



Sons of the American Revolution
Michigan Society
Jeremiah Clark Chapter
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Chapter Meeting

Held Tuesday, July 16, 2024, 7pm
Buck Shots Bar & Grill

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Ken Loudy at 7:25 pm

Members present:

- Ken Loudy
- Mike Packard
- David Suzor
- Grant Goulet
- Dave Decker
- Michael Wall
- Eddie Howell
- Jackie Howell
- Travis Howell (Paul Emory Chapter)
- Doug Brown
- James Pabst
- Jeff Pardee
- Mary Pardee
- James Bliss

Guests present:

- Jose Aliaga and father Jose Aliaga

Mike led the Pledge of Allegiance

Dave Suzor led the SAR Pledge

Presidents Report

Ken called up Mike Wall, and Jim Bliss

Ken led the New Compatriots in the Pledge and presented them certificates.

Mike's Patriot-Stephen Crane

Jim's Patriot-Aaron Henry

Eddie Howell presented with Bronze America 250 Award and also presented with Military Award

Report of Officers

- **Treasurer – Ken Loudy** delivered on Dave's behalf. Dave Decker moved. James Pabst seconded report.

- **Secretary – Mike Packard** moved for approval of the 6/18/2024 meeting. Mike moved for approval with addition of appointment of James Pabst as Sergeant-at-Arms. Dave Decker seconded and motion unanimously approved.
- **Registrar – Ken Loudy** 40 Members now. 2 apps at National. 5 supplemental applications. 9 stalled applications. Thanks to Doug Brown on his contributions to the genealogy corps.
- **Public Relations – Grant Goulet** gave updates on the Oakland County Patriots Poster. Chapter will try to get on Independence Township agenda to present the plaque and present shortly on Chapter grave marking and America 250 Plans.
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Old Business

- **Adopt a Road - James Pabst** updated on the event and members in attendance. Our first road pick up is complete. Cleanup went fantastic. Splitting road in half was good idea.
- **Independence Fest Veteran’s Celebration** June 29th. Dave, Mike, Mary and Jeff, and Ken. This went really well. No prospects but we had fun and free hotdog.
- **DAR SAR Grave Marking Caleb Merrill.** Chairman Eddie Howell and Dave Decker gave update on status of the project scheduled for September 7, 2024.
 - Eddie presented and discussed that James is going to present as Caleb Merrill and wife Sara will be doing event presentation.
 - Need volunteers to get 75 Chairs.
 - All materials and volunteer opportunities available.
 - Doug Brown identified a number of Caleb Merrill descendants from John Jackson. Doug has identified their locations. Chesboro family is also identified. Doug has reached out to people on facebook and looking for feedback.
 - Grant has worked on design of promotional materials and signs on cemetery area.
 - Had meeting at Neimans yesterday, added CAR president who lives in Waterford, Deb Rakozy.
 - Discussing all aspects of project planning. Color guard and colonial attire being arranged.
 - Two state officers State President and Representative of Indiana DAR/SAR there.
 - Dave Decker discussed the financials of downpayment on plaque that is part of project. We can only make changes to the marker already there by DAR. DAR is adding SARA, we are adding a Marker for JCC. We are using the same piece of granite with JCC. \$699 for the plaque. Amount for \$700 approved.
 - Banner for Project design still in progress and cost to be incurred unknown. Might want to add CAR and America 250 to the Design. Grant says not needed CAR but America 250 ok.
- **America 250 Eddie Howell** – No state activities to report. Will be coming August. June Independence Fest qualified. Grave Dedication will qualify. Monthly chronical of events related to American Revolution Major events. Origins of the 13 Colonies came out recently Tonight Starts America 250 Monthly moment of lesser known events leading up to the AR. Explained America 250 Program where Chapter can earn points. Eddie detailed some of the ways to earn points as an individual and thus the chapter for planning, participation and attendance. There are some caps on event types. Encouraging participation in America 250 events. Gold, Bronze and Silver awards available. Monthly Moment detail and Eddie did the research. Grant talked about Website area to help with participation in America 250.
- **Jose Aliaga Presentation**

New Business

- **Americanism Report**-Let Ken know if you donate time, services, to Veterans.
- **America 250**

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- **Oakland County Historical Society-Pioneer Days**
 - **Point of Interest: Jeffrey's family accepted to the Michigan Pioneer Certificate.**

The meeting concluded with the SAR Recessional led by Dave Decker. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM. Submitted by Mike Packard

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