

Minutes of the

Fernando de Leyba Chapter

Sons of the American Revolution

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MAY 8TH, 2023

6:30 p.m.

MEETS 2ND MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH (EXCEPT JULY AND AUGUST)
at St Charles Knights of Columbus Hall, 20 Westbury Dr, St Charles, MO
63301

Chapter Officers 2023

President: Jim Jackson

Vice President: Casey Brizendine

Secretary / Treasurer: Dan Evans

Historian / Registrar: Dennis Hahn

Genealogist: Justin Watkins

Chaplain: Jim Keithly

Sgt at Arms: John Swanson

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 Meigs Raid (also known as the Battle of Sag Harbor) was a military raid by American Continental Army forces, under the command of Connecticut Colonel Return Jonathan Meigs, on a British Loyalist foraging party at Sag Harbor, New York on May 24, 1777 during the American Revolutionary War. Six Loyalists were killed and 90 captured while the Americans suffered no casualties. The raid was made in response to a successful British raid on Danbury, Connecticut in late April that was opposed by American forces in the Battle of Ridgefield.

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

REVOLUTIONARY WAR QUOTE

" It cannot be emphasized too strongly or too often that this great nation was founded, not by religionists, but by Christians not on religions, but on the gospel of Jesus Christ! For this very reason, peoples of other faiths have been afforded asylum, prosperity, and freedom of worship here."

Patrick Henry -- Speech to the Virginia House of Burgesses, May, 1765

Anniversary Congratulations

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

Timothy Earl Hill	5/29/2020	3	Jerry A Pipes	5/7/2021	2
James Joseph Hoskins	5/23/2008	15	David Stone	5/15/2020	3
Charles Tracy Jefferson	5/26/2010	13	Steven Martin White	5/5/2011	12

Minutes

May 8th, 2023

St. Charles County Knights of Columbus, St. Charles, Missouri

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 Steve Baldwin

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 (25):

Bob Ackley	Bill Hemenway	Steve Stegen
Steve Baldwin	Jim Jackson	David Stone
Jim Borgman	Steve Kling	Patrick Turner
Casey Brizendine	Marvin Koechig	Louie Volpi
Ben Crouch	Bob Koffman	Justin Watkins
Dave Desmarais	Jim McFerrin	
Dan Evans	Rick Morton	<i>*denotes approved by</i>
Gary Gorline	Doug Neff	<i>National yet to be</i>
Bill Grote	Dusty Rhoads	<i>inducted into FDL</i>
Dennis Hahn	Gregg Sartorius	

Guests (4):

Diane Borgman	Rob Koffman
Joan Koechig	Milly Neff

Awards and Recognitions:

Announcements:

Anniversary Awards: Anniversary Award James Joseph Hoskins -- 15 years

Induction of New Members:

William Donaldson Hemenway IV
Stephen Leroy Kling

Supplemental Applications:

Reports:

Minutes of Previous Meeting on April 10th , 2023, as printed in the Cannoneer newsletter:
Accepted as presented.

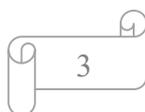
Treasurer's Report: Secretary / Treasurer Dan Evans reported on March 2023. Report was accepted subject to audit.

Genealogist's Report: By Genealogist Justin Watkins,

FERNANDO DE LEYBA CHAPTER

GENEALOGIST'S REPORT

8 May 2023



1. Current Roster Membership: 118
 - a. Full Members: 96
 - b. Dual Members: 8
 - c. Junior Members: 14

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

3. New Member Applications in Review Pipeline: 2
 - a. At MOSSAR: (0).
 - b. At NSSAR: (2) Robert Koffman III ⁽¹⁾, Brian Stegen

4. Supplemental Applications in Review Pipeline: 0
 - a. At MOSSAR: (0).
 - b. At NSSAR: (0).

5. Applications in Process at Chapter: 9
 - a. New Member: (4) Chester Johnson, Gerald Prouhet (awaiting signature), Harold Burton, Scott Johnson.

IN COMMITTEE: (4) Shaun Sims, Mike Maninger, Mike Noe, Steven Fuller.
 - b. Supplementals: (1) Louis Volpi. ⁽²⁾

⁽¹⁾ Genealogy approved by NSSAR 4 May 2023
⁽²⁾ Application pending signature.

Color Guard Report:

Your Color Guard presented the colors at the Records Association of Missouri Conference Opening Ceremony on Wednesday April 26th.



The Etienne Bernard Grave Marking at All Saints Catholic Church in St. Peters, MO was on Sunday, April 23rd, 2023, at 2:00 PM.



That evening, President Jackson, Compatriot Marvin Koechig, and his wife Joanie welcomed attendees from the Franklin County Honor Flight at Lambert Field.





On Friday, April 28th at the Annual Conference of the Missouri Society SAR there was a dedication ceremony at the Truman Library in Independence

Color Guard Musket Training will occur on Saturday, May 13 at 10:00 AM at 18900 County Road 1000, St James MO 65559

The May 27th and 29th Fort San Carlos Festival which will be held in Ste. Genevieve, Missouri. There will be 10 grave markings on Saturday, May 27th, and the annual Fort San Carlos Festival Ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 28th.

Flag Recognition Report: none

JROTC Report: On Tuesday, May 4th, Compatriot Marvin Koechig attended an award ceremony at Soldan High School in St. Louis and presented the SAR JROTC award.



Fundraising Report: Secretary/Treasurer Evans announced that he has received financial statements from National to evaluate the proposal to raise national dues from \$35.00 to \$50.00 per year.

Website Report: Webmaster Dave Desmarais reported on the work he has done on the Chapter website.

Old Business:

American Revolution in the West Conference

New Business:

Genealogy and History Talk 16 May, St. Charles Heritage Museum

Battle of St. Louis Commemoration 26 May, St. Charles Heritage Museum

Program: Secretary/Treasurer Dan Evans, who is also the Secretary of the Missouri Society, presented photos from the Missouri Society Annual Conference held on April 28th to 29th in Independence Missouri. He then went through the five Bylaw Changes which were approved.

Benediction by Compatriot Steve Baldwin.

SAR Recessional by President Jim Jackson.

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

**John Clovis Soucy Jr.
William "Bill" L. Winham**

Next Meeting: Monday, June 12th, 2023 AT 6:30 PM at the St Charles Knights of Columbus Hall, 20 Westbury Dr, St Charles, MO 63301



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Chapter Presidents

Organizing President:

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

Chapter Presidents:

Kenneth (Norm) Norman Hagen	Part of 1997 & 1998 (1 year, 8 months)
Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin	1999, 2000, 2001, & 2002 (4 years)* ^{1 2}
Norval C. Hood, Jr.	2003 (1 year)
Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin	2004, 2005, 2006, & 2007 (4 years)* ^{1 2}
Charles E. Lilly	2008, 2009, 2010, & 2011 (4 years) ¹
Dennis J. Hahn	2012, 2013, 2014, & 2015 (4 years) ¹
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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Thomas M. (Mike) Wood
2020



William J. (Jim) Jackson
2021-Present

¹ Served as Missouri Society SAR President ² 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.

"IN GOD WE TRUST"



THE AMERICAN CREED

by William Tyler Page

Accepted by House of Representatives, April 3rd, 1918

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect Union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its Constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its Flag, and to defend it against all enemies.