pending at National*

Guests (4):

Diane Borgman
Mande Grimstead

Guy Grimstead
Jim Keithly

Installment of Officers for the Year 2022

Compatriot Charles Lilly Installed Vice President Marvin Koechig as a member of the 2022 Officers of Fernando de Leyba.

Announcements: Chaplain Steve Baldwin gave a report on the Leadership Conference held in Louisville, Kentucky. Steve went into his appreciation of the advancement the SAR Library and Museum has made and urged Compatriots to consider to become a Friend of the Library with a \$25.00 donation

Awards and Recognitions:

- Compatriot Richard Denning received his 5-year pin and certificate.
- Compatriot Charles Lilly announced that the 2021 winner of the Fernando de Leyba Essay contest was Josie Hoskins.

Induction of New Members: None

Supplemental Applications: None

Reports:

Minutes of Previous Meeting on February 14th, 2022, as printed in the Cannoneer newsletter: Accepted as presented.

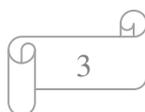
Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Jim Borgman presented the Treasurer's Report for February, which was approved subject to audit. Jim also noted that we had filed our annual return to the Internal Revenue Service, and that Compatriot Charles Lilly had performed an audit of 2021.

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

FERNANDO DE LEYBA CHAPTER**GENEALOGIST'S REPORT**

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1. Current Roster Membership: 113
 - a. Full Members: 94
 - b. Dual Members: 6
 - c. Junior Members: 13



2. Applications Approved at NSSAR Since Last Meeting: 1
 - a. New Member Applications: (0).
 - b. Supplemental Applications: (1) Stephen Hyatt.

3. New Member Applications in Review Pipeline: 1
 - a. At MOSSAR: (0).
 - b. At NSSAR: (1) Gary Gorline.

4. Supplemental Applications in Review Pipeline: 10
 - a. At MOSSAR: (7) Keith Walleman, Kevin Walleman, James Hoskins, Dan Evans (2), Doug Neff (2).
 - b. At NSSAR: (3) Charles Lilly (2), Kevin Walleman.

5. Applications in Process at Chapter: 8
 - a. New Member: (5) Chester Johnson, Gerald Prouhet (awaiting signature), Harold Burton, Scott Johnson, James Keithly.

IN COMMITTEE: (3) Shaun Sims, Mike Maninger, Robert Koffman.
 - b. Supplementals: (0).

Veterans and ROTC Report: Vice President Marvin Koechig announced that he has accepted the position of Chairman of the Missouri Society ROTC/Jr. ROTC Committee. He asked that someone volunteer to handle the Veterans Committee of Fernando de Leyba.

Color Guard Report:

- Junior Color Guard Commander Boaz Grimstead gave a report of his activities in recruitment of members of his Color Guard. He also intends to attend two DAR meetings in the future to explain his duties and solicit members.



Junior Color Guard Commander Boaz Grimstead with his brothers, left is Ezekiel, and to the right, his twin brother, Ezra

- President Jackson reminded the attendees of the busy month the Color Guard will have in May, as follows:

- May 21st the St. Charles County Heritage Museum will open their exhibit of The American Revolutionary War in the West.
- May 29th Commemoration of the Battle of San Carlos in Ste. Genevieve, Missouri.
- May 30th Joint Ceremony with the DAR at Coldwater Cemetery.
- May 30th 3 PM Ceremony with the DAR in Troy, Missouri.

Flag Recognition Report: Vice President Marvin Koechig reminded Compatriots to be aware and report deserving recipients of Flag certificate for their proper display of Old Glory.

Fund Raising Report: None

Awards Report: None

Old Business:

- Secretary Dan Evans expressed his thanks to Compatriot John Swanson for submitting a biography of his Patriot for the March Patriot of the Month.
- The 25th Anniversary Committee will meet and announcement of the May 4th event at Pio's Restaurant in St. Charles will be issued soon.

New Business:

- Our May 9th meeting will be held in conjunction with the St. Charles Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.
- The Missouri Society of the Sons of the American Revolution will hold its annual meeting on the 29th and 30th of April at the Sheraton Westport Chalet. The registration form is available on the MOSSAR website, <http://mossar.org/>

Program: The attendees were presented two videos, the preview of “House of Thunder”, the film describing the Battle of San Carlos, 26 May 1780. Also viewed was an excellent YouTube video on the “American Form of Government”.

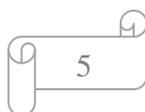
Benediction by Chaplain Steve Baldwin

SAR Recessional by President Jim Jackson

In Remembrance

No Compatriots left us in the Month of March

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, APRIL 11TH, 2022, 6:30 PM AT COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY, 427 SPENCER ROAD, STE. 255, ST. PETERS, MO 63376. THE COMMUNITY



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