

Jeremiah Clark Chapter Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, October 21, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Buck Shots Bar and Grill, Clarkston, Michigan

Members Present

- *Ken Laudy* • *Eddie Howell* • *Lincoln Malott*
- *Scott Malott* • *Glen Merkel*
- *Bob Matthews* • *Dennis Van Wormer* • *David Walls*
- *Larry Arms* • *David Suzor* • *Kennedy Pardee*
- *David Arthurs* • *John Selden* • *Grant Goulet*
- *Michael Wall* • *Dick Morris* • *Bob Parrett*
- *James Pabst* • *Doug Brown* • *JW Buckwalter*
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Guests Present

- Jay Malott (app in progress) Bob Parrett (app in progress)
- Cindy Loudy • Jackie Howell • John Warren
- Janice Malott • Mary Pardee • Linda Lawson
- Arsey Miller • Charlotte Cooper • Cindy Jahn
- Ann Johnson

1. Welcome and Guests

- Meeting called to order by Ken at 7:00 PM.
- Guests introduced, including Linda Lawson, Navy veteran and DAR member, who served as guest speaker.

2. Invocation

- Eddie delivered the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance & SAR Pledge

- Led by Ken and Eddie

4. Primary Business

- **New Member Recognition:** Welcomed new members to the chapter.
 - **Lincoln Malott and Scott Malott and JW Bookckwalter** - Ken swore the new Compatriots in and presented Rosettes as Eddie explained the significance of colors.
- **America 250 Recognition Awards-Eddie:**
 - Bronze: John Selden, Scott Malott, Dave Arthurs, Ilan Lawless
 - Silver: David Walls, Michael Wall, Steve Nesbitt, Larry Arms
- **Partners in Patriotism Awards:**
 - Bronze: Ann Johnson, Ella Malott, Courtney Mallot, Jackie Howell, Cindy Loudy
 - Silver: Charlotte Cooper, Cindy Jahn, Gordon Duda
- **America 250 Ribbon:** Patriots' Grave Marking and Plaque Dedication recognized.
 - James was presented with the Patriot Ribbon for the Grave Marking and Dedication work.
- **Certificate of Appreciation:** Presented to Claire Kostun.
- **Liberty Medal:** Awarded to Ken Loudy for all his hard work and recognized by NSSAR. Awesome!
- **Chapter Recognition by National – Ken**

5. Minutes of September Meeting

- Mike presented the minutes from the previous meeting.
 - Correction noted Guests, Br. Pardee dual membership he was noted as a guest, will revise for next meeting and approve minutes then. Correction will be presented next meeting.

6. Chancellor Report

- Mike delivered the Chancellor's report- Dues Matching Gifts – Kroger Rewards Program
- Report accepted.

7. Treasurer's Report

- David presented the financial report.
- **Motion to accept the Treasurer's report made by:** Dave Walls second by Larry Arms, report accepted.

8. Public Relations/Editor Report-None

9. Registrar/Membership Report

- Ken reported on membership status and activities.

10. Program Speaker

- Linda Lawson presented on the Navy 250th Perspective. 10/13/1775 is the official birthday of the Navy.

11. Ongoing Business

- Eddie led discussion on ongoing chapter business.
- **Chapter Dues 2026:** Dennis provided update. Dennis updated new members on how as of September 1 dues paid by new members are allocated to next year.
- **Chapter Elections:** Ken discussed upcoming elections. The following officers were elected for 2025-2026 by unanimous consent of the members:
 - Eddie Howell – President • James Pabst – First Vice President
 - Mike Packard – Secretary • Dave Walls – Treasurer
 - Ken Laudy – Registrar • Steve Nesbitt – Sergeant at Arms
 - Larry Arms – Historian • Mike Packard – Chancellor
 - Eddie Howell – Chaplain • Grant Goulet – Webmaster, Editor, Data Admin
 - Doug Brown – Genealogist
- **Patriots of Oakland County Artwork:** Update from Ken and Grant.
- **Americanism and Starks Reporting:** Eddie provided update.
- **America 250 Flag Retirement Ceremony:** Scheduled for Sunday, November 2, 1:00–3:00. Two volunteers needed for flag burning.
- **Veteran's Lunch:** Scheduled for Friday, November 7, 11:30–2:00. Two volunteers needed for SAR promo table.

12. New Business

- Eddie introduced new business items.

- **Navy 250th Birthday Cake Cutting:** Dave Decker and Claire Kostun.
- **Oakland County Patriots Chapter Artwork:** Ken updated the Chief Judge Michael Warren will be finding a suitable place for the artwork at the Oakland County Courthouse.
- **Mittens for Detroit:** Lincoln Malott, MSCAR chair, discussed Kids Helping Kids initiative. Eddie presented 25 mittens for the cause!
- **Ken moved Mike second \$250 to the Mittens for Detroit**
- **America 250 – Links emailed**
 - Monthly Chronicle: *The Birth of the United States Navy, 1775–1799*, LionHeart FilmWorks video.
 - Eddie's monthly moment is that he is working on some research of Patriots James and Charles Skaggs.

13. November Guest Speaker

- Renee Verbeke, Director, Strength in Numbers–Food Bank for Senior Veterans. Members encouraged to bring food items (see donation list).

14. Special Events (Past/Future)

- James reviewed recent and upcoming events:
 - Patriots' Grave Marking and Plaque Dedication (9/20/2025)
 - Adopt a Road Project (9/27/2025)
 - BOM Meeting and Plaque Dedication (10/11/2025)
 - Grave Marking, Manchester, MI (10/11/2025)
 - Genealogy Genie Workshop (10/18/2025)
 - Upcoming:
 - America 250 Flag Retirement Ceremony (11/2/2025)
 - Veteran's Lunch SAR promo table (11/7/2025)
 - Informal Flag Retirement (11/13/2025)
 - Next Chapter Meeting & Officer Installation (11/18/2025)
 - Wreaths Across America (12/14/2025)

- Independence Fest (6/27/2026)
- Jacob Petty Grave Marking (9/26/2026)

15. Strength in Numbers Food Donation List

- Members were reminded to bring donations for senior veterans to the November 18 meeting. Items requested: spaghetti, sauce, coffee, tea, creamer, sugar, macaroni & cheese, canned tuna, peanut butter, cereal, canned fruits/vegetables, juice, snacks, cooking spray/oil, salt & pepper, baggies, garbage bags, tinfoil, plastic wrap.

16. Around the Room

- James facilitated open discussion.

17. Benediction

- Eddie delivered the benediction.

18. SAR Recessional

- Led by James.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Mike Packard

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