

Meeting Minutes for: September 8, 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 Chaplain 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. Induction of New Vice President for Programs President Nelson McLeod administered the oath and swore in Compatriot Aric Bruggeworth as the new Vice President for Programs for the SAR Godfrey Dreher Chapter.
- 6. Induction of (8) New Compatriots President Nelson McLeod conducted the oath and swore in the following individuals as the newest members of the SAR Godfrey Dreher Chapter: Barney Corbett, Marc Hutchinson, Brad Peterson, Paul Selle, Will Tarrant, Andrew Terry and Philip Terry (in person) and William Terry on military assignment (virtually). Registrar Mike Gillis presented the new members with a membership certificate, SAR rosette, and a copy of the SAR handbook. Photos were also taken. Family members of the new compatriots were in attendance.
- 7. Officer/Committee Reports
 - a. Vice President for Events and Development No report at this time
 - b. Vice President for Programs –Aric Bruggeworth mentioned that he also serves on a national committee to encourage participation by younger members in SAR. Aric asked the Chapter by a show of hands if there would be an interest in holding social events, whether at an historical site commemoration, camping, etc. A family cookout was suggested by the group.

- c. Vice President for Technology James Herritage shared (1) the new website domain for the Godfrey Dreher Chapter: sarlexingtonsc.org, (2) a new Chapter seal on a trial basis, (3) The Godfrey Dreher Chronicles on the website's home page, (4) a Compatriot Manual of basic info given to new members, (5) a Compatriot Directory spreadsheet containing member info for review/edit.
- d. Secretary Carl Epps reported he received no objections to the May meeting minutes he shared by email with members in advance of tonight's meeting.
 A vote was taken, and May's Minutes were unanimously approved.
- e. Treasurer Norman Smith's written report for August 2025 shows the Godfrey Dreher Chapter SAR account started with a balance of \$2,198.18. As there were no expenditures or deposits coming in, that was also the ending balance.
- f. Registrar Mike Gillis reported that at this time there aren't any applications at National under review, and he is currently working on 3 new applicants.
- 8. Old/New Business None
- 9. President Nelson McLeod introduced Speaker David Brinkman, archaeologist, author and hardware/software engineer who discussed the 3-D history book and video game he wrote and created in August 2025 named "12,000 Years in One Square Mile" about the history of Cayce, SC. The book journeys through the years with more than 80 anaglyph 3-D images, historical facts and archaeological findings and visual reconstructions. In the video game, players can travel through time visiting spots like Fort Granby, Saxe Gotha town lots and St. John Church; everything is located within one square mile by the Congaree River. He wanted to bring history and gaming together for an educational experience people may not otherwise receive. The goal is to draw in the younger generation who are avid PC gamers. The free time travel video game is available through Steam, and the book can be found on Amazon or by contacting David Brinkman via his website at www.historysoft.com/12000/. His wife and a newspaper reporter were present.
- 10. SAR Recessional/Adjournment Cmdr. of Colors Sam Padgett

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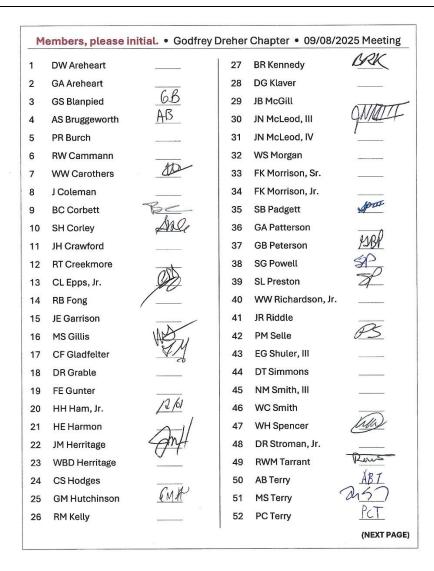
Any discrepancies in the information contained herein, please let me know immediately.

Respectfully submitted by:

Carl L. Epps, Jr., Secretary October 6, 2025

ADDENDUM ATTACHED IS HEREBY MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.

-- Meeting Attendee List



	53	WS Terry	71	GUEST Jack Tamf
	54	CL Williams	72	GUEST Cantine Jam
	55	SA Williams	73	GUEST EAUX YETGR SON
	56	SL Williams	74	GUEST
	57	GS Williamson	75	GUEST
	58	WA Wilson	76	GUEST
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	60	GUEST Miriam Lovett	80	GUEST
	61	GUEST CAROLINE SO FOURNER	81	GUEST
-	62	GUEST DOON HUNT	82	GUEST
	63	GUEST TERM SHARFETTEL	83	GUEST
	64	GUEST Tom ELMORE	84	GUEST
	65	GUEST Deborgh Stampied	85	GUEST
	66	GUEST Ques Brinkman	86	GUEST
	67	GUEST David Brinkman	87	GUEST
	68	GUEST NANCY HERRIAGE	88	GUEST
	69	GUEST Colleen Preston	89	GUEST
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