M. Graham Clark Chapter Sons of the American Revolution Columbia, MO. October 20, 2012

#### **Opening**

Chapter President Miller opened the meeting at 8:30am with 12 members and 11 guests present. President Miller welcomed the Eagle Scout Christopher DeVine who is the guest speaker and his family that were with him. The color guard presented and posted the colors. Those color guardsmen were COM Merrill, COM Lybarger, COM Bradford, and Eagle Scout Christopher DeVine. Christopher DeVine carried the National Flag.

COM Merrill gave the opening prayer. Pledge of Allegiance was lead by COM Al Jones and the Pledge to the SAR was lead by COM Col. Jimmie Coy.

President Miller asked if there were any birthdays, there were none. At this time President Miller adjourned the meeting for breakfast at 8:41am.

President Miller reconvened the meeting at 9:10am.

#### **Reports**

Secretary Bradford read the minutes of the last meeting. The minutes were approved with corrections. September minutes should have read, that COM Lybarger talked about his experience at the George and Martha Washington's tomb at Mt. Vernon.

Treasurer Coutts gave the treasurers report.

### **Old Business**

President Miller commented on how everything went at the Robert Lemon grave dedication on October 6, 2012 at the Lemon Cemetery in Columbia, Mo. He also thanked everyone that had a part in it and for those that helped get it ready. COM Coutts had President Miller re-read his comments that he made at the ceremony that day.

#### New Business

President Miller asked for programs starting after January 2013.

Wreath Across America date has changed, December 15, 2012 and December 14, 2013.

The DAR in Moberly, Mo., will be holding a Trivia Night on October 20, 2012 at the VFW Hall. 100% of the funds will go to the Veterans Project.

Next month the nominating committee will be meeting after the chapter meeting is over. Just a reminder: Nominating Committee consists of all Past Chapter Presidents.

COM Merrill presented the chapter with the USS Stark Memorial Award with a ribbon for the SAR Flag. The M. Graham Clark Chapter had been presented this during the 122<sup>nd</sup> Congress that was held in Phoenix, Arizona during July 7-11, 2012.

COM Bradford talked about his experience meeting Roy "Dusty" Rogers Jr., while attending the Home schooling History Fair on the Missouri State University in Springfield, Mo. The MOSSAR Color Guard was invited to present the colors.

COM Merrill also talked about the Home schooling History Fair in Springfield, Mo.

President Miller announced that dues for the chapter are now due. Dues are \$56.00, which includes all dues.

COM Lynch made comments on the good things this chapter had been doing since he was absent. He was excited on hearing how the chapter had grown.

MOSSAR will be meeting October 27, 2012 at the Boone Electric Company in the Community Room.

## **Program**

President Miller called upon Nancy Thomas who was in charge of the program for October. Nancy Thomas introduced Eagle Scout Christopher DeVine and his family that attended. Christopher talked about his experience in Boy Scouts and the different things that he had learned. Christopher talked about his grandfather and why he joined Boy Scouts. After Christopher's program, President Miller presented Eagle Scout Christopher DeVine with an Outstanding Citizenship Award.

# **Closing**

With no further business to come before the chapter. President Miller called upon COM Merrill to give the closing prayer. The SAR recessional was read and the color guard retrieved the colors. The meeting was closed at 10:00 am.

Respectfully

Bryan P. Bradford, Secretary