



Meeting Minutes for: November 10, 2025
Time: 6:00 pm - Supper 7:00 pm - Meeting
Location: Lizard's Thicket Restaurant
4616 Augusta Road, Lexington, SC 29073

1. Meeting Called to Order/Welcome – President Nelson McLeod
2. Invocation – Compatriot Hugh Ham
3. Pledges –Cmdr. of Colors Sam Padgett
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. Pledge to the Flag of South Carolina
 - c. SAR Pledge
 - d. The American Creed
4. Introduction of Guests – President Nelson McLeod
5. Old / New Business – None
6. Officer/Committee Reports
 - a. Vice President for Events and Development – Harold Crawford reported the following upcoming SC 250 Anniversary commemoration events:
Nov. 15th – Charles Hammond House in N. Augusta
Nov. 15th – 1st Battle in SC which occurred Nov. 19-21, 1775, in Ninety-Six
Nov. 22nd –Battle of Blackstock at its State Historic Site in Enoree, and
Dec. 6th –Battle of Great Cane Brake Commencement, Greenville County's only Revolutionary War battle site at the historic Hopkins Farm in Simpsonville.
~Deborah Blanpied reminded everyone of the invite to attend Granby NSDAR's Christmas Luncheon on Dec. 6th at the Country Club of Lexington at 11:30 AM.
~Tom Elmore reminded everyone: the Richland 250 Committee will meet on Nov. 12th at 4 PM in the State Museum's Vista Room in Columbia; the State Commission will meet in Columbia on Feb. 17, 2026; the SC 250 website lists several events to be held on June 28, 2026, across the Lowcountry in commemoration of the Battle of Sullivan's Island; and the 2nd Volume of The Francis Marion Papers are available online and free to the public.
~Carl Epps mentioned he and Nelson attended the 23rd annual Francis Marion

Symposium on October 17-18th in Manning in Clarendon County.
~Aric Bruggeworth shared that a Genealogical Workshop with a lineage theme will be held on Jan. 24, 2026, at the Cayce Historical Museum from 9:30-3:30.

- b. Vice President for Technology – James Herritage shared a handout and discussed the following: (1) “Three Generations, One Name, and a Legacy Etched in Lexington History” may appear in an issue of SCSSAR’s quarterly magazine, *The Palmetto Patriot*; (2) members who are veterans will be identified with a “V” on their photo in the Compatriot Manual; (3) *The Godfrey Dreher Dispatch* will be quarterly; (4) Godfrey Dreher Chapter emails can be tracked to show the number of recipients sent and opening the emails; (5) a total of 26 Godfrey Dreher coffee cups have been sold with monies earmarked for the Granby NSDAR to help with the dedication of a highway marker near Friday’s Ferry; (6) an updated photo for the GDC pre-meeting blast emails; and (7) input requested from members regarding how they would prefer their names/nicknames to be listed in the Compatriot Manual.
- c. Secretary – Carl Epps asked if there were any objections to October’s minutes that were shared by email with members in advance of tonight’s meeting. As there weren’t any, a vote was taken, and October’s Minutes were unanimously approved. Members were asked to remember to initial the sign-in sheets.
- d. Treasurer – Norman Smith reported the Godfrey Dreher Chapter SAR account for the month of October began with a balance of \$3,832.58. With \$1,705 in deposits but no expenditures; the ending balance in the account is \$5,537.58.
- e. Registrar – Mike Gillis reported he is currently working on 3 new applicants and will be sending off another one, plus 2 supplementals for Jim McGill.

7. Vice President for Programs Aric Bruggeworth introduced tonight’s Guest Speaker, Historian Kenneth Robison, who gave a very informative presentation on “German Auxiliaries in the American Revolution.” Ken was presented with a certificate from the Chapter. His wife (maiden name Meetze) was also present.

8. SAR Recessional/Adjournment – Cmdr. of Colors Sam Padgett

NOTE:

Any discrepancies in the information contained herein, please let me know immediately.

Respectfully submitted by:

Carl L. Epps, Jr., Secretary

January 3, 2026

ADDENDUM ATTACHED IS HEREBY MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.

--Meeting Attendee List

1 DW Areheart	<i>DAH</i>	27 DG Klaver	_____
2 GA Areheart	<i>GA</i>	28 JB McGill	_____
3 GS Blanpied	<i>GSB</i>	29 JN McLeod, III	<i>JN McLeod</i>
4 AS Bruggeworth	<i>AS</i>	30 JN McLeod, IV	_____
5 PR Burch	_____	31 WS Morgan	_____
6 RW Cammann	<i>DRC</i>	32 FK Morrison, Jr.	_____
7 WW Carothers	_____	33 FK Morrison, Sr.	_____
8 J Coleman	<i>JC</i>	34 RJ Moulton	_____
9 BC Corbett	<i>BC</i>	35 SB Padgett, III	<i>SB Padgett</i>
10 SH Corley	<i>SHC</i>	36 GA Patterson	_____
11 JH Crawford	<i>JHC</i>	37 GB Peterson	_____
12 RT Creekmore	_____	38 SG Powell	<i>SP</i>
13 CL Epps, Jr.	<i>CSE</i>	39 SL Preston	<i>SP</i>
14 RB Fong, Jr.	_____	40 WW Richardson, Jr.	_____
15 MS Gillis	<i>MS</i>	41 JR Riddle	<i>JR</i>
16 CF Gladfelter	_____	42 PM Selle	<i>PS</i>
17 DR Grable	_____	43 EG Shuler, III	_____
18 FE Gunter	_____	44 DT Simmons	_____
19 HH Ham, Jr.	<i>HH</i>	45 NM Smith, III	<i>NMS</i>
20 HE Harmon	_____	46 WC Smith, III	_____
21 JM Herritage	<i>JMH</i>	47 WH Spencer	<i>WH</i>
22 WBD Herritage	_____	48 DR Stroman, Jr.	_____
23 CS Hodges	_____	49 RWM Tarrant	_____
24 GM Hutchinson	_____	50 AB Terry	_____
25 RM Kelly	_____	51 MS Terry	_____
26 BR Kennedy	<i>BRK</i>	52 PC Terry	_____

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53 WS Terry	_____	71 GUEST	_____
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Guests, please print your name.

60 GUEST	<i>Paula Coleman</i>	71 GUEST	_____
61 GUEST	<i>Deborah Blanpied</i>	72 GUEST	_____
62 GUEST	<i>Barbara Crawford</i>	73 GUEST	_____
63 GUEST	<i>Tom Elmore</i>	74 GUEST	_____
64 GUEST	<i>Miriam Lovett</i>	75 GUEST	_____
65 GUEST	<i>CAROLINE SOJOURNER</i>	76 GUEST	_____
66 GUEST	<i>DEBIA SPENCER</i>	77 GUEST	_____
67 GUEST	<i>Kenneth H. Robison Jr.</i>	78 GUEST	_____
68 GUEST	<i>Colleen Preston</i>	79 GUEST	_____
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