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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

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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. 15<sup>th</sup> – Charles Hammond House in N. Augusta
    - Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Battle in SC which occurred Nov. 19-21, 1775, in Ninety-Six
    - Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> –Battle of Blackstock at its State Historic Site in Enoree, and
    - Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> –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. 6<sup>th</sup> at the Country Club of Lexington at 11:30 AM.
  - ~Tom Elmore reminded everyone: the Richland 250 Committee will meet on Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Volume of The Francis Marion Papers are available online and free to the public.
  - ~Carl Epps mentioned he and Nelson attended the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual Francis Marion

- Symposium on October 17-18<sup>th</sup> 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

**Members, please initial.** • Godfrey Dreher Chapter • 11/10/2025 Meeting

1	DW Areheart	<u>AWA</u>	27	DG Klaver	_____
2	GA Areheart	<u>GA</u>	28	JB McGill	_____
3	GS Blanpied	<u>GB</u>	29	JN McLeod, III	<u>JN</u>
4	AS Bruggeworth	<u>AS</u>	30	JN McLeod, IV	_____
5	PR Burch	_____	31	WS Morgan	_____
6	RW Cammann	<u>RWC</u>	32	FK Morrison, Jr.	_____
7	WW Carothers	_____	33	FK Morrison, Sr.	_____
8	J Coleman	<u>JC</u>	34	RJ Moulton	_____
9	BC Corbett	<u>BC</u>	35	SB Padgett, III	<u>SB</u>
10	SH Corley	<u>SH</u>	36	GA Patterson	_____
11	JH Crawford	<u>JH</u>	37	GB Peterson	_____
12	RT Creekmore	_____	38	SG Powell	_____
13	CL Epps, Jr.	<u>CE</u>	39	SL Preston	<u>SL</u>
14	RB Fong, Jr.	_____	40	WW Richardson, Jr.	_____
15	MS Gillis	<u>MG</u>	41	JR Riddle	_____
16	CF Gladfelter	_____	42	PM Selle	<u>PS</u>
17	DR Grable	_____	43	EG Shuler, III	_____
18	FE Gunter	_____	44	DT Simmons	_____
19	HH Ham, Jr.	<u>HA</u>	45	NM Smith, III	<u>NMS</u>
20	HE Harmon	_____	46	WC Smith, III	_____
21	JM Herritage	<u>JM</u>	47	WH Spencer	<u>WH</u>
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	<u>BR</u>	52	PC Terry	_____

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53	WS Terry	_____	71	GUEST	_____
54	CL Williams	_____	72	GUEST	_____
55	SA Williams	_____	73	GUEST	_____
56	SL Williams	_____	74	GUEST	_____
57	GS Williamson	_____	75	GUEST	_____
58	WA Wilson	_____	76	GUEST	_____
59	WP Witherspoon, Jr.	_____	77	GUEST	_____
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**Guests, please print your name.**

60	GUEST	<u>Paula Coleman</u>			
61	GUEST	<u>Deborah Blanpied</u>			
62	GUEST	<u>Barbara Crawford</u>			
63	GUEST	<u>Tom Elmore</u>			
64	GUEST	<u>Miriam Lovett</u>			
65	GUEST	<u>CAROLINE SOUTHERN</u>			
66	GUEST	<u>DEBRA SPENCER</u>			
67	GUEST	<u>Kenneth H. Robison Jr</u>			
68	GUEST	<u>Colleen Preston</u>			
69	GUEST	_____			
70	GUEST	_____			