

Jeremiah Clark Chapter Meeting Minutes [Revised 11/19 MP]

Date: Tuesday, November 18, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Buck Shots Bar and Grill, Clarkston, Michigan

Submitted by Mike Packard, Chapter Secretary

Meeting Summary

Attendance

Members Present:

- Ken Loudy • Mike Packard • Eddie Howell • Michael Wall • Dave Walls • Grant Goulet
- Marc Malott • Larry Arms • Steve Nesbitt • Bob Parrett • Bob Matthews • James Pabst
- Dennis Van Wormer • Ron Anderson • Scott Malott • Lincoln Malott • Arsey Miller
- Tim LeMarbe • Wayne Buetler • Glen Merkel

Guests Present:

- John Warren • Tom Hammond • Cindy Loudy • Kathy Suzor • Macie Hagel • Nancy Anderson • Joshua Nelson • Emma Nelson • Jackie Howell • Courtney Malott • Ella Malott
- Renee Verbeke

Meeting called to order by Eddie at 7:10 PM – Guests and Members Welcome

1. Invocation and Pledges

- Invocation: Eddie.
- Pledge of Allegiance-Lincoln & SAR Pledge-Scott.

1. New Member Induction:

Ken swore in new members: Ron Anderson & Glen Merkel. Eddie presented Rosettes.
Congratulations Compatriots!

2. Primary Business

Two-Bell Memorial Service: Honoring Jeffrey Clark Pardee & David LeRoy Suzor. Eddie and Michael Wall performed Taps in their honor and offered words of condolence. Rest in Peace Compatriots.

Annual Meeting Medal Presentations: Conducted by Ken

Chapter Awards:

Eddie Howell Chapter Meritorious Service Medal - 2nd Award
Eddie Howell Chapter Roger Sherman Commendation Medal
James Pabst Chapter Meritorious Service Medal

Mike Packard Chapter Meritorious Service Medal
 Dennis VanWormer Chapter Henry Knox Achievement Medal
 Lincoln Malott Chapter Outstanding Young Member Medal - SAR Medal of
 Appreciation, SGT Joseph Plumb Martin
 Dave Walls Chapter Meritorious Service Medal
 Lincoln Malott Bronze Children of the American Revolution
 Doug Brown Chapter Henry Knox Achievement Medal
 Dale Chapman Chapter Henry Knox Achievement Medal
 Steve Nesbitt Certificate of Appreciation
 Larry Arms Certificate of Appreciation
 Charlie Howell Certificate of Appreciation
 Grant Vincent Goulet Gold 250th Certificate
 John Robert Matthews Bronze 250th Certificate
 Wayne Loris Beutler Bronze 250th Certificate
 Arsey Lynn Miller Bronze 250th Certificate
 Kennedy Clark Pardee Bronze 250th Certificate
 Macie Hagle Parker Hagle Partners Bronze 250th Certificate
 Scout Troop 185 Certificate of Appreciation, Flag Retirement
 Elias Cady CAR Certificate of Appreciation, Flag Retirement

America 250 Ribbon Activities Last Month – James Pabst Presented ribbons to Sgt at Arms Steve Nesbitt

- Flag Retirement Ceremony – American Legion Post 63
- Veterans Lunch – American Legion Post 63
- Veterans Day Celebrations with Sashabaw Plains DAR – Monark Grove & Addington Place
- Informal Flag Retirement Ceremony

3. Reports

- **Minutes of September Meeting:** Mike moved Ken 2nd to approve the September and October 2025 minutes, all in favor. None opposed.
- **Chancellor Report:** Mike reported on the Blackbaud Community Matters Grant recently submitted by Eddie for a potential award of up to \$5,000 for programs.
- **Treasurer's Report:** David. Mike moved to accept Eddie 2nd, all in favor. None opposed.
- **Chapter Dues Report:** Dennis. 29 of 50 due have paid. Dues are still coming in. \$600 in Chapter Donations.
- **Public Relations/Editor Report:** Grant updated the Chapter on PR activities and social media.
- **Registrar/Membership Report:** Ken updated we're at 58 members, 12 apps at NSSAR. 13-14 weeks apps are running for review/approval. One app is at State. 3 supps. 7 in progress.

4. Program

Guest Speaker: Renee Verbeke, Strength in Numbers. Renee described the Strength in Numbers program through which help is offered to senior veterans with meals and holiday giving. The program also works in coordination with other nonprofit orgs to provide veterans assistance.

5. Special Events

Past Month:

America 250 Flag Retirement Ceremony (Nov 2): 27 participants (SAR, DAR, CAR, Scouts, American Legion).

America 250 Veterans Lunch (Nov 7): Promotional table staffed; two prospective members identified.

Veterans Day Celebrations:

- Nov 11 – Monark Assisted Living
- Nov 13 – Informal Flag Retirement
- Nov 14 – Addington Place Assisted Living

Upcoming Events:

- Dec 13 – Wreaths Across America (Great Lakes National Cemetery, Lakeview Cemetery) – Noon – Contact Arsey Miller
- Jan 20, 2026 – Monthly Chapter Meeting
- Jun 14, 2026 – Flag Day Retirement Ceremony led by Elias Cady CAR

6. Ongoing Business

Americanism and Starks Reporting: Eddie.

America 250 Activities for the Meeting:

Monthly Patriot Moment: John Reeder (1761–1813), presented by Steve Nesbitt, Compatriot Reeder's descendant. Steve wore old guard colors.

Monthly Chronicle: Marine Corps 250th Birthday Message video. Everyone check it out on the JCC website!

7. New Business

Installation of New Chapter Officers: Conducted by Dennis Van Wormer.

- James Pabst – First Vice President • Mike Packard – Secretary • Dave Walls – Treasurer
- Ken Loudy – Registrar • Steve Nesbitt – Sergeant at Arms • Larry Arms – Historian
- Mike Packard – Chancellor • Eddie Howell – Chaplain • Grant Goulet – Webmaster, Editor, Data Admin • Doug Brown – Genealogist

Swearing in of New President: Outgoing President, Ken Loudy officiated swearing in of Eddie Howell, incoming Chapter President.

Comments by JCC President, Eddie Howell shared thoughts from NSSAR President General, Michael Elston. Eddie asked for a volunteer for the 2nd VP position to introduce guests and set up the meeting room as primary duties for the Chapter.

Marine Corps Birthday Cake Cutting: Ron Anderson oldest Marine & Grant Goulet representing the young generation.

December Meeting Cancelled. Resume in January.

Mike moved to cancel the December meeting in light of the Holidays and member commitments. James 2nd. All in favor. None opposed. Meetings will resume in January 2026. Happy Holidays all!

8. Future Programs:

January Guest Speaker: Keith Patterson, Manitou Films – Frontier to Freedom documentary.

9. Closing

Around the Room: Facilitated by James.

Lincoln presented Eddie with Certificate of Appreciation from Elias Cady CAR Chapter for all his help. Congratulations Eddie.

Dennis offered comments about all the positive things going on with JCC. Thanks Dennis!

Eddie stressed the need to better document the veterans that have joined the Chapter. Also January 4-10 is American Revolution display with 13 kiosks in a traveling exhibit. Display will be at CIDL. Clarkston schools is working on a project to identify all veterans at Lakeview Cemetery.

Meeting drawing number 11 winner!!

Benediction: Eddie.

SAR Recessional: Led by James.

Meeting concluded at 8:27 pm