

## M. Graham Clark Chapter of the SAR - Minutes of Meeting 16 April 2022

The meeting was called to order by President David Bartlett at 8:32 a.m. at the Country Club of Missouri. The colors were posted prior to the meeting. There was no color guard.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by COM James Lee. COM Wayne Merrill then offered the opening prayer. The Pledge to the SAR was led by COM Alan Hiles.

President Bartlett recognized guests who included COM J. Y. Miller's sister-in law, **Grovene** Henderson and her grandson Nicholas Barber and the guest speaker, Professor Chuck Henson from the University of Missouri School of Law. A total of 28 members, spouses, and guests were in attendance (see appended list).

Birthdays for the month of April included COM Russell DeVenney's grandson (21) and one of his grandsons who is a junior member (14), and COM Terrill Jones (65).

Those recognized for sick call included COM Garland Lessley.

President Bartlett announced a break for breakfast at 8:37. The meeting was reconvened at 9:00.

President Bartlett introduced the day's presenter, Professor Chuck Henson from the University of Missouri School of Law who gave a PowerPoint presentation entitled, **"The Creation of Belonging-Military Service as a Path to Citizenship or Freedom in the American Revolutionary War."**

Free Black Americans and Native Americans fought against the British from the earliest battles of the Revolutionary War. The northern colonies actively sought to recruit them as soldiers. The southern colonies feared slave revolts from the 40% of their population that were slaves. General Washington was persuaded to institute a policy not allowing free Blacks to reenlist or be recruited.

The British sought to undermine this source of manpower for the Continental Army by offering slaves freedom in exchange for their loyalty and military service to the Crown. The first British act to make the offer of freedom to slaves only applied in Virginia and was Dunmore's Proclamation in 1775.

Black soldiers were understandably unhappy that the British offered slaves freedom in exchange for military service. Therefore, pressure from the northern colonies moved General Washington and Congress to reverse their policy and encourage recruitment of free Blacks and slaves seeking freedom in exchange for military service. The Continental Army in the north had many Black and Native American troops and proved formidable against the British.

British General Clinton then sought to turn the war to the south. In mid-1779, hoping to deplete the southern states of labor, Clinton reissued the Dunmore Proclamation which emancipated all slaves in all the colonies if they would fight for the British. Although many thousands of slaves left the southern plantations, many more were unaware of the proclamation.

Both sides engaged in programs to pay slaveowners for their slaves who would serve in the military. However, the southern colonies of South Carolina and Georgia rejected such programs because they feared insurrections by their large slave populations. Also, as news traveled slowly, southerners were generally unaware of how valuable Black and Native American soldiers proved to be in the northern battles. Black soldiers were among the troops who defeated the British at Yorktown.

After the war, each of the colonies at least made it easier for a slaveowner to free his slaves. Black veterans had difficulties when pensions were granted decades after the war because so many had chosen to change their names.

President Bartlett thanked Professor Hansen his informative presentation.

At 9:55 a.m., recording Secretary COM Mitchell Moore announced the minutes of the last meeting were on the website and asked if there were any revisions to be made. Hearing none, COM J. Y. Miller moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, COM Russell DeVenney seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer COM Russell DeVenney gave a Treasurer's report including a budget. Treasurer's Report is attached. COM J. Y. Miller moved the Treasurer's report be filed for audit. COM Charlie Lee seconded. Motion passed.

Genealogist/Registrar COM John Coutts gave his report with the good news that National has hired 1 and ½ genealogists to replace those lost and catch up on the submissions. Genealogy Report is attached. COM Mitchell Moore moved the Genealogist/Registrar's report be approved. COM Alan Hiles seconded. Motion passed.

50-50 drawing The 50-50 drawing was held COM J. Y. Miller with COM Hank Hammons winning \$13.

President Bartlett reminded members that the next meeting of the M. Graham Clark Chapter of the SAR will be May 14, 2022 (one week early due to a conflict while CCM remodeling) at 8:30 a.m. at the Country Club of Missouri. At that meeting, Kevin Stull, in WWI uniform, will present on "**Harry Truman and WWI.**" Thereafter, the Chapter will be on summer hiatus until September.

President Bartlett announced that a Chapter Facebook page, created by COM Paul Whatley is now online. The link is: <https://www.facebook.com/MGCSAR1776/> The link can also be found on the MGCSAR website at [mgcsar.org](http://mgcsar.org) .

