

M. GRAHAM CLARK CHAPTER
MISSOURI SOCIETY
THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
February 16, 2019

President Kerr called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. No Color Guardsman being present, the Colors were posted in advance of the meeting. COM JY Miller offered the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by COM Jim Lee; and, the SAR Pledge was led by COM Garrison Chance. President Kerr recognized the visitors that were present. There were 16 members and 10 guests and visitors in attendance. President Kerr also called for the recognition of birthdays and anniversaries. The health status of COM Jim Cunningham and his wife was acknowledged by COM DeVenney. President Kerr announced that it was good to see COM Coutts in better health and attendance.

President Kerr called upon COM JY Miller to conduct the 50/50 drawing. Upon the offer and sale of additional tickets, Mrs. Hank Hammons' number was drawn and was announced the winner of \$18. The remainder of the 50/50 ticket sales proceeds will be delivered to the Chapter Treasurer.

President Kerr recognized COM DeVenney who made a motion for the MGC Chapter to underwrite the annual chapter dues for four named chapter members who have made significant contributions of time and talent to the MGC Chapter. After discussion, the motion was withdrawn pending the development of specific criteria for the program by amending the bylaws, to authorize the chapter dues payment by a vote of the members. COM JY Miller offered to collect and present criteria ideas for consideration at a future chapter meeting.

The meeting was recessed for breakfast at 8:54 a.m.

President Kerr reconvened the meeting at 9:15 a.m. and then introduced the speaker for the meeting, Mr. Kirk Klingher, the site coordinator for the Missouri Veterans Project in Boonville, MO.

Mr. Klingher explained that the Missouri Veterans Project is a not-for-profit corporation organized to record the oral histories of Missouri's military veterans. Comprised of seven chapters around the state in cooperation of the University of Missouri System, the State Historical Society of Missouri and the Library of Congress corporate and other donors, the Project's goal is to obtain as many oral histories of veterans as possible.

A digital record of each video recorded interview is shared with the Library of Congress, the State Historical of Missouri as well as the veteran.

Following his presentation, Mr. Klingher was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for his program.

President Kerr next asked that the usual reports be offered:

Recording Secretary Minutes: As there was no January meeting, due to the weather, President Kerr advised that the minutes for the December 2018 meeting had been distributed in advance. After discussion and upon hearing no call for amendments, COM Hillis made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by COM Charles Lee. The motion to approve the December 2018 minutes was unanimously adopted.

Treasurer's Report: COM Stone offered the Treasurer's report. A copy of the report will be filed for audit.

Genealogy: COM Coutts offered the genealogy report. COM Coutts announced the approval of one new application, Darrel Hogue. The report also included 10 applications in various stages of completion and 2 member applications and 2 supplemental applications at National, pending approval.

Eagle Scout Committee: No report.

Americanism/Fogg Report: No report.

Project Patriot Tea: President Kerr advised the meeting attendees of the planned Project Patriot Tea, sponsored by the Columbian Chapter of the DAR, to benefit the Fisher House to be held on April 1st, 2019. The cost to attend is \$35 and those interested in attending may contact Christina Maring at camaringdar@gmail.com

Proposal for Chapter donation to the CAR State Project: President Kerr recognized COM DeVenney who announced that the State Project of the Missouri Society of the Children of the American Revolution is to "Raise funds to assist children in need of prosthetics"; and, suggested that the MGC Chapter consider a donation to support that CAR effort, led by his Granddaughter who is the society's current President. After discussion, COM Mitchell Moore made a motion for the MGC Chapter to donate \$50 to the CAR state project. The motion was seconded by COM Charles Lee and carried unanimously.

President Kerr then conducted the second reading of the slate of officers FOR 2019 - 2020, proposed by the MGC Nominating Committee:

President: Charles Lee

Vice-President: David Bartlett

Secretary: Harold Kerr

Treasurer: Gil Stone

Genealogist: John Coutts

Historian: Michael Breedlove

Chaplain: Alan Hiles

Trustees: J.Y. Miller, Jack Chance & Harold Kerr

Immediate Past President: Harold Kerr

President Kerr then presented the following Recognitions and Awards for service to the chapter for the fiscal year just ended:

Certificates of Appreciation: Michael J. Breedlove, Historian; John H. Chance, Trustee & Flag Chairman; Russell F. DeVenney, Jr., Trustee and Medals and Awards Chairman; and, Alan Lynn Hiles, Chaplain.

Certificates of Distinguished Service: Bruce Ronald Hillis, Secretary; Charles Norris Lee, Vice-President; James E. Lee, Sgt-at-Arms and Eagle Scout Chairman; Mitchell J. Moore, Public Service Awards Chairman; and Gilmore Cottrill Stone, Treasurer.

Special Recognition: James Yates Miller, Chapter Distinguished Service Medal - Exceptional Service & Outstanding Service; and, John Herbert Coutts, Chapter Distinguished Service Medal - Genealogist / Registrar.

President Kerr then opened the meeting for nominations of 2019 - 2020 officers from the floor, upon hearing none, COM JY Miller moved that the nominating committee's slate of officers be adopted by acclamation. The motion was seconded by COM DeVenney and carried unanimously.

Induction of new officers:

The oath of office for the 2019 - 2020 officers was administered by COM DeVenney. Following the induction COM DeVenney presented President elect Charles Lee with the gavel to symbolize his authority as President of the M Graham Clark Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution; and, charged the members in attendance to support and encourage the new officers of the chapter.

As outgoing President, COM Kerr then presented COM Charles Lee with the Presidential Neck Ribbon and Pin; and, President Lee assumed the office of President.

Upon assuming the dais, President Lee presented COM Kerr with the following awards:

- Certificate of Outstanding Achievement for his service as chapter President
- The MOSSAR Silver Medal for service as Secretary and President of the chapter
- The Distinguished Service Medal for service as President, Secretary and Chair of the 2019 MOSSAR Convention
- The Minute Man Plaque for service to the chapter.

President Lee then expressed his gratitude for the chapter's confidence in electing him to the office of President and announced that he would be offering the names of the chairs of the chapter's standing committees in the near future.

President Lee then recognized COM Kerr who made a brief report on the status of the 2019 MOSSAR convention and announced that a convention planning committee is scheduled for 2pm on Monday, February 18TH at the Hy-Vee on Broadway.

There being no further business, COM Hammons led the SAR Recessional, followed by the benediction by COM JY Miller and the meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m. by President Lee.

Bruce Hillis

Recording Secretary

J.Y. Miller	J Y Miller 2	only 1 attended, Miller paid for 2
Harold Kerr II	Harold Kerr 2	if we have speaker do not know for sure yet-- 1 if no spe...
alan hiles	alan hiles 2	DID NOT ATTEND
Mitchell Moore	Mitchell Moore 1	
Charles Lee	Charles Lee 2	DID NOT RSVP
Gilmore stone	Stone - 1	Russ Devenney 1
Bruce Hillis	Bruce Hillis. 2.	Bob Bartlett 2
James Biddle	Jim Biddle. 2	
raymiller@socket.net	Raymond Miller 2	26 meals guaranteed
Bartlett, David V.	David Bartlett 1	26 meals served
Gene Bowen	Gene Bowen 1.	DID NOT ATTEND
Hank & Val	Hank Hammons. Two meals	
john chance	Jack Chance 2	
Jim Lee	Jim Lee 1	
Russell Reith	Rusty Reith 1	
Garrison Chance	Garrison Chance 1	for Feb 16 meeting
Robertson Family	Tony Robertson, 1	LATE - DID NOT ATTEND
Coutts, John H.	John Coutts 2	LATE