

Meeting Minutes for: November 11, 2024

Time: 6:00 pm - Supper 7:00 pm - Meeting

Location: Lizard’s Thicket Restaurant

4616 Augusta Road, Lexington, SC 29073

1. Meeting Called to Order - President McLeod
2. Moment of Silence in Remembrance of our Veterans – Buddy Witherspoon
3. Invocation – Chaplain Hugh Hamm
4. Pledges – President McLeod
   1. Pledge of Allegiance
   2. Pledge to the Flag of South Carolina
   3. SAR Pledge
   4. The American Creed
5. Introduction of Guests and Welcome - President McLeod
6. Past President Gary Blanpied introduced Speaker/Member Aric Bruggeworth who gave a video presentation on *“Finding the Shirt-Tail Men: Repositories/Resources to Use to Research Revolutionary War Ancestors.”* Aric shared helpful slides of resources, repositories and tips for genealogical research and documentation of sources. He provided examples of searches for military records, pensions and military historical sites. Some of the repositories available to use for research are Family Search Images and AI Search, Internet Archive, Southern Campaigns, Revolutionary War Pension, Statements & Rosters, Fold3, Newspapers.com – Historical, Newspapers of South Carolina - Digital NC, and Chronicling America. WikiTree is also very useful. Not all resources are online or digitized so also utilize local county government offices and other repositories to access land deeds, etc.
7. New Business – None
8. Old Business - None
9. Motion to Approve Minutes was seconded and passed by unanimous consent.
10. Officer/Committee Reports
    1. Vice President for Events and Development – Harold Crawford  
       The Granby Chapter of NSDAR and Gary Blanpied went to 105th anniversary of Davis Gantt, African American World War I soldier. This was the 2nd memorial service of his death, and he is buried in Lexington, SC. Also, Gary and Deborah Blanpied and Nelson McLeod were in the Lexington Veterans’ Day Parade.
    2. Vice President for Programs - Gary Blanpied   
       No SAR meeting in December but a reminder to attend NSDAR Christmas Luncheon on December 7 where Joe Long will give a presentation about USS Columbia (1941 to present) and remembrance of Pearl Harbor. Picken Pearls will give a musical performance and there will be a raffle for door prizes.  
       At the next SAR meeting in January 2025, Rick Wise will be the Guest Speaker.
    3. Vice President for Technology – James Herritage  
       The SAR Minutes and Newsletter are now on the website, which is getting more traffic activity. Let Jim know of other improvements that can be made.
    4. Treasurer –Norman Smith   
       There is $4,071.61 in the financial account of the Granby Chapter SAR. Remember to get your dues in to Norman within the month.
    5. Secretary – Carl Epps  
       Once the minutes are completed, I will send them to President McLeod for his approval. He will then forward them to Jim Herritage for placement on the website. Prior to the upcoming meeting, SAR members will receive a notice to read the minutes online.
    6. Registrar – President McLeod reported for Mike Gillis  
       Photo recognition of SAR member: Jerome Nelson McLeod, IV
11. SAR Recessional/Adjournment

*NOTE:   
Any discrepancies in the information contained herein, please let me know immediately.*

Respectfully submitted by:

Carl L. Epps, Jr., Secretary

January 6, 2025

# ADDENDUM

On the following page is a meeting attendee list which is hereby made a part of these minutes.