Members are encouraged to submit patriot photographs, reports, news reports, and such items of interest to Historian COM Whatley for possible points in Americanism and Fogg.

President Bartlett reminded members that the State Convention would be in St. Louis on April 29-30, 2022. Members of the Chapter were reminded of the need for volunteers to assist when the M. Graham Clark Chapter of the SAR once again hosts the State Convention in 2024.

There will be a Memorial Day Wreath Laying Ceremony on Monday, May 30 at the Boone County Courthouse. Contact COM Charlie Lee if you would like to attend.

The members discussed fundraising via a book donation table or via a “silent auction” format prior to meetings. No action was taken pending consideration by the executive Cmmittee.

The SAR recessional was then led by COM James Tuttle, followed by a closing prayer by COM J. Y. Miller.

COM Mitchell Moore moved to adjourn. Seconded by COM Charlie Lee. Motion passed and meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mitchell Moore

Recording Secretary

<b>RSVP</b>	<b>April</b>
<b>NAME</b>	<b>Count</b>
Coutts, John	1
DeVenney, Russ	1
Frevert, Blake	1
Hammons, Hank & Valerie	2
Henderson, Grovene	1
Henson, Dr. Chuck	1
Hiles, Alan & Waylene	2
Jones, Terrill	1
Lee, Charles	1
Lee, Jim	1
Lucas, Luke & Kathryn	2
Merrill, Wayne & Pat	2
Miller, J. Y.	1
Miller, Ray & Ruth	2
Moore, Mitchell	1
Moore, Richard	1
Roberts, Dale	1
Tuttle, James	1
Henson, Dr. Chuck	1
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*The M. Graham Clark Chapter of  
The Missouri Society of  
The Sons of the American Revolution*

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April 16, 2022

***Treasurer's Report***

**For the Period Ending March 1, 2022  
Through April 16, 2022**

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1] The March 31, 2022 – Treasurer's Report

a) The **Endowment Fund** Balance at *First State Community Bank* was **\$13,577.70**. [Interest Earned in March was \$.23.]  
We have **\$89.07** available for **Special Projects**.

b) Total **Bank Balance** including the **Cash on Hand** is **\$7,403.84**.

2] The beginning balance of the checking account on March 1, 2022 was **\$7,376.34**.

**During the Month of March there were (3) deposits totaling \$498.00.**

On March 2<sup>nd</sup> Central Bank returned an incorrectly charged Service Fee of **\$3.00**. On March 22<sup>nd</sup> **\$30.00** was deposited representing (\$25 for the 50/50 drawing and \$5 for the SAR 250<sup>th</sup> Pin Sale Fund Raiser.) On March 22<sup>nd</sup> **\$465.00** was deposited representing Meals for the March 19 meeting.

During the Month of March Check No. 1558 was written to John Coutts in the amount of **<\$127.50>** for the purchase of (10) new member Rosettes. In March Check No. 1559 was written to CCMO in the amount of **<\$403.00>** for meals at the March 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Total expended during January was <\$341.00>**.

On March 31, 2022 the total **Bank Balance** including the **Cash on Hand** was **\$7,403.84**.

Respectfully submitted,

*Russell F. DeVenney, Jr.*

Russell F. DeVenney, Jr., Treasurer  
M. Graham Clark Chapter

**Tenative - Treasurer's Report**  
**Thursday, March 31, 2022**

Central Bank Balance 3/01/22	\$ 7,376.34
<b>Income:</b>	
Meals (Mar 19th)	\$ 465.00
Dues (2022 Dues \$14.00)	\$ -
Donations	\$ -
50/50 (\$25.00) & (1) Pin (\$5.00)	\$ 30.00
Total Income	\$ 495.00
<b>Disbursements:</b>	
Meals - CCMO (Feb 19th)	\$ 403.00
Dues - MOSSAR	\$ -
Annual Website Domain	\$ -
Medals & Awards	\$ 127.50
Returned Bank Service Charge	\$ 3.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 527.50
Central Bank Balance 3/31/22	\$ 7,343.84
Cash on Hand 3/31/22	\$ 60.00
Total Cash Assets	\$ 7,403.84

31-Mar-22	
<b>First State Community Bank</b>	
Balance in Endowment Fund	\$13,577.70
Interest earned	\$ 1,399.86
Monthly Interest (November)	\$ 0.23
Total YTD	\$ 1,400.09
80% Interest	\$ 1,120.07
<i>Previously expended</i>	<i>\$ (1,031.00)</i>
Endowment Funds Available	\$ 89.07

