

M. Graham Clark Chapter of the SAR - Minutes of Meeting 14 May 2022

The meeting was called to order by President David Bartlett at 8:36 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 Samuel Thomas. COM Garland Lessley then offered the opening prayer. The Pledge to the SAR was led by COM Jim Lee.

President Bartlett recognized guests who included COM J. Y. Miller's wife, Mary, COM Dr. Luke Lucas' wife, Kathryn, COM Terril Jones' wife, Debbie and COM Mitchell Moore's wife, Sharon. A total of 20 members, spouses, and guests were in attendance.

Birthdays and anniversaries for the month of May included COM David Bartlett's wife, Priscilla, COM Bob Bartlett (97), COM Mitchell Moore's wife, Sharon. COM J. Y. Miller and his wife, Mary, celebrate their wedding anniversary in May.

Those recognized for sick call included COM Wayne Merrill's wife, Patricia and COM Garland Lessley.

At 8:41, President Bartlett announced a break for breakfast, served buffet-style and of pre-pandemic quality. President Bartlett reconvened the meeting at 9:05.

President Bartlett introduced the day's presenter, COM J. Y. Miller who gave a presentation entitled, "**History of the M. Graham Clark Chapter, MOSSAR.**"

COM Miller said the history of the Chapter is on its website at: <http://www.mgcsar.org> with detailed history at: <http://mgcsar.org/MGChist.pdf> and a special section on M. Graham Clark at: <http://mgcsar.org/montague.html>
The website has many pictures.

Montague Graham Clark was an education pioneer and president of the College of the Ozarks, near Branson, Missouri, from 1952-1975. He held five doctoral degrees and was an ordained minister.

Clark was also a flying enthusiast and the local airport in Branson, M. Graham Clark Field, was named for him; and it was a very busy airport prior to Branson's new airport being opened in 2009.

M. Graham Clark was President General of the Sons of the American Revolution in 1974. In the late 1970's he saw the need for an SAR chapter in central Missouri and in January of 1980 a steering committee was created to form a chapter, which was approved by September 1980. The members honored M. Graham Clark by naming the chapter for him. Clark personally attended the meeting in March, 1981 when the charter's first officers were elected.

COM Miller recounted the various meeting places for the Chapter during its first 20 years, the names of early officers and members, and encouraged members to go to the Chapter website to learn more. President Bartlett thanked COM Miller for his informative presentation.

COM Russell DeVenney reported on the **MOSSAR annual meeting** held in St. Louis April 29 and 30 which he and COM Wayne Merrill attended. Highlights of the meeting are attached, including awards and certificates received by the Chapter and its members. COM DeVenney and COM Merrill each received an award for Distinguished Service and COM Richard Moore earned a BSA Volunteer Medal from the National Society of Robert E. Burt for his work with the Boy Scouts.

Secretary Mitchell Moore announced the minutes of the last meeting were on the website and a copy at each table and asked if there were any revisions to be made. Hearing none, COM J. Y. Miller moved to accept the report, COM DeVenney seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer COM DeVenney then gave the Treasurer's Report. A copy is attached. COM Mitchell Moore moved to accept the report. COM J. Y. Miller seconded. Motion passed.

Genealogist/Registrar COM John Coutts gave a Genealogy Report, which is attached. COM Mitchell Moore moved to accept the report. COM Charlie Lee seconded. Motion passed.

The 50-50 drawing was held COM J. Y. Miller with COM Samuel Thomas winning \$15.

President Bartlett reminded members that the next meeting of the M. Graham Clark Chapter of the SAR will be after the summer hiatus on September 17, 2022 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.”**

Programs for meetings the remainder of the year on October 15, November 19, and December 22 have not been finalized and members willing to present a program are encouraged to volunteer. COM Charlie Lee, COM Wayne Merrill, and COM Russell DeVenney are working on a presentation to answer questions about the color guard and what is needed for anyone wishing to be a member of the color guard. Anyone desiring more immediate information can ask these compatriots questions, together with other members of the color guard, including COM John Coutts and COM Bruce Hillis.

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.

Members are encouraged to submit patriot photographs, reports, news reports, and such items of interest to Historian COM Whatley.

President Bartlett reminded members that the M. Graham Clark Chapter of the SAR once again hosts the State Convention in 2024 and volunteers will be needed.

There will be a **Memorial Day Wreath Laying Ceremony** on Monday, May 30 at 9:00 a.m. at the Boone County Courthouse. Contact COM Charlie Lee or President David Bartlett if you would like to attend this special ceremony. (MOAA informational announcement attached.)

President Bartlett presented a form for the **silent auction and book donation table** planned for fundraising in the future. (see attached) COM DeVenney volunteered to assist as Treasurer if someone would volunteer to be responsible for the table. After a brief discussion and mindful of the supportive role COM Hank Hammonds has had in the fundraising idea, COM Dr. Lucas moved and COM DeVenney seconded a motion that COM Hammonds be appointed president of the fundraising table(s). Motion passed.

