

Minutes of the

Zoom Online Meeting Fernando de Leyba Chapter

Sons of the American Revolution

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December 14,2020

7:00 p.m.

MEETS 2ND MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH (EXCEPT JULY AND AUGUST)

Chapter Officers

President: Mike Wood Vice President: Marvin Koechig Secretary: Dan Evans
Treasurer: Jim Borgman Sgt At Arms: Steve White Historian: Dennis Hahn
Genealogist: Doug Neff Registrar: Dennis Hahn Chaplain: Jim Jackson

THIS MONTH IN AMERICAN REVOLUTION HISTORY

The Battle of Trenton was a small but pivotal battle during the American Revolutionary War, which took place on the morning of December 26, 1776, in Trenton, New Jersey. After General George Washington's crossing of the Delaware River north of Trenton the previous night, Washington led the main body of the Continental Army against Hessian auxiliaries garrisoned at Trenton. After a brief battle, almost two-thirds of the Hessian force was captured, with negligible losses to the Americans. The battle significantly boosted the Continental Army's waning morale, and inspired re-enlistments.

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

REVOLUTIONARY WAR QUOTE

"Mein Gott" – The Hessians at the Battle of Trenton Merry Christmas!

Anniversary Congratulations

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

James L. R. Boyd Jr.
Timothy James Carsten
Boaz Grimstead
Ezekiel Grimstead
Ezra Grimstead

Steven Robert Hayes Gregory Allen Landrum Charles Elliott Lilly Hogan Liam Spratt John William White

Minutes

December 14, 2020 Embassy Suites and Zoom Online Chapter Meeting

Meeting opened at 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America

SAR Pledge

Compatriot Mike Wood welcomed all attendees & recognized guests.

Members in Attendance (22):

Jim Borgman Marvin Koechig Matt Swanson

Dan Evans Rod Landers George Van Antwerp

Boaz Grimstead Greg Landrum Steve White Ezekiel Grimstead Keith Morris Mike Wood

Ezra Grimstead Richard Morton

Bill Grote Doug Neff

Dennis Hahn

Dean Penberthy

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

Jim Jackson Steve Sneeringer

Guests (2):

Greg Hilton Joan Koechig

Announcements: Compatriot Marvin Koechig announced at the SAR / DAR trivia night will be held on 9 October 2021.

He also notified the membership that the CAR pecan sale drive is over, however they do have some pecans left over for those interested.

Awards and Recognitions—Compatriot Mike Wood:

- Anniversary Awards None this month.
- Compatriot Dan Evans received the Lafayette Volunteer Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters from National for his efforts in the Patriot Research System.
- Compatriot Marvin Koechig was awarded the Chapter Distinguished Service Medal by President Mike Wood for his continued involvement, assistance, and efforts for the chapter.
- Public Service Awards Marvin Koechig asked members to submit candidates for these awards.

Induction of New Members:

Fernando de Leyba Chapter is happy to bring the following new Compatriots into our membership:

Dean Penberthy Tate Portell

Reports:

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Approved without objection

Treasurer's Report by Compatriot Charles Lilly in the absence of Treasurer Jim Borgman:

Approved subject to audit

(Compatriots may obtain a copy of the report by contacting Compatriot Jim Borgman)

Genealogist Report by Compatriot Doug Neff:

• Current Roster Membership: 122

o Full Members: 100

Dual Members: 6Junior Members: 16

- Applications Approved at NSSAR Since Last Meeting: None.
 - o New Member Applications: None.
 - o Supplemental Applications: None.
- New Member Applications in Review Pipeline: 3
 - o At MOSSAR: None.
 - o At NSSAR: Christopher Kelle, Ben Crouch, Gregory Hilton.
- Supplemental Applications in Review Pipeline: 9
 - o 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: 15
 - New Member: (11) Mike Francisco, Charles Long (<u>awaiting signature</u>), Austin Long (<u>awaiting signature</u>), Don Marquess (<u>awaiting signature</u>), Thomas Payeur, Robert Koffman, Brian Stegen, Chester Johnson, Gerald Prouhet (<u>awaiting</u> <u>signature</u>), Shaun Sims, Harold Burton.
 - o Supplementals: (4) Mike Wood, David Christian (2), David Hoffman.

Doug Neff announced that the Genealogy Committee was being reactivated. The Committee will consist of Doug Neff, Charles Lilly, and Justin Watkins. Doug asked for volunteers and compatriot Dan Evans volunteered to serve on the committee.

Doug added that there has been a change at National regarding DNA use. Previous to now National had approved, then disapproved, of DNA parentage documentation, but they have changed their mind and adopted a DNA parentage system. Doug explained this could be used very effectively for prospective members who had been adopted to provide lineage for their applications.

Doug also informed the membership of the 6 month ability to amend period after approval of an application. Proof of redacted information (which is shown by the use of parentheses around information on the application) should be provided to National to achieve the amendment.

Veterans and ROTC Report:

Compatriot Marvin Koechig announced that he and Charles Lilly will be attending the Naval Sea Cadets meeting and will present a certificate and medal 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. Fernando De Leyba Chapter presented 21 Flag Commendation certificates in 2020.

Fund Raising Report:

The trivia night is scheduled, as reported in announcements.

Old Business:

- Compatriot Keith Morris discussed plans for the 19 December 2020 Wreaths Across America event at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. Those who wish to participate should be at the Andre's Banquet Center at 12:15 p.m.
- Compatriot Greg Landrum gave a report on the NRA Muzzleloading School. The school is planned for early spring, and the instructor is currently completing his certification with the NRA.

New Business:

Nominating Committee Report -- Compatriot Charles Lilly announced the results of the Nominating Committee as follows:

President -- Jim Jackson
Vice President -- Marvin Koechig
Secretary -- Dan Evans
Genealogist -- Doug Neff
Chaplain -- Jim Jackson
Historian and Registrar -- Dennis Hahn
Sergeant at Arms -- Steve White

Also included is the Social Media Outreach consisting of Matt Swanson and Marvin Koechig.

The nominations were opened at that point no additions or objections were made and the recommended officers were voted upon and elected to serve the 2021 year.

2021 Budget -- Compatriot Charles Lilly, Budget Committee Chairman presented the budget, which had previously been emailed to all members, and with no objection the 2021 budget was approved.

MOSSAR Secretary -- A discussion was held on the opening of the Missouri State SAR Secretary office. Compatriot Dan Evans expressed interest and will investigate.

Program – no program was presented during the Zoom meeting.

Benediction

SAR Recessional

In Remembrance

William "Bill" R. Beswick Milan A. G. Paddock Hardy Barry Pottinger

NEXT MEETING: JANUARY 11, 2021 VIA ZOOM UNLESS LATER CHANGED



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