*These reports are available to any member of the M. Graham Clark Chapter for inspection.*

Respectfully submitted,  
 Russell F. DeVenney, Jr., Treasurer, M. Graham Clark Chapter

M. Graham Clark Income & Expenses

CALENDAR YEAR BUDGET									
	2017	2018	2019	2020	4 YEAR AVERAGE	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	
						2021	2021	2021	
<b>INCOME</b>									
Meals	\$2,678.50	\$3,880.00	\$2,631.50	\$1,270.00	\$2,615.00	\$3,150.00	(4) \$2,700.00	\$450.00	
Dues & Memberships (1)	\$6,863.00	\$6,770.00	\$6,423.00	\$6,008.00	\$6,516.00	\$5,387.00	(6) \$6,500.00	-\$1,113.00	
Donations	\$16.00	\$68.00	\$23.00	\$51.00	\$39.50	\$55.00	\$100.00	-\$45.00	
Other	-\$3.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$55.00	\$13.00	\$221.00	\$50.00	\$171.00	
2019 MOSSAR Convention (3)			\$14,427.00						
<b>EXPENSES</b>									
Meals	-\$3,450.00	-\$3,110.00	-\$2,935.40	-\$1,118.00	-\$2,653.35	-\$2,744.00	(5) \$2,340.00	-\$404.00	
Dues & Memberships (2)	-\$2,025.00	-\$2,866.00	-\$8,808.00	-\$4,640.00	-\$4,584.75	-\$4,286.00	-\$4,200.00	-\$86.00	
Medals & Awards	-\$562.95	-\$758.39	-\$979.49	-\$292.76	-\$648.40	-\$786.44	-\$700.00	-\$86.44	
Misc Officers Expenses	-\$20.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$232.12	-\$63.15	-\$184.08	-\$100.00	-\$84.08	
Donations	-\$176.34	-\$75.00	-\$380.41	-\$550.00	-\$295.43	\$0.00	-\$350.00	\$350.00	
Other:	\$0.00	-\$188.77	-\$207.98	-\$374.00	-\$192.69	-\$373.68	-\$250.00	-\$123.68	
2019 MOSSAR Convention			-\$12,779.50						
<b>Total Profit / (Loss)</b>	\$3,319.73	\$3,719.84	-\$2,586.28	\$177.12	\$745.73	\$438.80	\$1,410.00	-\$971.20	

Checking Balance	
1-Jan	\$2,392.13
	\$5,714.86
	\$9,434.70
	\$6,848.42
	\$7,025.54
	\$7,464.34

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31-Dec	\$5,714.86
	\$9,434.70
	\$6,848.42
	\$7,025.54
	\$7,464.34

(1) Dues are collected and paid for the following year. (2) Dues are collected and paid for the following year.  
 (3) Net Profit from the 2019 MOSSAR Convention was \$1,647.50  
 (4) 9 Mtgs x 20 Attendees x \$15 per meal (5) 9 Mtgs x 20 Attendees x \$13 per meal  
 (6) Over estimated 100 Members at \$65 each.

Genealogy Report April 16, 2022

**Approved:**

none

**At National**

James Tuttle, Dale Roberts, Fred Bianco

John Coutts 3 supplement for Snyder, White & White

**At State**

**Working on: 12 applications**

Dale Bland – signature and checks son of deceased Compatriot Robert Bland

Nicholas Barber - signature and checks

Supplement for Paul Whatley - 5 documents

Supplement for Blake Frevert – 4 documents

Thomas C. Curtright - 4 documents son of Compatriot Thomas B. Curtright

David Beem – just started - 4 documents

John Mowrey - just started awaiting information

Nic Zietlow - 9 documents

Donny Bryson - 9 documents

Rusty Andrews - 6 documents

Jeffery Smith – 8 documents

Henry Warren

Larry Babcock

Kevin Wenzel

Meaby Brendon Steenbergen

Albert Spratley -

David Shively

Thomas Pauley – 7 documents

James Kenneth Stephens -- father of Compatriot Jimmy Stephens

James William Stephens -- grandfather of Compatriot Jimmy Stephens

**Pended:**

Floyd Strader Sup for Sechler – pended 2021

Kerr supplement for Morton