There being no other business, President Bartlett closed the business portion of the meeting.

The SAR recessional was then led by COM Charlie Lee, followed by the closing prayer offered by COM Garland Lessley.

COM Mitchell Moore moved to adjourn. Seconded by COM Charlie Lee. Motion passed and meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mitchell Moore

Recording Secretary

Attendance MAY 2022 MGC

Bartlett, Bob

Bartlett, David

Coutts, John

DeVenney, Russ

Jones, Terril & Debbie

Lee, Charlie

Lee, James

Lessley, Garland

Lucas, Luke & Kathryn

Merrill, Wayne

Miller, J.Y. & Mary

Moore, Mitchell & Sharon

Myers, Harold



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The M. Graham Clark Chapter of

The Missouri Society of The Sons of the American Revolution

Chartered March 15, 1982
Incorporated April 23, 1889
Columbia, Missouri

May 14, 2022

Treasurer's Report

For the Period Ending April 1, 2022
Through May 14, 2022

1] The April 30, 2022 – Treasurer's Report

a) The *Endowment Fund* Balance at *First State Community Bank* was \$13,577.92. [Interest Earned in April was \$.22.]

We have \$89.25 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 April 1, 2022 was \$7,343.84.

During the Month of April there were (2) deposits totaling \$403.00.

On April 18th \$13.00 was deposited representing the 50/50 drawing. On April 18th \$390.00 was deposited representing April 16th Meals.

During the Month of April Check No. 1560 was written to CCMO in the amount of <\$351.00> for meals at the April 16th meeting.

Total expended during April was <\$351.00>.

On April 30, 2022 the total *Bank Balance* including the *Cash on Hand* was \$7,955.84.

Respectfully submitted,

Russell F. DeVenney, Jr.

M. Graham Clark Chapter

Russell F. DeVenney, Jr., Treasurer

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Saturday, April 30, 2022

Central Bank Balance 4/01/22	\$ 7,343.84
Income:	
Meals (Apr 16th)	\$ 390.00
Dues (2022 Dues \$14.00)	\$ -
Donations	\$ -
50/50 (\$13.00)	\$ 13.00
Total Income	\$ 403.00
Disbursements:	
Meals - CCMO (Apr 16th)	\$ 351.00
Dues - MOSSAR	\$ -
Annual Website Domain	\$ -
Medals & Awards	\$ -
Total Disbursements	\$ 351.00
Central Bank Balance 4/30/22	\$ 7,395.84
Cash on Hand 4/30/22	\$ 60.00
Total Cash Assets	\$ 7,455.84

30-Apr-22	
First State Community Bank	
Balance in Endowment Fund	\$13,577.92
Interest earned	\$ 1,400.09
Monthly Interest (December)	\$ 0.22
Total YTD	\$ 1,400.31
80% Interest	\$ 1,120.25
<i>Previously expended</i>	<i>\$ (1,031.00)</i>
Endowment Funds Available	\$ 89.25

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

Genealogy Report May 14, 2022

Approved:

none

At National

James Tuttle, Dale Roberts, Fred Bianco

John Coutts 3 supplement for Snyder, White & White

Dale Bland

Nicholas Barber

At State

Working on: 12 applications

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 – ready to finish

Donny Bryson - 9 documents

Rusty Andrews - 6 documents

Jeffery Smith – 3 documents

Rob Ingram – just started

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

Bartlett, David V.

From: J.Y. Miller <j.y.miller@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2022 11:20 PM
To: Bartlett, David V.; Russell DeVenney; Coutts, John H.; Mitchell Moore; Alan Hiles; Garland Lessley; chcalee@gmail.com; Jim Lee; Pat Merrill; JAMES MILLER
Subject: "Book Table" procedure suggestion

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Suggested procedure for "Book Table" for meetings.

Members may bring books or other items to place on the "Book Table".

All books MAY be purchased by other attendees on a First Served policy. To purchase a book, place \$1.00 in the cash basket and take the book to your seat.

Other items will be sold by a silent auction procedure. A bid sheet will be completed for each item. The sheet will list the donor and a MINIMUM bid. Attendees may write their name and their bid on the sheet. At the close of the meeting, the last or highest bid will pay for the item and take it home.

A designated Chairman will supervise the table and collect the money to later give to the Treasurer.

If a book is not claimed or if a silent auction item does not have a bid, the donor WILL TAKE IT HOME.

Sample Bid Sheet

NAME OF ITEM _____ . DONOR _____

MINIMUM BID _____

	NAME	BID
1.	_____	\$ _____
2.	_____	\$ _____
3.	_____	\$ _____
4.	_____	\$ _____

ETC.

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