

# Sons of the American Revolution Michigan Society Jeremiah Clark Chapter P.O. Box 269 Clarkston, MI 48347-0269



# **Chapter Meeting**

Held Tuesday, November 19, 2024, 7pm Buck Shots Bar & Grill

# **Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Ken Loudy at 7:09 pm

# Members present:

- Ken Loudy
- Mike Packard
- Grant Goulet
- Dennis Van Wormer
- Bob Matthews
- Larry Arms
- Doug Brown
- Dave Decker
- Dave Walls
- Dave Suzor
- Marc Malott
- Michael Wall
- Eddie Howell
- Stephen Nesbitt
- James Pabst

Dave Suzor led the Pledge of Allegiance

Star Spangled Banner- with our own Compatriots Eddie and Michael W on horns! Dave Suzor lead the SAR pledge

Patriotic medley played by Eddie and Mike W on horns again! Nice job guys!

# **Presidents Report**

New members John Selden and Ron Conwell

### **New Board Members Sworn in by Dennis Van Wormer**

Per slate for 2024-2025:

- a) President-Ken Loudy
- b) Vice President-Eddie Howell
- c) 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President-James Pabst
- d) Secretary-Mike Packard
- e) Treasurer-Dave Walls
- f) Chancellor-Mike Packard
- g) Genealogist-Mike Packard, Doug Brown
- h) Registrar-Ken Loudy, Mike Packard, Doug Brown, Eddie Howell
- i) Historian-Dave Decker

- j) Sergeant at Arms-James Pabst
- k) Data Admin-Grant Goulet
- I) Editor-Grant Goulet
- m) WebMaster-Grant Goulet
- n) First Trustee-Eddie Howell

### 2024 Awards

Eddie Howell - Chapter Distinguished Service Medal

James Pabst - Chapter Henry Knox Achievement Medal

Mike Packard - Chapter Henry Knox Achievement Medal

Grant Goulet - Chapter Meritorious Service Medal w/cert

Dave Walls - Certificate of Appreciation. Chapter Treasurer

Dave Decker - Certificate of Appreciation. Outgoing Chapter VP

Jeff Pardee - Certificate of Appreciation.

Patrick Loudy - War Service Medal + Certificate + Bars - (Iraq and Afghanistan)

Dave Suzor - Past President Pin & Cert

Doug Brown - Certificate of Appreciation.

Marc Malott- Years of Service Certificate (5 Year Increment)-10 Years

Mary Pardee- Certificate of Appreciation.

Ken Loudy - American 250th Silver

Eddie Howell - American 250th Silver

Dave Decker - American 250th Silver

Mike Packard - American 250th Silver

Dave Suzor - American 250th Silver

Jeff Pardee - American 250th Silver

Dave Decker - American 250th Bronze

Minutes of October 15, 2024 meeting: Mike P moved for approval of minutes October 15, 2024, seconded by Dennis Van Wormer. All approved, no Nay.

### **Report of Officers**

- **Treasurer** Mike moved to approve treasurer's report, seconded by Grant.
- Secretary Mike Packard Benevity Causes registered for 2024-2025
- Registrar Ken Loudy 47 members 3 regular apps at NSSAR 4 Memorial apps at NSSAR 1 Junior at NSSAR 5 apps in process at Chapter 5 Supplemental Apps at NSSAR 5 apps stalled (waiting on add'l info)
- **Public Relations Grant Goulet** Oakland County Poster presentation on hold for now until some decisions made. New township board is being installed in December so we'll target something early next year to present to the township.
- Chaplain / Events Eddie Howell No news

## **Old Business**

1. Wreaths Across America

- a. \$50 donation from Diane Clark
- b. Donations for wreaths online if you want to participate. National Wreaths Across America website. Pick Jeremiah Clark Chapter.

### 2. Liberty Tree Project

- a. Approved to put Liberty Tree in Clintonville Park behind Senior Center
  - i. Need to plant tree in the Spring and have a ceremony after planting. Targeting Saturday before the Fourth of July at Independence Fest/Veterans Celebration
  - ii. Plaque cost is ballpark but we're looking at about \$1600 with Tree, plaque, chairs, refreshments. More follow up to come. National has a Liberty Tree Plaque. James has also been looking at options. We'll revisit in January for vote.
- 3. Sept 2025 Grave Marking/Roadside Plaque
  - a. JCC Grave Marking and Cemetery Plaque for Caleb Merril and Jeremiah Clark
    - i. SAR Logo and DAR logo (Sashabaw Plains)
    - ii. Genealogy Committee Meeting will review plaque wording and program next Tuesday.
    - iii. Funding from MISSAR and NSSAR underway
- 4. 2025 Dues Statements out
  - a. Dues must be paid by December 31. Please pick up a form if you don't have one from Mike P or Ken.
- 5. Memorial Service for Compatriot Jeffrey Pardee 12/14/2024
  - a. Posted on Website

## **New Business**

- 1. Compatriot Mead update
- 2. December meeting update
  - a. Room is not available
  - b. Dave Voted to suspend December meeting. Bob seconded. Motion passed. We'll have a Board meeting instead.
- 3. Boston Tea Party will be held at the January 2025 meeting.
- 4. America 250 History
  - a. Monthly Chronicle was "Going to War".
  - b. Continental Congress worked hard to work with England for a resolution, but one was not forthcoming. Eddie detailed some of the events of the Battle at Fort Washington.
- 5. Americanism and USS Stark Report

# **Around the Room**

Dennis held back! No other updates.

Recessional at 8:01 pm led by Eddie Howell

Eddie and Mike W played Echo Taps and talked about the historical significance of Taps and tradition.

Meeting Adjourned 8:04pm

Submitted by:

Mike Packard

11/19/2024

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