

MINUTES OF THE JEREMIAH CLARK CHAPTER - MICHIGAN SOCIETY OF THE SON'S OF THE  
AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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Buck Shots Bar and Grill

July 15, 2025

1. Meeting was called to Order at 7:10 PM

Members Present:

Ken Loudy  
Mike Packard  
Dave Walls  
Eddie Howell  
Charlie Howell  
Larry Arms  
Jim Bliss  
Grant Goulet  
Doug Brown  
Marc Malott  
Arsey Miller  
Steve Nesbitt  
James Pabst  
Lincoln Malott  
Scott Malott  
Matt Coker  
John Selden  
Erik Honnila  
Dave Suzor  
Dave Decker

Guests:

Cindy Loudy  
Jackie Howell  
Cindy Jahn  
Ann Johnson  
Charlotte Cooper  
Gordon and Candace Duda

Pledge of Allegiance-Charlie Howell

SAR Pledge-James Pabst

2. Primary Business

Certificates and Award Presentation

Matt Coker sworn in by Ken as our newest member! Congratulations Matt! Certificate is in the mail!  
America 250 Recognition

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Doug Brown – Silver Certificate, Charlie Howell – Bronze, Lincoln Malott, Steve Nesbit-Bronze Certificate, Nicky Mallot-Bronze Certificate

Cindy Jahn and Charlotte Cooper – Partner in Patriotism Award Bronze Certificates. Congratulations ladies!

Lincoln Malott and Charlie Howell – Certificates of Appreciation - Gentlemen involved in grave marking service and Liberty Tree dedication ceremony. Nice job fellas!

Gordon and Candace Duda – Certificates of Appreciation - Involved in Liberty Tree Dedication ceremony and are here tonight for our presentation.

Doug Brown and Mike and Ken received America 250 banner awards.

3. Treasurer

Dave presented bank balances, income and expenses.

Ken moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, Erik Honila.

4. Secretary/Chancellor Report

Mike moved, Jim Bliss 2<sup>nd</sup>, minute approved filing of the minutes of June 17, 2025, Chapter meeting.

Chancellor reported Chapter is in regulatory compliance with IRS, Just Giving.

5. Public Relations Report

Grant and Doug are going to meet with Clarkston Mayor. We will set up a PayPal account potentially, we will investigate this further. Grant discussed Banner placement for Grave Marking.

6. Registrar's Report

Ken reported we are at 46 members, 9 at national, 6 at state, 4 in progress. Two supplementals.

Approval process regular apps at 16 weeks and 64 weeks on Supplementals. Ken has an end-of-year target of 60 members and he's banking on it as with everything approved, we'd be at 59 with potentially one transfer happening from Paul Emery Chapter.

7. Program:

Gordon Duda and Candace Duda presented on the Brown Bess Musket. Gordon showed Charlie and Lincoln how to safety check the weapons, using the ramrod to check for presence of gun powder and/or ball. Drop Rammers! Hear the ping. Return Rammers!

Brown Bess was a British gun issued to the British in 1730. In 1733 Oglethorpe announced he didn't want slaves, drunks or lawyers. He was a friend of King George II who supplied the weapons. The guns were eventually used on both sides, explaining why Gordon will wear a British re-enactment uniform.

One gun was issued to the 13<sup>th</sup> Regiment and had been repaired by American parts so the gun may have been handled by a Revolutionary War Patriot. A lot of good hunters had rifled muskets accurate to 250 yards.

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Another gun was a model 1807 that was likely used in the War of 1812.

The third model was built circa 1790's purchased in England. Gordon demonstrated the bayonet.

Gordon showed a 70-caliber musket ball and flints and tools from an armory in England 200 years ago, and items likely used in the Napoleonic Wars.

Gordon talked about a connection between two of the guns and Candace herself. Robert Parks was a cousin who made flint locks in England.

Old/Ongoing Business-James Pabst presented the ongoing business and events:

1. Ice Cream Social at the Oakland History Center. Lots of fun. Chapter will be there for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row. Who's coming? And signup for volunteers was passed around.
2. America 250 Wreath placement next year.
3. National Cemetery Holly – Unaccompanied Memorial Service; Fall Headstone Cleaning Saturday October 18 8:00 am
4. Americanism and Stark Report.
5. Adopt a Road-Sept 27 9 am; Volunteers needed.
6. Liberty Tree Dedication – James recapped this awesome event for the community. Senior Center wants us back!
7. Eddie talked about membership. We are 3<sup>rd</sup> in membership growth out of 13 Chapters. We get a Report Card of sorts in the Americanism and Stark Reports. We are encouraged to write down our service and assistance to veterans and in support of Patriotic causes.
8. September 20 Grave Marking and Dedication for Jeremiah Clark.
9. Our Chapter will be hosting the BOM meeting next June. Chapter will be catering the lunch. The plan is to make pulled pork barbeque, and we'll need individuals to prepare side items. We'll also be planning a Flags and Flowers events to honor Patriots focusing on veterans in Oakland County.

Monthly Moment Presented by Lincoln, Scott, Courtney Malott talked about George Washington taking command of the Continental Army and activities during the Revolutionary War and afterward.

Around the Room

Ken thanked Eddie for all the work moving meetings along. Big round of applause! Nice job!  
SAR Recessional led by Dave Suzor.

Arsey Miller #12 Pledge/Recessional Card holder gets America 250 Challenge Coin!

Meeting Adjourned 8:20 pm

Submitted by:  
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