



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

NOTE:

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

Members, please initial. • Godfrey Dreher Chapter • 09/08/2025 Meeting

1 DW Areheart	_____	27 BR Kennedy	<u>BRK</u>
2 GA Areheart	_____	28 DG Klaver	_____
3 GS Blanpied	<u>GB</u>	29 JB McGill	_____
4 AS Bruggeworth	<u>AB</u>	30 JN McLeod, III	<u>QWILL</u>
5 PR Burch	_____	31 JN McLeod, IV	_____
6 RW Cammann	_____	32 WS Morgan	_____
7 WW Carothers	<u>WC</u>	33 FK Morrison, Sr.	_____
8 J Coleman	_____	34 FK Morrison, Jr.	_____
9 BC Corbett	<u>BC</u>	35 SB Padgett	<u>SP</u>
10 SH Corley	<u>SHC</u>	36 GA Patterson	_____
11 JH Crawford	_____	37 GB Peterson	<u>GBP</u>
12 RT Creekmore	_____	38 SG Powell	<u>SP</u>
13 CL Epps, Jr.	<u>CE</u>	39 SL Preston	<u>SP</u>
14 RB Fong	_____	40 WW Richardson, Jr.	_____
15 JE Garrison	_____	41 JR Riddle	_____
16 MS Gillis	<u>MSG</u>	42 PM Selle	<u>PS</u>
17 CF Gladfelter	<u>CFG</u>	43 EG Shuler, III	_____
18 DR Grable	_____	44 DT Simmons	_____
19 FE Gunter	_____	45 NM Smith, III	_____
20 HH Ham, Jr.	<u>HHH</u>	46 WC Smith	_____
21 HE Harmon	<u>HEH</u>	47 WH Spencer	<u>WHS</u>
22 JM Herritage	<u>JMH</u>	48 DR Stroman, Jr.	_____
23 WBD Herritage	_____	49 RWM Tarrant	<u>RWT</u>
24 CS Hodges	_____	50 AB Terry	<u>ABT</u>
25 GM Hutchinson	<u>GMH</u>	51 MS Terry	<u>MS7</u>
26 RM Kelly	_____	52 PC Terry	<u>PCT</u>

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53 WS Terry	_____
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58 WA Wilson	_____
59 WP Witherspoon, Jr.	_____

Guests, please print your name.

60 GUEST	<u>Miriam Lovett</u>
61 GUEST	<u>CAROLINE JO JOURNER</u>
62 GUEST	<u>DOON HURT</u>
63 GUEST	<u>Terry Clarkette</u>
64 GUEST	<u>Tom Elmore</u>
65 GUEST	<u>Deborah Blanpied</u>
66 GUEST	<u>Odessa Brinkman</u>
67 GUEST	<u>David Brinkman</u>
68 GUEST	<u>Nancy Herritage</u>
69 GUEST	<u>Colleen Preston</u>
70 GUEST	<u>Nonda Tarrant</u>

71 GUEST	<u>Jack Tarrant</u>
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